



Shreveport  
Bonsai  
Society

Hi Folks:

March 29, 2006

### This month's meeting:

This is the month for our annual show at the Barnwell Center, on Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup> from 9-5. In conjunction with the show we are having two workshops and a demo with our guest artist Dana Quattlebaum. Dana is from Brussel's Nursery in Olive Branch, Mississippi and gives a terrific workshop and demo. Registration for the day will be \$10 and this will cover a continental breakfast and a light lunch.



*Dana Quattlebaum among master specimen trees*

The schedule will be doors open at 9 am with registration and continental breakfast. This is also when we will set up the display trees. The morning workshop will start at 9:30 am and will

be Shimpaku junipers (about 1 inch diameter trunks). The cost of the workshop will be \$40 for members and is partially subsidized by SBS to give the newer members a chance to work with an expert and get a quality tree for their collection. If you would like to be in the workshop, but are not a member we will have a reduced \$10 membership fee through the end of our fiscal year in June.

Over lunch Dana will work on a demo tree. The tree has not yet been selected, but I am sure he will do a great job. The tree will be raffled off in the afternoon.

Starting at 1 pm, Dana will lead a workshop on flowering crabapple trees. These will be shohin trees (under 12 inches tall). This workshop will be \$60.

Charles Canfield has volunteered to organize the show and Mike Rayburn has volunteered to print out the labels for the trees. To make this work we will need people to decide on what trees they will be showing as soon as possible and pass that information on to Charles or me.

I will be glad to accept early registration and workshop fees, if not we will be collecting the fees at the door.

Please come join us for an action packed day of bonsai, with great trees to look at and work on.

### **Commercial Exhibitor:**

During the show we will have a commercial exhibitor displaying his wares. This year's exhibitor is Shane Cary of Shane's Bonsai Studio. He will bring a variety of bonsai supplies and trees for the novice or advanced bonsai enthusiast.

### **Raffle:**

In conjunction with the show we will be having an all day raffle. Raffle items donated by members, as well as the demo tree, will be raffled off to raise money for future SBS events. Each item will have a box by it and you can purchase tickets throughout the day and put the in the box corresponding to the item you are interested in. A drawing will be held in the afternoon for the items. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, or 13 for \$10. All proceeds benefit SBS.

### **SBS Officers:**

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### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:**

I am pleased to report that we have two new members since our last meeting.

Please help welcome:

Shane Cary

Mary Rhinehart

One of the best sources for potential new members is our current members, so when your friends get excited by your trees or your enthusiasm, hand them a membership form and invite them to a meeting. The more folks we have the more exciting our meetings will be.

### **Schedule for the Shreveport Bonsai Society for 2005-06.**

#### **April 8, 2006**

Annual show at the Barnwell Center 9 am – 5 pm. Bring your trees and show them off. Guest artist Dana Quattlebaum (from Brussel's Nursery) will offer a morning workshop on Shimpaku junipers and an afternoon workshop on flowering crabapples. Registration for the meeting is \$10 (including lunch). The morning workshop is \$40 (for members) and the afternoon workshop is \$60. Dana gives a terrific workshop and I encourage all to participate. Each workshop limited to 10 participants. The first people to get me their checks get the spots.

#### **May 13, 2006**

Meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. Study group on the propagation of trees: including growing from seed, growing from cuttings, grafting and air layering. The study group will be led by Bob

Specian. Bring a tree to work on and an item for the raffle. We will also be having a beginner's workshop.

### **May 20, 2006**

Bonsai show at The Biedenharn in Monroe. An exhibition of trees from the Shreveport Bonsai Society and two workshops led by our own Tim Shields. There will be a juniper class in the morning 10-12 am (fee \$65.00) and a tropical class, with either a ficus or Fukien tea from 1-3 pm (fee \$65.00). [tshiel1@msn.com](mailto:tshiel1@msn.com)

### **June 10, 2006**

Meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. Study group topic to be decided. Bring a tree to work on and an item for the raffle.

### **June, 2006**

LABS 2006 hosted by the Lake Charles Bonsai Society at McNeese State University. LCBS is planning an action packed, informal day of bonsai bringing together the bonsai clubs of Louisiana. There will be a great lineup of artists/teachers and vendors. Guy Guidry has already committed to the event. An invitational exhibit is planned with up to five bonsai from each club, vendor, or organization. Of course, there will be raffles and auction of items.

### **Upcoming National and International Events**

#### **April 30 - May 7, 2006:**

**BCI 2006 in Shunde City, Foshan, China** (near Canton) at Guangdong Chencun Flower World. An

international cast of featured artists (subject to change) includes Masahiko Kimura, Arishige Matsuura, Bill Valavanis, Lindsay Bebb, Solita & Chase Rosade, Brook Zhou, Hu Yunhua. I.C. Su, Zhu Quinfei, Liang Yuemei (Amy), Jin-sheng Wei, Liu Zhongming, Xie Keying, Song-en Wu, and Yang Hanlian. Cost is only \$200 prior to 1 March 2006 and \$250 thereafter. There is also a major viewing stone appreciation festival in Shanghai planned to follow this event. Watch for further details as they are released or check out the convention web site at <http://www.bci2006.com/>

#### **May 26-28, 2006:**

Rendezvous, 2006 Brussel's Bonsai Nursery, Olive Branch, Mississippi

#### **July 14-16, 2006:**

**LSBF 2006** at Holiday Inn, 11<sup>th</sup> Street in Corpus Christi, TX.

#### **June 15-18, 2006:**

**American Bonsai Society Learning Seminars**, Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs, 232 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Featuring These exceptional bonsai instructors: David DeGroot - Jim Doyle - David Easterbrook - Christine Hayward - Harold Johnson - Cheryl Manning - Jerry Meislik - Frank Mihalic - Pauline Muth - Martin Schmalenberg - Kathy Shaner

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**October 2006:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> International Stone  
Appreciation Symposium** in  
Harrisburg, PA.

**July 10-16, 2007:**

**BCI 2007** at the Wyndham Condado  
Plaza Hotel & Casino (only  
\$125/night!) in San Juan, Puerto  
Rico featuring Shinji Suzuki, Marco  
Invernizzi, David Benavente, Bill  
Valavanis, Arthur Skolnik, Suthin  
Sukosolvisit, William Acosta, Yrene  
C. Vásquez, Xenio Baron, Milagros  
Rauber, Pedro J. Morales, and  
Sean Smith.

**BCI 2008 in Monaco.**