

Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society

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# **August 2018 Newsletter**

2018 Annual Fall Plant Sale: August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to 4 PM 200 Fairmont Dr., Sanford

The SBTPS plant sale will feature a huge selection of Bromeliads, Heliconias, Gingers, Orchids, and many other tropical plants as well as plant supplies.



Marty & Alan at the 2018 Spring Plant Sale

We will have at least 25 members as vendors plus many more as volunteer helpers, tag takers, and cashiers. Saturday morning will be particularly hectic as dozens of customers will line up outside prior to opening and we will be extremely busy all morning long. Then it will change to a more moderate but steady pace for the rest of the sale. We can use the help of all members during the sale, but do try to show up Saturday morning if possible.

Be sure to wear your SBTPS logo t-shirts or polo shirts to the plant sale. It will make it easy for our customers to find someone knowledgeable to answer their questions. Our new logo t-shirts (which have a larger logo than last year's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary version) will be available for purchase by members and plant sale customers as well.

Butch will be on the <u>Tom MacCubbin radio show</u> on Saturday morning, August 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:05 AM. Be sure to catch him!

Pictures from the 2018 Spring Plant Sale:

Rentals: Lani Berry

Membership: Sudi Hipsley

Landscape: Barbara Whittier







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# **President's Message**

# **July Meeting**

We had 32 attendees at our July meeting which featured Priscilla Debler with a wonderful presentation on orchids with lots of specific information on which ones do well in various situations. Priscilla later used her program notes to create a helpful orchid guide which was distributed to all members on July 26<sup>th</sup> in an email. Members may want to consult that orchid guide at the August plant sale when considering what orchids to acquire.

--Greg Kolojeski

#### **Sanford Garden Club News**

Greg is in the process of contacting several CPA firms that specialize in advising non-profits in order to help the Board decide on a possible advisor to provide guidance on maintaining non-profit status and on filing of necessary tax returns.

## **Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society News**

Many of the members are busy preparing for the Annual Fall Plant Sale in August. Getting plants ready for the sale can be quite grueling as the plant sale is preceded by some of the hottest and most humid weather Florida has to offer. But somehow we will still end up with a fantastic selection of Bromeliads and many other tropical plants. So many great plants are offered at such reasonable prices, members themselves will buy quite a few of the plants!

#### **Wildflower Circle News**

The Wildflower Circle established a new bank account on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting at the bank to setup the account were Fran and Paulette (as President and Treasurer of the Wildflower Circle) and Greg (as President of the garden club). While there, they discussed the garden club members who registered the garden club as a Florida Not for Profit Corporation back in 1947 (and we are looking at possibly writing an article about those members who long ago had the foresight to do that). They also kicked around some ideas for a possible fundraiser in 2019.

#### **Busy Members**

As busy as we keep some of our most active members, they still find time for other activities. Sudi and Barbara provided many plants for the first Bare Root Bromeliad Sale at Nehrling Gardens on August 4<sup>th</sup> and it was quite a success!

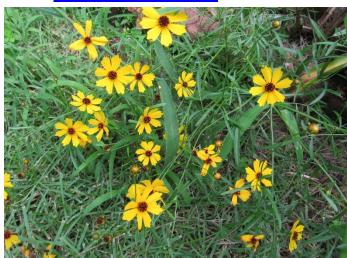
See the picture to the right (used with permission of Nehrling Gardens).



September 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting: Terrie Bert: Basic Bromeliad Culture Current Member Count: SBTPS: 72; SGC: 77



8/5/18 Plant Picture of the Day: Tillandsia stricta



7/25/18 Plant Picture of the Day: Coreopsis



8/6/18 Plant Picture of the Day: xVriecantarea 'Inferno'