New Look, New MBS Logo

Jack Douthitt,
President, ABS-2002 Symposium Committee

Remember when we had the “Logo Contest” for the Symposium? It was a long time ago, but that contest did more than produce a logo for the Symposium. It also got us a new club logo. The design submitted by Jeff Moths was so striking, that even though it was not chosen for the Symposium pin, we (Symposium committee members) all looked at it and agreed, “that would make a great club logo!” So we talked to Jeff and after some tweaking, he created a design that is very representative of the Milwaukee Bonsai Society. A little bit abstract, but very handsome and impressive. I took Jeff’s design to the club’s Board of Directors with a recommendation that it be adopted by the club. The Board also liked the design and authorized us to proceed with the new logo, as well as to order new club pins. The new logo is now in use on our newsletter and we are printing new stationery using the logo.

Pins are a great way for you to show your affiliation with MBS. The pins are for sale at the club meetings. They are $3 for one pin, $25 for ten pins, or $60 for twenty-five pins. Support your club. Buy a pin!

Guest Speaker for September Meeting

Houston Sanders, Vice President

Martha Meehan will be our special guest artist in September. Ms. Meehan runs Meehan’s Nursery in the Baltimore/Washington DC area, and specializes in growing pre-bonsai material, especially unusual and hard-to-find varieties.

Ms. Meehan will do a demonstration on root-over-rock style ficus for the club meeting. Many club members have requested a root-over-rock demonstration, so be sure to come! Martha Meehan is a delightful instructor who I am sure you will enjoy.

There will also be a workshop with Martha from 9-12 a.m. on Saturday, September 7 at Grace Lutheran Church. The workshop trees will feature Bougainvillea (an indoor species in our climate). Ms. Meehan provides excellent material, and has already potted up the workshop trees for us in ceramic pots. This is a great bargain at $65!

Thank You Volunteers!

Again, we want to thank the volunteers who so graciously offer their time to help promote the Wonderful World of Bonsai.

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Calendar of Events

Sept. 3  Monthly Meeting - Root over rock with Martha Meehan
Sept. 7  Martha Meehan Workshop; Open House at Jack’s (see p.1)
Sept. 14-15  Boerner Botanical Gardens Show
October 1  Club Meeting - Arborist comedian show with Michael Yanni
Nov. 5  Club Meeting - Wintering with Houston Sanders
Dec. 3  Holiday Party

The participants for the Wauwatosa event were:
Penelope Ackerman, Paul Watzka, Delores Day, Carol Butula and Ken Hahn.

At State Fair the following people participated:
Ralph and Melba Stockhausen, Erv and Dorothy Schenzel, Ron Fortmann, Russ Weiss, Kim Baus, Cindy Binkowski, Joe and Eleanore Nemec, Ken and Pat Krueger, Dick Butula, Jerry Niemiec, Gen Molling, Milt Mandelin, Delores Day, Scott Hurula, Ken Hahn, Penelope Ackerman, Milt and Audrey Baas, Jim Toepfer, Houston Sanders and Brian Palevac, Rita Luedke and Tony Plicka.

At our public workshop 40 new members were assisted by:

To say THANK YOU to our volunteers, Buddy Bucks are issued for each ‘session’ of volunteer work. With 5 Buddy Bucks (each one is worth $3), MBS members are provided with a complimentary dinner at our Holiday Party in December.

Congratulations to the following people who have already earned their dinners:
Jack Douthitt, Michelle Zimmer, Pam Woythal, Ron Fortmann, Rita Luedke, Yvonne Szatkowski, Mary Turner, Jeff Moths, Steve Carini, Sharon Schmidt, Ken Krueger, Cindy Binkowski, Ken Lenz, Peter Alba, Kris Ziemann, Ken Hahn, Brian Palevac, Houston Sanders, Russ Weiss, Scott Hurula, and Joe Nemec.

And with 4 Buddy Bucks:
Jean Sher and Delores Day.

3 Buddy Bucks:
Melba Stockhausen, Ralph Stockhausen, Erv Schenzel, Dorothy Schenzel, Jim toepfer, and Penelope Ackerman.

2 Buddy Bucks:
Milt Baas, Audrey Baas, Erskine Tucker, Dick Butula, Jerry Niemiec, Gen Molling, Jeff Eigenberger, and Milt Mandelin.

1 Buddy Buck:
Tom Kerner, Kate Kerner, Eleanore Nemec, Jim Wenders, Pat Krueger, Carol Butula, Mike Nold, Jim Kosmowski, Mike Evans, Cindy Dries, Donna Zerrien, Bob Litzau, Kim Baus, Jackie Mau, Len Wegryn, Allen Koszarek and Paul Watzka.

[If we are in error here, please let us know. Call Kris Ziemann (262-512-1228) or email kziemann@mtsd.k12.wi.us.]

YOUR LAST CHANCE TO EARN_BUDDY_BUCKS IS THE SHOW AT BOERNER BOTANICAL GARDEN - September 14 and 15. See you there!

Essential Bonsai – Lime Sulfur
Pam Woythal

Lime-sulphur is a chemical applied to exposed wood. The sulphur prevents rotting action of fungi and the lime acts as a preservative. You apply the undiluted lime-sulphur to dry, dead wood (jin and shari) using a small paint brush. Be sure to protect the live trunk and soil from exposure to the chemical because it will kill off healthy leaves, branches,
roots, and moss. Soon after the application, the treated area will turn white in color then slowly disappear leaving the natural color of the wood. By adding a few drops of india ink to the lime-sulphur you can soften this intense white color. The best time to apply it is midday on a hot dry day to enable the lime-sulphur to dry quickly.

2003 Board of Directors - Nominees

Ron Fortmann

Here is the list of names I plan to submit for the election of officers for 2003 MBS Board.

President   Jack Douthitt
1st VP       Houston Sanders
2nd VP       Jean Sher
Treasurer    Kris Ziemann
Secretary    Russell Wiess
Director     Sharon Schmidt
Director     Pam Woythal
Director     Dr. Erskine Tucker

Actual elections will take place at our October club meeting.

Open House

Jack Douthitt and Michelle Zimmer will have an Open House on Saturday September 7. All Milwaukee Bonsai Society Members are invited to join them at their “Bonsai Viewing Party” from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. They will have some material, plants and pots, for sale. Their address is 7026 North Lake Drive in Fox Point. Please park on the east side of Lake Drive or on Greentree Road east of Lake Drive. Dress comfortably for the outdoors. If you have any questions you may call them at (414) 228-9628.

MBS Meetings and Information Line:

The Milwaukee Bonsai Society meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Wehr Nature Center, 9701 W. College Avenue, Franklin, WI 53232. The phone number there is (414) 425-8550; Fax (414) 425-6992. Call the MBS Voice Mail/Message System at (414) 299-9229 to learn about upcoming events and meeting times. To contact the club via email: mbs@asapnet.net Look for us on the web at: http://www.asapnet.net/milwaukee-bonsai/index.html
Next Meeting of MBS  
September 3, 2002  
7 p.m. at Wehr Nature Center

MBS Board - 2002
Brian Palevac, President
Houston Sanders, First Vice President
Vacant, Second Vice President
Russell Weiss, Secretary
Kris Ziemann, Treasurer
Scott Hurula, Officer
Nicky Metza, Officer
Ken Hahn, Past President

Dawn silvers the sky  
As the soft summer night wanes  
A gentle breeze stirs,

~ Joe Nemec