



The Snippet

Sei Boku Bonsai Kai Inc.

October 2016

This Month's Meeting

Black Pine Extravaganza

Russell Leonard & mentors

We will have a hands-on workshop covering the King of Bonsai, the black pine. Come learn how to care for, style, and re-pot the tree. Then take home your very own black pine.

For \$30 the club will provide you a tree, soil, wire and a training pot. Additionally you will acquire the knowledge from of our many experienced members on how to care for and grow your tree into a beautiful show tree for a future Sei Boku show.



The great Japanese Black Pine; symbol of strength, king of the bonsai.

Spotlight Events

Details for the shows mentioned can be found at the Golden Statements website
www.gsbf-bonsai.org

**Golden State
Bonsai Federation
Convention 39
October 27-30, 2016
Sacramento, CA**

"A Bonsai Convergence:
Gather at the Rivers" Headlin-
ers: Ryan Neil and Bjorn
Bjornholm
www.gsbfconvention.org

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Membership Dues Increase

Your board of directors has concluded after careful consideration that an increase in yearly dues is warranted to help bring income more in line with increasing operating expenses. The yearly dues will increase less than 1 dollar a month to 45/ single, 55/family, and 25/72+10.

President's Message

By Kevin Corrigan

I would like to thank everyone who brought in items for last month's green elephant sale and silent auction and those who went home with new items for their collection. We raised just as much as we did last year. Great job.

We also raised a good amount for the Garden Center Pond Fund. We will have the donation jar out during the next two meetings. Remember this is a wonderful facility we have here and we need to help support it.

The board is also looking for a show chair for the 2018 club show. Marsha has done an awesome job the past few years and is the chair for the 2017 show. We need someone to step up and take on this responsibility for 2018. If you are interested, you could shadow Marsha during the next show so she could share all her show knowledge with you.

There are still 3 slots remaining open for the October, "Black Pines are Your Friend" workshop. If you are interested, please email me so I can put your name on the list and you can pay at the meeting. This is a great opportunity and you get to go home with a tree.

I will be stepping down as your president next year. Valerie Monroe has graciously accepted to be our club president. The rest of the slate will remain the same for 2017. We will be voting on the slate at the next meeting. We are always looking for new board members so if you might be interested please let one of us know.

Tentative Calendar

(Subject to change)

October 2016

Black Pine Extravaganza,
Russell Leonard & mentors

November 2016

Big Bend and Wiring
with Gordon Deeg

January 2016

Bunjin Bonsai
with Valerie Monroe

Editors note:

Welcome to the new format of the newsletter. It is still a work in process. Your contributions of content are always welcome. Pictures and notes from meetings will be a great help. Send them to jcsf1090@comcast.net. Many thanks to Caroline Koss for distribution and proof reading.



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Volunteers: October 26, 2016 7:00PM

Set up/clean up:
Keith Schmidt, Bill McDonald

Refreshments:
Mike Rosenthal,
George Shoptaw

If you can't be at the meeting,
please check your club member
roster and find a substitute. We
are counting on you.

Invitation to attend SBBK's 2016 Holiday Celebration.....

La Lanterna Ristorante, 180 West 25th Avenue, San Mateo, Ca. 94403

Sunday December 4th - Noon until 4PM.

Event begins one hour earlier again this year allowing more time for visiting and our bonsai related gift exchange.

SBBK special event, restaurant closed to the public.

Appetizers and corkage fee paid for by our club so feel free to bring your own wine. Cash bar for other beverages (tea and coffee included with meal).

We are requiring meals to be prepaid again this year. Please complete attached meal request form (one per person) making checks payable to SBBK. Deadline for sign ups is Monday November 28th. Turn in at our October and November meetings or mail to me at 435 West 25th Avenue in San Mateo, 94403. Please advise with any questions, see you there!

John Mekisich, Holiday Party Coordinator
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REDWOOD AND CEDAR SLABS

A local arborist makes available REDWOOD and DEODAR CEDAR SLABS in 6-, 8-, and 13- foot lengths, up to 30" wide and 2" to 4" thick. The cost is between \$100.00 and \$400 per slab, depending on size. These slabs make great bonsai tables.

He also can get specific species of wood. His name is Jess Running. His contact info is: iruns22@gmail.com

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More Events for Fall

December 3, 2016 Fresno, CA

Fresno Bonsai Society: 9th Annual Bonsai Yard Sale held at 736 West Browning Ave. from 8 AM till 3 PM. Bonsai, pre-bonsai, accent plants, new and used pots, stands, books, suiseki, and supplies. Everyone is welcome to buy, sell, or swap all things bonsai. For more information about the event visit us on our Facebook page or www.fresnobonsaisociety.com.

December 26-30, 2016 San Marino, CA

27th Anniversary Exhibition of Viewing Stones Show at the Botanical Center of The Huntington Library & Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA Hours are 10:30-4:30 each day. Free parking. For more information see our website aisekikai.com and or contact sashaichris@gmail.com

Club Meetings

Our club meetings are held at the San Mateo Garden Center in the main salon. The meeting occurs on the 4th Wednesday of each month, except in December. The meeting normally starts at 7:30 pm and ends at 10 pm. Each month we cover different Bonsai topics and techniques. The San Francisco Bay Area is home to a wealth of Bonsai knowledge both resident and visiting.

The San Mateo Garden Center is at 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA right off the Alameda de las Pulgas near Hillsdale Mall.

First Tuesday Workshops:

This is an extremely popular event right now as there are a number of us just starting out. Because of room and time limitations, it is restricted to members only. Bring yourself, your questions, and your bonsai or pre-bonsai materials and tools. The workshop is currently on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm. It is held the Rose Room at the San Mateo Garden Center.

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