

# THE FLORIDA EAST COAST BROMELIAD SOCIETY

## November 2024 Newsletter

**Meeting Date: November 10th at 1:30 p.m.**

**Meeting Location: Colony in the Wood, 4000 S. Clyde Morris Blvd.  
Port Orange, FL 32129**



### **November 10th Meeting**

This month's meeting will be held on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at Colony in the Wood. The speaker will be Teresa Eddy who will discuss using bromeliads in Christmas decorations. Teresa is an Orlando native and an avid gardener. She derives her eclectic and unique floral design style from her travels throughout the US, Europe and Asia. (See her class at Leu Gardens on November 23<sup>rd</sup> below).

Don't forget to bring some of your extra bromeliads/pups for the raffle, beautiful plants for show and tell and most importantly some delicious food if it is your birthday month, or if you just love to bring something to share. In the past few months there have been quite a few door prizes, so be sure to sign in when you come. – Jack

### **November 9<sup>th</sup> Palm Coast Fall Festival**



Our bromeliad club will have a booth at the Palm Coast Fall Festival November 9<sup>th</sup> at Palm Coast Town Center, 975 Central Ave. from 10-3. Jack Dunlop and Bill Hazard will represent the club. If anyone would like to sell their plants, please contact Jack.

Since we did not have an October meeting due to Hurricane Milton, the kokedamas made by Judy Rafter and Iris Gram will be for sale at the Garden Club at Palm Coast's booth located next to the FECBS booth.

### **Teresa Eddy's class at Leu Gardens Nov. 23rd**

"Holiday Back Yard Florist" will be held Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:30-12:30 at Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave, Orlando ([www.leugardens.org](http://www.leugardens.org)). All the plants and necessary equipment will be provided to make different kinds of holiday arrangements from her yard or foraged from other places. Register online. \$22 for non-members; \$17 for members. Limited to 10 people, so act now!

### **Growvember Festival at Mead Botanical Garden**

The annual festival and plant sale will be held on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> (2-6) and Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> (8-4) at Mead Botanical Garden, 1300 S. Denning Dr., Winter Park. It will feature an array of plant vendors, including members of the Bromeliad Society of Central Florida, as well as vendors selling annuals, perennials, house plants, natives, herbs, bromeliads, succulents, ferns, orchids and medicinals. There will also be food trucks, kids' activities, live music, a beer garden and more. A list of vendors can be found at: [www.meadgarden.org](http://www.meadgarden.org).

### **Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies**

At the recent October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting at the home of Mike Michalski and Patty Gonzalez, a motion was approved to hold the 2025 Extravaganza at Ramada by Wyndham Kissimmee Gateway hosted by Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant Society **September 26—28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Confirmation is pending. More information to follow.

The next Council meetings are set. Gainesville Bromeliad Society—February, Sarasota Bromeliad Society—June, and Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant Society—September at the Extravaganza event.

Distribution of the FCBS printed rosters will be at our November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Carol Wolfe, our FCBS Newsletter Editor has retired—a new editor from our membership is being sought. We are very grateful for her wonderful, incomparable newsletters and long service.

Our own Jack Dunlop will represent FECBS as Vice Chair of FCBS for 2025. Congratulations, Jack!!

- Calandra Thurrott

### **We love to see pictures of bromeliads in our members' gardens**



*Tillandsia ionantha*  
(Photos: Calandra Thurrott)



*Aechmea fasciata*  
(Look for the frog in the cup)

*Send in your photos and articles about bromeliad events, blooms in your garden, or newspaper and magazine articles that may be of interest to our members. Email Jane at [saravillalobos387@gmail.com](mailto:saravillalobos387@gmail.com).*



**Birthdays for November**

Greetings to: John Hiatt, Jean Hochdoerfer, Carol Lespi, Susan Rowley, and John Walter.

**Future Events**

**November 8-9**

**Growvember Fall Festival & Plant Sale**

Mead Botanical Garden  
1300 S. Denning Dr.  
Winter Park  
Fri.: 2-6; Sat.: 8-4

**November 9**

**Palm Coast Arts Festival**

Central Park Town Center  
975 Central Ave.  
Palm Coast  
10-3

**November 24, 2024**

**Thru January 7, 2025**

**Holiday Blooms**

Leu Gardens  
1920 N. Forest Ave.  
Orlando

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