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About Our Club

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai ("Number One" Bonsai Club) was established in January, 1986 and takes great pride in its family-oriented character. Our club is dedicated to promoting the art of bonsai. The club meets on the third Friday of each month at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center, 1670 W. 162nd St., Gardena, at 7:00 P.M.. Each meeting features a bonsai demonstration, benefit drawing and is open to the public. Our annual bonsai show is held on the first weekend in May at the Nakaoka Community Center. Other club activities include: bonsai digs, annual auction, potting parties, and outings to nurseries and private gardens.

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Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Family Annual Picnic

Sunday, July **10, 2011**

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Recreation Park, corner of
Grand & Eucalyptus 401 Sheldon
(near Eucalyptus) El Segundo, CA

See Directions and a Map later in this news letter

9:00 a.m. - Noon

Workshop for trees and ac-
cent plants

Noon—1:00 p.m.

Lunch! Drinks, grilled foods,
eating equipment, and bever-
ages provided by ***Dai Ichi
Bonsai Kai***- please bring a
side dish to feed 10 people.

1 :00 - 2 :00 p.m

Bingo-- Try your luck at win-
ning some of our outstanding
prizes (prize contributions are
always welcome!)

President's Message

by Herb Eisenberg

Summertime, finally!

Ted Matson brought three of his show trees to our June meeting and allowed our members to work on them. It was all part of his discussion on the importance of “space” in our bonsai, in order to enhance the feeling of age and maturity. The lightness of a good inside clean-out, helps our eye read the tree as old and stately.

Coming up on July 10th is the Annual Dai Ichi Picnic at Recreation Park in El Segundo. It's a wonderful family and bonsai summer event. Bring a tree to work on in the morning, perhaps a frisbee to toss around, and then enjoy a great barbeque lunch. After lunch we have a killer Benefit Drawing Bingo Game with lots of cool prizes and fun.

There is a lovely show at LACMA this summer: The Sound of One Hand: Paintings and Calligraphy by Zen Master Hakuin. “The sound of the cuckoo has long been celebrated in Japan as the harbinger of summer, and poets and lovers often waited all night to hear its first call. As the cuckoo is one of those rare birds that sing in flight, the experience of seeing and hearing it together is an additional joy. But what of the monkey? Worse than simply not hearing evil, by blocking his ears he cuts himself off from the world, avoiding any chance of an enlightening moment. Hakuin's haiku refers to his most famous koan:”

Even when not listening,
Lift up one hand—
The cuckoo.

Happy bonsai, Herb

Dai Ichi Thanks

Contributors to the Refreshment Table

Doyle Saito

Contributions to the Benefit Drawing Table

Karen Ohlinder, Carol Upston and
Herb Eisenberg

Refreshments

July

Club Picnic

August

Neil Nguyen

Jonathon Nguyen



Welcome

Welcome to the following new members

Russell Benson

June Club Meeting with Ted Matson



Ted talks about
the importance of
spacing within the
branching of the
tree.



The importance of branch structure and spacing is displayed in the canopy structure of this variegated privet.

Ted used directional pruning in the styling and development of this tree



June Club Meeting with Ted Matson



Yaupon Holly





Podocarpus macrophyllus



Marina Bonsai Club













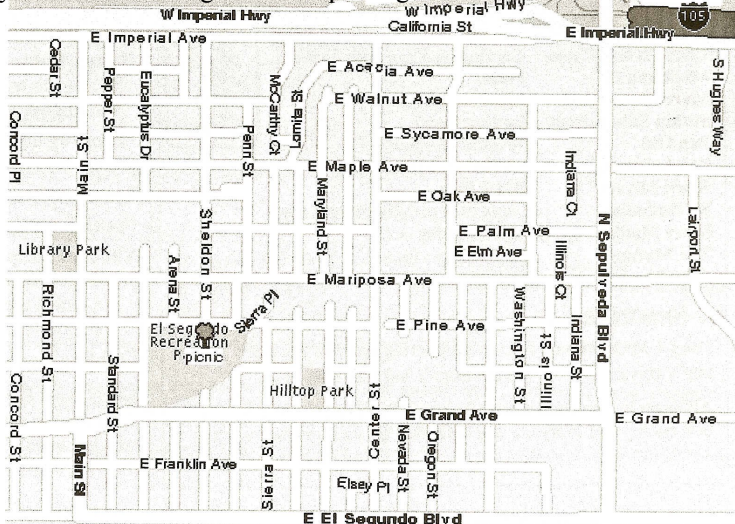
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Directions to the Park

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From the north: Take the 405 South to the 105 West. Get off at the Sepulveda Blvd. South exit, keep going south to Mariposa Ave. (the Hacienda Hotel), turn right (west). Continue west to Sheldon St., turn left (south), you will drive straight into the parking lot.



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*Club Meeting Sunday July 10, 2011 **Club Picnic***

Club Meeting Friday August 19, 2011—Member Workshop

Club Meeting Friday September 16, 2011—Kathy Bensen