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THE NEWSLETTER OF



The Bonsai Society of Miami

January 2008 - President's Corner

Hello and Happy New Year to Everyone,

Hope everybody enjoyed their Holidays and I'm sure very much needed time out. Rounding out our 2007 year we had our Annual Auction and Club Holiday party. On behalf of the Club I wish to thank everyone that attended our auction and those of you that donated items. This really helps with funding the Club and allowing us to put on the special programs and events that we sponsor through out the year. A special thanks to Randy Brooks for being our Auctioneer and as always, another great job.

Our Holiday party was a lot of fun with good food, good friends, and even some bonsai games. We had a couple of groups in a juniper styling competition. We also had a touch and feel game to see if the blindfolded participants could determine what species of tree they were touching. They did surprising well (see enclosed pictures). Congratulations to all that won and everyone that participated received some great prizes.

Also want to send a special Thanks to Alva and Fred Hayes for allowing the Club to have the party at Miami Tropical Bonsai. It is a great place to host a party and Alva even took the kids for a swamp buggy ride, they had a lot of fun too.

This year, in January, we start out with our first B.Y.O.T. general meeting. We will have a sample of the new Club trees to pick out and order. Also, please don't forget our raffle table. The unwanted items that you donate will help the Club explore doing some new things, like maybe plan a Club field trip to the BSF State Convention in June at Cape Canaveral. Let's have some fun and let someone else do the driving. Also this month, we have our first visiting master and good friend Ben Oki, this Saturday 1-12-2008. See Calendar of Events for details.

We all look forward to a great new year of Bonsai.

See you at the meeting(s),

Glenn

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2008

- 08th **BSM's General Meeting— BYOT, pick up Club trees**, 7:30pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 12th **BSM Visiting Master Program, Ben Oki**, 7:00pm - 10:00pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 12th **Gold Coast Bonsai Society, featuring Ben Oki**, 9:00am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 15th **BSM Board Meeting** 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)
- 19th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
for more info call 305-258-0865
- 26th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
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February 2008

- 09th **Gold Coast Bonsai Society, General Meeting, TBD**, 9:30am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 12th **BSM's General Meeting— Bald Cypress Demo by Glenn Hilton**, 7:30pm
From collecting to potting. Also pick up Club trees
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 16th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
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- 19th **BSM Board Meeting** 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)
- 23rd **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
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March 2008

- 08th **Gold Coast Bonsai Society, Featuring Ted Matson**, 9:00am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 11th **BSM's General Meeting— BYOT, work on Club trees**, 7:30pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 15th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
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- 18th **BSM Board Meeting** 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)
- 22nd **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai**, 9am to 12 noon
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- 31st **BSM Visiting Master Program, Michael Hagedorn**, time and place TBD
- ** **BSM Visiting Master Program, Ted Matson**, time and place TBD

BSM December Holiday Party



A good-looking crowd, just before the dinner started.



More of the group, looks like happy hour here.



Bob, David, and Earl at the beginning of the competition.



Here, as you can see, much further along.



Glenn hosts the Tree touch and feel competition.



Claudia, Patricia, Justin, and Olivia with their junipers.

BSM NEW BONSAI GEAR

All with embroidered logo

For donations at the next BSM meeting

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|--|-------|-----------------------|------|
| o Polo Shirt | \$20 | Tool roll-6 pkt | \$20 |
| o Cap | \$15 | Tool roll/apron 10pkt | \$25 |
| o Work Apron | \$21 | Wire caddy | \$35 |
| o Club Super Pack : Shirt, cap,
apron, wire Caddy, tool roll (6pkt) | \$100 | Belt tool sheath | \$10 |

(Special orders only)

Cash or checks payable to: The Bonsai Society of Miami

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of Miami**

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**Membership
Application**

2008 ___ 2009 ___ 2010 ___

(Please Print)

Member's Name: _____

Other Household Member: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: (_____) _____ - _____

Cellular Number: (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail Address: _____

Can we send your monthly news bulletin via e-mail? Yes ___ No ___

How Did You Learn About The Bonsai Society?

___ Friend ___ Advertisement ___ Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
___ Newspaper ___ Radio Other: _____

Please Check Which Society Activities You Could Help With:

___ News Bulletin ___ Publicity ___ Library ___ Refreshments
___ Membership ___ Meeting Cleanup ___ Exhibit Planning ___ Exhibit Construction
___ Hospitality ___ Raffle Table Other: _____

Dues:

New _____ **Renewal** _____

Join During The Month Of:	Dec-Mar	Apr-July	Aug-Nov
Single Membership:	\$ 35.00 (1)	\$ 20.00	\$ 10.00
Household Membership:	\$ 45.00 (2)	\$ 24.00	\$ 12.00
Corresponding Membership:	\$ 18.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 6.00
Commercial Membership:	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00

Date: _____ Signature _____

Received by: _____ How Paid: Cash ___ Check# _____



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