

Billboard

Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of Upstate New York



Open Workshop



Our August meeting will feature a free open workshop for all members. During this workshop, experienced members will be on hand to help you with whatever problems you might be having. Now is a good time for wiring your trees, but if you wired your maples or elms in the spring, it might also be time to remove wire.

You will need to bring tools, wire, and a shallow box to work in. We will not be able to transplant your trees during this workshop, sorry. Come prepared to work on your trees, share some stories and enjoy the companionship of your fellow members.

You also might have some rough material that you don't know what to do with and want to start designing your new bonsai.



Hope to see you there!

2010 Programs

- **August 24, Open Workshop:** Harvey, Jim, Mark, & Bill
- **September 13, Ryan Neil, USA:** Shaping collected Juniper \$ (Note there will be a change in meeting location; this meeting only)
- **October 12, Peter Warren England:** Demo/workshop
- **November 16, Design/Critique:** Mark, Jim, Harvey
- **December 14, Club Activity:** Holiday Meeting & Auction



NEXT MEETING

August 24, 2010

7:00 PM

Open Workshop

**Brighton Town Lodge
at Buckland Park
1341 Westfall Road,
Rochester, New York
near corner of Westfall
and Clinton**

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Dues Are Due!

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Hosta Garden Tour Highlights

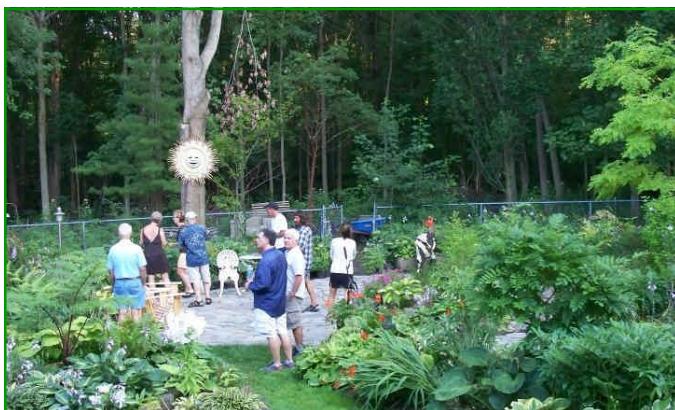
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A number of our members availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the one-acre Hosta garden of Jim Ecker. This very peaceful free-form cottage garden is called *Paradise Found*, and has been twenty-five years in the making. It features a large number of Hostas, grasses, hardy ferns, lilies, Solomon's Seal, Astilbes, hollies, Japanese Primroses, conifers, Japanese Maples, and other majestic trees.

From the elevated deck one can see the other features of the very large back yard which include a waterfall with a pond built into a rock formation, and container plants, annuals, frogs, fish, multiple sitting areas. The winding path through the area gave everyone a chance to take a good look at it all. Refreshments were served on the deck, and the warm homemade brownies were very good.

A wide variety of Hostas were available for purchase in the driveway of the home. Many beautiful ones went home with the visiting members.

Many thanks to **Jim Ecker** for allowing us to visit his back yard paradise. You have inspired many of us.





BONSAI SOCIETY OF UPSTATE NEW YORK

Time to Renew Your Dues 2010—2011

Dear Member,

We hope you have enjoyed your membership in the **BONSAI SOCIETY OF UPSTATE NEW YORK** and that you have found it helpful with your bonsai. With your continued support we can provide world-class educational programs at each meeting and workshop.

Membership dues for the 2010-2011 season are now due. Please send your check today so we can include your name in the new membership list, now being prepared. Renew now to avoid missing any bonsai billboard issues and society news.

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If you recently joined us during the Upstate New York Bonsai Exhibition, held in May or during the summer, your dues for the coming year have already been paid. Thank you for joining us. Perhaps you might like to give a gift membership to a friend who has admired your bonsai.

Sincerely Yours,

Ron Maggio,
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There is a **\$5** fee for members and **\$10** for non members at our special **September, April, and June** meetings to help offset the higher travel costs for these special speakers.

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Please use the registration form that came with the **Billboard** to pay your dues as soon as possible. If you joined us at or after the spring show, you are already paid through August 2011. Otherwise, fill out the form and either send it or hand it and your dues to our treasurer, **Ron Maggio**. If dues are not received by the **September** meeting, this will be the last Billboard you receive. So, if you start missing the Billboard, you will know it slipped your mind.



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