

FOUR SEASONS

BONSAI CLUB OF MICHIGAN

October 2007

www.fourseasonsbonsai.org

Issue No. 10

EVERGREEN STYLING DEMO WITH VANCE WOOD

**OCTOBER 28, 2007 - 2:00 P.M.
AT TELLY'S GREENHOUSE**

This is your chance to observe and learn from one of our most experienced Four Seasons Club Bonsai Masters, Vance Wood, as you watch him transform an evergreen plant into a true bonsai with further future potential. Vance has the ability of a true teacher and explains his reasons for every move he does and is willing to share his vast knowledge and experience with anyone who has the desire to learn. No matter your level of experience, you will be able to find something new to learn from him and also have an opportunity to discuss bonsai problems and successes with other members of the club with similar experiences. You don't want to miss this meeting!

New Growing Bed

This is the first stage of a new growing bed on E. Holly Rd. in Holly. There is plenty of room for expansion when needed. Hopefully the deer and other critters will be kept out by the six foot fence.



President's Message:

Hello fellow Bonsai enthusiasts. Do you believe that the 2007 year is almost over? When we meet this month, we will only have two months left in the year. In November we have a Three of a kind Demo and then in December we have our Christmas party. Wow it has gone so fast. Also, please note that this October meeting is the last meeting of the year that we will meet on our normal last Sunday of the month meeting time. Both November and December are at different times.

This month's meeting is a Styling Demonstration by our very talented and experienced Vance Wood. You shouldn't miss this. Anytime Vance gives a demonstration everyone walks away acquiring additional knowledge on the Art of Bonsai.

Well last month's meeting was hard work but very rewarding. We set up a growing

Continued on Page 2

bed at the Ormond's. This included taking a large patch of land that Robert had already plowed; roto-tilling the soil; installing fence posts and fencing; as well as planting and mulching trees. For those members that attended this event, I would like to thank each of you for your efforts. Job well done! We even had Suzanne Robinson attend to cheer us on. Also important is providing our heart felt thanks to Robert and Anita for providing the club with this awesome growing bed opportunity.

As has been mentioned in the last newsletter, it is just about election time for the upcoming 2008 year. Please take the time and consider volunteering your time and talent for one of the vacant positions. It is the perfect opportunity to help the future growth of the club. Please read about the nomination process and the positions that need to be filled for 2008. That is how I got started.

It is also time to provide member input on what you would like to see and do during the 2008 year. In the past we have had a variety of activities including demos, workshops, nursery visits, and guest speakers on numerous topics. Please provide some comments and input on this important topic. This will help us coordinate next year's activities.

So, there you have it, a lot of information to digest. I look forward to seeing each of you, new and old member alike, at this month's meeting.

Jimmy Whiteley

NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

Only one month remains until the club elects a new President, Vice-President and two directors. The nominating committee is still accepting names. (See available positions below.) Positions are open to any member, provided their dues are current. Presidential nominees must be currently serving on the board, or have served previously.

Officer/board positions:

President: **open** (Nominees: Vance Wood)
Vice-President: **open** (Nominees: none)
Treasurer: John Stevens (2nd year of 2-year term)
Secretary: Linda Meadors (2nd year of 2-year term)

Board of director positions:

3-Year Director: **open** (Nominees: none)
2-Year Director: Todd Renshaw (2nd year of 3-year term)
1-Year Director: Bette Gay (last year of 3-year term)
1-Year Director: **open** (Nominees: none)

(Appointed positions are not listed.)

To ask the nominating committee to be considered, or suggest another possible nominee, contact any of the following members:

Linda Meadors, (248) 394-0478 or email: lalmead@comcast.net
Justin Ouellette, (586) 365-8018 or email: mrfun39@gmail.com
Todd Renshaw, (248) 585-9916 or email: scott13@wwnet.net

All members who qualify for offices as stated in FSBC bylaws will be considered by the nominating committee. Members who wish a copy of the bylaws may contact Linda Meadors at the above number or email.

Duties of the President and Vice-President

(From the club bylaws, article IV, section 5).

President - The President shall be the Executive Officer and the liaison with the Cranbrook Auxiliary. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and special meetings. The President, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint the Chairmen of all Standing and Special Committees. The President shall coordinate the work of the committees, and shall be a member ex-officio of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

A minimum of four (4) meetings of the Board at which a quorum is present shall be held annually at the call of the President to act upon such matters as the Manual may authorize. The President may call Special meetings and must do so upon the written request of three (3) members of the Board, reasonable notice having been given*.

Vice-President - The Vice-President shall assist the President, perform such duties as the President or the Board shall assign, and shall assume the duties of the President in that officer's absence.

A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled automatically by the Vice-President and that individual shall remain eligible to be elected to a succeeding full term as President**

*from article VI, section 2 **From article IV, section 6

Support Our Vendors

Jim Kelly
108 W. Elmwood, Clawson, Mi 48017
(248) 288-3385
Services available-Classes-
Individual instruction-trees-pottery-soil
repotting-pruning-restyle-wiring

Telly's Greenhouse
3301 John R
Troy, Mi. 48083-5656
(248) 689 8735
(Discount on Bonsai Related Items)

Bonsai House
8653 Inkster Road
Westland, Mi. 48185
(734) 421-3434
Closed Sunday & Tuesday

Goldner Walsh Nursery
559 Orchard Lake Rd.
Pontiac, Mi. 48341
(248) 332-6430

Tokonoma Bonsai Garden
34190 S. Gratiot
Clinton Twp., Mi. 48035
(586) 791-6595
10% Discount on Bonsai Items

Tropical Treasures
Koi . Water Plants . Pond Supplies
Tokonoma Bonsai
Gardens
Bonsai Supplies . Granite Lanterns . Bamboo .
Joshua Roth Distributor
Kites, windsocks, spinners, etc.
Asian art supplies

34190 S. Gratiot
Clinton Twp., MI (586) 791-6595

What's Ahead on the Schedule: 2007

Oct. 28 - Styling Demonstration. Vance Wood shapes one of his stock evergreens into a bonsai.

Nov. 18* - Tropical Three-of-a-Kind Demo. Three club members, each with raw, nearly identical stock trees, style thm into three unique bonsai, side-by-side.

Dec. 9* - Christmas Party. Bring a "dish to pass" and join us for plenty of good food and good conversation.

* - Not held on the last Sunday of the month.

THANK YOU S+R EVENT RENTAL!

OUR SHOW WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN THE SAME WITHOUT YOUR HELP!

S+R EVENT RENTAL
"FOR ALL OUTDOOR OCCASIONS"
35340 UNION LAKE RD.
Harrison Twp., Mi. 48045
Toll Free #800-230-7706
Local # 586-791-4900
Fax # 586-791-4904
E-Mail: info@sreventrental.com

Bonsai at
Telly's
Greenhouse

Experience the Telly's Difference

3301 John R.
Troy, MI 48083-5656
Phone: (248) 689-8735
Fax: (248) 689-8730

Show club I.D. for 10% Discount

Bonsai Trees
Pre-Bonsai
Pottery
Tools
Soil
Wire
Instructional
Classes
& Much More!

President	Jimmy Whiteley (248) 608-2478
Vice-President	Hector DeBrabant (248) 399-9629
Newsletter	Anita Ormond (248) 634-7615
Treasurer	John Stevens (248) 544-3112
Secretary	Linda Meadors (248) 394-0478
Librarian	Vacant
Photographer	Hector DeBrabant (248) 399-9629
3 Year Director	Todd Renshaw (248) 585-9916
2 Year Director	Bette Gay (248) 515-1732
1 Year Director	Gene Weiss (248) 879-9167
1 Year Director	Vance Wood (586) 772-7708
Show Chairman & Webmaster	Will Heath (586) 978-2043

Directions to the Meetings:

Our meetings are held at Telly's Greenhouse at 3301 John R Troy, Mi. 48083-5656, between Big Beaver and Wattles. Nursery phone: 248-689-8735, Nursery website: www.tellys.com. Guests are welcome at meetings.

Meetings are usually held on the last Sunday of lthe month at 2:00 p.m. Some events are held off-site. Always consult the schedule for exact date and time.



Our club website www.fourseasonsbonsai.org is sponsored by www.artofbonsai.org and www.knowledgeofbonsai.org. Also visit the MABA website at www.mababonsai.org

STAMP	Anita Ormond, Editor Four Seasons Bonsai Club of Michigan 7480 E. Holly Road Holly, MI 48442	
-------	---	--