



# KAWA BONSAI SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING REPORT FEBRUARY 2020

February 22, 2020

Hello Everyone,

This month we were again joined by Jason's class members for lunch and our monthly program. A great sharing experience.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:** Lou Corea, Barry & Melody Dimick, Terry & Denise Reardon, Gary Roux, and Richard Tessler.

**EPCOT BONSAI TREE DISPLAY:** Two of our Club members have had trees accepted for display - our President, **Mike Rogers**, and **Sharon Christian**. An honor, not only for them, but for our Club as well! Congratulations to them both!

**BSF BONSAI STYLING COMPETITION:** It was decided that we would not participate this year as we had late notice of the event and our focus has been on increasing the membership in our Club and planning for Joy of Bonsai. It was also suggested that all members interested in participating next year use the rest of the year to begin enhancing their skills.

**EVENT - PURCHASING OF BLUEBERRY BUSHES;** Six of us participated in this fun event - Jason, Peggy, Colin, Darryl, Ty, me. Jason took his van so we were each able to obtain a number of bushes. A great day! Jason will consider another trip if members are interested. (Refer to pictures on our website.)

**KAWA MEETING 2020 PROGRAMS:** Additional suggestions were made. A list will be prepared.

**JOY OF BONSAI:** A review of activity to date resulted in some additional suggestions. **KAWA Members, who have not yet signed up, please advise when you are available to volunteer and where/what tasks you would like to volunteer for.** The Joy of Bonsai registration form is on our website, however, I have attached a copy with this report.

**FEBRUARY PROGRAM: DEMONSTRATION OF CONTOURING** - The tree, a Crepe Myrtle, belonging to Darryl, was recently removed, by him, from his yard. It was cut straight across just above the trunk prior to being removed from the earth. The contouring done by Jason, helps to create a smoother transition to grow around the tree as it is developing. Contouring also allows water to run off the flat surfaced, thereby helping to eliminate wood rot. After the initial contouring steps were taken, Darryl applied a lysol solution to inhibit fungus on the large wound that needs to heal over. (Refer to pictures on our website.)

**KAWA BONSAI WEBSITE:** [kawabonsai.com](http://kawabonsai.com) — our webmaster, Benjamin Lorder, keeps it up to date with pertinent information, not only KAWA activities/reports but related events as well. Check it our regularly!

**BSF (Bonsai Society of Florida). CONVENTION:** Check their website for registration information for the Convention being held in May (Memorial Day weekend).

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, March 21, 2020**, at Jason's Nursery and Supplies in Deland. Please make every attempt to be there. This will be the last KAWA meeting before Joy of Bonsai.

Jeanne (Florio)  
KAWA Secretary