

# NORTH FLORIDA BONSAI CLUB

## MARCH 2017

### NFBC Officers

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|------------------|---------------|
| Josh Brown       | President     |
| Open             | VicePresident |
| Bruce Washington | Treasurer     |
| Ron Price        | Secretary     |

### February News

- **Our meeting on Monday, March 13 is at the Mandarin Garden Club 7:00 PM.**
- We have soil! If you need soil contact Mike [bettsmike@hotmail.com](mailto:bettsmike@hotmail.com), and please return your empty buckets.
- 2016 / 2017 membership dues now due. Cost is \$36 for the year. This includes membership in BSF and the BSF electronic magazine. We made 40 buckets of soil. We have about 7 left. So, we have to make more soil. Stay tuned for details.

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## ***BSF / ABS Convention***

### ***May 25 – 29, 2017***

***Moving American Bonsai Forward***  
***The Florida Hotel, Orlando Florida***  
*Presented by the American Bonsai Society*  
*And the Bonsai Societies of Florida*

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- Mar** Deciduous bring your own tree
  - Apr** TBD
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### **BSF 2006**



The weather continues to do what it is supposed to do - be unpredictable. We are in for a stretch of back to normal temperatures for March.

It is repotting time. We can continue to repot some deciduous trees. Pines and Junipers as well as Podocarpus can be repotted. I would not take off too many roots. You can replace old soil. Don't forget to add some old soil to the mix to keep the micro organisms in the new "sterile" soil.

The ilex are producing new shoots and flowers. This is a good time to repot the ilex and box woods.

You may want to back off repotting ficus and all other tropicals. The night temps are expected to be below 60s. With that low a temp., there is a risk of repotting tropical trees even ficus. Again, if you are just replacing old soil, it should be safe.

Time to begin light fertilizing using organics. Best to wait on the deciduous trees until leaves have hardened off.

Also, this is a good time to add a systemic insecticide such as imidicloprid to the soil. Be on the lookout for aphids on fresh new growth.

**NORTH FLORIDA BONSAI CLUB  
MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
February 13, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

By Ron Price

- 9 Member(s) and 0 visitor(s) were present

**SECRETARY REPORT**

The January minutes were not read & approved

**TREASURY REPORT**

The treasurer's report was not read

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Ted Matson ( BSF Visiting Artist) is scheduled for Wednesday March 1 at UNF's Herbert Center

Discussed need & source for Lava Rock

**PROGRAM**

Members styled their own Elms or Elms furnished by Josh Brown

## Ted Matson Workshop

