
EUGENE BONSAI SOCIETY

Society website: www.eugenebonsai.org

Monthly Meeting

April 7th - *Three Ring Circus*

Details

When: 6:30pm - Help Table
7:00pm - Meeting

Where: Eugene Garden Club
1645 High St.

Parking: Limited space is available across the street. Please don't park in the spaces beside the Garden Club building.

Officers

President - RaeAnn Chamberlin

Vice President - Tom Fincel

Secretary - Kelly Edmondson

Treasurer - Dean Burkhart

Directors - Richard Johnston,
Brian Paterson, Sam Rogers

Webmaster - Adam Fleischer

Exhibit Co-Chairs - Bruce Pratt, Bill Elliot

Newsletter - Adam Fleischer



President's Message

I hope everyone is finishing up with their repotting. I've got just a few more to do. Mostly junipers at this point. Also, start fertilizing all plants in the trunk development phase and many species in refinement phase. Remember this is NOT the time to be fertilizing Japanese black pine. I hope you all are looking forward to this months meeting. Our program will be a three ring circus. I'll just leave it at that and look forward to seeing you all there on the 7th.

- Rae



Pacific Bonsai Museum

Japanese White Pine (Pinus 'Parviflora')

Date of Origin: ca 1950

Country of Origin: Japan

Artist: Mr. Kenneth Sugimoto

Bonsai Since: Unknown

Source: Sugimotos Collection,
Palo Alto, CA

A handsome example of grafting technique, this white pine was imported from Japan in 1976. It is also called a "Japanese five needle pine" displaying five needles in each fascicle, whereas most pines have two or three. White pines are frequently grafted onto black pine rootstock in order to increase their vigor and provide a thicker, more attractive bark on the lower trunk.

This specimen was raised in a bonsai nursery, so shaping was started at an early age. Field growing to enlarge the trunk made the branches grow rather fast and long. After moving it back into a bonsai pot, much attention had to be paid to shortening the branches. The process of thinning, shortening and refining branches continues for the entire life of a bonsai.

Last Month

Forest plantings were the subject of March's monthly program and the group learned a great deal from the presenter. Thanks Kelly! We learned that some of the key considerations are:



- *Number of trees.* Keeping an odd number is recommended
- *Positioning.* Placing the main (largest) tree off-set by about 1/3 from the center either left or right and then either slightly in the back or to front of the center line ensures a more natural look.
- *Type of tree.* While most trees can be used, a hearty tree able to withstand numerous re-pottings and root trimmings is recommended.



Also at the March meeting we welcomed 22 new members (12 in attendance) and raffled off a donated tree. Congratulations to new member Kristi!

Dues Reminder!

Dues must be paid at the April meeting to continue to receive the monthly newsletter, attend workshops, participate in silent auctions, and check out books from the EBS library.

2016 Workshops

Please bring your own tools, supplies, and anything else you may need for these workshops. Club wire can be purchased onsite for an additional \$15.

All workshops will be from 9am - 4pm at the EPUD building (33733 Seavey Loop Road, Eugene 97405).

Casual observers are welcome to attend at no charge.

Sunday, February 28th

Instructor: Alan Triff
Cost: \$0 full day
Student Limit: 8

Notes: BYOT. Class tailored for beginners and intermediates. First bonsai? No problem!!!

Sunday, March 13th

Instructor: Lee Chent
Cost: \$0 full day
Student Limit: 8

Notes: BYOT or purchase a Shimpaku onsite. Beginners and intermediates welcome!

Saturday, April 9th

Instructor: Michael Hagedorn
Cost: \$110 for full day
Student Limit: 7

Notes: BYOT

Questions? Contact:

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A Fond Farewell

EBS bids goodbye and good luck to member Kelle, who has moved back to Wisconsin. His knowledge and unique bonsai vision will be missed! Kelle has donated his very large collection of trees (and some pots) to EBS. Some of his inventory includes:



- Over 25 Shimpaku Junipers
- Some Black Pines
- Around 10 Azaleas, Maples, and Hawthorns
- Miscellaneous conifers and deciduous trees.

A sampling of his collection will be available to bid on in a silent auction at April's meeting and additional information about the sale of the rest of his collection will be provided at that time as well.

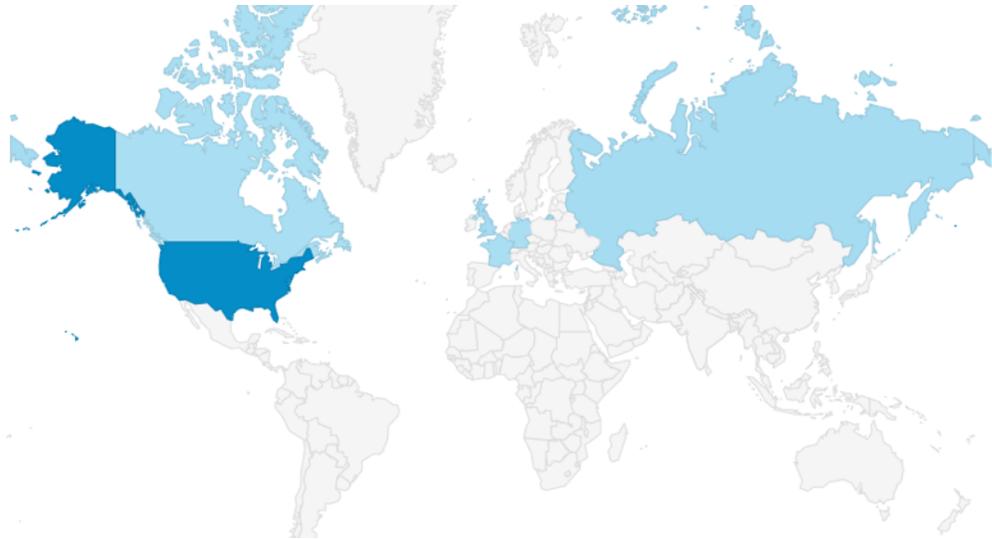


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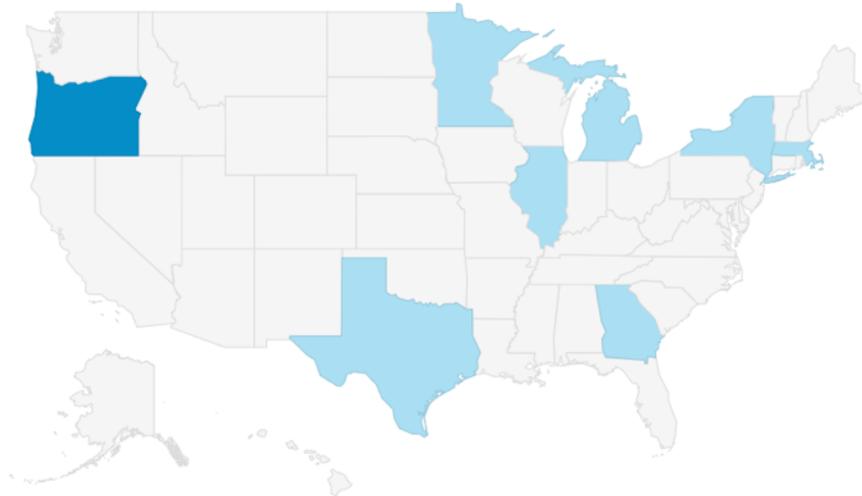
Starting with this issue of the newsletter I'm going to be including a new feature detailing various information about our website. Because we recently transitioned web hosts, it will take time to build historical data so as time moves on expect increasingly detailed information and trends.

For this inaugural installment I'm going to focus on who is accessing our page. On the next page you'll see several pieces of information including geographical maps and tables.

If there is any information that you, as a member, would like to see highlighted, please email me and I'll do my best to provide it in the next issue. In the mean time, I hope you find this information informative and exciting as it highlights just how visible we are!



Visits between 2/25 & 3/25



United States	289	Chile	2
Brazil	34	Tunisia	1
Italy	3	Russian Federation	1
Canada	3	Moldova, Republic of	1
Turkey	2	India	1
Spain	2	United Kingdom	1
Ecuador	2	Germany, Republic of	1
		Belgium	1

Breakdown of visits in 2016