



Yama Ki Newsletter



October 2012



(LEFT) Accent plant on display at Redwood Empire Bonsai Society's recent show; Check out this Bonsai Tonight article: <http://bonsaitonight.com/2012/09/11/accent-plants-3/>

President's Message

Hi All,

Hope our Newsletter finds you all well! Can you believe we are already into fall? Where did the summer go? Hope yours was a good one!

I want to take a moment to tell you about a few more things we will be doing in the New Year! First we will be starting a Queens, New York chapter of Yama-Ki in the spring. Meetings will start in March, one evening a month, at the Queens Botanical Gardens. This is a very good way to grow our club. By adding a new chapter, we can hope to grow the club in a much larger way than just hoping to attract a few people at our show. At present there is no bonsai club in NYC or Queens. There was one some years ago but it fell apart as there was no one driving it. All benefits of Yama-Ki will be available to both the current club and the new chapter, that is, you will now have the ability to go to two meetings a month if you choose.

Next year our club will celebrate its **forty year** anniversary! We are currently looking at a few different ways to celebrate this wonderful event. We will keep you posted so please continue to read the newsletter.

One more addition, soon you will see a classified/for sale page in the Newsletter available to all current members. This will be a free service in which you will be able to post, sell or trade any bonsai and/or bonsai related items year round! Lavanya Muller is spearheading this project. She has already sent out an email letter detailing what you need to do to post an ad. Kudo's to Lavanya for jumping back in to a Yama-Ki project.

Regards,

John Cotoaggio, ronin812@gmail.com

President Yama Ki

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Notes from the August Annual Meeting

Attending: John Cottagio, Mark Toepke, Rima Chatterjee, Nick Sajda, Layne Rodney, Pete Halm, Jim Glatthaar, Melba Grieshaber, Len Douglas.
Minutes: Melba Grieshaber

The meeting was opened by President John Cotoggio at 10:40 AM and ended at 12:15 PM.

The Minutes of the last Board meeting, 7/14/2012, were discussed and approved as submitted. A Financial Report was presented by Len and discussed, by the Board.

John went through the agenda and the following were discussed:

- Updating both the newsletter and the web-site.
- Continue and increase Club shows.
- We should encourage all members to bring trees, accent plants, rocks for display, to every meeting.
- Each tree in Club shows should be photographed separately for newsletter/website display.
- John suggested that we begin a chapter of Yama Ki in Queens, New York. The group felt that initiating this in March, 2013 would give us time to get everything in place.

Membership issues:

- Len brought up the fact that every year, a small group of people join, but do not renew their membership. Jim Glatthaar is willing to do some exit interviews so we can better understand what the club needs to do to maintain new members.
- The question of an increase in dues was discussed at length. John suggested that maybe we could have a senior discount as well. Len will investigate the cost of Visa, Mastercard and Pay-Pal usage. No vote was taken on increasing dues at this meeting.
- Mark Toepke requested a membership directory that only gives e-mail addresses. **MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THIS IN THE MAIL.*

Take Inspiration from What is Around You

For this month's internet resource - Mike suggests this article for inspiration on Portland Bonsai Artist Scott Elser. He gets his bonsai inspiration from the Cascades.

http://www.dailyastorian.com/news/northwest/portland-bonsai-artist-scott-elser-takes-inspiration-from-the-cascades/article_f7fc35e7-e432-5a11-affa-de0d8754ef2c.html?mode=story

BONSAI DEALS!

**Sale Day at Shanti Bithi -
Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012**

**Check out the website for
details:**

<http://www.shantibithi.com>

**Stock up before winter, and
save:**

**50% off all starter material;
20% off all outdoor bonsai;
10% or more off everything
else except tools!**

Japanese Soils Are Available For Purchase

These Japanese Bonsai soils
have arrived at Hollow Creek
Farms in Avon NY and are now
on sale:

- Akadama 14 liter (shohin,
small, medium & large
sizes)
- Dragon Spring Blended
Soils 16 liter bags

To purchase, contact Fred
Janson at Hollow Creek Farms
Inc. (585) 226-8593 or (585)
734-7035. Visit the website
for more information:
www.hollowcreekbonsai.com

New Service for Yama Ki Members-Classifieds

Dear Yama Ki members,

Our bi-annual auctions are an excellent and necessary fundraising tool for the Yama Ki Bonsai Society, and the club's Officers and Directors hope everyone will continue to donate items generously.

They also realize that many members may have trees and bonsai-related items that they would like to part with, but that are too valuable to donate. Since we already have a monthly newsletter, a small "classified" section would be easy to add.

This service will be free to Yama Ki members in good standing, and please remember it is for bonsai and related items only.

Photos can be included, but please describe your item carefully and briefly. If it is a plant, pot, or stand, please give measurements. Include your name and email address, so interested members can contact you directly for additional information and/or photos. Including your asking price is probably a good idea. Buyer and seller will make arrangements for payment and delivery.

Please submit your classified text to Lavanya (lmuller@optonline.net) by the 7th of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

Use the following guideline for your classified ad. The last page is a full page form to print out. A WORD document of the form will be posted onto the club website.

Regards from Lavanya, lmuller@optonline.net

Name of item for sale:

(i.e., Sara Rayner pot, or Small cascade-style juniper)

Brief description of item:

(include measurements, age, provenance, etc., wherever appropriate)

Asking price:

Your name, email address &/or phone number:

Photos:

Attach your photo(s), and please keep the jpegs below 3 MB



The newsletter provides a way for Yama Ki members to share information with others too! That means, if *you* find a cool tidbit on the Internet or magazine, brag a little about how your bonsai, or share your recent experience with your plants. Please do share it!

Send it to Joan at joanmariethomas@yahoo.com or bring it to a monthly meeting and pass it on to a board member.

Other Events



2012

OCTOBER

Biennial International Stone Event Symposium

October 4-7, 2012

Harrisburg-Hershey Holiday Inn

For information, contact:
stoneshow2012@aol.com

<http://www.stoneshow2012/index.html>

2013

APRIL

MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies

The Thirtieth annual MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies will commence Friday evening, April 19, 2013 and will continue through Sunday afternoon, April 21, 2013 at the Harrisburg/Hershey Holiday Inn in Grantville, PA.

www.midatlanticbonsai.freervers.com

Hotel Contact info:

Ph # 717.469.0661

604 Station Road, Grantville, PA

2013

Yama-Ki has reserved a table for the Cornell Cooperative Extension Putnam County 4-H Fair

July 27-28, 2013

Location: Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park, 201 Gypsy Trail, Carmel , NY, 10512

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Yama-Ki Contact - Layne Rodney (Show Chairperson) & Charlie Muller

OCTOBER

(a must go show)

American Bonsai

REFORGED & REFINED

October 4th - 6th, 2013

Portland Art Museum, Portland, Oregon

Hosted by Ryan Neil

www.artisanscupofportland.com

Yama Ki Activities — 2012 To 2013



2012

SEPTEMBER

Yama Ki September Meeting at the [GEC](#) on Saturday September 29th
From 12-4

Yama Ki is proud to host a day with
Marco Invernizzi
www.marcoinvernizzi.com

OCTOBER

Yama-Ki October Meeting at the [GEC](#)
on Sunday October 14th From 12-4

Yama-Ki is proud to host a day with
Sean Smith

Subject: Japanese scroll making with
a live demo and a scroll making
workshop

More details to come
bonsai-suseki.com/artist.html

NOVEMBER

Yama Ki November Meeting at the
[GEC](#) on Sunday November 11th
From 12-4

Subject: Wintering Bonsai Trees

Join in a discussion with fellow
hobbyists concerning the challenges of
wintering your collection.

Hosted by: John Cotoggio

DECEMBER

Yama-Ki December Auction and
Holiday party at the GEC
Saturday December 8th
From 10-5

2013

JANUARY

Don't forget to keep an eye on
your trees

They need water in the winter
(though not as much)

FEBRUARY

Yama-Ki Meeting at the GEC on
Saturday February 16th

From 12-4

Yama-Ki is proud to host a day
with Colin Lewis

Larch/Deciduous Focus -
additional detail to come

www.colinlewisbonsai.com

MARCH

Marty Schmalenberg

Meeting Time and agenda to
follow

APRIL-DECEMBER

To be determined

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YAMA KI NEWSLETTER - CLASSIFIED FORM

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