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**Next Meeting: TUESDAY - Dec 20, 2005**

**6:30 PM**

**Where: Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave. Orlando**

**No Member Market this Month**

Happy Holidays!

Our holiday dinner this year is on Tuesday, December 20. The society is providing turkey and ham; bring your favorite dishes to share. Our society always puts on the best pot luck dinners! Contact Kathy Phinney if you have any questions or want to help with the dinner. There will be a plant exchange as well - bring your wrapped plant so you can take a new one home.

Thanks to all of our members, we have a successful and vibrant society. It's been a pleasure to work with you all; I appreciate your support and your enthusiasm during these past two years. I have enjoyed working with our board of directors and would like to thank Bob Stevens for the great programs he provided for us; Betsy McCrory for her diligence as our treasurer; Quyles Force who kept us on track with minutes; Sudi Hipsley and Phyllis Baumer for maintaining the library; Kathy Phinney and Sue Rhoads for running the refreshment tables.

During the last two years, our newsletter has undergone dramatic changes, thanks to Steven Wagner. Under his editorship, our newsletter is now a world-class newsletter, available on line (at <http://fcbs.org> > go to Member Societies > Bromeliad Society of Central Florida). After each issue, I receive email from international readers who appreciate the quality of this publication. This newsletter is the face of our society, to our members and to the world, and we sure can be proud of it. Thank you, Steven, for your hard work and many efforts!

Our election of officers was delayed because of the hurricane, but we now have a board for the new year: Bob Stevens, president; Gary Signs, vice president; Betsy McCrory continues as treasurer; I will be the secretary. I know the new board will enjoy the same support you all gave to me, and I thank the board members for their commitment to our society.

On a personal note, Michael and I are both gratified and touched by the recognition you have given us. It is an honor to be made Life Members, and we thank you all.

I wish you all a happy and safe holiday season and all the best in the New Year.

See you Tuesday night!

**Karen Andreas**



## **Congratulations to Karen & Michael Andreas for being voted life members**

### **FROST CLOTH A/K/A FREEZE CLOTH**

Freeze Cloth will be available at the next meeting. It comes in 300'x15' rolls. I will cut whatever size you need as long as it will be 15' wide. The cost this year is .95 a foot. Please let me know before the meeting on December 20 what you will need. E-Mail me at: [Betsymccrory@aol.com](mailto:Betsymccrory@aol.com) or call me at my office during the day (407) 859-4390 or in the evening at home after 7pm (407) 348-2139.

### **Welcome New Members**

Danielle Sandoz - Maitland  
Marty Folk - Kissimmee

### **Membership Dues Are Due!**

Membership dues for 2006 are now due. If you received a membership application in this newsletter please fill it out and return it with your dues. If not, your dues for 2006 are already paid. You don't want to miss a single issue of our excellent newsletter or any of the informative programs scheduled for the New Year. If you have any questions, please see or call the Treasurer Betsy McCrory. Work (407) 859-4390 or Home (407) 348-2139 after 7pm.

### **Plant Exchange**

This month as part of our Holiday Celebration we will have a plant exchange. Bring a clean, scale free bromeliad, wrapped so you cannot tell what it is. Everyone who brings a bromeliad will take home a bromeliad.

## Pot Luck Ingredient Labels

Please provide a list of ingredients for any dish you bring to the Holiday Party, to assist members with food allergies.

## Mark Your Calendar

### **December 20, 2005**

BSCF Holiday Party 7:00 PM

Bring a covered dish!

### **March 25-26, 2006**

Harry P. Leu Gardens Spring Sale

### **April 22-23, 2006**

Bromeliad Society of South Florida Annual Show and Sale  
Fairchild Gardens, Miami

### **June 6 - 11, 2006**

Bromeliads on the Border

### **Bromeliad Society International**

17th World Bromeliad Conference

Town and Country Resort & Convention Center

500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, California 92108

Information at <http://bsi.org>.

### **September 30, 2006**

Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies' Bromeliad Extravaganza

Presented by the Bromeliad Society of South Florida

Miccosukee Resort and Convention Center, Miami



**The Bromeliad Society of Central Florida, Inc. was formed in 1972 to encourage the exchange of information concerning the culture, identification and hybridization of the plant family *Bromeliaceae*; to promote & maintain public interest in bromeliads and to assist in the preservation of all bromeliads for future generations.**



Meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month from 7-9 PM at Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Avenue in Orlando. For directions: 407.246.2620 or [www.leugardens.org](http://www.leugardens.org). You'll enjoy informative programs, Show & Tell, plant sales, refreshments & door prizes. Members also receive a monthly newsletter — all for only \$10 per member, plus \$2 per additional family member (no charge for full-time students). Visitors are always welcome.



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