

**IPS Officers Elected for
2010 – 2012 Term**

Officers for the International Palm Society for the term from the 2010 IPS Biennial through the 2012 IPS Biennial were elected at the Board of Directors meeting in Rio de Janeiro in April 2010. Those officers are as follows:

- **President:** Bo-Göran Lundqvist
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In addition to the Officers, the following standing Committee memberships were also announced. These are given below.

- **Executive Committee**
Chair: Bo-Göran Lundqvist, Hawaii, USA
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Other Committee members: Toby Spanner, Jeffrey Brusseau, Larry Noblick, Horace Hobbs, Mike Merritt, John Dransfield, Scott Zona, Jim Cain, Leland Lai
- **Biennial Committee**
Chair: Leland Lai, California, USA
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Other Committee members: Jim Cain, Paul Craft, Kimberley Cyr
- **Affiliate Relations & Membership**
Chair: Kathryn Morgan, Louisiana, USA
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Other Committee members: Elena Beare, Kimberley Cyr, Liz Stansfeld, Grant Stephenson

- **Public Relations and Marketing**
Chair: William DeBoe, Florida, USA
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- **Finance Committee**
Chair: Mike Merritt, Hawaii, USA
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Other Committee members: Faith Bishock, Kimberley Cyr, Larry Davis, Tom Jackson, Don Martin, Larry Noblick
- **Website Committee**
Chair: Ray Hernandez, Florida, USA
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Other Committee members: Lyle Arnold, Jim Cain, Paul Craft, Liz Stansfeld
- **PalmTalk Committee**
Chair: Bo-Göran Lundqvist, Hawaii, USA
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Other Committee members: Kimberley Cyr, Ray Hernandez, Kathryn Morgan, Dean Ouer, Liz Stansfeld
- **Nominations Committee**
Chair: Faith Bishock, Florida, USA
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Other Committee members: Norm Bezona, John DeMott, Leland Lai, Sue Rowlands
- **Risk Management Committee**
Chair: Jeffrey Brusseau, California, USA
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Other Committee members: Larry Davis, R. Haresh
- **Bylaws and Policies Committee**
Chair: Larry Noblick, Florida, USA
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Other Committee members: Jeffrey Brusseau, Larry Davis
- **Endowment Committee**
Chair: Jim Cain, Texas, USA
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Other Committee members: John Dransfield, Scott Zona, Larry Noblick

- **Audit Committee**
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Other Committee members: Horace Hobbs,
Tom Jackson
- **2011 Interim Meeting Development**
Chair: Toby Spanner, Germany
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Other Committee members: Carlo Morici

2009 IPS Financial Report

See pages 11-12 in this *Supplement* for the IPS Financial Report for 2009 calendar year, provided by IPS Treasurer Mike Merritt.

In summary, the IPS had income of US\$109,341 in 2009, with 2009 expenditures of US\$109,088, leaving a net profit of US\$253 for the year.

IPS Endowment Fund Grants announced in April 2010

At the 2010 Board of Directors meeting on April 17th in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, the IPS Endowment Fund Committee approved the following grants for a total of \$16,785:

- US\$2,058 for a study of *Pseudophoenix sargentii* – *Mona Island, Puerto Rico* by Dr. M. Patrick Griffith, Montgomery Botanical Center, Miami, FL; Eugenio Santiago, Herbarium, University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR; and Dr. Javier Francisco-Ortega, Florida International University and Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Miami, FL.
- US\$5,500 to support the study on *Taxonomy, Ecology and Conservation of the Palms in Gag Island, Raja Ampat Islands, West Papua, Indonesia* by Dr. Charlie D. Heatubun, Faculty of Forestry, Universitas Papua, Jl. Gunung Salju, Amban, Manokwari 98314, West Papua, Indonesia with Dr. William J. Baker, Head of the Palm and Pandan Section, Herbarium, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, UK.
- Partial funding of US\$2,500 to support *Field Work for Development of the Book: Palms of the Pacific Islands Part III. Micronesia (including, Ryukyu and Ogasawara Islands in Japan)* by Donald R. Hodel, Environmental Horticulture Advisor University of California Cooperative Extension, UC Davis, Los Angeles, CA.

- US\$4,993 for a study of *Palms (Arecaceae) Exploring the endemic diversity of Arenga in the Islands of East China Sea* by Marc Jeanson, Ph.D. Candidate, Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle (MNHN), Paris, France, in collaboration with The New York Botanical Garden, The Bronx, NY, USA; under Supervisors Andrew Henderson (NYBG) and Jean-Noel Labat (MNHN). The second researcher on this project will be Phil Markey, Horticulturist/Botanist, Trebrown Nursery, Liskeard, Cornwall, England, UK.
- US\$1,734 toward *Inventory of the palm flora in Ampasimanolotra area on the coastal plain in central East Madagascar* by Dr. Mijoro "Joro" Rakotoarinivo, GIS Unit Manager & Palms Conservation Officer at The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew – Madagascar Office.

It was not possible for the IPS to grant all of the US\$31,257 requested by deserving applicants. Applications that were reviewed and not funded in 2010 may be considered for future grants if the applicants wish to reapply.

NEWS FROM AFFILIATES

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Palm and Cycad Societies of Australia

The Palm & Cycad Societies of Australia (PACSOA) is a group of affiliated, semi-autonomous, regional Palm and/or Cycad Societies.

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

Key contact information is:

- For *Palms and Cycads* magazine or the PACSOA Bookstore: e-mail Tom Turner at < pacsoa1@ozemail.com.au >
- For PACSOA Seed Bank, Rudy Meyer or Cheryl Basic at pacsoa2@ozemail.com.au

- For Membership or general inquiries: Greg Cuffe at pacsoa3@ozemail.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, www.pacsoa.org.au.

Brisbane Palm and Cycad Society, Branch of PACSOA

The Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society comprises PACSOA members living all around metro Brisbane, the Sunshine Coast, the Gold Coast and northern New South Wales. The remaining 2010 meeting dates are July 27, Sept 28 and Nov 23. Meetings are held at 7:30pm in the auditorium at the Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens, in the Brisbane suburb of Toowong, about 4 km west of the city via Milton Road, with ample free parking.

Members and guests are welcome to attend. Meetings usually feature a guest speaker giving a presentation on some aspect of cultivation or conservation or of palms and cycads in the wild. Among our topics last year the Brisbane Group heard Dr. Paul Forster present the magnificent cycads of the Cape York peninsula; Philip Arrowsmith showed slides of palms in the wild on Mauritius and Réunion; and valuable tips on container and garden cultivation were given by veteran nurseryman Will Kraa.

Year 2010 meetings feature a swap/sales table – where members sell or exchange plants with other members. The society occasionally purchases seed of especially rare species to give away at meetings. Each meeting concludes with the popular Aus\$1 plant raffle where members can win rare palms and cycads especially purchased for the raffle, as well as plants donated by members. Meetings are a great place to share information and socialize with others who are fascinated by palms and cycads.

Field Trips are organized for February, April, June, August, October and December. Outings can be a visit to a national park to view palms or cycads in habitat; a tour of some of Queensland's best private gardens; or a trip to specialist nurseries where palms, cycads and other tropical plants can be purchased. Destinations are all over South East Queensland and northern NSW. Once a year, members organize a major field trip over a long weekend to more distant locations in North Queensland or the Northern Territory.

Members receive the monthly newsletter which is four A4 color pages covering past and upcoming events. Annual Brisbane Group membership is just Aus\$15. Join today (see PACSOA home page for subscription info). For other details on the Brisbane Palm and Cycad Society, write Secretary, PACSOA – BPACS, P. O. Box 376, Ashgrove, 4060, Australia, or contact President Mark Wuschke via e-mail cocos2001au@yahoo.com.au.

The above PACSOA and Brisbane Palm & Cycad Society news was taken 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 met on May 25, 2010 at the Drummoyne Senior Citizens Hall in Five Dock. Steve Tornquist presented slides on his visit to the Singapore Botanical Gardens. The meeting featured the usual plant auction and Aus\$1 raffle.

If you wish a membership form or more information on the Sydney Society, visit the website, www.sydneytropical.org/ or e-mail to Ian Edwards ianse@oz.com.au or to sydneytropical@yahoo.com.au, the generic informational e-mail address for the society.

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, bazley@dodo.com.au.

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.

Sunshine Coast Branch, PACSOA

The Sunshine Coast branch of PACSOA has faded away due to lack of support. We always kept hoping for one or two new members, but this has not happened. There seem to be too many other demands on people's time and their gardening interests have moved on. If any of you have renewed interest in the Sunshine Coast Branch, please e-mail Jeanne Price at pacsoap@spiderweb.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. There are guest speakers and slide presentations covering a variety of subjects. Rare and unusual plants are on raffle and the "bring and buy" bench offers a range of plants for sale at outstanding prices. Tea, coffee and supper is provided after the night's activities.

The PACSOWA April 27th meeting featured Ian McGregor's presentation on water lilies and how water gardens may be combined with palms and cycads.

May 23rd featured the "Palmathon" in Gascoyne Park, where members and guests met to plant palms and enjoy BBQ.

On May 25th, PACSOA held their Annual Palm and Cycad Auction, with the help of veteran auctioneer Russell Dyer.

Future meetings for 2010 include:

- June 22 – "Cycads, Aloes and other succulent plants of South Africa" by Bill Dewar
- July 27 – "Monotypic Genus of Madagascar Palms" by Tyrone Cripps
- August 24 – "Open Forum Night" when members express their views on any issue
- September 28 – "Landscaping with Palms" by Gary Pike
- October 26 – "Surprise" presentation by Eric McCrum
- November 23 – "Palms and Cycads around Perth" presented by Barry Sheldon
- December 12 – Christmas Party at the Hyde Park Hotel, commencing at noon.

In addition, the PACSOWA will hold their Annual Show at the Cannington Greyhounds on November 26-28 – an annual display of palms, cycads, bromeliads and ferns with a wide range of plants available for sale to the public.

For more information on The Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia (PACSOWA), send an e-mail to President Gary Pike <thepikes@powerdsl.com.au> or just visit the new website www.pacsowa.com.au.

New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society

The May 2010 meeting of the New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society (PACSONZ) was attended by some 20 members. The meeting was held at Landsend on a cool night. It was good to see some rare palm seedlings sold including *Trachycarpus princeps*. Local society President Terry spoke on his experiences in his landscaping business. Interesting points about garden mix, compost and topsoil were explained and opinions were exchanged. Terry discussed his personal favorites for palm plantings and for grouping vs. single palm plants. His talk also covered maintenance and fertilizing. General business on the evening included discussion on the future of the society.

PACSONZ will hold a special meeting on June 20th to discuss the future of the NZ society. Options include:

- Business as usual – continue with regular meeting, local society dues, etc. This option is considered conditional on volunteer members filling the positions of Editor, Secretary and Treasurer.
- Web-based society with free membership. Newsletter would be purely electronic with no paper copies printed or mailed.
- Winding up the society. Under this scenario, PACSONZ would cease to exist. This is not a favored option, but is being considered as a "last resort."

For more information on the PACSONZ, visit the website at <http://nzpalmcycad.com>.

Most of the PACSONZ news items were extracted either from the new PACSONZ website or from internet postings by Michael McCorquindale (PACSONZ Past President & Webmaster) <michaelmac@clear.net.nz>, Gary Coleman <aries@splurge.net.nz> and others on the NZ Society mail server. To subscribe, send an e-mail to <nzpalmcycad-subscribe@yahoogroups.com>. Additional news is taken from the quarterly *NZ Palm and Cycad Magazine* as appropriate.

Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society News

The May 24th PNWP&EPS meeting featured a slide show of Charlie Warburton's recent trip to Huntington Botanical Gardens in San Marino, California. This world famous garden has many rare species of palms and other exotics on a 120 acre site.

The society plans a social and barbecue on Sunday, August 22nd. Check out the society website for more details as they come available.

Additional General Meetings are planned for 2010 on September 27th and November 22nd, with details to follow later.

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/>

European Palm Society

Go to the European Palm Society website, www.palmsociety.org.uk for details on the EPS. It is free to sign up to this website, though you must register for an account to gain access to the EPS forum of over 420 members.

For 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 Update of December 2009

The Fous de Palmiers now has a new website, <http://www.fousdepalmiers.fr>. – please use this and not the old website address.

As of December 2009, we have 500 active members. In June of 2009, we celebrated the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Fous de Palmiers, with almost 150 members in attendance for the festivities in Menton, on the French-Italian border: beautiful palms, gardens, weather, fine food and camaraderie. We had all the ingredients for a great party together.

We published 4 issues of our magazine, *Le Palmier*, during the course of the year. Among the most recent issues, n°60 in September included articles by Pierre-Olivier Albano about palms growing in and around pre-Columbian sites in Mexico and Guatemala, Jean Michel Dupuyoo wrote about *Cycas panzihuaensis*, and Jean Pierre Gadiollet related his trip to the Dominican Republic. Our president Pierre Bianchi discussed the damage rats can do to palms, and the final article by Jean-Benoit Peltier dealt with the use of a special sort of glue to combat *Paysandisia archon*, whose caterpillars are devastating palms throughout the Mediterranean region.

Our information supplement, the *Coeur du Palmier*, related activities in September in Nantes, on the Loire River, for the plant show at

the Grand Blottereau park and a meeting of Mediterranean members in Arles later that same month.

The December issue, n°61, began with an article by one of our Alsatian members Régis Reynaud, about the protection of palms grown outdoors in northeastern France, along the Rhine River. Pierre Bianchi wrote about *Chamaedorea plumosa* and there was the first installment of a two-part article by Ruddy Benezet about the insects that are currently attacking palms throughout southern Europe, *Paysandisia archon* and *Rhynchophorus ferrugineus*. This issue also featured an article by Yassine Boukais about the Fous de Palmiers trip to southern California in November (see below).

Other activities during the autumn included the presence of correspondent Jean Pierre Gadiollet along with local members at a plant fair at the Château de Kerjean in northwestern France, in Brittany, bordering the English Channel. Plants for this fair were furnished by one of our member nurseries, A l'Ombre des Figuiers. Frédéric Tournay's book, *L'Epopée des Palmiers*, was for sale. Frédéric had an article about the Nabonnand family, palm pioneers on the French Riviera over a century ago, published in the September issue of *Palms*.

Members also got together elsewhere in France, in Roussillon, on the Mediterranean, in October, and in Alsace to visit gardens including those of members Reynaud, Dalbo and Ehrardt in Brittany in November and, at the end of the month, in Languedoc, where correspondent André Martin welcomed members to his garden in Sète and revealed his method for combating the caterpillar of *Paysandisia archon*.

As mentioned above, 21 of our members traveled to the USA in November for a 12 day trip, flying from Paris to Los Angeles, to visit some of the finest public and private palm collections in southern California. We were warmly welcomed by members of the Palm Society of Southern California (PSSC), the best part of the trip. While staying in hotels in Santa Monica, Palm Springs and San Diego, a few free days were scheduled for the group, since this was the first trip to the USA for the majority of our travelers. It was a special treat to see the desert oases of *Washingtonia filifera* but, as always on our trips, the highlights were meeting fellow palm nuts (the literal translation of Fous de Palmiers) and admiring their fine gardens and beautifully grown specimens of palms.

We'll send an update again this summer, following our annual General Assembly meeting, mid-May this year in Nantes, on the west coast of France, near the mouth of the Loire River after the publication of the June issue of *Le Palmier*.

A bientôt!

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To receive a free, complimentary copy of the magazine, contact Steve Swinscoe. See the Fous website, <http://www.fousdepalmiers.fr> (This website for the Fous de Palmiers is new.)

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NOTE: This is a new E-mail address!

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

In July 2009, the former La Asociación Española de Amigos de las Palmas changed its name to Asociación Botánica Española de Palmeras y Cycas or ABEPLYC. On July 27th, the following Officers and Executive Board was elected:

- President: Tomás Font, tel +34 608 061 878
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Directors:

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Vicente Villanueva, David Correa
and Santiago Orts

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For more information on the Spanish Palm Society, ABEPLYC, or to subscribe to *Espadice*, send an e-mail to the society President Tomás Font < tfont@ono.com > or Secretary Francisco Marti < francisco.marti@macaosl.es >.

South African Palm Society

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

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 evitazul@yahoo.com or telephone to cell phone 808-280-5051.)

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

On February 5th, the Hawaii Island Palm Society (HIPS) held their 2010 Annual BBQ, Rare Palm Auction and Elections in Pavilion 2 at Wailoa River State Park. In addition to beautiful, rare palms offered by the HIPS premier palm growers, there were palms for the silent auction, numerous free gifts and more door prizes than ever before. Jan and Gaila did another great job as auctioneers with their famed subtle humor. According to President Don Hemmes, guests were "treated to dinner served up by Don's Grill and topped off with Grace Kissell's scrumptious brownies." After dinner, the following HIPS 2010 officers were elected:

- President: Don Hemmes
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- VP – East Hawaii: Tim Brian
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- VP – West Hawaii: Al Bredeson
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- Treasurer: Mike Merritt
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- Secretary: Patty Ferazzi
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- Membership, Grace Kissell
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On Sunday, April 11, HIPS toured Bill Austin's Garden & Nursery in Hawaiian Acres. Bill started planting palms on his 3 acres some 17 years ago. Under a canopy of *Eucalyptus deglupta* are many large palms including *Phoenixophorium*, *Marojejya*, *Beccariophoenix*, *Dypsis lastelliana*, *Salacca magnifica* and several species of *Calyptrocalyx* (which were discussed by Don Hemmes at the HIPS December 2009 meeting.) Understory palms on Bill's property include *Lytocaryum*, *Licuala* and small *Dypsis* species. After the tour, door prizes of Bill's donated palms were awarded. A number of palms were also offered for sale at greatly discounted prices.

On May 16th, HIPS members visited two unique gardens on the Kona side of the island. The morning events started with a visit to the 15-acre Amy Greenwell Ethnobotanical Garden, Captain Cook. Peter Van Dyke, HIPS member and Manager of the Garden, led a tour. The mission of the garden is to support Hawaiian cultural traditions of land use and plants and to conserve the plant resources of traditional Hawaiian cultural activities. The garden has over 200 species of endemic, indigenous and Polynesian introduced plants. They feature rare and endangered native species such as the beautiful koki'o and *Pritchardia schattaueri*. After the garden tour, HIPS members ate lunch at the garden, which has restrooms and picnic tables available.

After lunch, HIPS members proceeded to the Brent Kittle garden located just above the Keauhou area in Kailua-Kona. This 5-acre garden was developed by a horticulturist around 1965. He installed a series of lava wall terraces and many rare and exotic plants including trees that now provide a wonderful, mature canopy. After the original designer's death, the property was sold and the garden was abandoned for a decade or more. When Brent bought the property, he restored the terraces and began planting in 2002. He scoured nurseries on all of the Hawaiian islands looking for choice plant material. The garden is at the 800 foot elevation

and provides an ocean view. Brian Lievens worked with Brent on the garden design and plant selection and was the HIPS tour guide. The artistic grouping of palms is breathtaking. *Roystonea*, *Bismarckia*, *Pinanga*, *Neoveitchia* and *Phoenixophorium* are just a few of the genera. Brent's favorites are the spiny *Pigafetta filaris*, *Areca macrocalyx* and *Syagrus botryophora*. In addition to the numerous palm and cycad species throughout the garden, color is provided by crotons, bromeliads, heliconias and other flowering plants.

A "Zoo Day" was held on March 20th, with dedicated "zoo crew" members, Jenny Johnson, Grace Kissell, John & Liz Field, Art Smith, Tim Brian and Mike Merritt working with about twenty young members of the Kiwanis-sponsored Youth Groups and their advisors to fertilize the more than 100 species of palms at the zoo, and to clean up the plantings. A smaller group of teens worked with Don Hemmes and Dean Piercy to plant some *Syagrus amara* donated by Bob Davis. This group also planted ground cover and weeded the area. Earlier this spring, Don Hemmes conducted a training session about the palms at the zoo for new docents of the Friends of the Zoo. On March 13, HIPS had an information table set up when the zoo had their first annual Jean Curtis Day to honor Jean and all community volunteers. HIPS members Tim Brian, Mike Merritt, Marie and Harry Correa and Don Hemmes distributed palm seeds, zoo palm maps, membership forms and answered questions about palms.

The Annual Zoo Plant Sale and Open House was held on May 16th, with a HIPS information table available. On July 25th, HIPS will provide a guided tour of the palm and cycad gardens at the zoo – along with conducting interactive sessions on how to grow, fertilize, and care for palms. This event is open to the public and will be held at the education pavilion.

For more information on the Hawaii Island Palm Society, contact President Don Hemmes < hemmes@hawaii.edu >, HIPS Secretary Patty Ferrazi < pferazzi@gmail.com > or Treasurer Mike Merritt < merritt4154@gmail.com >

Palm Society of Southern California

On May 15th, 2010, the Palm Society of Southern California (PSSC) toured the wonderful, mature Robert Jenkins Garden in Ventura, California. Mr. Jenkins has one of the most mature palm gardens in Ventura. His

garden features towering, canopy-sized *Howea* and *Archontophoenix alexandrae* and *A. tuckeri*, plus all kinds of other tropical plants, including palms thriving under that glorious canopy.

The centerpiece is a mature *Chambeyronia* more than 20 feet tall, one of the biggest in Southern California. Other highlights include: a *Dictyosperma album* with 10 feet of trunk; trunking *Rhopalostylis*; trunking *Coccothrinax* over 7 feet tall; a *Dypsis leptocheilos* (Teddy Bear Palm) with 4 feet of trunk. There are about 20 species of *Chamaedorea* including *C. pochutlensis*, *C. costaricana*, *C. nationsiana*, *C. elatior*, *C. glaucifolia* and *C. plumosa*.

On May 22nd, PSSC members attended the Annual Palm and Cycad Sale at the San Diego Botanical Gardens, formerly known as Quail Botanical Gardens, 230 Quail Gardens Dr., Encinitas, CA. This event was hosted both PSSC and the Gardens. Some of the best palm & cycad nurseries from around southern California were there to offer rare and unusual species for sale. The sale began at 9:00 am and continued until approximately 3:30 pm. There was a nominal reduced entrance charge for this event.

PSSC meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every other month in rotation. Additional meetings planned for 2010 include:

- July 2010: Los Angeles/San Bernardino Counties
- Sept. 2010: Orange/Riverside Counties
- Nov. 2010: San Diego/Imperial Counties

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

Correction regarding the açai in Jim Wright's garden (as described in the prior Supplement)

[The following was received by the Supplement Editor and is considered of interest to our members. It has been edited slightly for length, but not for substance]

Looking through the supplement, I first turned to the news of the Palm Society of Southern California, as I lived there many years.

I enjoyed very much reading about the March meeting at Jim Wright's garden, I have been there several times, it is a great garden. I think that I have been to Flecher's garden too, some years ago. Too bad that I was not in California in March – at that time I was preparing for something special, the Biennial in Rio. It was a great experience, I loved every minute of it. Too bad that it ended so soon!

Now back to Jim's garden, it was written that his *Euterpe edulis* [or *jussara*] probably produced some of the northernmost açai berries. Well, the açai that is available in health food stores in California is produced from *Euterpe oleracea* or açai, a palm from the Amazon region.

I read someplace that the fruit of the *Euterpe edulis* or *jussara*, a palm native to eastern and southern Brazil, has similar nutrients as açai. However, it is not available in commerce. I can not even get any from my own tree – the birds get them all.

So, in summary, what Mr. Wright's tree is producing are the northernmost *jussara* fruit, or berries, not actually açai.

Euterpe edulis, was and still is very much used for the commercial production of palm heart or *palmito*. *Euterpe oleracea* or açai is also used for *palmito* and, as it is a clumping palm, it is not eliminated in the first harvest. They are now using *Bactris gasipaes* (also a clumping palm) for *palmito* or palm heart.

Not long ago, a cross between *E. edulis* and *E. oleracea* was found in the wild. This hybrid produces 5-6 plants per clump and is faster growing, 7 years against 12 years for *E. edulis*.

Best regards
Geoniora Oliveira
IPS member from Brazil

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 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. 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/>.

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>.

Gulf Coast Chapter, IPS, News

For more on the Gulf Coast Chapter, contact chapter President, Joe Taverniti, 1110 Bauer Road, Pensacola, FL 32506 or e-mail 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

For more on the Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society, contact President Betty Ahlborn, or e-mail Secretary Ruth Sallenbach <diznee920@aol.com> or Membership Chair Susan Cioci <d.cioci@att.net> or visit them at <http://www.palmbeachpalmycadsociety.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. Send an e-mail with your snail mail address to Corresp. Secretary Louis Sgueros at <nickelsonk@bellsouth.net>.

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>.

News from the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society

The Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society (CFPACS) continues to maintain a vigorous online seed bank. To obtain instructions on how to order seeds, send an e-mail to seedbank@cfpacs.org. Minimum order is \$5 plus postage. All seeds are donated, not purchased. Species are correctly identified as far as is known. All proceeds benefit the CFPACS chapter, with seed donations helping to fund CFPACS grants and other outreach in Central Florida. If you have seeds to donate, please contact John Green (Florida east coast) or Lucinda McCartney (Florida west coast).

CFPACS initiated an E-News in 2009. Future issues of this new CFPACS e-Publication will be sent to members in April, July and October (in-between *Palmateer* issues).

CFPACS will hold their Fall Meeting at Indialantic/Merritt Island on Saturday, September 12th. The morning will feature Scott

Ward's garden in Indialantic, with the afternoon devoted to Cindy & Steve Rael's garden in Merritt Island. See the CFPACS website for more details to follow.

The CFPACS will participate in the following additional sales events in 2010:

- October 9-10 – University of South Florida (USF) Botanical Garden Fall Sale, Tampa, FL
- October 23 (tentative date) – CFPACS 3rd Annual Festival of Palms, FIT Botanical Gardens, Melbourne, FL
- November 6 – Downtown St. Petersburg Waterfront Parks Centennial. CFPACS will participate in this celebration with events at the Gizella Kopsick Palm Arboretum, St. Petersburg

For more on CFPACS, see the website at www.cfpacs.com or e-mail CFPACS President Bob Johnson at <TropicalBob@earthlink.net>

Florida First Coast Chapter

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

Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society

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 mailed to: Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, 114 Melrose Drive, Destrehan LA 70047.

For more information on the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, please contact: President Rod Gates <rodpgates@cs.com>, Vice President Jayanne Crawley, <southlands_tropicals@yahoo.com> or Kathryn Morgan, <kathyrn_o@cox.net>.

Southeastern Palm Society

The Spring SEPS meeting was held on April 24th at the lovely Riverbanks Zoo and Botanical Garden in Columbia, South Carolina. The zoo and gardens cover 70 acres along both banks of the Saluda River just west of downtown Columbia. Besides being home to over 2,000 animals representing more than 350 species from around the world, the park boasts an extensive and fascinating collection of sub-

tropical plants and palms. The garden's 34,000 square-foot walled garden is one of the best places in South Carolina to enjoy a tremendous variety of subtropical trees, shrubs, vines and perennials.

A plant sale was held in the morning in the parking lot at the Botanical Garden entrance, followed by a brief business meeting. After a break for lunch, the afternoon was free for wandering through the gardens and zoo.

The Summer SEPS meeting will be held at the Atlanta Botanical Garden, Atlanta, Georgia; on Saturday, July 24th, 2010.

The 2010 Fall meeting will be in Savannah, Georgia. See the SEPS website for further details and dates as they come available.

The quarterly journal of the Southeastern Palm Society (SEPS) is *Southeastern Palms*. The journal is included with membership.

Southeastern Palm Society membership dues are US\$20 for one calendar year (US\$25 outside the US, Canada and Mexico.) For more information, visit the SEPS website at www.sepalms.org or contact Will Taylor, Memberships, <tnpalmdude@aol.com>.

[Above information taken from SEPS website and Southeastern Palms journal by Supplement Editor]

News from the Palm Society of South Texas

On April 10, 2010, approximately 65 PSST members and guests met at the home of Romeo and Linda Montalvo in Brownsville, Texas. The Montalvos' house is situated on a beautiful *resaca* with extensive grounds landscaped with palms and tropical plants. Members toured the grounds led by Romeo explaining the plantings. The Montalvos provided a barbecue lunch, with members bringing an impressive array of desserts. After lunch, a brief business meeting was conducted. Future meetings were discussed, and the calendar for 2010 is now full except for the Christmas party in December.

At this month's meeting, we heard the sad news that our traditional Christmas host, Ruth Merrill, had passed away. Ruth was a long time member of PSST and truly loved palms and Christmas; and as such, she hosted many PSST Christmas parties of the past. Ruth and her gentle way will always be remembered and PSST Christmas won't ever be the same... Everyone at PSST will miss you, Ruth!

The May 8th PSST meeting was hosted by David Glover of Tejas Tropicals, in Cleveland, Texas. Details of the meeting are not available at

press time, so they will be provided in a later Supplement.

Additional PSST meetings scheduled for 2010 include:

- 19 June – Charlie and Lana Vieh – San Benito
- 17 July – Thad and Alice Magyar – Santa Rosa
- 14 August – Quinta Mazatlan – McAllen
- September – Oliver Achleitner – Brownsville (Fall Auction)
- 16 October 2010 – Darryl Smith – Corpus Christi
- November 2010 – Jack and Linn Keller – Bayview

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 on-line membership form for more 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.]

Houston (Texas) Area Chapter News

For information on the Houston Chapter of the IPS, e-mail local president, Paul Norris, <poollovers@comcast.net>.

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>.

New IPS Affiliate Ti-Palm

Information about the activities of Ti-Palm is sent to members via e-mailings (in French.) There is a chat at "Fous de Palmiers" website (<http://fousdepalmiers.fr/html/forum/viewforum.php?f=30>) Membership fee: 10€. 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

For information on Avepalmas, see the website www.avepalmas.org or send an e-mail to avepalmas@cantv.net.

INTERNATIONAL PALM SOCIETY
2009 Year-end Financial Statement

Income 2009

Memberships and Subscriptions ¹	\$77,376
Book sales – Genera Palmarum, 2nd Ed. (220) ²	28,058 ³
Book sales – other books (53) ⁴	3,703
Advertising	144
Back issue sales ⁵	60

Total \$109,341

- ¹⁾ Gross income, i. e., no deduction for credit card or gateway charges.
- ²⁾ Number is based on sales accounting by Stansfeld & Fairbrother, Inc.
- ³⁾ Includes retail price and shipping charges. Net price of books (\$99) is listed below as an expense item (funds repaid to the Rev. Publ. Fund). Actual cost of shipping is included in the Allen M & M line item below.
- ⁴⁾ Numbers sold of other books: *Chamaedorea* – 21, Madagascar – 10, Trinidad & Tobago – 9, New Caledonia – 6, Thailand – 7, El Dorado – 0.
- ⁵⁾ S & F reports three back issues and three *Pritchardia* Supplements sold.

Expenses 2009

Printing issues of Palms and Supplements ¹	37,583
Palms editors' expenses ²	4,784
Board meeting in Belize	450
Payment of GP2 cost to Rev. Publ. Fund ³	21,780
Warehousing & order fulfillment ⁴	8,722
IPS business management. ⁵	20,263
Credit card and gateway fees for online sales	4,281
PalmTalk moderation ⁶	5,700
PalmTalk server ⁷	948
Tax return preparation ⁸	1,458
Tax and corporate filing fees	96
Late penalties (tax and corporate filing)	250
Officers and Directors Liability Policy (Kahn-Carlin)	2,569
Miscellaneous ⁹	204

Total \$109,088

Net (profit) \$253

See the next page for explanatory notes on 2009 Expenses.

- 1) Printed by Allen Press, Lawrence, Kansas. Breakdown of overall expenses: **Palms**, v. 53, n.1-4 -- \$32,996, Supplements - \$3,825. Breakdown of expenses for **Palms** – materials and printing - \$22,748.50, packaging and shipping - \$10,247.50.
- 2) Transportation, lodging, and upgrades to software and OS.
- 3) Based on \$99 per book sold.
- 4) Allen Press in Lawrence, Kansas. Charges for four quarters of 2009 paid for warehousing of books and back issues, order processing, and shipping. Shipping charges were quite high in early 2009 because of the high volume of GP2 orders. Breakdown of charges: clerical - \$549, Postage - \$5,460, Handling and packaging materials -- \$1,186, Storage - \$1,502.
- 5) Stansfeld & Fairbrother in Austin, Texas. Membership services (new members and renewals), book sales, and website maintenance.
- 6) Provided by Dean Ouer, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.
- 7) Provided by WebIntellects, Inc., Vista, California.
- 8) Mize Houser, Lawrence, Kansas.
- 9) Reimbursement for expenses to Lundkvist and Merritt.

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