



the TREE LINE

the official monthly publication of the BONSAI SOCIETY of PORTLAND SEPTEMBER '08

Where's the August issue of the TreeLine? Well, we skipped it. You did not miss anything.

Wanted: TreeLine editor

The time to pass the torch has now come. The board is looking for somebody to fill the position and take over as of the January issue.

This job is not difficult. The TreeLine editor is required to work closely with the board and take in information from various sources and compile them into a legible format for the clubs members.

The position is not platform specific so you can use a Mac or PC. If you know how to use Illustrator, InDesign, Quark Xpress, Pagemaker, Publisher or Word you can give it a go.

As editor you must make a PDF compatible file for the 2nd Vice President to email to the members and also take the files to Kinko's (or your choice of copy center) and produce hard copies to mail for those that do not have access to a computer... as well as a few copies for the following months meeting. You should also attend the Board meetings at least every other month.

This position will take a bit more time in the beginning but when you have your layout finalized it can be a breeze. It takes me about 4-6 hours a month (not including the board meeting).

If this task sounds like something you might be interested in please feel free to email me at scottice@teleport.com or call (503) 781-0310.

BSOP Summer BBQ Pix



*A great time was had by all
under the trees at Creston Park!*



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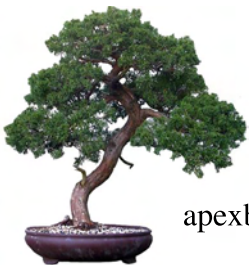
Calendar of Events

- SEPTEMBER 8 - Monday 6:30 pm
Hettick Residence - Tigard, Oregon
BSOP Board Meeting
Contact Jan Hettick for more information.
- SEPTEMBER 13 - Saturday 10 am to 2 pm
Community of Christ Church - 4837 NE Couch St.
Monthly **Oregon Shohin Kai** - Topic TBA
- SEPTEMBER 18 to 21 - Spokane, Washington
PNBCA Annual Convention
www.inlandbonsai.com/convention for information
- SEPTEMBER 23 - Tuesday 7 to 9 pm
ST Phillip Neri Parish - 2408 SE 16th. Ave. - Portland, OR
Monthly **BSOP meeting** - Scott Elser
- OCTOBER 2-5 th - Grantsville, PA
4th Annual International Stone Appreciation Symposium
- OCTOBER 6th- Monday 6:30 pm
Hettick Residence - Tigard, Oregon
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- OCTOBER 21 - Tuesday 7 to 9 pm
ST Phillip Neri Parish - 2408 SE 16th. Ave. - Portland, OR
Monthly **BSOP meeting** - Michael Hagedorn
- DECEMBER 13 - Oaks Park - Portland, Oregon
BSOP Annual Holiday Party

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President's Message

by Jan Hettick, President

I hate to keep writing about the weather, but it is SO important to us bonsai artists. Most of my trees survived that hot spell we had about the time of our club picnic, except maybe for my Bristlecone pine. I'm not sure yet, but it looks kind of bedraggled. Say a prayer for it!

If you didn't come to the picnic you missed a great time. The park was great – lots of huge trees for shade. Scott Tice did a great job of organizing, then left town. We missed you, Scott. Onsite management and labor at the picnic was provided by Rocky and Trish Lawton and Patricia and Brian Daniels, as well as our indefatigable (love that word!) Deb Wilcox. Dave and Donna Burnett provided entertainment in the form of a treasure hunt with really hard clues and great prizes. Many, many thanks to all of you for your hard work.

Once again I'd like to urge you to consider working on the Board of Directors for 2009 and 2010. Board positions are fun and entertaining (honest!), rewarding, and critical to the operation of the club. If you have questions, contact anyone on the Nominating Committee or any current board member. Elections will be on November 25, 2008.

Also, it's not too late to register for the PNBCA 2008 convention in Spokane over September 18-21, 2008, at the Red Lion Hotel at the Park. Guest artists are Walter Pall, Kathy Shaner, Dennis Makishima, Jerry Meislik and David Rowe. Call me for a copy of the registration form and brochure.

Hope you're enjoying your summer! It won't be long before we're back in the swing of regular meetings, starting with the Oregon Shohin Kai on September 13th. See you there?



A Word from the V.P.

by Steve Wilcox, VP Programs

It seems like summer just arrived and we are already in the last week of August. My trees in the back yard have the appearance of shaggy dogs. I prune one and 10 more seem to be ready for a haircut. Maybe this fall I will get caught up.

We had our annual picnic a couple of weeks ago which was well attended particularly when you consider how hot it was that week. It was a lot of fun and the food was great. I would like to thank Scott Tice for getting everything arranged and the picnic committee consisting of Patricia and Brian Daniels, Trish and Rocky Lawton, Dave and Donna Burnett and Deb for putting on a great picnic.

Speaking of fall our monthly meetings are going to start back up in September. For our September meeting Scott Elser will be doing a presentation. Scott's presentations always offer up great information not to mention he usually brings some of his beautiful trees. Our October meeting will be a demonstration by Michael Hagedorn working on a tree donated to the club by Randy Knight in the name of Scott Ginther. The tree will be auctioned off at our annual Holiday Party with all proceeds going to the Scott Ginther Memorial Fund to help support the Mentorship Program.

The Holiday Party is not far off and we are still looking for a few volunteers to set it up. We have already secured the Oaks Parks Ball Room for the event. Please contact me or another Board Member if you can help.

We are also still taking nominations for next years Board. The nominations will take place in October, election in November and then taking over in January. The board is a critical piece of the future success of our Society. If you would like to nominate yourself or another club member please contact me, Lee Cheatle, Anne Spencer or Marcia Freed.



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The *Bonsai Society of Portland* has been an active group in the Portland area since 1966. It is organized to promote the art of bonsai through education, exhibits and social activities. The Society welcomes everyone interested in this unique and beautiful art form to share in the bonsai experience and develop both basic and advanced skills.



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The Bonsai Society of Portland meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month except during the summer, when other group outings are arranged.

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