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Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of
Upstate New York



From Watering Systems to Phoenix Graft Special Presentations by Two Club Members

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Following our normal business meeting, we will be given two presentations by two different club members.

Roy Wixson will give a program on automatic watering systems entitled "Got a Life?". He will give us ideas on setting up different ways to water those bonsai while we're at work, cutting the grass or playing softball. Life doesn't have to end because those trees need to be watered three times a day.

Then, after a short break Glenn Morton will give a talk on one of his favorite styles of bonsai, the Phoenix Graft. He will let us know how to design, ready the driftwood, prepare the pot, and get things looking good.

These will be the first presentations that the two have made to this club. It should make for an enjoyable, educational night.

December Highlights

Over 35 members were on hand to partake in the good cheer of the season. Bill Valavanis showed slides of last years tour of Japan. Included were all the best places to see and purchase bonsai.

After that it was time to eat. Everyone had a plate of the large number of deserts that were brought in by everyone. It ranged from Krispy Kremes to cakes and just about anything else you could think of. Thanks to all for bringing in all the goodies.

We then went right into the mystery auction. Once again there were a lot of surprises. These went from nice Chinese pots, to books, plants, magazines and always a calendar or two. Again, thanks to all who brought something to share. The extra money in the treasury will go a long way to finance more speakers in the future.

Meeting Date

**Tuesday
January 27, 2004**

**Brighton Town Park
Lodge**

7:00PM Meeting

777 Westfall Road
Rochester, New York
near corner of
Westfall and Clinton

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Presidents Message:

On behalf of the Executive Board I would like to wish each of you a Happy New Year! I hope you and your trees have withstood the recent bout of sub-zero temperatures and are doing well. I am excited about the informative programs we have planned for this year, especially the lecture and workshop with Mr. Yamagi in April. In January two of our members, Glenn Morton and Roy Wixon, will be presenting to our club for the first time and I encourage all of you to attend.

2003 was a big year for us, celebrating our 30th Exhibit and having Mr. Shinji Suzuki, one of the foremost bonsai artists in the world, give a presentation to our members. I personally was very fortunate to attend several lectures from Mr. Suzuki. At his last demonstration at the International Bonsai Symposium, Shinji spoke of the love that he has for trees and his bonsai and how it is our duty to take care of our trees with loving tenderness, nurturing them, providing for them, and doing everything in our ability to keep them healthy and beautiful. And he spoke of his desire to promote peace through bonsai by teaching students all over the world that we should devote the same effort to caring for each other that we give to our bonsai.

I think these words are especially important to keep in mind in 2004. I wish you and your families a very happy, healthy, and peaceful New Year and hope we can all work together to make this another great year for the Bonsai Society of Upstate NY.

Jim Dolce

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Swing Into Spring

MARCH 18 - 21, 2004 • THE DOME CENTER • ROCHESTER, NY

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GREATER ROCHESTER'S FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW

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The Rochester Flower & Garden Show

Complete information at www.RochesterFlowerShow.com

WHERE: The Dome Center, 2695 East Henrietta Road in Henrietta, NY, just outside Rochester, convenient to the NYS Thruway, exit 46.

HOURS: March 18, 19, 20 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
March 21 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

HIGHLIGHTS: 'Swing into Spring' is the theme this year. Join us to celebrate the coming of Spring with more than 10,000 daffodils and tulips as well as thousands of perennials and hundreds of blooming shrubs and trees. More than 20 landscaped gardens, 80 vendors and live demonstrations of 'stonewalling' by International experts make this show special. Children can learn and enjoy in the interactive children's garden, designed and constructed by Certified Nursery Professionals.

SEMINARS: Daily, 5 shows, hourly, beginning at 11:00 AM
On Sunday only, beginning at 10:30 AM

HEADLINERS:

Thurs: David Culp, plant hunter, writer, and 'hands on' gardener

Friday: Dan Snow, world famous stonewaller and author

Saturday: Judy Glattstein, international lecturer; author of seven gardening books including her most recent publication, *Consider the Leaf*.

Sunday: Patricia Lanza, author of *Lasagna Gardening*, on the subject of creating a garden without digging or lifting the soil.

TICKETS: Adults \$12
Children 6-12 \$4, Children 5 and under, Free
Show Series \$18
Seniors \$10 on Thursday, March 18, only
Preshow tickets available at *Rochester Civic Garden Center (585) 473 5130*

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