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SOCIETY NAME	MEETING PLACE	DAY OF MONTH & TIME	1982 PRESIDENT	OTHER OFFICERS & FCBS REPS.
BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY	Holiday Park Social Annex 844 NE 7th Ave. Ft. Lauderdale, Fl.	Third Monday 7:30 p.m.	Larry Groshart * 1336 Seabreeze Blvd. Ft Lauderdale 33316 305-522-5327	V-Pres. Paul Lefkowitz Sec'y (R) V. Maitland, (c) Georgene Lewis; Treas. Elizabeth Loos FCBS Sr. Rep. Wm. Frazel; Jr. Rep. Polly Pascal
CALOOSAHATCHEE BROMELIAD SOCIETY	First Federal Savings & Loan; North Ft. Myers, Fl.	Third Sunday 2:00 p.m. (except for special trips)	Victor Yingst * 13437 Caribbean Blvd. SE Fort Myers, Fl. 33905 813-694-7861	V-Pres. Frank Cornelison Sec'y Mary McKenzie III Treas. Bob Davis FCBS Reprs. Terry & Roberta Virta
BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.	Shuffleboard Court Bldg. Bob Carr Center; Mughy & Livingston; Orlando, Fla.	Second Tuesday 7:30 p.m.	Nancy Hall 1111 Glen Garry Circle Maitland, Fl. 32751 305-647-2039	V-Pres. Carol Johnson Sec'y Betsy McCrory Treasurer Tom Lineham FCBS Reprs. Edw & Nancy Hall
FLORIDA WEST COAST BROMELIAD SOCIETY	Fortune Federal S & L East Bay Drive Largo, Florida	Fourth Thursday 7:30 p.m.	Marjorie Spiegel 5203 - 108th St. North St. Petersburg, Fl. 33708	V. Pres. Rose DePew Secretary Eric Graf Treasurer Floyd Wise FCBS. Reprs Harry Luther and Ellen Jay Peyton
IMPERIAL POLK BROMELIAD SOCIETY	Div. of State Plant Industry 3027 Lake Alfred Drive Winter Haven, Fl.	Fourth Sunday 3:00 p.m.	Ms. Rose Schmidt 1475 Highway 655 Auburndale, Fl. 33823 813-984-1656	V. Pres. Whit Merrin, Jr. Secretary Edith Nowells Treasurer Norton Agey FCBS Reprs. Rose Schmidt & Carl Perryn

HERE COME DE JUDGE

The following people have completed the Judging School and passed the final exam. Certificates will be awarded at 1982 World Conference in Corpus Christi:

TAMPA SECTION:

John Barbie, Tampa	Norman Pettigrew, Tampa
John Bollin, Sarasota	Ellen Jay Peyton, Fla. W. C.
Eloise Beach, Orlando	Andrew Price, Tampa
Vicky Chirnside, Sarasota	Hazel Quilhot, Sarasota
James V. Elmore, Sarasota	Carolyn Schoenau, Ron
Edith Howells, Lakeland	Schoenau, Gainesville
Anthony Hyde, Atlanta	Jean Schnabel, Tampa
Sheryl Hyde, Atlanta	Roland Schnabel, Tampa
Carol Johnson, Orlando	Robert Smith, Sarasota
Geoffrey Johnson, Orlando	James Thompson, Orlando
Tracy Jones, Orlando	Thomas Wolfe, Tampa
Thomas V. Lineham, Orlando	J. Brian Wood, Orlando
Murline E. Lydon, Polk	Rose Schmidt, Polk
Edward McNulty, Orlando	Ervin Wurthmann, Tampa
Dorothy McNulty, Orlando	Linnie Yarbrough, Tampa
James Pearce, Orlando	

MIAMI SECTION:

Craig Allen, Miami	S. D. McMillan, Broward
Elva Libby, Miami	Wm. Mowry, Broward
B. Dean Fairchild, Miami	Polly Pascal, Broward
Esther Fenton, Broward	Marjorie Pearl, Broward
William E. Frazel, Broward	Frances Sanjurjo, Miami
Maureen S. Frazel, Broward	Nancy Steinmetz, Miami
Connie Johnson, Miami	Barbara A. Yetkow, Miami
Virginia Loerke, Broward	Donald A. Yetkow, Miami

Congratulations to all the above. As voted by the Florida Council, there will be a Florida Bromeliad Judge's Registry. Central records will be kept on all the judges. Polly Pascal of Broward and Ellen Jay Peyton of Florida West Coast will be in charge of this service. To keep the certificate, a judge must judge in two shows and win three blue ribbons in a three year period. Hopefully, several people whose names do not appear on the above list may yet qualify to receive certificates in Corpus Christi.

There are 47 names on the above list.

VRIESEA

(Reprinted from Newsletter of Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay, January, 1982, with permission)
by Herb Hill, Jr.

Vrieseas abound in rain forests from sea level to an altitude of 10,000 ft and their geographical range extends from Mexico, Central America and the West Indies to Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay and Northern Argentina, Eastern Brazil and also Costa Rica. Because of their elegant form and brilliant inflorescence, as well as their adaptability to the artificial conditions found in cultivation, there has probably been more hybridization with this genus than any other. Vrieseas generally are medium-sized plants with smooth-edged foliage that comes in all shades of green, from almost black to pale chartreuse, are often spotted, blotched or barred with eccentric markings.

The inflorescence usually bears a flattened or distichous spike of flowers with yellow, white, or green petals. The yellow, red, green or purple bracts are both brilliant and showy and last in color for many months.

Family BROMELIACEAE

Sub-Family TILLANDSIOIDEAE (consisting of 6 Genus)

Genus: Vriesea (vree'se-a). An epiphytic genus of widespread distribution named in 1843 by Lindley in honor of W. deVriese, Dutch botanist. Contains more than 225 species and many hybrids.

Subgenus: Alcantarea - seeds with apical appendage divided into a short coma; petals soon flaccid & drooping.

Vriesea - seed with the apical appendage minute and undivided; petals firm & remaining more or less erect after anthesis.

Section: 1. Vriesea-stamens exerted; bracts mostly colored red, yellow or orange.
2. Xiphion-stamens included; bracts mostly dull green or brownish.

The following Vriesea plants are grouped according to inflorescence, foliage and a combination of both. In addition, these plants are also grouped in accordance

