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MARCH 16TH MEETING

Bonsai Garden Tour of several club members including include Jim Gehring, Jim Bremer, Phil Krieg and Troy Randall on Pine Island. We will start the tour at the Garden Center at 8:30 am at the Larchmont parking lot, travel south to Phil's and Jim's houses, drive to the Gehring's and end up at Troy Randall's for a BBQ. The club will provide the food. This event is limited to members only. Also, this is the time to prepare for repotting season, So get your pots, soil and wire ready.

2019 PROGRAMS

APRIL 20 Annual picnic and auction. We are also bringing back another oldie but goodie, the *Black Thumb Award*. So save all those dead trees for this fun occasion.

MAY 18 Desert Rose workshop \$15 working with pre-Bonsai seed grown plants in 8"x6" nursery pots. We will need gloves on hand due to the toxic nature of the sap. Gloves should be Nitrile type in case of latex allergies.

JUNE 15 *Repot It!* clinic includes a demo with club soil and wire. We will repot both Pre-Bonsai (bare root) as well as mature (perimeter margins only) plants to illustrate the differences in potting techniques depending on the plant's needs.

JULY 20 Workshop Fukien Tea *Root-Over-Rock*. Judy Gore has donated the plants and rocks. Find and bring a nice rock that has no salt minerals. Also, bring a deep nursery pot to start it out.

AUGUST 17 Topic is Buttonwood, Chili Thrips and other pests discussion.

SEPTEMBER 21 *Bonsai Stepchildren and Why They Matter* presentation including Keshiki, Pop Bonsai, Kusamono and Suiseki. A discussion of related arts to Bonsai. A workshop for Keshiki and Kusamono.

OCTOBER 19 Bring your show tree for display advice. Continuing discussion of display in preparation for the November show. If we have Ernie doing the judging, we will invite him to give us a lesson on his criteria for judging.

NOVEMBER 16 We hold the officer elections for 2020. The feature of this meeting is a workshop on Penjing with Mike Lane.

DECEMBER It's the annual Holiday party. We will discuss show results, photographs of each display and discussion of how to improve the event.



ABOUT US:

We meet every third Saturday of each month at the Berne Davis Botanical Garden building located just north of the Edison Estates at 2166 Virginia Avenue. Parking is located on Larchmont street located one block south of Virginia off McGregor Boulevard.

Our website is:

www.bonsaiswfl.org

We welcome everybody interested in this ancient art form to take advantage of our many experienced artists and teachers.

See you soon...

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WINTER ACTIVITIES FOR TROPICAL TREES

There are a few trees that can be safely repotted: Bald Cypress, Junipers, Pines and Chinese Elms (if they have dropped their leaves and shoots are developing) You can also repot deciduous trees if they're pushing new growth like Ilex.

WIGERTS BONSAI CLASSES

March 10 Bonsai Demonstration by Mike Lane "Sea Hibiscus". Cost: \$10
Time: 9:00 am till 12:00 pm

March 16 Lecture in Collecting trees from landscape for Bonsai. Cost: \$35
Time: 9:00 am till 12:00 pm

March 31 Penjing Cost: \$35 Time: 9:00 am till 12:00 pm

Bring your own tree workshop with Nacho Marin

Date : April 15 at 9am-5pm

Fee : \$150

Location : Wigerts Bonsai

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Contact Andrea or Erik to sign up!

Wigert's Bonsai Nursery
239-543-2234

REMINDER

- We need to finish with membership renewals for 2019. Please remember to bring your check book, cash or, preferably, a credit card to renew your 2019 membership.
- We need to select a tree representing our club at the B.S.F. convention. Nominees please...

OUR LAST MEETING

- **March Tour of Gardens:** we will meet at the Larchmont parking lot at 8:30 am. Club voted on the Boxed Lunches. **Boxed Lunch by Little Lilly's Island Deli served w/ chips, cookie, bottled water, Coke or Sprite \$11/person (delivery fee waived). Orders placed by March 12 (but can call Matt w/any add-ons that morning). Matt will bring bill when he delivers lunches. Sandwich options are:**

#1. Spinach Salad with Scoop of Tuna (hard-boiled egg, feta, cranberries, mushrooms, balsamic vinaigrette)

#2. Veggie Wrap (spinach, tomato, feta, black olives, onions, avocado, sprouts, cucumbers, Greek vinaigrette)

#3. Italian Sub (provolone, ham, salami, pepperoni, onions, mild banana peppers, Italian dressing, oregano)

- **Duane Tomlinson** volunteered to do the 2019 audit.
- Reminder about April's Auction: 9 a.m. and pot luck.
- Sign-up for May's Program: Desert Rose (list to follow).
- Judy spoke on Bonsai Societies of Florida visiting speaker, Jennifer Price, and Club voted to have her come.
- New Members were welcomed: Joe Mayhew and Mary Charles.
- Mike Lane presented talk on Bonsai of the World and then went around to Club members who brought a tree.

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