

Sho Fu Bonsai Society
Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2009

Call to order: 7:13 PM

Announcements:

1.) Erik is on his way to Rochester, New York to participate in a Shohin symposium.
2.) Notices about the October auction have been sent to all the area clubs.
3.) All items submitted for the auction must have tags attached.
4.) A master list of what you have submitted must be turned in to Cindy before the auction.
5.) Anyone who would like to serve as auctioneer, please contact John.
6.) All items submitted for the auction must be here before the start of the meeting.
7.) The November meeting will be held on the first Wednesday in November. Sean Smith will be doing a demo/workshop. His tree will be raffled off at the end of the meeting.
8.) The Holiday party/workshop will be held on December 9.
9.) Our secretary, Barbara Misantone, is making an excellent recovery from her illness.
10.) Jason Osborne, who did the June demo, brought both rain trees, which will be raffled at the December meeting, so that the members can see how the trees are progressing.

New Business

1.) Election of officers for 2010. The nominating committee proposed the following slate:
President: Julie Trigg
Vice President: Mary Madison

Secretary: Barbara Misantone
Treasurer: Cindy Petterson

- 1 - A.) There being no further nominations from the floor, the slate will be voted on at the October meeting.
2.) Silent Auction: Last month's silent auction earned \$351.00 for a total of \$702.00 including the Misantone challenge monies.
3.) Phase 2 of the Selby Exhibit: We have received a quote of \$5,735.00 for completion of phase 2 of the exhibit. Charlie Swedberg will be asked to make a drawing of the proposed gate so that the membership can see what it will look like.

Program:

John Petterson presented a program he called "Bonsai Tools 101". He showed many of the simple and inexpensive solutions we can find in our own garages for tools to use on our trees to achieve the results we desire and reminded us that when using fertilizer read the directions! He followed this talk with a demo on styling a juniper.

Silent Auction:

A number of members, including Mike Knowlton, Willy Weber, Lois Bennett, and Gloria Champer contributed items to the auction. The winners of the items were: Lisa Weber, Kathrin Harris - twice!, Tom Friend, Lunetta Knowlton, Jeff Crago, Mr.&Mrs Melton, Dottie Egan, Pamela Stepsky, Thelma Thompson, Gary Nace, Willy Weber, Richard Dietrich, and Marty Mumma.

Raffle:

Raffle winners were: Jeff Crago, Carol Mayer, Robert Friend, and Pamela Stepski (who won three items!).

Meeting adjourned: 9:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Thelma Thompson, acting secretary