

# THE TWIG



## MHBS MONTREAL TRIP 2012

**Date of the Trip:** June 30-July 1 (early Saturday through late Sunday) Leaving from Exit 15 Saratoga of the Northway at 8 AM. Meet at Park & Ride Exit 15 East In front of Dick's sporting goods in Wilton Mall. Cars may be left there. Pauline will distribute driving directions.



ALL GOING MUST HAVE A PASSPORT OR ENHANCED DRIVER'S LICENSE to use at the boarder and at the hotel.

**Highlights of the Trip:** Visits to the Botanical Garden, Dinner with Montreal bonsai friends at the Sofitel and David Easterbrook's nursery.

**Transportation by cars.** PLEASE confirm if you are driving or if you will go directly to exit 15 or if you will meet at Pauline's at 7AM and then go together to Exit 15. Confirm to say if you are driving (including the number your car holds) or if you need a ride. Each car's group will share gas costs.

**Costs to Participants:** The cost to each MHBS member (or spouse of a MHBS member) participating in the visit is estimated to be: gas share for transportation depending upon the number of people in a car. \$209 plus taxes (double occupancy) for the one overnight. Each pair in a room is fully responsible for the room cost. You will need a credit card to register. You will need whatever one wishes to spend for food (Sunday breakfast, Saturday and Sunday lunches) Saturday dinner will be at the hotel with the Montreal bonsai people. The dinner cost is \$58 plus tax and gratuity. (Wine not included if you choose) We are asking all attending to bring something to share at the pre dinner get together in Pauline's room. Also to bring some wine. Each person may bring in 2 740 mL bottles of wine from the USA. So a bottle per person to share in Canada should be more than enough. Admission to the gardens is about 20 USD and parking is about 10 per car...depending on exchange rate.

Parking at the hotel is about 35!!! per car. This should also be split among the car occupants.

**Buying at Easterbrook's:** Bring cash or check to purchase at David's. He will bring the inspected trees to use in August. We will pay transport (club pays as he is coming to speak) and inspection fees if any.



**Number of participants:** 22 people have signed up: Kearney's, Alan T, Paul T., Pat T and guest, Curthoys, Kiszkiel's, Hodgett's, Muth's, Joann R, Leah P., Payton's, Molly B and Dorothy R. IF YOU WISH TO DRIVE FROM PAULINE'S AND MEET THE GROUP AT THE NORTHWAY, PLEASE CONTACT PAULINE. She has room for 4 in her car.

#### **SCHEDULE:**

Meet at at Northway Park & Ride Exit 15 East In front of Dick's sporting goods in Wilton Mall at 8AM. Drive to Montreal.

**Saturday Lunch** will be at Moe's Deli and Bar 3950 SHERBROOKE ST E, Montreal, QC H1X 2A6 Phone: 514-253-6637. If you get separated from the group, we will meet there for lunch.

After lunch we will move to The Gardens which are a short distance further down Sherbrooke E. on the left.

After our tour of the Gardens with David Easterbrook and the new bonsai curator Eric, we will go to the Sofitel to check in. ( pay individually).

Welcome party hosted by us for the Montreal people in Pauline's Room at 6 PM followed by dinner at the hotel. ( Menu was sent to all participating).

Sunday breakfast on your own. After breakfast we will go to Easterbrook's and then home. Each car will stop for lunch as they wish. **AT THE START IN MILTON, WE WILL EXCHANGE CELL PHONE NUMBERS.**

#### **Mohawk Hudson Bonsai Society May**

President Tom called the meeting to order at 12:45 P.M.

17 members and 1 guest were present

Treasurer Peri reported a balance of \$1390.01.

The minutes from the May Twig were accepted as published

The raffle netted \$107.00. Many thanks to all who participated.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- June 30, 2012 Montreal trip to David Easterbrook's studio and the Montreal Gardens. Pauline asked for volunteer drivers and available passenger room in each car for the Montreal trip. We will leave Pauline's at 7 A.M. on Saturday, June 30th. or Exit 15 at Dick's in Wilton Mall
- July 29 is the field trip to NE Bonsai and the Royal Gardens. Details to follow.
- August 26 is the annual picnic with an open workshop with David Easterbrook who will be bringing back the purchased trees from our upcoming June visit.

#### **Miscellaneous Announcements**

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- PHOTOS BELOW BY ALAN TALLMAN



- Thanks to Bill Valavanis for his excellent presentation on shohin bonsai and bringing wonderful material to work on later in the workshop. Many of us will be looking forward to seeing Bill at the Third National Bonsai Exhibition in Rochester on June 8-9.
- MANY THANKS to Pauline and Molly who did the coordination of details for the annual May show.
- MANY THANKS TO ALL THOSE MEMBERS THAT HELPED WITH THE MAY SHOW!!!!!!!!!!!! Your participation was amazing. Set-up as well as take-down were done in record time with great strategy, energy, and "work together attitudes". During the Saturday and Sunday, you welcomed the public and answered many questions. It takes lots of combined effort to make a show like this a success and YOU DID!

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Kiszkiel, secretary - MHBS

## BONSAI EVENTS FOR OUR CLUB AND BEYOND

June 21-24 ABS/BCI Convention in Denver CO

see <http://www.bonsai2012.org/> for details

June 30-July 1 Montreal Trip to David Easterbrook's & Montreal Gardens by vans...  
overnight stay at hotel...details to be sent in separate email once all is confirmed

July 14-15 Frank Mihalic Workshops at PFM Bonsai

July 29 Field Trip to NE Bonsai and Royal Gardens

August 26 Annual Picnic with open WS with David Easterbrook bringing back trees from June trip PFM Bonsai

Sept 29-30 David Knittle double event: Build a Tokonoma / Sharpening Bonsai Tools

October 4-7 International Stone Appreciation Symposium Grantville PA

October 20 Nature's Way Fall Open House in Harrisburg PA see

<http://www.natureswaybonsai.com/> for more information

October 28 John Romano WS/demo on shohin style PFM Bonsai

November 18 Red Cedar Mame WS with Tom K. PLACE TBD dependent on weather

Dec 2 Annual Christmas Dinner at Charlton Village Tavern

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Bonsai Clubs International - [www.bonsai-bci.com](http://www.bonsai-bci.com)

MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies - [www.midatlanticbonsai.freervers.com](http://www.midatlanticbonsai.freervers.com)

National Bonsai Foundation - [www.bonsai-nbf.org](http://www.bonsai-nbf.org)

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