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Club News

November 2012

***November 28th's Program
7:30pm***

BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens

Program

**Mentorship Program #1 & 2 / Session 3 –
Bring both tree back that you have worked.
This will be a refinement session.**

Elections

The club will hold elections for 2013 Officers.

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

President's Message

Dear Bonsai Friends,

October's meeting was amazing!! Mike Sullivan was kind enough to present "How to Display Your Bonsai Trees" to our club. We are very grateful that Mike taught us about a critical component to bonsai that takes the art to another level. After the presentation, it was clear that the tree and its style are only one part of an overall composition that becomes the display. Mike is tremendously talented in this understudied area of bonsai and we have a lot to learn. We look forward to having him back in June of 2013 to learn more before our next show.

Also, on November 9th, another one of North America's best, Ted Matson, taught a workshop at Pinecrest Gardens. Susan Gomez explained it very well in her email that was forwarded to the club – Ted is extremely talented and provided a wealth of knowledge and education throughout the workshop. I wish I had more paper to take more notes!

On November 17th and 18th, I was invited to attend the Southwest FL Bonsai show. The show was well attended and I was impressed with the overall show. Ed Trout and I contributed to the tree evaluations and all of the displays for each tree looked amazing. All of the displays had companion trees and stands, and were in top-notch condition to be shown.

New Business:

- 2013 Program
- Workshop with Guy Guidry in February 2013 (date tbd),
- Possible auction in April of 2013
- Details for the Holiday party in December.
- Bringing trees for show and tell every month

We have developed great momentum this year with our focus on education and working with many different mentors/experts. Let's carry this into the New Year and keep improving our skills! We will dedicate some time in the first quarter of next year to revisit the basics of bonsai.

Toby Diaz
BSM President

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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.

Slate of Executive Officers

President:	Toby Diaz
1st Vice- President:	Aaron Buchler
2nd Vice-President:	Hiram Macias
Secretary:	George Puig
Treasurer:	Bob Benaim

Committee will accept nominations from the floor at the General meeting on Wednesday November 28th.

Calendar

December Events

9th	BSM - Holiday Party and Awards at Pinecrest Gardens Join the club for a relaxing evening over dinner with prizes, awards, and Bonsai Trivia (based on the lessons taught during the year)
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January Events

23rd	BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm Program: TBA
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February Events

27th	BSM - General Meeting at Pinecrest Gardens - 7:30pm Program: TBA
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Membership Dues are Due. Please print and bring to the meeting along with payment. Thanks

**Bonsai Society
of Miami
Membership**

**Membership
Application
2013**

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Homestead, Florida
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(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 _____

Please Check Which Society Activities You Could Help With:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> News Bulletin | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Cleanup | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Table | Other: _____ | _____ |

Local club membership dues:

Join between the Months of:	November – April and you pay	May – October and you pay
Individual Membership:	\$ 25.00	\$ 15.00
Household Membership:	\$ 35.00	\$ 20.00
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 _____

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