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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Last year at this time, we were all worried about a prolonged drought, and had to “sneak” water to our trees for fear of being caught by the water police. Well, this year we all need to be worried about our trees getting TOO much water from the endless weeks of downpours. And with all the water, of course the weeds do much, much better ! I have the healthiest crop of weeds that I can remember. I’m not pulling them....I’m “pruning” them ! You can almost stand over the pot & see them start to sprout again ! But I guess that is just one of the joys of doing bonsai !

We have another BRING YOUR OWN TREE workshop this month. Please bring something to work on, and get opinions if you’d like. It’s enjoyable with all this summer heat to be able to work on a tree in the comfort of air conditioning.

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

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**THE NEXT
SCHEDULED MEETING
WILL BE
9:00 A.M.**

Saturday, August 8th, 2009
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure Dept
6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise, FL
954-572-2287

I hope everyone enjoyed our repotting program last month. It was great to get that buttonwood into another pot, and I’m happy to report that it is doing very well. I have begun working the shari’s & jins, and plan to do some preliminary styling this weekend. It’s fun to start a new tree, and I look forward to the journey !

Ed

AUGUST PROGRAM:

BY: BEN LISS

This month's program will be a BYOT workshop. The BYOT program is one of my favorite programs because we all get to interact with each other and it gives us a chance to see other people's trees. The more trees I see the more I learn. As always we can rely on our more experienced members to help those less experienced members with any questions you might have on a particular tree. So bring a tree or two and be prepared to work.

Many of our members have expressed their desire to have a "swap meet" as one of our monthly programs. I think we should have some further discussion and work out the details at our August meeting and if enough people are interested we will make this our September or October program. I will inform everyone via email announcements and in the September newsletter. So have a look around the yard and see if there is anything you've been thinking of swapping out for something else.

As I write my program article I am not able to see the Presidents letter and therefore I do not know if Ed has taken the time to thank himself for a great program last month, so just in case, on behalf of the membership once again Ed, many thanks we are truly fortunate to have you in our midst.

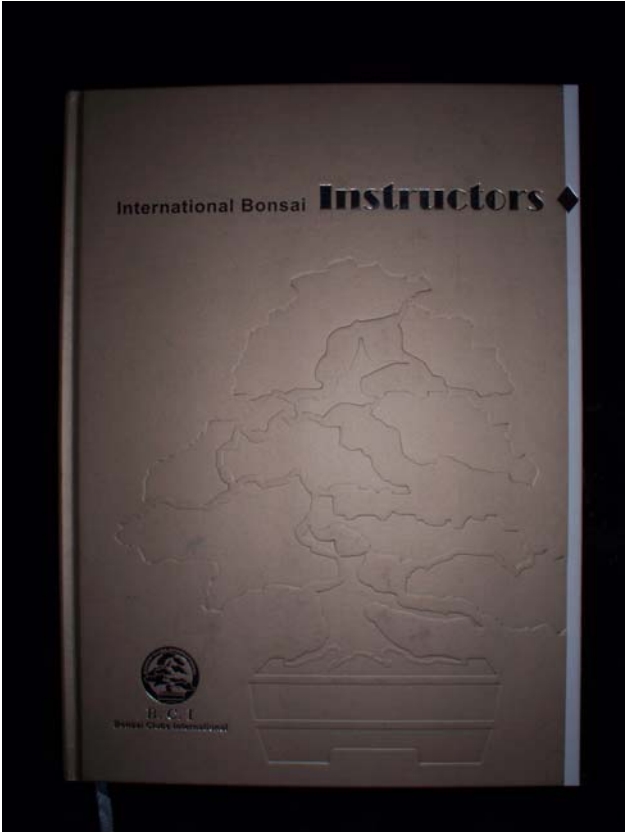
CLUB INFORMATION:

Please remember to bring something for the raffle table and help support the club.

TREAT YOURSELF TO ONE OF OUR DELICIOUS COFFEE SELECTIONS OFFERED WHILE YOU ENJOY THIS MONTHS PROGRAM.

BONSAI CLUB'S INTERNATIONAL INSTRUCTOR BOOK

Bonsai Club's International has just published a beautiful book listing bonsai instructors from all over the world. It is a nice book to own, and one the club may consider purchasing for use in our library. And, if we can recruit 15 members to join BCI, the book will be given to us for free ! Please see details at www.bonsai-bci.com .



PHOTOS OF LAST MONTHS
PROGRAM
BY: Bob Yarling











AREA BONSAI EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Tuesday – August 11th – 7:30 PM

Bonsai Society of Miami

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Old Cutler Road,
Coral Gables

Saturday – August 15,th 9:00 AM

Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida

SPALC Building,
6281 Metro Plantation Road (Off Metro Parkway between
Daniels Parkway and Colonial Boulevard),
Ft. Meyers, Florida
Contact Dorothy Schmitz 239-947-3552

Saturday – August 22th – 11:30 AM

Broward Bonsai Society,

Flamingo Gardens, 3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie
Classroom in rear. www.browardbonsai.com

Saturday – August 8th – 9:00 AM

Gold Coast Bonsai Society

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Saturday – August 22th, – 9:30 AM

Lighthouse Bonsai Society

Boca Raton Community Center, 150 N.W. Crawford
Boulevard, Boca Raton

Tuesday – August 4th, – 7:00 PM

Society of the Palm Beaches

Mount's Botanical Garden Auditorium
West Palm Beach, Florida



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