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**“ STAY INSPIRED ”**

# CALENDAR

april 2011

- 9th Gold Coast Bonsai Society @ 9:30 am. **Village Civic Annual Auction**  
Center, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise Florida.
- 12th Mike Cartrett Demo @ 7:30 pm  
Pinecrest Gardens, 11000 S.W. Red Road, Pinecrest Fl.
- 16th Broward Bonsai Society @ 10:00 am - Flamingo  
Gardens, Davie Florida
- 19th BSM Board Meeting - @ **7:30 pm. Betty's Best Burgers**  
US 1 & 104th Street ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

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- 10th B.Y.O.T. @ 7:30 pm  
Pinecrest Gardens, 11000 S.W. Red Road, Pinecrest Fl.
- 14th Gold Coast Bonsai Society @ 9:30 am.  
Center, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise Florida.
- 17th BSM Board Meeting - @ **7:30 pm. Betty's Best Burgers**  
US 1 & 104th Street ALL MEMBERS WELCOME
- 21st Broward Bonsai Society @ 10:00 am - Flamingo  
Gardens, Davie Florida

## President's Message

Hello Bonsai Friends,

What a month of Bonsai activities. First off, last month we had our 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Y.O.T open workshop for the year and had quite a good turn out. There was a good variety of material that members brought in to work on. New members got inspired from some of the advance members like Toby Diaz, who I was very happy to see again. We all had a great time working on our trees.

Next, a few words about our workshop with Guy Guidry. Incredible is the first word that comes to mind. The material that everyone brought in was unbelievable. Even Guy couldn't believe the trees he got to work on. It was definitely a night for Bald Cypress. Eight participants brought in collected Bald Cypress and one brought in a beautiful Bougainvillea, all great trees. Working with Guy on these trees was definitely not only fun but a thrill. Guy started working right away studying the trees which didn't take him long especially with the experience he has with this material. He let the members know one by one what he would do with the trees then let us do the work. His knowledge of what to do with each tree really showed. He explained what to cut then let everyone wire. Going around to each tree after everyone wired and did his work bending, twisting and shaping the trees they all came out great. I want to take this time to thank Henry Robbins from the Asagao Study Group in Jupiter. Thanks to Henry we were able to have Guy in our club. Thank you. I haven't seen the pictures yet but you had to be there and for those that couldn't make it, for what ever reason I feel you really missed out on an incredible artist and a great night of bonsai fun.

This month we have another great program in store for you. We have Mike Cartrett coming down from West Palm Beach to do a demo. If any of you remember we had a workshop with Mike a couple of years ago when he brought in the Jaboticaba for us to work on. Mike does a lot for South Florida Bonsai. He is not only a good teacher, but does demos for clubs and conventions and travels all around the state. As a vendor supplying great Bonsai material for all of us to buy and work on and supporting the Art we all love so much. We look forward to having him and remember, the demo will be held in the amphitheater and not in our usual meeting room.

Please come out this month and support him in his efforts to teach us with his demonstration. SPECIAL NOTE: The tree Mike brings for the demo will be placed on the raffle table at the end of the night. You have to come out if you want to win it!

See you at the meeting

Glenn

# B.y.o.t.



# Guy guidry workshop



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# Mike Cartrett



Mike Cartrett is the owner of Palm Beach Bonsai, a wholesale pre-bonsai nursery in South Florida. He searches out and collects tropical material from wooded and urban areas.

Mike has been a bonsai teacher for over ten years and is a member of the Asagao Study Group, one of John Naka's original Florida study groups. He has both organized and spoken at a number of conventions in Florida and has lectured throughout the southeastern U.S. While a biology student at Florida State University, Mike saw his first bonsai and has been involved with them ever since.

Mike Cartrett is a traveling master with a B.S. in Horticulture and over 30 years as nursery owner/operator.

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