



# The Spine and Stolon

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF THE PALM BEACHES

February 2019



## Meeting Information

**Next Meeting: Thursday – 21 February 2019, 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

Get ready for a great program from Dennis Cathcart, owner of Tropiflora. Dennis always entertains us with an interesting and educational program about bromeliads he has collected on his various trips to South and Central America.

As always, he will be bringing lots of good bromeliads for you to buy, so bring your scavenged savings and get ready to increase your collection of great plants.

Do you have a special bromeliad that is in bloom that you would like to bring to our "Show and Tell"? Each month we would like to have a bromeliad that either has neat banding or color, or maybe it has a unique bloom or just something rare. Some of us bring plants for "Show and Tell" regularly, it's your turn!!! Bring it on...

And, as always, if you have some nice extra plants bring them in for the raffle table. Last month's raffle table was over the top.

Enjoy your bromeliads...

Nick Bethmann, President



Tillandsia stricta



Aechmea 'Dark Deleon'



Puya mirabilis

## Program

This month's speaker is Dennis Cathcart from Tropiflora sharing some of his personal history with 'Bromeliads, A Personal Journey', a look back at how I got into bromeliads and built Tropiflora and of some of the people I met along the way.

Dennis will be selling plants.

### February Ramble

None scheduled.

### 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 February 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>

Kathy Silverio

### February 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.

Burger, Gorjup, Herko, Kuzmenko, Pasko, Raiman, Sullivan



*Aechmea nudicaulis* 'Silver Streak'



Discovery Cove (Orlando)