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**Next meeting: TBA** following covid 19 restrictions

**Where:** Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Avenue, Orlando, FL 32803

**6:30 –7:00** is pre-meeting time for purchasing plants from our guest speaker. **Meeting officially begins at 7:00 pm**

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Visit the Bromeliad Society of Central FL website at: [www.bromeliadorlando.com](http://www.bromeliadorlando.com) You will find an activities page that lists our speakers for upcoming meetings, down loadable copies of newsletters, plant photos, a map to Leu Gardens, and more! This is a great place for the public to find out about our Society or send us a message. Check it out!

## The Presidents Message

An awesome August to everyone. And it's awesome that we are finally going to have a meeting. We won't have a speaker, so we will have a members market. If you have any of your collection that you would like to sell, or have trimmed up and want to get rid of, then bring it Wed and sell. If you don't want to worry about selling, please bring any extra broms you don't want and share with the members by putting them on the door prize or raffle tables.

I Hope everyone can make it. We will have pizza and bingo and great company. If you have any of your collection that you are proud of, bring it along for show and tell. No masks



required for plants. . Don't forget your mask as it is required by Leu Gardens.

Have a great rest of the month. Stay healthy and safe.

mike

## Upcoming Events

None

## July Minutes

The July 2020 meeting was cancelled due to covid 19 concerns

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## Vice President's Comments

Thank you to all of the BSCF members that have sent me pictures of their beautiful bromeliads. It has been a fun way for us to keep in touch with each other during this pandemic.

Marilyn

Cathy and Dave Schubert suggested we do a "What's This" in the newsletter. This is how it will work. If a member has a brom or two they can't id can send me (Marilyn) a picture of the plant along with their email address. If someone can id the brom that person would get back to the "What's This" person via their email. Please do not send me any ids I do not want to be the middle person.

### **What's This?**

This bromeliad is about 16-inches tall and about 14-inches wide and is variegated. (May possibly be an Aechmea?) Hopefully, someone will be able to identify it or offer some leads? If you're that person please contact Cathy and Dave at [chefgrill@bellsouth.net](mailto:chefgrill@bellsouth.net)



Let's take a look at some of our Bromeliad Society member's gardens

Tim Dreggors

*Aechmea chantinii* 'Samurai'



Pat Fusco

Unfortunately I was unable to insert most of Pat's pictures into my Word document but here's a glimpse of her beautiful yard.



Mike Saunders



Here is a photo of the three Billbergia 'Bruddah Iz' plants that I have purchased. As I mentioned in my May president's message I repeatedly buy this gorgeous Billbergia. The first one I bought from John B has expanded and is now two mature plants with a new pup. When I got the first one, he told me that it was named for the late Hawaiian singer Israel Kamakawiwo'ole.

The second picture is of a Billbergia 'Lots of Spots' I bought at our Extravaganza in September. Definitely many spots. Couldn't find this one on either FCBS or BSI websites, but found two sellers when I goggled the name.

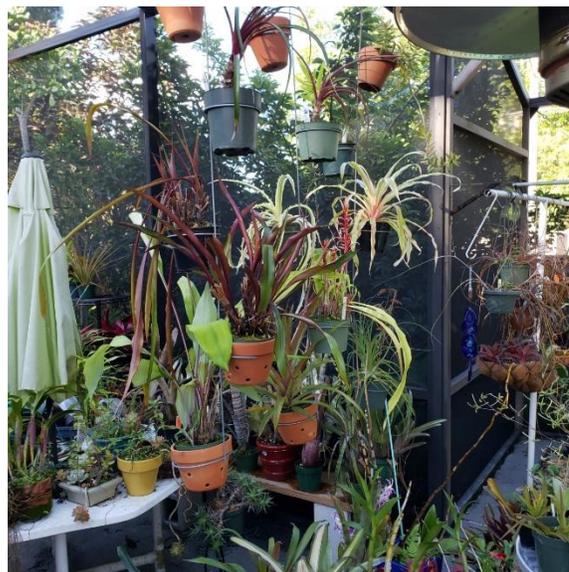


This photo is of Aechmea 'Ensign' (left), cv. of orlandiana (variegated) and 'Reverse Ensign' (right), sport of 'Ensign' with reversed variegation. Both of which are in the Orlandiana Group per the websites. This colorful bromeliad is Neoregelia 'Big Bopper', which I got from John B. For the longest time I grew it in a shady spot. Decided to move it to my screened patio so it got more sun. Check out all the red that has appeared with the stronger light. Just magnificent.



I have put four beautiful Pitcairnia that I bought from Jim and Eloise on these 3 hanging racks. Also have some other broms and a couple non-broms on my Pitcairnia towers. I had to find ways to expand my addiction. You can see in the background that

my addiction isn't limited to bromeliads. 😎



Here are three pics of a variety of colorful bromeliads, all located on my screened patio.



Robin Norton



Goudea 'Double Smudge' was Vriesea 'Euro Smudge'



*BILLBERGIA* 'Hallelujah'



*Sincoraea rafaellii* was *Orthophytum rafaellii*



x *Sincoregelia* 'Firecracker' was x *Neophytum* 'Firecracker'

*Neoregelia rosea*



*Neoregelia* 'Lucifer'

*Neoregelia* could be 'Lime Fire'



*Aechmea victoriana* var. *discolor*



*Aechmea* 'Blue Tango'



*Ananas nanas*



Tim and Diana Dreggors made a trip to a fun shop.

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# 2020 Bromeliad Society of Central Florida

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

\_\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER \_\_\_\_ RENEWAL

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_

**\$15 for first member, plus \$5 per each additional family member at the same address. Name Badges \$7 per member, if desired. Please check \_\_\_\_ if you would like a name badge ordered for you.**

Please make checks payable to BSCF                      AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: **Bromeliad Society of Central Florida,**

**PO Box 536961**

**Orlando, FL 32853-6961.**

**Or bring to the next meeting.**

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Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of every month, from 6:30-9:00 pm (buy plants from the speaker between 6:30-7pm) at Leu Gardens, 1920 N Forest Ave, Orlando, FL 32803 You'll enjoy informative programs, Show & Tell, plant sales, refreshments, and door prizes. Members also receive a newsletter. Please come join us!

Treasurer: Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

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