



Bonsai Society of Brevard

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Meeting Time is 1:00 PM

July Program

Ed Trout will come up from South Florida and demonstrate with a *Bucida spinosa*, The Bahamian Black Olive. This is not a true olive. The tree develops a very interesting foliage and growth habit. There should be one or two in every collection.



Ed Trout with his *Bucida* at the BSF Convention in June of 2011

Presidents Message

By Ronn Miller

Enrique Castano from Mexico visited our club for a workshop night at Blaine's church. He has a PhD in Botany. His knowledge of plant health and care coupled with his expertise of the art of bonsai made a very interesting and enjoyable evening. Thank you again, Blaine, for making it possible to stage this event at your church.

We are getting closer to the art show and the zoo show. It is not too early to start thinking about what trees that you are going to display at these shows. This is a great time to show your art. Donnie will be the point of

contact for the art show that takes place at the end of September. Reggie will be the point of contact for the zoo show. More to follow.

Please bring something for the raffle table and also bring a tree for show and tell. It can be a finished tree or a tree that is in a stage of development.

Last but not least, don't forget to bring that item that you might want to sell or trade to someone.

June Meeting:

The June meeting was a repeat of the prize winning *F. salisicaria* group that the members did at the BSF Convention on June 10.



Gene and Chuck working.



The team. Donnie, Gene, Chuck, Blaine and Bill

Visiting Master Enrique Castano

A small group of members had the pleasure of a workshop with Enrique Castano from Mexico. Professor Castano worked on a variety of mostly tropical trees.

Dr. Castano has a degree in botany and it shows in his discussion of tree care as well as design.



Donnie brought a large Bucida



Elsa brought a small Ficus retusa that got even smaller.

Heathcote Botanical Gardens Bonsai Garden

Just a reminder that the Jim Smith exhibit at Heathcote is open. There is a small charge to visit the gardens that includes the Bonsai section.

Melbourne Mainstreet Fall Arts and Crafts Festival

This important event is scheduled for September 24th and 25th, with set up on the 23rd. In the last few years our club has had a major exhibit and we plan to do so again this year. Please “SAVE THE DATE” and plan to volunteer and provide display plants. Club members have been to Robert Pinder’s Dragon Tree nursery to buy plants for the event, both to pot up for sale and as demos.



Robert with our selections.

Calendar

7/16 Regular Meeting at 1 PM, Ed Trout on Bucida

9/24 – 25 Melbourne Mainstreet Fall Arts and Crafts Festival

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