



Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society

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April 2022 Newsletter

2022 Annual Spring Plant Sale:
April 23rd and 24th from 9 AM to 4 PM
200 Fairmont Dr., Sanford

The SBTPS plant sale features a large selection of Bromeliads, Gingers, Orchids, and many other tropical plants.



Plants at the 2021 Fall Plant Sale

We have 30 members signed up so far as vendors and hope to have many more as volunteer helpers, tag takers, and cashiers. Saturday morning will be particularly busy as customers will line up outside prior to opening and we will be quite 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 members as volunteers during the sale and especially for Saturday morning.

We will have the same wide aisles and controlled access (up to 40 customers at one time) that worked so well at recent plant sales.

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.

April Plant Sale

The **Annual Spring Plant Sale** will be on April 23-24, 2022 which is a week later than usual since Easter is the previous weekend. We will need volunteers for the many roles including cashiers, tag takers, customer helpers (to help buyers take plants to their cars), and tropical plant experts to answer customer questions.

Every member qualifies as a *tropical plant expert* to some degree and plant buyers will greatly value your advice. One of the most frequent comments we receive from plant buyers is how they love the information they get from our members at the plant sales.

Our [Online Auction/Presale](#) started on April 2nd at 9 AM and runs through April 18th at 9 PM. The first day started with 12 buyers of 23 plants and sales have been steady ever since.

There are some big changes for the Friday preceding the sale. Setup will now commence at 11 AM and end at 3:30 PM. **There will be a Presale for Members Only on Friday, April 22nd from 4 to 6 PM.** You will be able to shop early and take your new plants home on Friday. Thanks go to Bonnie, our Plant Sales Chair, for proposing this idea.

More Plants from the 2021 Fall Plant Sale



Current Member Count:
SBTPS: 109; SGC: 110

President's Message

March Meeting

We had 62 attendees at our March meeting with members discussing How to Handle a Florida Freeze. With a Members Market and the largest selection of plants we may have ever had for the Members Silent Auction in addition to the Door Prize Drawing and Plant Raffle, there were a tremendous number of great plants available.

--Greg Kolojeski

Sanford Garden Club News

The inside of the garden club was repainted and has a modern new look due to the efforts of Lani Berry and Paula White. Pictured below is Paula working on ironing and hemming the new sheer window coverings.



SBTPS Memberships

SBTPS Memberships, both new and renewal, may now be paid for online at <https://sbtps.square.site/>.

World Bromeliad Conference 2022

The Bromeliad Society International's **World Bromeliad Conference** is only two months away on June 8-11 in Sarasota. You can still register online at the [BSI website](https://www.bromeliadsociety.org/). Non-registrants will be able to attend the Plant Show and Plant Sale at the Hyatt on Friday and Saturday, June 10 & 11th.



3/26/22 **Plant Picture of the Day:**
Crinum 'Carroll Abbott' Milk & Wine



4/12/22 **Plant Picture of the Day:**
Nidularium 'Mayhem'



3/21/22 **Plant Picture of the Day:**
Billbergia stenopetala

May 22, 2022 Meeting
Tom & Carol Wolfe: Bromeliads in Paradise