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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.
We meet the third Monday of every month (except January)

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

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

Next Meeting: September 15th, 2008

Time: 7:30 pm Plant sales begin at 7:00

Where: Jim Ward Community Center
301 NW 46th Ave (Park East Drive)
Plantation, Fl 33317

The Member Sales Table will be open

Guest Speaker: Dr. Jeffery Block

Topic: "Our Space"

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE BLOCK FAMILY GARDEN

About our Guest Speaker

As a recently retired MD Anesthesiologist, Dr. Jeff Block now has more time to better share his gardening interests. Recognized as both a scientist and artist, his creative use of garden space and sound horticultural practices define his personal residence in South Miami. This garden enjoys a reputation as one of our country's more important private
landscapes, has been twice featured in the Miami Herald's 'Tropical Life' section. Over the past decade, he has served as a Fellow at Fairchild Tropical Garden, lectured on tropical horticulture, and is presently involved with the Miami-Dade County Agricultural Extension Office's Master Gardener program.

Dr. Block's talents had their roots dating back to when he came to Miami as a teenager in 1970, but didn't truly blossom into that of a horticulturalist until he joined the Bromeliad Society of South Florida in the early 1980's. He served as a two-term President of the society during 1989 and 1990, and by competing in plant show competitions, he developed a keen eye for horticultural excellence. From bromeliads, he branched out into most familiar plant families, including orchids, palms, aroids, ferns, begonias and succulents. His garden and greenhouses are filled with these, and other true "oddball curiosities" of the plant world. To consolidate his experiences, Dr. Block is now preparing to co-author a book about the secrets of tropical gardening.....details to follow! An avid photographer, Monday's presentation was prepared by Dr. Block with pictures taken this past Labor Day during the most active growing season of the year. He is a proud father to three boys, and lives with his wife Michelle, a registered nurse.

The President's Message

Hey Everyone,
It's been too long since we have seen each other! Last month due to TS Hanna - and looks like we were lucky enough to skate by H. Ike. What the board decided to do since we were not able to have our summer party potluck, we will have it in November to kick off the holiday season, I can't believe it's here already?!

To start off the fall season, I am extremely excited to have Dr. Jeffery Block give us a program. The ones who went on the field trip earlier this year to his home were in amazement at his garden. He has a brom named after him.... I will have a pic and description on page 6. This power point program well be filled with info, so don't miss it!!! Invite your friends!!!

Next, it's time to start thinking about October's Annual Auction. We did not have it last year due to the extravaganza, but for you newer members, this is an annual event that the society has not only to raise funds for the club, but to add to our collections. It is also the time to get incredible plants at a great price. We ask that each member bring 3 to 5 plants or a bromeliad related item to be auctioned off; something that you would want to receive as a gift.
The plants must be free of scale, not burnt, and potted (if bare root it must be clean of dirt and in a bag. A bromeliad related item can be art, photo, fertilizer, books, decorative container, gift cert. for a landscaping job. We always have a great time and a bidding frenzy usually erupts! Preview of the plants will be at 6:30 and we'll begin the auction PROMPTLY at 7:00.
Also, October is the last month to buy a brom (if you need one to start grooming and enter in the show in April of 09) The board wants as many participants as possible, if you have ANY questions about what and how to enter or if you have a special idea about something you want to enter PLEASE ASK!!!! We are more than happy to help you get started.

See you Monday,
Colleen

Calendar of Events 2008

September 15th 2008 - Dr Jeffery Block will be presenting a program to us. "A Day in the Life of the Block Family"
Invite you friends!

October 20th 2008 - BSBC Annual Bromeliad Auction
The Auction will begin promptly at 7:00 - each member is asked to bring 5 gorgeous plants or bromeliad related item to donate to the auction.
For more info - please contact Colleen at 954-530-0076

November 17th 2008 - BSBC Annual Potluck Bash
We will kick off the Holiday Season with our potluck summer bash that had to be cancel due to tropical storm Hanna.
For more info contact Harriet Abo at 954-434-8466

December 13th 2008 - BSBC Christmas Party
Please join us at the Plantation Preserve Golf and Country Club
Eat, Drink and be Merry. Bring a friend or family.
$30.00 per ticket. We always have a great time.

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"Tropical Magic of Bromeliads"

April 4th-5th, 2009 Bromeliad Society of Broward County and The Plantation woman's Club present the 12th Biennial BSI Standard Show and Sale EXPO at Volunteer Park in Plantation FL. If you are interested in being a vendor please contact: JoAnn at 954-436-5348 or Colleen at 305-799-7037

Neoregelia 'Jeffrey Block' photo by P.. Bullis

The above photo courtesy of the FCBS photo gallery

Neoregelia Jeffrey Block - is a large albomarginate Neo with a bright, wide cream band running down the outside edge contrasting against the medium green mid-rib. "Jeffrey Block" is a one of the larger Neo's grown at Bullis reaching about 32 inches across. When mature you'll find a deep purple center in this large variegated Neo. It gives the landscaper a lot of options in its use… as either a stand alone in the landscape but also placing this colorful specimen in a "fancy" pot as a show stopper.

- 9 inch - 18 x 32
- Red Center
- Used in Landscape and Interiorscape

Using "Jeffery Block" in the landscape photo & description P. Bullis

Congratulations to Tampa Bay's Extravaganza 2009
It was a great event!!!!

FOR SALE

Collector BSI Journals - 1954 thru 2002

Nearly complete set - missing all of 1966 and Vol. 1 of 1979.

$975.00 (US $) includes shipping to contiguous USA, ask for quotes for other countries. Payment to BSBC, P.O. Box 17272, Plantation FL 33318. (Bromeliad Society of Broward County)

Further information, please contact timbo-169@comcast.net

Show, Tell and Admire

Bring in your Blooming Broms to show off to us. There will be a table in the front of the room to display them. Always remember, if you are having trouble with one of your plants, or need a plant identified, or have a question about one, bring it to a meeting and we'll help you with it.

Reminders

August & September Birthdays please bring contribution to the Refreshment Table!
And get a free raffle ticket for a special drawing

Happy Birthday to.....

Colleen Hendrix, Kevin Gale, Norm Grover, Jamie Hawkins, Steve Kalogerakis, Victoria Barnick, Gerry Bohnig, Susan Gutman, Caroline Plechac, Tom Shirley, Janice Stencel, Bill Frazel

If we missed your birthday or have you listed on the wrong month , than please correct me!!!!
Happy Birthday to you

BSBC Country Store

Our 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 1.00
Logo Shirts, Hats and totes	$ From 10 - 25 dollars
Plant Name sticks—per 100	$ 50 sticks for 1.00
Mini pine bark nuggets (per bag)	$ see Tim Hendrix
Drift wood	$ as marked
Steens Book "Connoisseurs Guide	$ 32.00 each

Event Update

Monday October 20th 7:00pm

BSBC's Annual Plant Auction

We ask each member to bring at least 5 beautiful plants or bromeliad related item to be auctioned off. EX: Art work, decorative pots, books, household item such as napkins or coasters with pineapples on it.
This is a fund raiser for the club so we ask that everyone participates. Tell your friends; this is a great time to collect great plants and get into a bidding frenzy!

Saturday Nov.1, 9:30 a.m.

Garden Tour

We will visit Jesse Durko's seven acre garden featuring a lagoon ,multitudes of flowering shrubs, palms sheltering beds of variegated Neoregelias. Many horticultural treasures. A large commercial nursery adjoins.
The location is south of Griffin Road. 5151 S W 70th Ave Following Jesse's will be a visit to Trinity Churchside Gardens . Lunch will be at the same location which must be paid for in advance to Maureen by October 20th. The price is $11.00. It includes entrée and a drink, you may eat it there or have it boxed to go. Or if you choose, you don't have to eat at all.
For more info call: Maureen Frazel, Event Chairman 954-4741349

Saturday December 13th,2008 11:00 am

Annual Christmas Party

We had a record number attend last year and by special request It will be held at the Plantation Preserve Golf and Country Club from 11:00am to 3:00pm
We had a blast the last time, lots of great food and drinks along with our traditional plant gift exchange.
$ 30.00 for the luncheon , raffles and fun
Please contact Tim Hendrix for more info 954-931-1711

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Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone : _____

E-mail: _____

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 per year for individuals

$25 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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