

September 2020



INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

The Bonsai Creation

IBC

Ever attended an Auction in the dark? You just might be able too!
(at least for a little while)

See you September 2nd at Garfield Park, pavilion/shelter # 7

(The Corporate Shelter. Located adjacent to the Arts center.)

Cash, Credit, or Checks Accepted as payment. Sellers will receive payment within a week of the auction, minus the 20% for the club.

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From the President



elcome, welcome, welcome. After numerous discussions with many IBC members I have received a rather overwhelming recommendation to follow our Schedule of Events Calendar and have the annual members bonsai auction. Obviously we must all wear masks and observe the 6ft spacing mandate. The wearing of masks will possibly hinder our vocal bidding but I am confident we can make it work so lets go for it! The Auction it is. Please remember we really do not want items with a “reserve” amount as if the reserve is not met we have just wasted everyones time. As this is a fund raiser for the IBC we will keep 20% of the sale price and you receive the other 80%.

We are moving to a different location in Garfield Park which is larger, and more importantly has lights. Sunset on Wednesday, September 2nd is 8:12pm. The new location is the Garfield Corporate Pavillion which is located next to the Arts Building. Look for Arts Building signs and you can find the pavilion. Please plan to arrive prior to 7pm as registration of both bidders and bid items must be completed before we can begin. Forms for bid items will be emailed in a couple days and it would make it easy for everyone if the forms were completed prior to the meeting.

We will soon begin planning for 2021 and your needs, wants and ideas are important to us. This is your club so tell us what you want.

I am excited to announce we are having a bonsai event this year. This is kind of special as everything else has been cancelled or postponed due to COVID 19. The White River Gardens at the Indianapolis Zoo will have a bonsai exhibit from September 8 – November 30. They are making provisions for displaying 24 bonsai and as a result of the request at the August meeting for those interested in displaying bonsai we have 35 bonsai available. Information signs for all 35 are being made so the bonsai can be traded in and out as needed.

One last item..... This is election time for your IBC Officers. Scott Yelich has all the details elsewhere in this newsletter but please note, I am not campaigning for the office of IBC President. Time for a new face and new ideas (and possibly better newsletters from the president).

Paul Weishaar, president

Minutes: August 5, 2020

Indianapolis Bonsai Club

Minutes

Alyssa Batula, Secretary

Date & Time: August 5th, 7pm

Location: Garfield Park Picnic Shelter

Presiding: Club President Paul Weishaar

Attendance: 25

Checking/Savings Balance:

Checking: \$1,230.43

Savings: \$7,201.86

The August meeting was a positive bonsai critique. Many members brought a tree in to get advice on what to do next from more experienced club members.

There will be a bonsai display of about 20 trees from club members in the zoo gardens greenhouse from Labor day through December.

As of the meeting date, it is uncertain if or how we can safely hold the annual auction and holiday dinner, so keep an eye out for any announcements.



Looking Toward the Future

As messy as 2020 has been, I think that most of us are looking forward to the new year and putting this one in the rear view mirror. For the bonsai club, we missed three months of meetings, several bonsai shows, the State Fair, and a couple of other larger public events. I know that we are all hoping that things go better in 2021 than they have so far in 2020. Although we're looking toward the future, there is some important business that we need to tend to today.

Elections for the Indianapolis Bonsai Club's executive board will be happening at our November meeting. In order to prepare for that election, we need people willing to volunteer to serve as club officers. We'll be electing a new President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Other officers on the board, like the Club Historian, Membership Coordinator and Webmaster are then selected by the elected board members. September is the month where members are nominated for office. You can either nominate yourself for office or you can nominate someone who you think would make a good officer. Even if you aren't interested in an elected position, you can always let one of the current board members know if you are interested in helping out the club in one way or another.

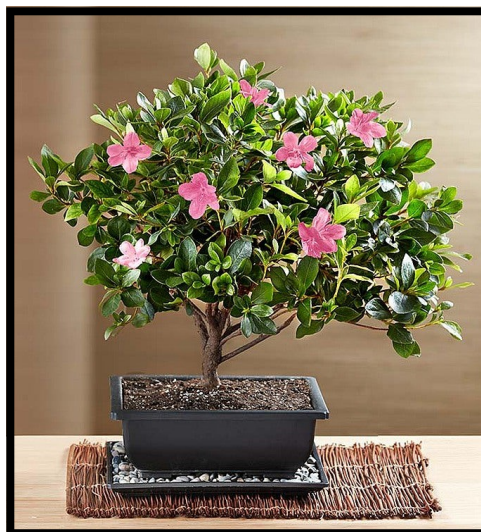
What does it take to become an officer? Just a willingness to help out and an interest in seeing the club grow and improve. You don't need to be the best bonsai artist in the world. You don't need 30 years of bonsai experience. You just really need to be someone willing to show up and participate. Board members have a say in figuring out our monthly meeting topics, workshops, and how the club spends its money.

The Indianapolis Bonsai Club has been around for over 52 years now. That's a little longer than I've been around! As a current board member, I want to set the club up to be successful for the next 52+ years. That means they we shouldn't count on the same people running the show for the next 50 years. It means that we need to develop people who are willing to step in and take over. Just as a bonsai grows and develops over decades, a bonsai club needs to grow and develop over time as well.

As a current board member, I see myself as a caretaker. I don't mind holding an office for a few years, but I then need to be willing to hand off the job to someone else so the club can continue to grow and develop. I hope that there are a few of you willing to commit a little extra time to the club for a few years. Please consider running for an office for the 2021-2022 term. If you aren't able to run for an elected office, please consider making yourself available to volunteer in one way or another.

Scott Yelich

Vice President



2020 Midwest and Eastern USA Bonsai Events

***Cancelled due to COVID-19**

(Please Check w/event organizers for latest updates)

February 15-16 Knoxville Bonsai Society Annual Show. Knoxville Botanical Garden/Arboretum. Knoxville, TN.

March 7 Brussels Spring Sale. Brussels Bonsai Nursery. Olive Branch, MS.

***March 14-22** Indiana Flower and Patio Show IBC Bonsai Sale. Indiana State Fairgrounds. Indianapolis, IN.

March 13-15 Atlanta Bonsai Society Spring Show. Atlanta Botanical Gardens. Atlanta, GA.

***March 28** IBC Bonsai Class 101. Garfield Park Conservatory. Indianapolis, IN.

***April 17-19** Mid Atlantic Spring Festival. Holiday Inn I-81 Exit 80. Granville, PA.

May 1-3 Potomac Bonsai Association Festival. U.S. National Arboretum. Washington, DC.

May 9 WORLD BONSAI DAY

May 9 Nature's Way Nursery's 47th Anniversary Festival. Nature's Way Nursery. Harrisburg, PA.

***May 9-10** Michigan All State Show. Meijer Gardens. Grand Rapids, MI.

May 9-10 Mid-Appalachian Bonsai Kai Annual Show. Kingsport Civic Auditorium. Kingsport, TN.

May 14-17 Bonsai Vision 2020, Drury Plaza Hotel. San Antonio, TX

***May 22-24** Brussel's Rendezvous. Brussel's Nursery. Olive Branch, MS.

May 22-24 47th Annual Bonsai Societies of Florida Convention. Florida Hotel and Convention Center. 1500 Sand Lake Road. Orlando, FL

June 6 Wellfield Botanic Gardens Bonsai Show. Wellfield Botanic Gardens. Elkhart, IN.

June 6-7 Garfield Park Bonsai Exhibit. Garfield Park Conservatory. Indianapolis, IN.

***June 6-7** Satsuki Workshops. Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Ann Arbor, MI.

June 13-14 25th Annual Carolina Bonsai Expo. North Carolina Arboretum. Ashville, NC.

***June 25-28** MABA Bonsai Convention. Four Points Sheraton Milwaukee North Shore. 8900 N. Kildeer Court. Milwaukee, WI

June 27-28 Cleveland Bonsai Club Summer Show. Rockefeller Park Greenhouse. Cleveland, OH

July 11-12 Triangle Bonsai Society Annual Show. Duke Gardens. Durham, NC.

July 18-19 Nashville Annual Bonsai Show. Cheekwood Gardens Nashville, TN.

August 7-16 Indiana State Fair Bonsai Exhibit. Agriculture/Horticulture Building. Indianapolis, IN

August 8-10 Four Seasons 50th Annual Bonsai Show. Bordines Nursery. Rochester Hills, MI

August 14-16 Chicago Bonsai Show. Chicago Botanical Gardens. Glencoe, IL.

August 29-30 Ann Arbor Bonsai Society Show. Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Ann Arbor, MI

September 8—November 30 White River Garden Exhibit

September 12 Penrod Arts Fair Bonsai Sale. Newfields (Indianapolis Museum of Art) Indianapolis, IN

September 12-13 U.S. National Bonsai Exhibit. East Rochester, NY.

September 12-13 Bonsai Society of Greater Cincinnati Fall Annual Show. Krohn Conservatory. Cincinnati, OH.

September 12-13 NVBS Fall Show. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens. Vienna, VA.

September 20 Hidden Lake Gardens Art of Bonsai Exhibit. Hidden Lake Gardens, MI.

Indianapolis Bonsai Club

Date & Time: April & May, June Meetings canceled due to the Corona Virus. July was a tropical Workshop.

Location: Garfield Park Pavilion 1

Presiding: Club President Paul Weishaar

Checking/Savings Balance: June 30, 2020

Checking: \$474.85

Savings: \$7,201.86

Total: \$7,676.71

Dues for the 2020 year are now being accepted, and a new directory and brochure are available.
Contact Steve Dick

****No meetings in April, May, June due to the Corona virus**



Date 2020 Meetings	Program
January	No Meeting
February 5	Grafting Demo
March 4	Suiseki Presentation
April 1	How to Display Your Bonsai
May 6	Meeting Cancelled
June 3	Meeting Cancelled
July 1	Tropical Workshop
August 5	Bring Your Own Tree Bonsai Critique
September 2	Annual Members Only Auction
October 7	Evergreen Workshop
November 4	Pinch Pot Workshop
December 2	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

Reminder: the August and September meetings are currently scheduled to be held in the Garfield Park Pavilion, as was July.

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

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
Membership	Steven Dick
Web Master	Scott Yelich
Volunteers	Steven Dick
Historian	Ron Fraley
Librarian	Paul Weishaar
MABA/BCI	Paul Weishaar
ABS	Mark Fields
Garfield Curator	Paul Weishaar
Publications/Photos	Bob Hoy

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