



Alabama Bonsai Society



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October 2010

Presidents Notes for October

We survived the summer, but what is the fall and winter going to bring? Be sure to watch your watering and be prepared to winter protect your bonsai. This is the time to be preparing for spring and do not forget to review specific needs for your trees.

I was at Brussels' Bonsai this weekend and the stock looked very good. I hope you are preparing for the rendezvous next year.

We have so much to do as a society. We have to start preparing trees for the Botanical Gardens sales and our show sale, as well as winterize the pavilion trees. Then we can enjoy the fall. Another task is officer select for a new board. The nominations will come out this month and we vote in November. I wish extend my sincere thanks to Jane and

Cindy for their work in getting the nominations together. I wish thank those who have stepped up and have agreed to lead our Society for next year.

We still have some members that are under the weather. Please allow me to extend our prayers and good wishes to Andy, Belinda and her husband Bryson, Donna's mother and let me not forget our Ms. Susanne.

The next Saturday workshop will be on October 16. The plan is to winterize the pavilion trees. I ask you to bring your tools so we can do some limited pruning.

Brian is preparing for the Peter Warren workshop in April 2011. We will be looking to open up some more workshop slots. Brian will keep us informed on the progress. Also, we will have a trident maple grove workshop

that is tentively scheduled for February. The details will be presented at a later date.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the meeting. I would encourage everyone to come and support our society and art form.

See you at the meeting

Oscar

ABS Officers

Oscar Ethridge
President

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Directors:

Brian Van Fleet
2009 – 2012

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2009 – 2011

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October Agenda

October 11, 2010 meeting program:

6:40-6:45 Announcements

6:45-7:00 Evening tree show

7:00-7:10 Seasonally appropriate activities for October. Bryan

7:10- What are the factors that make a tree look older and how we can enhance them.

Jim Maples

Bill Japanese maples

Junipers Jack

Thanks

Jack

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting
October 11th

Monthly Workshop
October 16th

Don't forget our workshop on Saturday, August 14th

The Saturday workshop for October, will be to winterize the pavilion trees. Please bring your tools so that we can do some limited pruning on them.

This will be an excellent time for less experienced club members to observe this activity and begin learning the seasonal care process for Bonsai trees.

October Bonsai Care Calendar

Fall is here now. This is a good time to remove wire that is not intended to stay on throughout the winter. Give your trees their last doses of **0-10-10** for the year. Watering needs are starting to diminish now, so be careful not to over-water.

Fall color should be beginning to show on some of your deciduous trees.

Start watching the weather forecast and be prepared to protect your trees that might be damaged by potential heavy frosts. Any trees that were repotted in the fall should be carefully protected from freezing for the winter. Don't bring them into a heated house, but do not allow them to freeze either!

Because Alabama is somewhat of a guessing game during this time of year, just pay close attention to the weather. Some days will continue to be hot, but others are the direct opposite.

***Bring a friend
to the next
Club meeting
and let them
see what it's all
about!***

October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Monthly Meeting	12	13	14	15	16ABS Workshop
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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