

# Pikes Peak Bonsai Society

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### **IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:**

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This Month's Meeting will be on  
January 19 @ Firehouse #14  
1875 Dublin Blvd.  
Colorado Springs, CO 80918  
From 7 pm to 9 pm

## **Our New Board Members**

Last December 2015, we elected the new board members for our club. The list is on the left hand side of this newsletter. We would like to thank the previous board members and welcome the new one's.

We are still looking for a treasurer to take over Victoria's role as she is very busy and can no longer attend meetings. If any one would like to volunteer to take the place of treasurer please let us know. Please also keep in mind that if you do volunteer, you will have to be committed to attend our monthly meetings.

## **Topic for our next meeting**

The topic for our next meeting is Bonsai Tools. Steve will be showing us how to care for our Bonsai tools so if you plan on coming to our meeting next week PLEASE BRING YOUR TOOLS WITH YOU AS WE WILL BE LEARNING HOW TO SHARPEN THEM.

We will also be displaying a selected member's bonsai tree each month at our meeting. Next week one of our member's will bring in a tree and put it on display for everyone to see and critique.

We have also decided to leave the last 10 to 15 minutes of the meeting to answer questions or concerns of our members and their bonsai trees. This will encourage members to find out what is going on with other members as far as their trees go, and to answer any questions or concerns you might have about your bonsai trees. We are trying to make our meetings more exciting and hands-on this year, so please try to attend our meetings.

As a reminder, MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE! Please make checks payable to Pikes Peak Bonsai Society and send it to Steve Alford at 1024 Bonfoy Ave. Colorado Springs, CO 80909. The membership fee is \$25 per person or \$35 for a couple.

## **Upcoming Workshops**

We are in the process of working with the Denver club to arrange for workshops this year. The workshops will include working with Matt Reel, and Bjorn Bjorholm. In September we will possibly have a workshop on junipers with Todd Schlafer.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2016

## **January**

Bonsai Tools - discuss caring for your bonsai tools. Bring your tools to the meeting

## **February**

Botany and understanding trees

## **March**

Soils and fertilizing

## **April**

Repotting and discuss bugs - we will have a workshop on repotting our bonsai trees.

## **May**

Bulking and sacrificial branches, plant sale and workshop on fertilizer cakes.

## **June**

Prepping for our Bonsai show. Nursery crawl

## **July**

Bonsai show and discuss ordering Ficus trees for September

## **August**

Workshop on pot making

## **September**

Workshop on Juniper with Todd Schlafer. Workshop on Ficus

## **October**

Winter preparedness and grafting

## **November**

Workshop on wiring

## **December**

Christmas party, no meeting