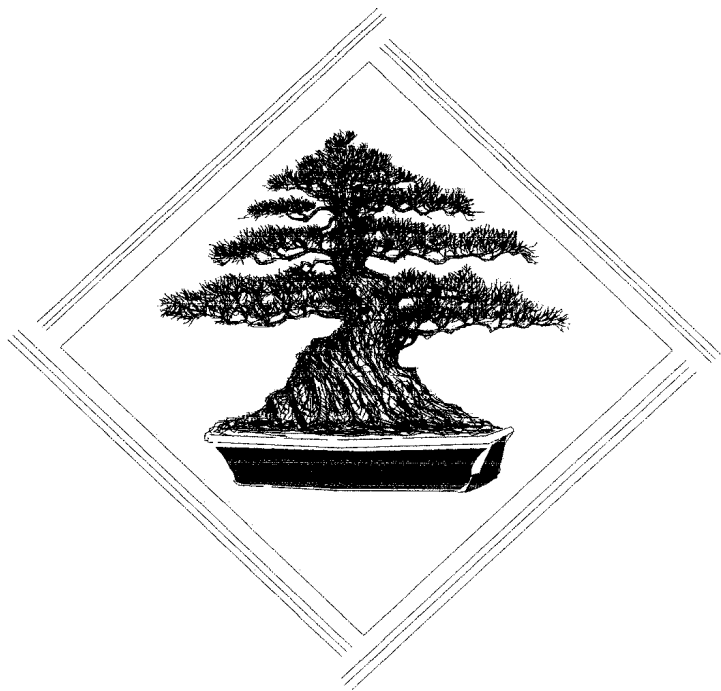


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## *Dai Ichí Bonsai Kai*



*“Serenity Through Bonsai”*

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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.

### 2012 Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Board

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Leila Kusumi (310) 327 0216

**Friday March 16th, 2012 7:00pm**

**Al Nelson**



Our guest demonstrator for March will be the very respected Al Nelson. Al is a skilled bonsai artist and has proven his expert carpentry talent by the dai and tools that he has created.

Al is a long time member of the California Bonsai Society and has studied with many of the Bonsai Masters, including John Naka. Please try not to miss Al's demonstration, it is always full of information and very insightful.

## **President's Message**

by Doyle Saito



### **Daylight Savings Time**

The weather these days is very very strange. One day it's a beautiful 75 degrees, the trees are starting to push flowers and new green shoots and leaves. The next day its 40 degrees and windy cold, rain and hail starts to fall. What do you do with all your trees outside and nowhere to go?

Well, I'm pretty lazy, so let mother nature take its course.

Daylight savings time is upon us, the days are getting longer and we loose a little extra sleep. Those of us who have to work, we get a little extra time at night to work on our trees.

The May show is just around the corner, check your trees and find the best tree that is ready for the show. Look around your tables for anything extra you may want to sell or donate to the club for the benefit drawing. If you have any questions about the show, bring in your tree and dai and the our members will help.

Doyle

# **Dai Ichi Thanks**

## **Contributions to the Benefit Drawing Table**

Carol Upston—The Moss Factory

Doyle Saito, John Van de Wouw, Kei Ikari

Herb Eisenberg, Chikugo-En Bonsai Nursery

## **Contributions to the Refreshment Table**

CJ Hormatz, Mark Levinstein, Tom Culton

and Leila Kusumi, Doyle Saito

# **Refreshments**

## **March**

Carl Crouse

Kei Ikari

## **April**

Lei Vinya

Kevin Sweeney



# Ben Oki and Air Layering



Ben talks about the technique of air layering a cork bark pine.

The wip inserted into the seedling. Cut paste and grafting tape added to seal the graft





Ben cuts the  
bark down to  
the cambium  
around the  
area to air  
layer



# Ben Oki and Air Layering

Ben prepares  
his special  
wrap  
A Ralphs or  
Vons plastic  
bag



Ben places the wet sphagnum  
moss around the cut and wraps the  
moss in the plastic bag cuttings  
around the wound







Ken Nakaoka Community Center  
1670 W. 162<sup>nd</sup> St., Gardena

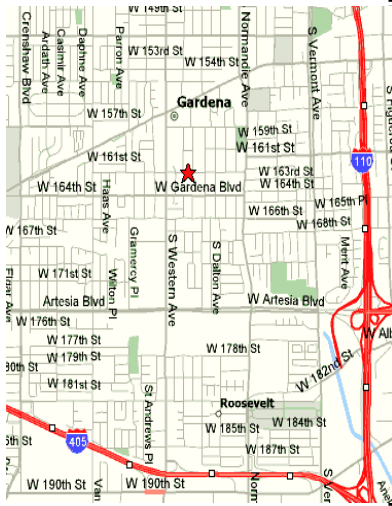
## Saturday, May 5

## Sunday, May 6

10:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. Show & Sales Area Open  
1:00 P.M. Mr. Frank Goya, Saikei Demonstration

Call (310) 539-9265 for more information.

405 Freeway or Artesia Boulevard (91 Freeway) to Western Avenue. Western Avenue north to 162nd Street. Turn east (right) on 162nd Street to the Ken Nakaoka Community Center, located on the south side of 162nd Street at 1670 W. 162nd Street.



# Coming Events

**March 24-25 2012**

**San Marino, California**

## **55th Bonsai Exhibition by the California Bonsai Society**

Friends Hall Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens

1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, California

A preview Show of our 55th Anniversary Convention.

Exhibition dates: March 24 and 25 10:00am to 4:30pm.

**April 11-15 2012**

**Garden Grove, California**

## **California Bonsai Society: 55th Annual Convention and Show**

Crown Plaza Anaheim Resort, 12021 Harbor Blvd.

Starring the Iron Men of Naka - Frank Goya, Harry Hirao, Shig Miya, Ben Oki, and Richard Ota. Also featuring Tomohiro Masumi, Ryan Neil, Cheryl Manning, Kenji Miyata, David Nguy, Kathy Shaner, and the members of CBS. There will be workshops, demonstrations, auctions, drawings, a huge vendor area, and prizes & awards for early registration. For registration information contact Elizabeth Partch at [elizabethpartch@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabethpartch@yahoo.com).

**April 26, 27, 28, 29**

**Costa Mesa, California**

## **Orange Empire Bonsai Society: Bonsai Exhibition at the 23rd Annual Spring Garden Show at the South Coast Plaza, 3333 Bear Street.**

The show dates and times are Thursday and Friday from 10AM-9PM, Saturday from 10AM-8PM and Sunday 11AM-6:30PM. There will be a traditional display of bonsai trees with accent plants, along with an ongoing bonsai trimming demonstration. Al Nelson will conduct a saikei workshop seminar. The date and time are forthcoming. For more information please contact David Nadzam at [dnadzam@socal.rr.com](mailto:dnadzam@socal.rr.com) or 714-345-6966.

**May 5-6**

**Gardena, California**

## **Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai: Annual Exhibit "Serenity Through Bonsai" at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center, 1670 W. 162nd St.**

Hours are 10AM-4PM, both days. Novice to master bonsai exhibits. There will be a round-robin demonstration at 1PM Saturday, and a saikei demonstration by Frank Goya at 1PM on Sunday. The demonstration items will be in a benefit drawing, which will follow each demonstration.

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai is a proud member of the Golden State Bonsai Federation  
<http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/>

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22720 Eastwood St  
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*Club Meeting Friday March 16 2012—Al Nelson*  
*Club Meeting Friday April 20, 2012—Peter Macasieb*  
*Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Show and Sale May 5th and 6th 2012*