



Green Country Bonsai

April 2009 Newsletter

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March Meeting Notes

Pres. Justin Lovelace called the meeting to order. There were no guests.

Old Business:

The "Refreshments List" was passed around. There is still an open date for the September meeting. If you haven't already signed up for refreshments, please consider providing them for September.

Justin mentioned a Plant Conservation Day in May. Any G.C.B involvement will be determined later.

There will be no Master's Workshops this year. Spring 2010 is the next date.

Our Spring Show will be held at the Linnaeus Teaching Garden on Sat., April 11th from 10 am - 4 pm. Member's setup will be at 9 am.

Get your trees in shape and bring them to the show. Let's have a good turn-out. The club will also have a booth at the Spring Garden Fair that weekend. Mike Blake will have a slide show at the booth showing a variety of bonsai trees.

New Business:

Mrs. Pat Sutton of the African Violet Society displayed her winning plantings in their recent judging. Congratulations, Pat. (See pictures below)

A Repotting Workshop will be held at the Linnaeus Garden on March 14th from 9 am - noon.

There are changes to our meeting Programs:

- May 4th - Demo on Trident Maple by Neil Dellinger
- May 9th - Members work shop - 9am - 4pm
- April 11th - Spring Show - 9am - 4pm
- June 1st - Hands on Work Shop
- July 6th - Root over rock demo. by Marcus Bush
- August 3rd - Slide show by Roy & Fran Danner

Show and Tell:

Mike Flanagan brought White, Piñon and Scots Pines.
Pat Coen brought a stone.

Raffle:

More magazines compliments of Chuck Cockman.
Some viewing stones from ex-member Herb Martinez.

Program:

Our annual bonsai soil mixing program involved no mixing this year. A pre-mixed soil was acquired from Southwood Nursery, and all we had to do was load it into the heavy plastic bags we purchased for this purpose. The members filled their needs for the year, and there was enough soil left to bag for sales at upcoming shows.

Officers:

Justin Lovelace, President
Mike Flanagan, Vice Pres.
Donna Hardin, Treasurer
Lisa Martin, Secretary

Board Members:

Ken Cole, 3 year
Tom Howard, 2 year
David Parham, 1 year
Marcus Bush, Ex Officio
Mike Blake, Webmaster
Frank Kohn, Newsletter Ed.

April Meeting:

Monday April 6, 2009,
7:00 pm,
Tulsa Garden Center,
2435 S. Peoria

April Program:

Member styling of their trees
Bring your own trees & tools.

For-what-it's-worth Dept.

New member, Mike Crumley brought to the attention of Pres. Lovelace a technique for converting Trident Maple seedlings into a bonsai with an extraordinary base. Mike mentioned a website that has a slideshow of the creation of bonsai in this style. You can find this at: www.dugzbonsai.com Very interesting technique! So interesting that Justin had to give it a try. Check the website, and then compare the picture of Justin's work. Good job!



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= If you are creating a Japanese Maple bonsai, =
= you may want to consider the "Coral Bark" variety. =
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= A recent Barry Fugatt article in the Tulsa World =
= offers the suggestion that this variety =
= "tolerates full sun better than =
= most Japanese maples". =
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Pat Sutton's Winning Designs

