



# Club News

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April 2017

**April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Program - 7:30pm**

***Demonstration on Bucida Spinosa***  
***Dwarf Black Olive***



***Demo by Glenn Hilton***

***Come early to socialize.***  
***At Pinecrest Gardens - 11000 Red Road - Pinecrest, Fl***

**Share and Tell – Critique Table**

**Not everybody has perfect trees. Bring your trees and an open mind.  
This is our way to help show you, how to better yours.**

# President's Message

*Hello Bonsai Friends,*

Quite a few changes has happened for the club since we all met last month.

Mark Mooney and I have been discussing for several months about getting the club going in a new and positive direction. On March 29th 2017, we held a meeting with several other people from the group to talk and discuss changes we would like to see.

Our first topic was to get a new board in place. After some discussion, a board was elected.

We now have enough seats filled to become an official club again. This brings positive changes and great things to happen for the club like quest speakers, raffles, our annual auction and lots of other great programs. I will introduce our new board and briefly talk about these things at our next meeting.

I want to personally thank everyone who came to that meeting and those who took positions on the board.

This month starts the new changes in our club meetings. We are bringing back the display/critique table, so bring in a tree that you would like to show or share or just bring in a tree for Critique or maybe you just have some questions about.

We want to get the raffle going again so clean your closet, garage and please bring in something bonsai related or whatever, it's always a lot of fun and it could add to your bonsai collection. Money earned from your donations will help the club out with future programs.

We will also have the Bonsai Corner Store where you can bring in items to sell or purchase trees and other bonsai related items from other members.

This month's program will be a Dwarf Black Olive {*Bucida Spinosa*} demonstration by me and also there will be black olive trees for sale for you to take home to work on. Come to the meeting and get more information on this program.

Membership dues are starting back after 2 years, Please take a few minutes to look it over and join.

The membership application form is on the last page. You can bring it to the next meeting. Bob

Benaim, our treasurer will be accepting them. Also considering joining the state club, Bonsai Societies of Florida, for an additional \$15.00 for the year. BSF can provide us with traveling bonsai Masters, a quarterly publication, a state convention and many other benefits.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

Please try to come on time as I have a lot to talk about and to give you enough time to enjoy the program

Refreshments will be served.

See you there!

*Glenn*

**Don't forget to bring something for the raffle table.  
If you're looking to make a few extra bucks or add  
something to your collection, check out the corner store.**

# ***Dwarf Black Olive, Bucida Spinosa***

## ***Care Sheet***

### **DESCRIPTION**

Spiny Black Olive, Dwarf black olive

Though commonly called “black olive” this tree does not produce an edible olive, but rather a small seed pod. Native to the Caribbean and the Florida Keys this delicate tree grows into a bonsai almost by itself! It is a evergreen tree, with a smooth gray – brown trunk, and small compact foliage. It is also very salt tolerant.

### **Lighting:**

Though it can be grown indoors with some success, it does best outdoors in full sun.

### **Temperature:**

Do not expose to temperatures below freezing, bring indoors or cover if 40 degrees or below is forecasted.

### **Watering:**

Bucida Spinosa like to be well watered, do not allow them to get to dry. Tends to drop leaves if dry for to long.

### **Fertilizer:**

We use a 6 month time release, 18-6-8. Miracle grow or similar water soluble fertilizer can also be used.

### **Pruning / Wiring:**

This plant’s natural growth pattern makes it ideal for bonsai. It will naturally change direction at each internode, making a bend of 25 to 35 degrees. Grows well with “clip and grow” methods. Also takes wiring well, branches tend to stay pliable up to a certain point. To achieve better taper in a young plant wire a horizontal branch upwards. Remove your old trunk/apex. Next wire all the auxiliary braches and rotate them to correctly level them with your new design.

### **Repotting:**

Repot in warmer months – July through September. Nigh time temperatures consistently mid to high 70’s. Use a well draining granular mix for good results.

### **Pests:**

No pests or diseases are of major concern. We have never had a pest problem on our nursery plants.

Reprinted from website of Wigert’s Mango Grove & Nursery  
Written by Erik Wigert

## Bonsai Society of Miami - Board Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting- March 28, 2017

Location- Fuddruckers / US1 Palmetto Bay

Time: 7:30 PM

### Attendees

Bob Benaim                      Harry Susskind

Glenn Hilton                    Gus Castro

Mark Mooney                  Kathie Kinkaid

Lourdes Arnaez                Ross Haverfield

Ray Kinkaid

### Topics

1. Board Officer Elections

2. Membership / Price

3. Website

4. Budget

5. BSF/Membership /speaker tour/BSF Annual show

6. Club meetings/demos/Workshops/Guest Speakers/visting artists/Critique table/Bonsai Corner/Raffle table

7. Auction/annual show

8. Field Trips

### #1-Board Election

Board elections were held. Below are the results of the elections.

President- Glenn Hilton

V President- Mark Mooney

Treasurer- Bob Benaim

Secretary- Kathie Kinkaid

## #2 Membership/ Price for dues

Discussion for annual dues. Decision was as follows:

Single membership \$35 Family \$50 Student \$18 Corporate \$150

## #3 Website/Facebook

Mark Mooney and Bob Benaim will call tomorrow to get details about Website.

Mark will update the Website once access is gained. Mark will also gain access to our Facebook site to update/refresh

## #4 Budget

Currently there is \$1420 in our account. Discussion on how to raise funds for the club.

## #5 BSF membership/demos/Workshops/Guest speaker & visiting artists

Discussion to continue regarding BSF in next meeting.

## #6 Club meetings/demos/workshops/raffle table/critique table/Bonsai sale corner

For April meeting- Glenn has agreed to present a demo. The club will purchase the same type of tree for members to purchase to work on. The members will bring back the same tree in the following month(s) to see the progress.

For May meeting-Lourdes will conduct a workshop for the new tree purchased in April's meeting

Agreement to start having our raffle/sales table for our next meeting. We will encourage members to start bringing table for our Critique table.

## #7 Auction/Annual show

For future discussion at next meeting

## #8 field trips

For future discussion at next meeting

Adjourn- 8:52pm

**Bonsai Society  
of Miami  
Membership**

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**Membership  
Application  
2017**

( Please Print )

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Household Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

(We will be sending the monthly news bulletin via e-mail)

**Local club membership dues:**

Join between the Months of:	April - September and you pay	October - March and you pay
Individual Membership:	\$ 35.00	\$ 20.00
Household Membership:	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00
Corresponding Membership:	\$ 18.00	\$ 10.00
Commercial Membership:	\$ 150.00	\$ 85.00

Is this a new membership or are you renewing it?

New \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

**State Group membership dues:** If you wish to join Bonsai Societies of Florida, and receive the *Florida Bonsai* publication, check here \_\_\_\_\_ and include an additional \$15.00. We will forward your dues for you.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ How Paid: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_