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# Club News

August 2012

***August 22nd's Program  
7:30pm***

***BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens***

***Buttonwood Workshop #2***

**Bring back the Buttonwood you worked at May's meeting. Jarbas will continue to work with you on the second session of this workshop.**

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

# President's Message

Dear Bonsai Friends,

Last month, we had a great turnout for our BYOT with pizza and for the Guy Guidry workshop! Thanks to Audrey and Harriett for bringing all of the refreshments and pizza. For those that attended the Guy Guidry workshop, I am sure you will agree it was a great experience. His personality and willingness to teach make him one of our favorite artists to have back every year. The trees members brought in for both the BYOT and the workshop are really coming along well. Our membership continues to grow rapidly, and people are learning a lot!

This coming meeting, on August 22nd, Jarbas Godoy will be returning to teach us about buttonwoods again. Please bring the buttonwood you brought to the May meeting with Jarbas, and we will work through the next phase of developing your tree. If you don't have a buttonwood or didn't make the last meeting, the principles Jarbas is teaching apply to many species of trees at many levels of development, so bring anything you like.

We are also beginning to plan our programs and meetings for the upcoming year 2013. For the meeting on the 22nd of August, please bring with you in writing a list of three things you feel you learned that were most important to your growth this year, and three things you feel are critical to your growth as an artist for next year. We would like to receive feedback so we can focus the topics of our meetings on the areas most of us want to learn. We will dedicate the first quarter of 2013 to these subjects and reviewing the principles in the Bonsai Basics program.

Also, please bring anything bonsai related you would like to sell at the "corner store" or material for the raffle table. We would also like to encourage people to bring trees that they would like to show and tell or have evaluated at the Display Table. This is an important step to reaching your full potential with each tree.

See you all Wednesday !!!

Toby Diaz  
BSM President

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

# Calendar

## September Events

26th	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm</p> <p>Program: <u>Mentorship Program #2 / Session 2</u> – Bring the same tree back that you worked at the June meeting in Program #2 / Session 1 – <i>to be taught by the mentor you were assigned to for Program 2.</i></p>
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## October Events

24th	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm</p> <p>Program: <u>Mentorship Program #1 &amp; 2 / Session 3</u> – Bring both tree back that you have worked. This will be a refinement session.</p>
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## November Events

9th	<p>Ted Matson Workshop Participants \$35.00 - bring your tree, tools, wire and plan to work with Ted at 7:00pm at Pinecrest Gardens</p>
28th	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm</p> <p>Program: <u>Preparing Your Bonsai for Display at a Show</u> – <i>taught by the seasoned bonsai artist Mike Sullivan.</i> This session will cover how to prepare your trees, pots, stands, and backgrounds for a bonsai show.</p> <p><u>Elections</u> – The club will hold elections for the year after Mike's presentation.</p>

## December Events

22nd	<p>BSM - Holiday Party and Awards at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm</p> <p>Join the club for a relaxing evening over dinner with prizes, awards, and Bonsai Trivia (based on the lessons taught during the year)</p>
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