



Newsletter – April 2010

MEETING time and PLACE:
Every 4th Saturday of the month at 10 A.M.
Seminole Community Library
9200 113th Street North
Seminole , FL

Presidents Message

Hi Everyone,

You won't want to miss our next club meeting on May 22. George Osganian is going to present how to create a Chinese Peking Landscape. This landscape will have trees and rocks, and knowing George as most of us do, this promises to be exciting, beautiful, and because of George's wit...funny!

Doris

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Han Nguyen wows SBS group at monthly meeting, 3/27/10

Everyone really enjoys our new meeting place and time. There was much chatter as folks scurried around to get the chairs and tables set up so we could start the meeting on time.

We all were really excited to have Han coming to show us the wonders of working with sand and rocks to create serenity.

Han told us of his being in Viet Nam, he was born there in 1939, and of the travail they experienced and leaving for the USA. He also touched on life in America and how he was able to have showings of his photography. Han also does excellent paintings and plays the flute.

Han brought out the sand he was going to place in a large shallow tray, it was a tan color not white. He showed us several stylings, using an uneven number of rocks to represent mountains and varying in size so you had the feeling of heaven, earth and man in between.

Han showed us how you could set bonsai trees behind the tray to give a deeper feel to the display. Han had a beautiful display going on his lap top while this was going on, with a music background.

He stressed the joys and benefits of creating beauty in nature and taking time to enjoy life. We could feel the spirituality that Han was exhibiting.

Next came a great SHOW & TELL, Jack showed an Elm, A double trunked Red Maple, Chinese Sweet Plum, Bull Thorn Acacia and a Japanese Quince. New member Bob showed a lovely blooming Lorapedlum, Doris had a Crown of Thorns that Ruth had given her and Ruth showed her Pixie Bougainvillea cascade.

There was a very active Raffle, then we had three new members sign up. Welcome Bob Apholz (who is also a member of the Clearwater club), Sheila Montante, and our District 5 Trustee, Esther Searfoss.

Doris passed out sign up sheets for volunteers for Green Thumb and we were out of there by 12.00PM.



Upcoming Events

MAY 22ND MONTHLY MEETING, SEMINOLE COMMUNITY LIBRARY, 9200 113TH STREET, SEMINOLE, 10AM. PROGRAM TBA.

Saturday & Sunday, April 24-25, Green thumb Festival, Walter Fuller Park, 80th St. N. x 26th Ave. St. Petersburg. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, CALL JOAN, 727-823-6894.**

May 28-31, BSF Convention

THE SUNCOAST BONSAI SOCIETY

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REPORT ON SOIL MAKING/WORKSHOP AT JOE BRUNI'S HOME 4-10-10

Thanks to Jack's gal, CHARITY FRYE, we have a very nice group photo of the people who did all the hard work of mixing and bagging our bonsai soil.

TOP ROW: Host and Supply Chair, Joe Bruni, George Osganian, hiding behind the tree is Jack Yost, next is Dave, a friend of Han's, who would like to join us now that we are having our meetings on Saturday, Daniel Ashline and Han Nguyen.

BOTTOM ROW: The ladies, Ruth Osganian, President and the provider of lunch, Doris Burns, Audrey Kairiuktis, Linda Gibbons and our Secretary/Treasurer, Sally Molsick

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU GREAT FOLKS FROM THE REST OF US.

Soil making started around 10AM and lasted till about noon. That produced 65 bags of our special bonsai soil. And if you have never helped it is hard work. Sally said she had lots of fun in spite of blisters. The spirit of fellowship was wonderful.

Doris and Charity drove over to Sonny's Bar-B-Que to pick up goodies for lunch. In the meantime the workshop started with everyone chipping in with an opinion, as usual

that's a different point of view from each person. Doris and Charity returned to find much hilarity. Sally had an ilex with a large trunk. Doris was urging her to chop every thing off and see what would grow back; part of the trunk was crumbly. But Sally stood firm, the tree had sentimental value as it had been given to her by the late Matt Sadowski.

A wonderful time was had by all who attended and when Doris left Ruth and George were still there. Do try the soil making party next year. It makes you feel so good. Joe is super to do so much of the prep work for us. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK JOE and THANKS AGAIN for a fun and rewarding time.



Photos courtesy of Charity Frye



BONSAI MATERIAL AND TOOLS AVAILABLE AT:

Wigert's Bonsai Nursery

2930 South Rd
North Ft. Myers, FL 33917
239-453-3324

SEA SONG IMPORTED GIFTS,
6257 34th Street North,
Pinellas Park FL

The Plant Place
6611 14th Street W.
Bradenton, FL 34207
941-753-6611

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6962 39th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33709-4604
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CLUB INFORMATION

We're on the web: www.Suncoastbonsaisociety.com

Library We have a club library of Bonsai related books. Members are encouraged to sign one out, read it, and return it the following month. Bonsai book donations are greatly appreciated.

T-Shirts Sue has 2 t-shirts for sale, light blue and green \$20.00 each.

In order to purchase any more Suncoast Bonsai Shirts, we have to have at least 6 orders. I currently have an order for 3 shirts, so anyone who wants a shirt, please let Doris know.

Raffle Table Raffle tickets are sold for \$1 each. Bonsai related items are donated by our club members. Please identify the plant material so we know what to do with them!

Bonsai Soil Bonsai soil is available for \$20 per 5-gallon bag. The club makes a general purpose bonsai soil available to members. Please contact Doris Burns at 727-343-7992 if you need soil brought to the next meeting.