



Green Country Bonsai

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December Meeting Notes

In the absence of Pres. Marcus Bush, V.P. Mike Flanagan called the meeting to order. Guests were Sam Mieir, Bryan Mieir, Trudi Parris and her grandson, Holden Grissett.

Old Business:

There was a discussion regarding the club's participation in the 2009 Tulsa Garden Center's Spring Fair. The executive board will study this, and decide whether we should have a free booth (no sales), or a paid booth where we can sell trees, etc. Donna Hardin is planning to rent a booth for sales of her pottery items, and suggested that the club may want to split the cost and share the booth. Program Chairman, Mike Flanagan mentioned that our Spring Show will be held at the Linnaeus Garden on that same Saturday, and that we could sell trees at the show. The Fair will be held on April 10th & 11th.

New Business:

Mike Flanagan reported on the programs planned for the next 3 months.

In January we will style Junipers to be sold at our shows. Bring your tools.

This is good practice for our designing skills.

For the February meeting, Mike is looking at a program on propagation techniques. This may be an open forum, rather than an individual presentation.

In March we will have our annual soil mix & sale. This is a great opportunity to stock up for all your repotting needs for the year. At \$1 per gallon, it's hard to beat. Mike is also looking into an in-house workshop on a Saturday in March to work on repotting.

Election of officers was held. The following members were elected by acclamation:

- ▶ **Justin Loveless** - President
- ▶ **Mike Flanagan** - Vice President
- ▶ **Donna Hardin** - Treasurer
- ▶ **Lisa Martin** - Secretary

Congratulations and thank you to these members for accepting these important positions in our organization. Their terms will commence in January.

Our thanks to Marcus Bush for serving the club for two terms as our President.

One position that we missed filling is the expired term of Steve Sanders on the Board of Directors. This is a 3 year term, and if you are asked, please consider accepting a nomination to this post.

Show and Tell:

Mike Flanagan brought a Japanese Maple and a Farkleberry... don't you love that name

Raffle:

Mike brought an Elm and a Japanese Maple; Roy & Fran Danner donated a recently acquired Bonsai book, and Mike Blake contributed a couple Sansaveria.

Officers:

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

Board Members:

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

January Meeting:

Monday January 5, 2009,
7:00 pm,
Tulsa Garden Center,
2435 S. Peoria

January Program:

Styling of Junipers for sale
at the Spring Show.
Bring your tools

Program:

Our Annual Pot-Luck Dinner was enjoyed by 17 members & guests.

As always, the food was tasty and plentiful.

Thanks to all who contributed to the meal, especially to Donna Hardin for the turkey, to Mike Flanagan for the pork roast and to Norman Summers for the great wine.

If you left hungry, it was your own fault.



Reminder:

Dues are payable in January.

Inflation has not affected our reasonable membership rates.

At \$20 per yr. (Individual) or \$30 per yr. (Family), it's the best deal in town.



Have a Joyous Holiday Season

And may all your trees survive the Winter
