



Shreveport
Bonsai
Society

Hi Folks:

September 4, 2006

This month's meeting:

This month's meeting is scheduled for 9 am - 4 pm at the Barnwell Center on September 23. As agreed upon by the members at the July meeting, this will replace the 2nd Saturday meeting. The meeting will be our fall show, workshop and raffle. Please bring your trees to show off your work. I know it has been a tough summer, but I'm sure everyone has a few trees to display.

The schedule for the show will be:

9 am --- doors open, registration (\$10 includes lunch), set up displays

10 am --- demo on tray landscapes, demo landscape to be raffled off

11:30 am --- break for lunch

1 pm --- workshop on tray landscapes

2:30 pm --- raffle

3:30 pm --- tear down displays

The workshop will be a tray landscape using a variety of plants and rocks. The trays will be oval 10" x 7.25" x 1.25" pots. The material will include rocks, Satsuki azaleas, dwarf Hinoki

cypress or Korean hornbeams, and an assortment of dwarf accessory plants. The product is nearly instantly gratifying and will absolutely delight you in the late spring when the azaleas bloom. I will bring one that I did 15 months ago to show you what to expect. I already have a commitment of 22 for the workshop, so if you are interested and have not contacted me, please do so ASAP.

The raffle in April was a huge success; many thanks to Robert Frost for handling the details. After the meeting we decided to hold off on the monthly raffles and have another big one in the fall. This is a good money-maker for the club. Remember that we have Colin Lewis coming in April for the spring show, so we could use the extra reserves. So I am asking that everyone who can contribute one or more items for the raffle to do so, I will be bringing several nice trees to raffle off myself. Remember it can be anything bonsai-related. That extra collected tree that you never got around to working on, or an extra copy of a bonsai book or magazine, even a pot or two that nothing quite seems to fit into. This is an opportunity to clean up your space and help SBS in a big way. By the way Robert will be unable to make the show

due to a business meeting, so a volunteer to take over the responsibility of the raffle would be great appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Since this is near the start of a new fiscal new, it is time for dues again. If you have paid, many thanks - if not 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.

Last year was a landmark year. We added 18 new members and much needed new blood and enthusiasm. I hope this year allows the continued addition of new members and enthusiasm at the meetings.

Please join me in welcoming the new members that joined us last month:

**Mary Dulweber
Sharon Gallipeau
Paula Tate**

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:

The officers for 2006-2007 are:

Bob Specian 227-0744
President rspecian@sport.rr.com
Treasurer

Jeff White 219-9618
Vice President jt_white@bellsouth.net
Web Master

Charles Canfield 798-7748
Show Chairman cscanfield@bellsouth.net

Topics for study groups:

The study groups have been a pretty successful concept and I thank everyone for their input over the last couple of months. I think we have enough new topics to get us through the year, but if you have ideas, please pass them my way and I will get them in the queue of the upcoming meetings.

Tee-shirts

It was decided at the last meeting to have tee-shirts with the SBS logo made up. If you would like one let me know, I should have them for the October meeting. They will be polo shirts with the logo on the left

front side. The cost looks like it will be \$20-\$22 for nice quality shirts. I am still looking at getting aprons, but that is not yet in the final stages.

Bonsai for sale

Tim Shields is getting rid of some trees. If you are interested in any of the trees listed below give Tim a ring.

Tim Shields 742-8014
tshiel1@msn.com

Ginkgo Clump-17 trees	\$300
Ginkgo Forest-9 trees	\$200
16" Houtoku pot	
Trident Forest-17 trees	\$450
22" Houtoku pot	
Bald Cypress great taper	\$45
Juniper full cascade	\$65
Juniper full cascade	\$50
Kingsville boxwood exposed root	\$30
Cabernet grape	\$25
Ginkgo's two yr old	\$3 each

Schedule for the Shreveport Bonsai Society for 2006-07.

September 23, 2006:

Fall show, raffle and workshop. Demo and workshop on tray landscapes. Doors open at 9 am at the Barnwell Center.

October 14, 2006:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic will be on collecting trees and will be lead by Charles Canfield. The first collecting trip of the season will be planned. Bring a tree to work on.

November 11, 2006:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic will be on collecting, growing and styling wisteria. Jeff White will lead the discussion and a collecting trip to the home of Ted and

Berenda Brown will be planned. Ted tells me that they have five different varieties of wisteria in their yard and have offered to let the club collect some. Bring a tree to work on.

December 9, 2006:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic will be on collecting, growing and styling cypress trees. The group leader has yet to volunteer. Bring a tree to work on.

January 13, 2007:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic will be on succulents as bonsai material. Mike Rabourn will lead the discussion and show off some of his trees. Bring a tree to work on.

February 10, 2007

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic to be determined later. Bring a tree to work on.

March 10, 2007:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic to be determined later. Bring a tree to work on.

April 7, 2007:

Annual Spring show at the Barnwell Center, 9-5: guest artist Colin Lewis. Colin will be doing a demonstration tree and two workshops. Get in touch to reserve your spot now. Space will be limited.

May 12, 2007:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic to be determined later. Bring a tree to work on.

June 9, 2007:

Regular meeting at the Barnwell Center at 1 pm. The study group topic to be determined later. Bring a tree to work on.

Upcoming National and International Events

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.