



Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society

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September 2023 Newsletter

Meeting Announcement:
Sunday, September 17th from 9 AM to 2 PM
Garden Tours in DeLand

Jacque & Wayne Petrovich
Lynn & Peter Rounseville



We are privileged to be able to visit two of our DeLand members' wonderful gardens. Members and their guests may visit either property at any time during the 5-hour period they will be available. Address information is being provided to all members in the email accompanying this newsletter when published ten days before the day of the garden tours.

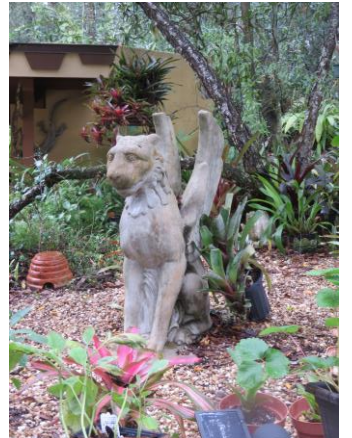
Lynn's 14-acre property and Krickett & Kritter's 9-acre property are only 3½ miles from each other. They will provide beverages with members welcome to bring picnic lunches and snacks.

Current Member Count: 133

Garden Information

Lynn's property, which borders on scenic Lake Daugherty, was carved from a 628-acre orange grove/dairy farm that suffered from freezes back in the 80's. Most of the property is shaded by Tangerine and Oak trees. The gardens include Sago Palms, Crepe Myrtles, Gingers, Heliconias, and Coonties in addition to Bromeliads.

The gardens at Jacque and Wayne's property were started in 1964 by the original owner who tended for them for 12 years. The next owner added more to them over 35 years and Krickett and Kritter continued in that tradition. There are trails which include benches and swings for rest stops as you visit the Glenn (with a pond and small waterfall), an Orchid Walk, two Bromeliad "holding areas", and the Point with mostly Bromeliads. The gardens also include Gingers, Philodendrons, and Dragons.



President's Message

August Plant Sale

The 2023 Annual Fall Plant Sale was another very successful sale. After all expenses, the SBTPS raised almost \$3,000. Sales were similar to April with Saturday's results higher and Sunday's results lower. The online auction sales were lower than April due to a lower number of plants included.

Thanks go out to the many volunteers who participated. Without the efforts of the volunteers, our plant sales would not be as successful as they are. We believe that our two plant sales held at the garden club are the largest by any Florida bromeliad society.

--Greg Kolojeski

New Officers Needed

We will have the election of officers at our November meeting for new terms that start in January. We will have openings for Treasurer and Vice President-Programs. In addition to the specific duties of those roles, officers are Board members who vote regularly on important matters that come up during the year. For more information on those positions, please contact Greg Kolojeski. The October newsletter and email will have more information on all the Board positions and the November election process.

December Event at Nehrling Gardens

The Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society will have a booth at the [12th Annual Amaryllis Festival](#) at Nehrling Gardens in Gotha. This event will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We will be able to promote the SBTPS and sell Bromeliads. Bonnie Friedrich will be Plant Sales Chair and Coordinator for this event. Additional information will soon be emailed to members who have been plant sellers at our April and August sales.

World Bromeliad Conference 2024

The Bromeliad Society International has announced **WBC 2024** which will be on **May 22-25, 2024** in West Palm Beach, Florida. Information on it may be found at wbc.bsi.org. Registration fees have not been increased from 2022 (lowest rate available until Dec. 31st) and a special hotel rate (available until the earlier of April 30, 2024 or whenever the allotted rooms are booked) is now available for booking in the Members Only part of the [BSI website](#). **Speakers will include Andrew Devonshire from New Zealand, David Fell from Hawaii, and Peter Tristram from Australia.**

**October 15th Meeting: Terrie Bert
Growing Beautiful Bromeliads
in Central Florida**



8/28/23 [Plant Picture of the Day:](#)
Rattlesnake Plant (*Calathea lancifolia*)



8/12/23 [Plant Picture of the Day:](#)
Aechmea 'Pinot Noir'



9/2/23 [Plant Picture of the Day:](#)
Vriesea hieroglyphica x fosteriana