

# ***Inland Empire Bonsai Society***

## ***Monthly Meeting Minutes***

March 18, 2007

### **I. Call to order**

Wendy Peden, IEBS President, called to order the regular meeting of the Inland Empire Bonsai Society at 12:00 on Sunday, March 18, in the Manito Park Meeting Room.

### **II. Open issues**

- a) **Workshop with David DeGroot:** Members were reminded about the workshop with David DeGroot to be held on April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- b) **Workshop with Walter Pall:** The IEBS has arranged to conduct a workshop with leading European bonsai artist Walter Pall in June of this year. The full day workshop will be limited to 10 participants. One half of the day will be used for critiquing participants' already designed and established bonsai. The other half of the day will be used for designing and styling raw bonsai material provided by the participants.
- c) **Possible workshop with Hans van Meer:** IEBS is continuing discussion with European bonsai artist Hans van Meer regarding his availability to conduct a workshop with us this summer or fall.
- d) **PNBSA Convention 2007, Portland:** IEBS members were reminded of the registration requirements for this year's PNBCA convention, which is to be hosted by the Bonsai Society of Portland, Oregon.
- e) **Japan order:** Our order of bonsai supplies, pots, and tools has been placed with our supplier in Japan. We expect the order will ship from Japan on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **III. New business**

- a) **Board of Directors meeting:** The quarterly Board of Directors meeting will be held on April 9, in the Manito Park meeting room, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. All members are invited to attend.
- b) **Japan Week:** Spokane's annual Japan Week celebration will take place from April 22 through 29. IEBS will present a bonsai exhibit Monday, April 23, at Spokane Community College. Members are asked to submit trees for the display, and to help with setting up and taking down. Also, Roger Snipes will conduct a bonsai styling demonstration and talk on Saturday, April 28, in the Manito Japanese Garden.
- c) **Bonsai soil screening activity:** On the weekend of March 24 IEBS members will go to Wittkopf Landscape Supplies to screen gravel for bonsai soil. Arrangements for the time and place to meet will be conducted by email.
- d) **Name tags:** New IEBS member name tags are being made up.

- e) **Free trees:** Hal Alert brought some of his surplus trees to be given to new members free of charge.
- f) **Bonsai auction:** The Pacific Sound Bonsai Association, PSBA, will hold their second annual bonsai auction on April 28 in Seattle. The preview will be from 12:00 to 1:00 PM, and the auction from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Further information can be requested by calling Don Guilliams of the PSBA at (206) 282-0846.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

The business portion of the meeting was concluded at 12:30 P.M. A bonsai styling and wiring workshop followed the business meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: John Kittel, IEBS Secretary

Minutes approved by: Wendy Peden, IEBS President