



The Bergen Bonsai Society

August 2007 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Sunday, August 19th

Time: 9:45AM

Closter Nature Center

154 Ruckman Road, Closter NJ 07624

MAIN PROGRAM

STYLING WORKSHOP

(AM ANALYSIS & AFT. HANDS-ON)

The Bergen Bonsai Society

Incorporated
P.O. Box 822
Teaneck, New Jersey 07666



Year 2007 Programs

Mark Your Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>AFT</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>EVE</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>AWA</u> <u>Y</u> <u>MTG</u>
	January 21	Bonsai Video & Pot Sale	<u>X</u>			
	February 18	Power Point Slide Show & Discussion -- Peter Sobel	<u>X</u>			
	March 25	Two Juniper Workshops (AM & AFTN) -- G. LeBolt	<u>X</u>			
	April 18	MABS Guest Artist – Robert Stevens --(Indonesia) Note: WED W/S & L/D		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
	April 20-22	MidAtlantic (MABS) Convention @ Ramada Inn (E. Hanover, NJ)				<u>X</u>
	May 6	Guest Artist – Roy Nagatoshi -- (California) L/D & W/S	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	June 3	Tropical Trees Lect/Demo & Workshop (trees supplied) -- G. LeBolt	<u>X</u>			
	July 15	Annual Picnic & Auction @ Lakeside (12noon-3pm)		<u>X</u>		
●	August 19	Styling Open Workshop (BYOB) --G. LeBolt AM ANALYSIS & AFT HANDS-ON	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	September 16	Guest Artist – Julian Adams -- (Georgia) L/D & W/S	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	October 21	Guest Artist – (TBD) OR Annual Show & Critique – G. LeBolt	<u>X</u>	<u>?</u>		
	November 18	Annual Show & Critique OR Guest Artist – (TBD)	<u>X</u>	<u>?</u>		
	?	Possible Collecting Trip -- Deer Browsed Apples -- (N.Y. State)				<u>X</u>
	?	Possible 1 Day Bus Trip -- Chinese Scholars Garden – (Staten Island)				<u>X</u>
	December 9	Annual Holiday Party (12noon–3pm)				<u>X</u>

● Indicates a change since last newsletter in date or event

NOTES

1. All meetings @ Closter Nature Center are on Sundays (**except** APR 18th)
2. All morning meetings @ Closter Nature Center start 9:45 AM to APX. 1:30PM
3. All afternoon meetings @ Closter Nature Center start APX. 2PM to APX. 5:00PM

LAST MONTH – JULY 15TH – ANNUAL PICNIC & AUCTION

About 38 people gathered by the side of the pond. The sun was shining. The weather was slightly cloudy and the temperature was tolerable with a slight breeze. That is how our 2007 picnic and auction began. After lots of “hello’s” and lively conversation, came the food that filled everyone up rather quickly with plenty to spare. The items to auction filled three tables and our sincere thanks to everyone who brought things to help make Bonsai more fun for the winners of the bidding. George put on his auctioneer face and generated enthusiasm and laughs for several hours as the group parted with their hard earned money for the benefit of BBS. After all, this was our major fund raiser for the year, which will help us to bring in those top-of-the-line artists who will entertain and educate us during the year to come. Dave made sure everyone received their winning item in good condition while Mitch & Andi kept track of the finances. Sooooo, thanks to everyone who participated in the event.



Good friends, Good food, Good times

THIS MONTH -- AUG. 19TH – STYLING OPEN WORKSHOP – G. LeBOLT & 3 ASSISTANTS

As we announced in our previous Newsletter, the format of this Workshop has changed.

Previously, we had a big turnout for styling advice, but few remained for “hands-on” work.

The new format will be as follows:

1. The styling advice will be conducted first by George (1 tree/Member; Bonsai or pre-bonsai)
2. As each Workshop participants tree is being analyzed, 1 of 3 of our more “advanced” club Members will assist and sit-in and take notes.
3. After all trees have been analyzed, the “hands-on” Workshop will commence.
4. Each of the 3 “advanced” Members will now assist their Workshop participant “partners” in following the previous styling instructions, including wiring help, etc.
5. There will be a nominal charge of \$10 for this Workshop, including the styling advice & the “hands-on” Workshop assistance, (No charge for “silent observers.”)

PLEASE NOTE: Previous sign-ups for the “old” format are no longer valid. Please see new Sign-up Form below.

STYLING WORKSHOP SIGN-UP FORM

Yes, I wish to participate in the Aug 19th Styling Workshop

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

Please mail this reservation form (together with a \$10 check payable to BBS) to George @ 404 Homans Av., Closter, NJ 07624 ASAP

Due to time limitations, George will accept telephone registration (201-768-7455).

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NEXT MONTH – SEPT. 16TH – GUEST ARTIST – JULLIAN ADAMS (Georgia)

Julian Adams has been involved with Bonsai for over 30 years. He is the founder of the Central Virginia Bonsai Society, which has now grown from 6 Members to 65. He has been a Bonsai Vendor @ our MidAtlantic Convention for many years. He's a Board Member of the National Bonsai Foundation & Vice Pres. of the American Bonsai Society & has published many Bonsai articles. His trees & his teachings are well known & we are pleased to have him present a program on Pines.

Julian has also agreed to bring annealed COPPER wire for our Members, to the Meeting (no shipping costs). Since we only place a Club order apx. every 2 years, this is a bonus. Get in you wire order now.

CLUB WIRE ORDER FORM

Wire Size (AWG)	Length (per Coil)	Price (per Coil)	Quantity of Coils Ordered	Price Extension
#20	50 feet	\$3.00		
#18	"	\$3.00		
#16	"	\$5.00		
#14	"	\$6.00		
#12	"	\$7.00		
#10	"	\$11.00		
#8	25 feet	\$9.00		
#6	"	\$13.00		

Total of Order \$ _____

Name : _____

To order, complete the above form and mail it (or bring it to the Aug 19th meeting) with your check (payable to Bergen Bonsai) to Mitch Becker, 778 Downing Street, Teaneck NJ, 07666. Order cutoff date: 8/19/07

Suggestions for Wire to Order for beginners with small trees: -- One coil each, -- #20, #18, #16

For medium size trees, add, -- #14, #12 For large trees, further add, -- #10, #8

For very large trees (heavy branches to bend) further add, #6

GOOD & WELFARE

We are sorry to report that Horst Krekeler's health improvement is progressing very slowly. He has been forced to drastically reduce his Bonsai Programs. He no longer travels (and if so, by train) & only does "local" Bonsai work. If anyone would like to drop him a line at:

IMVOGELSKORB 26

68535 EDINGEN – NECKARHAUSEN, GERMANY

I'm sure he would enjoy hearing from some of his friends @ Bergen Bonsai.

Peter Sobel advises that his Father injured his hip in a fall & is now recovering at the V.A. Hospital in Syracuse. **Speedy recovery!!**

OFFICERS & STAFF

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STUDY GROUP SESSIONS

2007 STUDY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Tel: _____ Date Registration Submitted: _____

General Information:

Study Group sessions are hands-on workshops designed to improve your Bonsai knowledge, skills and artistic design abilities. Participants will not only be involved with their own trees, but with design considerations and enhancement techniques for ALL trees of ALL participants.

All day sessions are from 10AM to 4PM (sometimes later) and are limited to **6** participants. (Minimum of 4 required to hold session.) Sessions are conducted at 404 Homans Ave., Closter, NJ 07624, or at the Nature Center.

Bring 3 or 4 trees, lunch, tools, wire, pots, etc. (some plant material & supplies available). Cost: \$40 for single session, \$100 for series of 3. Priority is given to earliest registrants.

1 st Series	2 nd Series	3 rd Series	4 th Series	5 th Series
Sun 4/29 ■	Sat 6/16 ■	Sun 7/22 ■	Sun 9/9 □	TBD □
Sat 5/12 ■	Sun 6/24 ■	Sun 8/5 ■	Sun 9/30 □	TBD □
Sun 5/20 ■	Sun 7/8 ■	Sun 8/26 ■	Sun 10/14 □	TBD □

F ■ = Filled

The 3rd series is completely filled. Dates for the 4th series are now established.

Please check appropriate boxes for reservations and mail with payment to George LeBolt, 404 Homans Av, Closter, NJ 07624. (Phone Reservations accepted. Call 201-768-7455)

Some of our Members have never participated in a Study Group session and literally don't know what they're missing. As demonstrated in past years, these sessions tend to fill up early!

We urge anyone how has not yet had the benefits of this experience to sign up for at least one of these sessions this year. **Don't miss this opportunity!**

If you need a tree (Indoor or Outdoor) for the Study Group, give George a call ASAP at 201-768-7455. He may have some available, or based on your need, may be able to obtain what you want.

Late July or August is an excellent time to repot your Tropical trees (under supervision)!