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# Sarasota Bromeliad Society *Newsletter*

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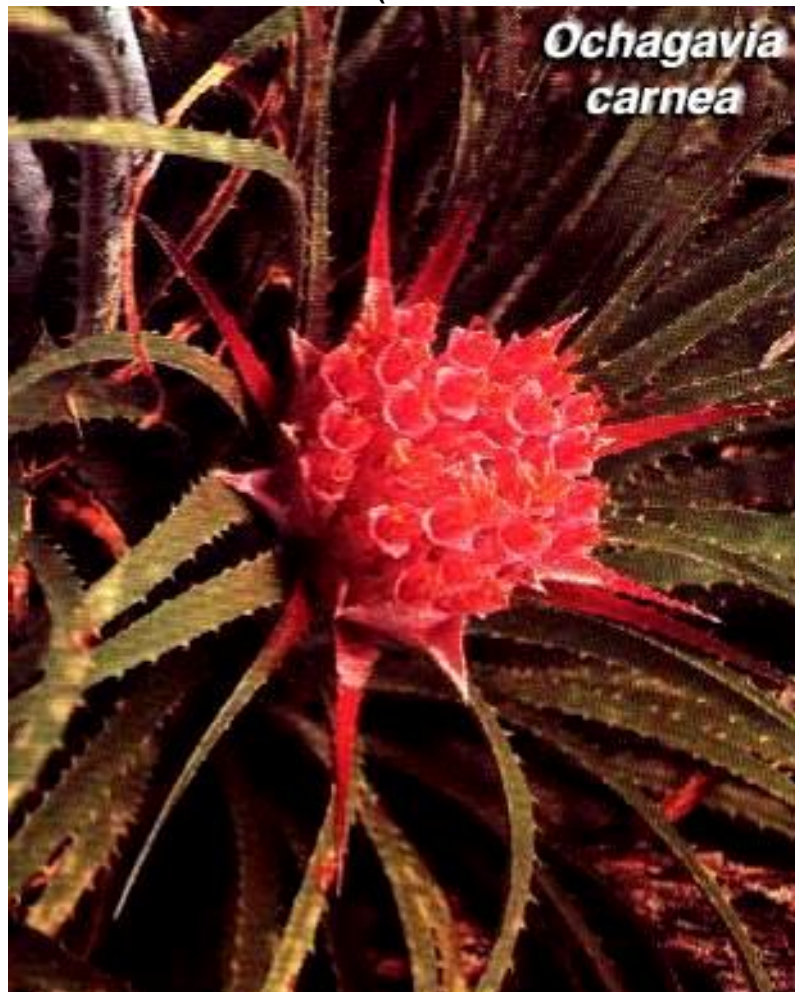
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**OCHAGAVIA CARNEA IS ENDEMIC TO THE PACIFIC SIDE OF CHILE BUT HAS BECOME NATURALIZED IN SICILY! (PHOTO COURTESY OF FCBS WEBSITE)**



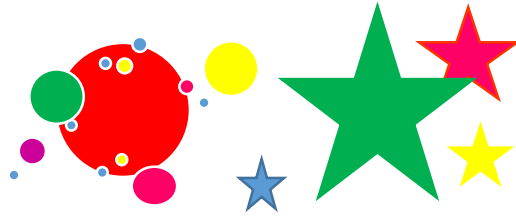
# Sarasota Bromeliad Society Monthly Meeting

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

**DATE:** Monday, January 11, 2016

**TIME:** 7:30 PM

## EXTRAS AND NEWS:



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**Workshop**— Shirley Evans will lead a questions-and-answers session. Bring any plants problematic plants to the workshop and trouble-shoot with Shirley.

**Fairchild Gardens Program**—In case you plan to go to Miami or want to make a special trip to Fairchild Gardens, you might want to catch this program:

**Dr. Carl L Lewis presents "MILLION ORCHIDS PROJECT"**

We are delighted to have Dr. Carl Lewis as our Guest Speaker for our January 18<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 10 AM. At the Clubhouse, 1131 Blvd. of the Arts. In 2001, Dr. Lewis received his Ph. D in Systematic Botany from Cornell University and has worked at Fairchild gardens in Coral Gables since that time. Between 2008 and present, he has been responsible for Implementing a strategic plan for Horticulture, Education & Research programs to carry out the mission of the institution. Dr. Lewis will talk about the Million Orchids Project. It is a five year program to reintroduce native orchids into South Florida's urban landscape. They are especially targeting areas where people work, learn and commute. Please plan on attending and bring your friends too. Members – no charge Guests - \$10.

**Please bring food or drinks for the refreshment table**—It's the new year and we're hungry! Bring some tasty finger food to enhance the fun of the meeting. Remember that people who bring refreshments are eligible for a special free-bromeliad raffle. So, help out and get rewarded!

**Please bring bromeliads for show-and-tell**—Bring blooming plants, non-blooming plants, big plants, small plants, odd plants, boring plants, nice plants, messy plants, any plants; just bring plants. Show-and-tell is our chance to discuss plants and learn about them.

**This month's tip**—Are the leaf tips of your bromeliads dying? Clean out the center of the plant. It's probably clogged with debris or soil.

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

## UPCOMING MEETING:

### **Business:**

The business this month will focus on organizing for the coming year. Here are the topics:

Forming Committees

Goals for the SBS in 2016

New Communications tools

Enrollment for 2016—*the membership form is attached at the end of the newsletter.*

The 2016 Membership directory.  
Privacy of Member's personal information  
2016 budget  
The 2016 Show (March is coming fast)  
Meeting Refreshments

### **January Program:**

David Johnson David is a member of the Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay. David's program is an interactive game--Bromeliad Jeopardy. There are 25 questions total; 20 are about general bromeliad knowledge, ranging from very easy questions to very hard questions, including 5 questions about famous bromeliad people. Top score is 750 – no one throughout the state has hit the top score yet.

David will split the members into 3 groups: (1) members who have grown bromeliads less than 3 years; (2) members who have grown bromeliads 3 – 7 years; and (3) members who have grown bromeliads more than 7 years.

The members in each group compete against their fellow members in that group. The top score in each of the 3 groups win a very nice bromeliad prize.

David will provide scorecards and pencils. Members of other bromeliad societies have had great fun participating in this program.

**MINUTES, SBS DECEMBER, 2015 MEETING:** There are no minutes. Members attended a holiday party!

MEMBERSHIP FORM ON NEXT PAGE--

Membership form:

# The Sarasota Bromeliad Society

## Membership Application/Renewal Form

Member Information

Please Print Legibly:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues Schedule:**

\$20.00 per year for Individuals. \$25.00 per year for couples. Dues are paid on a calendar year basis, with renewals due in January. Partial year membership dues are prorated quarterly for new members who join after the first of the year.

**Make Your Check Payable to:** "The Sarasota Bromeliad Society"

**Mail This Form and Your Check To:** The Sarasota Bromeliad Society c/o: Bob Stickney, Membership Chair 4860 Baccus Ave. Sarasota, FL 34233, *or bring them to the next meeting.*

**Your Choice:** I hereby allow the Sarasota Bromeliad Society to show (check both boxes):

**On The WEBSITE (in password protected "Members Only" section) include . . .**

- My Name
- My Address
- My Phone number,  My Cell number
- My email address
- None of my personal info

**CHECK ALL THAT APPLY**

**In the Sarasota Bromeliad Society DIRECTORY include . . .**

- My Name
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**New members only:** Please tell us how you learned about the SBS:

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Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ORTHOPHYTUM HELENICEAE IS A BEAUTIFUL SPECIES THAT CAN BE GROWN HERE.  
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