

President's Report - 1997-1999

Sachiko Furlan

The elected officers for 1997-1999:

First Vice President-	Julie Jensen
Second Vice President-	Maxine Kopecky

1997-1998

Dues were \$59.00. Operating budget \$41,310.00.

- September** Founder's Day Luncheon at Columbia Country Club. Ohara School demonstration by Bernice Makin of Philadelphia.
- November** General Workshop, "A Taste of Hawaiian Christmas" by Marian and Buck Kong Chun.
- Exhibit/Demonstration by Ikenobo, Ohara and Sogetsu Schools at the Bonsai Department of the U.S. National Arboretum.
- February** General Workshop was lecture/demonstration, "A Winter View of Bonsai" by Don Chiplis, Assistant Curator of the U.S. National Arboretum's Bonsai Department.
- Amendment to by-laws regarding membership ratified by Tokyo Office.
- March** Luncheon at Bolling Air Force Base Officer's Club. Demonstrator, Sogetsu Regional Director of North America, Gregory Williams of Toronto, Canada.
- April** I.I. Spring Flower Show at the U.S. National Arboretum. Bus tour, organized by Virginia Berg.
- May** General Workshop. "Water, Rocks and Bamboo". Ichiyo demonstration by Valerie Eccleston.
- June** Luncheon at Country Club of Fairfax. Ikenobo demonstration by Kimiko Gunji of Champaign, Illinois.

1998-1999

Dues were \$59.00. Operating budget \$46,260.00.

- September** Special Event. Sogetsu Demonstration by Riji, Mr. Takashi Suzuki of Tokyo, Japan, at Cedar Lane Unitarian Church. Subsequently Mr. Suzuki conducted workshops
- October** Luncheon at Fort Myers Officer's Club. "Seiko Baer and her Fabulous Wheel" Pottery making demonstration.
- November** General Workshop. "Serenity in Enshu" by Shizuko Dower of Newport News, Virginia.
- December** Board meeting and Christmas party at River Farm, Alexandria, Virginia.
- February** General Workshop "Making Baskets" program by Leureta Thiem of Pasadena, Maryland.
- March** Planned luncheon and demonstration by Kiyoko Uyeda cancelled due to snow storm.
- April** Spring Flower Show at the U.S. National Arboretum.
- June** Board Meeting. Luncheon hosted by Julie Jensen at her residence. New Standing Rule, regarding donations adopted by the board.
- Luncheon at Army Navy Country Club. Demonstration by Chiko School Head Mistress, Kobai Naruse. Introduction of new officers.