



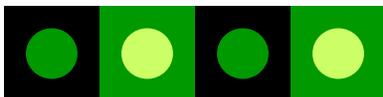
Lighthouse Bonsai Society



A Note from the President

It is January. The beginning of a new year. I hope you all survived the POLAR VORTEX!!! I e-mailed my sister in the great white North that my new Christmas thermometer said the temperature was down to 56 degrees in my yard (but it felt like 53!) Her reply was short and vulgar so I will not reprint it for you. Back to our topic of Bonsai. Besides all the events scheduled for this time of year it is a good time to do those maintenance items we all seem to put off. How did all this black stuff get on my trunk? Why does the wire always starts to dig in on the side of the branch you do not check? Why are my trees still growing? Plan for your next season! New pots for old friends means those old pots are now available! It is the circle of life in the garden. If you have conifers that need to move to a new pot we are in or approaching the window of time to do it. (Depending on who you ask.) Hope to see you all at the January Meeting on the 25th. We can discuss any of these questions raised then.

Bob Holechek



**Next meeting Sat. Jan. 25
9:00 till noon at Boca Raton Community
Center - 150 Crawford Blvd.
Please bring a snack and something for
the raffle table!!**

The 2014 dues for *Lighthouse Bonsai Society* are now payable (\$35 for primary membership and \$20 for secondary).

!! Owen Reich this Sunday Jan.19 !!

Owen was an apprentice at Fujikawa Kouka-en Nursery in Ikeda City, Japan. He received a degree in ornamental horticulture from the U of Georgia and helped establish one of the largest nurseries in the Southeast (Samara Farms). He is the founder of the Bonsai Unearthed Nursery in Nashville and is teaching in the US. However, he will be returning to the Fujikawa Bonsai School regularly to continue working with his sensei, Keiichi Fujikawa.

BRING YOUR OWN TREE FOR OWEN TO SEE

Seagate Country Club, 3600 Hamlet Drive
Courtesy of Ed Whalen

On the south side of Atlantic in Delray, Between Military and Congress at the Greensward Condo Clubhouse.
From gate go short distance on Hamlet Drive. Left on Greensward Lane 2 miles and right on Greensward Court to first building on left.

!!Terry Wolf is our January presenter!!

Using Jute and other Methods to Train Trees

Terry, currently serving as president of the Bonsai Society of the Palm Beaches, spent 10 years learning about Bonsai from both the books and the trees.

His interest in Bonsai grew from collecting and propagating all kinds of plants. Now he only collects those which he sees as Bonsai potentials. We'll learn from Terry how to use jute and some unique other methods to train trees without the use of wire.

