



## BromeliAdvisory

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Bromeliad Meeting

Aug 20, 2024, Next Meeting 7:15 PM Garden House through

August

No Vendor Sales, Silent Auction will be allowed.

Please bring in Mexican food to share! You will receive a raffle ticket for each food donation! Thanks for contributing!

## About Our Speaker

Ray Lemieux has over 30 years of growing experience. Owner of Red Island Plants, He is the lead grower and head of all greenhouse operations from propagation to packing. Ray will be discussing “Tearing Up Terrestrials, a program focusing on propagation techniques for terrestrial bromeliads, how to clean them up and repot terrestrials like Dyckia, Hechtia, Encholirium, Puya, Orthophytum, Sincoraea, Forzzaea and others. We will discuss soil mixes, light requirements, watering, fertilizing and much more!”



## President's Message:

The dog days of Summer continue!! As always continue to engage and bring friends and neighbors to our meetings and get folks to join! The next few months we have a great lineup of speakers and remember the raffle table and member sales which helps our society financially so we can continue to have all the wonderful things we do. So please grab plants at our meetings! October is our auction and our #1 fundraiser, and we are going to have some killer spectacular plants. We need everyone to start drumming up support and bringing people in!

*- Alex Bello*



**If you're interested in providing the raffle table, please let Alex Bello know. This is a great way to support our club! The person handling the raffle tickets keeps 80% of the ticket sales, with the club receiving 20%. Of course, you're welcome to donate more to the club if you wish.**

**From The Editor**



Just a reminder—if you'd like to submit an article with photos related to our mission, please email it to me at least 2 weeks in advance. I look forward to your contributions!

*-Tina Severson*

## Show and Tell of the Month



### **In Case You Missed It- By Maureen Adelman**

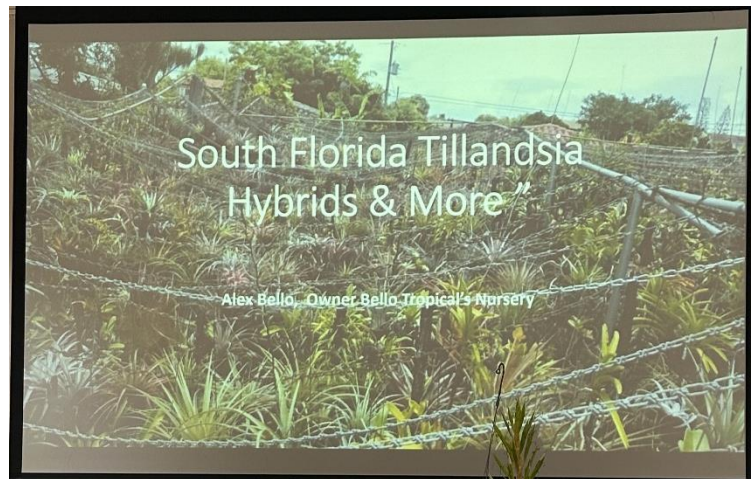
At our July meeting our president, Alex Bello, regaled us with a slide show titled. "South Florida Tillandsia Hybrids and More".

The first and foremost tillandsia hybridizer in south Florida was the late Steve Correale, a longtime member who collected in central America in the 60s and 70s. He eventually purchased 5 houses next to his and filled the 5 yards with his hybrids. His son has recently sold his collection to Alex Bello and Peter Kouchalakos so we will be seeing these hybrids for many more years. His first hybrid was T. "Steve". He mainly hybridized with T. chiapensis, T. Streptophylla, T. fasciata and T. capitata. His best hybrid is T. "Bea Correale", a cross between chiapensis and streptophylla. He never used pots but hung all his plants by fishing line to make it easier to remove offsets.

Nestor Del Rio was a protegee of Steve Correale who is now on his own. He also has many popular hybrids.

And finally, Alex has been hybridizing, including a T. hildae x T. fasciata alba that is 5 1/2 feet across with a huge bloom.

Many of these hybrids will be available at our October auction, so mark the date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024.









**Invite your friends and family to our meetings  
and help spread the joy of learning about  
bromeliads!**



# Upcoming Community Events



## Event Details

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### SUNSET SUMMER JAMS

August 22, September 5, September 26, and October 17

5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

General admission included



## Event Details

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### TASTE OF THE CARIBBEAN

September 14



# American Legion Summer Line Dance



\$10 at the door.

# Line Dance Workshop Miami



## (LDWM) Line Dance Workshop Miami

**\$10** (at the door) Pre-Party Social Friday night **Sep 20, 2024** 7pm to 11pm

**\$55** Line Dance Workshop is Saturday **Sep 21, 2024** from 10am to 4pm

Includes Saturday Lunch and After Party Social Dance from 8pm to 11pm

Limited space available

**Featuring Cody Flowers & Dawn Musgrave**

**Hosted By Dance Smith Productions**

Located at 16401 SW 90<sup>th</sup> Ave. Miami. FL 33157

**American Legion Post #133**

[For Registration click here:](#)