



Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society

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February 2026 Newsletter

Meeting Announcement:
Sunday, February 15th at 2 PM
McCrary's Bromeliads, Eustis

Our February meeting will be a field trip to
[McCrary's Bromeliads.](#)



We are taking a field trip to the nursery at the invitation of member Evan McCrary. If you've ever gone to any of the many festivals in Central Florida and have seen a booth with some of most spectacular Bromeliads in bloom, you've almost certainly seen McCrary's booth. Their plants are real showstoppers with lots of Guzmanias, Vrieseas and Aechmeas in bloom and very colorful Neoregelias!

For this field trip, we can use our own cars since there is lots of parking available at the nursery. It is located 32 miles northwest of the Sanford Garden Club just north of Sorrento and not too far from Mt. Dora. You may use [Google Maps](#) to find it at 35152 La Place Ct, Eustis, FL 32736.

Three other Bromeliad societies will also have members visiting McCrary's at the same time.

Plants at the Sanford Garden Club after the Freeze



President's Message

January Meeting and the February Freeze

We had 38 attendees at our January meeting which featured Kenneth Stokes who brought a number of unique Bromeliads and other tropical plants.

Many members brought some plants indoors and into their garages this past weekend with temperatures falling into the lower 20s in areas that hadn't even had freezes for several years.

There was extensive damage at the Sanford Garden Club with some plants on the east side surviving including patches of *Neoregelia* 'Martin' (Skotak) and *Neoregelia macwilliamsii*. Many of the Bromeliads and other tropicals did not survive.

--Greg Kolojeski

February 2026 Icicles in Winter Springs



SBTPS Membership Renewal

2026 Membership Dues are \$15 for an individual or \$20 for an annual membership. You may renew your membership online at <https://sbtps.square.site/> which is the recommended way of making your renewal. If you joined in October 2025 or later, your 2026 membership is already included. Email reminders will be sent out soon.

April Plant Sale

The Annual Spring Plant Sale will be here before you know it. It will be held on April 18-19, 2026. Our April and August plant sales are believed to be the biggest Bromeliad plant sales by any bromeliad society in Florida.

Current Member Count: 141

Plant Pictures of the Day:



1/6/26: *Neoregelia* 'Canefire' x 'Giant' (Select Clone)

1/17/26: *Neoregelia* 'Midnight Fantasy' (Skotak)

Pictures by John Boardman



1/18/26: x*Sincoregelia* (*Sincoraea navioides* x *Neoregelia* 'Treasure Chest')

2/1/26: x*Sincoregelia* 'Burgundy Thrill'

Pictures by John Boardman



1/28/26: *Neoregelia* 'Namaskar'

Picture by Greg Kolojeski

March 15th: Anthony Warfield
Cryptanthus