



## NEXT CLUB MEETING: Wednesday, August 22 at 7PM

### Fertilizing Your Bonsai

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Members will receive information on the science and practice behind fertilization and the health of your bonsai. There will be a demonstration on producing your own fertilizer cakes. This evening's program features Cyril Grum, Robert Bishop and Jerry Meislik (by video link).

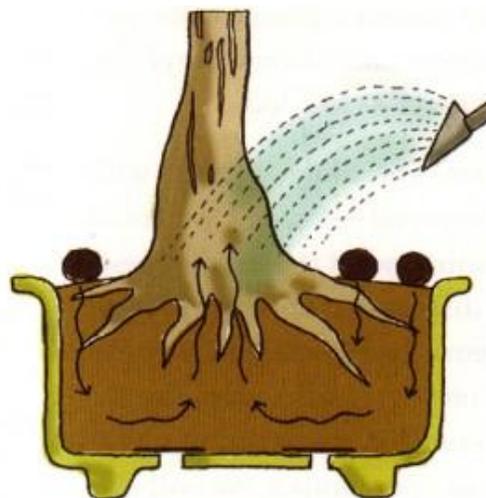


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#### 2012 AABS Show Potluck & Tree Critique

**Jay Sinclair – President**

Join us at 5:00 PM on Saturday August 25 for the annual AABS Show Potluck & Critique. Good company, and a chance to discuss some of the trees in the show.

AABS will provide a meat entree, tableware, plates and soft drinks. Please bring a dish to pass, and if you wish, your preferred soft drink. Due to Matthaei Botanical Gardens policy, the event will be alcohol-free.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the August meeting, but even if you don't sign up you are welcome!

40TH ANNUAL  
ANN ARBOR  
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**AABS Show will include a tribute to Jack Wikle and Bill Heston.**

**Jay Sinclair – President**

This year's Annual Show will include a tribute to long-time AABS members Jack Wikle and Bill Heston. Members are encouraged to bring any trees that they have which were purchased from or trained by Jack or Bill, to show the pervasive influence that they have had, and their contributions to the art of bonsai.

These trees will have an addition to their usual labeling indicating their connection to Jack or Bill. Members are of course welcome bring any trees that they wish to show, whether or not they have a connection to either of these artists.

**The Annual AABS Bonsai Show, August 25 & 26, 2012 At Matthaei Botanical Gardens - Auditorium**

**Paul Kulesa – VP/Program Chairperson**

Are you working on a bonsai to enter into the show?

As the annual AABS Show approaches, your help is needed to make this show better than ever.

- You can assist with transforming the auditorium into a bonsai display area on Friday, August 24 at 10 AM.
- Friday staging – help distribute the trees for display, 6 PM.
- Saturday and Sunday assistance is needed greeting visitors at the reception desk, during the show.
- Are you willing to perform a demonstration for visitors, sell raffle tickets, etc.
- Sunday following the show, we need assistance with breakdown and cleanup.

**Notes From the Sidelines**

**Photos by Jay Sinclair – President**

Here are some of the pictures taken by Jay Sinclair of the July Monthly Meeting.



Connie Crancer working on a juniper from Ed Hughes.



Don Schwartz -trident maple.



Connie Crancer and George Randall.



Hugh Danville with Timothy Thompson's tree.



Connie Crancer and Robert Bishop's *Ficus nerifolia*.

**Bonsai and Penjing Collection at MBG**  
**The Bonsai Garden & Volunteers**  
Paul Kulesa – VP/Program Chairperson

Ground has been broken.

Plans have been finalized. Stakes have been placed in the ground laying out the garden perimeter and a structure. It will not be long until the Bonsai Garden rises from design plans. However, progress has proceeded slowly in the last month. We will follow progress as the project develops.



Volunteers actively work to help maintain the MBG bonsai collection (see next page).



Larry examines his work for the day.



Emily and Jay Sinclair remove wire from the Scots Pine.



Emily removes wire from the Scots Pine.



Ruth, record keeper of MBG bonsai.

### Getting Your Name Tag

**Joan Wheeler –Treasurer**

**Almudena Veiga-Lopez – Recording Secretary**

As a member of AABS you can have a name tag made by our treasurer Joan Wheeler as nice as the one showed in the photo below!



Do not miss the opportunity to get a name tag and decorate it the way you like it. Talk to Joan Wheeler in the next monthly meeting!

### UPCOMING AABS EVENTS

**Paul Kulesa – VP/Program Chairperson**

**September Monthly Meeting**

**September 26, 2012, 7 PM**

**-The Annual Auction**

This is the annual auction of bonsai and bonsai related materials. Members are encouraged to bring their surplus bonsai and bonsai related material to this meeting. Items can be re-distributed at silent auction or during a live auction.

### BONSAI CONVENTIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

✓ **Mid-America Bonsai Exhibit**  
**35<sup>th</sup> Season - August 17 - 19, 2012**

This August show is one of the biggest regional shows in the nation. Centered on the Chicago Botanic Garden's Permanent Collection, featuring almost 50 world-class trees, it's a showplace of trees from across the Midwest. Enthusiasts from five states bring their trees to be judged in the main hall at the Garden's Regenstein Center - with this year's Guest Master, Peter Warren. There are no residency or membership restrictions for entering the show - any tree that can make it to Chicago is welcome to be entered. Along with this fabulous display of regional talent, there are over a dozen national vendors, workshops, free demonstrations, and a banquet with a silent auction.



35th Annual Mid-America Bonsai Exhibit  
August 17 - 19, 2012

<http://www.midwestbonsai.org/augustshow.html>

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**October 24 - Monthly Meeting**

- A Study of Bonsai In Winter Silhouette

**November 5 - Monthly Meeting**

- Annual Banquet and Critique of Bonsai

### 2012 AABS EXECUTIVE BOARD

**President:** Jay Sinclair  
**Vice-President:** Paul Kulesa  
**Corresponding Secretary\*:** Almudena Veiga-Lopez  
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**Director 2011 & 2012:** Raquel Vega  
**Director 2012 & 2013:** Michael Field  
**Show Chairperson:** Jay Sinclair  
\*Will serve in a temporary position until a replacement is elected.

### AABS AD-HOC COMMITTEES

The AABS President is exofficio member of all committees with the exception of the Nomination Committee.

**Auction Chair:** TBD  
**Membership Chair:** TBD  
**Show Staging:** Paul Kulesa  
**Demonstrations:** TBD  
**Ways and Means Chair:** Hugh Danville  
**Web Administration:** Raquel Vega

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### FOR SALE OR WANTED

All members can offer for sale any bonsai and bonsai related materials in the newsletter or at the monthly meeting with no sales fee. AABS Society Members' ads are free to publish in the Newsletter. Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter is the 5th of the month. Please send your comments or documents to [newsletter@annarborbonsaisociety.org](mailto:newsletter@annarborbonsaisociety.org).

**Wanted.** If you have a tree, bonsai pot, tool or anything else bonsai related that you don't need anymore and that is still in good condition, consider donating it to the Society. Donations to the Society are always accepted. In most cases many donated trees or other materials have been raffled among the attending members during our monthly meetings.

### **Help Spruce Up Our Web Page Appearance**

Raquel Vega, AABS web master, is soliciting photographs of members' trees to appear on one of the many pages of our web site. You can hand deliver a photograph of your favorite bonsai to Raquel at the meeting or send a photo via email to her.

[members-owner@annarborbonsaisociety.org](mailto:members-owner@annarborbonsaisociety.org)

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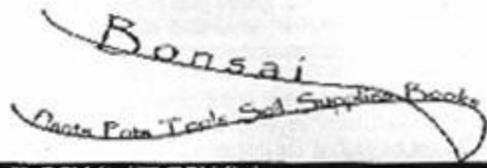
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