



# Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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

## Monthly Meeting: TUESDAY, September 9, 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 – Jim Barrett and Junipers

**Jim Barrett** is a club favorite and will provide guidance on pinching and other juniper maintenance tasks. Jim has been involved with Bonsai since the 1950s and still has one of his first black pines from way back when. He's been past President of the Golden State Bonsai Federation and continues to be active in bonsai circles throughout the state. In addition, Jim is famous for his exquisite pots, made in the Japanese tradition.

If you have a problem juniper or want advice on a tree you've been working on, this would be a great time to ask Jim. Bring your tree and see what advice Jim (and club members) can offer.

Not only will Jim give out program this month, but he will also be here on September 20<sup>th</sup> to lead our Saturday workshop. If you don't catch him on Tuesday night, you may have a second chance this month!

### Last Month's Program – Annual Pot Luck at John Bleck's

Your editor was unable to attend the potluck this year, but John Bleck's unique collection of trees and plants elicited excited reports from club members. The following is a highly abbreviated report from Wally Kunimoto (photo courtesy of Leroy Kubel):



If you missed the potluck and raffle at Ann Erb's last year, you missed a great get together. But if you missed the potluck and raffle at John Bleck's place on August 16th, you really missed out. Amy Kakimoto won a lot of items in the raffle. Her beautiful grand daughter from Camarillo brought her to the event and we were all very happy that Amy is still as sharp as a twenty year old and still has her trade mark smile for all of us. (She must have paid Joe something because he kept pulling her numbers. Her granddaughter secretly placed extra tickets here and there that turned out to be winners.)

John's collection of succulents was unbelievable. It is a huge collection and nearly every square foot had interesting plants. No wonder he is a walking library of plant nomenclature.

Warm thanks to John Bleck for hosting this year's potluck and raffle.

PRESIDENT	Joe Olson	964-0869	PUBLICITY	Frank Artusio	963-3964
SECRETARY	John Bleck	968-5519	LIBRARIAN	Andrew Nelson	687-2757
TREASURER	Theresa Stiem	687-3702	NEWSLETTER	Andrew Nelson	687-2757
PROGRAMS	Vacant		SHOW	Ann Erb	929-4972
CLASSES	Wally Kunimoto	967-2565	REFRESHMENTS	Sally Gilmore	415-9049

## Future Programs and Workshops

Next Workshop is September 20 with **Jim Barrett**. Agenda for the rest of the year:

Date	Program	Presenter	Date	Workshop Leader
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

**October 4-5, 2008: Conejo Valley Bonsai Society 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**October 17, 2008: Dia Ichi Bonsai Kai Annual Auction**, Ken Nakaoka Community Center, 1670 W. 162<sup>nd</sup> Street, Gardena, CA. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Auction at 7:00. Auctioneer Joe James. Call (310)545-5954.

**October 30 – November 2, 2008: Golden State Bonsai Federation *Convention XXXV***, Doubletree Hotel, 1150 Ninth Street, Modesto, CA. Headliners include Boon Manakitivipart, Martin Schmalenberg, Tak Shimazu, and more.



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