

Happy Eighth Anniversary



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March 6 – Annual Discount Sale, Brussel's Bonsai Nursery, Olive Branch, MS.

* **March 11** – MSGCBS monthly meeting at MGCCC campus, Long Beach, MS, Espy and "B" Sts.

March 20 – ACBS "Day of Bonsai", St. Lukes Meeting Hall, Mobile, Al.

March 26-28 – Lake Charles Bonsai Society Annual Exhibit, Burton Coliseum, Lake Charles, La.

April 17 – Tri-Cities Bonsai Show, Mobile Regional Library.

April 24 - Edgewater Horticultural Show, Biloxi.

May 28-30 – 2010 Rendezvous at Brussels, Olive Branch, MS.

May 28-31 - Bonsai Societies of Florida State Convention, Orlando, FL.



Deciduous tree collected by Buck at the club's first dig in east Harrison County on February 6.

photo by Buck Lawrence

Next Meeting

Reminder – *The meeting nights have changed from Wednesdays to Thursdays. Same time – 6:30, same place – Multi Ed. Bldg.*

Program for March 11 is a woody tissue fusion, a form of grafting. This presentation will be given By Lowell Tilley of the Bonsai Society in Baton Rouge, La.

Patio and Garden Show -2010

Thanks, first, to the Mississippi Nursery and Landscaping Association for reserving a complementary booth at this year's event for us. With minor efforts we received publicity absolutely free.

Second, to the club volunteers who gave their free time to man the booth and answer varied questions about bonsai during the three day weekend.

This year marks the sixth year we participated in the Patio and Garden Show and the fifth year we presented a program to an audience. This bonsai exposure has brought us a few members.

History of the Patio and Garden Show on the Coast

2002 – Orange Grove Community Center, Gulfport
(not entered, bonsai club forming)

*2003 – Food World Bldg., John Hill Blvd., Gulfport

*2004 – Coast Coliseum, US 90, Biloxi

*2005 - “ “ “

2006 – Hattiesburg, MS – (Katrina Damage on coast)

2007 – Coast Coliseum, US 90, Biloxi

*2008 – “ “ “ “

*2009 - “ “ “ “

*2010 - “ “ “ “

* Participated

The Building

As often as the MSGCBS participated in the familiar surroundings of the very large round landmark, Mississippi Coast Coliseum, for the previous Patio and Garden shows we had yet to experience the new “addition”. As yet the officials tell me “it” doesn't have a name.

Annex sounds demeaning considering the price tag of \$68,000,000. Instead of viewing it as an appendage to the coliseum how about a name denoting its independent stature, a stand alone structure –Coast Convention Center or MS. Coast Convention Center? Whatever the name, tip o'hat to the architect and team that made this happen, this new and beautiful 130,000 square foot landmark on the coast.

Looking forward to next year's patio and Garden Show. (*Thanks to Sandra Kemp for the details*)



2/28/10 photo by Patrick La Nasa

Note-

Annual dues drive, 2010-2011, is next month. Considering the programs and efforts put forth by the officers of MSGCBS the \$25/ 30 is probably a bargain. If your personal plans prevent you from attending the April meeting please pay the treasurer at the March 11th meeting. We needn't alert our roving collector, Bubba.

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