

# **BUTTONWOOD BONSAI CLUB**

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**January 2017**

**Club meeting location is Whispering Pines Park, Inverness, FL.**

The Club meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month starting at 9:30 a.m.

January's meeting is the 28<sup>th</sup>. The meeting topic is the how to use and care for your bonsai tools. It's that time of year to get prepared for the spring growing season. The first task is to get your bonsai tools and supplies in order. At the January meeting we will learn the proper use of various tools and how to clean and keep them sharp. **BRING** your tools to the meeting where you will be able to get advice or help on care and preparation of your tools.

<http://centralfloridabonsaiclub.com/bonsai-care/january-care/> This site provides some good info for those of us who are preparing for the 2017 growing year in Central Florida.

Don't forget, during the January meeting we will be auctioning off four bonsai prints and two turn tables. Pictures of the auction items are shown in the December newsletter or on our website. **DON'T** bring in raffle table items at the January meeting. Save your raffle table items for the February meeting.

Our February meeting topic, how to prepare your bosai for the 2017 growing year. This will include transplanting, repotting, shaping, trimming, which type wire to use, and soil mixtures. Bring in your trees and get expert advice on preparing them for the 2017 growing season.

### **ADDITIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER**

I would really like to add your information and experiences to our Newsletter. Send me a write up (maybe even a picture) and I'll include it in the Newsletter. I think it would be great to let the Club members know about your activity. Maybe you visited a Bonsai garden, or found an exciting website, maybe even had a conversation with another Bonsai enthusiast. If you have any information or articles that could be of interest to our members, please contact Jim Meister so that he can place them in the newsletter for everyone to read.

### **Officers for 2017**

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### **Classifieds**

One free ad pertaining to plants, books, bonsai, etc. will be allowed for each active club member per issue. Contact Jim Meister (352) 586-0582.

**Bonsai tools for sale;** Shears, concave cutters, wire cutters, knob cutters and others. Contact Bob Eskeitz for information and prices. (352) 587-4215 or [bonsaibobs@hotmail.com](mailto:bonsaibobs@hotmail.com).

**Bonsai Trees** Evelyn Stonesifer has trees for sale. Evelyn is a long standing member of Buttonwood Bonsai. She can be reached at 352-746-6420.