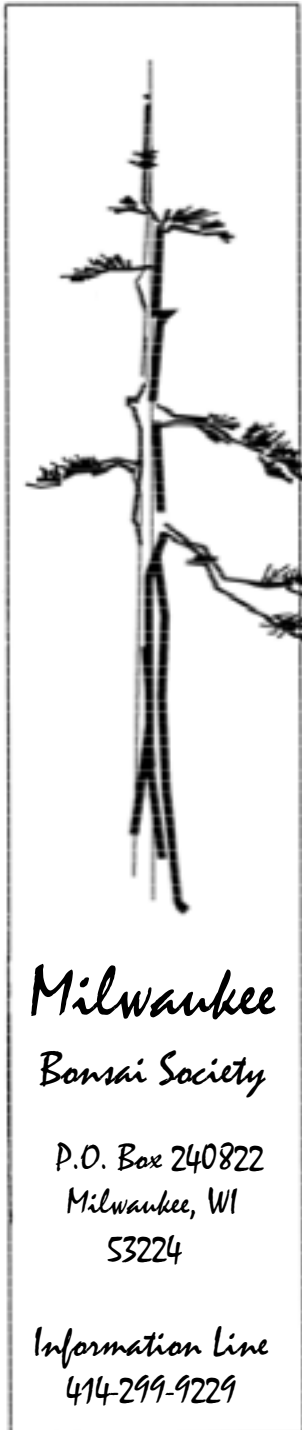


July 2011

Bonsai News



*Milwaukee
Bonsai Society*

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414-299-9229*

JULY CLUB PICNIC

REMEMBER
no regular Tuesday
meeting in July

Even better MBS will have a cook out at Don Gumieny's home on Sunday, July 24th.

Bonsai fans should gather at 2 PM with the taking of food about 3.

Afterwards there will be plenty of time to discuss the fine art of bonsai and lawn trains.

See the **RSVP instructions** and **directions to Don's** on page 4 of this issue.

2011 Events

JULY

July 5 - **NO CLUB MEETING**

July 9 - Repotting workshop

See page 4 for details

July 9 - Wauwatosa Display

July 16-17 - SUTHIN workshops

July 24 - CLUB PICNIC (see directions on page 4)

July 31 - Intermediate Class

AUGUST

August 2 - CLUB MEETING

Tropical trees discussion

August 4-14 - STATE FAIR

August 19-22 - Chicago Show

August 28 - Intermediate Class

SEPTEMBER

September 2 - CLUB MEETING

How to exhibit your tree

September 16-19 - CLUB SHOW

September 16 - Reception for Suthin Sukosolvisit

Sept 17 - PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Sept 17-18 - SUTHIN workshops

To see the **year's events** go to:

www.milwaukeebonsai.org

click on **What's New**

NEXT MEETING

No July Meeting

Boerner Botanical Gardens

President's Message

"Hope as Described by Richard Risch"

All of us have seen the work of Richard Risch either at the domes where he was director from 1981 through 1995 or as founder of the Milwaukee Bonsai Society. In the summer of 1969 Richard, a young horticulturist helped organize a free bonsai demonstration in the hope to start a bonsai club. Over 200 people showed up for that August demonstration. Richard asked for the names of those interested in forming a club. In late September about 50 members gathered at the Mitchell Park Pavilion and the Milwaukee Bonsai Society was founded. Richard was elected the first president of MBS.



Richard passed on June 15, 2011, at the age of 70. He spent his last few months doing what he loved - working with plants. He belonged to many clubs and spoke at many events. Richard continued to serve the conservatory on the Friends of the Domes board and volunteered at the conservatory until his death. He will be missed.

Some of us have had the opportunity to see Richard give presentations, critique our trees, and entertain us with stories and horticulture knowledge. I was MBS president in 1993 when Richard spoke at Charlie Schneck's (another founding member) funeral service. Richard spoke about his admiration of Charlie's hope and youthful enthusiasm demonstrated by having started seeds just weeks before he passed away. In these last eighteen years, I can truly appreciate what Richard was trying to impart to members of MBS at that time. Always plant seeds for future development for your collection or the growth of our organization. I am humbled to pay homage to such an honored member of our bonsai community.

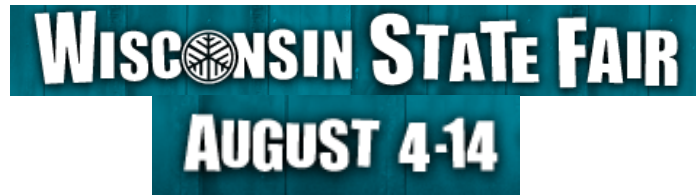
"To be seventy years young is sometimes far more cheerful and hopeful than to be forty years old."
- Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr

Suthin Sukosolvisit (Su Tin)

Suthin Sukosolvisit is one of the very best shohin artists working in the West - a bonsai artist extraordinaire. On July 16 and 17 we have all day workshops. To participate in any workshop, your dues must be current and the workshop fee must be prepaid. Call Pam 352-7799 to be a workshop participant. As a member of MBS you are invited to be a silent observer, come to the workshop held at Boerner on the lower level and pay the \$5 silent observer fee for the morning or afternoon session (or \$10 for the whole day). Rules for participating as an observer include silence, no questions/comments directed to artist or participant in order to respect the time participants are paying an artist.

You won't want to miss this chance to see one of the country's foremost bonsai artists.

-Pam



STATE FAIR 2011 - 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 414-378-0782 to participate.

STATE FAIR EXHIBIT SCHEDULE 2011

Exhibit #1 (August 4 - August 6)
Exhibit #2 (August 7 - August 10)
Exhibit #3 (August 11 - August 14)

Exhibit #1

Deliver trees to **

Wednesday, Aug 3 from 6pm - 7pm
or bring to the Club meeting at Boerner on Tuesday Aug 2

Pick up trees from **

Sunday, Aug 7 from 9am - 10am

Exhibit #2

Deliver trees to **

Saturday, Aug 6 from 6pm - 7pm

Pick up trees from **

Thursday, Aug 11 from 9am - 10am

Exhibit #3

Deliver trees to **

Wednesday, Aug 10 from 6pm - 7pm

Pick up trees from **

Monday Aug, 15 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

Greg at 414-378-0782, gpolak@mac.com

Good luck and thanks for supporting the MBS 2011 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... p14-15

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

2011 MBS Cook Out

MBS will not have a July meeting this year. But do not despair bonsai fans, there will be a MBS cook out at Don Gumienny's Home on Sunday July 24th. We will gather at 2 PM and eat about 3 PM. Burgers, Brats and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share, a bonsai tree for show and tell, and a lawn chair to sit on. Collect moss for your trees and talk bonsai with friends till ????. Map and directions are below.

RSVP to Don by 7-20-11

-262-548-0480 Office
-262-513-8395 Home

From Milwaukee:
I94 West to Exit 297 (near
Barker Road)
West on Hwy 18
(Moorland Blvd - Waukesha)
1.8 miles to Hwy 164
South on Hwy 164 (joins Hwy 59)
9.2 miles to Woods Road
South on Woods Road .4 miles to Don's
(look for the American Flag-
East side of road)

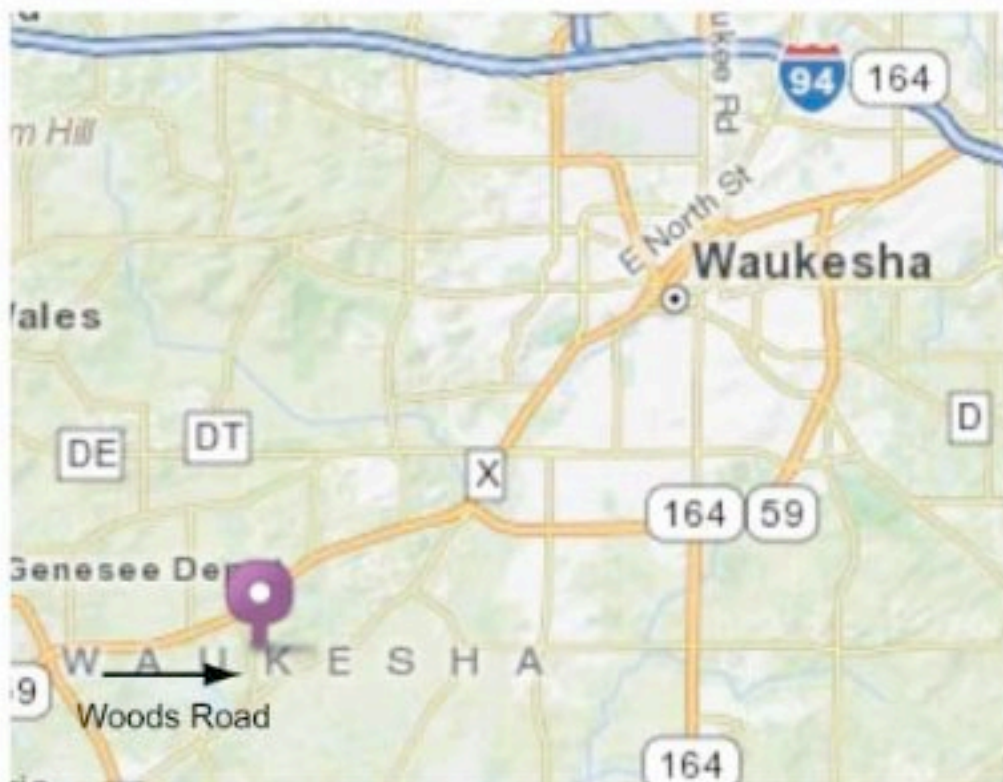
From Beloit or Kenosha:

Note: Hwy 83 is closed from Mukwonago north to Hwy 59
I43 to Hwy 164

North on Hwy 164 4.7 miles to Hwy 59
West on Hwy 59 5 miles to Woods Road
South on Woods Road .4 miles to Don's
(look for the American Flag-East side of road)

From Madison:

I94 East to Hwy 83
South on Hwy 83-7.2 miles to Hwy 59
East on Hwy 59 2 miles to Woods Road
South on Woods Road .4 miles to Don's
(look for the American Flag-East side of road)



Repotting workshop - July 9 - at Boerner - 9:00 - 12:00

Members of the Public Workshop in September of 2010 - bring your trees and pots. The soil will be provided for you.

All others - please bring your own pots, soil, etc. If you need soil, Ron will have some on hand to sell.

WHAT ARE BONSAI BUCKS?



Bonsai Bucks are points that you can accumulate when helping out at a function such as State Fair, Public workshops, Folk Fair etc. Each 3-4 hour session earns you 1 Bonsai Buck. Each BB counts for \$3 towards the **Awards Banquet** in December. Earn 6 Bonsai Bucks and your dinner and delightful evening of entertainment are paid for. Anyone earning more than 6 BB will receive 1 ticket for each BB to be used in a special drawing the evening of the Awards Banquet.

VOLUNTEER TO WORK AT STATE FAIR!!

HELP! With so many activities going on, we're losing count of all your bonsai bucks. Please email: hagr8d@mac.com with the events you have worked.

Boerner Botanical Gardens Membership Drive

During June, you probably aren't thinking of membership to the Boerner Botanical Gardens. We still have plenty of year ahead of us, it doesn't hurt to join now before the August Chicago show. If you act now, you can get a discounted 2011 membership to the Gardens. Through July 17, the Friends of the Boerner Botanical Gardens are offering \$10 off annual memberships for MBS members. With this discount, memberships are available for as little as \$25. In addition to unlimited free admission to the Gardens, members receive:

- 10% Gift Shop discount
- Discounts on special programs and events
- Quarterly "In Season" newsletter
- Invitation to Annual Meeting & to yearly member appreciation event
- Reciprocal admissions to over 150 American Horticultural Society Gardens (www.ahs.org)

The Boerner Botanical Gardens are located within Whitnall Park in Hales Corners. To receive the membership discount, stop and pick up or click <http://www.boernerbotanicalgardens.org/support/j1-1.html> for a printable application form. You must mention Milwaukee Bonsai Society (MBS) to get the discount.

MBS Salutes Previous Photographic Competition Winner

By Pam W

Last year's winner of our First Photographic Competition was Dennis G. He submitted his winning entry in a Florida newspaper Photo Contest and took first place in over 150 entries for Garden Photo. Congratulations to Dennis and he congratulates MBS for our judging ability.

Now is a good opportunity to make a photographic record of your trees at the peak of their condition. Attend your favorite bonsai exhibit or workshop and take the opportunity to take great photos. Tree portraits, members working on trees, exhibition shots, club workshops, even quirky pictures that bring a laugh – they all qualify for entry in our next Photographic Competition.

See more detailed information of the Photo Contest (to be held at the November Club meeting) in our next newsletter.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Next Meeting of MBS
7PM, Tuesday, August 2
Boerner Botanical Gardens
9400 Boerner Dr
Hales Corners, WI 53130

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
Librarian - Tom A
Telephone response - Jorge R
PAB Board - Ron F, Don G & Houston S

**WISCONSIN STATE FAIR ...
THREE GUYS EXHIBIT BONSAI.
WE THREE. WEE TREE. WHEEEE!**

JOIN US FOR THE FUN!!