

Bromeliad Society
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FEBRUARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 2020



Cryptanthus 'Ruby Slippers' by Earthstar Designs

MEETING DATE: **Tuesday, February 18, 2020**
TIME: **7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**
Location: 1475 West Gray, Houston 77019

PROGRAM SPEAKER: Jay Balchan,
"Orchids"

MEETING AGENDA:

- Social Time and [NO Member Plant Sale](#)
- President's Welcome
- Announcements & Committee Reports
- Show & Tell
- Short Break for Refreshments
- Guest Speaker
- Adjournment
- Plant Raffle

MARCH PROGRAM: Nanako Tingleaf -
Ikebana

NEXT BOARD MEETING: March 19, 2020
TIME: 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Location: 1475 West Gray, Houston 77019

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Bromeliad Society of Houston
Spring Sale
1475 West Gray, Houston**

March 28, 2020

**ABCs
John and Mary Edmonson's
16023 Pebble Bend Drive
10:00 A.M. to 2 P.M.**

April 18, 2020

**Bromeliad Society of Houston
Show and Sale
Judson Robinson Center**

May 15-17, 2020

**World Bromeliad Conference
Sarasota, Florida, USA,
June 9th thru June 13th, 2020**

REMINDER:

All dues are due and you can send to
Allyn Pearlman

6422 Bankside Drive 77096

Please pay so we have you in the 2020 Directory!

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

It was nice to see everyone at our first meeting of the year. We have a few members who have been under the weather or recovering from injuries. We wish them all speedy recoveries and hope to see them soon. We miss you.



It's that time again to renew your memberships. If you have not done so already, please contact Allyn Pearlman (deliboys@comcast.net) to renew/join the Bromeliad Society/Houston and/or the Cryptanthus Society. Remember, you must renew your BS/HI membership by March 1 to be listed in the 2020 Yearbook. For the Bromeliad Society International, go to <http://bsi.org/new/> to renew/join either online or print a form to renew/join by mail. There is now a new electronic Journal membership option which is about half the price of the mailed Journal membership. There is also a new low rate of \$15 for the first year for an electronic Journal only membership for first time members. Please let me know if you have any questions.

I would like to thank all the committee chairpersons for agreeing to continue in their positions supporting our society. We are looking for an assistant to work with Verna Powers this year handling the refreshments. Verna has done an excellent job taking care of us at our meetings and events and we need someone to learn the ropes and take over for her next year. If there are a couple of you who would like to share the position to lighten the load that would be great. Please let me know if you are willing to help out. We would really like someone in place before our March sale.

Speaking of our Spring Sale, it will be March 28th at West Grey Metropolitan Multi-service Center. Set up will be at

8 A.M. with sales from 9 A. M. to 4 P.M. If you plan on selling plants, please see Allyn Pearlman about getting a sale number and the rules. The rules are also printed in the Yearbook. Please think about selling. You don't have to have a large number of plants to sell. It is always interesting to see what folks are propagating and learn how they grow them.

We also have our annual show and sale coming up in just over three months on May 15-17th at Judson Robinson, Jr. Community Center. Set up and show plant registration will be Friday with judging on Saturday and plant sales Saturday and Sunday. There are plenty of jobs to be done so please sign up to help our show chair David Whipkey, sale chair Allyn Pearlman, and hospitality chair Verna Powers. There are lots of opportunities to participate and everyone is needed.

Shortly after our show will be the 2020 World Bromeliad Conference in Sarasota, Florida June 9-13. It should be a great event with a show, speakers, trip to Selby Gardens, optional purchase tours to Tropiflora and Michael's Bromeliads, an auction, a banquet, and plant sales. Registration is still \$295 per person through February 15th so buy yourself a Valentine's Day gift. The rate will then increase to \$335 per person so please register soon at <http://www.bsi.org/new/>. You must be a Bromeliad Society International member to register.

Our February meeting should be very informative. As members of the Houston Orchid Society, Frank and I have known Jay Balchan for many years. He is very knowledgeable about orchids and is an experienced grower. So, if you have any orchid questions, need some advice about transplanting or about fixing your ailing orchids, bring your problem children and I'm sure he would be happy to give you some advice.

I hope to see you all at the meeting this month. Keep warm (or cool depending on the day) and be safe.

. Cherie



FEBRUARY Program "Orchids" Presented by Jay Balchan (Jay's Bio below)



I began growing orchids when I moved to Texas from New Jersey in 1992. I had always liked growing house plants in NJ, but had never grown orchids there. My first orchid plant was a nice blooming Phalaenopsis from the Home Depot. I figured this was a tropical plant, so I stuck it outside to experience the nice tropical rains that we get in Houston. Well of course within 2 days, that plant was a mushy mess! I vowed to do better after that. I bought another couple of plants and did better with them. Within a few weeks, I wanted to buy a few more plants so I used what is now an ancient marketing tool called "The Yellow Pages" to find local orchid vendors in the area. Remember, "The Yellow Pages" was state of the art technology back in the '90's. I ended up going to a nursery belonging to Julia and Charles Wilson. What a magical place it was!! Greenhouses full of blooming and growing orchids! Amazing! From there I was hooked. She also told me about a local society, the Houston Orchid Society which met in Hermann Park at that time. Over the years, I have been fortunate to have held every position in the HOS including President twice. I am also a volunteer and on the Board of Trustees of the American Orchid Society. I live near Rice University and have a backyard greenhouse with about 3,000 blooming sized plants.

For my talk, I'll be giving an introduction to the world of orchids, species and hybrids, with a focus on those more common varieties that thrive in Houston. I'll also present a deeper dive into how to take care of the Phalaenopsis orchid you bought at Kroger and how to make it rebloom year after year.

More about Jay: <http://www.aos.org/about-us/officers-trustees/jay-balchan.aspx>

What's Blooming in
February 2020



Cryptanthus
'Arctic Rainbow' and 'Lime Sprite' -
Edmonson



Cryptanthus 'Chocolate Mousse' -
Edmonson



Cryptanthus 'Jennifer' (and friends)
Edmonson



Cryptanthus 'Witch Doctor'
Edmonson



Aechmea gamosepala
Edmonson



Aechmea gamosepala
Baker



Cryptanthus 'Peachy Keen'
Edmonson

**What's Blooming in
January 2020**



***Cryptanthus* 'Rick Richtmyer'**
(J. Edmonson)



***Neoregelia* 'Grace's Avalanche'**
(J. Edmonson)



***Cryptanthus* 'Tickled Pink'**
(J. Edmonson)



***Neoregelia* 'Winnie the Pooh'**
(J. Edmonson)



***Cryptanthus* 'Dragonfire'**
(J. Edmonson)



***Cryptanthus* 'Evon'**
(J. Edmonson)



Aechmea recurvata
(J. Edmonson)



Aechmea pineliana minuta
(C. Lee)



***Neoregelia* 'Bossa Nova'**
(J. Edmonson)

What's Blooming in
January 2020



Aechmea 'Covata'
(C. Lee)



Aechmea vallerandii formerly *beeriana*
(C. Lee)



Aechmea lamarchei
(C. Lee)



Portea alatisepala
(C. Lee)



Aechmea gamosepala
(A. Baker)



Upper left to lower right
Tillandsia recurvata bloomed out
Aechmea recurvata 'Red Form' in
bloom
Unknown *Tillandsia* seedlings growing
on metal plant hanger
(D. Whipkey)

Time to Check Your Plants

By Linda Whipkey

Hi. My plants have been on their own for a good while now, and even though winter is not over, I feel an obligation to them. Luckily, as a bromeliad grower, I don't have to worry a lot. Weeding, some watering in the winter and spraying with a fertilizer solution for leaves are maintenance tasks. With short days, the broms rest.

I want to be sure to find some nice ones for our Bromeliad Show in May. Yes, after several years of showing, it's an obligation to continue, and, more importantly, I get a lot of pleasure from participating in the annual event that features so many beautiful specimens. I'm looking for both horticultural entries and artistic examples. In March, I'll be fertilizing plants that I would like to see grow a little – just to nudge them. I don't claim to have a great knowledge of bromeliad culture, but there are a plenty of experienced growers I can contact for advice. My artistic skill continues to develop and I rely on pictures from past shows (found on our web site) to show construction techniques. I love to match colors of my plants to various containers that I find in out-of-the-way shops and craft stores. Using paints and craft materials, I can make unique containers to correspond to the show theme. That's part of the fun, too.

When the temperature is nice outside and/or when the sun brightens your bromeliad spaces in the house, look at your plants and use your imagination. Imagine a few of them positioned on our Show table. It doesn't have to be the Head Table, not just yet. Your plant exhibits its natural beauty and your nurturing care. A ribbon, a medallion, a plaque can represent both the beauty and the care. That's not all you get from a show. Working together for the success of the public display of our lovely bromeliads in the Houston garden community is rewarding because we have been a part of that community for over 50 years. That's a long time. We have become a standard. You are a part of that history. Yes, be proud.

So, check your plants for our show, The Decade of Bromeliads, May 16 and 17, 2020. Check our web site (<http://bromeliadsocietyhouston.org>) and click on *Gallery* in the menu. Peruse our extensive photo collection from previous shows. Both horticulture and art are given. Also, go to bsi.org and select *Bromeliads* in the menu bar. Pick *Bromeliad Cultivar Register* in the drop-down menu to find the cultivars you have. Compare the picture given to your plant. See how it stacks up. Can't find the name of your cultivar there? You can still enter it if you know its parentage. That's still a no? Any unidentified species or unnamed hybrid can be entered for display only so that your growing skills can be exhibited. Always check the current show schedule (rules) for specific entry criteria. Our schedule will be distributed at the March meeting.

See you at our monthly meetings and the Show. Rewards and fun in store for you in the 20's!



**NEW
MEMBERS**



**Bryan and Catherine Windham
brykool69@yahoo.com**

TAXONOMY UPDATE:

The following is a brief write up pertaining to a new genus which is now listed in the new Bromeliad Taxon List. You may use this in the BS/H Bulletin if you wish. This basically is all the information I have at this time as the full publication is not available for the general public. I will keep looking around for this publication or ask someone who has a scientific background and therefore access to scientific publications. Rick

Taxonomy Update: *Karawata* - a new Bromeliad Genus

Based on morphological and phylogenetic evidence seven species previously assigned to the *Aechmea* subg. *Chevaliera* are segregated to a new genus *Karawata*. They are *K. depressa*, *K. gustavoï*, *K. multiflora*, *K. nigribracteata*, *K. hostilis*, *K. prasinata* and *K. saxicola*. The authors of this study are J. R. Maciel, G. M. Sousa, M. das Gracas L. Wanderley, G. Zizka and M. Alves. The paper "A New Genus of Bromeliaceae Endemic To Brazilian Atlantic Forest" is published in *Systematic Botany* 44(3): 519-535. 2019.

My reference is found in *Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies Newsletter* Vol 39 Issue 4, November 2019 in an article written by Derek Butcher. This new genus and its species are in the Derek Butcher and Eric Gouda publication *The new Bromeliad Taxon List* which can be found on the BSI website.

[Botany • 2019] *Karawata* gen. nov. • A New Genus of Bromeliaceae Endemic to Brazilian Atlantic Forest



Karawata J.R. Maciel and G. Sousa, **gen. nov.**

A. *Karawata depressa*, inflorescence. B. *K. gustavoï*, inflorescence. C. *K. multiflora*, Typical inflorescence.
E. *K. nigribracteata*, inflorescence. F. *K. hostilis*, inflorescence. G. *K. depressa*, details of flower and floral bracts.

Bromeliad Society/Houston, Inc.
Minutes - Regular Meeting
January 21, 2020

Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, Houston 77019

Call to order: President Cherie Lee at 7:08 pm

Plant Sale: None

Visitors: Melenie Yuen, Jarrett Stowe, and Rose Merchant

New Members: None

Announcements & Committee Reports:

Cherie Lee thanked Allyn Pearlman, Rick Richtmyer, and David Whipkey for their work at the yearly holiday party.

Cherie Lee mentioned that several members were ill. They were Don Green with a broken ankle, Carol and Rick Richtmyer with the flu, Ruby Adams, and Jim Racca.

Cherie Lee announced that the spring sale will be held on March 28, 2020 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center.

Cherie Lee announced that the annual show will be held Mary 14-16, 2020 at the Judson Robinson Jr. Community Center.

David asked for volunteers to work the annual show. More details will follow in the near future.

Cherie Lee asked for a volunteer to work with Verna Powers and be trained to do hospitality as this is the last year Verna will be doing it.

John Edmonson stated that since Rick Richtmyer was ill he would collect the money that Rick was due for expenses at the last judges' symposium.

Cherie Lee discussed the WBC 2020 that will be held in Sarasota Florida. The conference will run from June 9-13, 2020. The price to attend the conference will go up on February 1, 2020.

Cherie Lee discussed the various BSI membership rates. They can be viewed on the BSI website www.bsi.org.

Linda Whipkey talked about future programs:
February : Jay Balchan - Orchids
March : Nanako Tingleaf - Ikebana
April: ABC program – Linda Whipkey – mounting a plant

Treasurer's report was given by Allyn Pearlman: See full report on page 3.

Show & Tell: Conducted by John Schmidt. Plants provided by John Schmidt, and Frank and Cherie Lee.

Name tag drawing winner – Frank Lee
Membership winner – Audrey VanWright
BSI membership winner – Kim Merchant

A short break for refreshments was held from 7:40 until 8:00.

Program:

Linda Whipkey introduced our speakers, Mary Cinotto, Shirl Stowe, and Linda Whipkey, who gave a program on our educational exhibits.

Adjournment: 8:45 pm

Plant Raffle: Conducted by Frank Lee and helpers. It netted \$37.00.

**Bromeliad Society/Houston, Inc.
Show and Tell
January 21, 2020**



Aechmea weilbachii - Lee



Aechmea fasciata albomarginata - Lee



Araeococcus pariflorus - Lee



Araeococcus pariflorus 'Red Form' - Lee



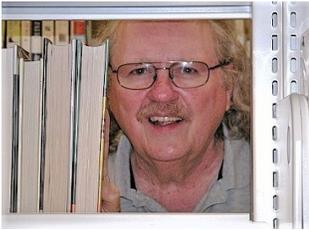
Aechmea 'Kiwi Baker' - Schmidt



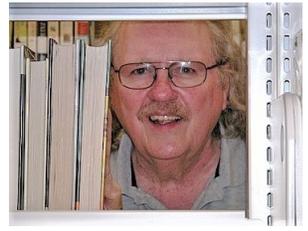
Aechmea recurvata ortgiesii - Schmidt



Canistropsis billbergioides
citron -
Lee



Whipkey's Word February 2020



Trichomes

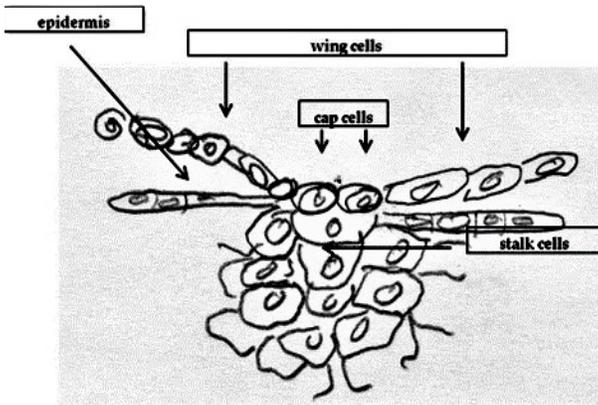
The other day I was admiring my favorite *Tillandsia*. It was a lovely *tectorum*. Or at least it was lovely when I bought it at a sale a few years ago. Now it is just a dried up old dead plant. For me a *tectorum* purchase is always an expression of optimism over experience. I killed this last one in a month or two, but for some reason I keep the desiccated plant around. What can I say? I am a sucker for a good set of **trichomes**.

Let us make **trichomes** the word of the month.

A Bromeliad Glossary published by the Bromeliad Society, Inc. defines **trichome** as "The scales found on the leaves of most bromeliads; the absorptive organ." Not very informative.

The Biology of the Bromeliads by David H. Benzing defines it as: "**Trichome** (hair or scale) – an epidermal (skin) structure". Still doesn't make it. I guess I am going to have to actually reread the book. Now I am not going to lie to you. Unless you majored in biology or botany in college, The Biology of the Bromeliads is not an easy read. Having done so, here goes my attempt at a Whipkey definition.

If a plant is to survive it needs to have some basic needs satisfied. It needs sunshine, water, minerals, and CO₂. It also has to get rid of waste materials such as O₂. If you happen to be an epiphytic plant growing in the top of a tree, sunshine is abundant. However, getting water, minerals and CO₂ is a bit of a problem. Want to know what the solution is? Yes ladies and gentleman you guessed it, **trichomes**! Besides looking good, they are very functional.



Referring to the drawing at the left you can see that a **trichome** has 3 types of cells. (Cap – Wing – Stalk) The stalk cells are below the leaf surface and allow water and mineral salts to enter the plant. They are covered by the cap cells and wing cells which collectively are called the dome. The dome is a plate like shield. The edges of the dome, the wings, pull away from the leaf surface (epidermis) when they are dry. As the dome absorbs water, the leaves flatten.

When the wings of the dome are up, the stoma is uncovered. When the stoma is uncovered water vapor, oxygen, and carbon dioxide can exit and enter the plant. Plants (like my dead *tectorum*) that have dense arrangements of **trichomes** can only exchange gases when they are dry. If the wings are constantly wet and covering the stoma the plant can't take in the carbon dioxide that it needs to make

food, and it can't get rid of the waste products of photosynthesis such as oxygen. To make a long story short and the plant dies.

Trichomes have another use. They reflect light. **Trichomes** differ in size and shape. Plants growing in extremely bright light have dense clusters of **trichomes** to reflect light away from the plant. This allows the plant to remain cooler and avoid sunburn. These plants are usually silver or gray in color. Shade loving plants have fewer **trichomes** allowing more sunlight to fall on the epidermis. These plants tend to be greener in color.

There it is. More than you ever wanted to know about **trichomes**.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Malcolm Anderson	2/4
Laurie Skov	2/17
Vickey Gurka	2/18
Alicia Baker	2/26
Kenneth Gardner	2/28



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Theresa Sandberg	3/15
Annette Dominguez	3/18
Odean Head	3/22





**Foxie's Health & Safety:
February is Heart Health Month
10 ways to get and stay healthy!**



1. **Stop smoking** Quitting smoking is the best thing that can be done for the heart and for overall health.
2. **Know your numbers** Maintaining a healthy weight, blood pressure and total cholesterol play a significant role in maintaining a healthy heart. While there are standard guidelines for blood pressure and cholesterol, ideal weight goals are individual to each person.
3. **Screen for diabetes** Untreated diabetes can lead to heart disease, among many other complications. Diabetes can be easily detected through a simple blood test and managed a variety of ways under the care of a physician.
4. **Get active** Heart pumping physical activity not only helps to prevent cardiovascular disease but can also improve overall mental and physical health. The American Heart Association recommends five 30 minute moderate exercise sessions each week.
5. **Build some muscle** Strength training compliments cardiovascular exercise by toning muscles and burning fat. In addition, proper strength training can improve daily functional movements, decreasing the chance of injury. The American Heart Association recommends getting in two days of moderate to high-intensity strength training each week.
6. **Eat Healthy** A healthy diet full of heart-smart foods is essential to a healthy heart and lifestyle. Salmon, nuts, berries, and oats are just a few of the heart "superfoods" that may help reduce the risk of atherosclerosis. Dark chocolate is also on the list and is a great way to satisfy a sweet tooth (in moderation).
7. **Limit junk** To reap the full benefits of a heart-healthy diet, it's important to limit intake of nutrient-poor junk foods. Added sugars, saturated fat and excessive sodium can all negatively impact heart health, as well as overall physical health
8. **Stress less** Stress increases cortisol, which leads to weight gain, a key risk factor for heart disease. In addition, stress can lead to other unhealthy habits, making it harder to stick to a heart-healthy program. Stress can also decrease overall happiness and increase the risk for anxiety and depression.
9. **Sleep more** Sleeping restores the body, helps decrease stress and increases overall happiness. To reap the full benefits, clocking seven hours each night is key
10. **Smile** A happy heart is a healthy heart. Making time for enjoyable activities and hobbies helps relieve stress and improves the overall mood, providing a great foundation for a heart-healthy lifestyle

MESSAGE BOARD FOR FEBRUARY

- **NEWSLETTER**...Online at BSH site <http://bromeliadsocietyhouston.org/>
- **EDUCATION MATERIAL**...Please feel free to send any photos you have of bromeliads in your gardens or decorative displays to the editor for the March display.
- **DUES are due**. Please pay Allyn Pearlman before end of February to be in Yearbook 2020. All dues are due and payable on January 1 of each year. Any Member who has not paid his dues by the close of the regular meeting in February will be dropped from membership

WBC 2020 CONFERENCE INFORMATION

BSI Board Members,

January has been a very busy month for WBC matters. The latest BSI Journal went out at the beginning of the month with a two-page (4 sides) WBC 2020 insert. A similar insert was sent out a week ago to 550 Bromeliad enthusiasts who are members of Florida Bromeliad societies. Those inserts noted that the lowest \$295 WBC registration rate expires at the end of January. Board members may want to pass that information on to others who might be interested in registering for the world conference as the registration rate will go up to \$335 starting February 1st.

A meeting was held at the WBC hotel, the Hyatt Regency Sarasota, on January 10th. It was attended by a number of long-time BSI members who were involved in past WBCs. Their expertise paid off with a number of improvements made to the WBC events schedule (see attached). The first change was to move the Plant Show to a venue at the hotel known as the Boathouse, which is mostly surrounded by water and has natural light. It was remarked that it may be the nicest WBC Plant Show venue in some time as most WBC plant shows are held in hotel rooms with artificial light only. The changed venue at the hotel for the plant show freed up space which then permitted the scheduling of the Rare Plant Auction on Friday night with the Banquet on Saturday night, fixing a flaw in the schedule.

The latter part of January has seen a sharp uptick in conference registrations and hotel reservations. There had been some issues with hotel room availability on Tuesday and Wednesday nights (June 9th and 10th). There is now additional availability on those nights, but not as much as would be ideal. If you or other BSI members that you know of desire to stay at the conference hotel on one or both of those nights, **it is recommended that you make hotel reservations sooner, rather than later** (see <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SRQSS/G-BSIW>). Hotel reservations made with the group code (G-BSIW) have no resort fee added and no charge for parking (despite what the occasional uninformed hotel staff person might say).

Other parts of WBC 2020 planning are revving up. Ads for the Program Guide may now be reserved and sent in by email. The Plant Sale Rules have been adopted and are available. The Plant Show Rules (generally referred to as the BSI Show Schedule) are just about ready. Following are email addresses that might be helpful.

Email addresses:

Conference Co-chairs and General Information: TheWBC2020@gmail.com

Plant Sale Info: brianweber1b@hotmail.com

Plant Show Info: 2020showplants@gmail.com

Ads for the Program Guide: 2020bsiwc@gmail.com

There's a lot else going on in the planning process, but this update covers where we are at the moment. I should probably give individual credit to the several dozen people that are part of what is discussed here, but I am trying to keep this update reasonably short.

--Greg Kolojeski

WBC 2020 Conference Co-Chair

70th Anniversary World Bromeliad Conference 2020

2020 Dates:	Tuesday June 9	Wednesday June 10	Thursday June 11	Friday June 12	Saturday June 13	Sunday June 14
Events:	<p><i>Continental Breakfast at Board meeting, 8:30-9:30</i></p> <p>Board Meeting, 9-5</p> <p><i>Boxed Lunch at Board meeting: 12-1</i></p> <p><i>Continental Breakfast at Judges school, 8-9</i></p> <p>Judges School, 9-5</p> <p><i>Boxed Lunch at the Judges school: 12-1</i></p> <p>Plant Show Entries, 5-8 PM</p> <p>Storage of Plants for Plant Sale, 3 PM+</p> <p>Board Dinner, 6-8 Offsite</p>	<p>Optional Bus Tour to Michael's Bromeliads and a local garden visit, 8:30-12</p> <p>Plant Show Entries (with prior approval), 8:30-11:30</p> <p><i>Boxed Lunch (for judges, clerks, and showroom volunteers): 12:00-1:00</i></p> <p>Plant Sale Setup, 1:30-4:00</p> <p>Plant Show Judging, 1-5+</p> <p>Official Conference Opening, Reception & Welcome Address, 6-7:30</p>	<p>Optional Bus Tour to Tropiflora and a local garden visit, 9-12</p> <p>Awards Placement, 9-12</p> <p>Plant Sale Setup, 1:30-5:00</p> <p>Plant Show open for registrants only, 2-6:30</p> <p>Cocktail Reception, 6-7</p> <p>Early Admission to Plant Sale for Lottery Winners, 6:30-7:00</p> <p>Plant Sale open for registrants, 7-9</p>	<p>Bus Tour for Registrants to Selby Gardens, 9-11:45</p> <p>Seminar 1, 1:00-2:00</p> <p>Seminar 2, 2:15-3:15</p> <p>Seminar 3, 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Seminar 4, 4:45-5:45</p> <p>Plant Sale open to public, 9-6</p> <p>Plant Show open to public, 9-6</p> <p>Rare Plant Auction Viewing Starts at 6:30</p> <p>Rare Plant Auction with Cash Bar, Starts at 7</p>	<p>Seminar 5, 9-10,</p> <p>Seminar 6, 1015-11:15</p> <p>Seminar 7, 11:30-12:30</p> <p>Seminar 8, 2:00-3:00</p> <p>Plant Sale open to public, 9-4 (teardown, 4-5)</p> <p>Plant Show open to public, 9-2 (teardown, 2-3)</p> <p>Banquet with Keynote Speaker, 7-10</p>	<p>Cryptanthus Society Meeting, 9-12</p> <p>Plant Storage, Ends at 11 AM</p>

Note: This tentative schedule is preliminary in nature and is subject to change.



Texas Gulf Coast Fern Society

Texas Gulf Coast Fern Society
www.tgcfersoc.org

Regular meeting
third Sunday of month at 2:00 P.M.
Judson Robinson Jr. Community Center
2020 Hermann Drive
Next meeting will be **February 16**

JANUARY 2020 BROMELIAD SOCIETY HOUSTON RAFFLE \$37

DONORS	WINNERS
Cherie Lee	Andy Anderson
Kathy Stahl	Alicia Baker
David Whipkey	Madge Donaldson
	Vickey Gurka
	Mike O'Neal
	Jarrett Stone
	Gordon Stowe
	David Whipkey



The Houston **Orchid Society, Inc.**
www.houstonorchidsociety.org
Regular meeting first Thursday of month
at 7:30 P.M.
First Christian Church
1601 Sunset Blvd
Next meeting will be **February 6**

FEBRUARY REFRESHMENTS: N to Z

Thanks to everyone for contributing to the goodies.

Please refer to the Bulletin to determine if it is your turn (last name begins with A thru M group, and last name begins with N thru Z group).

Bring your refreshment ready to serve with the appropriate serving tool and don't forget to get your items at the close of the meeting!

Your Hospitality Committee and fellow members appreciate your participation.



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CRYPTANTHUS SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL



About the Bromeliad Society/Houston

This corporation is organized exclusively for purely public charity and strictly educational purposes. Specific goals of the Society shall be to:

Increase knowledge of bromeliads through inter-change and dissemination of information.

Use such funds as are available for the purpose of research and/or equipment in institutions of higher learning within the State of Texas.

There are two classes of membership:

Individual	\$20.00 per year
Family	\$30.00 per year

All memberships begin with January of the current year.

Visit our website at www.bromeliadsocietyhouston.org for more information.

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