



# December 2016 Newsletter

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Next Meeting: Saturday, December 10

City of Sunrise Parks & Leisure Dept.

6800 Sunset Strip

Sunrise, FL

954-572-2287



## President's Message

Thank you all for those who helped with the auction, by planning, attending, or showing up to give support. The auction, after rain delay, was a huge success! We were able to raise some much-needed funds to continue the great programs for the upcoming year.

### **December Holiday Party**

This month is our annual holiday party. We'll be doing our fun gift exchange 'game' and see who winds up with the prize (we'll go over the rules before we start). If you were there last year, you know how much fun it is! If you want to participate in the game, please bring a bonsai gift of value of \$25 or less. (You must bring an item to participate in the gift exchange.)

Also, in the spirit of the season, we'd love for you to bring in some show trees all decked out for the holidays—mini lights, tiny ornaments, ribbons ...whatever! Alternatively, if you won a tree in a raffle or auction, or worked on it as part of a program, please bring it in so we can all see how it is progressing.

Refreshments and light snacks will be provided.

**We will have a very special auction of Mike Lebanik's Demo Buttonwood Tree from July!**



### **Welcome the 2017 GCBS Board**

I'd also like to thank the board who served the past two years. We held elections and were able to continue with most of the current board for another two-year term. However, Vice Presidents Mike Sullivan and David Baruch are stepping down, and Marlena Kolbert is stepping up to take the vice president role.

Let's thank David and Mike, and welcome Marlena as we move forward to 2017. The board will be as follows:

**Vice President (Programs):** Marlena

**Treasurer:** Charlie

**Membership:** Bob Wertz

**Photographer:** Bob Yahrling

**Newsletter Editor/Website:** Todd

**Past President:** Anita

**President:** Lee

Note that we'll be collecting dues for next year at the holiday party.

### **Facebook Call for Help**

Thanks to Mike Sullivan, GCBS has an official presence on the popular social media site. However, we're looking for someone to take over from Mike to do updates—posting club news, announcements, pictures, etc.

Please let me know if you are Facebook-literate and are willing to help.

Hope to see you at the party!

Lee Stockdale, President

## Membership Dues:

**Primary Club:** Single \$30 (Household \$35)

**Secondary dues** (if your BSF dues are paid through another club; please identify your primary club)

Single \$21 (Household \$26)

Checks should be made out to: **Gold Coast Bonsai Society.**

## Gold Coast Is On Facebook!

Thanks to Mike Sullivan, we have joined the Facebook family!

Log on to facebook.com and search for *Gold Coast Bonsai Society.*



# 2016 Program Schedule

**January:** Ed Trout – Ficus Retusa demo and critique

**February:** Mike Cartrett demo

**March:** Mike Sullivan Kokufu-Ten recap

**April:** Mike Rogers Shohin Demo

**May:** Charlie Michelson Jaboticaba Re-style

**June:** Martha Goff Kusamono Workshop

**July:** Mike Lebanik Buttonwood Demo

**August:** Toby Diaz BYOT Workshop

**September:** Charlie Michelson BYOT Workshop

**October:** Cancelled (due to Hurricane Matthew)

**November:** Auction

**December:** Holiday Party

## November Club Photos

Photos courtesy of Bob Yarling



# Area Bonsai Events And Meetings\*

\*All dates and times standard schedule  
Please verify as changes may occur

Tuesday, Dec. 6th – 7:00 PM  
(First Tuesday of Month)

## **Society of the Palm Beaches**

Mount's Botanical Garden Auditorium  
West Palm Beach, Florida  
[www.bonsai-bsf.com/clubs/sites/bspb](http://www.bonsai-bsf.com/clubs/sites/bspb)

Saturday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM  
(Second Saturday of Month)

## **Gold Coast Bonsai Society**

City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure Dept  
6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise, FL  
954-572-2287  
[www.goldcoastbonsai.com](http://www.goldcoastbonsai.com)

Saturday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> – 11:30 AM  
(Third Saturday of Month)

## **Broward Bonsai Society**

Flamingo Gardens, 3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie  
Classroom in rear.  
[www.browardbonsai.com](http://www.browardbonsai.com)

Saturday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> – 9 AM  
(Third Saturday of Month)

## **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  
[www.thebonsaisswfl.com](http://www.thebonsaisswfl.com)

## Private Sessions

Mike Sullivan 954-432-1418  
Ed Trout 954-432-8208



Wednesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 PM  
(Fourth Wednesday of Month)

## **Bonsai Society of Miami**

Pinecrest Gardens (formerly Parrot Jungle)  
11000 Red Rd. Pinecrest, FL 33156  
[www.bonsaisocietyofmiami.org](http://www.bonsaisocietyofmiami.org)

Saturday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM  
(New date for December meeting only)

## **Lighthouse Bonsai Society**

Boca Raton Community Center, 150 N.W. Crawford  
Boulevard, Boca Raton  
[www.lighthousebonsai.org](http://www.lighthousebonsai.org)

## 2017 GOLD COAST BOARD

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## Bonsai Links

Bonsai Societies of Florida [www.bonsai-bsf.com](http://www.bonsai-bsf.com)  
Bonsai Clubs International [www.bonsai-bci.com](http://www.bonsai-bci.com)  
The American Bonsai Society [www.absbonsai.org](http://www.absbonsai.org)  
The National Bonsai Foundation [www.bonsai-nbf.org](http://www.bonsai-nbf.org)