

# Bonsal News & Notes

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### **Club Happenings**

Please sign up for a turn at host and tokonoma. It doesn't mean a banquet, just some snacks and maybe your favorite ??? This is the only way we can have snacks at each meeting and distribute the logistics evenly among the members. As for presenting your favorite tree as the tokonoma, you do not have to have accent plants, stones or backdrops for the tokonoma. Ask one of the other members to assist you. Most of them have the necessary materials to prepare a good looking tokonoma. Use your imagination!

## **Club Library**

Take advantage of the club library. There are wonderful bonsai books with beautiful pictures for examples to style bonsai and more advice than you can use in a lifetime. Books and CD's have been added to the club library. If you know of one we should add, give us the details. Check them out. Email Lynn to request a specific book.

# The Cold Is Coming

Lee Vanderpool

You should have stopped fertilizing by now with the exception of a light application of 0-10-10 on pines and junipers. Needle trees never really go dormant in our climate, they just slow down top growth and the roots keep on developing. Now is the time to begin getting your tropical bonsai ready for colder weather by moving them to more shade so they will stay cooler and stop putting out new foliage. The overhang of your house or under a large tree would be perfect. When the nighttime temperatures fall below 50 degrees Fahrenheit, move tropical bonsai into an

Bathed in still moonlight, The temple hears the Lotus bud Burst into bloom tonight

**TEIGETSU** 



Mother & Daughter...a fine team! Photo by L Fabian

(Lee, cont)

unheated garage or an unheated porch. If most tropical bonsai get too cool, they will generally drop their leaves although they will recover fairly quickly when warmer temperatures return. Best not to take chances, though. Although trees will not require as much water during cooler weather, be sure they do not dry out completely. If there is a wind blowing, shallow bonsai pots can become as dry as if there were higher temperatures. Be cautious. Check each tree every day to ensure that they are sufficiently moist to maintain the health of the tree. Now is the time to begin cleaning pots, mixing soil and the other myriad small chores necessary to get a quick start when Spring comes in a few months. Have a good Fall.

# **Coming Events**

Oct 2 - Live Oak discussion lead by Edgar. Host: Jarma. Tokonoma: Fabians

Oct 18 - Winterizing with club participation. Host: Fabians

Club workshop with Russel Coker Nov 17

American Bonsai Society 2019 National Convention-April 11, 2019 - April 14,



Club workshop junipers Hunting for the trunk! Andy & Lynn Photo by R Voelker



Going fast! Get your's while they last!! Christina, Olya & Vince Photo by R Voelker



Where'd that darn trunk go???!!!

#### Meetings

Fort Walton Beach Society - 1st Tuesdays and 3rd Thursdays, County Extension Annex Building

across from the VW dealer

127 Hollywood Blvd - Board Meeting at 7 PM, Membership Meeting at 7:30 PM.

Workshops as announced...

Pensacola Gulf Coast Bonsai Society: 2nd Thursday, Pensacola Garden Center, 1850 9th Ave, Board Meeting at 7 PM, membership Meeting at 7:30 PM.

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#### 2018 - 2019 FWBBS Bonsai Program Schedule

Oct 2 - Live oak discussion, Edgar

Oct 18 - Winterizing, Club

Nov 6 - Camellias, Lee

Nov 17 - Russell workshop

Dec 4 - Christmas Party

Jan 17 - Camellia workshop, Lee, Rosemarie

Feb 5 - Conifers, Lynn

Feb 21 - Workshop, conifers

Mar 5 - Accent plant workshop

Mar 21 - Workshop, club purchased plants

Apr 2 - Open

Apr 18 - Show preparation, effects of heat on

bonsai, Ed Fabian

May 10 - Russell workshop

May 18 - Spring show

Jun 4 - Auction

Jun 20 - Tropicals, Lee, Rosemarie



Photo by R Voelker

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Visit the Club web site for more information



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