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# IT'S "FAIR" TO SAY, AUGUST WAS A BUSY MONTH!!! AND SEPTEMBER IS JUST AS BUSY!

PENROD ARTS FAIR: 9-7
MEMBERS ONLY AUCTION: 9-4

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**Club Officers/Information** 

#### From the President

sually about this time of the month I am in a panic mode. By now our newsletter editor has emailed me at least 3 times requesting my "Presidents Message" ASAP and I hurriedly put something together. Well this month I actually had time to think about what to write about. I didn't really plan this but a couple days ago I saw an article explaining the Perseid Meteorite Shower was visable at night so out I went with a comforting drink (cool aid of course) to watch. It was rather boring as I did not see any meteorites and my thoughts wandered to what we have accomplished this year in the IBC. We began the year by returning to the Indianapolis Flower and Patio Show after many years of absence and it was a huge success. After all, where better to promote bonsai than a place where 100% of the attendees are interested in plants. We followed up with our annual bonsai exhibit at Garfield Park and per Steve Dicks account we had 3 to 4 times the usual visitors. The bonsai exhibit at the just completed Indiana State Fair was unbleivable. We handed out over 2500 IBC brochures and sold around 50 bonsai+/-. That is not a typo, over 2500. At our last meeting attendance was just shy of 50. All this and we have not yet had our usual largest income producing event, the Penrod Arts Fair sale on Sept 7. Our next 4 IBC meetings look to be well attended as we have our annual Bonsai Auction on Sept 4, a conifer workshop on Oct 2, a slab making demo on Nov 6 and the annual Holiday dinner on Dec 4.

We are in the process of planning the 2020 program schedule, and obviously want to be bigger and better in 2020 and at the same time meet our members needs so if you have any suggestions or requests please pass them on to one of the IBC Officers.

Oh by the way, I did finally see one meteorite and when I told Judy what I observed she informed me meteorites usually do not have red blinking lights. Must have been that Cool-Aid..

Paul Weishaar





Current members are invited to bring any/all bonsai related items to sell at the September meeting. Forms are available in this newsletter. Please fill out each form COMPLETELY. There are forms for items to be sold in the Silent Auction and for the Live Auction.

(We accept cash, check, Visa/Mastercard+ for payment of purchased items)

## Indianapolis Bonsai Club August 7th 2019 Meeting Minutes Alyssa Batula

Date & Time: August 7th, 7pm

Location: Garfield Park Conservatory Meeting Room

Presiding: Club President Paul Weishaar

Attendance: 45

**Checking/Savings Balance:** 

**Checking:** \$1,286 **Savings:** \$9,298

The August meetup featured positive bonsai critique. We had over 20 trees brought in by club members for group discussion and advice. Advice ranged from care suggestions for healthy growth to styling suggestions to make the trees even better.

The bonsai show at the Indiana State Fair was also happening during the meeting, where 39 trees were shown.



**Photo by Cameron Fackler** 



#### Frequent comment on Paul Weishaar's pond/tree display? "There's fish in there!"











## STATE FAIR 2019

## State Fair Exhibit 2019 A Sampling













### August 7 Meeting

#### **Bring Your Own Tree: Positive Bonsai Critique**

**Photos by Cameron Fackler** 











The State Fair Exhibit and efforts by the volunteers/members "working" the exhibit generated a HUGE interest in bonsai and the IBC. Many potential members attended the August 7 meeting. Unfortunately, the membership chair was working the Fair. :(

Most asked question at the fair exhibit?

Which is the oldest? Fingers pointed to club president, Paul Weishaar.

And then they would "clarify" and point to the oldest tree, a Ponderosa Pine exhibited by Mark Fields. 175 +/- years old.

## A HUGE IBC thank you to all members who volunteered their time at the State Fair:

Steve Dick, Paul Weishaar, Scott Yelich, Bob Hoy, Gregg and Trang Gordon, Mark Fields, Cindy Leppert, Ron Fraley, Dan Cain

(If I missed you, forgive me. It was a long week. I'll acknowledge you next issue.)

### A lot of interest in the art of bonsai resulted from their efforts.

Workshop with international bonsai star Mauro Stemberger. He is from Italy and is an amazingly talented, spirited artist. Check out his videos and photos on Facebook.

Workshop will be at Bonsai by Fields, LLC on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, from 8am to 4pm. Cost is \$100 per participant. You can bring your own tree or buy one there.

Please email me at maf71459@gmail.com or text me at 317-439-0678 if you are interested.

Mark Fields Bonsai by Fields, LLC 317-439-0678

#### **Bonsai** Events

#### For IBC Monthly Meetings/events+ visit www.indybonsai.org

#### **Local and National Bonsai events in 2019**

January 6, 2019 Plant City Bonsai Open House, 1pm - 5pm, Clermont, GA

February 23 – 24, 2019 GSBF Bonsai – A – Thon XXIII, The Huntington Gardens, San Marino, CA

March 9, 2019 Brussel's Bonsai Annual Spring Bonsai Sale, Olive Branch, MS

March 9 - 17, 2019 Indiana Flower and Patio Show, Indiana State Fairgrounds

March 16 – 17, 2019 Atlanta Bonsai Society Spring Show, Atlanta Botanical Gardens, Atlanta, GA

March 23, 2019 IBC Bonsai 101 Class, Garfield Park Conservatory, Indianapolis, IN

March 30, 2019 Deciduous Workshop at Eagle Creek Bonsai, Indianapolis, IN

April 6 – 7, 2019 Phoenix Bonsai Society Annual Bonsai Show, Valley Garden Center, Phoenix, AR

April 11 – 14, 2019 ABS 2019 National Convention, Houston Marriott, Houston, TX

April 12 – 14, 2019 MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies Spring Festival, Holiday Inn, Harrisburg, PA

April 13 – 14, 2019 Northern Virginia Bonsai Society Spring Show, Merrifield Garden Center, Fairfax, VA

April 20, 2019 IBC Nursery Tour, Eagle Creek Nursery, Indianapolis, IN

April 27 – 28, 2019 Mid- Appalachian Bonsai Kai, Spring Show, Kingsport Civic Auditorium, Kingsport, TN

May 11 – 12, 2019 Midwest Bonsai Society Spring Bonsai Exhibit, Chicago Botanic Gardens, Glencoe, IL

May 11 – 12, 2019 Michigan All-State Bonsai Show, Mieier Gardens, Grand Rapids, MI

May 18-19, 2019 Alabama Bonsai Society Show, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL

May 24 - 26. 2019 Brussel's Bonsai Rendezvous, Olive Branch, MS

May 24 – 26, 2019 Bonsai Societies of Florida Convention, Florida Hotel, Orlando, FL

May 31 – June 2, 2019 Potomac Bonsai Association Convention, National Arboretum, Washington, DC

June 1 – 2. 2019 Garfield Park Bonsai Exhibit. Indianapolis. IN

June 29 – 30, 2019 US National Shohin Bonsai Exhibit, Southeast Kannapolis, NC

August 2 – 10, 2019 Indiana State Fair Bonsai Exhibit, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN

August 16 – 18, 2019 Midwest Bonsai Society Bonsai Show, Chicago Botanical Gardens, Glencoe. IL

September 7, 2019 Penrod Arts Fair, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN

September 15, 2019 7th Annual The Art of Bonsai, Hidden Lakes Garden, Tipton, MI

For other Indiana Bonsai Organizations schedules visit their websites:

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Date 2019 Meetings	Program
January 2	Finding the Bonsai
February 6	Soils Program
March 6	Repotting Demo/Bring Your Own Tree to Repot
April 3	Deciduous Workshop
May 1	Repot/Restyle Garfield Park Bonsai Collection
June 5	Members Sale / Fertilizing and Disease Prevention
July 3	Tropical Workshop
August 7	Bring Your Own Tree / Positive Bonsai Critique
September 4	Annual Members Only Auction
October 2	Evergreen Workshop
November 6	Bonsai Slab Construction Demo
December 4	Christmas GALA

## IBC Board of Directors 2019-2020 Officers

Paul Weishaar – President
Scott Yelich – Vice President
Bob Hoy – Treasurer
Alyssa Batula – Secretary
Carl Wooldridge - Past President

For the most up to date calendar, visit our website: www.indybonsai.org

#### ☐ Live Auction

#### September 4, 2019

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Areas highlighted in gray are to be completed by the Club. Turn form in to Robert Hoy or Paul Weishaar by 7:00 p.m. on September 4, 2019.

#### Indianapolis Bonsai Club Silent Auction 2019

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## IBC Corporate Sponsors 2019





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#### **Club Information**

Visitors are always WELCOME!!!

Where: Garfield Park Conservatory

2450 Shelby Street Indianapolis, Indiana

When: First Wednesday of each

month

*Time:* 7:00 pm

Club Dues: Dues are \$25 per calendar

year. Cost includes (up to) two members of the same

household.

#### Club Officers+ 2019-2020

President Paul Weishaar

Vice President Scott Yelich

Secretary Alyssa Batula

Treasurer Robert Hoy

Past President Carl Wooldridge

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ABS Mark Fields

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### Checkout the IBC website: www.indybonsai.org