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Message from the President Barbara French-Lee, SDBC President

Happy New Year to everyone. We have an educational, fun and exciting year planned for our membership. I hope you will participate in all the club has to offer. We also need your help in keeping this club at its best, this means we need your help in mentoring new members, serving on committees that upgrade our services and sharing your expertise with us. I'm looking forward to hearing from you about how the club meets your needs as well as how we can improve our educational and social opportunities.

It is winter in San Diego and for some that means a deep freeze, other occasional short freezes, and for some, cold nights where we can get some frost hours for our trees that

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need frost hours to be at their best over years. Our bonsai need different levels of protection; if a freeze for more than

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Next Meeting: 1/13 Kathy Shaner

Abe Far, SDBC 1st VP

I am very happy to say that we start our series of 2019 demonstrations on January 13th with one of the most talented bonsai artists, *Kathy Shaner*. *Ms. Shaner* is well known in bonsai society around



the world, especially in California and at the San Diego Bonsai Club.

We are very fortunate to have her in our January program: her knowledge, her wonderful personality, and her generosity of sharing and making it easy for all listeners to learn about the art of bonsai.

Upcoming Trip:

Winter Silhouettes Bonsai Show January 19, 2019

Kyle Icke, VP of Special Projects & Abe Far, First VP

Let's celebrate the new year by taking a trip on Saturday January 19, 2019 to the Winter Silhouettes show. This is a unique bonsai show. Since the trees have no leaves to cover any unpleasant branches, the trees have to be perfect in structure and form to be ready for show. It will be an exciting experience for all bonsai lovers. We are invited to dinner and to participate in their auction and raffle. San Diego Bonsai Club members always take some bonsai-related items and some kind of dessert for the evening dinner.

This will be a wonderful experience and a fun trip. I encourage everybody to sign up.

The cost of the trip is \$40 for SDBC members. On the way up, we will visit the Bonsai Jidai Collection, *David* and *June Nguy*'s Nursery. The bus departs Balboa Park at 11:00 am sharp and Carlsbad at 11:30 am. We will be back in Balboa Park at 11:00 pm.

To sign up, please see *Kyle Icke* at our regular club meeting or call *Kyle Icke* at 858-699-8668. You may also sign up on our website: <u>sandiegobonsaiclub.com</u>.

SDBC Website: sandiegobonsaiclub.com

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San Diego Bonsai Club Spring Show Sat-Sun, April 27-28

Kyle Icke, VP of Special Projects & Abe Far, First VP

Our Spring Show is on Saturday April 27th and Sunday April 28th! We are open to the public on Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Set up starts on Thursday afternoon. On Friday, we bring our trees for show and/or sale. We need security, cashiers for plant sale, grading crew at the door and membership table. On Sunday, after 5:00 pm, we need lots of help to take down the show. We will have signup sheets at the registration table at the March and April meetings. Do not hesitate. None of the jobs require any expertise, so please sign up to volunteer and don't forget to sign up to show your trees!

On Saturday evening, we will have a party for club members and our guests from Southern California clubs. Please sing up to RSVP if you plan to attend, and we will need to have lots of items for the raffle and auction that will take place during this event.

This is our show and I would like that all the club members get involved and enjoy the show.

Let's make our show another success!

Learning Oportunities Abe Far. First VP

The San Diego Bonsai Club is reaching another level in educating our members in the art of bonsai. Every month in 2019 (except May and October) our club will recruit a well-known bonsai artist to conduct a presentation during our monthly meetings. In addition, we will have two workshops: morning and afternoon. This is a wonderful opportunity for our members to have a one-on-one workshop with a bonsai master. Take advantage of this unique occasion; educate yourselves to a higher level in the art of bonsai. Bring your trees to a workshop and change it to a piece of art that gives you satisfaction.

Each month we will have eight spots available: four from 8:30 to 10:30 am and four from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

In January, we start the year with *Kathy Shaner*. In February, *Cheryl Manning*, in March, *Uyen Troung*, and in April, *Bob Pressler*.

The cost for these workshops is \$30 per member. You can sign up on our club website, at our regular meeting, or call or email *Abe Far* at 619-384-0004, email Abe_Far@yahoo.com.

San Diego Bonsai Club Treasurer's Report 1/1/18 - 12/2918

Jaya Kaelberer, Treasurer

The following is a condensed income statement showing our year-to-date revenue and expenses. A detailed version will be available at the next meeting.

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE	
SDBC Checking	\$51,513.50
Japanese Friendship Garden	2,366.37
Bonsai Pavilion Checking	14,632.32
TOTAL FUNDS:	\$68,512.19
REVENUE	
Amazon Smile Donation	\$84.68
Donations	\$1,778.00
Education	8,591.42
Fair Awards	\$575.00
Membership	6,058.35
Raffle & Auction	8,463.46
Fall Show Sale	3,556.39
Spring Show Sale	3,358.44
Bus Trips	11,008.08
Tool Table	3,452.36
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$46,926.18
EXPENSES	
Bonsai Pavilion	\$724.97
Education	3,389.87
Japanese Friendship Garden	1,447.26
Library	235.11
Membership	851.74
Monthly Program	3,983.87
Newsletter	618.70
Power-of-One Convention	295.00
San Diego Fair	707.31
Insurance	1,210.00
SDBC Operating Expenses	1,600.48
Fall Show	54.19
Spring Show	922.15
Bus Trips	11,956.73
Sales Tax	996.00
Tool Table	2,215.77
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$31,209.15
NET INCOME (LOSS):	\$15,717.03

SDBC Education: Bill Graham, SDBC VP of Education

Welcome to 2019! I think we have another great year in the making and I look forward to spending it with you! I have Beginners Classes, Intermediate and Advanced Workshops in the pipeline. I think you will be pleased and excited when you see what is planned. I know I am!

Beginning Classes:



Our first quarter beginning classes for the year has COMPLETELY SOLD OUT and has a waiting list. We will be working on Chinese elms (Ulmus parvifolia) with **Brenda Crann** as lead instructor. If you have



signed up please be on time or a few minutes early. The class starts at 8:30 am in Room 104. Observers are always welcome. Even if you do not get in to the class, you can still observe and learn.

New members are always excited about taking the beginners classes, and several have asked to be put on a waiting list for the next class. If you are a new member please note that sign-up sheets for all classes and workshops are first available at the Bonsai Club meeting TWO months before the classes/workshops are held. We do not start a waiting list until after the sign-up sheet has been put out at the meeting and filled.

Intermediate Skills Workshops

January Workshop – Club Repotting:

As part of the January meeting, the club will be hosting its annual repot day. We will be doing this both before and after the business meeting. Bring a tree that needs to be repotted. The club will provide soil and help as needed. Please limit yourself to a max of two trees!

February Workshop – Olives

We have some nice large shohin / small chuhin sized olive trees. *John Jackson* has graciously offered his time and services as instructor. *John* has many years of experience with olives and will no doubt lead you to creating a beautiful tree. I brought some examples to the December meeting and you had a chance to see how nice are these trees. There are pictures of these trees on the website, <u>sandiegobonsaiclub.com/workshops--</u> <u>skills-classes.html</u>. There are a few spots left, so sign up and don't miss out!! These trees have a nice start and are really looking good. The sign-up sheet will be at the January meeting. You can also purchase your spot on the website.

March Workshop - JBP

We will again have our own master of the Japanese black pine, Fred Miyahara, presenting a workshop. This class is limited to 7 people. We have some young seed grown pines that have had a nice start. Fred will bring his many years of experience and training to help guide you to your own future masterpiece. The cost is only \$35. Sign-up sheets will be at the January meeting.



Charlie Tamm's JBP

Reminder

A reminder that all beginning classes, workshops and skills classes are taught from 8:30 am to 10:15 am (unless a time change is specified) on club meeting days at Balboa Park. Also, don't forget to bring any trees that you would like some help or advice on from our excellent bonsai masters at the club. Help is located in the back of Room 101 to the right of the stage.

If you have any ideas that can improve our programs or have skills that you would like to share please contact *me* at the monthly meeting or at wfgraham3rd@gmail. com.

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a day place bonsai tucked in next to your house, in an empty garage,

storage shed or greenhouse. Keep moist but not overly wet. Fertilize lightly with low nitrogen on a regular basis. Don't forget to use a dormant oil spray each month for three winter months to keep insects and viruses under control. Always read the label before applying any commercial pest control or fertilizer to your bonsai tree. Spray branches, trunk and soil. For evergreens hose off oil after a few hours so plant can continue to photosynthesize. Not necessary for trees without leaves. A winter freeze and low temperatures are good for the continuing health of our trees. Temperate and tropical climate trees need more protection and can be brought inside for the freeze periods.

Take Stock of Your Stock

Sonya Holmquist, SDBC Librarian

January is the perfect time to inventory your trees and develop a work plan for the coming year. <u>Click here for</u> <u>a sample inventory sheet</u>. The club library has other resources to help you.

For the best time of year to repot your trees:	Bonsai Techniques I, John Naka
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Want to change the pot:	 Bonsai Techniques II, John Naka: there's a long discussion of pots, followed by a simple, summary chart.
	 Bonsai: The Complete Guide to Art and Technique, <i>Paul Lesniewicz</i>: contains a nice chart of pot shapes matched to the basic styles of bonsai.
	 Bonsai Ideas, <i>Marty Mann</i>: selection of shapes and color, plus cleaning and aging of pots.
Improve the style of your tree at repotting time:	Change the front, change its angle, clean up the roots. Developing your bonsai aesthetic can be helped by closely examining trees in shows, both in person and in publications. Try to figure out why the tree is successful. Will you remember it? We have:
	Several years of The Best Bonsai in Europe,
	Kokofu Bonsai shows from 1975-2006,
	The 2015 Artisan's Cup, and
	Gafu-ten Bonsai show.
	 The magazines of the major bonsai associations always have great photos of shows: Golden State Bonsai Federation (Golden Statements), Bonsai Europe (Bonsai Focus), Bonsai American Bonsai Society (Bonsai) and BCI (Bonsai & Stone Appreciation) – we have these and many more.
For a discussion on the	
principles of bonsai aesthetics:	• Bonsai Masterclass, Peter Chan.
	Wabi Sabi, Leonard Koren.
Winter care:	 The winter 2019 issue of Golden Statements has two good articles on winter care, including several internet links for more information.
NEW BOOKS:	We want to thank the family of <i>Jack</i> and <i>Phyllis Desy</i> for the gift of their bonsai library. We added the following books to the club library (others will be added to the raffle table in the coming months):
	 Miniature Bonsai, A Complete Guide to Cultivating Tiny Bonsai, Lin Kuo- Cheng
	 Miniatures and Bonsai, <i>Philip Perl</i> and the Editors of Time-Life Books
	Handbook on Bonsai: Special Techniques, Brooklyn Botanic Garden Record
	 Bonsai (In cooperation with the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens), Susan M. Bachenheimer Resnick
	Indoor Bonsai, Brooklyn Botanic Garden Record
	 Bonsai Gems, International Bonsai Digest. This publication celebrates the 1974 National Bonsai Convention sponsored by The American Bonsai Society and Bonsai Clubs International, and includes articles by and about some of our favorite bonsai masters: <i>Jim Barrett, Harry Hirao, Ben Oki</i>, and <i>John Naka</i> (a 10-page article with photos and illustrations of Naka's two forest demonstrations).



The wonderful holidays of December and January are winding down but activities at the Bonsai Pavilion are as active and productive as can possibly be. Thanks to the participation of many of our volunteers — we were even able to leave the Pavilion on January 5th before the rains started in again and got several projects completed: several precious, old junipers were repotted and catalogued, the two ponds were cleaned of algae and leaves, weeding and dead leaves were removed from deciduous bonsai, and a couple of the bench/tables were stabilized and raised a little higher with concrete blocks to discourage visitors from sitting on them. There has been a greater influx of visitors to the Pavilion these past months and more watchful care by security, staff, and volunteers is needed and always appreciated.

Special 2018 appreciation to our holiday volunteers who have also joined in the new year activities: Thanks always to: Neil Auwarter, Alan Burrows, Jenny Chin, Julia Chow, Sally & Steve Dischinger, Cathy & Mark Edgar, Bob Hale, Sonya Holmquist, John Jackson, Jaya Kaelberer, Jim & Sue Kirchmer, Bob & Janet Liggett, David Meyer, Charlie & Sylvia Mosse, Janet & Ron Palmer, Sally Prestele, Clare & Ron Roberts, Dan Sola, 'lyn Stevenson, Yoichiro Suemori, & Dave Woodall. Special, delicious, edible treats were supplied by Jenny, John, Janet Liggett, Cathy Edgar, Julia, Clare & Ron Roberts, & 'lyn.

Thanks also to our photographers for sharing our activities in the Bonsai Wire and on the SDBC web site.

With the start of 2019, the Zoo-Safari Park requires all volunteers to renew their I.D. cards and credentials and take special short classes re radio, harassment, and environment training (via internet or at the volunteer office). Staff member, *Lori Scott*, from the Safari Volunteer Office, attends our work sessions in January and facilitates the



This Juniper foemina forest was donated by Ted Schwartz, a prominent member of the SDBC, at the 2011 Pavilion Opening. Jim Kirchmer, long time member and strong supporter of the club, adopted the forest 7 years ago and maintains it to this day. The first photo was in 2006 at the SDBC Fall Show. It was restyled before it was donated) The second photo, which is how the forest was styled when it was donated in 2011, was taken in 2013 with the forest re-potted into a larger, lower profile pot and just before the larger tree was added. The third photo was just taken December 2018. It shows larger tree planted on the right. The original main tree, that is mostly shari and jin, had a rotten hollow in the lower 1/4 of the trunk. Jim sculpted some bondo in the rotten area making it look like the trunk should look. Jim's daughter-in-law, a local artist, colored the bondo to very closely match the rest of the trunk.

renewal process with us. (It is much easier than obtaining a CA Driver License and there are many great perks for us in return). We look forward to other SDBC members joining our Pavilion Bonsai team in 2019. Always Welcome!

BCI CONVENTION mulhouse, france

Mulhouse is a charming small town in the Alsace region of France, near the Swiss border. In the past it was a major textile town that from several hundred years ago to today created elaborately designed cotton textiles for people all over Europe. Each design was elaborately hand carved onto a large piece of wood, an art unto itself, and then placed into a large wooden structure through which the design was stamped onto the fabric. Throughout this small town there were buildings from the 1500s, numerous parks with large trees, cafes and short meandering streets. It was in this setting that the BCI Convention was held.

The majority of the events were set in the Parc Expo area with a convention building, small tents and a large play area for children. In this area bonsai and Sogetsu Ikebana demonstrations were held and exhibits of bonsai, suiseki, and kusamona were displayed. This is also where four of the trees created many years ago by *John Naka* were displayed. These trees are now in various private collections in Europe and were brought together for this event. *John Naka* has a special place in bonsai knowledge as a number of people in California were trained by him. A quote, attributed to him, was particularly informative to me, "If you have the choice between following the Japanese rules or those of nature, always choose nature."

An unusual bonsai display was created by the French Bonsai Federation by placing bonsai in semi darkness, in water under a starry sky. Lighting was used to create the experience of day to night over the entire display. A favorite experience of the attendees.

Besides bonsai exhibits at this venue there were also bonsai displays at the Mulhouse Art Museum and the



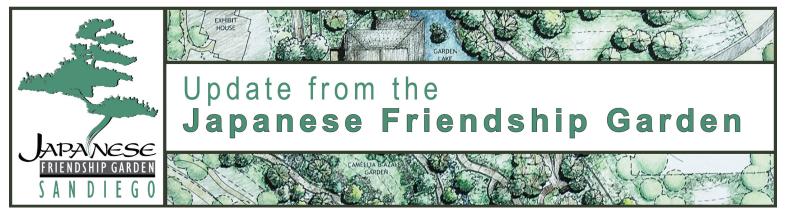


Mulhouse zoo. A shuttle moved regularly between these three locations. And for the car lovers a gala in the most famous automobile museum in the world, Cite de l'Automobile.

Yamadori, loosely defined as trees collected from the wild with the unspoken idea that the stresses of nature were involved in it's shaping, was the focus of the Convention, although other trees were also displayed, most of the demonstrations were on trees collected from the European hills and mountains. People in Europe have a great benefit of good bonsai material as they have vast mountain ranges to find yamadori as well as being able to import trees from Japan with no or few restrictions. People I spoke with were very respectful of the trees and areas from which they took trees and wanted to be sure they could survive the transplanting. Some of the yamadori displayed were quite large when dug spanning at least 3'X3'. The preferred soil for their bonsai appeared to be acadama and pumice.

Next year the BCI Convention will be located in two places; Guiyang, China and Inner Mongolia for stones. Check out their website if interested. Always a great experience.

Barbara French-Lee, SDBC President



Neil Auwarter, JFG Curator



Neil Auwarter, Mori Suemori and Sylvia Mosse removing unwanted and weak growth inside the branches without removing too much. This allows for better air circulation, better penetration of insecticides and more of the trees energy goes into the more desirable foliage.



Azaleas bloom sporadically but continually throughout the year. The Garden has hundreds of Azaleas planted around the garden. Just imagine the main blooming season late winter through spring. A riot of color.

Re-potting at Safari Park on January 5th



Upcoming Trip: Bonsai-A-Thon Trip February 23, 2019

Kyle Icke, VP of Special Projects & Abe Far, First VP



The 2019 Bonsai-A-Thon is scheduled for February 23 and 24 at the Huntington Garden and Museum, which houses the Golden State Bonsai Federation Bonsai Collection in Southern California.

In addition to the wonderful bonsai exhibits, there will be demonstrations, workshops, and a large vendor area. At the end of each day, an auction and raffle well be held. Breakfast is served from 7:00 to 9:00 am and lunch from 12:00 to 1:30 pm at a minimal cost. Meals are open for those who wish to partake. Garden tours are scheduled at 10:00 am on both days.

Our bus trip to Bonsai-A-Thon will be on Saturday, February 23, 2019. We will depart from Balboa Park at 7:00 am sharp and Carlsbad at 7:30 am. We will be back in Balboa Park about 7:00 pm. The cost is \$40 for club members.

This is a fundraising event for our collection; please bring some items for the raffle and auction.

To sign up, please see Kyle Icke at our regular club meeting or call Kyle Icke at 858-699-8668. You may also sign up on club website: sandiegobonsaiclub.com.

Upcoming Programs

- February: In February, our presenter will be Cheryl Manning. *Ms. Manning* has been passionate about the art of bonsai for many years.
- March: Uyen Troung

- **April:** Bob Pressler
- May: Safari Park
- June: David Nguy
- July 7: Jonas Dupuich
- August 11: John Wong

Abe Far, SDBC 1st VP

- September 8: Peter Mascasieb
- October 13: Lake Poway
- November 10: Roy Nagatoshi
- December 15: Styling Competition

SDBC Mtg, Minutes

December Meeting

Nancy Wilson-Ramón, SDBC Secretary

- Call to Order/Determine Quorum Barbara French-Lee called the meeting to order at 10:29. A quorum was present.
- 2. Installation of Officers: Dan Sola installed 2019 SDBC Officers:
 - President Barbara French-Lee
 - First VP Abe Far
 - VP Education William "Bill" Graham
 - VP Membership Keith Carter
 - Secretary Jack Graham
 - Treasurer Jaya Kaelberer

The term begins January 2019. Kyle Icke, VP Special Projects will be installed at the January meeting.

- 3. Approval of November 2018 Minutes: Minutes were approved as printed in The Bonsai Wire.
- 4. Presidents Remarks Barb thanked everyone who has worked for the club this year. The current board worked very hard and we have a great new incoming board.
- 5. Board Member Reports:
 - a. 1ST VP Program, Darryl Elmer Today is the styling competition and tree decorating contest. We have 4 teams competing. Kathy Shaner is coming in January along with our annual repotting (limit two per person) event. Individual sessions with Kathy are also available. February is Cheryl Manning who will also be available for individual sessions.
 - b. VP Education, Bill Graham We have the styling competition and the final juniper class today. Thanks to Brenda for filling in for Mark Edgar leading the juniper class and all those who helped. The January Beginners elm class is full. Brenda will be teaching the class. Repotting in January and Kathy Shaner has a bring your own tree session. Kathy Shaner individual sessions will be \$30 for 30 minutes and \$60 for 60 minutes. See Bill to sign up. February workshop will be olives with John Jackson. Bill highlighted some of the trees he has lined up for 2019.

- c. VP Special Events, Abe Far Please pay for Winter Silhouettes January 19th today. The Bonsai-a-thon trip is February 23rd. Please sign up and pay for these events either here or on the website. Please write clearly in case we need to contact you.
- d. VP Membership Keith Carter We have 373 current members and 6 new members today with one of our new members joining us today for their first meeting. We are collecting 2019 dues at beginning today. The dues will remain the same as this year.
- e. Treasurer, Janice Hale Janice is still tending to her parents in Northern California. Here is the financial report she provided:
 - San Diego Bonsai Club: \$48,461.98
 - Japanese Friendship Garden: \$2366.37
 - Safari Park Bonsai Pavilion: \$14,686.74
 - Total: \$65,515.09
 - Year-To-Date Net Income: \$12,719.93
 - A year-to-date income statement is available for review if anyone is interested.
- 5. Committee Reports:
 - Bylaws: Committee meeting is after this meeting today. Please attend or see a committee member for input.
- 6. Reports from Appointed Positions:
 - a. Hospitality Sue Carter thanked everyone for bringing food today. Please pick up dishes and leftovers. Sue must leave today so needs help with cleanup after this meeting and for most meetings. Anyone who can help, please see Sue.
- 7. Unfinished Business none
- 8. New Business none

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Program Introduction: Styling Competition was introduced by Darryl.

Membership Update Keith Carter, SDBC VP of Membership

It's time to renew your memberships for 2019. The dues will remain at \$30 for an individual and \$35 for two members of a family. Any additional family members are \$5 each. Remember, you must have a current active membership to be eligible to participate in club activities such as the upcoming Winter Silhouettes and Bonsai-A-Thon trips.

Welcome to our newest members: *Gary Copson, Derek McCann, Lori & Andrew Donchak, John & Maggie Holloway, Brenda Hetherington, George & Hannah Yen, Samuel & Jezzy Deck* and *William & Lynn Bradford*. With these additions, the club's roster is now at 379 current members.

Be sure to sign the attendance sheet at the door at each meeting so we can have an accurate count of member participation.

Other Bonsai Activities

- January 19th & 20th <u>Baikoen Bonsai Kenkyukai</u>: "Winter Silhouettes" the 55th Annual Exhibition, Arcadia.
- February 2nd & 3rd <u>Orange Empire Bonsai</u> <u>Society</u>'s 1st Annual Bonsai Exhibition, Corona Del Mar.
- February 16th & 17th <u>GSBF Bonsai Garden at</u> <u>Lake Merritt</u>: The Annual Mammoth Auction and Sale Fundraiser, Oakland.
- February 23rd & 24th <u>Bonsai-A-Thon XXIIII at the</u> <u>Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens</u>, San Marino.
- March 23rd & 24th Bay Area Bonsai Associates 38th Annual Bonsai Exhibition, Oakland.
- April 6th & 7th <u>Bonsai Sekiyu Kai</u>'s 42nd Annual Show, Sacramento.
- April 27th & 28th <u>Kusamura Bonsai Club</u>'s 59th Annual Show, Palo Alto.
- April 28th Watsonville Bonsai Club's 46th Annual Bonsai Exhibit, Watsonville.
- May 4th & 5th <u>Sacramento Bonsai Club</u> Annual Spring Show, Sacramento.
- May 18th & 19th Satsuki Aikokai Association of Sacramento Annual Show, Sacramento.
- June 1st & 2nd <u>Sei Boku Bonsai Kai</u>'s 36th Annual Show, San Mateo.

Gearing Up for Repolling at the January Meeting

Bill Graham, VP of Education



Bob Hale, Gary Jones, Charlie Mosse and myself mixed 105 gallons of soil at **Charlie**'s. The soil mixes will be for the re-potting workshop at the January meeting, for availability on the tool table, and for future use. Small mix is still needed to be mixed due to the shortage of small scoria. **Gary** came up with a great idea to change the medium mix. It is much improved with a better size range of particles to better promote fine root growth but maintain good drainage.

SDBC Board Mtg, Minutes – December 4 Sonya Holmquist, SDBC Librarian

- Motion at December 4, 2018 Board Meeting: Motion: That the Club provide Bill Graham with \$100 a month and Gary Jones with \$10 a month to cover water and material expenses for the Club trees in their care. Reimbursement will be made quarterly. This payment will be reviewed at least annually. Passed unanimously.
- The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on January 15, 2019 at the Denny's restaurant in Mira Mesa at 6:30 pm. Board meetings are open to all members of the San Diego Bonsai Club.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Mtg. Agenda:

January 13

8:30 - 10:15 am Beginner Class 1: Chinese Elms	
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	Prado
9:00 - 10:25 am	104
Library Open	
8:30 - 10:20 am	
Kathy Shaner BYOT Workshop	
8:30 - 10:20 am	
Re-potting Workshop	
9:00 - 10:20 am	
Bonsai Assistance: John Voss	
10:30 - 11:00 am	
Business Meeting	Prado
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	101
Kathy Shaner - Part 1	
12:00 - 12:30 pm	
Raffle & Refreshment	
12:30 - 1:30 pm	
Kathy Shaner - Part 2	
1:30 - 3:30 pm	
Kathy Shaner BYOT Workshop	

SDBC Upcoming Events:

Regular Meeting: Kathy Shaner
Safari Park Work Day
Winter Silhouettes Bus Trip
Safari Park Work Day
Regular Meeting: Cheryl Manning
Bonsai-a-Thon Trip
Safari Park Work Day
Regular Meeting: Uyen Truong
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2019 Meeting & Show Dates

• Aug 11

Mettings: • Jan 13

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