



# The Spine and Stolon

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF THE PALM BEACHES

January 2018



## Meeting Information

**Next Meeting: Thursday – 18 January 2018, 7:30 p.m.**

**Location: Mounts Botanical Garden at 531 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach FL 33415. North of Southern Blvd. Meeting is in the building next to the front parking lot. (Do not go through the main entrance gate.)**

## President's Report

Happy New Year bromeliad lovers!

I hope that everyone had a great holiday and New Year's. 2018 is going to be another exciting year full of educational speakers, fun, friends and hopefully some interesting garden visits and maybe a swamp walk.

In December we continued with our went back to the pot luck style holiday party and I think it was successful let me know if you have ideas for the next party. I want to thank Kathleen Hendrick for doing most of the planning and set up. I also want to thank Jeff for bringing all the nice bingo plants and Ken for his excellent bingo calling and Mike for getting the bingo app.

I want to thank 2017's board for the hard work and commitment to our society. Most

of our board members are returning for 2018 so we should have another great year.

This month's speaker is Pam Koide Hyatt of Bird Rock Tropicals in California who will be talking about the Tillandsias of Mexico. Pam gave this talk at the FCBS extravaganza last summer and it was very interesting. However, Pam has let us know that she is sick like everybody else in California and may not be able to talk.

The board has agreed to raise the dues this year by \$5. Even with the increase our dues are still lower than Broward and Miami and all the money goes right back into the club.

Enjoy your bromeliads...

Nick Bethmann, President



Holiday Party



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## Program

This month's scheduled speaker is Pam Koide Hyatt of Bird Rock Tropicals in California who will be talking about the Tillandsias of Mexico. They are under stress due to the encroachment of the population and are undergoing some interesting changes. Pam will be selling plants.

### January Ramble

None scheduled, we are looking for a Ramble coordinator. Let the president know if you are interested.

### Membership

It's time to renew your membership! This is one of the main ways we fund the club's treasury, which helps to pay for great speakers, badge plants and the holiday party. So please see me at the January meeting or mail your dues to me at: Mike Thompson, 6983 Ashton Street, Boynton Beach, FL 33437. Please make checks payable to: Bromeliad Society of the Palm Beaches. Single membership \$20.00, Family membership \$25.00.

If you need a membership form go to the following link:

<http://www.bromeliadsocietypalmbeaches.org/application.html>

I look forward to meeting everyone. If you have any questions, please email me at [lamathompson@hotmail.com](mailto:lamathompson@hotmail.com).

Mike Thompson



Tillandsia 'Fire Orange'



Puya 'Cayata'



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### January Birthdays

If it's your birthday month please bring an appetizer or dessert to share at the meeting. Don't be surprised if you get a call from the Refreshment Chairman.

Buchberg, Esser, Jackson, Patrick, Silverio, Wroblowsky

### Bromeliad Websites

[\*Bromeliad Society of the Palm Beaches\*](#)

[\*BSI International\*](#)

[\*Bromeliad Society International - Online Journal Archive\*](#)

[\*Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies\*](#)

[\*Mounts Botanical Garden\*](#)

[\*Bromeliads in Australia\*](#)



Orthophytum 'Brittle Star'



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