

BUTTONWOOD BONSAI CLUB

NEWSLETTER

March 2019

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February was the Club's annual sale and it was a success! The Club received 10% of all sales for a total of \$88.50. We had several non-members come to the sale. I think we even heard of some interest in membership.

Our next meeting is March 23 and Clay has the program, root over rock bonsai. This should be interesting. He had a root over rock tree at the annual sale. Really looked great.

April's program is trimming and wiring junipers. We try to have workshops every now and then, it's the best way to learn but it's hard because we only have about one hour during our meeting for a workshop. For this April program Tom is providing junipers for free no cost to you. If you signed up for a free juniper during the January meeting you are all set for the April workshop. If you did not, see Bob during the March meeting. Let him know if you want a large or small juniper.

Douglas and JoAnn can make a special pot to go with your juniper. He said if you would like something special (color, size, etc) let him know soon and he will make one for you. He is planning on attending the next Club meeting.

The Bonsai Societies of Florida presents their 46th annual convention May 24 – 26 at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center. I checked the website and details are available. Website is: www.bsfcconvention.com/

ARTICLE: Over a period of several nights, a team of bonsai bandits stole the cream of limura's collection, regarded as some of the most exquisite in existence, CNN reported. It was like losing a child, limura said in a Facebook post. The only thing worse would be if the trees weren't properly cared for and centuries' worth of work withered away because of neglect.

"I want whoever took the bonsai to make sure they are watered. The shimpaku lived for 400 years. It needs care and can't survive a week without water," limura said in the grief-stricken post on her Facebook page, referring to a particularly rare juniper that was stolen, a celebrity in the bonsai world. "They can live forever – even after we're gone, if they receive the proper care."

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I have been sending the monthly newsletter out to all 2018 club members and those who expressed an interest in bonsai and our club. If you haven't paid your 2019 dues, please pay as soon as possible. Starting with the April newsletter, if you have not paid your 2019 dues I will not be sending you a copy of the newsletter unless you request to continue getting it. Please send me an email and let me know. I'll send a copy to you for the remainder of 2019. You can read the monthly newsletter on our website and I post it on our Facebook (addresses above).

2019 Club program schedule.

April 27 - Workshop I – Trimming and wiring a juniper - **Bob**

May 25 - Club member presentations (**member show and tell**)

June 22 - Workshop II – Potting the juniper from workshop I Soil, the good the bad and the ugly-

Bob

July 27 - Air Layering. **Michael**

August 24 - Bonsai tree care – 8 tips for beginners. **Bob**

September 28 - How to trim a tree (tips, tricks and secrets) **Bob**

October 26 - Problem tree workshop **Bob**

November 23 - Tree groupings **Bob**

December 28 - Junipers & Christmas Party (need someone)

Here are the other possible programs I've heard about. Let Bob know if there are other programs you would like to hear.

Pruning & branching

Tree styles

Care and feeding of bonsai trees

How to address tree wounds

Bonsai tree care – 8 tips for beginners

Wiring

Potting and repotting workshop

Dividing junipers (workshop)

Variegated Jade as a bonsai

Deciduous tree care during the winter months.

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ADDITIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

I would really like to include more info in our Newsletter. Write me (Jim Meister) at jms_meister@yahoo.com.

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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.