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JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year!

**Saturday January 20, 2018 at 7 pm**

Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 South State College Blvd., Anaheim, East Classroom

**There will be a pre-meeting workshop at 4:30pm**

**TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES!**

**KOFU KAI WELCOMES BACK**

**FRED MIYAHARA**



## **Special Raffle Prize**

For this month's meeting, we are honored to welcome Fred Miyahara. His home club is the San Diego Bonsai Club where he is a club sensei as well as past president, and he takes the time to visit many other clubs throughout the state. He belongs to all of the renowned clubs including Nanpu Kai, and the California Bonsai Society. He is also active with the Golden State Bonsai Federation, where he does regular workshops each year. He was also the curator of the Japanese Friendship Garden Bonsai Collection in San Diego.

Fred is an expert in many aspects of bonsai training and cultivation and will be

demonstrating grafting techniques for black pine and juniper with different scions.

**He is generously donating a grafted kishu shimpaku for the raffle which was grafted about 10 years ago.**

I recommend that you take some notes about these very specific techniques.

Photo from Fred's Facebook page.

**It's time to pay your dues so that we can continue to offer quality demonstrations.**

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## LAST MEETING WITH ROY NAGATOSHI



Our November meeting was very lively with Roy Nagatoshi doing a critique of member's trees.

Roy is one of our foremost bonsai artists and teachers and he's right here in our area. He also has a very nice bonsai nursery and because it's a long drive for him to come to see us we will be visiting him at his nursery as a group starting this year. Save your pennies, it will be a learning and shopping opportunity. Date to be announced.

## Support your club by buying a few raffle tickets and donating to the raffle and Refreshments

It costs a lot to open our doors each month, **at least** \$500.00 dollars per meeting to provide the quality bonsai experience offered by Kofu Bonsai Kai. That figure includes rent of the church classroom, storage unit rental, demonstrator's fees, insurance, Christmas party expenses, refreshment expenses, donations to other organizations, professional photography and on and on.

Revenues have diminished steadily from the raffles and auction while at the same time, all expenses have been rising.

If you appreciate what we bring to the bonsai community please show it by buying raffle tickets or contributing items to the raffle. We know that money is tight for many members. Even 5 or ten dollars in raffle tickets helps. If everyone did that the books would begin to balance again.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **2018 Bonsai A Thon**

February 24 and 25, 2018

8 am to 5 pm

The Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens

Botanical Center

Vendors, Demos, Bonsai Exhibit,

Daily Raffles and Auctions

**January 20 - Fred Miyahara, grafting**

**February 17 - Manny Martinez, secrets of successful transplanting PLUS new advances in fertilization thanks to the hydroponic industry.**

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## Bonsai-A-Thon

Fundraiser for  
**THE GOLDEN STATE BONSAI FEDERATION  
COLLECTION AT THE HUNTINGTON**  
February 24-25, 2018



*Daily Benefit Drawing & Live Auction*

*Bonsai Show  
Bonsai Styling Demonstrations  
by Noted Bonsai Masters*



*Select Vendors Selling Top-Quality  
Tools, Pots and Trees*

**GSBF Early Bird Passes  
For Bonsai Club Members  
7:30am - 5:00pm  
General Public  
10:00am - 5:00pm**

**The Huntington Library  
Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens  
Brody Botanical Center  
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA**

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