Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE NOVEMBER, 2018

Kudos to Ray Hernandez for his timely talk on social media. This is a GREAT new tool we can use to promote our club to the younger generation, and to folks who have just recently moved here and have interests in tropical plants. Yea! Ray! Also, a shout out to Ken Stokes for his workshop on mounting bromeliads on different types of objects. Another win! Ken!

Our election of officers and board of directors will be at this month's meeting, November 19, 2018. The slate of candidates is posted in the minutes for your perusal. Please make a concerted effort to attend.

Our Christmas Party and Auction will be at our December meeting, so please begin grooming your pants that you intend to donate.

Thank you for all your efforts to make our club a success. Steve Byram

P.S. Think of all the beauty[of your garden] still left around you and be happy — Anne Frank

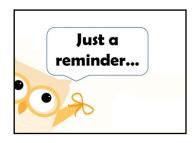




Next Meeting: November 19, 2018 SPEAKER: Robert Nelson

Robert Nelson of Plant City has been a member of the Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay for eight years and a bromeliad hobbyist for many years. He will present "Segue and Things"; a re-emphasis and recap of the past year topics.

Membership Renewal Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay



It's almost time to renew your BGTB membership. Your membership expires on December 31. Please fill out the application/renewal form in this newsletter and bring it to the next meeting or mail it to Paula Benway, 1225 N. Riverhills Dr. Temple Terrace, FL 33617. Only \$25.00 for single membership or \$30.00 for family. What a bargain!

Minutes of Meeting October 15, 2018

Meeting called to order by president, Steve Byram.

Welcoming of visitors: DeAndra Bolden and Jay, Jose and Maria Maysonet, David Hamby, Marian and Mark Kennell, Anne and Colin Phipps

Secretary's Report. Motion to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter made by Verna Dickey, seconded by Julie Lessard.

Treasurer's Report by Paula Benway. The report will be filed for audit.

Workshop: Presented by Kenneth Stokes. Dish Garden with rock. Explanation of bromeliads with wood as a base. Kenneth uses Elmer's Glue and other aids to position the bromeliads in place.

Committee Reports: On behalf of the nominating committee, Verna Dickey announced the nominees for officers and board of directors for 2019.

Officers: President - Steve Byram

Vice President - Julie Lessard Secretary - Marcia Hunter Treasurer - Rick Hunter

Newsletter Editor - Marilyn Byram

Board of Directors: Verna Dickey, Tom Wolfe, and Paula Benway

Election will be at the regular meeting on November 19, 2018.

Old Business: USF Fall Festival was October 13-14. Various members sold bromeliads at the BGTB booth. Tom Wolfe talked about the USF show and sale. Tom is going to inquire about moving our booth to a shady spot because the bromeliads do not do well in the sun/heat. If we cannot move, we will look into buying a canopy for the club.

New Business: Christmas Party and Auction in December. Julie Lessard will be in charge of the party and will announce details at the next meeting.

Announcements: Florida Sate Fair will be February 7-18. Set-up will be Monday, February 4. There will be no competition for the booths this year. Each club will receive \$275.00 for entering a booth.

Bill Carr's wife, Elisa passed away this month. The BGTB would like to extend thoughts of sympathy to Bill and his family. An email was sent to members about the memorial service.

Door Prize won by Tom Wolfe **Birthday plant** won by Rick Hunter

Show and Tell: Plants were shown by Kenneth Stokes - Dish garden with rock, Dyckia choristaminea, Bilbergia 'sangria', Bilbergia fosterianus, Wood Mount - Arc. farinosa var conglomerate condomerata; Tom Wolfe - Aechmea pubescent; Jose Rosada - Tillandsia fasciculata from Mexico

Motion to Adjourn the meeting: Robert Nelson. Seconded by Eileen Hart

Refreshments and Raffle.

Program was presented by Ray Hernandez - Bromeliads and Social Media. Ray gave details about various forms of social media and how to find information about bromeliads. Ray operates the BGTB Facebook page and shared his experiences.

Respectfully submitted, Marcia Hunter

SNAPSHOTS FROM BGTB MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 2018



Call to Order - Steve Byram



Speaker - Ray Hernandez



Raffle Time



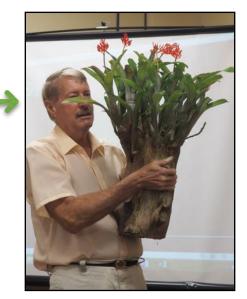
Workshop -Bromeliad Dish Garden Dyckia choristaminea, by Kenneth Stokes



Sales Table



Show and Tell
Tom Wolfe - Aechmea pubescens
Kenneth Stokes - Ace. farinosa var
conglomerata



REFRESHMENTS FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING . . .



will be provided by Marilyn Byram, Bill Carr, Marcia Hunter, and Elaine Young

Suggestions: chips & dip, veggies, salsa, crackers, cheese, chicken wings, popcorn, favorite recipes, pies, pizza, brownies, fudge, cookies, cakes, candies, deviled eggs, sandwiches and beverages.



November Birthdays: Marilyn Byram, Bill Carr, Marcia Hunter, and Elaine Young

We will have a drawing at the meeting for one of the lucky birthday people to take home a nice bromeliad as a Birthday gift from the club.



Florida Botanical Gardens - Holiday Lights in the Gardens

November 23 thru December 30, 2018 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Suggested donation \$5 for ages 13 and over.

The Gardens will once again be bedecked in over a million LED lights.

Come out and see many of our traditional favorites, like the snowman family, as well as our new items, all while celebrating the season. 12520 Ulmerton Road, Largo, FL



Sunshine Greetings

Please notify Julie Lessard of any illness, surgery, birth of a child, death in the family, or other concerns you or another member may have. Call 813-662-7972 or email at taxxmaam@tampabay.rr.com

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Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies— www.fcbs.org

Marie Selby Botanical Gardens— www.selby.org
Bromeliads Online - http://www.bromeliads.co.nz/index.html



BROMELIAD GUILD OF TAMPA BAY

Membership Application/Renewal

Memberships: January 1 to December 31 each Year

Please Print Name ______ Birth Month _____ Second Name ______ Birth Month _____ Phone (______ Email _____ Address City _____ State ____ ZIP ____ Date of Application _____ Please check one: \$25.00 Single Membership \$30.00 Family Membership How did you hear about BGTB? ___ Friend ___ Newspaper ___ Facebook ___ BGTB Website ___ Plant Festival or Show Other (Please specify) Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay, Inc. Established 1963 Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month. Plant sales at 7:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Where: Christ the King Catholic Church, Mary Martha Center, Rooms 201-202 821 S. Dale Mabry Hwy, Tampa Informative programs, Show & Tell, plant sales, door prizes, raffle & refreshments

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