

THE FLORIDA EAST COAST BROMELIAD SOCIETY

December 2022 Newsletter

NEW LOCATION AND TIME THIS MONTH

**Meeting Location: Myrna Moore, 3016 S. Peninsula Dr. Daytona Beach
4:00 p.m.**

December 11th Meeting

This year's Holiday Party will be **at 4:00 p.m.** at Myrna Moore's, 3016 S. Peninsula Dr., Daytona Beach. Thank you, Myrna, for graciously offering to host the club.

Off road parking is **available** in the vacant lot immediately (almost, there is one other house between the lot and Myrna's) to the North of Myrna's home. There will be a parking attendant to assist with parking.

The Society will provide turkey, ham, and drinks. Members are asked to bring either a side dish (mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, etc.) or a dessert. There will be a voluntary gift exchange. You don't need to participate to attend the party. Please bring a gift worth up to \$20 that is a bromeliad or garden related item. Wrap the gift so you can't tell what it is. All who bring a gift will draw a number and then will select a gift starting with the person with number 1.

Hope to see everyone this month.

— Jack

Big Bromeliad Sale!

One of our past members, Eretta Morris, is moving out of state next year and is having a bromeliad **presale for FECBS members on Friday, Dec. 9 from 9 – 3**. The general sale will be Saturday, December 10 from 9 am to 4 pm and Sunday, December 11 from 9 am to noon. Her address is 3 Broadriver Rd., Ormond Beach. **TO ABIDE BY HER WISHES, PLEASE DO NOT POST ANYTHING ON FACEBOOK BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE SALE OR THE EVIL WEEVILS WILL RAIN UPON YOU!**

There will be a large selection of pots, bromeliads, statuary, bird baths and much more. Cash or check only. Many of the items are heavy so you may want to bring a large vehicle. There will be dollies and carts available to bring purchases to your vehicle.

Bromeliad Spotlight: *Aechmea fendleri*



Aechmea fendleri is native to Venezuela, Trinidad and Tobago and inhabits the cloud forests at elevations of 900 to 4,500 feet. Its black edged green leaves can reach 32 inches long. It is a rosette-shaped plant which can grow up to 3 feet. It is a stunning plant for the landscape especially when it sends out its 1-foot high, pink cylindrical inflorescence with blue, purple, and red flowers.

(Photo: Bill Hazard)

We love to see pictures of bromeliads in our members' gardens

Iris Graim's bloomers



Portea petropolitana



Wallisia (Tillandsia) cyanea

Plants from Jane Villa-Lobos' garden this month



Aechmea 'Blotches'



Aechmea fulgens



Tillandsia ionantha



Tillandsia ionantha 'Druid' (Flushes yellow with white flowers)

Send in your photos and articles about bromeliad events, blooms in your garden, or newspaper and magazine articles that may be of interest to our members. Email Jane at saravillalobos387@gmail.com.

Birthdays for December:

Greetings to these members: Joan Aeschbach, Jack Dunlop, Jamie Gill, Shelly Hansen, Sudi Hipsley, Tootie Richey, Marsha Tucholski, and Sandi Wirth.



Ideas for next year's speakers

Bill Hazard would like your input on what speakers, topics or even field trips you would like in 2023. Please email your suggestions to Bill at bhaz876@gmail.com.

Future Events

Dec. 9-11

Bromeliad Plant Sale

Eretta Morris
3 Broadriver Rd.
Ormond Beach, FL
Fri. 9 am – 3 pm
Sat. 9 am – 4 pm
Sun. 9 am - Noon

2023

March 18

Plant Faire

Volusia County Fairgrounds
3100 E. New York Ave.
Deland, FL
8:30 – noon
Cash or check only

July 28-29, 2023

Extravaganza 2023

Marriott Hotel
1001 Okeechobee Blvd.
West Palm Beach, FL
More information to follow

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