



BromeliAdvisory

Stop and Smell the Bromeliads

February 2020

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What	Who
Sales Table	Open to All
Silent Auction	Rene Izquierdo

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

SPEAKER: Speaker: Getting Ready for the Show

RAFFLE TABLE: Barbara Partagas

FOOD: Usual Suspects

President's Message

Sorry If you missed our field trip on February 1. About 25 had a great time and got some wonderful plants. But don't despair! There is **another field trip on April 11** – to Flamingo Gardens for their Orchid and Bromeliad show and a few other locations.

Read the Advisory for details. That will be after the show when we are all relaxed.

Speaking of the Show, it's time to get your plants ready and we are going to help you – with tips, demonstrations and any advice you may need. Just ask us. And attend the next two meetings. If you don't have anything to enter for the show, perhaps you will want to sell some plants at our Member Plant Sales table. Bring your clean, labeled plants in and work a few hours and you and the society can make a little money. See Bob Meyer, our chairman. Or you can volunteer at any number of jobs: the information table, hospitality and security, judge's clerks, catering, plant placement, data entry, set up on Thursday before the show and cleanup on Sunday after the show. There are a lot of opportunities. The more that members volunteer means less work for everyone else. In return you get free admission to Fairchild for the day and an invite to Sandy's Friday night party with lot of fun, food and drinks. Finally you can help us from the comfort of your own home. Share info about our Show on your social media accounts at Facebook, Instagram and others. We need to get the word out.

Now go look for show plants and we'll see you at the meeting!

Maureen Adelman

In Case You Missed It

by Leonard Goldstein

A novel program awaited artists and aspiring artists at the January meeting. Program chair Olivia Martinez put together an informative and creative event – a mini-workshop on potting bromeliads into decorative containers, with an eye toward designing award-winning entries in the BSSF's annual show.

Several members, including Rhonda and Alan Herndon, Maureen Adelman, and Barbara Partagas, donated bromeliads of various sizes for the program, and the plants, along with a number of containers, were available for purchase, but attendees were also



encouraged to bring plants and/or containers of their own. The Society provided potting soil, glue, tape, floral wire, wooden picks, and other useful items. In addition, Denise Karman and Sandy Roth offered their services as consultants to the participants.

Under ordinary circumstances, to say that a good time was had by all would be a hackneyed phrase, but this program really was fun for the participants. We look forward to the design gems that show up at our show, not only this year, but also long into the future.

GETTING READY FOR THE BLOOMING MARCH SHOW

Part V
by Robert Meyer

Four months ago, we delivered a list of plants which would likely bloom during the time of the Annual Show. Three months ago, we reviewed that age-old question: Okay, I have the plant – what do I do with it between now and March? Two months ago, we will started to disclose what the judges look for and how to prepare in accordance with their rules.

Last month, we essentially give a timeline of what to do, and when, in relation to the plants you wish to bring to the Show.

Time is moving at a rapid pace. The time to think about the Spring Show is now.

Below is a sample idea of what to do with the remaining weeks before the Spring Show.

Weeks to Show	What To Do	Comment
5	Sunburn avoidance time. If you do not have shade house, this is when the sun returns to our neck of the woods, or soon will.	Rearrange position where plant is to avoid the burn spots. Burns are never fun and always taboo to the judge.
4	Clean plan [Part II] This may the end of the cleaning.	Make sure soil is good a well.

3	Putting babies to bed. Placing plants in protective places so that nothing will affect plants for this one-month period prior to the Show.	If you have a porch, this may be the time to bring the plants in.
2	Shopping for artistic. This is the time to see what wood or pot or plant you may want to use for these types of nontraditional entries.	Stay away from plants at this time, let them rest in the shaded area of your residence.
1	Cleaning plant [Part III] If last two did the job, this may be a nonevent. Clean pots with car wax or other cleaner. Topsoil should be finished.	This is busy work week.
<1	Nothing for Show Plants, unless cleaning procrastination occurred. This should be artistic arrangement time.	You can actually buy plant this late in the game for artistic. Not a bad idea as the later, the better.

SILENT AUCTION

We have added a new segment to our meetings – the silent auction. Every month we will auction 1 to 3 plants for our members to bid on silently. Who supplies the plants? You, our members, do. Who profits from the sales? Both you and the society. As you divide your plants, you may find you have some extras. Why not auction them and make some extra money? Just email RENE IZQUIERDO at RCIzquierdo@bellsouth.net before the meeting. Have your plants at the meeting by 7:00 pm. All plants must be in good condition

MESSAGES

Badges Wear Them

We make some pretty neat badges. They help our fogged aged memories for names. Starting next month, anyone who wants a door prize *must* be wearing a name badge. This way we will better address one another by name. FYI – do

BECOME A BSI JUDGE

Contact Betty Ann Prevatt.
\$25.00 first lesson
Application available at the Meeting
Contact Alex Bello

SILENT AUCTION

There will be a Silent Auction at the Next Meeting

BSSF SHOW SCHEDULE COMING TO YOU – KEEP EYE OPEN FOR THE EMAIL COMING TO YOU

NEW MEMBERS PLEASE COLLECT BADGES

We have 16 new members. Your membership entitles you to Membership Badges. We have them. Come to our meeting and pick them up. Ask for Maureen. She holds the badges.

CRYSTAL

Thanks to the following for donating crystal tot he Show: Robert Meyer, Barbara Partagas, Maureen Adelman, Sandy Roth, Patty Gonzalez, Elaine Mills, Virginia Shrenker and Barbara Sparling.

Donate Your Crystal to our Show which then will return it to you when you win awards., contact Skye Palmer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 21-22, 2020
Garden Fest Plant Extravaganza
9AM to 4PM
Volunteer Park,
12050 W Sunrise Blvd
Plantation, Florida 33323



March 28-29, 2020
Annual Show and Sale
10901 Old Cutler Road
Coral Gables, FL 33156




April 4, 2020
Orchid & Bromeliad Show
Flamingo Park
3750 S. Flamingo Rd,
Davie, FL 33330-1614
954- 473-2955



May 15-17, 2020
Redland International Orchid Show
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Fruit & Spice Park
24801 SW 187th Ave, Homestead, FL

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Form is attached, get filled out form to Terri Tallale, and deliver payment to Fred before the deadline which is coming sooner than later.

WHO	 
WHAT	Biannual World Conference
WHEN	June 9-13, 2020
WHERE	 <p>Hyatt Regency Sarasota 1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, Florida, United States, 34236</p>
HOW TO REGISTER	https://www.bsi.org/new/world-bromeliad-conference-registration/



Bird Rock Tropicals Photo by
Desiree Meyer

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
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2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

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2020 MEMBERSHIP for NEW MEMBERS

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42ND ANNUAL SHOW & SALE

at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

MARCH 28-29, 2020

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM



Bromeliad Society of South Florida

Plant Show and Art Show in the Garden House

Rare plant auctions at 1:00 PM Saturday and Sunday in the Garden House.

Plant sales on the lawn, west side of the Cycad Circle