

## **TREASURE COAST BONSAI SOCIETY OCTOBER 2007 NEWSLETTER**

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**by Jim Van Landingham**

Time is flying by and Autumn is in the air!! The plants and weeds are vigorously growing again. It is a good time to get your plants in shape to withstand the winter. I would mention the lack of a hurricane, but I am suspicious that if I mention it, we will get a hurricane.....which we don't need!!!! So, I won't mention it.

Also we need to be thinking of getting our trees in shape for the EPCOT "photo shoot" at our regular meeting in November. The Heathcote Plant Sale is also in November, so get those "show trees" in shape to let the visitors see the good quality of our plants.

The attempt to get our programs for 2007 identified by email didn't get off the ground. I only got three responses. So, we will take a few minutes at the meeting to get the programs for next year identified. Bring your list of desired programs to the meeting and we will discuss and vote on what we want to do. Next year will be fun if we do the proper planning at the meeting.

### **OCTOBER MEETING; DEMONSTRATION BY DOROTHY SCHMITZ**

**by Jim Van Landingham**

This month Dorothy Schmitz will be doing a demonstration on a juniper for us. Dorothy is one of the "rising stars" in Florida bonsai. At the 2005 BSF Convention in Cape Canaveral, she won the \$1000 Scholarship Competition. This year she won the Ben Oki Design Award. I have copied the posting on the BSF Bulletin Board so you can take a look at her tree.

"Dorothy Schmitz from Bonita Springs, FL won this years prestigious Ben Oki International Design Award, sponsored by BCI. See the results at <http://www.bonsai-bci.com/Boida06/boida06entries.html> "

The program this month is one that you don't want to miss. So, make an effort to be there. She is very talented and is a great teacher which I am sure that you will enjoy!!!!

### **"BONSAI UNDER THE OAKS" ON OCTOBER 22**

**by Jim Van Landingham**

The club voted at the last meeting to hold an auction of the trees and pots that Sheila Hayes left for our club. The auction will be at the regular fourth Sunday "Under the Oaks" event at Jim Smith's nursery. There are about 60 trees in her collection. We will be reserving a couple of trees to put on exhibit at Heathcote where Sheila and Charles volunteered a lot of time in supporting the Japanese Garden. I just trimmed the trees for the second time and they are beginning to look good. I will post pictures of some of the trees so you can get an idea of what is being auctioned.

We will be inviting the Brevard Club for the event. We also voted at the last meeting to have a chili picnic at the gathering. Belinda Kehoe announced that she has an "award winning" chili recipe, so maybe we can "coerce" her into sharing it with us. We will discuss this at this month's meeting.

### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

**by Jim Van Landingham**

October 10	Dorothy Schmitz	Demonstration	host: Jim V.
October 22	Under the Oaks	Auction/Picnic	host: Jim V.
November 14	Tammy & Ray Malin	EPCOT Photo Shoot	
November 18 & 19	Bonsai Display	Heathcote Sale	hosts: Ann Warren & Joe Verone
December 12	Forest Planting	Covered Dish Dinner	host: Jim V.
January 12	Ben Oki	Workshop	host: Bill Zeigler