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Our meetings generally offer a speaker on timely and noteworthy topics, member plant sales, a plant raffle, special holiday plant auctions, diagnosis of disease and pest problems, and A Country Store with selected bromeliad and gardening supplies.

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:
The Bromeliad Society International
http://bsi.org

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The Cryptanthus Society
http://www.iinet.net.au/~scrozier/Culture.html

NEXT MEETING: MAY 21ST ,2007

Guest speaker: Dennis Cathcart

"At Home With Epiphytic Tillandsias".

This will be a fantastic program on Tillandsia's. Dennis has traveled the world over many, many years and has a wealth of knowledge and experience. Tillandsia's are a unique and beautiful plant in the bromeliad family.
This will be a power point program, so bring your questions cause he is the guy to ask!!!!!

The Member Sales Table will be Closed
but we will have our Raffle Table

Please take note of our NEW MEETING LOCATION

We meet the third Monday of every month (except January) at 7:30 p.m. in the Jim Ward Community Center located at
301 NW 46th Ave, Plantation Fl 33317
46th Ave is the same as Park East Drive

About our Guest Speaker

DOB: August 19, 1948. Lifelong Florida resident. (I lived in Davie from 1955 to 1967)
For many years herpetology was my avocation, and in pursuit of this interest I spent many happy days on field trips to the Caribbean and Latin America. It was here that I became acquainted with exotic plants, sparking a new interest that has spanned over 35 years both as a collector and grower.
Linda and I own and operate Tropiflora, established in 1976, which remains one of the largest collector-oriented exotic plant nurseries in the United States. Tillandsias and other bromeliads are a specialty as well as a wide assortment of orchid species and hybrids, rare succulents, myrmecophytes, cycads and more.

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Through our publication, the 'Cargo Report', we stay in touch with our customers throughout the world and try to bring them into the world we know, a fascinating one of adventure and beauty.
Our work with exotic plants, collecting, studying, photographing, writing and speaking about them takes us to many countries around the world. Exploring for new plant varieties is still one of our favorite activities, and we have made over 100 collecting trips to more than twenty five countries from the Caribbean and Latin American to Australia and south east Asia. Linda often is a part of these travels and has been in many different countries, roughing it along side of me. Our explorations have resulted in the introduction of a number of new species of bromeliads to science and cultivation. Three species of bromeliads, an *Aechmea*, a *Neoregelia* and a *Vriesea*, carry the specific epithet *cathcartii*.
Lecturing takes us to many fascinating places and we have traveled widely throughout the U.S. and to such far away places as Australia, New Zealand, Venezuela, Brazil, Bahamas, Philippines, Java, Singapore and Thailand for speaking engagements. Aside from the Cargo Report, I am also freelance writer for various publications and had been a regular columnist for the regrettably, out of print HousePlant magazine. Most recently we were an exhibitor at the first Singapore Garden Festival for which we won a silver medal for our bromeliad exhibit among sixteen countries exhibiting.

Tropiflora facts:

Tropiflora was established in 1976. Specializing in rare and exotic plants, featuring bromeliads, and includes orchids, cycads, caudiciforms, succulents, ferns, palms and more. Tropiflora maintains the largest variety of bromeliads, especially Tillandsias, available in the USA. Our stock of exotic plants runs well over 7000 varieties, with an inventory in excess of one million five hundred thousand plants.

Tropiflora's plants come from around the world, many of which were collected as seeds and cuttings on over 100 collecting expeditions, spanning 30 years and over twenty-five countries. Linda and Dennis both make frequent forays to the world's wild places in search of new plant treasures, which are then painstakingly cultivated and propagated for the collector market. Most of our stock is produced at Tropiflora, the rest being imported from other nurseries in various countries abroad.

Tropiflora clientele run the gamut from interiorscapers and landscapers to serious collectors and hobbyists. Most sales are by mail order and plants are daily shipped worldwide. Live arrival and complete satisfaction is guaranteed or money refunded. Customer satisfaction is a goal and Tropiflora is constantly striving to find better ways to serve its customers.

Tropiflora advertises nationally in many magazines, various technical journals and trade papers. Tropiflora publishes its own newsletter, the Cargo Report, with detailed accounts of travels, growing tips taxonomic information and lists plants for sale, complete with information and instructions. Through the Cargo Report articles, the reader can accompany the Tropiflora crew on their exciting travel adventures, and gain an insight to the origin of many of their favorite houseplants.

Visitors are welcome at Tropiflora, which has become a Mecca for serious collectors and lovers of unusual flora. Don't be in a hurry! It will take many hours to peruse miles of isles in over 200,000 square feet of greenhouses. Tropiflora's knowledgeable staff, most of who are veterans of collecting expeditions to exciting tropical countries, can answer your most detailed questions.

BSBC's new meeting location

The Jim Ward Community Center

301 N.W. 46th AVE

(same as Park East Drive)

Plantation, FL 33317

*Coming from the West

Exit 595 North on University Drive to Broward Boulevard; turn right going east to N. W. 46th Avenue (after Turnpike overhead to next light - 46th Avenue, about 1.5 - 2miles). Left on N. W. 46th Avenue - north, less than two blocks on the left.

*Coming from the North, South or East

Exit I-95 west on Broward Blvd. Go past 441, the next light will be 46th Ave - turn right north, less than two blocks on the left.

We are very excited about this venue and we are very lucky to have been able to find such a nice, new facility. I believe we will be very happy meeting there.
If you need more info please call Tim at 954-931-1711 or Colleen at 305-799-7037.

Calender of Events 2007

September 29th 2007 - 2007 Bromeliad Extravaganza Presented by The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies hosted by The Bromeliad Society of Broward County. Saturday September 29th, 2007 at the Hilton Ft. Lauderdale Airport Hotel. 1870 Griffin Rd. Dania Beach, Fl 33004. 954-920-3300
For more info contact Jose Donayre at 954-925-5112 or jcadonayre@bellsouth.net

The President's Message

Hello Everyone,

First, I would like to thank those of you who elected me as President... I will do my best to serve you well. I would like to Thank Pepe for his two years of service to this Society, to Bill who has been our Treasurer for a number of years, to Becky Blackwood, Ann Schandelmayer and Lawrence Davis. All of you have extended countless hours to help the club succeed. I would also like to extend my thanks to Tim Hendrix VP, Larry Searle Treasurer, Harry Sperling Secretary, Jack Maherian and George Henderson for excepting their positions on the Board. Also, to Gail Shirlaw and JoAnn Heyer for their continued support and countless devoted hours.

There have also been some changes within the committee chairs. Gail Shirlaw will not only be our Corresponding Secretary but she will also be our new Membership Chairmen. Maureen Frazel will now be our Events Coordinator; thank you Maureen for many years of being Membership Chair and we look forward to lots of activities to fill the calendar. Finally, Harriet Abo will now be our Refreshment Chairmen along with Sydney Sotor as her back up. Thank you Sara for all of the good fixin's you've brought to the table.

Wow, this is and has been an unusually busy year for us. Elections, the 11th Biennial Show and Sale, finding the new meeting facility and now we look forward to the 2007 Extravaganza.

My hopes for us this year is (1) to have an extremely successful Extravaganza (2) more activities and garden tours (3) for us to give back to the community in some way and (4) most importantly to have FUN. If any of you have any suggestions or anything else you would like to add, please let me know.

See you at the Jim Ward Community Center,

Colleen

Some highlights from our 11th Bienniel Show and Sale

Tillandsia pseudo baileyii - Best in Show Horticulture
Won by Bud Hendrix
Sweepstakes Winner - Bud Hendrix

Above: Neo Orange Crush, Section Winner- Josefa Leon

Right: Artistic arrangement By Jack Meharian

Nid. Innocentii Section Winner
Won by Jose Donayre

The shopping frenzy begins at the show and sale

Best in Show Artistic won by Anne Kauffman
Neo Ampullacea varigata

Above; Best Cryptanthus Hybrid "Glad"
Won by Harriet Abo

Section Winner for Table Decorating won by
Ann Schandelmayer

To the left: Best Decorative Container
Won by JoAnn Heyer

Guyla Nemeth giving his informative program on "Helpful Hints about Growing Bromeliads"

Bonus Plant Winner
Larry Searle
Neo. Patricia

Name Tag Winner
Kathy Law - A New Member
Won
Cryptanthus ubairensis

ALL BSBC MEMBERS WITH WEBSITES

May we impose upon your generosity as fellow BSBC members to include in your personal or business websites the following information: " 2007 Bromeliad Extravaganza hosted by the Bromeliad Society of Broward County on September 29, 2007 at the Hilton Ft. Lauderdale Airport Hotel. Info Contact (954) 436-5348."

If you can add more specific information please let us know at the next meeting or by calling JoAnn Heyer at (954) 436-5348 or Shirley Konefal (954) 922-5582. Also, if any of you have any special talents in advertising/ marketing or have an inside track to a publication that we may advertise in and would like to donate some of your time/ideas, please contact JoAnn or Shirley their numbers are above.

Anne Kauffman and Bud Hendrix receiving their awards for Best in Show Artistic and Best in Show Horticulture

Sandi Jones
Tom Wells

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2007 Bromeliad Extravaganza

Presented by
The Florida Council of Bromeliad societies
Hosted By
The Bromeliad Society of Broward County

Saturday, September 29th, 2007
At the

Hilton Ft. Lauderdale Airport Hotel
1870 Griffin Road
Dania Beach, FL 33004
954-920-3300
954-920-3348 (fax)

Room rates: Single or double $89.00
Rates in effect until September 14th,2007

Sale, Banquet, Raffle and Rare Plant Auction will take place at the same location

This Extravaganza and others which may follow will be the only major Bromeliad events in the Continental US as the 2008 World Conference will take place in Australia

There will be an a/v presentation on the upcoming 2008 World Bromeliad Conference June 24-29, 2008 Cairns, Queensland, Australia

Reminders

May Birthdays please bring goodies!

Happy Birthday to.....

Jillian & Gene Cain, Anne Bancroft, Richard Sedlak, Polly Pascal, Maureen Frazel, Jeff Koker, Alice Hendrix, Anne Kaufman

Anyone I missed or if it's the wrong month , than Happy Birthday to you and please correct me!!!!

Welcome All New Members

Glad your on Board!!!

A big Thank You goes to.....

Ann Schandelmayer for all her diligent work on our successful BSBC Show and Sale. All committee members that gave of your time and worked the show. Also to Pat Boone and Jean Tease for always helping to clean up our meeting room.

On the Cover

Tillandsia Capitata mexico

A Beautiful red color tillandsia grown in full sun. It has been around since 1960. It is easily grown and readily adapts in a well drained environment. There is a red, peach, yellow and old gold form. There is a great article on this plant in the 1998 July /august BSI Journal written by Herb Plever.

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Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone : _____

E-mail: _____

Month of your Birthday_____

Do you want a name tag? YES _____ NO_____

Would you be willing to work on a committee or other capacity? Yes_____ No_____

Membership Dues are:

$15 per year for individuals

$20 per year for more than one member at the same address

Please make check payable to Bromeliad Society of Broward County and mail this page to:

Larry Searle, Treasurer
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