MEETING REMINDER

Monday, November 26, 2018 at 7:30 pm

In the Garden House of Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

Topic: Ferns from Folklore to Natural History

Speaker: Steven J. Royer, Associate Professor of Biology
Palm Beach State College

Steven has been involved with the fern and plant worlds for many years. He studied fern biology with the legendary Warren H. Wagner at the University of Michigan and continued his involvement with ferns in the botanical garden world and as a hobby since then.

Steven has worked as Program Manager at Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve in Michigan, as Special Projects Coordinator at American Public Gardens Association and as Director of Program Development at American Orchid Society and as Director of Development at Mounts Botanical Garden in West Palm Beach before beginning his current position as a biology professor. He attained his B.S. degree from the University of Michigan and M.S. in Biology from Andrews University.

He also does consulting work on horticultural and botanical projects, including developing the concept of Micro-Botanical Gardens.
2018 Auction

The Garden House was the location for yet another incredible rare plant auction. Our membership really came through with a wide variety of plants for the auction table and filled hospitality table. Auctioneer, Jeff Searle, started off the auction with a Friend and Family Membership to Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden which was met with much enthusiasm. He then immediately jumped into the vast array of plants and using his most persuasive powers was able to bring in $2,600.00 which is a slight profit over last year.

We are most appreciative of Jeff’s talents as well as those of his son Travis and his photographer Ryan Gallivan for their assistance. Jeff kept things moving along at a lively pace and made it fun for everyone in attendance. Our hospitality table was beautifully filled with every thing from appetizers to desserts and many things in between. My thanks go out to Craig Morrell, Ralph Hernandez, Lenny Goldstein, Sherrin Smith, Bob Benaim, Arielle Simon, Nick Marchand, Skye Palmer, Emalyl Isreal, Vivian Waddell and Martha Kent for volunteering to cover the much needed positions to make this event run smoothly.

I know that you will recognize these names as ones who always seem to be helping where needed. Please consider giving them a break and offer your time to volunteer for the next event.

   My sincere thanks,

   Marnie Valent
   Auction Chair

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Ritchie and Bernard Jasmin

NEW MEMBERS

Lorie Bean             Sabine Bittel
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November 2018 Co-President’s Letter

What a great auction on October 22nd! It was fun and filled with great rare and unusual plants that attendees battled with their auction paddles to win. Kudos to Marnie Valent, the organizer; Jeff Searle, the auctioneer extraordinaire, and his helpers Lenny Goldstein, Ralph Hernandez, Ryan Gallivan and Travis Searle; Craig Morell for plant identification; Bob Benaim and Arielle Simon, the bid trackers; Nick Marchand and Skye Palmer, the holding area; Martha Kent, the bartender; Emalyl Israel and Vivian Waddell for a scrumptious hospitality table; Sherrin Smith for sign-in and membership and to all who brought plants, food and drink and to all who bought plants to raise $2,600.00.

If you would like to see a play by play of the auction that Ryan posted online, go to http://www.palmtalk.org/forum/index.php/?topic/58241-tropical-fern-exotic-plant-society-annual-auction-2018/.

Our November 26th meeting is an important one. Not only will we have a great presentation on Ferns: from Folklore to Natural History by Steven Royer but we will also hold a brief business meeting. In that meeting the election of the 2019 Officers and Directors will take place and a vote will be held on a new Scholarship Initiative that is proposed for TFEPS to offer. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 in the Garden House.

Hope to see you there.

Submitted by Marie Nock

SAVE THE DATE ✨TFEPS HOLIDAY PARTY✨
Thursday, December 13, 2018 ✨ 7:00 pm in the Garden House at Fairchild Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables

Emalyl Israel requests that you bring your favorite side dish (salad, vegetables, casserole) The Club will provide drinks, turkey and ham.
TFEPS 2018 PLANT AUCTION

Senecio macroglossus
Solanum sp.
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Sansevieria “Boncel”
Colocasia “Tea Cup”

Christia obcordata
Colocasia “Tea Cup”
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Chambeyronia macrocarpa

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Croton “Geisha Girl”
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