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IPS Directors elected for 2012 – 2016 Term

In addition to the Director position automatically filled by Scott Zona (Co-Editor of *PALMS*), the IPS filed seventeen (17) positions in this election for IPS Directors serving the 2012–2016 term, divided into appropriate groups to maintain appropriate geographic distribution of directors. The newly elected directors are being installed at the IPS Board of Directors meeting on September 15th in Thailand.

Directors elected for this 2012–2016 term, by their associated geographic regions, are:

- R. Haresh, India (Africa, Middle East and India)
- Carlo Morici, Canary Islands, Spain (Europe)
- David Bleistein, California (Southwest USA)
- Jeffry Brusseau, California (Southwest USA)
- Tom Jackson, California (Southwest USA)
- Jack Sayers, California (Southwest USA)
- Tim Brian, Hawaii (Hawaii & US Pacific)
- Mike Merritt, Hawaii (Hawaii & US Pacific)
- Paul Craft, Florida (Southeast USA)
- John DeMott, Florida (Southeast USA)
- Susan Hubbell, Puerto Rico (Southeast USA)
- Ken Johnson, Florida (Southeast USA)
- Jim Cain, Texas (Central USA)
- Kathryn Morgan Louisiana (Central USA)
- Grant Stephenson Texas (Central USA)

Directors for the 2012 – 2016 term will be installed at the Board of Directors Meeting in September 2012 at the Thailand Biennial.

The IPS also thanks the following outgoing IPS Directors for their service.

- Lyle Arnold, Southern California
- Philip Arrowsmith, Australia
- Bill Baker, Texas
- Jill Menzel, Brazil
- John Rees, Southern California
- Sue Rowlands, Southern California

The IPS would also like to thank the unsuccessful candidates for the Board of Directors for their interest. They are invited to re-submit their candidacy for a future election.

- Francisco "Paco" Marti Navarro, Spain
- Cindy Adair, Virginia
- Romeo Montalvo, Texas

The IPS Nominating Committee for this election was Faith Bishock, Norman Bezona, Elena Beare, Sue Rowlands and Horace Hobbs.

2012 IPS Biennial Meeting, Thailand

The 2012 Biennial Meeting of the International Palm Society is being hosted by Nong Nooch Tropical Botanical Garden near Pattaya on September 11-18, 2012. Key items from this IPS Board of Directors meeting will be summarized in the next Supplement to Palms.

IPS Endowment Fund Applications Due for 2013 Grants

Applications must be received by December 31st, 2012 for consideration of 2013 IPS Endowment Fund grants. The 2013 grants will be awarded at the IPS Board Meeting to be held in September–October 2012. Grant funds awarded for 2013 will be available to grantees shortly before year-end 2012.

For applications to be considered, they must be sent to Endowment Committee chair, Jim Cain, prior to December 31st, 2012. Proposals should be sent in MS Word or Adobe PDF documents as e-mail attachments to jim.cain@cain-barnes.com. If the documents exceed 9MB in size, please also copy them to jimmydcain@aol.com with at least a note to jim.cain@cain-barnes.com advising that this was done. E-mails totaling up to 16MB (including attachments) will be accepted at that address.

Proposals should include the following information, along with any other information that applicants think might increase their chances for favorable review of their proposals:

- A Narrative Proposal Section, with a clear description of the project to be funded. This should include adequate detail for independent scientific reviewers to assess the feasibility and desirability of the project work. This should also address the desired project timetable in a general way, again to provide clarity to the reviewers.
- A clear and readable budget for the full project, as well as how much of the funding is requested from the IPS and how much of the total project funding is expected to be obtained from other sources. Please also state whether or not "partial funding" of the IPS amount would be acceptable (and still allow the project to be undertaken)

- To maximize the impact of these grants, the IPS asks that the grant proposers request funding only for direct project costs. The IPS grants may not be used to pay any indirect costs charged by the grant applicants' institutions that is, money to cover general G&A and/or any other "overhead" expenses are not to be included in the applicant's Requests for Funding. The IPS will provide a letter to this effect to recipients' institutions, upon request.
- Current Curriculum Vitae of the applicant and other key researchers involved in the project. This information should also provide proper contact information for the application [postal address, e-mail address(es), telephone(s) and fax numbers.]
- A statement as to who should receive the Grant payment, if the application is successful (i.e., the individual, the individual's university or employer, etc. The applicant should provide clear payment instructions (including payee address).

If there are questions on the above, please contact Jim Cain via mobile telephone at +1 (832) 215-5551 or at the given e-mail addresses.

The IPS grants approximately US\$20,000 of awards in a given year, if suitable applications are received requesting this amount. Typically, individual awards of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 are made, although larger grants can sometimes be awarded if merited. Applications must be accompanied by a statement on the acceptability of "partial funding." Without such a clear statement, the IPS may be forced to turn down such an application if the entire requested amount cannot be awarded.

Pauleen Sullivan May 1921 to August 2012

On August 8th, 2012, the International Palm Society lost one of its most visible supporters in Pauleen Sullivan, who died at the age of 91.

After graduating from Ventura (California) High School, this adventuresome woman chose to travel to Alaska to work for an oil company, and to Fall River, Massachusetts to work as a bookkeeper. Her zeal for life took her to New York City in 1943 where she married her high school sweetheart, Joe Sullivan, while he was on leave from the Navy. She and Joe settled here in Ventura after Joe was out of the Navy.

When Pauleen and her husband began their love affair with palms in the early 1950s, there were few planted locally in the Ventura area. Contrary to Southern California's image as a palm tree paradise, only one species is native to the region. Pauleen's attraction to palms started slowly, with a couple of seedlings on the windowsill of her kitchen. Joseph's followed, by accident. While pregnant with her second son in late 1950, Sullivan was stricken with polio and spent weeks in the hospital and insisted her husband keep the palms healthy. The disease robbed Sullivan of much of the mobility in her legs, but it didn't stop the couple from nurturing their mutual passion.

Pauleen and Joseph were among the earliest members to join the International Palm Society in 1956 — an affiliation they kept until their deaths — and not long after, briefly opened and ran the Tropical Garden Nursery off Telegraph Street in Ventura. They also invested in real estate, a successful venture.

They traveled the world to see palm trees. There are many photos showing Pauleen being carried in her wheel chair as she and Joe traveled the Amazon, Australia, Tonga and their final joint trip, to Indonesia, in 1975, in pursuit of palms. It was on that 1975 trip to Indonesia that Joseph suffered a massive heart attack and died at age 54. Pauleen's involvement with the International Palm Society only grew after that. After Joe died, Pauleen continued to travel to and eventually bought land in Hawaii. She continued to love and enjoy the little tropical garden oasis she created on Mound Avenue in Ventura, where she hosted many Palm Society visits.

Pauleen was an active member of the IPS Board of Directors for many years, traveling to most IPS Biennials until recently. Many of us remember Pauleen pushing into a Venezuelan jungle at the 1994 IPS Biennial in search of a specific palm tree or riding an elephant in 1998 at the last Thailand Biennial at Nong Nooch.

Pauleen was an amazingly strong yet gentle woman with a loving caring heart. She will be missed by her family, Gary Sullivan (Carol), and Terry Sullivan (Lorraine), and her grandchildren, Ashlee Sullivan, Ryan Sullivan and Sevan Sullivan. She also leaves many Palm Society members to mourn as well as scores of friends. As stated in her obituary, www.legacy.com/obituaries/venturacountystar/obituary.aspx?n=pauleen-sullivan-welsh&pid=159181850, "Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some

stay awhile and leave footprints on our hearts. And we are never the same." - Unknown.

John Dransfield wrote: "Pauleen's contribution to the IPS in the 1970s, 1980s and early 1990s was immense. Her commitment to singlehandedly running the Bookstore was complete, and the role she played in fund-raising for the publication of *Genera Palmarum Ed. 1* and Don Hodel's *Chamaedorea Palms* has a lasting legacy in the form of the Revolving Publications Fund. She was most remarkable."

The next issue of *Palms* will have a more comprehensive article (with photos) describing additional memories of Pauleen's love affair with palms and the International Palm Society.

NEWS FROM AFFILIATES

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Palm and Cycad Society of Australia, Inc.

The Palm & Cycad Societies of Australia. Inc, (PACSOA) is a group of affiliated, semiautonomous, regional Palm and/or Cycad Societies headed by a Board presently based in Brisbane, Queensland. The Societies adopted the present structure in 1984 after having previously been an informal information exchange. At that time there was established the quarterly Magazine of the Palm & Cycad Society of Australia, now Palms & Cycads, publishing articles of both non-technical and technical content of interest to the palm and/or cycad enthusiast; and a Bookstore which offers substantial discounts on retail prices of palm and cycad books and publications, most of which are unobtainable elsewhere in Australia. Since 1984 there has also been established a Publication Fund which, since 1987, has published eight original books.

Information from individual branches of PACSOA is given under separate headings below. PACSOA branches are:

- Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society
- Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay
- Palm & Cycad Soc. of South Australia
- Palm & Cycad Soc. of W.A., Inc.

Key contact information is:

• For general inquires, contact Will Kraa at <wkraa@bigpond.com.au>

• For Membership or Bookstore inquiries: Margaret Kraa pacsoa@bigpond.com.au>

For more information on PACSOA, you may also write to Palm & Cycad Societies of Australia, P.O. Box 1134, Milton, QLD 4064 or visit the website, <u>www.pacsoa.org.au</u>.

Brisbane Palm and Cycad Society, Branch of PACSOA

The Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society (BPACS) comprises members living in metro Brisbane, the Sunshine Coast, the Gold Coast and northern New South Wales.

Meetings are now held at the Country Women's Association Hall, Ruth Fairfax House, 89 Gregory Terrace, Spring Hill, a few blocks north of Brisbane's central business district.

Field Trips are typically organized for February, April, June, August, October and December. Outings include visits to national parks to view palms or cycads in habitat, and trips to specialist nurseries and to Queensland's best private gardens. Members typically organize a major field trip once per year.

Members receive the monthly newsletter covering past and upcoming events. Annual BPACS membership is Aus\$15. To join or for other BPACS details, write Secretary, PACSOA – BPACS, P. O. Box 1134, Milton, 4064, Australia, or contact President Michael Green via e-mail at < cocos 2001 au@yahoo.com.au >.

The above PACSOA and Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society news was extracted from the PACSOA website and its Brisbane webpage, www.pacsoa.org.au/branches/Brisbane.html.

Tropical Garden Society of Sydney

The Tropical Garden Society Sydney meets at the Drummoyne Senior Citizens Hall in Five Dock. Visitors are welcome at our informal meetings and light refreshments are served.

The regular meeting on July 12th featured a presentation showcasing the wide and wonderful world of the amazing Acanthaceae family. There is an Acanthaceae species flowering in every season, and they come in a wide array of colors. Some have beautifully highlighted veins in the flowers while some have beautifully highlighted veins in the bracts. All of the plants featured are either growing in Sydney or will grow in Sydney. The usual raffle and plant auction followed the presentation.

Additional meetings planned for 2012:

- 25th September
- 27th November

Membership is Aus\$20.00 per year (Family Aus\$25). The 20-page magazine, *Tropica*, is filled with articles and color photographs. *Tropica* is published 3 times a year, alternating with a *Newsletter* with meeting details.

If you wish a membership form or more information on the Sydney Society, visit the website, <u>www.sydneytropical.org/</u> or e-mail to President Fred Moody < <u>moody_fred@hotmail.com</u> > or to < <u>sydneytropical@yahoo.com.au</u> >.

Palm & Cycad Society of South Australia

For information on the Palm & Cycad Society of South Australia, write The Palm & Cycad Society of South Australia, P. O. Box 390, Prospect, South Australia 5082, Australia.

The Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay

For information on the Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay (PACSOM) and PACSOM events, write The Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay, P. O. Box 6639, Mackay Mail Centre, West Mackay, 4741, Queensland, Australia, or e-mail the new PACSOM President Margaret Bazley, < bazleym@dodo.com.au >.

Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia News

The Palm and Cycad Society of Western Australia conducts monthly meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month at the South Perth Rotary Club in Sandgate Street, Como. Meetings start at 7:30pm. At the meetings, members discuss palms and cycads and other related issues, with guest speakers covering a variety of subjects.

The August 28th meeting as set to feature the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and a "*Chamaedorea* night" with members' participation.

- September 25th –Phil Loffman's talk on "Darwin Botanical Gardens"
- October 23rd Gary Pike speaking on "Palms of Broome"
- November 24 & 25 Annual Palm and Cycad Show, Cannington Exhibition Hall, Station Street, Cannington. Gate opens 9am to 4pm.
- November 27th Annual Show Feedback

For more information on PACSOWA, send an e-mail to George Sevastos (President) at

< george@pacsowa.com.au > or Norm Patterson
(Vice President) < rudi123@optusnet.com.au >
or visit the website www.pacsowa.com.au.

New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society

The PACSONZ Dargaville Trip on Saturday, October 27th will start at the Lok property, 66 Hokianga Rd, Dargaville. After a look at John & Marjory Lok's nursery and mature plantings, the group will move on to other places, including the gardens of Noel Remnant, Earle Hamlet.

The Sunday, October 7th meeting will feature Barry Tomlinson at Landsendt, Oratia. Barry is Professor of Biology at Harvard and Barry wrote the book on palm structural biology. He is now working on cycads.

The NZ Annual General Meeting and Rare plant Auction will once again be held in the wonderful surrounds of Landsendt on Sunday, November 25th.

For more information on the PACSONZ, visit the website at http://nzpalmandcycad.com.

PACSONZ news items are typically extracted either from the PACSONZ website or from internet postings on the NZ Society mail server. To subscribe, send an e-mail to < nzpalmcycad-subscribe@yahoogroups.com >.

Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society News

The Vancouver garden of John Brimacombe will once again be the location for the annual PNWP&EPS members' social on Sunday, August 19th. This garden has large mature palms and exotic tree ferns. John's exploding glass table did not hinder the festivities for the 37 participants, and Boyd Mason's excellent curries, pulled pork, and homemade gelato more than made up for the intermittent sunshine. The barbecue was not limited to socializing and feasting among the exotic foliage. There was a plant location game (some said strangely similar to John's classroom tests), a plant raffle, and an appearance by the Cuban salsa band Brisas del Palmar. The subtle harmonies of this a capella group blended perfectly with the tropical ambience to finish off a fine afternoon. The Brisas del Palmar salsa band, one of the best in Cuba, was visiting Vancouver for a recording session and performed in various venues around the city until their departure at the end of September.

Additional Meetings scheduled for 2012 are:

- General meeting Monday Sept 24
- General meeting Monday Nov 26

Starting in 2012, *Hardy Palm International* (*HPI*) is to be published twice a year, in April and October, rather than quarterly as in past years. These new issues will be larger at 40 pages instead of 32. To reflect this change, the fee structure has been revised to an annual Canadian membership of Can\$28, USA membership of US\$28 and membership outside of North America to be US\$29.

For more on the Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society, e-mail Nick Parker, < nickparker@eastlink.ca > or see the society website at http://www.hardypalm.com/

Association Chambeyronia

See the *Association Chambeyronia* website <u>www.endemia.nc/organismes/chambeyronia.htm</u> or contact Secretary Jean-Pierre Canel < <u>jpcan@canl.nc</u> > or President Jean Pierson < <u>pierson@socatrans.nc</u> > for more information on the New Caledonia Palm Association.

Asociacion Botánica Española de Palmeras y Cycas (ABEPYC) [Spanish Palm Society]

Some 13 ABEPYC members from Spain (or perhaps more) are attending the 2012 IPS Biennial in Thailand this month. Secretary Francisco "Paco" Martí, was instrumental in getting the group together for the Thailand trip.

For information on ABEPYC or to subscribe to the Spanish Society Palm Magazine *Espadice*, e-mail to Secretary Francisco Martí < pacomarti.maseta@yahoo.es >, the President Tómás Font < tomas.font70@gmail.com > or visit their websites http://abepyc.blogspot.com/.

European Palm Society

Tony King has announced that all archived issues of EPS journal *Chamaerops* are available on the website. All issues are in pdf format so members can download and enjoy them at their leisure. *Chamaerops* will continue with new issues on-line.

For more information on the European Palm Society, contact EPS Secretary Tony King < tony@aking88.wanadoo.co.uk>, or visit the new website www.palmsociety.org.uk.

Fous de Palmiers The French Palm Society

To receive a free, complimentary copy of the Fous magazine, *Le Palmier*, contact Steve Swinscoe at < manatte32@yahoo.fr > or see the new website, http://www.fousdepalmiers.fr.

South African Palm Society

For information about the South African Palm Society (SAPS,) contact the President, Neels van Niekerk < neels@eject.co.za >.

News from Palmeraie-Union, La Réunion Chapter

For more information on Palmeraie-Union, contact Thierry Hubert at < palmeraie.union@wanadoo.fr > or e-mail to Nicole Ludwig at < nicole.ludwig@wanadoo.fr >.

Hawaii Island Palm Society (HIPS)

August 31st, HIPS featured presentation on "Indigenous Palms of Fiji" by Donald Hodel at the University of Hawaii in Hilo. Don illustrated and discussed Fiii's indigenous palms, many of which are suitable for cultivation in Hawaii. He also discussed Juania australis, one of the world's rarest palms, known only from Juan Fernandez Island (of Robinson Crusoe fame) off the coast of Chile. Hodel's latest book, A Guide to Hawaiian Pritchardia, is at the publishers and due to be released shortly. This handbook will aid in the identification of all the Pritchardia species of Hawaii. Don is also the author of Chamaedorea Palms, co-author of The Palms and Cycads of Thailand and The Palms of New Caledonia. Don is currently a University of California Cooperative Extension environmental horticulturist in Los Angeles and he has enjoyed a diverse career in horticulture as a researcher, writer, lecturer and consultant. Palms from Fiji were given as door prizes.

For more information on the Hawaii Island Palm Society, contact President Tim Brian < begteb@hawaii.rr.com >, Secretary Patty Ferrazi < pferazzi@gmail.com > or Treasurer Mike Merritt < merritt4154@gmail.com > or visit http://www.hawaiiislandpalmsociety.com.

Palm Society of Southern California

The Palm Society of Southern California (PSSC) July 12th, 2012, meeting was held at the gardens of Greg Asbagh and Dean Ouer, in Encinitas, northern San Diego County, California. For about thirteen years, Greg and , Maria Asbagh have put tremendous efforts into creating a garden paradise. It has been featured in garden magazines, books, television shows and is sought after for tours by nonprofit groups. It features unusual palm and cycad species as well as decks, water features, a golf green and rare subtropical plants from around the world. There are unusual Roystonea, Veitchia, Dypsis, and New Caledonian species at every turn of the curved pathways. Greg continually adds new species to this very aesthetic garden. The second garden visited was just a few minutes from the "DypsisDean" (from PalmTalk) Ouer started his rather large garden over 25 years ago. At the time, he was particularly interested in many of the newly available Madagascar species. The surviving palms and canopy trees are now mature and established. Featured are rare species of Ravenea, Dypsis, and New Caledonia species, as well as unusual New World palms. Dean moved to Hawaii ten years ago, and until recently the constant care and new plantings in the California garden became a thing of the past. Dean's son Dorian has now taken an interest in restoring the garden, and was the meeting host. If you like older rare palms, this is the garden to visit. After the garden tour, a potluck lunch was held at the Ouer garden, followed by a PSSC General Meeting.

PSSC meetings are generally held on the 3rd Saturday of alternate months. For more on the Palm Society of Southern California visit http://www.palmssc.org/.

The Palm Society of Maui

For further information on the *Maui Palm Society*, contact Sunya Echternach, P.O. Box 790893, Paia, Maui, HI 96779 (e-mail to Sunya at *evitaazul@yahoo.com* or telephone to cell phone 808-280-5051.)

Arizona Palm & Cycad Society

For more information on the Arizona Palm and Cycad Society, please see the Society website, http://azpalmandcycad.org or send an e-mail to either Vice President Monte Crawford montecrawford@hotmail or President Nick Argys argyfam@msn.com>.

Northern California Chapter, IPS

If you are a member of the International Palm Society and wish to be added to the Palm Society of Northern California Chapter mailing e-mail to the secretary list. send an < Edith@PalmPaintings.com > or write Edith Bergstrom (Secretary) at P.O. Box 126, Palo Alto, CA 94302. Include your mailing address, phone number and e-mail address. There is no additional fee for Northern California Society membership. You are also encouraged to visit the Northern California Chapter website at their new website http://www.palmsnc.org/.

Gulf Coast Chapter, IPS, News

Annual dues the Gulf Coast Chapter (GCC) of the IPS are \$15 for individuals or \$20 for households, with new members given a 50% discount. For more information on the Gulf Coast Chapter, contact any of the following:

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- Stan Brooks < stanleydan@gulftel.com >
- Larry Morris < lmorris@penseed.com >
- Tom Mignerey < temignerey@aol.com >
- Tony Naman < tonynaman@bellsouth.net >

Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society

The Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Mount's Botanical Garden building, West Palm Beach, FL. Each meeting features a notable speaker, a palm & cycad auction, refreshments, socializing and camaraderie. Membership signup is available at the door.

For more on the Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society, contact President Betty Ahlborn, or send an e-mail to Secretary Ruth Sallenbach < diznee920@aol.com > or Membership Chair Tom Whisler < whisler.tom@synthes.com > or see www.palmbeachpalmcycadsociety.com/.

Palm & Cycad Society of Southwest Florida

For more information on the Southwest Florida Palm & Cycad Society, e-mail Geri Prall at < SW_FL_PalmCycad @hotmail.com >.

South Florida Palm Society News

Guests are invited to attend South Florida Palm Society meetings, which are free and open to the public. Regular meetings are held in the Garden House of Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden at 7:30 pm on the first Monday of every even-numbered month.

The South Florida Palm Society will host the 2014 IPS Biennial. More information will be forthcoming on this event in future *Supplements*.

For more on the South Florida Palm Society, send an e-mail to President Ken Johnson < kenjohnsonpalms@earthlink.net > or to Corresponding Secretary Louis Sguros at < nickelsonk@bellsouth.net > with your snail mail address.

News from the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society

For more on the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society (CFPACS) including upcoming meeting locations and itineraries, see the website at www.cfpacs.org or send an e-mail to Dave Reid at president@cfpacs.org>.

Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society

Membership is \$15 per calendar year and includes a subscription to the *ET CETERAS* quarterly newsletter. This color newsletter contains articles of interest to local palm and cycad enthusiasts. Membership fees may be paid by check or money order made payable to "Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society" and mailed to: Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, 114 Melrose Drive, Destrehan LA 70047.

For more on the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, please contact: President Rod Gates < rodpgates@cs.com >, V.P. Jayanne Crawley, < southlands tropicals@yahoo.com > or Kathryn Morgan, < katgmorgan@yahoo.com >.

Florida First Coast Chapter

For information regarding the Florida First Coast Chapter, please contact Bruce Latimer by e-mail at < latz2@comcast.net >.

Southeastern Palm Society

The Summer 2012 Southeastern Palm Society (SEPS) meeting was held on Saturday, June 16th, at 10:00 am at the home of Ed and Mary Jones (former home of cold hardy palm pioneer Bill Manley), in Stockbridge, Georgia.

The Fall 2012 Show and Sale will be held on Saturday, October 6th, at 10:00 am at Longleaf Botanical Garden at Lagarde Park, Anniston, Alabama.

For details on any of the above meetings, or to obtain more information on SEPS or the quarterly journal of the Southeastern Palm Society (SEPS) **Southeastern Palms**, visit the SEPS website at <u>www.sepalms.org</u> or e-mail Will Taylor at < tnpalmdude@aol.com >.

News from the Palm Society of South Texas

On July 28th, Danny and Kathy Payton hosted the PSST at their garden in Harlingen. They have completely revamped their yard with ponds, fountains, ducks, lots of palm trees and other plants, and a huge covered patio next to the swimming pool. Everyone was grateful for the patio shade on a hot afternoon. The hosts provided delicious hamburgers with all the trimmings, guacamole and chips, and a variety of drinks. Members brought a fine array of salads, sides, and desserts. After the 37 members and guests in attendance had had their fill of food, a short business meeting was held under the guidance of President Jon Watson. Ed Ladd brought two Washingtonia robusta and two queen palms (Syagrus romanzoffiana) for the drawings. Lloyd Molina won the Washingtonia palms and Glenn Head won the queens. Future meetings were discussed (six meetings for 2013 have already been set). Suzie Watson discussed plans for this year's Christmas party at the Kenedy Ranch Museum in Sarita on December 8th. Many members walked across the street to tour the yard and gardens of John and Mary Barkkari.

Additional 2012 PSST meetings include:

- 25 August 2012 Jon & Suzie Watson in Corpus Christi
- 29 September 2012 Enrique & Hedde Trapp in Brownsville
- 20 October 2012 Deb Bick & Frank Raffaeli in Austin
- 10 November 2012 Paul & Linda Hemphill in Olmito
- 8 December 2012 Christmas Party-Kenedy Ranch Museum in Sarita

Further details for the July through December 2012 meetings will be provided on the PSST website. To join the Palm Society of South Texas (PSST), please see the PSST on-line membership form and other information on www.palmsocietysouthtexas.org.

[Above PSST information was taken from the on-line meeting summaries on the PSST website, with appreciation to PSST for the use of this information.]

Asociación de Palmeras y Cicas de El Salvador

For more on Asociacion de Palmeras y Cicas de El Salvador contact their President, Rodrigo Avila < rodrigo@bismarckia.com >.

French Antilles IPS Affiliate Ti-Palm

There is a chat at Fous de Palmiers website (http://fousdepalmiers.fr/html/forum/viewforum.php?f=30) Membership fee: 10ϵ . See more at http://tipalm.fr/pages/association.html. You may also e-mail Président: Pierre-Olivier Albano, < contact@tipalm.fr >.

Asociación Venezolana de Palmas

Eight (8) members of AVEPALMAS are travelling to Thailand this month for the 2012 IPS Biennial.

For information on AVEPALMAS, see the website <u>www.avepalmas.org</u> or send an e-mail to <u>avepalmas@cantv.net</u>.

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