



# YAMATO BONSAI KAI

“FRIENDSHIP THROUGH BONSAI”

Since 1968

Newsletter – February 2011



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Tony Hayworth– President

### EJCC Garden Clean Up Event

A big thank you to all those that came out to support our clubs cleanup activity on January 22. Without this type of support we can not be able to use the Eden Japanese Community Center for our meetings. I believe a good time was had by all while some very good work on the landscape was accomplished. There is much more work to do to get it in good shape, so our next couple of efforts will be important. Don't worry, if you could not make it this time, I expect you at the next one in May this year!

### Club Workshop

On Saturday Evening February 19th, we will hold the first of three Club workshops scheduled for this year. The workshop will be held at the same location we hold our monthly meetings. The start time is from 06:00 PM.

The theme of the workshop will be focused on transplanting with some winter pruning. Bring you materials for transplanting, a turntable and items to clean up after yourself, etc. We will order in dinner items to sustain us along with soft drinks and coffee. A fee of 10 dollars will be charged each person.

A signup sheet is required so that we can get a proper headcount for the food. Contact me if you can't make it to the February club meeting but want to come to the Saturday workshop. Bring those trees that you need help with transplanting.

### Annual Membership Drive

Don't forget to send in your membership dues for 2011 to the new Union City post office box or bring your check to the next club meeting.

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## AT THE NEXT CLUB MEETING...

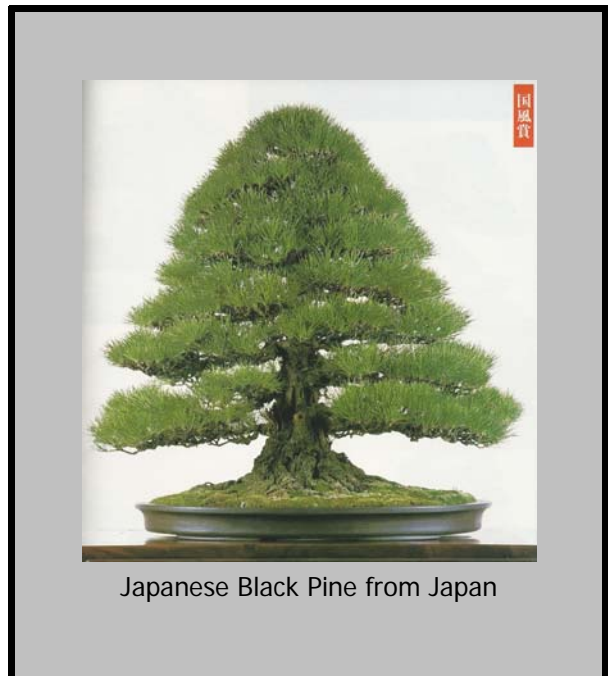
On Tuesday, **February 15th**, Sensei Uchida will discuss deciduous tree transplanting and repotting. Don't miss this club meeting event.

*Note: New Location and time*

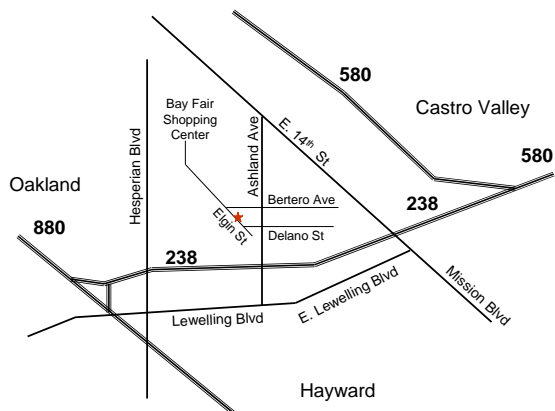
PLACE: Eden Japanese Community Center,  
710 Elgin Street, San Lorenzo, CA

Note: Club Meetings start at 7:30 PM.

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Japanese Black Pine from Japan



### Meeting Location Reminder

Our monthly club meetings are now held at the Eden Japanese Community Center. The location address is 710 Elgin Street San Lorenzo.

## COMMITTEES FOR 2011

By Tony Hayworth

We have formed several committees for this year with the following chairpersons:

- Apparel - Karen Paulos / See Karen if you have any input regarding shirts, hats, pins, etc., on what you'd like to see the club organize for 2011 and for our Annual Fall Show.
- Bus Trip - Dave Barron / Dave is organizing a Club bus trip event for April. We need a minimum sign-up of 25 persons. Dave will have details and a write-up in the next newsletter. Cost is expected to be in the 2- to 25 dollar area.
- Holiday Party - Richard Paulos / See Richard if you have any ideas or preference for this annual event in December.
- Web Site re-do - Dave Barron and Noah Hanna are looking into gaining control of and re-doing the Club Website. If you have any skills or want to assist them in this endeavor, please contact Dave or Noah.
- Eden Bazaar - Kathy Baggett / in June our Club will help at the annual fund raiser for the Eden Japanese Community Center. Kathy will organize and lead our resource volunteers on this effort.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

By Tony Hayworth— President

At this time we begin our 2011 annual membership renewal. It is a great time to remind prospective friends or neighbors about the bonsai kai (club) and the many benefits and activities of the membership.

To name a few:

- Annual show
- Monthly club meeting with Johnny's demos and critique of your plants
- Newsletter
- Discount all year at Grove Way Bonsai Nursery
- Annual Holiday party
- Workshops
- Field trips
- And of course, "Friendship Through Bonsai"

Elsewhere in this newsletter is the member renewal form. Dues are the same as last year, \$45 for a single membership and \$55 for a family membership regardless of the number of family members as long as they are living in the same household.



## SENSEI UCHIDA'S NOTES

By Johnny Uchida – Club Sensei

Dear Member. How are you? Such beautiful weather days in late January and early February. If you have any deciduous tree bonsai that needs repotting, now is the time to do it. Some Maples are already starting to open leaves. I think spring will be early but if so, hope that we don't get any Frost coming after such nice weather. If you do any repotting now, guard

against any windy days. With little root systems, bonsai trees will dry out fast in the wind, and it could die. Everyone should know that the after-care from repotting a tree is very, very important. You must maintain watering and misting habits after transplanting. This is the time to give your tree your best loving care.

In this month grafting can take place. I keep trying at it, sometimes it does not come out well for me. How about you? I will keep trying and I want you to try also. So at the next meeting if any one wants to bring material for grafting and to share your techniques with us, please do it. Thank you. See you at the next meeting

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## Bonsai Basic

By Tony Hayworth

It's time to get in gear for transplanting. The weather has been good for the past couple of weeks therefore its time to get started. It's a good time to complete a change of soil on your California juniper, Shimpaku, elm, plum, apple, quince, Trident Maple, and maple. You can do pine also toward the end of the month and of course all thru March. Prepare with proper soil mixtures, good drainage is important. Your mixtures should be dry and dust free.

This month you should finish all your winter pruning and your trees that are fruit-bearing as needed. Why not start some cuttings during this time?

From now until May is a good time to do cuttings and other propagations. It is getting late to do pine grafting, but that depends on your skill and luck to some degree.

See you at the meeting on the 15th and the workshop on the 19th.



## GSBF CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(For a more complete list, please refer to Golden Statements calendar of events or visit the web site at [www.gsbf-bonsai.org](http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org)).

Some nearby scheduled events are:

### February 26-27 Oakland, California

GSBF Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt: Mammoth Fundraiser, 2011 at the Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue. Saturday (Feb 26), Auction of fabulous bonsai, 1PM-4PM with preview at 12-Noon. Sunday (Feb 27), Mammoth Fundraiser and Bazaar, 9AM-4PM. Round Robin Demonstrations at 1:30PM by Collection Curator, Kathy Shaner and Team. Vendors, a large consignment sale of bonsai and bonsai related items, and several raffle drawings throughout the day. For general information email: [www.bonsailakemerritt@gmail.com](mailto:www.bonsailakemerritt@gmail.com), website: [www.gsbf-bonsai.org/lake-merritt/NewHome.htm](http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/lake-merritt/NewHome.htm) or phone: Randi Keppeler 650-598-0127

### March 19 20 Palo Alto, California

Kusamura Bonsai Club: 51st Annual Show at the Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield Road. Admission is free. Show hours are Saturday: 12-Noon to 5PM, and Sunday: 10AM-5PM. There will be demonstrations, raffles, and club member tree sales both days. Guest Demonstrator to be announced. For more information, contact Jerry Carpenter at 408-557-0166; 408-823-9525 or [jcsf1090@comcast.net](mailto:jcsf1090@comcast.net)

### March 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 San Mateo, California

Bonsai Society of San Francisco: Annual Bonsai Exhibit located in the San Francisco Flower and Garden Show at the San Mateo County Event Center, 1346 Saratoga Drive. General admission to the show is \$20.00. The hours are: Wednesday-Saturday 10AM-7PM and Sunday 10AM-6PM. For more information visit our website [www.bssf.org](http://www.bssf.org). For general information on the Flower and Garden Show visit: [www.sfgardenshow.com](http://www.sfgardenshow.com)

### April 2 San Francisco, California

Bonsai Society of San Francisco Bonsai: *Special Sales*

Event in the Recreation Room of the San Francisco County Fair Building, Ninth Avenue and Lincoln Way in Golden Gate Park. Bonsai and related items will be on sale by club members. Hours are 9AM-3PM. This sale is an addendum to the club's show of March 23-27 at the San Francisco Flower & Garden Show. Free admission; some parking available behind the building. For more information visit our website: [www.bssf.org](http://www.bssf.org)

**April 2-3  
Sacramento, California**

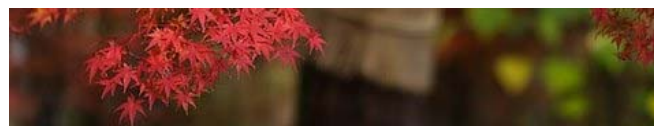
Bonsai Sekiyu Kai of Sacramento: *34th Annual Bonsai Show* at the Sacramento Betsuin Buddhist Church, 2401 Riverside Blvd. Hours are: Saturday, 12-Noon-5:00PM, and Sunday, 10AM-3:30PM. Demonstrations at 2PM, both days by Bonsai Master John Uchida. Amenities include refreshments, light snacks, door prizes, raffles, and a Silent Auction. Plant and bonsai tool sales will also be available. For more information contact Ron Krause at 916-481-4792 or [rkrause@surewest.net](mailto:rkrause@surewest.net)

**April 8-10  
San Jose, California**

**San Jose Betsuin Bonsai Club: 41st Anniversary Exhibition** at the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin, 640 N. 5th Street. Hours are Saturday, Noon-5PM, and Sunday, 11AM-4:PM. A demonstration featuring Harry Hirao, 'Mr. California Juniper' will be at 1PM, both days. The demonstration trees will be raffled at the conclusion of each demonstration. Plants and bonsai material will be available for sale. Free admission. For more information, contact Ken Azuma, 408-730-4506 or [kennethazuma@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kennethazuma@sbcglobal.net)

**April 9-10  
Sacramento, California**

American Bonsai Association: *52nd Annual Show and Sale* at the Shepard Garden and Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd. Hours are Saturday, 10AM-5:00PM, and Sunday, 10AM-4:00PM. Demonstration at 2PM both days by Bonsai Master Bob Shimon. Beginner workshops available, and intermediate and advanced workshops taught by Bob Shimon. Large member and vendor sales areas; raffles and door prizes. Free admission and ample parking. For more information contact Greg McDonald at [Greggandleeanne@comcast.net](mailto:Greggandleeanne@comcast.net) or by phone 530-642-2521.



**YAMATO CLASSIFIEDS**

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**THIS MONTH ...**

A very Happy Birthday to:

**February**

- 4th- Katherine Baggett
- 4th- Tony Hayworth
- 16th- Mark Rhine
- 17th - Thee Kole
- 18th - Gayle Ellis
- 20th - Dan Woodward
- 28th - Lu Bedard

Happy Anniversary and many more  
18th - Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Miu

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# 2011 Yamato Bonsai Kai

## --- MEMBERSHIP REQUEST FORM ---

<b>Request Type:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> New
<b>Membership Type:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
<b>First Name(s):</b>		
<b>Last Name:</b>		
<b>* Address:</b>		
<b>* Phone:</b>		
<b>* Email Contact:</b>		
<b>** Birthday mm/dd:</b>		
<b>** Anniversary mm/dd:</b>	(enter spouse name if single membership)	

\* = **Address, Phone & Email Contact** are only required on New Requests or if you have changed your details in the last year  
 \*\* = **Birthday & Anniversary** = Optional.  
 Used only for newsletter congratulatory announcement

## CONTACT US

If you need to mail anything to the club in general, please send to:

**YAMATO BONSAI KAI**  
**P. O. Box 770**  
**Union City, CA 94587-0770**

If there is anything you would like to contribute or comment on regarding the newsletter, contact the editor, Noah Hanna, at [no-ah@invalidargument.com](mailto:noah@invalidargument.com)

*If you have moved, or changed your email address, please notify Yamato Bonsai Kai, so that we may update our contact and mailing list information. Thank you.*

### Instructions

Enter appropriate information in the provided form. Return this request form in person to the next club meeting or return by mail to:

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To continue your membership and to receive the newsletter uninterrupted, please respond with your membership request form by 28 February.

Make checks payable to "Yamato Bonsai Kai".

### Notes

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**Family** = \$55 (same household)  
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