

BONSAI NEWS & NOTES

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Club Happenings

Please sign up for host and tokonoma. This is the only way we can have snacks at each meeting and distribute the logistics evenly among the members. If you do not have appropriate trees, accent plants, stones or backdrops for the tokonoma, ask one of the older members to assist you. Most of them have the necessary materials to make a good looking tokonoma.

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. New books and CD's have been added to the club library so check them out.

Haiku

Under these blazing skies

The sun adds to the brilliance of

The gay-winged butterflies.

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Nominating Committee

President Rosemarie Voelker has tasked and appointed Edgar Hund to chair the 2016 nominating committee. Edgar will be asking for volunteers for all offices so, if asked, please agree to serve in some capacity.





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Visit the Club website for more information.



September - Here We Go Again! - by Lee Vanderpool

Here we are again - back at the beginning of a new bonsai year. We are now in the throes of the hottest - and wettest/most humid - part of the year here in north Florida. Plants - especially temperate plants - really take a beating this time of year. Maples historically get sunburn on their leaves, pines lose the luster on their needles, hornbeams and elms bright green spring color fades to a dull green-brown. Tropicals, on the other hand, really come to life in this miserable weather and grow, grow, grow. Be sure to keep your tropicals fertilized lightly with either water soluble all purpose fertilizer, granular, encapsulated or organic cakes. Bougainvilleas are at their peak right now and many of them look great in their crepe paper-like racemes of brilliantly colored bracts.

Check watering daily since we are having numerous afternoon showers which may or may not provide enough water to carry your trees from day to day. Getting ready for fall and winter will be happening soon so begin to prepare for the transition by slowing down on fertilizer, either completely or nearly eliminating nitrogen from your offering.

Dates to Remember:

2016 September 6 October 14 - 16 September 15 October 20 First meeting of the new September 10 - 11 40th Anniversary of year. Edgar Hund will pre-Lee will talk on win-Jim VanLandingham the National Bonsai sent the program on branch 5th US National Bonterizing your bonsai. will host a workshop. thickening and ramification. sai Exhibition. Rochand Penjing Museum, He will also provide Jim works on any Edgar will also provide the ester NY National Arboretum, snacks. species of tree. refreshments. Rosemarie Washington DC will provide the tokonoma.

Meetings:

Fort Walton Beach Society – 1st Tuesdays and 3rd Thursdays, County Extension Building, 127 Hollywood Blvd, Board Meeting at 7 PM, Membership Meeting at 7:30 PM.

Hama Matsu: One day a month at a members home.

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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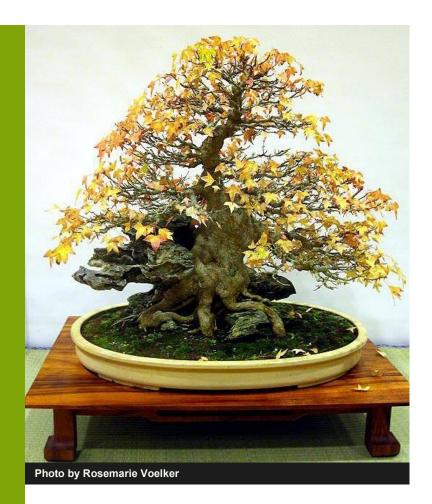
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