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Duart Crabtree gave Members a short description of the taping earlier that day of the Rowena Show that will feature a short demo by Vianney Leduc and indicated times when the shows will be broadcast on VOX Videotron.

Myron Mech asked members to bring their Japanese Maples to the November meeting, even if the leaves have fallen. In his presentation at that meeting Myron will appreciate a number of props.

Yvon Bernier announced that there were already 14 persons registered for the introductory course Scheduled for November 8th. Yvon also mentioned that OBS has purchased for the OBS library the CD version of *Les Bonsais – Techniques et Entretien*, by Louis Philippe Coiteux and David Easterbrook.

Paul Lauzon recommended highly that Members visit the special exhibit of paintings by Mitsugi Kikuchi and ikebana compositions by the Ohara and Sogetsu schools that are on display at the Embassy of Japan until October 30th as part of the Embassy's celebration of 80 years of Canada Japan diplomatic relations – free admission to enjoy these exquisite art forms!

Vianney mentioned that he has consignment stocks of bonsai tools, wire and soil from Bonsai Gros-Bec so it will be more convenient for Members to obtain supplies.

Vianney opened the evening program with a timely review on preparing our bonsai for the Canadian winter. Vianney provided his comprehensive handout for reference of newer Members and fielded questions on unique requirements of some Members. He also gave handy tips for more advanced Members, such as possible need of a fungicide before putting plants in a cold room.

For the main program, Vianney brought a magnificent pre-bonsai Yew. This tree has a massive trunk and it was exciting for Members to contemplate styling opportunities and potential for deadwood on starting material of such quality.

Vianney removed unwanted branches, leaving two good options for a semi-cascade style, featuring lots of deadwood. Newer members were very impressed that Vianney expects development of the final composition may take up to ten years. Everyone learned from this presentation and we all look forward to seeing the progress of Vianney's composition.

Paul brought in a Japanese Garden Juniper that will require restyling because of die back. After considerable discussion, Paul was left with three good options for restyling his tree.

Next meeting Monday, November 17 at 7:00pm

We will divide the evening in two activities. Myron Mech will give a talk about Japanese maples in the first part of the meeting. Members who have Japanese maples or other types of maples are encouraged to bring them for discussion. In the second part of the meeting, we will discuss design alternatives on two junipers that offer multiple possibilities. During the break, we will raffle a jade tree donated by Claire Cloutier.

Japan Day, November 2, 2008

The Embassy of Japan again asked the Ottawa Bonsai Society to exhibit at Japan Day, 2008. A lot of interest in the bonsai exhibit was generated by a feature article by Patrick Langston in the *Ottawa Citizen* on November 1st about the OBS's Annual Show and Vianney Leduc's Eastern White Cedar. Duart Crabtree, Gord Williams, and Paul Lauzon brought seven trees, including Vianney's cedar, provided information on OBS, and answered visitors' questions on bonsai. Duart was interviewed by Roger's TV.

Our efforts were much appreciated by the Embassy of Japan. Ambassador Nishida came to our exhibit to thank us for our participation. There was keen interest in the beginner's course scheduled for November 8th and we would not be surprised if OBS picks up new Members as a result of our participation.



NOUVEAUX MEMBRES / NEW MEMBERS

Nous souhaitons la bienvenue à :
A warm welcome is extended to :

André Slivitzky
Pier Bartoli
Ibrahim Eryuzlu
Terri Champagne
Dave Lepage

Robert McCaulay, Megan McCaulay and Dianne Tessier

Access to tools and soil in Ottawa! / Accès aux outils et substrat à Ottawa!

Vianney has an arrangement with Bonsai Gros-Bec to keep an inventory of bonsai tools and soil at his place. This will make it easier for members to get access to the basic material. The inventory includes various cutters, scissors, wire pliers, wire cutters, wires of all size and soil. In order to get pricing information or place orders, please contact Vianney via email at vianney.leduc@lac-bac.gc.ca or at the OBS meetings.

Vianney a obtenu un arrangement avec Bonsai Gros-Bec pour garder un inventaire d'outils et de substrat chez lui. Ceci devrait faciliter l'obtention de matériel de base pour les membres. L'inventaire inclus des pinces concaves, des coupes bosses, des ciseaux de différents types, des pinces à fil, pince à couper le fil, du fil de toutes les grosseurs et du substrat. Pour obtenir des prix ou faire des achats, veuillez contacter Vianney par courriel à l'adresse vianney.leduc@lac-bac.gc.ca ou aux réunions mensuelles.

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In the beautiful Lanaudière region, north of Montreal, we invite you to visit our greenhouses and our collection of bonsai and penjing from China, Korea, Japan and Canada.

A 10% discount will be given to members of the Ottawa Bonsai Society on pots, tools, wires and soil. We are open Tuesday to Sunday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Please call for an appointment to visit us. We regret that we are unable to accept payment by credit or debit cards. Guided visits are available at \$5 per person.

We look forward to share our passion with you all!

Suzanne Piché and Robert Smith

POTS AND TOOLS FOR SALE.

Loretta Orlicky, formerly of **Bonsai Concepts Canada**, closed her bonsai business a few months ago. She indicates, however, that she still has some glazed pots she is willing to sell at very good prices: 4" - \$4 each, 6" - \$6 each, 8" - \$8 each and 10" - \$10 each. She also has tool stock to sell. If you are interested, please contact her directly at orlicky@ripnet.com to arrange a time to pick up the material. If there is enough of an interest, Loretta will come to the November meeting to deliver the material.

POTS ET OUTILS À VENDRE.

Loretta Orlicky, qui fut propriétaire de **Bonsai Concepts Canada**, ferma ce commerce il y a quelques mois. Elle nous a fait savoir toutefois qu'il lui restait des pots à bonsaï glacés qu'elle voudrait vendre à très bon prix : 4\$ pour les pots de 4 po., 6\$ - 6 po., 8\$ - 8 po. et 10\$ - 10 po. Elle a également des outils de bonsaï à vendre. Si vous êtes intéressé(e), veuillez la contacter directement à orlicky@ripnet.com pour prendre les dispositions nécessaires. Si la demande est suffisante, Loretta viendra à la rencontre de novembre pour livrer le matériel.

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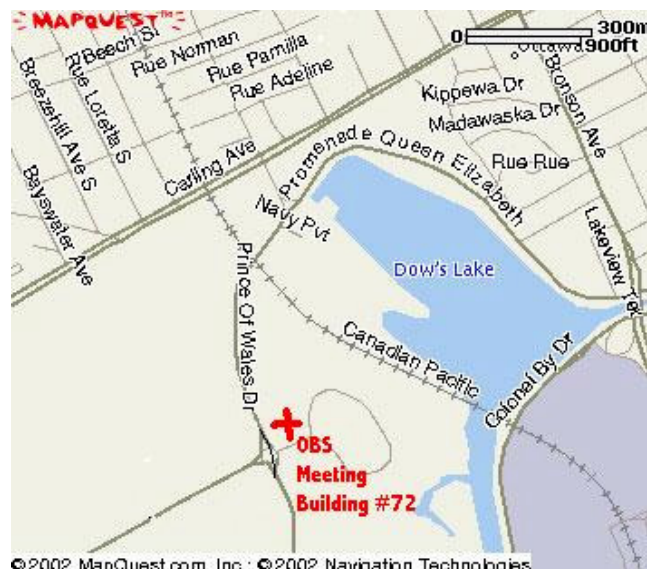
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Nos rencontres se tiennent à l'édifice #72 de la Ferme expérimentale centrale. Pour vous y rendre, prenez la direction sud sur la promenade Prince of Wales jusqu'au rond-point à l'intersection National Capital Driveway et Prince of Wales (qui est aussi l'entrée principale de la Ferme expérimentale et de l'Arboretum), où vous prendrez la direction Est menant à l'Arboretum. Une courte distance plus loin, à la première fourche, Prenez la route de gauche qui mène directement à l'édifice #72 (vous verrez une affiche juste en face de l'édifice, de l'autre côté du chemin, qui dit «Friends of the Farm» . Le stationnement est situé de part et d'autre de l'édifice.



Our meetings are held at Building #72 at the Central Experimental Farm. Heading south on Prince of Wales, at the traffic circle at the intersection of the N.C.C. Scenic Drive and Prince of Wales, the major entrance to the Experimental Farm and the Arboretum, exit east into the Arboretum. After a very short distance, where the road divides, turn left to Building #72 which will be down a short distance on your left. There is parking just before or just after the building. The entrance is on the street side (east side) and there is a sign reading "Friends of the Farm".