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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe, but the summer is just about over. For any of those trees that you were going to repot or cut hard; if you haven't got to it by now, you might want to reconsider and wait till next year.

August's meeting was a demonstration by **Mike Sullivan** on a very nice specimen of *Bucida spinosa*, also known as Dwarf Black Olive. Mike did a wonderful job styling the tree. He explained what he was looking at and why he was making certain short- and long-term design decisions. Thick branches that were too high on the tree were removed as well as branches whose location would have led to reverse taper on the main trunk if allowed to live. We also learned about watering, fertilizing and repotting so it was a very informative session. I thank Mike for his work, and hopefully we will convince him to do programs like this more often.

We had a visit from BSF President **Louise Leister** and we thank her for coming to spend time with us. Louise gave us the low down on next year's convention to be held at the Morikami

Museum in Delray Beach. For more information about the museum: www.morikami.org.

The program sounds great and better yet, specimen trees will be available for some exciting workshops including Black Olives similar to the one used in Mike's demonstration. There will also be amazing collected Bald Cypress, Black Pine, large *Junipers procumbens* and *Ficus nerifolia*.

Also slated is a Buttonwood demo by 2006 BSF Scholarship Winner, Reggie Purdue. Please make plans to attend the convention since it couldn't be closer to home than if we were doing it ourselves.

September's meeting will be a workshop with **Mike Cartrett**. He has trees he will be selling for \$25 and \$50 dollars so bring your wallets and tools. We hope that many of you will participate in this event. It is a great chance to get a very good piece of material for a super price. Also, those of you who worked with Mike in his Jaboticaba workshop are requested to bring those trees back so we can see how they are progressing. See you all on Saturday!

CHARLES MICHELSON

NEXT MEETING

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 9, 2006

9:30 AM

CITY OF SUNRISE
PARKS & LEISURE DEPT.

6800 Sunset Strip
Sunrise, Florida
954-572-2287

DIRECTIONS

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

**Mike Cartrett
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.

BSF PRESIDENT LOUISE LEISTER

Louise Leister, President of Bonsai Societies of Florida joined us last month for our monthly meeting at Gold Coast Bonsai Society. Louise presented a brief synopsis of next year's BSF Convention to be held in Delray Beach at the Morikami Museum.



A Cypress Celebration will be the theme of this exciting event. There will be workshops and demonstrations using this material as well as an exhibit showing some of the finest specimens of Bald Cypress from throughout the state.

The headliners for the event will be **David DeGroot** and **Guy Guidry**. David is the curator of the Weyerhaeuser Bonsai Collection in the state of Washington. Guy Guidry is proprietor of Bonsai Northshore in Louisiana.

Also on the slate will be Florida State speakers: **Mike Cartrett**, **Toby Diaz**, **Ernie Fernandez** and **Dorothy Schmitz** as well as this year's Scholarship Winners, **Reggie Perdue** and **Jason Schley**.

There will also be a children's workshop with **Jim Smith** and **Jim Vanlandingham**.

Your complete registration will include all lectures, workshop observation, demonstrations, bazaar, exhibit, raffles, Friday Welcome Continental Breakfast, Saturday Vendor Night and Sunday's Barbecue. All this for a registration fee of \$95 (individual) or \$190 (family). You can't beat that!

So mark your calendars for June 8–10, 2007. This will prove to be a weekend worth remembering.

MIKE SULLIVAN

GOLD COAST BONSAI SOCIETY CLUB NEWS

WEBSITE

If you haven't had a chance, now is the time to visit our site. We have a new webmaster – **Henning Glatter-Gotz**. Henning volunteered to take over the job. He has been enhancing our website, and doing a remarkable job. Take a look and let us know what you think.
www.goldcoastbonsai.com

DISPLAY TABLES

Don't forget to bring any trees you may wish to display for our September 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.

MEMBERSHIP

There were no new members at our August meeting.

RAFFLE TABLE

Please remember to bring in items for our monthly raffle. Your donations help fund our club's activities and speakers.

LIBRARY

Any borrowed books should be returned in September. 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 name badges, please wear them. To order one see Mike Sullivan. They are for sale for \$6.

MIKE SULLIVAN – BUCIDA SPINOSA

August's meeting was a demonstration on Dwarf Black Olive (*Bucida spinosa*) by our own **Mike Sullivan**.

The *Bucida* is a member of the Combretaceae family, which also includes Buttonwood, Mangrove, and an amazing mounding vine called Rangoon Creeper, among others – quite a diverse group of plants.



Mike also discussed the species requirement for temperature, watering, fertilizer, propagation, potting, as well as pests and diseases.

He then proceeded to deconstruct a large specimen explaining reasons for each removal and future of the tree. Pictured at right is **Narelle Robbins** holding clipped branches to show the future of the tree.

BONSAI SCHEDULE

Saturday – September 9 – Workshop with Mike Cartrett – 9:00 AM
Gold Coast Bonsai Society
City of Sunrise Parks & Leisure Department, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise

Tuesday – September 12 – 7:30 PM – TBA
Bonsai Society of Miami
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables

Saturday – September 23 – Hands On Workshop – 9:30 AM
Lighthouse Bonsai Society
Boca Raton Community Center, 150 N.W. Crawford Boulevard, Boca Raton

Saturday – Sunday – October 7–8 – 20th Annual Bonsai Exhibit and Sale
Bonsai Society of Miami
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables

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