



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009

Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta

Coffee and book exchange from 7:00 P.M.

Program at 7:30 P.M.

PROGRAM: ANN ERB AND JOHN KOPP ON OLIVE REPOTTING

Olives are great trees to grow as bonsai in our area. They are very forgiving of most anything we do to them and are not particularly fussy about soils and watering. They just seem to want to grow no matter what. The warm weather of Summer is the best time to work on Olives. Ann has told us of a radical method of repotting them which facilitates their ability to grow great roots—nebari--in a short time. The method involves literally cutting the old base off the tree and starting from a flat-bottomed rootless trunk. It sounds impossible but Ann says it's foolproof. Come see it happen.

LAST MONTH: TED MATSON'S FINAL POMEGRANATE DEMO.

Ted's unusual twisted seven-trunk pomegranate group that started out as a nine-tree group of saplings at his presentation to our club in April 2006 got its last grooming from his magic Masakuni pruning shears before he donated it to our club. The group is not yet ready for showing but the basic structure is there and the twisted-trunk feature that will make the planting special is starting to become evident. Ted's knowledge of his subject was well displayed during his two-plus hour presentation. Tom Post is presently caring for the tree which will be raffled off at our August potluck.

Thanks to Susanne Barrymore, here are photos of Ted and his work.



The Pomegranate group: before



The pomegranate group: after
Ted has let the low branch on the left long to fatten it up

SHOW PHOTOS IN GOLDEN STATEMENTS

In the July/August issue of Golden Statements, on page 26 you will find a nice layout of Leroy Kubel's photos of trees from last May's annual show at the Botanic garden. Here's a link to the electronic version: http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/goldenstatements/gs_%20july_aug_2009.pdf.

JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY

Susanne Barrymore says that Linda Mathews and Alec Wilczynski, who have lived in Japan for 10 years, are inviting Japanophiles to consider starting a chapter of the Japan America Society of Southern California. Anyone interested in becoming a member, let Susanne Barrymore know. She can pass your name and email along so you will be notified when there will be another gathering of people who are interested, so you can attend. Linda Mathews is one of the ladies who come in kimonos to help with the tea ceremony at the Botanic Garden's tea house while our show is on.

COMING EVENTS

July 18: Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara Saturday Workshop. Mel Ikeda is this month's guest instructor. I know, I know, that's what the newsletter said last month, too, but honestly, Mel is coming this month. Even your newsletter editor knows by now that Lindsay Shiba, not Mel, was here in June. July starts a new semester; the \$100 fee is now payable if you have not already paid it.

August 15: Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara Summer Potluck and Raffle. Susanne Barrymore has agreed to host our annual summer bash at her interesting garden in the Trout Club. Details in next month's newsletter. Keep the date open.

Kathy Shaner will be in our area this month. At this time the following events are planned.

Saturday July 18, 1:00 to 4:00 PM, in the Huntington Botanical basement auditorium.

Seminar: Techniques of wiring as they apply to various species.

Open to 60 observers. (20 seats have been filled already) Fee \$5.00. Telephone reservations only. Call between 10:00AM and 4:00PM: (949) 497-5626 -- Don't miss out. Sign up now.

Saturday July 18, 7:00 PM

At the **Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 South State College Blvd., Anaheim**

Joint meeting of KoFu Kai and California Bonsai Society- Open admission

Sunday July 19, 11:00 AM, in the Huntington Botanical basement. Silent observers \$10.00 (all day), includes sandwich and drink. Critique of the 5 bonsai that were worked on this past January at Kathy's workshop. No fee to those 5 participants

Sunday July 19, 1:00 PM

Workshop for 5 participants selected by drawing during Saturday's event. Participants must provide their own tools and supplies such as wire of the appropriate size. No transplanting is planned.

Note: If you have never observed Kathy's work, once you see her in action, you will recognize that she is the ultimate teacher. She explains every move she makes - why, how and what one can expect from every step she takes. Don't miss this rare opportunity. For more information, call Larry Ragle (949) 497-5626.



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