

GAINESVILLE BROMELIAD SOCIETY

Where Guests are Welcome and Members Are Encouraged!

Photo provided by Hjordis Owens

October Meeting Details

TIME: Sunday, October 28th - 2:00 PM

PLACE: UF Entomology/Nemotology Building, Natural Area Drive east of the Performing Arts Center on Hull Road, U of F. or the 5th left turn on Archer Road coming East from 34th Street.

PROGRAM: From the President, David Silverman

Our meeting of the GBS on **Sunday, October 28** features a very interesting presentation titled "Tearing Up Terrestrials" by Ray Lemieux. Ray is on the staff of Tropiflora in Sarasota where he is their expert on terrestrial bromeliads. Ray has traveled in search of new plants to Madagascar, Venezuela, and Mexico. He is past president of the Sarasota Bromeliad Society and a member of many other plant organizations. At our meeting, Ray will discuss growing, separating, and potting terrestrial bromeliads. He will bring plants for sale, so come prepared to buy some beautiful and interesting bromeliads.

Agenda:

- "Tearing Up Terrestrials" by Ray Lemieux
- Recruiting a nominating committee
- Descriptions of Orlandiana, the World Bromeliad Conference of Sept 26-30
- Report on the meeting of the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies in Gainesville on Oct 13
- Recruiting new members
- Refreshments, Show and Tell, and door prizes

To the right is a photo of Ray Lemieux's first place, blue ribbon winning *Encholirium eddie-estevsii* x *Puya tuberosa*.

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Secretary's Notes: From Last Meeting, August 2012

Our September 23rd meeting was called to order by President David Silverman at 2:05. We got right down to the business of our fundraiser. Nancy Mason led a very amiable auction. All the plants went for very reasonable prices. There were about 3 dozen donated plants and the auction raised \$155.

Our October meeting will include organizing a committee to nominate officers, and our November meeting will be elections of new officers. Programs for those 2 meetings will be a speaker, Ray Lemieux, and a grab bag/ gift swap, respectively.

If anyone has any ideas for changing our group's by-laws, David asked that those suggestions be emailed to him.

Membership enhancement ideas were requested. Irene suggested getting our meeting announced through the extension office, and also suggested posting signs at nurseries and plant shops. Hjordis had some GBS business cards, and might have some of those, as well as a potential sign, available to share with the membership at an upcoming meeting.

David brought a Neoregelia, 'Minoan Beauty', for Show and Tell. Door prizes were awarded, and the meeting adjourned at 3:40.

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November Meeting

- Don't forget to bring a gift for the 'gift swap'
- Also, Election of New Officers

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