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November 16, 2021 LIVE MEETING 7:30 PM

GARDEN HOUSE – NOT CORBIN BLDG

SPEAKER: ALEX BELLO - TASTE OF THE TROPICS FROM THE KING OF BROMELIADS

FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE SERVED

SILENT AUCTION AND MEMBER PLANT SALES

DONATED SNACKS APPRECIATED

BSSF Covid Rules

To Insure Your Safety the Following are Covid Rules for In-Person Meetings:

- MASKS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED
- FOOD WILL BE SERVED
- There will be one entry and one exit at the back of the Garden House. The kitchen entry will be locked.
- If you do not feel well or have a temperature – please stay home.
- Seating will be 6 ft. apart. Family members or social bubble members may sit together.
- Social distancing will be observed at raffle table, auction tables and plant sales.
- Dsinfecting wipes, and hand sanitizer will be available at the entry.

**HOLIDAY PARTY AND AUCTION
DECEMBER 21 7 PM
AT FAIRCHILD!
ARTICLE INSIDE**

President's Message

Hard to believe this year is almost at an end. We are all getting ready for the holidays, including this society. We have received permission from Fairchild to host our annual holiday party and dinner in the Garden House. This event will also include our annual auction. I hope you consider donating at least one nice plant in good condition for the auction. Also this month is our Annual Meeting at which time we vote for our officers for the coming year. We urge you to come out and vote and we will also be taking nominations from the floor. Our speaker this month is Alex Bello, past BSSF president. Fairchild is now allowing food to be served at our meetings and the mask requirement has been lifted. A great speaker, lots of plants, food, no masks and a peaceful election - what could be better?

See you at the meeting!

Maureen

Returning next month:
IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Speaker: Alex Bello

Alex Bello is a past BSSF president and chairs our Member Plant Sales and Raffle Table committees. He is the southern region director for the Bromeliad Society International. He is also current president of the International Aroid Society. He has chaired their very successful shows for a number of years. Alex is one of our youngest members and has loved plants since he was a child. He currently works for Miami Dade County Public Schools but recently realized one of his long time dreams. He opened his own nursery in the Redland, Bello Tropicals. Congratulations Alex. Weekends will find Alex working in his nursery, visiting his family on Florida's west coast or spending time with his new fiance, Eslen. Alex will be bringing a few Chester Skotak hybrids for sale.



HOLIDAY PARTY

Date: Tuesday, December 21, 2021

Time: 7PM - Fairchild Garden House

What to Bring:

- A nice plant to donate to the auction (optional)
- A side dish for dinner, or appetizer, or rolls, drinks (homemade eggnog?) or dessert
- A wrapped plant for the secret plant exchange (optional but you cannot pick a plant if you do not bring one.)
- NON-MEMBERS: \$10.00 charge for dinner
- NON-MEMBERS who are only coming for the auction do not have to be there until 7:30. You will not receive a ticket for dinner. We will have non-table seating for you.



GARAGE SALE

The Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, January 15, 2022, 8 am to 2 pm. at the home of Maureen Adelman, 9421 S.W. 134 St. Please save your household items, books, clothing, baby items, kitchen items or anything you no longer use. Dropoff will be 4-7 pm on Friday, January 14. If circumstances preclude the Friday dropoff call Maureen at 305 255 3895.

SHOW CORNER

by Barbara Partagas

Greetings BSSF members. The monthly newsletter will now include a monthly update on Show information. Keep checking your plants for that one or two that really catch your eye all the time. Chances are those plants are good candidates to enter in our Show. Give them some extra love and attention during the winter months including protection from the cold and wind. We had a very active member from Broward County one year who had that perfect plant in her garden. The day of the show entry registration that year the gardeners chopped it up with the weed whacker. It was entered anyway with the caption about the weed whacker. The first person that contacts me with the name of that member wins a plant!

SILENT AUCTION PLANTS
FROM OUR OCTOBER
MEETING

ASK DR. BROM

DEAR DR. BROM Part 2:

In the last year or two I have heard a lot of new names for bromeliads that I thought I knew. Even the genera have changed. How did this happen and how can I keep the new names straight?

This month we will tackle changes in the genus *Vriesea*. If you remember the family Bromeliaceae now has 8 subfamilies. And most of the current DNA research has been on the subfamily Tillandsioideae. *Vriesea* is one of the 21 genera of the subfamily Tillandsioideae

You might want to save this page and place it in your favorite bromeliad book with part one of this article. You will also want to change your plant tags accordingly. Though the list of changes is long, there will only be a few changes to the plants you are familiar with.

The species have not changed. It is the genera that have changed.

Vriesea amadoi now *Stigmatodon amadoi*

Vriesea apparicianus now *Stigmatodon apparicianus*

Vriesea belloi now *Stigmatodon belloi*

Vriesea bibeatricis now *Lutheria bibeatricis*

Vriesea bifidus now *Stigmatodon bifidus*

Vriesea brassicoides now *Stigmatodon brassicoides*

Vriesea chrysostachys now *Goudaea chrysostachys*

Vriesea chrysostachys var. *stenophylla* now *Goudaea chrysostachys stenophylla*

Vriesea costae now *Stigmatodon costae*

Vriesea croceanus now *Stigmatodon croceanus*

Vriesea euclidianus now *Stigmatodon euclidianus*

Vriesea fontellanus now *Stigmatodon fontellanus*

Vriesea funebris now *Stigmatodon funebris*

Vriesea gatinianus now *Stigmatodon gatinianus*

Vriesea glutinosa now *Lutheria glutinosa*

Vriesea goniorachis now *Stigmatodon goniorachis*

Vriesea harrylutheri now *Stigmatodon harrylutheri*

Vriesea heliconioides now *Tillandsia heliconioides*

Vriesea magnibracteatus now *Stigmatodon magnibracteatus*

Vriesea malzinei now *Tillandsia malzinei*

Vriesea monstrum now *Jagranta monstrum*

Vriesea multifolius now *Stigmatodon multifolius*

Vriesea ospinae now *Goudaea ospinae*

Vriesea ospinae var. *gruberi* now *Goudaea ospinae* var. *gruberi*

Vriesea plurifolius now *Stigmatodon plurifolius*

Vriesea rosulatulus now *Stigmatodon rosulatulus*

Vriesea sanctateresensis now *Stigmatodon sanctateresensis*

Vriesea soderstromii now *Lutheria soderstromii*

Vriesea splendens var. *oinochroma* now *Lutheria splendens* var. *oinochroma*

Vriesea splendens var. *formosa* now *Lutheria splendens* var. *formosa*

Vriesea splendens var. *striatifolia* now *Lutheria splendens* var. *striatifolia*

Vriesea tuerckheimii now *Zizkaea tuerckheimii*

We will take a break for a few months and after the show we will continue with the cultivars of *Tillandsia* and *Vriesea* that have been assigned a new genus.

Sources: Genus changes generated via Tillandsioideae DNA studies, Barfuss et al Paper, 2016, published in *Phytotaxa* 279 (1), October 2016

Derek Butcher, Derek the Hybrid Detective
DD0217/New Genera; <http://www.bromeliad.org.au/news/DD2017.htm>

Derek Butcher and Eric Gouda, the "Taxon
List"; <http://botu07.bio.uu.nl/bcg/taxonList.php?getCSV>

Goudaea ospinae



Lutheria glutinosa

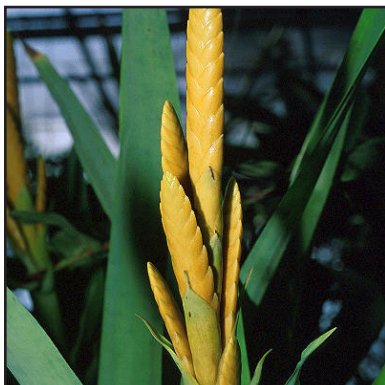
Tillandsia heliconioides



Lutheria splendens



Goudaea chrysostachys



Stigmatodon multifolius

Silent Auction and Member Plant Sale Rules

When we have a speaker bringing plants, we will only allow 4 plants for silent auction in order to give our speakers who travel here and pack up their plants a fair chance to sell their plants. If you would like to sell a plant at the silent auction you will need to contact Rene Izquierdo (rcizquierdo@bellsouth.net or 786 246-5813) and he will let you know if there is an opening for your plants(s). You will be paid 80% of the sale price and BSSF will receive 20%.

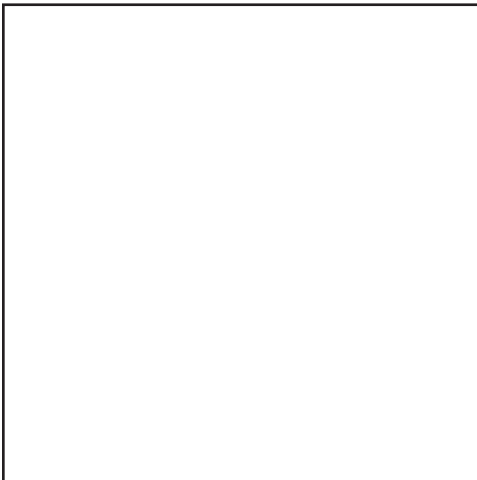
We will likewise defer to our speakers for member plant sales and will hold no member plants sales when we have a speaker bringing plants. You will again be paid 80% of the sale price. To participate in member plant sales, please contact Alex Bello (bello-tropicals@yahoo.com or 239-223-6155) to schedule your sale so that we are not overrun with plants.

Pinecrest Gardens
Fine Arts Festival
January 22-23, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

Night Garden at Fairchild
November 12 - January 2
6-10 pm

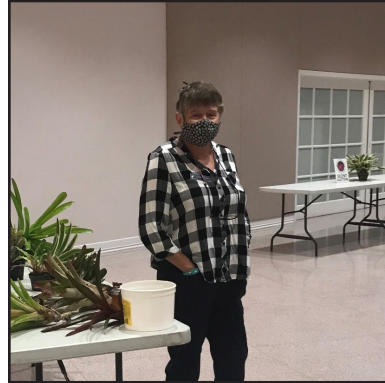
BSSF Annual Show
March 24-27, 2022
[Fairchild Garden](#)



BROMELIAD BINGO



OCTOBER MEETING



What's Blooming

By Stephanie LaRusso

This month in the Herndon Collection plants are preparing for the upcoming cold weather. This hasn't stopped Tillandsias and Billbergias however from putting on a show. Keep checking your Neorgelias and Nudicaulis too. There are still some blooms to be had before winter. Remember as the cold weather approaches to keep an eye on the forecast. Most Bromeliads can take temperatures above 60 with no problems! If the weather drops below, particularly below 40, consider bringing plants inside or tucking them in closer to the walls of the your house or patio. Wind chill can drop temperatures below the forecast and cold wind is dry which can burn Bromeliad leaves. Pulling plants inside or at least of the wind can make the difference between life and death. Keep Growing everyone!



