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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

January started off with a wonderful visit and workshop with Ben Oki. I was impressed to see the amount of enthusiasm and participation from the club, not only workshop participants but all the observers as well. After arriving home in California, Ben called to thank me for inviting him to our club and was impressed by the quality of material he was given to work with, and the number of people who were there. Gold Coast has long been one of his favorite clubs and he was happy to see it strong and thriving. Let's keep up the good work.

The Bonsai Societies of Florida speakers tour continues in February with a visit from our friend **Suthin Sukkololvisit**. This is going to be a real treat so don't miss this one! Once again we will have a workshop session at our normal club time and location.

The fee for this event will be \$30 for participants. There are ten spots available. Please e-mail me to confirm a reservation. I will collect the fee at the meeting. My e-mail is cmarch9976@aol.com. It is very important that you let me know in advance so I can plan the



meeting accordingly. Suthin is one of the most talented bonsai stylists' you will ever see and has an exquisite expertise in the design of Shohin (small bonsai, currently defined as under 9"). If you have and enjoy small bonsai, bring yours along and definitely plan to join this workshop.

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NEXT MEETING

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 10, 2006
9:30 AM
CITY OF SUNRISE
PARKS & LEISURE DEPT.
6800 Sunset Strip
Sunrise, Florida
954-572-2287

D I R E C T I O N S

From I-95, Oakland Park Boulevard or Sunrise Boulevard west to University Drive heading South (Oakland) or North (Sunrise) to Sunset Strip, turn East to 6800.
From Sawgrass Expressway, Sunrise Boulevard exit, then east to University Drive, Left (North) to Sunset Strip), then Right (East) to 6800.

THE PROGRAM

Suthin Sukkololvisit Workshop

DISPLAY TABLES

Members are requested to bring in their bonsai to display for our Display Tables. Also if you have a tree that needs some styling or horticultural assistance – bring it in, we are all here to help.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued from page 1

In March we will have a visit from **Ted Matson**, another of the masters touring the state. Please let me know your preference for a

workshop or demonstration and I will plan the meeting accordingly.

I hope you agree that the year is off to an active and quality start.

Please continue to support the club by participating in these events and activities. I'll see you Saturday.

CHARLES MICHELSON

WORKSHOP

Last month members were treated to a free workshop with **Ben Oki**. As always, our January turnout was spectacular.

This month's workshop with Suthin will require members to pay a \$30 fee to offset our speaker's fee. Please support the club and participate in this workshop. Suthin is one of the finest bonsai teachers in the country.

Please note that only members who have paid their 2007 dues are eligible to participate in this workshop. Dues remain at \$25 per person and \$30 per household.

MIKE SULLIVAN



Wigert's Mango Grove & Nursery invites you to their 3rd annual
"BONSAI AT THE GROVE"
Featuring Bonsai Master Pedro Morales from Puerto Rico
Saturday and Sunday, February 10th and 11th
9:00 AM 'til 4:30 PM each day at:
Wigert's Mango Grove & Nursery
15857 Quail Trail, Bokeelia, FL 33922 • 239-283-2910

Join us for the following:
FREE Demonstrations Saturday and Sunday at 10AM and 12PM
Browse Southwest Florida's only Bonsai Nursery!
Take advantage of special sales!
Other Vendors with a variety of items!
Demo trees raffled Saturday and many more items raffled each day.

Workshop Information: (fee \$150 each)

Saturday 2pm Green Island Ficus, all have multiple large trunks with good branching and have been root pruned to mica pots.	Sunday 2pm Limoncillo, or limeberry, is a native to Puerto Rico, each large collected tree has multiple trunks.
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To see samples of the workshop trees, visit our website: www.wigertbonsai.com
Workshop Space is limited, so contact us ASAP to sign up. Call 239-283-2910

GOLD COAST BONSAI SOCIETY CLUB NEWS

MEMBERSHIP

We will be collecting membership dues at our February meeting. If you would like to renew, you can see Mike Sullivan at the February meeting, or mail your check to: Gold Coast Bonsai Society, c/o Mike Sullivan, 11721 Spinnaker Way, Cooper City, Florida 33026.

The membership dues are: \$25 Individual and \$30 Household.

Since we have not received your renewal in time, your first issue of the BSF magazine will be unavailable, there will be no backdated mailings of this publication.

DISPLAY TABLES

Don't forget to bring any trees you may wish to display for our February program. If you have trees about which you need information, we will discuss these as well, so bring them. This is a great educational forum, take advantage of the opportunity.

RAFFLE TABLE

Please remember to bring in items for our monthly raffle. Your donations help fund our club's monthly activities and visiting speakers programs, so give generously.

LIBRARY

Any borrowed books should be returned in February. Remember this is a resource for the entire club, so please be prompt with your returns. If you own any bonsai books or CD's or videos you no longer desire, our library may want them. Always consider GCBS for a donation.

NAME BADGES

If you have a name badge, please wear it, it helps new members. To order a name badge see Mike Sullivan. They are for sale for \$6.

THE START OF ANOTHER GREAT YEAR OF BONSAI

January's meeting was a rousing success with a member workshop with BSF's first visiting master of the year – **Ben Oki**.

Ben's January visit is always a rousing success for every club in the state. He is one of the most popular visiting masters and always draws record numbers at our meeting. This year as a special treat, the board decided to give a free workshop with Ben to the first 10 participants. As always Ben worked diligently and everyone went home with a wonder tree and one of Ben's visionary drawings of the tree as he perceives its future. **EDITOR**



PHOTOS COURTESY OF LARRY DUKE AND CHARLES MICHELSON

BONSAI SCHEDULE

Saturday – February 10 – Suthin Sukosolvisit Workshop – 9:00 AM
Gold Coast Bonsai Society

City of Sunrise Parks & Leisure Department, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise

Tuesday – February 13 – TBA – 7:30 PM

Bonsai Society of Miami

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables

Saturday – February 17 – TBA – 9:00 AM

Bonsai Society of Broward

Flamingo Gardens, Davie, FL

Saturday – February 24 – Hands On Workshop – 9:30 AM

Lighthouse Bonsai Society

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

Saturday–Sunday – February 10–11 – BONSAI AT THE GROVE

Guest speaker Pedro Morales – Workshops, Demonstrations and more

Wigert's Mango Grove and Nursery

15857 Quail Trail, Bokeelia, Florida – For info call: 239.283.2910



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