



Shreveport
Bonsai
Society

Hi Folks:

This month's meeting:

July 6, 2006

This month's meeting is scheduled for 1 pm July 8th at the Barnwell Center. Instead of a study group this month I would like to ask everyone to bring in their problem trees. I have several that I could really use a second or third opinion on. So let's just schedule a work session on problem trees.

On June 17th Jeff and I attended the annual LABS meeting in Lake Charles. It was a delightful trip. We got to see some terrific trees on display and Guy Guidry gave a great workshop on an Hinoki Cypress. We made some new friends and hopefully some of them will be coming up for our show in September and our big show with Colin Lewis in April, 2007.

I really appreciated everyone's input on new ideas for the upcoming year. I will bring those ideas back to the table this week and hopefully we can expand upon them. I love the idea of a fall show.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Since this is the start of a new fiscal new, it is time for dues again. Please see me at the meeting or mail me a check. The dues

are \$20 for the year for either an individual or family membership. This is a real bargain.

I also thought it would be a good idea to list the new members from the previous year. If your name is on this list, your dues are paid through June, 2007. Thank you for joining us and enriching everyone's bonsai experience.

**Ray Brown
William and Berenda Brown
Tom Burns
Amber Cockburn
Diane Dufilho
David Murphy
Mike Raybourn
Sigrid Ravel
Jerry Hutchinson
Robert Murray
Betty J. Payne
Bobby Conley
Shane Cary
Mary Rhinehart
Maria DeGueurce
Anna M. Christo**

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.

Website:

News about <http://shreveportbonsai.org/>

Web site modifications/improvements:

Newsletter area:

Past newsletters are now posted on our website.

Gallery expansion:

The gallery has been expanded to include photos from our annual show.

New ideas:

If you have ideas for the website please pass them on and I'll see what I can do.

Happy web surfin'
Jeff White
Web Master

SBS Officers:

Elections were held at the last meeting and the officers for the upcoming year are:

Bob Specian President Treasurer	227-0744 rspecian@sport.rr.com
Jeff White Vice President Web Master	219-9618 jt_white@bellsouth.net
Charles Canfield Show Chairman	798-7748 cscanfield@bellsouth.net

Topics for study groups:

The study groups have been a pretty successful concept and I thank everyone for their input at the last meeting. I will post a list of topics for the upcoming year with the next newsletter. I think we have enough new topics to get us through the year.

Schedule for the Shreveport Bonsai Society for 2005-06.

July 8th: Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. Bring your problem trees to get some outside opinions and assistance.

Upcoming National and International Events

July 14-16, 2006:

LSBF 2006 at Holiday Inn, 11th Street in Corpus Christi, TX.

October 2006:

3rd 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.