


NOVEMBER 2011

Bonsai News



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Bonsai Society*

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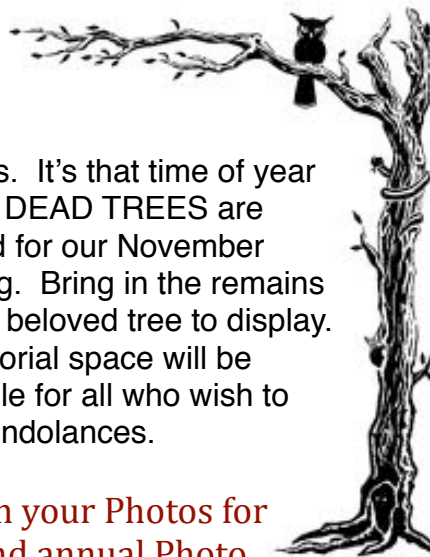
NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

Please note that we will start the meeting at 6:45!!

DEAD TREE CONTEST AND PHOTO CONTEST

Oh, yes. It's that time of year again! DEAD TREES are needed for our November meeting. Bring in the remains of your beloved tree to display. A memorial space will be available for all who wish to give condolences.

Bring in your Photos for the 2nd annual Photo contest. Please fill out the form later in this issue.



If you have a tree that you have a question about, please bring it in. Members will be available to help answer your questions.

Our members will also provide hints for how to over-winter your trees.

2011 Events

NOVEMBER

November 1 - CLUB MEETING

Photo contest and
Dead Tree Contest **

Bring a tree

Answers to questions about
wintering

November 6 - Open workshop

SUNDAY

1:00-4:00

Boerner downstairs

November 18-20

Holiday Folk Fair **

**More info in this issue

DECEMBER

December 6 - Awards Banquet

Meyer's Restaurant 74th and
Forest Home

IT'S TIME TO RENEW!!

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday Nov 1 - 6:45 pm
Boerner Botanical Gardens

President's Message

"Get Involved"

In our club, everything appears to get done with seemingly little effort, and with a high level of professionalism. Because of this professionalism, it often appears to members that the organization doesn't need volunteers. Nothing could be further from the truth. MBS owes its existence to volunteers. Volunteers produce the newsletter, schedule speakers, develop workshops and programs, teach classes, and stage larger scale events that take months to plan.

In order for MBS to continue to be viable, it is inherent that new members as well as current members volunteer. If we continue to rely on the same group of volunteers to get things done year after year, we will eventually exhaust our supply of volunteers (figuratively and physically).

Don't know how to volunteer? Here's how you can get started:

Attend MBS Events: Talk to the event coordinator or board member. Listen to announcements during the meetings and talk to the people in charge of events or projects mentioned after the meeting.

Keep reading our newsletter. For an upcoming event, call the person(s) in charge to find out what still needs to be done. Apply for the volunteer openings mentioned.

Review our website (www.milwaukeebonsai.org). Our **Contact Us** page lists all the board members. Each of these board members is a volunteer, and knows exactly what needs to be done to keep MBS running smoothly. Contact one to volunteer.

Our organization has been very lucky to have over 10% of its membership willing to take an active role in maintaining quality and professionalism, continually making this bonsai organization a worthwhile investment. If you want to volunteer,

don't sit around and wait to be asked, take the plunge and *get involved*.

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn" – Benjamin Franklin

-Pam

Dead Tree Contest

This is the one time in the entire year that we really become grounded. After all our hard work last fall to put our trees to sleep for the winter, and trying to keep our deciduous trees alive all winter, sometimes our efforts don't work out and our trees die.

Some times in the summer, after giving everything we have to the trees and even though we know they want to live, they sometimes just say no more and die for no reason. So in our infinite knowledge as a Bonsai club, we celebrate, (if we don't, we'll cry) and have a Dead Tree Contest. So let's not just throw these trees away. Let's have a party, and we can celebrate the LIFE of these trees. This will be the last time they will have an opportunity to win a ribbon for you to put on your wall of fame.

FOLK FAIR 2011 This year is the 68th anniversary of the Holiday Folk Fair International. The Folk Fair will take place from November 18 to the 20th in the Wisconsin Exposition Center at State Fair Park, 8200 West Greenfield Avenue, West Allis. Explore the world of music, food, dance and art and especially the art of Bonsai.

We will need about 15 trees to display at the fair, medium to larger trees are seen better by the viewing public. Tree drop off will be Thursday evening from 6:00 PM till 8:00 PM at the Exposition Center. Tree pick up will be on Sunday from 6:30 PM till 7:30 PM.

We also need tree sitters. This is a very fun exhibit to be a tree sitter, I can say from experience. If you have not been a tree sitter before, this exhibit is a great event to participate in. A sign up sheet will be available for trees and tree sitters at the November Club Meeting.

See you at the Fair.

-Steve Co.

Photographic Competition

Bring your printed photographs to the November Meeting. Prints must be no larger than 8x10 or smaller than 3x5. You may enter up to three pictures. Each entry must have been taken within the past three years (since January 1, 2009). You will be asked to complete this form for each entry (feel free to download from the website or print from newsletter) and of course we will have some available at the meeting.

We will have standard mats for your print for our second exhibition.

Photographer: _____ Phone: _____

Title of Photo:

Please provide a brief description or comments of the photo (i.e. where and when it was taken):

I certify that by completing and signing this entry form that I have read and understand all rules pertaining to the MBS Photo Contest and that I certify that I took the photo that has been submitted.

By signing the entry form, the contestant grants MBS the unrestricted and exclusive rights to use photograph for any purpose. This includes, but is not limited to, publishing your photograph(s) in print or electronic form for promotional purposes without further compensation, and the right to use the photographers name as a credit along with the photograph.

Signature _____

Date _____

MBS CLUB SHOW Results - Congratulations

A=Advanced, I=Intermediate, N=Novice
September 17-18 Judge: Suthin Sukosolvisit

Sorry for not including
the People's Choice Award
in the last newsletter.

Here it is:

Shimpaku Juniper - Intermediate
- Judy H



NEWS FROM THE CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN



There is a new addition on display at the Chicago Botanic Garden... a Chinese Elm owned by Kris Z. Before coming the CBG, the elm won Best of Show at the 2010 Club Show, Best of Show at the 2011 State Fair and Award of Merit at the 2011 Chicago Show.

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Bonsai Bucks 2011

By volunteering at events in 3-4 hour shifts, you qualify for a Bonsai Buck. If you earn 6 BBs, you are rewarded with a free dinner at our Awards Banquet on December 6 at Meyer's Restaurant (Forest Home and 74th). Any BBs over 6 will be put into a drawing for prizes. Please find your name and check you BBs. If you feel we have made a mistake, please contact hagr8d@mac.com.

Baker, C	1
Basich, P	9
Carini, S	20
Contney, S	25
Douthitt, J	2
Fadden, T	4
Fortmann, R	3
Goetzke, B	5
Gralinski, D	1
Gumieny, D	2
Herbert, J	4
Hughes, C	1
Hughes, J	1
Judy, K	3
Judy, P	3
Kopitzke, R	2

Kosarek, A	1
Krueger, K	1
Krueger, S	1
Lindell, S	5
Luedke, R	1
McNeely, J	1
Molling, J	2
Moore, J	21
Nemec, J	3
Niemiec, J	7
Nold, M	2
Plicka, T	15
Plichta, R	3
Polack, G	16
Rossette, J	19

Sanders, H	6
Saybe, R	15
Schmidt, J	2
Schordje, L	3
Seese, R	3
Sher, J	16
Sorensen, T	2
Stadnicka, A	8
Sweet, B	5
Tollefson, P	1
Wall, T	1
Woythal, P	24
Ziemann, K	37
Zimmer, M	1

Awards will be presented to participants of the Novice and Intermediate Classes, retiring Executive Board members as well as a number of surprise Awards!!

EVEN IF YOU ARE RECEIVING A FREE DINNER, PLEASE FILL OUT A RESERVATION FORM (in this issue) SO WE KNOW HOW MANY WILL BE ATTENDING.

Also, please bring a wrapped, bonsai related item for our gift exchange/door prizes.

THANKS AND HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.

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HOLIDAY PARTY 2011

Our annual Holiday party will again be at Meyer's restaurant at 74th and Forest Home. It's a festive occasion and folks always have a great time. In the spirit of the holidays, please bring a BONSAI RELATED wrapped gift as a contribution for our door prizes. Please fill out the reservation form below and bring it with a check to the November meeting or send to our mailbox:

MBS P.O. Box 240822, Milwaukee, WI 53224

Date: Tuesday December 7, 2011

Time: 6:00-7:00 cash bar

7:00 Family Style Dinner

Place: Meyer's Restaurant (74th and Forest Home)

Price: \$18 per person

Reservations must be
**RECEIVED by MONDAY
NOVEMBER 28, 2011**

**REMEMBER: EVEN IF YOU RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY DINNER,
YOU MUST FILL OUT A RESERVATION FORM !!!**



..... HOLIDAY PARTY Reservation Form

Name(s) _____

Phone # (home) _____ (cell) _____

Email _____

Number of dinners _____ @ \$18 each = \$ _____

- Buddy Bucks _____ @ \$3 each = - (\$ _____)

Check # _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Please make check payable to Milwaukee Bonsai Society (MBS).
Bring check to November meeting or
send to the P.O. Box 240822, Milwaukee, WI 53224.

Reservations must be RECEIVED by
MONDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2010

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OPEN WORKSHOP - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6

1-4 Boerner downstairs

Bring a tree you would like to discuss or work on.

Public workshop attendees... If you have any questions about your tree, bundle it up and bring it in so we can check on it's health, styling, etc.



Milwaukee Bonsai Society

2012 Membership Application

Contact Information

Please Print:

Name(s)	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell/Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	

Membership Type

New or Renewal:

Individual 1 year \$25 Individual 2 years \$48 Individual 3 years \$70
 Family 1 year \$35 Family 2 years \$68 Family 3 years \$100

Overpayment of dues will be considered a donation to the club. MBS is a non-profit organization under 501(3) (c)

Interests

Tell us in which areas you are interested in volunteering

Events Administration Other (let us know your interest)
 Fundraising Newsletter production
 Tree Exhibiting/Sitting Volunteer coordination

Payment

Please make your check or money order payable to: **Milwaukee Bonsai Society**

Mail to:

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Our Policy

This information will not be published or otherwise distributed to the public and is for MBS Board members only. MBS membership applications are also accepted at monthly meetings, which the public is always invited.

Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in joining and volunteering with us.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Next Meeting of MBS
6:45PM, Tuesday, November 1
Boerner Botanical Gardens
9400 Boerner Dr
Hales Corners, WI 53130

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2011 MBS OFFICERS

President	Pam W
First VP	John M
Second VP	Greg P
Secretary	Jorge R
Treasurer	Kris Z
Director	Steve Car.
Director	Steve Con.
Director	Pat B
Past Pres.	Joe H



Other Club Functions:

Newsletter - Kris Z
Webmaster - Pam W
PAB Board - Ron F, Don G & Houston S

*Majesty of trees
The monarchs clothed in autumn
Await winter's chill*

- Joe Nemeec