

NEPOS Notes

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**Meeting Date: 1 pm Sunday, May 3,
at the East Mt Apartments
Community Room**

Directions:

From Scranton, Binghamton and Points North

1. Get on I-81 South
2. Take exit number **170A** to get on PA115 South towards Bear Creek. Drive for 0.7 miles.
3. Turn LEFT onto Wildflower Drive (sign for Best Western). Drive for 0.3 miles.
4. Keep LEFT to stay on Wildflower Drive. Drive for a short distance. Destination will be on the right.

From Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton and Points South

1. Take I-81 N to Exit #**170A** to get on PA115 South towards Bear Creek.
2. Proceed as above.

Directions from Dallas and points west:

1. Head South/East on Memorial Hwy/PA-415
2. Continue on PA-309 South
3. Continue on PA-115 South
4. Turn left at Wildflower Dr.

Refreshments: Marianne Williams &
Carol Homisak

****APRIL—SHOW TABLE WINNERS****

Best of Show Table

C. mossiae, Jack Buziuk

Second Best of Show Table

Unknown (will correct at May meeting)

Congratulations to the winners.

****PREZ SEZ ****

Our April meeting was certainly a change of pace for most of our members. The demonstration by Carl from the NEPA Bonsai Society was a great departure from our normal meetings. He definitely came prepared with background information, a wide variety of bonsai, and several pieces to work on. Many thanks to Carl for the great & informative demo.

Don't miss our upcoming meeting with speaker Cathy Sullivan of Annie's Orchids. She will be doing a slide show and bringing plants to sell. It should be very interesting.

A reminder from Betty to get those plants potted up for the June plant auction at Betty's home. It's a good chance to enhance your gardens at a very reasonable cost. Bring your spare house plants and orchids also.

With the Northeast Fair just around the corner, we will want to finalize a topic for our display. Some ideas were discussed at the April meeting but feel free to introduce a new suggestion.

Welcome to new member Jean Eckrote of Nanticoke.

I hope to see everyone at the May meeting.

Regards,

Nancy



****SHOW TABLE ****

April Results

11 people entered 42 plants

Class A

1st: C. mossiae, Jack Buziuk; 2nd:
Cat. (unknown), Marie Jabyac.

Class B

1st: Phrag. Sargent Eric, Carol
Homisak; 2nd: P. Overspring Pearl
'CH', Carol.

Class C

1st: Paph Magic Mtn x Golden, Greta
DeRocher; 2nd: Paph. Bucolle Day x
Pacific Shamrock, Ruth Herman.

Class D

1st: C. Skinneri, Greta; 2nd: Lc. Angel
Love, Greta.

Class E

1st: Onc. Croesus, Greta; Phal.
(unknown), Nancy Sibio.

Class F

1st: Cym. (unknown), Carol; 2nd: Cym.
Eastern Morning 'Shunshoku', Carol.

Class G

1st: Phal. (unknown) red, Greta; Phal.
(unknown), Carol; 2nd: P. Melody,
Jack.

Class H

1st: Dtps. Sia-Yuan Beauty 'Fairytale',
Jack; Phal. Brother Lancer, Carol.

Class I

1st: Mtdm Ruffles 'Scent of a Woman',
Nancy; 2nd: Burr. Pacific Command
(?), Greta.

Class J

1st: Lod.(?) Flacoela(?) x Golden,
Greta.

Members: please print as clearly as possible on the plant sheets. It was hard to understand some of the plant names.



****POINT STANDINGS ****

Points for April

Betty Bunnell—10
Jack Buziuk—43
Susan Crane—33
Greta DeRocher—67
Jean Eckrote—5
Ruth Herman—42
Carol Homisak—49
Marie Jabyac—34
Joyce Jenkins—10
Ruth Lloyd—18
Dawn Mortimer—13
Jean Nudo—5
Henrietta Schneikart—16
Terri Shudak—8
Nancy Sibio—28
Beth Thompson—21
Marianne Williams—15



****Minutes From April****

Nancy Sibio presided. Three officers were present, along with guests Carl and Paula, both members of the Bonsai club.

- Secretary's report: no changes
- Treasurer's report: none

Old Business:

- The insurance situation has not yet been resolved; we'll have more discussion at the next meeting.
- Betty suggested repotting your plants now so that they will be ready for the plant sale. This would give them time to get established.

New Business:

- The hospitality supplies for our meetings have been organized by Nancy and we will try to keep the inventory down to one box. This should be enough to host our current

attendance at our meetings. The coffee pot will be taken to the meeting by the hospitality volunteers.

- We will be making a donation to AOS education fund; \$100 was the suggested donation amount.
- Reminder that the NE fair is coming up in June. Looking for ideas/topics for our display. We will vote on the display at the next meeting.
 - Nancy saw a display at Longwood regarding the Orchids of the continental US and Canada.
 - Growing orchids in the home
- Reminder, the June meeting is at Betty's house. That is when we will have the plant auction. There will be no show table.
- Jungle Paradise will be hosting their semi-annual open house on May 16th and 17th. (Sat and Sunday)

Carl gave a great presentation on the Japanese art of Bonsai. He spoke to the origin and history of this ancient art. The word *Bonsai* is derived from *Bon*, meaning tree and *Sai*, meaning pot. The Japanese culture is renowned for the development of the rules for styling the trees. Carl went on to show us how this is done and completely potted a specimen plant.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Manson



The club extends its heartfelt condolences to Dawn on the passing of her father.



****Refreshment List 2009****

Jun 7: Marie Jabyac & Betty Bunnell
Jul 5: NO Meeting
Aug 2: Henrietta Schneikart & Jean Nudo
Sep 12 (SATURDAY): Picnic—Bring a dish
Oct 4: Ruth Lloyd, Nancy Sibio
Nov 1: Jack Buziuk & Susan Crane
Dec 6: HOLIDAY PARTY



****Program List 2009****

Jun 7: Plant sale
Jul 5: NO Meeting
Aug 2: **(open)**
Sep 12: **SATURDAY**—PICNIC @ Frances Slocum
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****Birthdays****

NEPOS would like to acknowledge the following member birthdays:

- Ruth Herman—May 30
- Jeff Kasprzak—May 12
- Terri Shudak—May 4

A very happy birthday to all!