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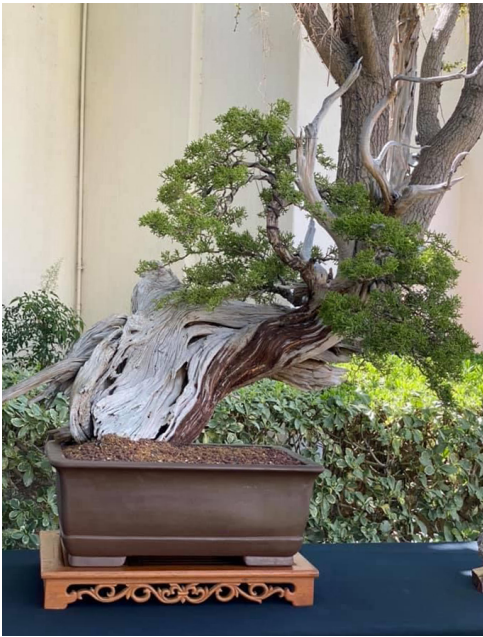
MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE MEETING

Meeting again at the Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 S. State College Blvd., Anaheim, east classroom, 6 PM on Saturday, June 19

Meetings Resume June 19th!! (we hope)

Santa Anita Bonsai Society is having a Show!! (we hope)

The Bowers Museum Makes A Film of our Trees



I'm happy to announce that we have scheduled a Kofu Kai meeting for Saturday June 19 at 6 pm at our regular meeting place and room.

This will be like our usual board meetings but everyone is invited; members, supporters, anyone.

We will talk about the current state of Kofu Kai, which is good, our relationship with the Bowers, which is also good, and will try to get a sense of what we want the club to be like going forward.

How often do we want to meet, do we still want to have raffles, will we be able to have an auction this year, do we still want to have a holiday party? Many questions.

I sincerely hope that all of the club officers will be able to join us for this in-person meeting.

Of course everything is still tenuous and the church asks that we observe their Covid protocols which may change of course before the end of June. For now, expect to bring a mask with you just in case and also bring your own water or coffee or whatever; we won't be having refreshments. I can't require you to be vaccinated but I sincerely hope that you are.

Are we going to have a show this year? Maybe. The Bowers very much wants us to continue to hold our annual exhibit there but they're hesitant to set a date yet. They've had to close and open so many times and they don't want to have to cancel our event at the last minute. BUT I seriously request of everyone who has previously shown trees to get a tree ready and keep it groomed. if a date is offered, I'm going to say 'yes we can' and who knows how much lead time there will be.

I am happy to say that the Santa Anita Bonsai Society is holding their annual show over the three day Memorial weekend as usual. I hope all of you will make plans to attend. I'll be showing a tree there and I trust that some of you will also participate.

Carol Upston

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Recently the Bowers asked us to set up some trees in the courtyard so they could do a little film for their virtual Cherry Blossom Festival. Stalwart club members Jim Pierce, Tak Nakamura, Tom Vuong and his wife Hannah and Gary Lai joined me there and a video was made.

It's very short but really nice. You can see it on YouTube under the title Bowers Museum Virtual Cherry Blossom Festival. Our bit begins around 38 minutes in, so fast forward. Our trees are interspersed with video of musicians playing.

Our thanks to everyone who brought trees, even though we didn't get to see most of them in the video. It was a beautiful day and we were all very happy to actually see each other in person.



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