**Bonsai News**

You are cordially invited to join the Milwaukee Bonsai Society Master Class Students for a Presentation of Trees And Discussion with Ted Matson On Tuesday, September 6, 2005 at 7 PM during the September MBS meeting.

**NEW DUES**

Time has come that we need to raise our dues. With rising costs for printing the newsletter, postage, costs for guest artists, etc., the board voted last month to raise dues to:

- Individual 1 year - from $22 to $25
- 2 years - from $42 to $48
- 3 years - from $60 to $70

- Family 1 year - from $30 to $35
- 2 years - from $58 to $68
- 3 years - from $84 to $100

Our renewal forms will show these new prices.
Kris' Korner

Hi, all!

Our September meeting will be the culmination of a year of work in the Master’s classes. Each student will bring in one or two trees to display/discuss. They are works in progress (“on-growing”). Ted Matson will provide critiques and commentary on these trees plus much more.

State Fair was a great success. Thanks again to all the volunteers who tree-sat and who brought trees for display. Each of the three shows was well presented. Kudos!!

Another word about the shows... Many members and passers-by commented on the beauty (quality) of the trees in our exhibits. The improvement of our trees is like watching our own child/pet grow. The changes aren’t as evident to us as they are to others. But our continued efforts do pay off. One “unbiased” member of MBS commented “I didn’t notice anywhere near the same level of improvement in the overall quality of trees being displayed in Chicago.” The judge from the third show, Bob Hampel from Minnesota, commented that the quality and professionalism of the display was outstanding.

Kris

Questions...
1. Do you have a computer?
2. Do you have email?
3. Do you read articles about bonsai?
4. Do you have any cool things you do with your trees?
   If so, please send #3 and/or #4 to our newsletter editor
   (bonsaidiot@earthlink.net).

Tropicals Books

We’re half way to putting in our 2nd order for the tropical “green sheet” book. Even thought it focuses on tropicaals, many other species are included in this fact-filled book. If you wish to pre-purchase one, please email Kris (krisziemann@mac.com) or bring $35 to the next meeting. We’d like to get the order in ASAP so as not to keep folks waiting.

Something Old ... Something New

At our October meeting we will again have our dead tree contest. We also invite you to bring in White Elephant items. But this year, we will be having a White Elephant Live Auction. When you bring your treasures in, you will be asked the minimum you will accept for each item. Then we’ll have a live auction. To help the Club, we will ask that 10% of your sale go to the club. All the paperwork will be done for you, just sit back and enjoy the auction! If you have smaller items, you might consider grouping them into a “lot”, i.e. 3 or 4 small pots sold together. The Minnesota Bonsai Society has had great success with their auctions, so we thought we’d give it a try!!

MBS Officer and Board of Directors Nominations

New members:
Treasurer: Mary Turner
Director: John Moore

Continuing Members:
President: Kris Ziemann
1st Vice President: Scott Hurula, Sr
2nd Vice President: Darlene Shaginaw
Secretary: Sharon Schmidt
Directors: Joe Herbert
           Allen Koszarek
Past President: Jack Douthitt

Sincere thanks are extended from all of us to Karen Kleineider, Retiring Treasurer and Erskine Tucker, retiring Director, for their many hours of service to the Milwaukee Bonsai Society.
BUDDY BUCKS - What are they, anyway??  By Kris Ziemann

Sorry, there was some mix-up on the buddy bucks in the last issue. So, we’re re-printing and including those who received buddy bucks for working State Fair and Bradley Gardens.

Many thanks to all who worked at November's FOLK FAIR 2004.

1 Buddy Buck
Joe Nemec, Jerry Niemiec, Gen Molling, Tom Kerner, Jim Toepfer, Delores Day, Melba Stockhausen, Ralph Stockhausen, Marilyn McKnight, Scott Hurula, Jack Douthitt, Erskine Tucker, Tony Plicka, Jeff Moths, Camrin LaFond, Kris Ziemann, Steve Carini and Karen Kleineider

2 Buddy Bucks
Darlene Shaginaw, Ken Hahn, Sharon Schmidt and John Moore

Thanks to the following people who shared their expertise and donated their time to help out at this year's NOVICE CLASSES:

1 Buddy Buck
Ron Fortmann, Sharon Schmidt, Scott Hurula, Steve Carini, Jack Douthitt, John Moore, Pam Woythal, Tony Plicka, Camrin LaFond

2 Buddy Bucks
Jim Toepfer, Jean Sher, Allen Koszarek

5 Buddy Bucks
Kris Ziemann

ASIAN MOON volunteers were:
1 Buddy Buck
Ralph and Melba Stockhausen, Sharon Schmidt, Laura Larrabee, Elli Wilder, Houston Sanders, Marilyn McKnight, Camrin LaFond, Nick Barth, Kris Ziemann, Scott Hurula, Scott Hurula Jr., Karen Kleineider, Barb Zacharias

2 Buddy Bucks
Allen Koszarek, John Moore, Dolores Day, Erskine Tucker

3 Buddy Bucks
Darlene Shaginaw, Jean Sher

WAUWATOSA GARDEN TOUR volunteers were:
2 Buddy Bucks
Ken Hahn and Kris Ziemann

STATE FAIR volunteers were:

1 Buddy Buck
Carol Butula, Dick Butula, Dorothy Schenzel, Jerry Niemiec, Gen Molling, Craig Berg, Camrin LaFond, Houston Sanders, Jeff Moths, Erskine Tucker, Steve Carini, Milt Baas, Audrey Baas, Yvonne Szatkowski, Jim Wenders, Pat Basich, Jay Basich, Ken Krueger, Karen Kleineider, Nancy Ellis, Bill Ellis, Marilyn McKnight, Mary Ann Baragry, Don Gumienny and Karen Gumienny.

2 Buddy Bucks
Gregg Wein, Darlene Shaginaw, Joe Herbert, Ralph Stockhausen and Jim Toepfer.

3 Buddy Bucks
Melba Stockhausen and Sharon Schmidt

5 Buddy Bucks
Jean Sher, John Moore, Tony Plicka and Kris Ziemann

BRADLEY GARDENS volunteers were:
2 Buddy Bucks
Jean Sher, Allen Koszarek, Jack Douthitt and Steve Carini.

If we have missed anyone, please let us know.

IN SEARCH OF...

In preparation for the MABA 2006 convention, we are starting our collection of plastic coffee 'cans'. We're looking for the small plastic coffee cans with lids (like the 13 oz Folgers). We have never filled a large coffee can, and these will be much easier to store. If you have any (or have friends who have any) could you please bring them to a club meeting at church? Many thanks.
Congratulations to the State Fair Winners!

A = Advanced   I = Intermediate   N = Novice
Y = Youth   O = Open

ALL PHOTOS BY JEAN SHER

Exhibit #1 (Aug 4 - August 6) Fox Valley Bonsai / Milwaukee Bonsai Society

Best of Show
Korean Hornbeam (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)

Awards of Merit
Korean Hornbeam (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Dwarf Alberta Spruce (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)

Blue Ribbons
Korean Hornbeam (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Dwarf Alberta Spruce (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Korean Hornbeam (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Mugho Pine (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Larch Grove (I) - Dennis Dahstrom (FVB)
Juniper (I) - Dennis Dahstrom (FVB)
Boxwood (A) - Ron Fortmann (MBS)

Red Ribbons
Narrow Leaf Fig (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Juniper (I) - Dennis Dahstrom (FVB)
Jade Tree (I) - Dennis Dahstrom (FVB)
Bald Cypress (A) - Ron Fortmann (MBS)
Korean Hornbeam (A) - Ron Fortmann (MBS)

White Ribbons
Geranium (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Bougainvillea (O) - Dennis Chuchel (FVB)
Larch (I) - Merle Brimmer (FVB)
Taiwan Fig (I) - Merle Brimmer (FVB)
Crown Currant (I) - Ralph Mahn (FVB)

Appleton’s Fox Valley Bonsai show, was excellent. The trees were an outstanding collection.

Three more Appleton winners!

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Exhibit #2 (August 7 - 10) Milwaukee Bonsai Society

Best of Show
English Boxwood (O) - Jack Douthitt

Awards of Merit
Crab Apple (A) - Steve Carini
Korean Hornbeam (A) - Steve Carini
Shimpaku (A) - Yvonne Szatkowski

Blue Ribbons
English Boxwood (O) - Jack Douthitt
Crab Apple (A) - Steve Carini
Korean Hornbeam (A) - Steve Carini
Shimpaku (A) - Yvonne Szatkowski
Blue Rug Cascade (A) - Yvonne Szatkowski
San Jose Juniper (A) - Yvonne Szatkowski
Shimpaku (N) - Joe Herbert
Saikei (I) - Kris Ziemann
Larch (O) - Jack Douthitt

Red Ribbons
Shimpaku (A) - Steve Carini
Shimpaku (N) - Joe Herbert
Green Mound Juniper (I) - Kris Ziemann
Smooth Leafed Elm (O) - Jack Douthitt

White Ribbons
Gingko (A) - Steve Carini
Common Privet (A) - Yvonne Szatkowski
Berkman Golden Arborvitae (I) - Jim Toepfer
Japanese Red Maple (N) - Bill Goetzke

August 7-10, 2005 MBS Display at State Fair

Best of Show, Kingsville Boxwood, by J.Douthitt

Award of Merit, Korean Hornbeam, S. Carini

Photos by Jean Sher
Exhibit #3 (August 11 - 14) Milwaukee Bonsai Society

Best of Show
Corkbark Elm (O) - Michelle Zimmer

Awards of Merit
Saikei (I) - Jean Sher
Korean Hornbeam (A) - Steve Carini

Blue Ribbons
Corkbark Elm (O) - Michelle Zimmer
Saikei (I) - Jean Sher
Korean Hornbeam (A) - Steve Carini
Smoke Bush (I) - Jean Sher
Kingsville Boxwood (Y) - Scott Hurula Jr
Green Mound Juniper (I) - Scott Hurula Sr
Shimpaku Juniper - Greg Wein
Needles Juniper (I) - Tom Kerner

Red Ribbons
Arborvitae (I) - Ralph & Melba Stockhausen
Potentilla (I) - Tom Kerner
Ponderosa Pine (I) - Tom Kerner
Juniper (I) - Jean Sher
Chinese Elm (A) - Steve Carini
Green Mound Juniper (A) - Scott Hurula Sr
Kingsville Boxwood (I) - Scott Hurula Sr
Korean Boxwood (A) - Houston Sanders
Wisteria (I) - Jim Toepfer

White Ribbons
Dwarf Hawaiian Umbrella Tree (I) - Jerry Nemiec
Ficus Benjamina (I) - Jim Toepfer
Chinese Elm (I) - Tony Plicka
Dwarf Burning Bush (I) - Tony Plicka
American Larch (I) - Tom Kerner.

Best of Show, Cork Bark Elm by Michelle Zimmer

Display Area – Show #3

Award of Merit, Korean Hornbeam, S. Carini
MBS Board, 2005
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Sharon Schmidt – Secretary
Dr. Erskine Tucker – Board Member
Joe Herbert – Board Member
Allen Koszarek – Board Member
Ron Fortmann – MABA Representative
Jack Douthitt – Past President

Other Club Functions:
Houston Sanders – Newsletter Editor
Melba Stockhausen - Distribution
Pam Woythal – Webmaster
Joe Nemec - Librarian
Mary Turner - membership chairperson
Jean Sher - telephone response

Dust of summer winds
Molten sun and heat conspire
And green life trembles

-Joe Nemec