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# **November 2019 Newsletter**

Meeting Announcement Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM 200 Fairmont Dr., Sanford

Our November meeting features Bob Smedley with his presentation: Mounting Bromeliads and Landscape Display



## Bob Smedley will bring a number of great Bromeliads for sale

There will be a member sale at the November meeting in addition to our Members Silent Auction.

Please bring your plants to donate to the Door Prize Drawing and Plant Raffle for the benefit of the Society.

Refreshments for the meeting will be furnished by Tony Figueiredo and Gloria Johnson.

Current Member Count: SBTPS: 96: SGC: 101

# **Bob Smedley Bio**

Bob is a native of Orlando. He was first introduced to Bromeliads in 1974 by his mentor, Bill Frase. Bob is a landscape Bromeliad grower. He will demonstrate mounting options that can add dimension to your Bromeliad landscape. Bob has been the recipient of two Morris Henry Hobbs Best of Show-Artistic awards at the <u>BSCF</u> Mother's Day Show.

### Florals Fantastica<sup>™</sup> Displays

Shown below are the displays that the attendees voted as their favorite two: **Boomeliads** and **Natures Wonders**.





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# **President's Message**

### **October Meeting**

We had our first **Florals Fantastica<sup>TM</sup>** event in October. We had eight wonderful displays crafted by members. While our paid attendance was less than hoped, those who did attend appeared to love the displays. The paid attendees voted for their favorite displays with the following results: #1: **Boomeliads** by Dave & Cathy Schubert and Gladys Natividad; #2: **Natures Wonders** by Ken & Jennie Hicks; and #3: **What Better, A Garden** by the Wildflower Circle. Special credit should be given to the members who were also there at the SGC for virtually every minute that Florals Fantastica was open: Marty Folk and Bud Martin. There were also many other volunteers including those who showed up every day to help: Tony Figueiredo, Paula White, and Barbara Whittier. The SGC Board will review the results from this event and make recommendations for next year.

Our membership rolls continue to grow at a brisk pace with SGC membership now exceeding 100 and with SBTPS membership at levels greater than three times what they were just a few years ago!

--Greg Kolojeski

#### **Elections**

The November meeting features elections of officers for both the **Sanford Garden Club** and the **SBTPS**. Both groups will have elections for one year officer terms for 2020. Members will be sent more information on the elections prior to the meeting. To qualify as a member in good standing in order to vote, you must have attended at least two regular meetings as a member during the previous 12 months.

### **Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society News**

The SBTPS Board voted to recommend the purchase of 48 new chairs to be used by members at meetings and events such as plant sales (but not for renter use). A member vote will be taken at the November meeting on whether to purchase the chairs.

### **Sanford Garden Club News**

The Jalousie window replacements have been installed at the SGC.

The Landscape Work Party on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> was attended by Barbara, Bonnie, Tony & Greg with much accomplished at the front with Heliconias removed, Bromeliads thinned, and new plantings.



December 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting at 1:00 PM: Annual Holiday Party



10/15/19 <u>Plant Picture of the Day</u>: Aechmea fasciata



10/23/19 Plant Picture of the Day: Beautyberry (Callicarpa americana)



11/02/19 <u>Plant Picture of the Day</u>: Aechmea 'Blue Tango'