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Club News

May 2012

**May 23rd's Program
7:00 pm**

Program: Buttonwood Workshop #1

Bring a Buttonwood you really want to work!! And be taught by one of the most knowledgeable and talented buttonwood bonsai artists – Jarbas Godoy.

This is the first of two progressive workshops.

***At 7:00pm
At Pinecrest Gardens
11000 Red Road
Pinecrest, Fl***

President's Message

Dear Bonsai Friends,

I just like to thank everyone again, for participating on our program and field trip. I was not present, but got a lot of positive feedback from both. Well... I'll put it this way! There is nothing wrong with having Ed Trout as a guess every once in a while, correct?

My friends, it takes a lot of planning, coordination and team work in order to execute our duties for the club. I feel blessed to have the support of my board, and my friends. With out you, our club would not stay afloat! Thanks to all of you that make the April meeting a success!!!

Now to add the Fifth Star to our year!!! We will have Jarbas Godoy, conducting the 1st part of two Buttonwood workshops. Jarbas has had great success in collecting, creating and developing the pads on Buttonwoods among other tropical species. Please bring your buttonwood or other tropical, tools, wire and that great attitude that everyone has shown lately.

I'm including below some simple but deep phrases that are always present in my mind.

"I learn something new on every demo or workshop" Ed Trout

"You must have space to allow the birds to fly" Joe Samuels

"Foundation is the key to anything solid and long lasting" Carlos Consuegra

"Teaching bonsai will always take me back to the basics" Ed Trout

"Less is more" Hiram Macias

"Let your work speak for you" I live by this one, for personal, business and bonsai. Not knowing that was John Naka's.

See you on the 23rd for our monthly meeting and don't forget the Memorial Weekend BSF convention in Orlando!!!

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

May Events

23rd	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:00pm</p> <p>Program: <u>Buttonwood Workshop #1</u> Bring a Buttonwood you really want to work!! And be taught by one of the most knowledgeable and talented buttonwood bonsai artists – Jarbas Godoy. This is the first of two progressive workshops.</p>
25th – 28th	<p>Bonsai Societies of Florida – State Convention in Orlando Florida "A Learning Experience"</p>

June Events

3rd	<p>Field Trip to Mary Madison's Place in Lake Placid. (See the flier below for details in the flier below)</p>
27th	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:00pm</p> <p><u>Mentorship Program #2 / Session #1</u> – Bring a NEW tree (different from Program #1 / Session #1) – You will be assigned to a different Mentor for this Program and will remain with that mentor for two later sessions working this same tree progressively.</p>

July Events

25th	<p>BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:00pm</p> <p><u>Mentorship Program #1 / Session #2</u> – Bring the tree you worked at the March meeting in Program #1 / Session #1 – to be taught by the mentor you were assigned to in February and worked with in March. The Club will provide pizza. Bring your appetites!</p>
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Sunday – June 3rd

This will be our second field trip for 2012. If you are interested in Buttonwoods and Cypresses, you should enjoy this trip. We will be going to Lake Placid Florida to visit Mary Madison.

This trip will be on Sunday; June 3rd. Mark your calendar to be sure not to miss this trip. Mary lived in Homestead for many years and chose to move to Lake Placid a number of years ago. She took many trees from her collection with her.

We calculated the trip is about 3 hours each way, so leaving early is a must. For those living on South Dade County, we will meet at the Denny's on Kendall Drive and 122 Avenue. We will be leaving from there at 7:30am. If you plan on eating breakfast, please do so earlier. We will be taking US 27 North from Miami. For those living in Broward County, we are working on a point to meet and continue driving.

We are considering the option of renting a small bus and letting someone else do the driving but we need to know who plans to attend. If that's too costly, we can arrange to car pool and share gas expenses.

For more info, Please contact me at: pgspool@bellsouth.net

Hope you can join us.

Phil Spool