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**Where:** Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Avenue, Orlando, FL 32803

**6:30 –7:00** is time for displaying and purchasing plants

**Program officially begins at 7:00 pm**

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You will find an activities page that lists our speakers for upcoming meetings, downloadable copies of newsletters, plant photos, a map to Leu Gardens, and more! This is a great place for the public to find out about our Society or send us a message. Check it out!

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## From the Editor

In looking over the past few years as editor of the orlandiana I thought about what the most difficult and frustrating tasks I have encountered in producing a newsletter that is both informative and attractive. It really boiled down to emails. The number of emails I get on my personal address, even after filtering them, has become overwhelming. Trying to find the ones that apply to the newsletter is like searching for a screw I dropped on the lawn. That said, I am announcing a new email address dedicated to the newsletter where all matters related to BSCF can be sent. From this point on please send any communication for the orlandiana to: [orlandiananews@outlook.com](mailto:orlandiananews@outlook.com).

John Vecchitto, editor

## President's Message

"It really is about the plants. The free ones and getting to buy nice ones without having to drive to some nursery down south. I wouldn't do that. There's too much I gotta do on my days off."

I had asked a member why they joined and remained a member. For them, the monthly programs were "okay", but they thought most were not worth spending a Wednesday night at Leu. I did not like hearing that. I prefer to think that members are drawn as much by the educational content as their acquisitive desires. But, for BSCF to grow stronger, the truth matters.

I asked, "What sort of program would you think is worth the time to come out on a week night?"

"I don't know. Some of the talks are good. I don't mean to stop having them. I learn something every meeting. But, I'd not come just to hear a lecture."

"What might we do to improve the meetings?"

"Have them bring more plants. I can't get there as early as the others so it starts getting picked over."

“What about the Plant of The Month? Is that worthwhile?”

“Oh, it’s fun. Keep that. That time with the big Neos? I didn’t know they could get that big. Remember the one with bright red leaf tips? Can’t remember the name. I got a young one. Hope it grows real big like the one at the meeting.”

“What do you think about the Show & Tell Table?”

“ It’s fine. A lot of times the plants are ones you can’t find anywhere, but I like seeing them. Gotta put ‘em on the ‘wish list’, you know?”

I did not ask about anything more. I am sure the silent auction, door prizes and raffles helped satisfy their acquisition bug. Later, as I thought about the conversation, I recognized it was very useful in identifying the reasons why our society is growing. For a substantial portion of our membership, BSCF is the best source for bromeliads. That fits our mission of promoting bromeliad keeping. Along the way, members learn, teach and have some fun. Horizons are broadened. At the foundation, however, it is expanding access to bromeliads that keeps members coming back. How many broms would you have if you had to rely on Lowe’s and mail order? What proportion of your bromeliads were obtained at a BSCF meeting or a BSCF sale?

As we enter the New Year, we can add a goal of identifying new ways to help members gain more access to bromeliads. Instead of resolving to give up something bad for you, we can join together to make it easier to feed our brom addiction. We do door prizes, raffles, silent auctions, speaker’s sales, members’ markets, big sales at Leu Gardens, Fashion Square and Mead Garden; and we have facilitated group buys from Hawaii. What else can we do to assist in expanding members’ access to bromeliads? If you have an idea, share it. This is one New Year’s resolution that everyone can be happy to keep.

Welcome to 2024. Let’s make it a great year!

Mike McMahon

## October Minutes

**BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 7-9pm**

The evening's events kicked off with a special Plant of the Month Halloween contest, which drew huge participation and enthusiastic voting. We also enjoyed the always-popular Silent Auction of member plants and the beautiful specimens offered for sale by our speakers.

**Program:** Vice President Tim Dreggors introduced speakers Lee Magnuson and Jonathan Lallier of Brilliant Bromeliads, who presented a slideshow on the new hybrids they've bred. Jonathan also conducted a secret auction for two miniature plants from overseas that are unavailable in the U.S.

**The Business Meeting** was called to order by President Mike McMahon at 8:00 pm.

**New Members and Guests:** There were none this month.

Our President made the announcement we'd all been eagerly anticipating: the winner of the Halloween plant of the month contest. Kathy Hancock won for her clever creation of Cousin It from the Addams Family, using a tomato cage and *tillandsia usneoides*.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the September, 2023 meeting were published in the *Orlandiana*. A motion was made by John Boardman and seconded by Peggy Bohl that they be approved. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Joyce Gibault reported on our income and expenses for September, which were minimal. We continue to have healthy reserves in both our checking and money market accounts.

**Holiday Party report:** Teresa Eddy and Joyce Gibault reported that our November 15th celebration will begin at 6pm, an hour earlier than our usual meeting time. Those who are helping with decorations should arrive by 4:30 and those bringing food should arrive by 5:30. Signups have been excellent. Those who don't register in advance will not receive a Society gift plant, since they must be ordered in advance.

### **President's Report:**

Mike reported that the November 10th and 11th Mead Gardens GROWvember Sale has excellent seller signups. Setup should be complete by noon on Friday, so plan to arrive early to get the best choices before out-of-towners descend at 1pm.

There was no **Old Business**.

**New Business:**

Mike called on Julia Jensen from the Nominating Committee, who presented the Slate of Officer recommendations for 2024. They are:

President Mike McMahon  
Vice President Tim Dreggors  
Treasurer Joyce Gibault  
Recording Secretary Telka diFate  
Membership Secretary Marilyn Howser

There were no nominations from the floor.

Teresa Eddy made a motion that the Slate be accepted and Mike Saunders seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Congratulations to our new Board!

As an aside, our President announced that Dan Sawyer agreed to take over Telka's old duties as Librarian if he is also appointed Recycling Czar at meetings. This means he'll make sure we don't toss our cans and other recyclables. Thank you, Dan!

**Show & Tell**

Several interesting specimens were shown and explained.

In addition, Pam Marion demonstrated giant bamboo tongs that can be ordered inexpensively online to remove leaves and other debris from our plants without getting "bitten" by their thorns. (Also available in stainless.) Pam also showed a system she and her husband devised for covering plants in cold weather: buy heavy-duty frost cloth\*; buy an inexpensive rivet gun and put rivets around all sides; buy metal prong stakes to hold down. No more blowing away in the wind!

**Door Prize/Raffle giveaways** rounded out the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary Katherine Vaccaro

\* submitted minutes edited from "plastic sheeting" to "frost cloth" as per Pam Marion.

## Guest Speakers

For our meeting on January 17, Tim has planned a series of mini-talks by BSCF members. Starting off will be Steve Beaudoin with a presentation on Hohenbergias. These oddballs with sculptural shapes are more popular today than ever as people come to appreciate their form and blooms that are more bizarre than beautiful.

Next up will be John Boardman speaking about mounting bromeliads on driftwood. The hanging displays in John's shadehouse always grab attention. He will show how he does it.

The finale will be Pam Marion with a couple of mini videos of beautiful bromeliads, including the New Zealand Conference.

But, that means we will have a **MEMBERS' MARKET** rather than a speakers sale. All members may bring broms to sell at the January meeting. So, pick out some of your nice extras and bring them to sell. If you will be bringing more than a half dozen, let Mike McMahan know so I can be sure we have sufficient tables set up. Sales will begin about 6:15 or whenever a selling member is set up. ...Since we are having a Members' Market, there will be no silent auction.

## Upcoming Events

The **World Bromeliad Conference (WBC 2024)** will be held on **May 22-25, 2024** in West Palm Beach, Florida, USA. For more information on West Palm Beach, see the **Travel & Leisure** article, [This Idyllic Florida City Is a Hidden Gem Near Palm Beach, and Just As Chic and Happening](#).

**WBC 2024** will include speaker presentations, a judged plant show, a special plant sale, a rare plant auction, bus tours, a banquet with keynote speaker, and more! Check out the WBC 2024 Schedule on



the WBC 2024 Menu on the [home page](#).

Worlds largest bromeliad **sale**, judged bromeliad **show** and **auction**..... fun, fun, fun.

The **keynote speaker** for the Banquet on Saturday night, May 25, 2024, is **Andrew Devonshire from New Zealand** with his presentation, *Hybridizing: The Kiwi Way*.

The hotel venue will be the **West Palm Beach Marriott**. There is a special hotel rate for registrants with online reservations now available for booking in the [Members area](#) of this website. Regular daily hotel rates in May for the Marriott are \$300 and up, but the special WBC rate is \$179 and comes with a reduced parking rate of \$10 (regularly \$16). The special hotel rate is available until the earlier of April 30, 2024 or whenever the special block of rooms is fully booked. When reserving your hotel dates, you need to enter your arrival and departure dates prior to selecting the “check availability” button or you will see an error message stating “no available rooms”.

You may cancel your room reservation for no charge before 11:59 PM local hotel time 2 day[s] before arrival. There is a one-day cancellation penalty if one departs early after checking in.

**WBC 2024 Registration Fees** are \$295 if paid by March 31, 2024; \$335 from April 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024; or \$395 from May 1, 2024. Registration fees may be paid in the [Members area](#) of this website. To register for **WBC 2024**, you must be a [BSI member](#). Paid registrations are 100% refundable through March 31, 2024 and not refundable thereafter.

## Announcements

**Lost & Found:** Katherine Vaccaro is looking for a power strip and extension cord she brought to the holiday party. Did you pick it up with other extension cords? It was in the dessert table area (where Marilyn usually has the membership table during regular meetings). Check and see if they got mixed up with cords you brought. Let me or Katherine know & bring to January meeting. Thanks!

**Dues Are Due:** It is time to renew memberships. Dues are only \$15, plus \$5 for additional family members. It is the best deal in town. Remain a part of our mission to spread bromeliads everywhere. Print out the attached form, fill it out with current info and mail it

with your check to the P.O. Box on the form. Of course, you can fill out a form at the January meeting and write a check then, but doing it now lets everything get processed without a big crunch at the meeting. Besides, you will want to spend that time checking out all the broms. Note: Payment by check is requested so there is a paper record.

**Vacancies:** BSCF has two vacant positions: Plant Sale Chair for Mother's Day Show in May, and Holiday Party Coordinator for next November. Please contact Mike McMahon if you are interested.

**You Can Make A Small Bang, Too:** Look around for those extra pups and such you can add to the door prize and raffle tables. If you have a brom that cheers up a January night, bring it into display on the Show & Tell Table. If you prefer to show and not tell, you do not have to get up and speak. Let Mike know your brom is for display only.

## New USDA Zones

For those of you who haven't heard, as of November 2023 the USDA has updated the plant hardiness zones. For most of us we have moved from zone 9b to 10a. That is good news and bad news. The good news is we may be able to grow more tropical plants outdoors with fewer freezes. The bad: this is because of climate change. For more information Katherine Vaccaro has provided me with this link: <https://www.yourcommunitypaper.com/articles/usda-changes-plant-hardiness-zone/>

## Plant of the Month

We are not going to start off the year with a big bang. We are going to start with a whole bunch of small bangs. The January Plant of the Month is: **Small Neoregelias** – ones measuring from 4-inches to 6-inches across when full grown. Please stay within this size limit. Cathy plans to have the even smaller midget minis as POTM in the future.



← 4 - 6" →

## Snacks

Just because all of us probably consumed too many calories over the holidays, do not let that deter you from bringing a delicious morsel for the refreshment table! Calorie wise or decadent, it does not matter. 2023 set a precedent for all morsels to be gone by the end of the evening. Let's continue that tradition in 2024. Happy New Year!!

## What is an F2?

By: **Mike McMahon**

When I refer to a bromeliad as being "an f2", I often get quizzical looks. "What's that"? It seems super-complicated, but it's simple once explained.

In genetics, when two species are crossed, the seedlings are a first generation known as "f1". When those seedlings are crossed with one another, their progeny are the second generation of the cross, which is "f2".

So.... Who cares? Why does it matter?

Let's take a simple *Vriesea* cross as an example. Decades ago, a fellow in Australia crossed *Vriesea fenestralis* with *V. fosteriana*. After years of raising up the seedlings, one offspring was registered and named *Vriesea* 'Kakadu'. *Vrieseas* have 25 pairs of chromosomes. Simple genetics teaches that when two *Vriesea* species are crossed, there are 847,288,609,443 possible combinations of those chromosome pairs in the offspring. It's easier to say, "nearly a trillion possibilities". However, in the first generation the offspring can all look pretty much the same because the dominant genes determine what we see (the phenotype). What we cannot see is the mixing up of recessive genes in the genotype. To let the recessive genes come to the fore, there needs to be another cross to get an in-bred second generation... the f2 generation.

The fellow who created *V. 'Kakadu'* did just that, crossing



*Vriesea fenestralis*



*Vriesea fosteriana*



*Vriesea 'Kakadu'* photo by K Woods

*Vriesea 'Kakadu'*

V 'Kakadu' with itself. From among the varied offspring he selected five to register and named them: V. "Kakadu Gem", V. "Kakadu Dreaming", V. "Kakadu Leopard", V. "Kakadu Magic" and V. "Kakadu Sunrise". (No rule required their name to include 'Kakadu'. The hybridizer just chose to do so, maybe to help himself keep things straight.) These varied plants are "f2's". However, "f2" is not added to their label. They have each been given their own names. There were hundreds more plants in the second generation of the Kakadu self-cross that were not named. If they were not destroyed or sold off unlabeled as "Vriesea Hybrid", they would be correctly called: *Vriesea* 'Kakadu' (f2). That is, a second generation of V. 'Kakadu'.

The f2 label refers to genetic generations. When the f2 plant has pups, the pups are genetically identical to the parent plant so they remain f2. The pups are not a third generation from a genetics perspective. No matter how many generations of pups there may be, the f2 label applies because all those pups are still the second genetic generation.

You probably have f2 broms in your collection, even if none have "f2" on the label. You may have a bunch. When a second generation hybrid is named, the "f2" designation stops getting used on the label. The broms marked "f2" on the label are the second generation plants of a cross that did not get individually named. You may even have some f3's in your collection. Those are the progeny of an f2 plant crossed with a sibling f2 (or itself).

When you see a bromeliad labeled "f2", it tells you that it is a second generation plant, not one of the first generation. This can be important to know. For example, if you see a *Billbergia* 'Hallelujah' (f2), it is not a Hallelujah. It is the result of Hallelujah being crossed with Hallelujah. If you are wanting to acquire a *Billbergia* 'Hallelujah', do not acquire a Hallelujah (f2) thinking you found what you were looking for. Acquire it because you like it for what it is, not because the label has Hallelujah on it.



V. 'Kakadu Gem'



V. 'Kakadu Leopard'



V. 'Kakadu Magic'

Some folks think broms marked “f2” aren’t as good as the ones given names. That is for each person to decide for themselves. Maybe the breeder did not think the plant was good enough to be named, but it could be that he did not have the space to raise a bunch of pups from that seedling to commercialize it and did not care to give names to seedlings he was not going to keep to multiply. The unnamed seedling might have been too much like another brom already named, or maybe the breeder simply never got around to it. When Don Beadle retired from his Billbergia breeding, he left behind numerous hybrids he was working with that were not named. They just had numbers. He simply quit before getting around to naming them. Perhaps he would not have ever named some, but all were plants he deemed worthy of continuing to grow, even if he had not yet released them to the public. With every seedling in an f2 cross having different mixed-up genes, all of them could be given different names. And, no two of them should ever get the same name. Each is genetically different. (However, some breeders have messed up on this by labeling with the same name several different f2 plants that look alike. That leads to all sorts of problems, but let us save that discussion for another time.)



V. 'Kakadu Sunrise'

A hybridizer would have to come up with thousands of names if every f2 seedling was to be named. Why bother? They can just be left as “f2”, and folks can be told the truth... It is unique. Shakespeare always has something to say on a subject. “What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell just as sweet.” If you think the f2 you are looking at is a neat brom, it is.



Sorry Mom. I got an F2 on my name tag.

## Wondering how to repot?



Marty Folk told me he basically doesn't pot broms up during the winter months and he explained why. So I googled it and found this wonderful site. I hope it helps you as much as it has helped me.

Marilyn

**Wondering how to repot your bromeliad? We've got all your answers in this guide**

By [Kiera Baron](#) March 8, 2022

Bromeliads are beautiful, showy plants that are often intimidating to new growers — but the truth is, they're not all that difficult to care for. Their blooms come in an array of colors, but the foliage is just as stunning. Depending on the variety, the leaves can be anywhere from red to purple to green with bands, spots, or stripes. Because of their root system and the unique nature of their watering, though, repotting is a bit more nuanced than many of your other plants. (And if you aren't interested in soil mess, there are air plants that are [part of the bromeliad family](#) so you can still enjoy those fabulous colors!)

### Should I transplant my bromeliad?

Yes, but only when it's necessary. Bromeliads have small root systems that don't need too much space to grow, so they won't need to be repotted as often as fast-growing plants like pothos vines. If you're ever concerned about whether it's time to repot your bromeliad or not, you can look for signs like roots growing from the bottom of the container.

If you bought a young bromeliad from a nursery as opposed to a mature one and it doesn't bloom during the season after [being cared for diligently](#), then that's also a sign that it needs to be moved to a larger container. Mature bromeliads, on the other hand, often come in the size pot they'll need to be in for the rest of their days. If you want to repot it to a container of your choosing, make sure that it's the same size as the one it came in and no bigger.

## When should a bromeliad be repotted?

Repotting is best done in the spring after the growing season starts but before the bromeliad has a chance to bloom. This will be the time when it has the most energy and can better withstand the stress of being moved from one pot to another, without disrupting the blooming process or risking any unnecessary damage.

## How to repot a bromeliad

To repot a bromeliad, you want to have a few things on hand before you start: protective gloves, fresh potting soil, a new container, wooden stakes, and sterilized shears in case there are any damaged roots or leaves that need to be removed. Shears also come in handy if you're planning to remove any pups for division before putting the parent plant in its new home.

When you've got everything ready, follow these steps to repot your bromeliad:

1. **Gently remove the bromeliad from its current container.** Clean off as much excess soil as possible from the roots, taking care not to damage them.
2. **Remove dead or damaged leaves, as well as any pups, if able.** To separate them, take your sterilized pair of shears or scissors and cut them from the base of the parent plant.

Each pup should be potted into its own container where it will start to grow new roots. If there are no pups, move on to step three.

3. **Fill the new pot to just below the surface with your bromeliad mix.** Place the bromeliad in the center of the container, and fill with more soil to the base of the leaves. This ensures that your plant is deep enough in the soil, but not so deep that it will drown when you water it.
4. **If your bromeliad can't stay upright on its own yet, put wooden stakes in the pot.** This will help the plant stand tall while establishing its roots until it's big enough to thrive on its own.

Keep in mind that if your bromeliad has bloomed and is producing pups, the parent plant will start to die in the next few months due to its natural cycle. If you have pups that are big enough to remove, it's best to do so to ensure that you'll be able to enjoy future bromeliads without needing to buy more from the nursery (unless you want to).

**Can I use potting soil for bromeliads?**

Yes and no. You don't want to use standard indoor potting soil; however, you can still look for a specific mix. Because bromeliads can stay fairly wet, they need a soil that's fast-draining but still holds moisture well. You want the excess to be able to escape quickly, which is why pots with drainage holes are especially important for bromeliads. Most gardeners will pot their bromeliads using an orchid mix due to the similar needs of both plants, but if you want to make your own, you can use two-thirds peat-based soil and one-third sand.

[Khairil Azhar Junos / Shutterstock](#)

**Do bromeliads like small pots?**

Yes! Unlike some plants, bromeliads don't have big root systems. They prefer to be kept in smaller pots, which is where they're more likely to thrive. A young bromeliad will do well in a four-inch pot and shouldn't be repotted until it starts to outgrow the container (look for signs like roots growing out of the drainage hole or up above the soil).

Once the plant matures, you'll find that it doesn't need a pot much larger than six inches — so it isn't a plant that will quickly outgrow or overtake your space. Potting it in a much larger container can often lead to overwatering because there's too much water in the soil for the roots to absorb.

Things to be cautious of when repotting

Because bromeliads have a small root system, you want to make sure you don't plant them too deep in the soil when you're repotting; however, you also don't want them to be too shallow. If it's too far in the soil, the crown is more prone to rotting and the plant won't survive well. Make sure you pot just to the base of the leaves, and if the roots aren't big enough yet to hold the plant up, feel free to use wooden stakes to help it stay upright!

If done successfully, you'll be able to enjoy your bromeliad for as long as it lives. They aren't high maintenance plants and their natural cycle of producing pups following blooms will let you continue keeping them around until you decide you've had enough (as if that could ever happen).

One more thing 😊

## CHOOSING THE RIGHT BROMELIAD FOR YOUR SITUATION

Just like choosing a plant based on whether it will be placed in full sun, partial sun or shade, you may want to consider the ‘cold hardiness’ of your Bromeliad selections. With all the information available on the internet in this day and age, there is now substantial information on individual plant cold tolerance. You can also inquire about this information from your supplier if they specialize in Bromeliads. Large “box stores” are generally not a good place for these type of specifics. Below is a generalization of some of the more common genera:

[Aechmeas](#): Most individuals in this group are generally considered hardy to 32 degrees

[Billbergias](#): With some exceptions this group is hardy down to the low 30’s.



[Cryptanthus](#): Known as “Earth Stars” it is better to provide for min. temps. Above 45 degrees.

[Guzmanias](#): This group generally are considered more tropical and do not like temps. below 45 degrees.

[Neoregelias](#): Another hardy group with most member able to withstand lows to 32 degrees

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas Season and a very blessed 2024.

Marilyn

## In Memoriam

Derek Butcher passed away on 4 January 2024. He was a mainstay in the bromeliad hobby, particularly through his work on the BSI Cultivar Registry. He established and enforced standards still followed. Many around the world corresponded with him long before the internet made that easy, as he investigated every detail regarding old hybrids and cultivars, insisting on absolute accuracy as fully as he could. (He even corresponded with me back in the early 1990s to get details on an old Mulford Foster Billbergia



just because he heard I had one I had received from Racine Foster.) He did much more in the hobby, particularly in Australia, but it is his many contributions worldwide that made him such a figure in the hobby. Here in Florida, the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies' Photo Index became a reality due to his assistance. He is a co-author of the Encyclopedia of Bromeliads, and so much more.

Rest In Peace, Uncle Derek.

Mike McMahon

## Pictures Meade Sale





Grant



Cathy & Dave



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Doris



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Marilyn



Greg



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# Pictures Holiday Party



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Plant Sale Chair for Mother's Day Show: **VACANT**

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**2024 Bromeliad Society of Central Florida**  
**MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip +4 \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_

**\$15 for one member, plus \$5 for each additional family member at the same address.**

**Name Tags are optional. The price for a name tag is \$7 per member.**

**If so desired please insert number ordered \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Make checks payable to BSCF

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**Bromeliad Society of Central Florida, PO Box 568872 Orlando, FL 32856-8872.**

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On the 3rd Wednesday of every month, from 6:30-9:00 pm. Buy plants from the speaker between 6:30-7pm. The meeting starts promptly at 7:00. You'll enjoy informative programs, Show & Tell, plant sales, door prizes and raffles. Members also receive a monthly newsletter. Please come join us!

Treasurer:

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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