



DAI ICHI BONSAI KAI

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*On the Cover | Ed Walters working with Glen and Carol Takahashi on their Tamarisk.
Inside Cover | Michael Izumoto working on his Juniper.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai is restarting an ancient club tradition that had been lost to the ages. While I wasn't looking, it seems that a group of club movers and shakers have organized a holiday potluck for our upcoming meeting in November. This is a great idea! I know from experience




that we have some of the best potlucks around. The culinary refined like to say, *it's not the restaurant but the people with whom you share your that makes the experience*, but hey, at DIBK we have both. Not only do we have great people, but because we are such a diverse club we also have some of the best food around. Please whip up a tasty dish and let's talk story and play a game I can honestly say I have never played before, Bonsai Bingo.

I understand that our club was well represented at the Golden State Bonsai Federation's annual convention. DIBK is a member club and we support GSBF multiple ways. We participate in the political aspects of GSBF by casting our vote against a slate of proposed candidates who will fill the GSBF board, we donate items to the GSBF raffles in order to contribute financially for GSBF operating expenses which come back to benefit DIBK, and knowing our DIBK club members, I can only assume that they volunteered their time and muscle to make the convention a great experience for all. I am also quite confident that our members bought a lot of raffles tickets, too!

This month I will keep the President's message short, like the Fall days that we now find ourselves in. Continue to see to your tree's needs, plan to bring a tasty dish to our potluck, and in this time of year be Thankful for your lot in life, dream big, and be charitable to one and all.

John van de Wouw

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President
Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai



Our October event was a workshop meeting, so DIBK members came prepared with their tools, materials, and a lot of passion. Members brought in everything from established material in need of minor refinement, to nursery stock that required full, initial styling. Advice and inspiration was given freely, and members went home with trees that were vastly improved.

CLUB WORKSHOP







NOVEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY BONSAI BINGO POTLUCK

Friday, November 18th

Celebrating the holidays early this year, DIBK will be having it's Holiday Party/ Potluck at the November meeting. Members are asked to bring a food dish to the meeting. Food suggestions to bring:

- Main Dishes
- Side Dishes
- Salads
- Deserts
- Drinks
- Snacks

If you have any questions about what dish to bring, please contact Doyle at 310.940.0482.

We will also be having a Bonsai Bingo event, where everyone will be playing for some fantastic prizes and some major bonsai fun!

Be sure to attend our last big blowout of the year!

EVENTS

**Sunday, Nov 27, 2016
California Bonsai Society Sale**

Yamaguchi Bonsai Nursery
1905 Sawtelle Boulevard

Hours: 9 AM – 1 PM

Setup will be Saturday, November 26 from 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Interested DIBK members are encouraged to arrive early to assist sales staff.

**Dec 26 – 30, 2016
California Aiseki Kai 27th Annual Show**

The Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino
Hours: 10:30 AM – 4:30 PM

For more information, visit:
www.aisekikai.com or contact
sashaichris@gmail.com

**February 25-26, 2016
Bonsai-A-Thon XXI**
The Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road

Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Admission to the event is free with Bonsai-A-Thon "early bird" registration between 8 AM – 9 AM. Pancake breakfast, demonstrations, lunch, bonsai exhibits, large sales area, raffle and auction.

For more information visit www.gsbfhuntington.com

GRATITUDE

*Thank you to all of the members who contributed.
The club truly appreciates your generosity and giving spirit.*

Benefit Drawing Contributors
The Salas Family

Refreshment Contributors
Doyle Saito, Allan Sugimura
Jason Saito

Refreshment Signup for November

Please fee free to bring your favorite yummys. Nom nom nom.

Please remember to sign the contribution sheet so that we may acknowledge your generosity.

ABOUT DAI ICHI BONSAI KAI

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai ("Number One" Bonsai Club) was established in January, 1986. Our club is dedicated to promoting the art of bonsai, and takes great pride in its family-oriented character.

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 the public is welcome.

www.daiichibonsaikai.com

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or anyone with an appreciation for bonsai.***

Do you have any comments, questions, or submissions? If so, please contact:
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