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The Bromeliad Society of Broward County

President's Message

Hello everyone.
I just wanted to say my goodbyes and my thanks to all of you, the Members and The Board. I would also like to express how special the Board members are to me. We could not have accomplished some of the things we did without their endless dedication to the society. You guys are the best and I thank you so much!
I would like to ask that we all support the new President and her new Board as they move the club forward with exciting plans for the upcoming year.

See you Monday,
Colleen

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

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PLANTATION, FL. 33312

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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. We also offer a Country Store with selected bromeliad and gardening supplies. We meet the third Monday of every month (except January)

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

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:
The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies
http://fcbs.org

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:
The Cryptanthus Society
http://www.iinet.net.au/-scrozier/Culture.html

NEXT MEETING: Monday

May 18, 2009

Plant viewing at 7:00 PM

Meeting begins promptly at 7:30 PM

Where: Jim Ward Community Center

301 NW 46th Ave (Park East Drive)

Plantation, Fl. 33317

*****The Member Sales Table will be CLOSED*****

We will have our Raffle Table

Our Speaker for May 18, 2009

Dr. Terrie Bert

Terrie brings many beautiful bromeliads to sell.

Don't miss them!

"Growing the Jewels of the New World"

In this presentation, she talks about the types of plants in 8 commonly grown bromeliad genera (Aechmea, Billbergia, Cryptanthus, Dyckia, Guzmania, Neoregelia, Tillandsia, Vriesea). For each genus, she reviews their natural distributions and habitats and growing conditions. Then she describe how they can be grown outdoors, give tips on their propagation, and provide information on how to deal with common bromeliad pests.

Background on Dr. Burt

Dr. Terrie Bert has been a member of the Sarasota Bromeliad Society since 1987 and of the Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Society since 1997 and has held multiple offices in the Sarasota Bromeliad Society. She served on the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies for 9 years and was secretary, vice-president and president of the Council. She served on the Bromeliad Society International (BSI) Board of Directors for 7 years. She currently chairs the BSI Affiliated Shows Committee, is the BSI Librarian and curator of the Wally Berg Award of Excellence, and is a master judge. She's given over 80 presentations on bromeliads and bromeliad cultivation to numerous Florida bromeliad societies and other groups and has authored or coauthored 13 articles for bromeliad journals, including the BSI Journal. Her bromeliad collection consists of approximately 1,200 different types of bromeliads in 24 genera. She has won multiple top awards in the bromeliad shows of local clubs and in BSI world conferences. She is a volunteer for and contributor to the BSI Bromeliad Identification Center. In "real life," Terrie is a marine biologist for the state of Florida. She's led both the Genetics and Crustacean research programs. Currently, she's also president of the Sarasota Scuba Club.

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

The Board will meet on May 25th, Monday at 6:30 P.M.
Jim Ward Community Center

BIRTHDAY REMINDERS

May birthdays please bring a contribution to the Refreshment Table and get a free raffle ticket for a special drawing.

Happy Birthday and many more to.....Anne Bancroft, Nancy Burdelsky, Jillian and Gene Cain, Maureen Frazel, Jeff Koker, Barbara Graveson, Bud Hendrix, Larry Hill, Elsie Johns, Ann Kauffman, Barbara Ladin, Cynthia Long, Nancy Long, Kitty McGowan, Polly Pascal, Michael Schaberl, Richard Sedlak and Darryl Zellers, and anyone else celebrating in May!

If we missed your birthday or have you listed in the wrong month, please correct me!!

Happy Birthday to You !

PAYMENT OF DUES REMINDER

BSBC annual dues were due by February 1st. If you have not paid you are now 3 months overdue with your payment. This WILL be the LAST newsletter emailed or snail mailed to you.

Please remember we depend upon dues money to produce and mail our newsletter and also to obtain speakers.

$20.00 for an individual or $25.00 for multiple members at same mailing address.

You may make your check payable to the Bromeliad Society of Broward County and bring it to the meeting on May 18th or mail it to our Treasurer, Tami Newett
P.O. Box 17272, Plantation, Fl. 33318

Prompt payment of your dues will keep you on our mailing list or on our e-mail list for the Scurf. You will be kept informed of meetings, field trips and special events. We value your membership and participation. Thank you for helping to make our society so special and successful.

EMAIL ADDRESSES NEEDED

The Scurf has gone GREEN and your address is needed if you wish to receive your SCURF online. Saves postage as well especially with the increase in postage coming soon.

Guz. Wittmackii Purple

Neo. Carcharodon Macho

Aechmea "Blue Tango"

Aechmea Hybrid by Patricia Bullis "Little Harve"

Portea Macas

Neoregelia Picasso

Alcantarea Imperialis

Bud Hendrix has owned this for 12 years and it started to bloom last month. More pictures coming next month or as long as it blooms.

Alcantarea imperialis (rubra)

Information obtained from: Bromeliads: the connoisseur's guide by Andrew Steens

In the garden these plants are easy to grow and trouble free. It will grow in virtually any soil although they prefer free draining soil. They are completely resistant to salt spray and wind. They are surprisingly cold hardy - able to cope with several frosts in a season. Full sun produces best leaf color and form even with the green types. In tropical or sub-tropical climates some burning may occur in the middle of summer so mid-day shade is advisable. The plants tend to produce the best color in winter in these climates. In temperate climates burning is rare unless the plant has not been acclimatized before planting out.

BSBC Country Store

The Hendrix Garden Shop has the following items for sale at great prices!

See Tim Hendrix to purchase or order.

ITEM	PRICE
Five - inch pots	5 pots for $1.0
Logo Shirts, Hats & Totes	$10.00 - $25.00
Plant Name sticks - per 100	50 sticks for $1.00
Mini-pine bark nuggets (per bag)	see Tim Hendrix for price
Drift wood	Priced as marked

This is the product that Maureen Frazel talked about and praised.

12-Month Tree and Shrub Protect and Feed Concentrate by Bayer.

New and improved dual action liquid formula.

For more information:

Bayer Advanced Tree and Shrub

on Google

Available at Lowes, Home Depot, True Value Hardware

Walmart and many others.

FLORIDA JUDGES SCHOOL

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies is considering organizing a Judges school and is exploring the interest of all society members in the state.

The School consists of five sessions focusing on each of the main bromeliad genera and requires that 16 people are registered before it gets started. It lasts an average of 3 years with schools in various places, mostly in Fort Myers, one coinciding with a World Bromeliad Conference. In this case it would be the upcoming Conference in New Orleans. Each session will cost $20.00(US). There will be a final exam before a judge is confirmed.

If any member is interested please forward your name to Secretary Gail Shirlaw. Names will be forwarded to Vicky Chirnside, Judges Registrar for Florida.

Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Month of your birthday _____

Would you be willing to serve on a committee or otherwise assist?

Yes___ No___

Permanent Name Tag? No___ Yes___ Paid___

Membership Dues are:

$20.00 per year for individuals.

$25.00 per year for more than one member at the same address.

Please make your check payable to:
Bromeliad Society of Broward County and mail this page to:
Gail Shirlaw, Membership Chairman
17516 NW 7th St., Pembroke Pines, Fl. 33029

We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 PM at:

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301 NW 46th Ave.
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