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Sarasota Bromeliad Society *Newsletter*

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POSTER FOR THE SBS ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE

The Sarasota Bromeliad Society
Presents its
2015 Show and Sale
Bewitching Bromeliads

Fabulous Show Plants to View Beautiful Bromeliads for Sale

South Gate Community Center
3145 Southgate Cir.
Sarasota, Florida
(on Tuttle Ave., north of Bee Ridge Road)

Fri. Oct. 30 Plant Sale 10 AM - 5 PM
Sat. Oct. 31 Plant Sale, Show 10 AM - 5 PM
Banquet, Auction 6 PM - 10 PM
Sun. Nov. 1 Plant Sale, Show 1 PM - 4 PM

Need more information? Call 941/795-6012

Sarasota Bromeliad Society Monthly Meeting

LOCATION: Activities Center, Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, Sarasota, Florida

DATE: August 10, 2015

TIME: 7:30 PM

EXTRAS AND NEWS:

FCBS Extravaganza, in September-- Just another reminder about the Extravaganza, BROMELIADS IN THE MAGIC CITY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015, HOSTED BY THE BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF SOUTH FLORIDA. Hotel information, program schedule, and registration form are in the newsletter, after the minutes.

Workshop—Debbie Lemieux, who was scheduled, is unable to give the workshop. Shirley Evans will conduct another “Questions and Answers” workshop. Bring your bromeliads with problems and any questions, or just come with questions. Starts at 6:45 PM.

This month's tip, from Terrie Bert: Watch your plants closely during this wet weather. Another reason to remove dead outer leaves is leaf rot, which will kill your plants during this time of year. This is a great time of year to take pups off of your plants or to split your plants and start growing them. If you have a shady area that's getting lots of water, just put them in an empty pot and if needed, prop them up with volcanic rock or very coarse medium.

Have a good tip on bromeliad care to share? Send it to Terrie.

UPCOMING MEETING:

Business:

News from President Ray Lemieux-- the Selby Gardens Lights in Bloom festivities will be Dec. 18 – 23 and Dec. 26-30. The SBS needs to pick a day to participate. The 'Giving Partner Challenge' fundraiser that Selby Gardens is involved in will be held Sept. 1-2, starting at noon. This is an event where multiple organizations try to raise funds through social media networking, Twitter, Facebook, e-mail, etc. The SBS participated last year. Vice-president Steve Upton will present the information and call for volunteers.

Meeting to be led by Vice-president Steve Upton. President Ray Lemieux will be unable to attend the meeting this month, so VP Steve Upton will lead the meeting.

July Program:

The scheduled speaker, Terrie Bert, is unable to meet her commitment to give the SBS August program because her mother is in hospice care and is failing. Terrie apologizes for this inconvenience to the SBS, but needs to travel to her parent's hometown to help with her mother. Terrie will give the September program, and she will be selling lots of plants at the meeting.

Program: **Show and Tell—everyone's a speaker!** Bromeliads are thriving in this wet, shady weather. Bring your best and your worst, whatever; but bring a lot of plants! If you have a great-looking plant, tell members how you grow it. If you have a suffering plant, ask members how to grow

it. Group-participation Show-and –Tell is always an enlightening and fun event, so don't be shy, bring your plants!

REMINDERS:

Bring food or drinks, to be eligible for the special food-contribution bromeliad door prize!

Please bring your clean, labeled extra plants for the monthly raffle.

Pots, fertilizer, and plant hangers will be available for sale, for very reasonable prices. MICK AND JOHN TAKE CREDIT CARDS, so payment is easy.

MINUTES, SBS June, 2015 MEETING:

Minutes of the meeting of the Sarasota Bromelia Society for Monday July 13, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by President Ray Lemieux. Guests where announced: Scott and Tiffany Reynolds, and David Sand. David is the speaker of the night and is from Michael's Bromeliads. Susan Stobo gave treasurer's report.

David Johnson gave report from Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies (FCBS). The quarterly FCBS meeting was held at Selby Gardens and Bruce Holst gave a tour of the greenhouses for members. The Bromeliad Society International as a scholarship program, created to honor the memory of Harry Luther. Money is being donated by the FCBS for that scholarship. FCBS society representatives commented that Selby Gardens is a very nice venue, among the best they have seen for a meeting.

Next, Terry Bert gave an update on the FCBS Extravaganza coming up in September, in Miami. She also talked about the upcoming SBS show and sale at the end of October (Halloween weekend). The theme is "Bewitching Bromeliads". Plant entries will be on Thursday October 29th. We need about 200 plants from club members.

John Osteen reported that the Florida West Coast Bromeliad Society is organizing a bus tour for the FCBS Extravaganza and has invited SBS members to join them. They will meet at Tropiflora. The price for the trip to and from Miami is \$130. There is a deadline (end of July) to register for the bus ride. (*Newsletter editor's note: the deadline has passed.*)

Terri Bert is the scheduled speaker for the August SBS meeting. She will give a talk on uncommon bromeliad genera beginning with the letters S - W.

President Ray mention that Selby gardens wants to set a date for SBS members to participate in the annual Lights in Bloom event around the Christmas holidays. Ray also called for an officers meeting this Sunday, July 19, at 2pm to discuss the upcoming show and sale and other topics.

For Show-and-Tell, Ray Lemieux brought a *Navia lactea*, Terrie Bert brought several tillandsias and a large X Vriecantarea intergeneric hybrid.

The speaker, David Sands, spoke about the care and maintenance of dyckias.

The raffle and door prize commenced.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary,

David Denholm

**The Bromeliad Society of South Florida and Florida Council of
Bromeliad Societies Invite you to join us for the 2015 Extravaganza:
“Bromeliads in the Magic City”**

Date: September 26, 2015

Place: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Miami Airport and Convention Center, Miami, Florida
711 N.W. 72ND AVENUE, MIAMI, FL 33126

\$107.00/NIGHT; Group code: “BRO”; CALL GROUP RESERVATIONS: 305-261-3800 x
4333, TOLL FREE: 1-888-353-1995, FAX: 305-260-8900

Website: [http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/M/MIAMADT-
BRO-20150923/index.jhtml](http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/M/MIAMADT-BRO-20150923/index.jhtml)

LAST DATE TO QUALIFY FOR THIS RATE: 8/26/2015

You can register and book hotel through: fcbs.org or bssf-miami.org

Extravaganza registration includes admission to Friday night “Meet and Greet”, lectures,
plant sales, banquet, and rare plant auction. Reduced parking rate: Mention “Bromeliads
in the Magic City.”

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS- Subject to change

Sept. 25, 2015 – BSI Annual Meeting – 8:00am – 6:00pm

Check with Jay Thurrott; details forthcoming

Extravaganza registration Begins – 4:00pm-6:00pm

“Meet and Greet” for all Extravaganza registrants -7:00pm – 8:30pm – BSSF sponsored

Sept. 26, 2015 – Registration 8:00am – 5:00pm

Plant Sale – 9:00am – 4:00pm

Speaker #1 – 10:30am – 11:30am – Craig Morell

Speaker #2 - 1:15pm - 2:15pm- Jose Manzanares

Open Bar – 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Banquet - 7:00pm – 8:15pm

Rare Plant Auction - 8:15pm – 10:00pm

Sept. 27, 2015 – Optional Tours of Block Botanical Gardens

(Blockbotanicalgardens.com) and Pinecrest Gardens. (pinecrest-fl.gov). Watch the BSSF
website for additional details. Tours must be booked in advance.

Be sure to take advantage of the unique wholesale shopping mall immediately adjacent
to the hotel. Open M-Sat from 10am to 6pm. www.miamimerchandisemart.com

EXTRAVAGANZA REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Fee: \$75.00/person; Banquet Only Fee: \$50.00 *

Mail form and payment to: **Mr. Frederick Sussenberger, Treasurer, 19731 Eagle
Nest Road, Cutler Bay, FL 33157-8642**

Make checks payable to BSSF, Inc.

*For guests of registrants only attending the banquet and rare plant auction on Sept.
26th.

Please indicate the number of persons:

___ Grilled Free Range Chicken

___ Grilled Veggies with couscous.

___ Grilled Mojo Spiced Salmon

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone/Cell/Email:

Society Affiliation:

FCBS Extravaganza - "Bromeliads in the Magic City"

ONE OF THE POSTERS MADE FOR THE SBS SHOW, HALLOWEEN WEEKEND.

