

# HOT, HOT, HOT AUGUST!

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## NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH

### August 19, 2017

Martha Goff will return the pinch pots you created. You can plant them as accents in September/October for the exhibit with material that Martha will offer for sale.

Mike and Lunetta Knowlton will provide a presentation of their trip to Japan which will be very interesting, educational and give us a better understanding of Japanese criteria for the worlds best Bonsai. This should be a fun meeting so don't miss it.

## TREATING DEADWOOD BY JUDY GIANDELONE

### A TESTIMONIAL

Several years ago Joe Day, visiting artist, recommended sealing dead wood with a mixture of Tite Bond II and water.

I have a Bougainvillea with a lot of dead wood, some of which must be buried in order to plant the tree. Last summer, when I took it out of the pot, the base of the trunk (dead wood) was black, soft, starting to rot. I cleaned it up with my Dremel and then applied a coat of Tite Bond II (I suspect any good carpenter glue would work) and water mixed 50/50. I let it dry for several hours and applied two more coats, with dry time in between and dry time before repotting. I just repotted this tree, the buried dead wood is clean and solid without any sign of softening.

I have used this technique on several other trees and I am pleased with the coverage and lack of shine.

### SATURDAY MEETING NOTE:

Justin will give talk about and demonstrate wiring. So bring a tree for practice.

Wiring is the most basic technique we use and it is best to know how to do it properly. I hope to learn something...!

See you on the 19th!



Jim Gehring received the 2017 Volunteer Award from the *Bonsai Societies of Florida*. Well deserved for sure.. Congrats Jim for all you do and have done!



### 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 which is one block south of Virginia off of McGregor.*

*Our website is:  
[www.bonsaiswfl.org](http://www.bonsaiswfl.org)*

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

*See you soon...*

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## PREPARATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL SHOW

Notes from the Board meeting are:

Show chair	Judy Giandelone
Program	Sue Johnson with assist from Martha Goff
Exhibition	Phil Krieg
Raffle	Jim & Gayle Gehring
Greeters	Sam Wollard
Hospitality	Gail Gehring (see above)
Docents	Judy Giandelone
Publicity	Ham Agnew
Vendor	Martha Goff

### Program:

Ed Trout will judge Saturday morning. Demonstration by Ed Trout on Saturday and critique by Ed on Saturday.

Adam Lavigne will do an early critique for club members at 9AM and demonstration in the morning. (Exact times TBD.)

Other potential demos by Ernie and Dorothy, Martha, maybe Mike Lane

**Greeters:** we will need greeters at both entrances to the Garden

**Budget:** duplicate last year's budget including security and table rental. We will not need to purchase tents, sound system or hardware like last year.

**Food:** Bring Your own food

**People's Choice Award:** Every exhibit will receive a number and able to be selected for People's Choice. Voting will end on Saturday. We do not need to count attendance

### Publicity

Show hours are November 4-5 from 10-4 on Saturday and Sunday though we will have a private critique by Adam Sunday at 9 AM for club members. Posters were not helpful and we will not do them this year.

Flyers similar to last years.

Approve paying for teenager "spinners" on Sat-

urday and Sunday.

Try to get someone on the early morning TV talk shows. Anybody with connections please let us know.

This is a summary of what was discussed and thought to be in the best for the club. Feel free to offer your comments and/or suggestions...and **please** volunteer!

## CLASSES AT WIGERT'S BONSAI NURSERY

### Premna Bonsai Class

Fee : \$65 includes a 10"pot pre-bonsai .

Date : August 20, 9am-12pm

### Banyan Ficus Phillipenensis

Fee \$150 includes a large tree

Date : August 27, 9am-12pm

**Wire Class :** highly recommend this class.

Date : Sept 16 9am-12pm

\$40 Bring Your Own tree

### African/ Flat Top / Pierneef Bonsai Class

Date : Sept 24, 9am-12pm

\$30 Bring your own tree

## TREE OF THE MONTH

Peter Shawinsky sent photos of his Mini Portulacaria and Black Olive. Yes, you can create really small trees! Actually, the degree of difficulty increases exponentially the smaller the tree. Well done Peter!



## CLUB OFFICERS

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Judy Giandelone

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Sue Hock Johnson

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Phil Krieg

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### Board Members

Martha Goff, Past President

John Bartolozzi

Renee Beddouk

Justin Michael

Jim Gehring

Sam Wollard

### Beginner Bonsai Class

Sept 2 & Sept 9, 9am- 2pm

Learn all the Bonsai Basics!

Style and repot your own bonsai tree.

Our 2-part class \$115 includes a tree, pot, textbook, 2 classes