

Meeting Information

Next Meeting: Thursday – 17 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. 2019 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 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 Lee 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 2018's board for the hard work and commitment to our society. Most

of our board members are returning for 2019 so we should have another great year.

This month's speaker is our Dave Johnston who will be talking about "New Species and New Hybrids". Dave is one of the most knowledgeable bromeliad guys around and we should expect to see some great information about what's new in the bromeliad world.

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



# Program

This month's speaker is Dave Johnston. His topic is "New Species and New Hybrids".

Dave is a past president of Tampa and Florida West Coast Guild many times. He is also an avid hybridizer of Billbergias. He is the owner of Exotic Landscapes and Bromeliads Galore since 1990. Dave 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: Kathy Silverio, 10 Velaire Drive, Boynton Beach, FL 33426. 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 <u>kathysilverio10@gmail.com</u>.

Kathy Silverio



Tillandsia 'Fire Orange'



Puya 'Cayata'



Holiday Party

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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

#### **Bromeliad Websites**

Bromeliad Society of the Palm Beaches

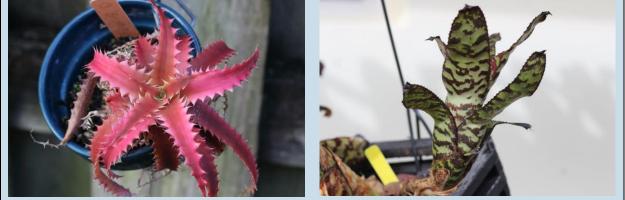
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Orthophytum 'Brittle Star'

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