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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The fact that we have such talented young and generous bonsai artists like Erik Wigert and Allen Carver in Florida means that the art of Bonsai in Florida is alive and well. Much was learned by all during their simultaneous demo last month. We thank them both for another great meeting.

We are taking this month off as far as a formal meeting goes in order to support the Bonsai Society of Miami in their annual show at Fairchild Gardens. I have been involved in this event for many years, and again look forward to another great weekend of bonsai activities.

Please try to attend our next meeting in November. It is a great opportunity to bring in our own trees and work on them or get advice on them in the spirit of a "hands on" meeting.

# **OCTOBER NEWSLETTER**

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## **THERE IS NO MEETING IN OCTOBER**

**TO AVOID CONFLICT WITH  
THE BONSAI SOCIETY OF  
MIAMI'S FAIRCHILD SHOW  
AND EXHIBIT.**

**Please plan on attending  
Saturday or Sunday or both, for a  
wonderful day of bonsai events,  
vendors and exhibits. For the  
price of admission you can view a  
fabulous exhibit of trees, attend  
lectures and demos by noted  
artists and shop "bonsai" and  
related merchandise offered by  
many vendors.**

## **THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING WILL BE**

**Saturday, Nov. 08, 2008  
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure Dept  
6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise, FL  
954-572-2287**

## October Program

By: Ben Liss

### **SUPPORT**

This month Gold Coast will not have our usual meeting and instead we ask our members to SUPPORT our local BSF affiliate clubs by attending the MIAMI BONSAI SOCIETIES ANNUAL BONSAI SHOW. The Miami club makes a great effort to put on a great bonsai show where our local bonsai enthusiast and friends can display their Bonsai for all to see in a beautiful exhibit atmosphere. Our very own Ed Trout in addition to doing a workshop will also be doing a Demonstration. Other Demo's include Mike Cartrett, Glenn Hilton and Carlos Consuegra. All in all it should be fun filled informative Bonsai weekend right in our own back yards. Hope to see you there.

P.S. There will be vendors there selling Bonsai and Bonsai related products so pick up something to bring to our November BYOT.

## CLUB INFORMATION:

### MEMBERSHIP

#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

It's time to renew your membership for **2009**, not only to our club, but to Bonsai Societies of Florida, to which our club belongs. For those of you who are new to our club, we, along with many other individual clubs throughout the state of Florida, belong to a parent or umbrella organization whose title is Bonsai Societies of Florida. Part of the dues you give to our club are given to them. In turn, you receive a quarterly magazine, have bonsai masters come into our state to teach, enjoy conventions, etc.

Everyone in our club must have their dues **paid up** by the time of our December 13th meeting, so Charlie can give an accurate count of our paid-up membership and send the dues for each member.

Unfortunately, because we're not holding a meeting in October due to the Fairchild Garden Bonsai Show, you will not be able to just hand me your check or cash in October. Instead, you may mail your check for either \$25.00 for an individual, or \$30.00 for a family, made out to Gold

Coast Bonsai Society. Please include your address, phone number, and e-mail address. Without an accurate e-mail address, we will be unable to notify you when our club's Newsletter is published. Send your checks to:  
Anita Lorenz  
2774 E. Marina Drive  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

I want to take this opportunity to once again welcome Margaret and Brian into our family.

### **RAFFLE TABLE AND LIBRARY**

Our Raffle Table is exceedingly important. We really need everyone to contribute to this area since it helps us to meet our monthly bills and also helps us pay for the bonsai masters that will be arriving in 2009. Besides, you never know what you can pick up. It just could be a future prize that only required some TLC, patience, and your bonsai magic to change it from a frog into a prince or princess (trees with flowers and/or fruit.) Not happy with what you grabbed off last month's table, just bring it back. We take recycled plants, etc. Also, don't forget to check out our club's vast Library and video collection which you will find listed on

our Website. Just follow the instructions, and your book or video will be waiting for you at the next club meeting. It's easy! All you need to do is return it to us the next month.

### **BADGES**

If you don't have, or need a new badge, please contact me at [rabssec@aol.com](mailto:rabssec@aol.com) and place "Club Badge" in the subject line. The badges-cost \$7 each, payable upon receipt.

## **September Meeting** **Photos**

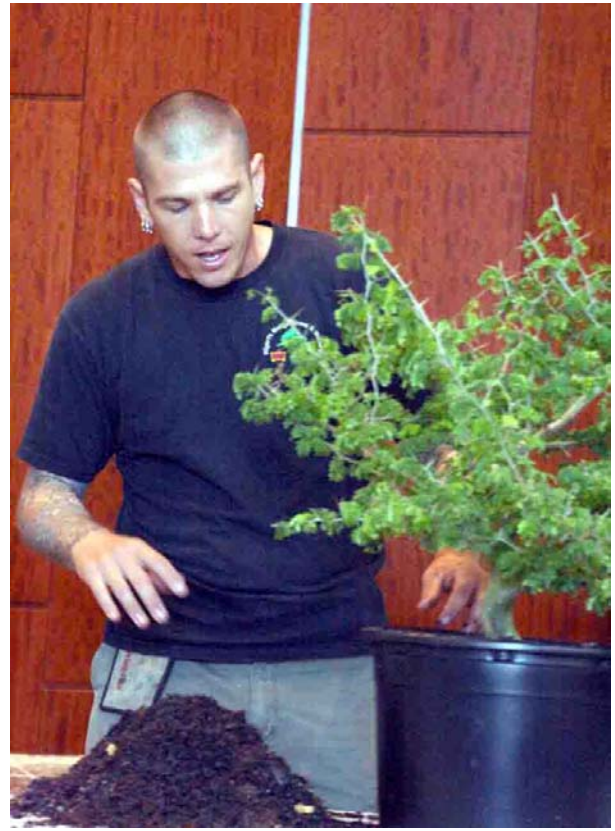
By: Larry Duke



**Erik Wigert shows off his Raintree as Allen looks on.**



**Allen Carver discusses the Raintree he will be working his magic on.**



**Erik tells the audience about the bonsai soil he uses.**



**Let the dueling begin!**



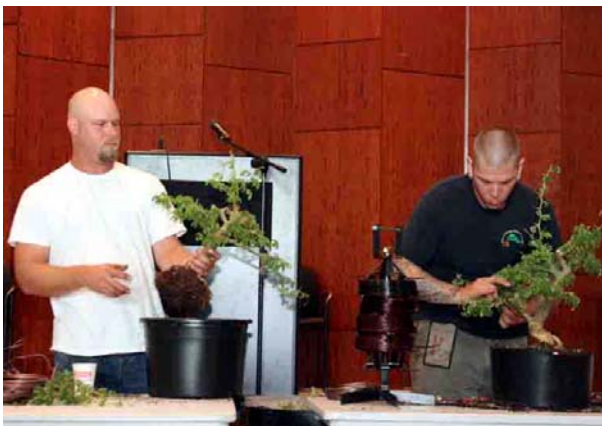
**Everyone was paying close attention as Allen and Erik trimmed and shaped their trees.**





Our last photo is of the buttonwood that was graciously donated by Allen Carver to Gold Coast Bonsai Society as a replacement for our stolen logo tree. What a thoughtful and generous thing for Mr. Carver to do. He knew when he originally saw this tree that it was similar in shape and characteristics to our well known “logo”.

Thank you Allen for your thoughtful gesture. I promise to try my best to style it as close as possible to our original. Gold Coast Thanks You.



**You can see the refined trees taking shape. Watching these two young artists was educational as well as entertaining.**



## AREA BONSAI EVENTS AND MEETINGS

FAIRCHILD TROPICAL GARDENS SHOW  
AND EVENT- SAT. & SUN. OCT. 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>

### **Bonsai Society of Miami**

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Old Cutler Road,  
Coral Gables

**NO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER**

### **Gold Coast Bonsai Society**

City of Sunrise Parks & Leisure Department,  
6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise  
[www.goldcoastbonsai.com](http://www.goldcoastbonsai.com)

Saturday – Oct. 25th, – 9:30 AM

### **Lighthouse Bonsai Society**

Boca Raton Community Center, 150 N.W. Crawford  
Boulevard, Boca Raton  
Guest Speaker: Mike Cartrett

Saturday – Oct. 27th – 11:30 AM

### **Broward Bonsai Society,**

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

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[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)