

2008 IPS Biennial Meeting, Costa Rica

The 2008 Biennial Meeting of the International Palm Society will be held in Costa Rica on May 3 – 10, 2008. The Biennial will kick off in San José and then move into other areas of the country, visiting a number of palms in habitat. IPS Biennial Committee Chair Leland Lai is coordinating the event for the IPS.

An IPS-sponsored Post Biennial Tour to Peru will follow immediately after the conclusion of the 2008 Biennial. Shorter options within Costa Rica are also being explored.

Registration and itinerary details are provided in a separate *Biennial Supplement* accompanying this issue of *Palms* and are also available on www.palms.org.

Call for Nominations for IPS Board of Directors for 2008 – 2012 Term of Office

It is time for the election of those IPS Directors who will serve for the years 2008 to 2012. **If there is anyone you know who can contribute to the goals of the International Palm Society and who is willing to dedicate the time necessary to serve as a Director, please submit his/her name for nomination.**

The Administrative Secretary, Larry Noblick, must receive nominations by **November 10, 2007**. The election ballots will be mailed with the December 2007 issue of *Palms* and must be returned no later than March 15th, 2008 to be counted. Elections results will be announced on the IPS website in early April and published in the June 2008 *Supplement to Palms*.

Nominating requirements: A candidate must have been a Member of the Society for two years before being nominated as a Director. Any IPS Member may propose a candidate for nomination by writing an email or letter to the Administrative Secretary. A second nomination in writing from another Member is also required. The proposed candidate must submit to the Secretary a written consent of willingness to serve if nominated and elected, which should include a willingness to attend board meetings during his or her tenure. The proposed candidate must also send the Secretary a short palm-related biography, which will be included on the ballot.

When the above conditions have been met, the Secretary will forward the proposed candidate's name to the Nominating Committee for consideration as a nominee on the ballot.

Nominating Committee guidelines:

Directors are elected for a four-year term with terms staggered so that approximately half the Directors will be installed at each Biennial meeting. The Nominating Committee will use the regional distribution of members as a guide for insuring worldwide representation.

Duties and expectations of the IPS

Directors: The Board of 34 Directors has general charge of the affairs and business of the Society including the management of the Society's funds. Directors are expected to take an active role in Board activities by serving on appropriate committees set up for specific tasks and concerns. The Board meets once a year, at the Biennial meeting or at an Interim Meeting (with the interim meeting usually in the USA).

An ability and willingness to travel to all (or most) of the annual Board Meetings at the Director's own expense is, by necessity, a strong consideration used by the Nominating Committee when selecting candidates. Directors are also expected to be accessible by e-mail.

Directors for the 2008 – 2012 term will be installed at the Board of Directors Meeting in May 2008 at the time of the Costa Rica Biennial.

Questions concerning the nominating and election process may be sent to any of the following. E-mail messages are preferred.

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The Nominating Committee for the upcoming election is comprised of Faith Bishock, John DeMott, Libby Besse, Jeanne Price, Randy Moore, Sue Rowlands and Horace Hobbs.

A Riverboat Tour to See the Palms of the Amazon

Once again The New York Botanical Garden will offer a *Palm Tour of the Amazon*. This tour is designed for palm enthusiasts who are interested in experiencing the rich and diverse palm flora of the Amazon. The 10-day tour will be led by Dr. Andrew Henderson of the New York Botanical Garden and is planned for 5th–15th October 2007.

For information and booking go to: www.nybg.org/botany/amazonpalmtour/, the tour web site.

For additional information contact Andrew Henderson by e-mail at ahenderson@nybg.org, by phone at 718 817-8973, or by mail at The New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY 10458.

2008 IPS Endowment Fund Applications

Applications must be received by December 31st of this year for consideration for a 2008 IPS Endowment Fund grant. Grants will be awarded in May 2008 at the IPS Biennial Board meeting.

For applications to be considered, they must be sent to Endowment Committee chair, Jim Cain, prior to December 31st, 2007. Proposals should be sent in MS Word or Adobe PDF documents as e-mail attachments to palm_dude@pobox.com. If the documents exceed 6MB in size, please send them to jimmydcain@aol.com instead (e-mails totaling up to 16MB, including attachments, will be received 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:

- Please submit a Narrative Proposal Section with a clear description of the project to be funded. This should include adequate details 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.

- Submit a clear and readable budget for the full project, along with the amount of funding requested from the IPS, and the amount of the total project funding that 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)
- Send a current Curriculum Vitae of the applicant and of the other key researchers involved in the project. This information should include contact information for the application [postal address, email address(es), telephone(s) and fax numbers.]
- Provide a statement with the name of the person or institution who should receive the grant payment if the application is successful (i.e., the individual, the individual’s university or employee, etc.)

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

The IPS grants about US\$20,000 in a given year if suitable applications are received. Typically individual awards are between \$1,000 and \$5,000, although larger grants are sometimes awarded. 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.

NEWS FROM AFFILIATES

Palm and Cycad Societies of Australia

Information from individual branches of PACSOA is given under separate headings below, whenever information on local branch activities is provided. PACSOA branches are:

- Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society
- Sunshine Coast Branch
- Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay
- Northern Territory Palm & Cycad Soc.
- Palm & Cycad Soc. of South Australia

For information on PACSOA or the *Palms and Cycads* magazine write to Palm & Cycad Societies of Australia, P.O. Box 1134, Milton, QLD 4064, e-mail <enquiries@pacsoa.org.au> or visit the website, www.pacsoa.org.au.

The Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay

The Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay was hosted to a wonderful garden visit by Joe and Heather Camilleri at their residence in Finch Hatton, along with morning tea and a garden visit at Frank King's residence. Sitting majestically some 65 km west of Mackay, Finch Hatton is located near the end of the Pioneer Valley, before the steep Range road climb of 1100 meters to Eungella. Finch Hatton is surrounded by fields of lush sugar cane and mountains of rich rain forest of the Clark Rangers. Since closure of the mill and railway, Finch Hatton has become a quiet picturesque town at the gateway of the Finch Hatton Gorge and Eungella National Park.

For more information on PACSOM, write The Palm & Cycad Society of Mackay, P. O. Box 6639, Mackay Mail Centre, West Mackay, 4741, Queensland, Australia, or send an e-mail to Margaret Bazley, Newsletter Editor, <bazleym@dodo.com.au>.

Tropical Garden Society of Sydney

On July 24th the Tropical Garden Society of Sydney met at Drummoyne Senior Citizens Hall, 422 Lyons Road, Five Dock. The program featured "Where are the rainforests around Sydney and what are the plants?" by Deidre Jinks. Deidre runs "The Sydney Rainforest" environmental consulting and wholesale nursery. She lives in a rainforest gully in Ourimbah and propagates the local lowland rainforest plants and teaches Conservation and Land Management at TAFE.

The next meeting of the Society will be on September 25th and will feature "Gardens of Bali" by Neil & Helen Curran – a slideshow presentation featuring both private and resort gardens.

The color magazine *Tropica* generally has 20 pages, with articles and color photographs.

Membership in the Tropical Garden Society of Sydney (Incorporating the Palm and Cycad Society) costs A\$20.00 per year (or A\$25 for family membership). If you wish a membership form or additional Society information, see <http://au.geocities.com/sydneytropical/index.htm> or e-mail Ian Edwards <ianse@ozemail.com.au> or contact Paul Anderson (Secretary), Tropical Garden Society of Sydney, P. O. Box 2, Empire Bay, NSW 2257. Ph. (02) 4369-1422 after hours.

Sunshine Coast Branch, PACSOA

For information on the Sunshine Coast Branch, write the Secretary, Palm & Cycad Society - Sunshine Coast Group, P. O. Box 1007, Nambour, QLD 4560, Australia or e-mail Jeanne Price <pacsoap@spiderweb.com.au>.

Brisbane Palm and Cycad Society, Branch of PACSOA

For information on the Brisbane Palm and Cycad Society branch of PACSOA, write Secretary, PACSOA - BPACS, P. O. Box 376, Ashgrove, 4060, Australia, or e-mail Mark Wuschke <mark@hubbub.com.au> or Hugh Kunze <hugh.kunze@uq.net.au>.

Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia News

At the June 26th, 2007, meeting, members were asked to bring along their favorite *Caryota* species (or a sample leaf) for a general discussion led by Norm Patterson.

The PACSOWA Annual General meeting (AGM) was held on July 24th, and new executive and committee positions will be elected:

Executive

- President - Ralph Coppola
- Vice President - George Sevastos
- Vice President - Norm Patterson
- Secretary - Jim McDermott
- Treasurer - Karel Hartlieb

Committee

- Gary Pike
- Don Clemkey
- Ian Judge
- Ann Laws
- Les Matthews

The long-time *PalmsWest* editor, Gary Pike, has stepped down and Mark Blowers has taken over the role from Gary as of the August edition.

The July meeting featured Faye Arcaro of Botanic Obsession, who presented a talk and slide presentation on Aquaponics. Faye demonstrated how you can set up a successful operation in your backyard incorporating trout breeding with home-grown hydroponic vegetables. It was a very informative night.

The August 28th meeting was an informal affair with a quiz night to kick off our new year.

Gascoyne Park is located on the corner of Timberlane Drive and Gascoyne Avenue, Woodvale – with its palm garden maintenance an ongoing PACSOWA activity. For the May 27th

Busy Bee for Gascoyne Park maintenance, eight members braved the weather conditions: Ann Laws, Gary Pike, Gary Meaney, George Sevastos, Ian Judge, Katrina Beecher, Mark Lund and Les Mathews. This was a very productive day at the Park with the main emphasis on pruning, weeding and planting. Volunteers planted 48 plants around the Park. These included

- 3 *Butia capitata*,
- 3 *Chamaedorea microspadix*,
- 1 *Dyopsis ambositrae*,
- 1 *Dyopsis decaryi*,
- 4 *Sabal etonia*,
- 1 *Syagrus romanzoffiana*,
- 2 *Trachycarpus fortunei*,

and a number of non-palms.

The June 24th Gascoyne Park Busy Bee only had three members in attendance: Ian Judge, Gary Meaney and George Sevastos. Due to the small turn-up, efforts were limited to cleaning, pruning and tidying up around the Park. The team concentrated on pruning the *Phoenix*, *Livistona*, *Sabal* and *Cocos* along Mole Avenue.

The August 19th Busy Bee found strong winds and driving rain impeding the efforts of the six members attending the Busy Bee: Bob Duffey, Tony Bowyer, Linda Therkelsen, Gary Meaney, Ralph Coppola and George Sevastos. All efforts were directed at removing the fallen fronds and broken branches scattered all around the Park.

For more information on The Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia (PACSOWA), see www.wawebsite.com.au/palmswest or e-mail to Editor Gary Pike at <gpike@dpc.wa.gov.au> or President Ralph Coppola <raffy1@iinet.net.au>.

New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society

The New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society (PACSONZ) has developed a new and significantly improved website. Please visit it at <http://nzpalmandcycad.com>. [Most of the local meeting information in this write-up was obtained from this new website.]

Thirty to forty people attended the June general meeting. Many Nikau palms have been transplanted to Queen Street, where there are a large number of mature specimens. Reportedly, they were sourced from New Plymouth and South Island. The night's speaker was Phil Walker of Natural Tree Products. He described the plant-hire trade which is a big part of his

business. *Kentia* and *Rhapis* are the best palms for the hire business.

A garden visit to Landsend was held on the Sunday following the June meeting.

The August meeting featured a talk by NZP&CS President Terry Behersing who spoke on his 30 years in the landscaping business. Terry's landscapes appear simple by effectively limiting palms to several species along with a few of the more common cycads with user-friendly fronds. Terry also showed the plan for the upcoming Ellerslie show in which the society display will focus on cycads.

Recent ARC documentation indicated the following recommendations.

- *Phoenix canariensis* to be banned from sale, movement, or planting from a point in 2010.
- *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana* and *Trachycarpus fortunei* to remain on the list of plants under suspicion for the next five years, but with no controls on them. In other words, they'll have another go in five years time on these two species.

These decisions can now be appealed to the Environment Court if one has sufficiently deep pockets and commitment.

The main theme for the next issue of the PACSONZ magazine will be *Parajubaea*, with comments from local members who have tried to grow it or have seen it growing in New Zealand.

For more on the New Zealand Palm and Cycad Society, visit the new website at <http://nzpalmandcycad.com> or e-mail Gary at the address below.

Most of the above PACSONZ news items were extracted either from the new PACSONZ website or from internet postings by Gary Coleman <aries@splurge.net.nz> and others on the NZ Society mail server. To subscribe, send an e-mail to <nzpalmandcycad-subscribe@yahoo.com>. The remainder of the news was taken from incoming e-mails or from the quarterly *NZ Palm and Cycad Magazine*.

Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society News

The Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society (PNWP&EPS) held their Tsawwassen Garden Tour and Barbeque on August 26th. It began in the early afternoon at the North Delta home of Dan Uzymirski followed by visits to the gardens of Ray Mattei and Felice Andersen. The tour finished at Boundary Bay where members enjoyed a leisurely 1-block stroll along

Centennial Blvd past several interesting homes and gardens to the 'Secret Garden of Boundary Bay'. There was a short walk back to the park for a barbeque.

The next General Meeting will be held on September 24th, 2007. It promises to be different than most. Instead of a main speaker, John Brimacombe will lead an interactive group discussion about ways to protect our exotics during the winter. With a bit of luck, all will come away with a few new ideas for their gardens.

All general meetings in Vancouver are held in the Floral Hall at VanDusen Gardens, 37th Avenue at Oak St., starting at 7:30 pm. There is no admission and everyone is welcome. Exotic plants are raffled at each General Meeting! Come to the meeting for the chance to take one home!

For additional information on the Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society or its full color journal, *Hardy Palm International*, see <http://www.hardypalm.com/> or e-mail Nick Parker, <parkern@douglas.bc.ca>.

South African Palm Society

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

European Palm Society

Chamaerops is published (both as a printed journal and on-line) with many full color pictures. Visitors can download selected articles from *Chamaerops* without cost to check out the on-line journal. Membership and on-line upgrades are available on the EPS website www.palmsociety.org/join/english1.shtml. See the public area of the EPS website for full index of the issue #52, published in March, 2006. Members may now download this recent issue.

Tobias Spanner (Germany) is editor of *Chamaerops*. Tony King (United Kingdom) continues as Membership Organizer. Yann Corbel (France) is the French translator; Jörg Witticke (Germany) is the German translator. Lauri Coulombe (USA) is Language Editor.

Fous de Palmiers The French Palm Society

For information about the French Palm Society, Fous de Palmiers, or their journal *Le Palmier*, contact Steve Swinscoe at <manatte@libertysurf.fr> or check out the Fous website at www.fousdepalmiers.fr.

Palmenfreunde in Germany

Palmenfreunde publishes a journal entitled *Palmen und Mehr* (in German) of about twenty A5-sized pages with many palms photographs in color. Membership is 22 € per year. E-mail Jörg Witticke <Palmenfreunde@aol.com>.

Association Chambeyronia New Caledonia

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

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).

News from Palmeraie-Union, La Réunion Chapter

For information on Palmeraie Union, contact Thierry Hubert at palmeraie.union@wanadoo.fr or Nicole Ludwig at nicole.ludwig@wanadoo.fr.

Hawaii Island Palm Society

On June 24th, the Hawaii Island Palm Society toured Bo-Göran and Karolyn Lundkvist's fabulous property in Leilani Estates.

The Hawaii Island Palm Society Officers & Board Members for 2007 are as follows:

- President: Don Hemmes, 808-935-6214, hemmes@hawaii.edu
- V-P East Hawaii: Ed Torrison, 808-961-6750, blackfoot@hawaii.rr.com
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- Treasurer: Sue Ellen Rhodes, 808-966-7541
- Secretary: Rich Rawlinson, 808-965-5665, bjrrich@hawaii.rr.com

- Membership: Grace Kissell, 808-963-6707, gr@hawaii.rr.com
- Zoo Project Coords: Karen & Dean Piercy, 808-961-5023, hilokd@hawaiiantel.net

For information on the **Hawaii Island Palm Society**, contact President Don Hemmes <hennes@hawaii.edu>, Secretary Rich Rawlinson <bjrrich@hawaii.rr.com> or Grace Kissell <kf@interpac.net> (Membership Chair.)

Northern California Chapter, IPS

Current Northern California chapter leadership is:

- President: Darold Petty
- Vice President and Palmetum Chairman: Robert Fowler
- Treasurer: Ken Chase
- Secretary: Edith Bergstrom

If you are a member of the International Palm Society and wish to be added to the Palm Society of Northern California Chapter mailing list, send an e-mail to the secretary <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. Regularly scheduled meetings and auctions are held at local gardens and at the Lakeside Palmetum. 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/>.

Palm Society of Southern California

The July meeting of the Palm Society of Southern California began in the morning with tours of the following two estates in Anaheim (Peralta Hills): Lorraine Ferguson at 233 South Peralta Way and Pat Mahoney at 191 Cobblestone Lane. These gardens were followed by a visit to Bud and Jo Zager's home in Fullerton, with potluck lunch followed by the meeting and auction.

In general, PSSC meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every other month. The following meetings will be in the order of rotation given:

- Sept. 2007: San Diego/Imperial Counties
- Nov. 2007: Ventura/Santa Barbara Counties
- Jan. 2008: Annual Banquet
- March 2008: Los Angeles/San Bernardino Counties

The above PSSC news items were extracted from postings on the website www.palmssc.org.

Phoenix (Arizona) Palm Society

The Arizona Palm and Cycad Society have invited Loran Whitelock as their guest speaker this fall. For details on the meeting and for more information on the Arizona society, please see the Society website, <http://azpalmandcycad.org>.

Gulf Coast Chapter, IPS, News

For more on the Gulf Coast Chapter or about their **Fan & Feather** newsletter, see the chapter website at www.gulfcoastpalms.com or contact chapter President, Joe Taverniti, 1110 Bauer Road, Pensacola, FL 32506 or send an e-mail to Ann Adams at <Annierick7@aol.com>. Dues for the local chapter should be sent to Maxwell Stewart, 2557 West Road, Mobile, AL 36693.

Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society

The August 1st meeting featured Catherine Mannion who gave a presentation entitled "Insect Pests of Palms and Cycads."

The September 5th meeting featured Monica Elliot who presented "Diseases of Palms, Part 2". The PBP&CS annual picnic is scheduled for September 8th, at Ruth Sallenbach's "Spectacular Tropical Rain Forest" in Lake Worth.

The Society regularly meets on the first Wednesday of each month at Mounts Botanical Garden in West Palm Beach, starting at 7:30 p.m. in the main building auditorium, except for the annual picnic in September.

For more on the Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society, contact President Betty Ahlborn, or email Secretary Ruth Sallenbach <diznee920@aol.com> or Membership Chair Susan Cioci <d.cioci@att.net>

South Florida Palm Society News

Guests are invited to attend South Florida Palm Society meetings held throughout the year, as well as their periodic field trips to interesting palm gardens and habitats. The meetings are free and open to the public, with regular meetings held in the Garden House at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden at 7:30 pm. on the first Monday of every even-numbered month. Information about our meetings and other events can also be received free of charge. To request placement on our regular mailing list, send an e-mail to Lou Squeros <nickelsonk@bellsouth.net>.

News from the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society

The Fall 2007 meeting of the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society (CFPACS) will be a joint meeting with the Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society (PBP&CS) at the home of Ruth Sallenbach on September 8th in Lake Worth, Florida. This is PBP&CS's annual fall picnic and CFPACS members are welcome to participate.

The CFPACS Seed Bank provides palm and cycad seed via their on-line service. If you are not on the CFPACS Seed Bank distribution list and wish to be, e-mail John Green, CFPACS Seedbank Coordinator at E-mail address <seedbank@cfpacs.org>. The recent seed offering in late August 2007 had the following seeds. All seed were donated, not purchased. Species are correctly identified, as far as is known. Proceeds benefit the CFPACS chapter.

- *Aiphanes minima*
- *Arenga engleri*
- *Arenga porphyrocarpa*
- *Licuala spinosa*
- *Phoenix reclinata* (purity uncertain)
- *Phoenix roebelenii* (purity uncertain)
- *Syagrus coronata*

The following non-palm seeds donated from India were also offered – of limited quantity.

- *Murraya koenigii* (Curry Tree)
- *Gmelina hystrix* (Parrot's Beak)

The following seeds are remaining from the first Summer 2007 offering

- *Allagoptera arenaria*
- *Arenga australasica*
- *Hyphaene coriacea*
- *Pseudophoenix sargentii* ssp *saonae* / *navassana*
- *Pseudophoenix sargentii* ssp *sargentii*
- *Ptychosperma elegans*
- *Ptychosperma microcarpum*
- *Ptychosperma sanderianum*
- *Roystonea regia* (~80 germinating)
- *Syagrus botryophora*
- *Wodyetia bifurcata*

Please send requests for more additional information (including individual seed prices) to seedbank@cfpacs.org, minimum order is \$5 plus postage. Note that *Hyphaene* and *Wodyetia* are large seeds and may incur additional postage.

[The above information was extracted from the CFPACS website, CFPACS e-mails and the *Palmateer* journal by the Supplement Editor]

For more on CFPACS, see the website at www.cfpacs.com.

Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society

For information on the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, please contact any of the officers listed below:

- Kathryn Ostadal, President and Editor,
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- Ron LaBorde, Webmaster
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The Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society's annual activities include four meetings at public and private area gardens, an educational exhibit and plant sale at the Spring and Fall Garden Shows at New Orleans Botanical Garden; and several out of state excursions to attend meetings of other Societies or to visit wholesale nurseries and botanical gardens.

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

Florida First Coast Chapter

For information regarding the Florida First Coast Chapter, please contact Ed Brown by e-mail at <edbrown_3@bellsouth.net>

Palm & Cycad Societies of Florida Palm Fest 2007

The 2007 Palm Fest in Jacksonville is sponsored by the Palm & Cycad Societies of Florida, Inc., and will be hosted by the Florida First Coast Chapter. See the last page of this Supplement for a Palm Fest registration form. Please register as soon as possible, as the deadline for registration is very near the time that this Supplement will reach IPS members by mail.

The main speaker at the Palm Fest will be Chuck Hubbuch. Chuck was born and raised in Louisville, KY, has a bachelor's degree in horticulture from the University of Kentucky, and is currently the Physical Facilities' Assistant Director at the University of North Florida. He was the Curator of Horticulture at the

Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens for three years, and prior to that time was the Director of Plant Collections at Fairchild Tropical Garden in Miami where he worked for 18 years.

Palm & Cycad Society of Southwest Florida

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

Southeastern Palm Society (North of Florida)

The Southeastern Palm Society (SEPS) Summer meeting was hosted on August 4th, by Tony Avent at Plant Delights, Raleigh, NC. Meeting details were not available at press time, but will hopefully be provided in the next issue.

Additional meetings scheduled for 2007 are:

- Fall: Saturday, October 6,
Anniston, Alabama

In addition, SPEPS will participate in the Southeastern Citrus Exposition on Saturday, November 17, 2007, in Aiken, South Carolina.

The IPS website has been carrying outdated information on the Southeastern Palm Society officers and related items, which should read as follows.

Southeastern Palm Society (north of Florida)

Website: www.sepalms.org

- President: Gary Hollar (North Carolina)
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The Southeastern Palm Society publishes *Southeastern Palms*, a quarterly journal describing how to successfully grow hardy palms and other subtropical plants in USDA Zones 6 through 8 in the southeastern United States. *Southeastern Palms* offers a variety of articles selected to please beginners, palm nuts, landscapers, nursery management and horticultural educators alike.

The society's quarterly meetings are held at outstanding public and private gardens all over the Southeast. Meetings are open to both members and non-members.

The Southeastern Palm Society also publishes the specialty books *Hardy Palms for the Southeast* and *Hardy Citrus for the Southeast*, and maintains a permanent palm display garden at the Bamboo Farm and Coastal Gardens in Savannah, Georgia.

Membership is open to all and annual dues are US\$20. For more information, visit the Southeastern Palm Society online at www.sepalms.org.

[Above is from SEPS website, *Southeastern Palms* journal and its Editor Jeff Stevens.]

News from the Palm Society of South Texas

In July, the Palm Society of South Texas (PSST) visited Hill Top Gardens in Lyford. Jim McInnis was gracious enough to host this meeting at the historic aloe farm in South Texas. Members began to arrive around noon. A mile-long, palm drive gave a hint of the surprising gardens to be found in the remote acreage west of Lyford. The gardens around this historic farm are a profusion of palms, roses, crape myrtles, bougainvillea and of course aloes. This farm has an interesting history as it relates to a Korean millionaire who became terminally ill until he found the healing power of aloe. He invested heavily into the promotion of aloe and lived 20 years longer. His son now runs the world's largest aloe company, this farm being one of many in the corporation. Jim McGinnis served a wonderful lunch, complimented by side dishes brought by members. After lunch and a short society meeting, Jim enlightened the group with the history of the farm and the future plans to make it into a botanical garden. He then conducted a tour of the grounds.

The meeting ended with an auction of plants provided by members – along with some very nice palm leaf-wickered baskets donated by Kael Kirkpatrick.

Additional 2007 meetings planned include:

- August 18, 2007 – Austin, hosts RL Frasier and Clay Fischer
- September 22, 2007 – John and Mary Barkkari
- October -- Brownsville, Alice Garza and Mahandran Rajasurier

PSST is very informal and is casually run by four elected officers.

- The current Chairman of the organization is John Volk of San Antonio, serving since 2001.
- The Coastal Bend Vice Chairman is Ed Ladd of Corpus Christi.
- The Rio Grande Valley Vice Chairman is Mary Barkkari of Harlingen, serving since 2004.
- The society Treasurer is John Dillard of Corpus Christi, serving since 1999.

The PSST journal is published three times a year by editor Richard Travis of San Antonio, who has served in that post since 1998. His book *Palms for South Texas* is available at lulu.com.

The PSST web hostess is Jana Whalen of Corpus Christi, serving since 1997.

To join the Palm Society of South Texas (PSST) please send your check, in U.S. funds, for \$20.00, made payable to 'John Dillard - PSST'. Send the payment to John at 7317 Pepper Ridge Road, Corpus Christi, TX 78413. See the online membership form for more information.

Check out www.palmsocietysouthtexas.org for further details.

[Above PSSC information was taken from John Volk's on-line meeting summaries and other information on the PSST website, with appreciation to John and the PSST for the use of this information for other IPS members.]

Houston (Texas) Area Chapter News

For information on the Houston Chapter, see www.palms.org/houston/ or e-mail local president, Paul Norris, <poollovers@pdq.net.>

La Asociación Española de Amigos de las Palmas [Spain]

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