

Redwood Empire Bonsai Society



REBS NEWSLETTER *...In Brief*

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President's Message



REBS President Arty Kopecky

Dear Friends:

Please join us for our annual Christmas dinner (Dec. 6) if you can. This is always an enjoyable time to visit and a good way to meet a few people in the club (with no president to interrupt and call the meeting to order). And yes, it is with a sense of disbelief that we are talking about the close of another year! Note the announcement with details (page 2).

Yvonne Batcheller, our club treasurer, is very quiet but is an important contributor to our club. Her work at a hospital involves computer entry I believe, so she is quite computer savvy. And it shows up in our very thorough treasury reports in four colors at least, which are produced by her efforts once a month. She always comes to the board meetings with her husband, Rick, with copies of our finances for

all, and puts up with us guys with remarkable patience.

I hear from Rick that Yvonne is recovering at home from some major surgery. We wish you well Yvonne. It is little known that this lady has studied Azaleas in bonsai and has a number of them. Hopefully we will get to see more of them in the coming year. So best wishes again, and thanks, Yvonne.

And speaking of ladies in the club, Celestia Amberstone has agreed to continue for another year as Newsletter Editor (yeah), since I am agreeing to continue as President, and someone has to keep me in line, she realizes. From the looks of the newsletter it certainly seems she's enjoying being creative. This is very good news. Thanks Celestia from all.

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Announcements and Upcoming Bonsai Events

Workshop Sub Needed

Bob Shimon is seeking a substitute for Kathy Shaner's 22 November advanced workshop. He will be unable to attend and is looking for someone to fill his slot.

Please contact Bob at 884.4126 or shimon@mcn.org.

November 11-12

Ross, CA

Marin Bonsai Club: Fall Show at the Marin Art and Garden Center, Livermore Room, 50 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Friday hours are 5:30-9:30 p.m. and includes a dinner at \$5 per head, a bunjin style Shimpaku Juniper demonstration by Ted Matson, a silent auction and raffles. Saturday hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and include individual consultations by Ted Matson from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., a club demonstration at 11 a.m., vendor and club sales and raffles. At 1:30 p.m. there will be a critique of show trees by Ted Matson. For dinner reservations or more information call Jeanette Arnold, 415-883-265. For individual consultations call Candace Key at 415-491-1989.

REBS ANNUAL XMAS DINNER!

Please join us once again on Tuesday December 6th at 6:30 p.m. for adult and other related beverages, with dinner beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The REBS annual holiday celebration will again be held at our favorite, Fresh China, located in the exterior north side of the Coddington Mall.

For over fifteen years, Chef Peter has prepared an outstanding custom menu especially for REBS members. Some of the items served are not available on the regular menu. The \$30 cost includes a multi-course dinner, dessert, tax, and tip—a great value when you see the amount and quality of what comes to the table. Peter's cooking skills have been mentioned on Chef John Ash's radio show as well as in the Chronicle and Press Democrat. Maybe it's time to try it!

Get to know other REBS members in a relaxed and enjoyable atmosphere. At the dinner, we also do an optional gift exchange of bonsai or non-bonsai related items—approximate limit \$15. Families are welcome.

Please contact Mike Treinen at 707.526.0872 or e-mail treinen@sonic for reservations, and let me know if you would prefer a vegetarian dinner. Checks should be received by Saturday December 3rd or call Mike to hold a spot. Mail checks to: Mike Treinen, 4910 Hayfield Ct., Santa Rosa CA 95404.

Please make plans to attend. We'll see you there—with bells on!

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But don't dismay! There is still a newsletter position, that of post person, to be filled. Currently, steadfast member George Haas sends out the letter, both the online and printed copies (only 10-20 a month). The job comes with a printer that belongs to REBS. So step right up, someone, and be our postmaster, please.

I can also report that one of my customers, Tony K., while I was building two porches, repaired our sound system and donated a 12V power supply, so we are back in the sound business.

Our next meeting is Nov. 22 with Kathy Shaner—hope to see you there. Until then,

—Arty



Rarely seen Hair on Fire Grass makes a fabulous display when overstressed.

Calendar Of Events

November 2011

- 1 Board meeting at Art Kopecky's. All are welcome.
- 17 Intermediate I Workshop, Thursday. **Please note new location: Santa Rosa Senior Center, 704 Bennett Valley Rd., Room 17, Santa Rosa**, with Richard Hoskins and Ivan Lukrich.
- 18 Intermediate II Workshop, Friday, Frank Bardella's Bonsai Studio, with Frank Bardella and Gene Lynch.
- 20 Kathy Shaner Advanced Workshop, Sunday (6.3), and special repotting & wiring evening.
- 21 Kathy Shaner Advanced Workshop, Monday (6.1 & 3.1).
- 22 Kathy Shaner Advanced Workshop, Tuesday (6.2).
- 22 REBS General Meeting and Demonstration, 4th Tuesday, 7:30-10:00 PM, **Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center**
2050 Yulupa Avenue · Santa Rosa · CA · 95405.
REBS sensei Kathy Shaner will present the demo.



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Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center,
Santa Rosa, California

REBS was founded in 1981 for bonsai enthusiasts. Our club meets every fourth Tuesday of the month (except in July and December). The monthly meeting and demonstration are held at the Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa, 95405. Meetings are open to the public. Please refer to our calendar of events for specific time, date and guest demonstrator.

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