



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

P.O. Box 3703, Santa Barbara, CA 93130

Monthly Meeting: TUESDAY, June 10, 2008

Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta
Coffee and book exchange from 7:00 P.M.
Program at 7:30 P.M.

This Month's Program – Ted Matson and Pomegranate Group Update

A couple of years ago, **Ted Matson** planted a group of twisted pomegranates that were root sprouts of a tree he favored, but lost after lifting it from the ground. In 2006 he planted the group of nine (or was it seven?) trees in a display of determination worthy of anyone tackling forest plantings (trees just didn't want to stay put while being arranged). In 2007, he brought the group back for an update. One of the trees had died, but the rest had done well and Ted trimmed them back to correct proportions and relationships with each other. This year, Ted will update us on how the group has fared in the past year as well as keep working on the group to improve it. Ultimately, Ted has said the group will become the Club's once it has reached a suitable stage of maturity.

Last Month's Program – Leroy Kubel and Last Year's Show

Leroy Kubel's budding multimedia skills continue to impress. For those of you who may not have attended the May meeting (of if you want to watch again [and who wouldn't!]), DVDs of the presentation are available from the Club for \$5.00 to cover the cost of reproduction. Leroy and crew again did a fine job of photographing trees from the show, as good or better than you'll find anywhere. This year, each tree photo was accompanied by a photograph of the owner/artist – a nice touch. In addition, photos of the winter silhouettes and the shohin convention were included as a bonus (kind of like what you get when you buy the first DVD release of a famous hit movie). There were even a few "outtakes" and otherwise fun and irreverent moments, not to be missed.

Show News

The show this year was another success. Although hot weather probably reduced attendance, we nearly sold out of plant material and the pot inventory shrank dramatically. Also, your editor thought the trees this year were an especially fine collection. An editor of a cultural newsletter noted to Joe Olson that our show rivaled shows of much larger clubs in the Los Angeles area.

Special thanks to Ann Erb (and sidekick John Kopp) who organizes our show and plans the layouts, among many other tasks (John usually gets to assemble the tokonoma). Also deserving of recognition are Joe Olson who again re-configured the copper tubing for the backdrops (maybe next year we won't have to do that again), Theresa Stiem and Danel Trevor for manning the sales tables both days, John Bleck and Susanne Barrymore for wielding the backdrop irons with skill and grace, Wally Kunimoto, Tom Post, Leroy Kubel and his cameras, and anyone else your editor has forgotten for all their contributions.

PRESIDENT	Joe Olson	964-0869	PUBLICITY	Frank Artusio	963-3964
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PROGRAMS	Wally Kunimoto	967-2565	SHOW	Ann Erb	929-4972
CLASSES	Tom Post	964-2717	REFRESHMENTS	Sally Gilmore	415-9049

Future Programs and Workshops

Workshops Resume June 21st with **Paul deRose**. Agenda for the rest of the year:

Date	Program	Presenter	Date	Workshop Leader
June 10	Pomegranate Group Update	Ted Matson	Jun 21	Paul deRose
Jul 8	Soil Party	Tom Post & Ann Erb	Jul 19	Lindsay Sheba
Aug 16	Potluck at John Bleck's House	John Bleck	Aug 16	John Bleck's
Sep 9	Juniper Pinching	Jim Barrett	Sep 20	Jim Barrett
Oct 14	Raft Planting	Mel Ikeda	Oct 18	Ted Matson
Nov 11	Club Critique	Various	Nov 15	Open
Dec	Annual Holiday Potluck	TBD		No Workshop in December

Coming Events

June 13-15, 2008: Descanso Bonsai Society 38th Annual Show and Sale, Descanso Gardens, 1418 Descanso Drive, La Canada Flintridge, CA. Hours 9:00 am to 4:00 pm daily in Van de Kamp Hall. Demonstrations Saturday and Sunday at 11:00 and 1:30. Tools, pots, stock and accessories for sale. Show free with Garden admission.

June 14-15, 2008: Orange County Bonsai Society 45th Annual Exhibit, Orange County Buddhist Church, 909 S. Dale Ave., Anaheim, CA. Hours 11:00 am to 4:00 pm both days. Demonstration 1:00 each day. Tools, pots, accessories, books, and plants for sale.

August 16, 2008: Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara Annual Potluck and Workshop, to be hosted by club member John Bleck. More information to follow.

October 4-5, 2008: Conejo Valley Bonsai Society 5th Annual Bonsai Exhibition, Gardens of the World, 2001 Thousand Oaks Blvd, Thousand Oaks, CA. Hours 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Demonstrations 11:00 am Saturday and 3:00 pm Sunday. Admission is free, no sales of bonsai or related items.



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