

The Bergen Bonsai Society



An educational
non-profit organization

Aug. July 2015 Newsletter
Meeting: Sun 08/16 — 12 Noon
Place: Closter Nature Center .
 154 Ruckman Road, Closter, NJ 07624

Annual Picnic & Auction

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Year 2015 Programs Mark Your Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM MTG</u>	<u>AFT MTG</u>	<u>EVE MT G</u>	<u>AWAY MTG</u>
	January 11	<u>POT SALE /SWAP MEET— POWER POINT PRESENTATION</u>	<u>X</u>			
	February 22	<u>GUEST ARTIST —DAVID KNITTLE-TREATMENT DEAD WOOD</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	March 22	<u>GUEST ARTIST— DAVID EASTERBROOK– REPOTTING selection of MABS trees</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
*	March Mon 23	<u>GUEST ARTIST — DAVID EASTERBROOK —REPOTTING</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	April 17 –19	<u>MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
	May 3	<u>GUEST ARTIST —MAURO STEMBERGER —AM-LECTURE 3 TREES; PM-CRITIQUE</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
*	May Mon 4	<u>GUEST ARTIST—MAURO STEMBERGER—Cerbo Greenhouse</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
	May 31	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP—CLOSTER NATURE CENTER</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
*	June 14	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP— TEANECK GREENHOUSE</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
	July 19	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP—TROPICAL</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	August 16	<u>ANNUAL PICNIC AUCTION</u>		<u>X</u>		
	September 13	<u>GUEST ARTIST— OWEN REICH— BYOB WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	October 18	<u>GUEST ARTIST — DAVID EASTERBROOK — WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	November 15	<u>CLUB SHOW; PM– OPEN WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	December 6	<u>HOLIDAY LUNCHEON</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

* Indicates a change in date, event or time, since previous Newsletter

NOTES

1. All meetings @ Closter Nature Center are on Sundays

LAST MEETING —JULY 19TH—OPEN WORKSHOP



THIS MEETING —AUGUST 16TH —ANNUAL PICNIC AUCTION STARTS at 12 NOON CLOSTER NATURE CENTER

Our next meeting, on Sunday Aug 16, will be our infamous picnic, a tradition not to be missed. You say that you'd rather go fishing instead? No problem, bring a pole and fish the Nature Center pond while you dine on haut cuisine by Bryce, our highly experienced food monger. Just imagine, chicken, long, stuffed sandwiches, salad, other morsels and drinks ,all with delectable flavors all but forgotten since last year. And for entertainment watch our fearless leaders try to auction the meager bonsai material, you have donated, at any ridiculous price that you, our savvy and thrifty membership, is willing to pay. Just for the fun of it, why not bring along your best tree for a price evaluation.

Festivities start at 12 noon, price is \$15 for members and is the same for nonmember lovers and other strangers.

Bring chairs, umbrellas, bug juice, donated bonsai material, some money and good cheer.

Make sure you reserve a coveted seat near the auctioneer by contacting John Pinkowski at diannp91@hotmail.com, but last minute arrivals are always welcome.

NEXT MEETING — SEPT. 13TH— GUEST ARTIST— OWEN REICH— BYOB WORKSHOP

On Sept 13, Owen Reich will be visiting our club and we all need to be attending. Owen's visit last year was a big success and we can expect an outstanding program again in Sept. The morning will be used for a lecture demo involving a Scots Pine in a formal upright design and the winner of the raffle will be taking home a winner, literally. Also in the morning program we will be asking Owen for insights and advice on problems with our own particular trees that we will be bringing in. The afternoon will be a bring your own workshop, unlimited number of trees ,but just eight participants @ \$50 each. Signs ups starting now.

New Parking location at the Closter Nature Center

We have been asked by the head of the nature center to park in a different location when we have our meetings at Closter. The Closter Nature Center is owned and supported by the municipality of Closter primarily for the use of Closter residents who need to park at the building to use the grounds. This parking facility, off Ruckman, Road, gets filled by Bergen Bonsai members during our meetings and we are being asked to park at another lot which is further from the building. Access to this lot is from Piermont Road. Heading north on Piermont from Homans Ave, make the second left onto Irving Ave. and travel straight for about 1000 feet (the road is only semi paved towards the end) and park at a cottage. You will then walk around the section of lake, at which we hold our picnics, to the Nature Center building. Trees and tools may be dropped off first using the Ruckman parking lot if we then move our cars to the Irving Ave lot. We all recognized that this change will make using the Nature Center at Closter more difficult, but we MUST try.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Bergen Bonsai News, anyone having anything that they like to share, please feel free to drop us an email.

We will publish it if it is appropriate.

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BBS WEBSITE

Go to www.bergenbonsai.com & you can view our newsletters, pictures from our latest meetings, the Mid-Atlantic Convention, our extensive library & much more. Continued thanks to Bob Pruski.

LIBRARY

As usual, the complete library inventory is posted on our website (BergenBonsai.com). Find what you want, contact our librarians (for videos — David; hard cover books — Ralf; Bonsai Today/ Focus — Diann, and Int'l Bonsai, BCL Misc — John), and they will bring it to the next meeting. This is a tremendous asset and one of the best ways to learn more about bonsai in general. The library is a treasure trove of information just waiting to answer all of your questions and some that you haven't even thought about yet. Use these winter months to get answers to the questions that you have about your trees in time for the growing season.

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