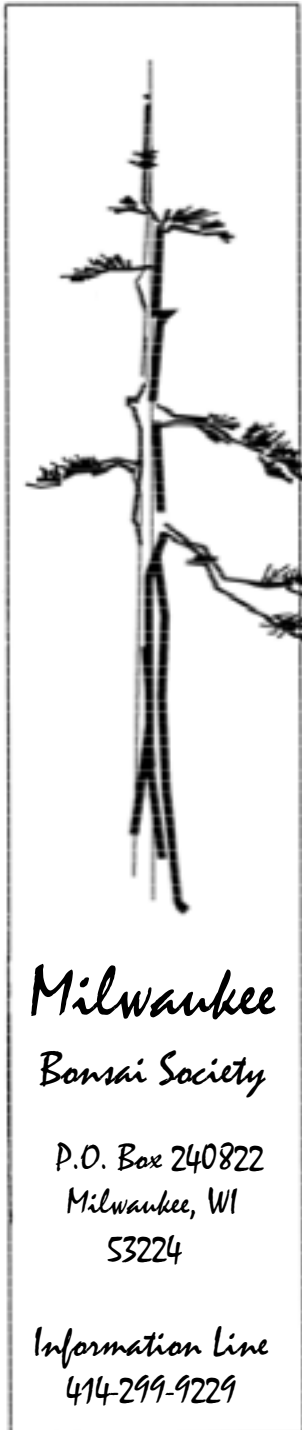


AUGUST 2013

Bonsai News



AUGUST MEETING

Study Groups

A bonsai club is open to all interested people and some clubs grow to several hundred members. They elect officers, a Board of Directors, and collect dues to help pay the costs incurred by the organization. Study Groups, on the other hand, generally restrict their membership, have no officers and collect no dues. Both are groups of individuals interested in improving their bonsai skills, but they are different. The Milwaukee Bonsai Society has two functioning study groups. Come to the August meeting to learn more about what they do, how they function, and what makes them valuable. After hearing how successful they can be, you might be tempted to start your own study group.

2013 Events

AUGUST

Aug 1-11 - State Fair

Aug 6 - Society Meeting
Presentation by advanced study group

Aug 16-18 - Chicago Show

Aug 25 - Intermediate Class #3

SEPTEMBER

Sept 3- Society Meeting
Presentation by State Fair winners

Sept 20-22 - MBS Annual Show

Sept 21 - Fall Public Workshop

OCTOBER

Oct 1 - Society Meeting
work night on Society's
LARGE shimpaku

Oct 3 (Sun) - Open workshop
fall clean-up 10-2

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday Aug 6 - 6:00 pm
Boerner Botanical Gardens

REMEMBER

Come to the society meetings at 6:00 for social time and to get advice on trees you bring.

President's Message

Happy summer to all,

Many thanks to Don G for hosting the MBS picnic again this year. Those of us who attended had a great time, ate good food and enjoyed the camaraderie of good friends in spite of the rain later in the day. Thanks again, Don.

It's August and that means State Fair. The amount of work that goes into preparing for 3 consecutive exhibits, arranging for show trees and their transportation in and out of the Fair, and scheduling judges and tree sitters is amazing! Kris Z is the event chair and does an exemplary job, many thanks, Kris. State Fair gives MBS it's biggest public exposure during the 11 days of the Fair but it takes a lot of help to make it a success. We still do not have enough tree sitters - there are even times

with no sitters scheduled and many with only one. Don't forget that a ticket to the Fair is provided for tree sitters (although no parking). So if you would like to spend some time at the Fair please call me to schedule a time to tree sit (414-774-7714). It's getting close to State Fair and we really need the help!!

See you at the Fair.

Steve



WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

AUGUST 1-11

STATE FAIR 2013 - Are you interested in entering a tree at State Fair? If you have never exhibited before, please consider doing so this year. Classes are: Youth, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Open. Please sign up at Club meetings or call 262-512-1228 to participate.

STATE FAIR EXHIBIT SCHEDULE 2011

Exhibit #1 (August 1 - August 3)
Exhibit #2 (August 4 - August 7)
Exhibit #3 (August 8 - August 11)

Exhibit #1

Deliver trees to **

Wednesday, July 31 from 6pm - 7pm

Pick up trees from **

Sunday, Aug 3 from 9am - 10am

Exhibit #2

Deliver trees to **

Saturday, Aug 3 from 6pm - 7pm

Pick up trees from **

Thursday, Aug 8 from 9am - 10am

Exhibit #3

Deliver trees to **

Wednesday, Aug 7 from 6pm - 7pm OR
bring to Society meeting Tuesday Aug 6

Pick up trees from **

Monday Aug, 12 from 9am - 10am

** Strip mall parking lot approx. 102nd and National, just west of Baker's Square. Turn in by the Sentry/Fashion Bug sign. Meet in the area nearest the street (National)

When checking in please bring:

+ your list of scientific names and common names,
+ the approximate age of the tree,

+ stand, accent, sketch of display, and the proposed style of tree.

It is also wise to mark all components of your display with your name.

(an address sticker is usually adequate)

Note: If the drop off/pick up schedule is not good for you, please make personal arrangements for your trees with someone who will care for them. YOU must alert the crew about these arrangements so trees will not be misdirected, lost or stolen.

Call or email

Kris at 262-512-1228, hagr8d@mac.com

Good luck and thanks for supporting the MBS 2013 State Fair committee.

For specific information as to whether your tree will qualify to be entered at State Fair, please go to:

http://www.wistatefair.com/pdfs/competitions/entry_info/general_info/hort/society_shows.pdf

Go to Bonsai info... p16-17

If you wish to help out at State Fair by greeting people who pass by our exhibit, please contact Steve by phone or email: 414-774-7714 or stephen.contney@att.net

43rd Annual Exhibit

September 20-22 2013

By Pam Woythal

Call for Raffle Items We are working to collect items to use in our Annual Exhibit with Kathy Shaner and we need your help! Do you or someone you know have items of value that could be donated? Bring them to the meeting! Email or call and I will arrange pick up (mbsweb@hotmail.com). "Big hits" in the past have included:

- Artwork such as scrolls or jewelry
- Tool roll with tools
- Sara Raynor or large pots
- Themed Baskets or Wine
- Memorabilia or Collectibles like autographed books or aprons
- Gift Certificates
- And of course cash or Bonsai

Donations to the Annual Exhibit raffle are tax-deductible. Bring the donated article with a note with your name, donated items, and the estimated value to the meeting. Susan L., Judy H. or myself will make sure you get a letter for the IRS.

Call for Exhibit Trees Your opportunity to share your art with the community. Everyone enjoys viewing these trees and the only way to have a successful exhibit is to have everyone display their art. Please share your art. Drop off will be Thursday Sep 19, more information soon.

Big News – Registration will open for the Banquet and workshops with Kathy Shaner at the August Meeting

Complete the form:

<http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/Newsletters/AnnualExhibitRegistration.pdf>

Registrations will begin being accepted at the August meeting 6:00 PM

Bring your completed registration form to the August meeting to be sure you get the workshops you want.

After the meeting mail to:

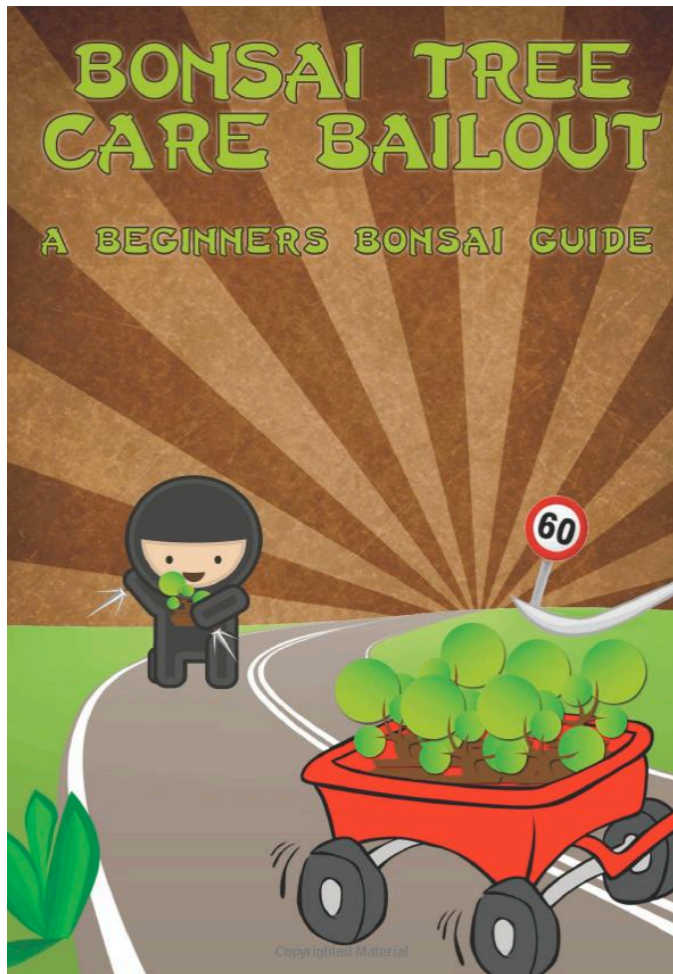
Pam Woythal, 8670 N Point Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53217

Stay current with the Annual Exhibit at:

<http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/ae>

BONSAI TREE CARE BAILOUT

by Joshua Rothman & Little Pearl Publishing



BOOK REVIEWS:

Totally what I needed and more - A. Wilson

My husband bought me a bonsai as a gift and I was at a loss as to how to care for it. I didn't have time to read a huge book but wanted more than just a basic guide. This book was perfect. It has everything I wanted to know about basic care plus great stuff I had never thought of, like how to collect your own bonsai from the wild. Loved the inspirational photos and quotes as well as the down to earth advice. Also really appreciated the money saving tips. Awesome place to begin when you are not sure where to begin!

What you don't know about Bonsai is costing you a fortune! Here's the straight scoop...

- J. Thompson

If you want to grow healthy bonsai and keep your little trees alive and have all but given up... Here's Hope! This is a must-read book for bonsai enthusiasts and beginners alike. Not only are the pictures of bonsai epic, I learned some useful techniques for wiring and pruning with great step-by-step pictures showing the methods in detail, as well as some great ways to get local bonsai free that are way better than the expensive store bought bonsai that die after a month. This way is much better - for less!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Next Meeting of MBS
Tuesday August 6, 2013
Boerner Botanical Gardens
9400 Boerner Dr
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President	Steve Con.
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Second VP	Kris Z
Secretary	Ron F
Treasurer	Susan L
Director	John M
Director	Barbara S
Director	Allen K
Past Pres.	Pam W

Other Club Functions:

Newsletter - Kris Z
Webmaster - Pam W
PAB Board - Rob P, Anna S & Houston S



A bonsai shadow
Elegant tree - gray shadow
Beauty twice enjoyed
-Joe Nemeč