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AT THE HOME OF PETER APOSTOLAS

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Please be aware that our club's newsletters are now archived on-line -- Google (and Bookmark!) "Pikes Peak Bonsai" and on the left side click on "Newsletter". While there, also check out the link to see some 70 other Bonsai Club Newsletters On-line from around the world.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: AUGUST 8TH

- At the home of David Conlin, See the map inside

Our club does a lot of our summer meetings at the homes of club members. So in keeping with tradition, the month of June was no different. This time we met at the home of Peter Apotolas on the Southwest side of town.

As most of you know, Peter has been a member of our club since 1997 and is an avid collector of Bosai; from tropical to local Ponderosa.

After the arrival of eighteen members and one guest; Mary Jane Cash, who later that day joined as a member, Peter gave us the royal tour. He has a very good sized piece of property and there are bonsai of all sorts scattered across the grounds.

A quick meeting was held to cover a few important issues that have not been discussed in awhile. First off, David informed us that the Denver Bonsai club, Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society, has invited us to be a part of their upcoming Bonsai Clubs International Convention to be held in Denver in 2013. This is an awesome opportunity to see some of the best trees in the world. I for one, can't wait!!

Another announcement from Dave—the senior center will be sponsoring a "Speed dating" Event on August 19th, for those members that are 55 to 64 years-of-age. Call 385-6975 if you are interested.

Out treasury now contains \$1,206.00 and the savings has

\$36.40.

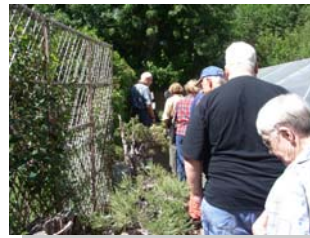
Henriette Gregorio has been working hard on a new logo for our club. She is ready to have us vote on an official design. See the article on page 3.



After the brief meeting, Peter did a demo on a Dwarf Juniper that he got at Home Depot for \$5.00. After the demo the tree was raffled off and the winner was Larry Rohr.



Then Peter did a little trim job on a rosemary bush that Mary Alice brought on. None of the trimmings went to waste as Henriette gathered them all up and, I am sure, made some good dried spice from them.



And finally, Paul McShane brought a small juniper in that Peter did some work on. Even though we all cringed when

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some branches were trimmed, I think Paul was very happy with the work Peter did.



We had a guest at today's meeting, Mary Jane Cash. Before the meeting was over, she joined our club. She comes from Florida where she is a member of her local bonsai club. We welcome you Mary Jane and we look forward to the knowledge you bring from Florida!!



As I mentioned earlier, we had a raffle with the juniper that Peter did a demo on and Peter also donated a ficus (it looks like a Green Island Banyan) for raffle that Sonya Alford won. All together we raised \$28.00 in this months raffle. **Keep in mind, if any of you have any trees that you would like to donate to our monthly raffle, please bring them to the meeting. We can always use the money!! This keeps us from raising the dues!**



VOTE ON NEW LOGO

Henriette Gregorio has been working very hard on getting us a new logo. At this last meeting we discussed two samples that she had and what we thought would make good changes. She has gone back to the drawing board and come up with three choices. The following is a letter from our president, David Conlin:

The new logo design is nearly complete. We have for you today three options to consider. If you look closely you will notice that these different options contain two different trees, two different designs, and three different fonts. Consider these elements carefully because our new logo is to represent us, and the direction in which our club is headed.

The final design is intended to contain the best of all the different elements. So when studying the designs keep in mind we can possibly mix and match. There will be a brief presentation and open discussion on the new logo design followed by a *final* vote at the August meeting. So speak up now or forever hold your peace.

Then the design will go into the final stages and the order for our new signs will be placed so we will be able to use them at our show in September. Also as planned, the new logo design will be implemented in all club ventures, i.e. website, yearbook, membership cards, and embroidery.

This is a substantial undertaking that will be with us for some time so make sure it is something we can happily live with. I would also like to thank everyone who has contributed to this process. I could not do it all myself. It is the combined effort of all members of any club that make it successful and enjoyable.

David T. Conlin



Choice #1



Choice #2



Choice #3

SEPTEMBER SHOW

The show committee held another meeting while at Peter's. They discussed various aspects of the upcoming show and David Conlin wanted me to be sure and pass on some important information to all of you.

First off, if you plan on putting a tree into this year's show, you need to give Cliff Broyles the information concerning your trees so that he can make up display tags. This is a lot of work for Cliff to do and it makes it very hard for him if some of us wait till the last minute to give him this information. So if you could please get this to him at the August meeting (on the 8th at David's) it would be greatly appreciated.

The following is the information that he needs:

- Common Name
- Scientific Name (if known)
- Style (upright, slant, cascade, etc.)
- Years in Training
- Age of Tree (approx, or exact)
- Owners Name
- Source (nursery stock, wild collected, by seed, etc.)

Also, it was requested by the committee that if any of you have bonsai stands that you would be willing to let members use to display their trees at the show, it would be greatly appreciated if you could bring them to Warner Hall the day of the show. Please be sure to put your name on the bottom of the stand so that we can get it back to its rightful owner. If you can't bring them to the show, please make arrangements to get them to someone on the committee before the show.

And lastly, we need to come up with places to advertise our show. So if any of you know of any, let someone on the committee know. You may be asked to hand deliver a show sign to these places.

The more advertising we have, the better the show we will have!!

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

Again, in keeping with tradition, our next meeting will be held at a members home. This time it will be at the home of David Conlin. Plan on seeing some awesome trees!!

The following are directions as per David:

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A LITTLE HORN TOOTING

Robert Baran brought this to my attention and I thought it was worth a spot in our newsletter. As most of you know, Robert has been doing some phenomenal work on the history of bonsai. The following is from the [Golden States Bonsai Federation Magazine](#), July/August 2009, pg. 16, giving Robert a pat on the back.

There is a truly remarkable project going on over at www.phoenixbonsai.com/BonsaiHistory.html, where the history of bonsai and miniature trees is being documented. We've visited that site in the past, but let's take a closer look. The documents, photos, and essays being archived there are well worth an article of their own.

We've all heard of the Noh play, "Hachi-No-Ki", in which the aged and poor Samurai cuts down his precious bonsai to light a pitiful fire for his guest. We may even have seen a woodcut or two, as the doomed trees are sacrificed. However, the true poignancy of the play cannot be appreciated, (barring actually seeing the play performed) until we read the essay by Robert Baran, reprinted on the Phoenix Bonsai website here: <http://www.phoenixbonsai.com/HachiNoKi.html> which brings some of the dialogue and the presentation to life.



Lu Shou, 12th Century

"Tree, whom the winds have ever wreathed with quaking mists, now shimmering in the flame shall burn and burn..."—impoverished Samurai Tsuneyo to his bonsai pine.

There is not enough room in our newsletter for all of it, so if you want to read more go to

www.phoenixbonsai.com/BonsaiHistory.html and read more.



Nagasaki-e, 17th Century



Japanese Tansu Style Bonsai Tool Chest

- Handcrafted from solid hardwoods with dovetail construction.
- Two deep drawers to store Bonsai tools.
- Attached 10" turntable.
- Two solid doors with carved Bonsai trees.
- Spacious cabinet interior with rod to hang Bonsai wire. Plenty of room for larger tools and even a few Bonsai Pots.
- Wire protrudes through holes in back for easy dispensing.
- All for \$195 (wire not included).
- Contact Steven Alford — 719-633-9110
- **Also ask to see my new Bonsai Stands!!**

PPBS SHOW COMMITTEE REPRINT

The new Pikes Peak Bonsai Society show committee had its first official meeting on Saturday, June 13, at the beautiful residence of club members Jim & Claudia Eley. The meeting immediately followed the social gathering that was held there.

Members of the show committee are as follows: David T. Conlin, Claudia Eley, Bill Fox, Larry Rohr, Timmie Stewart, & Harve Wolfe. Other members of the club at large were in attendance and any others who are interested & willing to help are welcome. Various issues were discussed at this meeting and some decisions were made. It was decided that for this year we will continue to have the show at our usual time and location. Our past-president, Bill Fox, has secured the Worner Center for us for September 26 & 27 with set-up on Friday evening on the 25. Cliff Broyles is in charge of getting table clothes for the display, as he has in the past. David Conlin, Claudia Eley, & Timmie Stewart are designing and creating fabric dividers to be used in the display and Harve Wolfe is also working on a plan to raise some tables for better viewing of shohin and mame bonsai.

It was also decided that we will try to secure more advertising before the event if possible. Anyone who has expertise or experience in this area would be greatly appreciated (we are talking to you Henriette).

David T. Conlin

Pikes Peak Bonsai Society

<http://www.phoenixbonsai.com/PikesPeakBonsai.html>

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CLUB MEETINGS

Non-members and those curious about this art/hobby are always welcome at no obligation!

10 a.m. on the Second Saturday of each month, usually at the **Senior Center** (Ceramics Room),

1514 N. Hancock Ave. (corner of Camarillo at the top of Hancock, 1/3 mile north of Uintah St.), just northeast of downtown Colorado Springs.

(719) 385-5933

Look to this space in the future for want ads, sales ads and a place to put that ad for your business!!

If you have anything to put in this space, let me know.

A 2x3 insert is \$5 for one issue, \$10 for 3 issues, and \$18 for one year.

A 3x4 insert is \$10 for one issue, \$20 for 3 issues and \$36 for the year.

For more information call Steve Alford at 633-9110 (evenings) or email me at pmprdcchef@msn.com