# VALLEY BONSAI SOCIETY

**JUNE 2015** 

## Livermore, California

**MISSION:** To encourage and equip each other as we share a common interest and enjoyment of Bonsai and to encourage others to explore this art form.

HTTP://WWW.VALLEYBONSAISOCIETY.COM

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#### WHAT IS THE VALLEY BONSAI SOCIETY?



Founded in February 2008 by Charles Harder, this organization was established to create a group of local Bonsai enthusiasts with all level of expertise. Many of us started by taking one or more of Charles's classes, some received a plant as a gift and some had been struggling on their own. We currently have some people with extensive collections; some have trained trees as long as 50 years and some are still trying to get a tree to survive 50 weeks.

#### MEETINGS

The club meets at Alden Lane every third Saturday of the month at 2:00PM. Everyone is welcome!

#### NEWSLETTER, EMAIL LIST AND WEBSITE

An email list is maintained to release announcements and send out an electronic newsletter. Please send a request to be added to (or removed from) this list via email to Charles Harder (bonsainut@comcast.net). We have a website! It's just getting going but it's looking good. Thank you Bea Bauerly for keeping it going and up to date. Visit us at <a href="https://www.valleybonsaisociety.com">www.valleybonsaisociety.com</a>

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership is open to anyone who shares an interest in the ancient oriental horticultural art of Bonsai. The annual dues are \$30 a year for an individual or \$40 for couples. If you'd rather not pay for a membership, you have the option of paying \$5.00 per visit. If you have questions regarding membership or would like to join, please contact Bea Bauerly (bb1727@att.com)

### OFFICERS & CONTACTS

#### **JUNE SHOW**

Our annual show was a great success!

There were a lot of wonderful trees and as I told several people, it is amazing to see the progress a lot of you have made over the last couple of years. Every year we get better and better.

Our two demonstrators did an outstanding job as usual and we always enjoy and learn from them.

A complete set of photos will be posted on our website shortly. Take this opportunity to view prior years.

The junipers displayed from the "Juniper Project" were testaments to how creative you all are.



#### **JULY MEETING**

Our <u>July meeting will be delayed by a week</u> as the normal meeting time of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday is Alden Lane's "Art Under the Oaks" event. I will be there performing bonsai demonstrations. So stop by and say "Hi".

On the 25<sup>th</sup>, we will discuss group plantings and a show wrap up. I hope to see you all there!!

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> – San Mateo

San Mateo Bonsai Club is holding their 52<sup>nd</sup> annual bonsai exhibit at the San Mateo Gardeners Hall, 503 E 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. 10:00 – 4:00

#### SENPAI CORNER

Hello everyone; It's Summer! This is the time of year that you will continue maintenance pruning and general pinching. Keep up the fertilizing schedule and of course pay close attention to your watering. Not only be aware of hot days, but also any windy days as that can almost be as bad.

#### **ELECTIONS**

Positions on the Board are still available. Please contact Bea if you are interested.

#### THANK YOU ALDEN LANE



Thanks to Alden Lane for allowing us to meet for free at the nursery as we start up. Alden Lane Nursery has evergreen and blooming trained Bonsai specimens in many sizes for indoors and outdoor gardens. Stop in and let one of the Bonsai experts help you design your own Bonsai masterpiece from the selection of Bonsai pots and starter plants. They also carry Bonsai tools and enough useful Bonsai accessories to satisfy even the most dedicated

981 Alden Lane Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 447-0280 www.aldenlane.com bonsai tree hobbyist.

The nice thing about meeting at

Alden

Lane is that you have the opportunity to not only pick up bonsai stock and supplies but to shop under the oaks amongst one of the most extensive offerings for your home and garden. Inspiration and beauty abounds where ever you look along with the friendly, knowledgeable staff of Alden Lane. Don't forget to say THANK YOU for the incredible support!

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