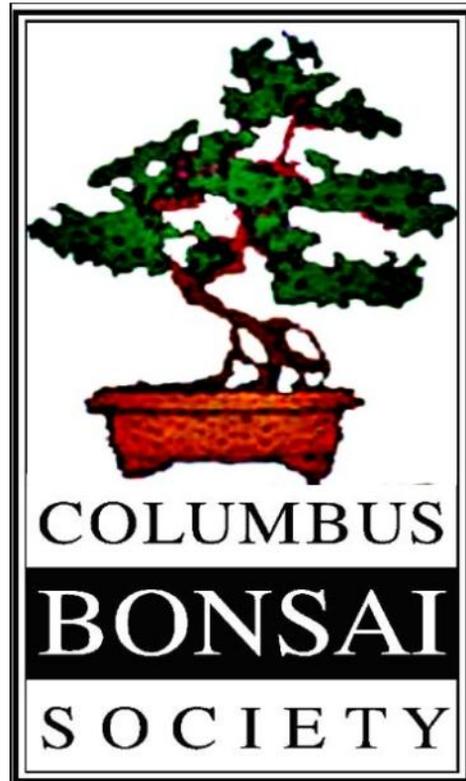


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Regular Club meetings on
3rd Sunday of the month
Meetings Start at 2:00 pm
All are welcome to attend

CBS Board meets
1st Tuesday of the month
at 6:30 pm



MAPLES IN MAY

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 5/18/14 IN THE EDUCATION PAVILLION

1:00 BONSAI BEE RETURNS

**2:00 PROGRAM BEGINS WITH A SHORT
MEETING FOLLOWED BY ZACK'S
DISCUSSION AND DEMO ABOUT MAPLES, AS
WELL AS MEMBER'S OWN TREES.**

4:00 PM MEETING ENDS.

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**See you on the 18th at
Franklin Park Conservatory
In the Education Pavilion.**



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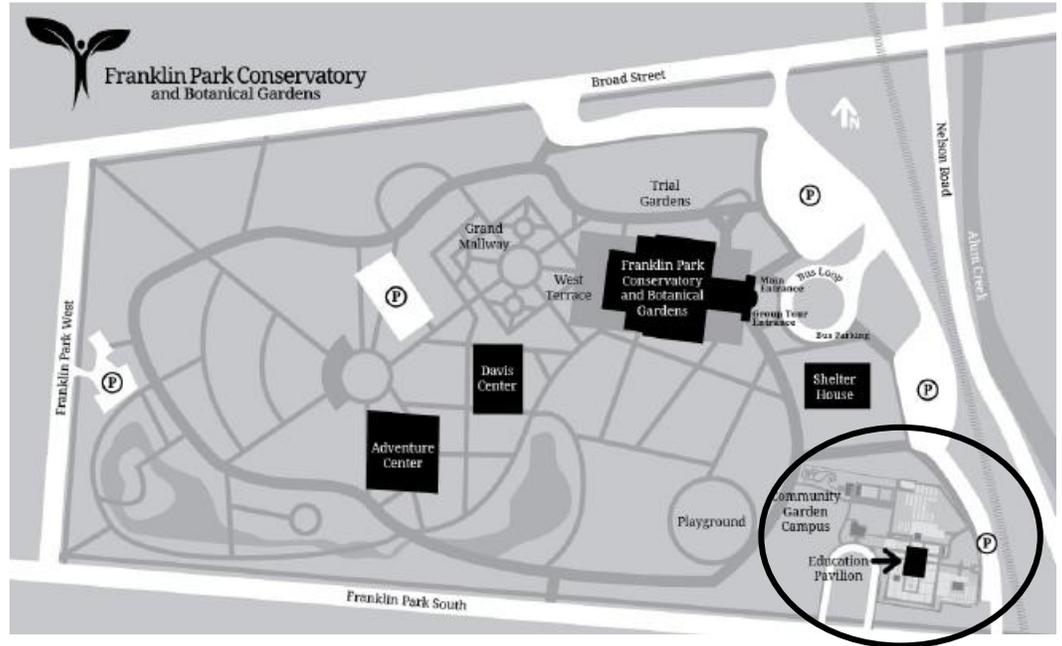
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This Month's Program— MAY 18 — MAPLES IN MAY IN THE EDUCATION PAVILLION

Zack will be focusing on Maples this month. He will be bringing in a couple of standards to talk about and will be planting an Amur maple grove. During this discussion he will talk about preparing a flat root base for planting on a tray or slab. This is crucial for a successful planting. It is not an instant process; it takes at least 4 years and several repottings to get a flat stable base. You are encouraged to bring maples of your own to show and tell, or ask for advice if you need it.



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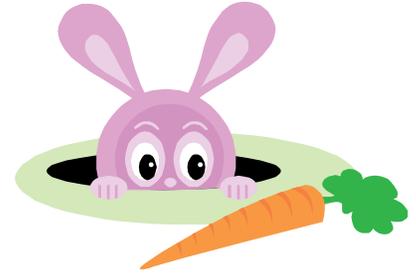
UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

SEE PAGE 10 FOR MORE
DATES AND LISTINGS

AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT....



THE RABBIT HOLE



Seeking member in good standing to fill the Tree Curator Position:

From our Bylaws the Duties of the Tree Curator are to maintain an inventory of Society trees and promote tree care to the membership. The tree Curator may, upon approval of the Board, provide trees for sale to the membership and assist the Society by purchasing trees for workshops as directed by the President and approved by the Board.

To fulfill these duties the candidate must be able to regularly attend Board and Society meetings. Contact Mike Thornhill to express your interest.

Mike

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FROM THE CBS CARE GUIDE

USDA Hardiness Zones 5-6 (5 Northern Ohio, 6 Southern Ohio)

May - Late Spring - 73/50

- Start hardening up indoor tree growth by using an oscillating fan a few hours a day.
- You should move tropicals outdoors now. Introduce tropicals to the sunlight gradually. Be careful of night time temperatures <45°F. You may also leave tropicals indoors year round, but most will benefit from the outdoors.
- Most deciduous trees have the leaves out sometime in May.
- Holding back fertilizer for pines can keep their needles shorter.
- Perform air-layers on trees once their leaves are fully emerged.
- Start fertilizing with a balanced 10-10-10 or 20-20-20 fertilizer for most trees.
- Trees will be using more water now that they are actively growing.
- Re-pot any later emerging species, and any that show signs of being pot bound – they won't make it through July and August if you don't.
- Pinch or cut back long pine candles to encourage back budding and a more dense overall growth

Winter's Toll

This winter was reported to be one of our snowiest and coldest in many years. A few months ago I wrote about what it means to be in Zone 5. This winter proved it with chilling results. Overall I escaped due to my winter preparations. However, there was damage due to less than stellar measures.

Sunscald – Despite my erecting three foot tall wind and sun screens and trying to shelter my trees with shade from the greenhouse and maple tree, I have so many trees so got caught in the low angle of the winter sun. I have 3 Japanese Black Pines, the tallest one got sunburned. Its candles; however, are emerging and I expect it will look normal after a year. Scott's Pines did fine, as did the spruce. I suspect the longer needle length of the Black Pines play into the damage.

Boxwoods were a different story. I have four varieties; Korean, Wintergreen, Morris Midget and Kingsville. The Korean and Wintergreen did fine. Both the Morris Midgets and the Kingsvilles suffered sunscald or "freeze dry" damage. I have yet to cut any branches back n hopes that buds will emerge.

Azaleas and Rhododendrons were a crapshoot. Some were totally unaffected. Some look dead. One Satsuki has buds opening; two others look beyond hope. The Three Chopped azaleas that I bought in North Carolina look truly dead, but then I repotted them last spring, so there might be compounding factors. One Chinzon is fine; the other lost almost all its leaves. I'm hoping for some reprieve as I've had it for ten years. I do give the azaleas extra protection fro the sun and wind and provide extra mulch around their pots. But, I'd advise that when it says Zone 6 or 7, believe they won't survive a cold Columbus winter.

Cotoneaster was problematic. In a normal winter they may keep their leaves until spring. In a cold winter, they loose them. So I'm waiting but two seem alive and two seem dead. Of the 4, one was a smaller leaved variety that died. (Yep, I'm sure) the others are all Coralberry. And one that died sat right next to one that lived. The other one that died was a plant that I acquired at the end of the season sale and decided not to repot it. Plants in Nursery pots are always a problem to mulch in. Perhaps the answer is to heel the entire pot into the ground. I also lost a fall sale Thread leaf maple in a nursery pot.

Ivy was also problematic, some lost all their leaves, and some have branch dieback. I'm not ready to toss the ones without leaves yet. I'll use Zack's 4th of July measure.

Twig Die Back – One of the defense mechanisms plants use is to sacrifice the finer twigs to the cold. They will sprout from their trunk or heavier older branches in the spring. Four of my maples had twig dieback. They've also been slow to emerge this spring. Though Trident maples, Elms (especially the smooth leaf Catlin elms) and Zelkova have also been slow, they don't seem to have twig die back. Winterberry Holly also were slow to emerge and one had dieback. Much to my surprise, two of my ten American Larch also had branches sacrifice. Frankly, I thought my lone Apricot was dead, but I saw some buds greening up as I went to put it in the "bone pile."

One surprise death was Privet. It was in a nursery pot, so maybe that was the major factor, but it had been collected from the Pittsburgh area and should have been winter hardy. Another casualty was a Pyracantha. I bought it from inside a greenhouse and the seller wasn't sure if its hardiness or variety. Some are sold for outdoor use here, but I find that they have fleshy roots like maples, elms and holly, which makes all of them candidates for root damage caused by extra cold winters. Apparently I've learned to keep the maples and elms alive, but not the holy or pyracantha. A dwarf Norway Spruce that had late fall workshop done to it may also become a casualty of too much too late.

This article would not be complete without a report on the indoor damage/deaths. First let me say Natal Plums (3) and Pomegranate did fine as did the Ficus (2) and Lantana (3). No bugs! But one Serrisa died and two lived. One Rosemary died and one lived. One Sour Orange died and one lived. And I lost my sole Eugenia after having it for four years. I took them all outside on May 5th. I'm prepared to shuffle if the temp is predicted to fall below 45° F.



Ken Schultz

A LOOK AT THE MONTHS AHEAD

JUN 15—OAKLAND **WE STILL HAVE 6 SPACES LEFT**

Adam Levigne, President of the Central Florida Bonsai Societies near Orlando will be our guest artist. They care for the bonsai displayed at Epcot Center. Adam also is one of the primary carving experts at Wigert's Bonsai Nursery in Florida. A BYOT workshop will be conducted starting at 9 AM. Adam is not only a Ficus, and tropical plant expert but he also works with Junipers, Elms and Maples. In the afternoon a Shohin Ficus workshop will be conducted. Adam will be providing the plant material which he says is not "beginner" material.. Signup to continues in April.



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BUT MOST OF ALL....

SAVE THE DATES

JULY 19-20

CBS 2014



Book of the Month: Man Lung Garden Artistic Pot Plants By Wu Yee-sun

This is a very unusual book in that it was printed and distributed by the owner of the bonsai pictured in the book. He was the Chairman of Wing Lung Bank Ltd., in Hong Kong. It is marked front and back, "Not for Sale". Wu Yee-sun gave copies with the request that the recipient provide feedback on the trees to him.

Two hundred twenty seven trees are pictured in black and white photographs. Each photograph is notated in both English and Chinese. The height of each is notated in centimeters. Some trees also have a paragraph that provides information about the plant material. For example the paragraph with the Apricot describes the tree's height in nature, the flowers and the taste of its fruit. It notes that the Apricot was used in Chinese medicine for the treatment of coughs.

There is a ten page section with color photographs and a cultivation chart on plant care in the back, which in this case seems like the front of the book. This is because like all Chinese books the book is bound on the right and the pages are numbered in order to the back...exactly the opposite of English books [because they do not read right to left, as in the West.].

One of our members saw this book at the Half Price Bookstore and recognized it. We are lucky to have it donated to the Society Library.

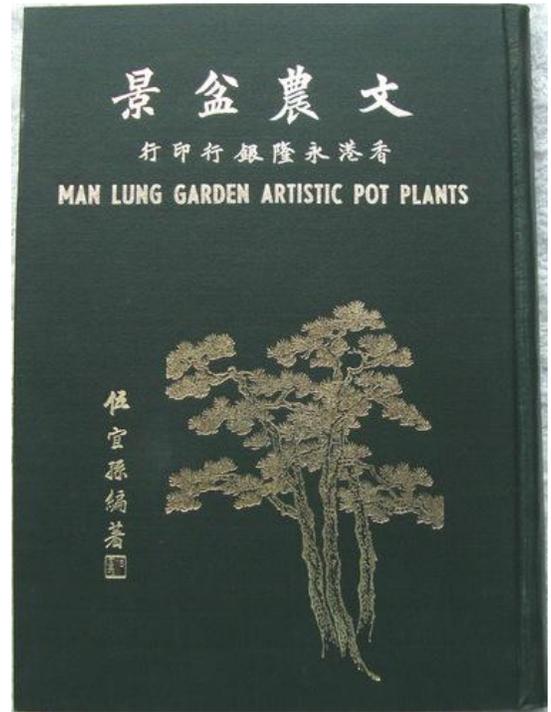


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Ken Schultz



From the Circulation Desk of the C.B.S. Library

The CBS Library Materials List is now available in spreadsheet format on our CBS website's Library Tab.

Users can Sort, Filter and Search the list. There are a few little buttons at the bottom of the embedded spreadsheet that allow you to download the spreadsheet, or open a full page version in a new window. Users can then email the librarian at CBSLibrary@hotmail.com to request materials.

Another new feature is a column indicating if the Book has been reviewed and the information to access the review. For instance "NL Feb. 2011 (Schultz)" would indicate that the review is in the Newsletter, Feb 2011 issue, and Ken Schultz authored the review.

We hope this will make the collection more available to the membership. Let us know your thoughts.

We have completed the Accession Process for all the Books in the Club's Collection. All have a Card and Pocket for ease of Check Out.

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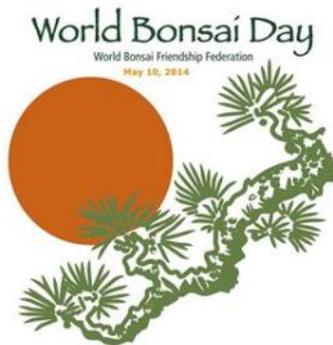
Bonsai Here and Beyond the Outer belt

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MAY 23-25	Annual Rendezvous at Brussels Bonsai
JUN 15	ADAM LEVIGNE WORKSHOP AND BYOT—OAKLAND
JUL 19-20	CBS 2014 ANNUAL SHOW—FPC
AUG 17	LITERATI WITH JOSÉ AND BYOT “FORMER WORKSHOP”—FPC
SEP 21	PICNIC—OAKLAND
OCT 19	PINE WORKSHOP WITH JULIAN ADAMS—FPC
NOV 16	BRANCH STRUCTURE—FPC
DEC 14	HOLIDAY DINNER

NOTE THAT THE APRIL MEETING IS ON THE 4TH SUNDAY DUE TO EASTER



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