



## Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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### 15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK AND RAFFLE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2009

Lunch at Noon, raffle after lunch

at  
KEITH  
MAUTINO'S  
HOUSE  
239 Ortega Ridge Road,  
Montecito  
969-9816



Keith is offering again this year to host the party at his house. He has moved

to the new address above: 101 freeway exit is Sheffield Drive, then up Ortega Hill Rd to top, then turn on Ortega Ridge Rd. Keith's house will be on your left after about 1/10 mi. Keith says there is plenty of street parking on both sides of street on road shoulder, and some driveway parking. There is an outdoor patio area, covered, for the lunch, and lots of space for the raffle. Lunch is a true potluck, bring whatever you want! Bring some bonsai-related items for the raffle, and bring a little money to buy raffle tickets. The event is always a lot of fun, so plan to be there!

### LAST MONTH: JIM BARRETT'S FOEMINA PLANTING

Jim turned two rather unpromising looking foemina junipers into a nice group planting. He used the smaller tree to compensate for less than ideal branching in the larger one. He quite literally knitted the two root masses together after trimming them. He poked a large needle through them and drew wire through to hold them together until they grow together. Jim donated the trees to the club and they will be raffled off at the potluck this month.



## LATE-BREAKING NEWS: MARCO INVERNIZZI HERE ON DEC. 5

Visiting Italian Marco Invernizzi will be here again this year for a special workshop on Saturday, December 5. Cost for participants is \$50.00 for either 9am-noon or 1pm-4pm. Observers \$10 for all day. Time is short, let Club pres Andrew Nelson (451-1228, mariposaes@aol.com) know ASAP if you would like to attend. Location probably at GVCC, but not yet verified as this is being written.

## GSBF CONVENTION REPORT

Theresa Stiem spent 2 ½ days at the recent GSBF convention. Here's part of her report.



During the Workshop (photo by Susanne Barrymore)

One workshop I attended was Kathy Benson's Mexican Lime workshop. Unlike the fruiting trees normally seen in nurseries, this tree is from stock that has not been grafted. Plus it's already producing fruit.



After (photo by Theresa)

This variegated star jasmine was one of Elbe Connors' trees, one of many items he so generously donated for the convention auction. I had actually won a large pot and another convention participant had won Elbe's tree. We negotiated in the elevator and I went home with one of Elbe's trees.

(photo by Theresa)



For individuals who have never been to a convention there is plenty to do between workshops. Besides the wonderful exhibition there were field trips, seminars and a vendor area where one can purchase trees, pots and tools. Plus, full convention registrants were allowed to silently observe other workshops.

## WANTED: ONE BUNJIN POT

Theresa Stiem needs a pot and is hoping one of our members might have one she could acquire. The pot is for a bunjin approx 17 inches tall. She's guessing the round pot should have a diameter of 8", height 1 ½", pot color dark brown, unglazed.

## COMING EVENTS

December 26-January 2, 2010 San Marino, California

California Aiseki Kai: 20th Anniversary Exhibition of Viewing Stones Show in Friends Hall at the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road. Hours are 10:30AM-4:30PM. (Closed on January 1st.) Daily slide shows repeated each hour, December 26-30, 2009. Free parking and free entry to our exhibit. For more information see our web site: [aisekikai.com](http://aisekikai.com) or contact [hutch@aisekikai.com](mailto:hutch@aisekikai.com)

January 12, 2010. Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara. First meeting of the new year. Program to be announced.

January 23, 2010 Ann Erb's Adult Ed. Bonsai Class (5 Saturdays)

It looks like Ann's popular class will be reinstated next year. For more information contact Ann (929-4972, [annerb@charter.net](mailto:annerb@charter.net)) or visit [www.sbcc.edu/adulted/](http://www.sbcc.edu/adulted/).

February 5-7, 2010, Santa Nella, California

California Shohin Society Seminar 2010. Large slate of renowned demonstrators. Seven demonstrations and two exhibit critiques over the three days of the seminar. This is where you learn all you ever wanted to know about Shohin from the experts. Registration forms and schedule posted at <http://calshohin.webs.com>.

February 27-28, 2010 San Marino, California

GSBF Collection at the Huntington Bonsai-A-Thon XIV, 2010 fundraiser will be held at the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road. Hours are 7:30AM-4:30PM each day. Bonsai exhibits with masterpiece trees and ongoing demonstrations of initial and advanced bonsai techniques. Dedication and tour of the New Bonsai Courts by Jim Folsom, Director, at 10:00AM. Raffle and live auction of demonstration trees, and donated trees and pots. Free pass to all of the Huntington Gardens. Bazaar with many vendors of top-quality plants, tools, pots and books. Breakfast and lunch will be available. For more information, contact Marge Blasingame: 626 579-0420 or [margeblasingame@att.net](mailto:margeblasingame@att.net)



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15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

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