

Camellia Times



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MEETING DATE:

- **Saturday, April 23rd**
- **11 a.m.**
- **Club Pheasant**
- **2525 Jefferson Blvd.**
- **West Sacramento, CA 95691**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"The most beautiful part of life is that you live a different day everyday. Last week may have been the worst, but you can still look forward to the dawn of a new day because you have a ray of hope that it can still be better." Anonymous

Hello dear camellia friends. This letter has been quite a challenge for me to write. I want to thank all of you for your love, support, encouragement and friendship. My journey as President of the Camellia Society of Sacramento has been a highlight in my life. I am proud to be another generation of "Martins" to serve in this position. My father, Herb Martin, and my husband both have served in this position. When Bob Christopher, with the nudging of Julie Vierra, asked me to be President, I thought they were crazy, but accepted the challenge anyway. I thought my Dad would be proud. I feel I have grown so much because of my experiences and the friendships I have made.

The new slate of officers are an amazing, hardworking group of people who have been working hard for many years. I feel confident they will continue to grow and enrich our organization. They cannot be successful without your continued support. This is an organization made up of people with a diversity of skills and talents. We need you.

This past week I feel so alive with all the beauty of spring everywhere I look. Gary and I are also so excited to be welcoming the newest members of our family, twins, Braxton and Charlotte Schanz. Their coming out party is scheduled for April 12th.

Thank you to all who came out for the Pruning Clinic at William Land Park, Julie, I look forward to seeing the three plants you donated grow and flourish.

I hope to see you at the last meeting, April 23rd, at Club Pheasant for luncheon and installation of our new officers (see reservation page at the end of this newsletter).

Speaking of the newsletter, Julie, you have done an exceptional job these past years as our Corresponding Secretary. The Camellia Times has evolved into a beautiful publication that we can all be proud of. Thank you for all your hard work that is unseen but very much appreciated.

From your President for the last time, be kind, share a smile, because we all need happiness and friendship in our lives. Carol



CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2015-2016/2016-2017 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Carol Schanz/Julie Vierra	447-1969
1st Vice President	Joan Lesmeister/Don Lesmeister	967-8420
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NCCC Rep	Don Lesmeister/Joan L.	967-8420

2015-16 ADVISORY BOARD

ACS/ICS Representative	Don Bergamini
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Meeting Bloom Display	Julie Vierra
Membership	Patty Bonnstetter
Nominating Committee Chair	Julie Vierra
Northern CA State Director for ACS	Carol Schanz
Outreach/New Member	Leone Wildemann
Past President	Joan Lesmeister
Show Chairmen	Don Lesmeister, Julie Vierra
Sunshine	Jackie Randall
Ways & Means	Julie Vierra, Joan Lesmeister, Carol Schanz,
Website	Carol Schanz & Julie Vierra



Come to the luncheon to receive a plant!

Tracy Bieberly	Doug McClary & Russell Heer
Randy Brink	Lynn Sanden
Krissy Engelhardt	Amreet Sandhu
Dennis & Sharon Freitas	Sharon Snyder
Melissa Jones & Phil Dietrich	Lynne Sprague
Nalini Mehtani	Steuart & Christal Kapicka
Joy Gee	NEW MEMBERS!



APRIL PROGRAM

OUR APRIL LUCHEON IS HERE ALREADY!! MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS AND SEND TO ROSEMARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE ARE READY TO PARTY! AS USUAL, WE WILL HAVE OUR INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, OUR FUN SILENT AUCTION, PLANT RAFFLE AND LOTS OF LAUGHS. JOIN US FOR ONE LAST MEETING OF OUR CAMELLIA FRIENDS UNTIL NEXT OCTOBER!



We have some plants left from the Show. Come to the luncheon and pick up some plants at member prices! We will have a list of plants available. See you there! Bravo, Firedance, Frank Houser, Nicky Crisp, Rudy's Magnolieflora, Swan Lake will be available that day.

MEETING DATES FOR 2015-2016

Monday, October 26th—Carol Schanz and Julie Vierra will talk on the history of the camellia and camellias common to the Sacramento area.

Monday, November 16th—Joanne Tsukamoto will talk on how she designs a button once she knows the theme.

Monday, December 14th—Holiday Potluck & Fun

Monday, January 25th—Debbie Arrington of the Sacramento Bee will be talking on current garden topics.

Monday, February 22nd—Our own Bill Kitagawa will speak on Matsuyama, Japan, our Sister City.

Monday, March 28th—Don Bergamini will talk on his camellia introductions and the process for naming them. Ice Cream Social also!

Saturday, April 23rd (End of Year Luncheon)—Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle & much more!

PLANT RAFFLE FOR APRIL

Door Prize: Bravo
Regulars: Betty's Beauty
Taylor's Perfection
Tutor Baby, Var.
Waltz Time, Var
Coral Delight, Var.
Special: Julius Nuccio



Tickets are
\$1 or
6 for \$5



MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE.

THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE:

- \$10 SENT VIA E-MAIL;
- \$15 SENT VIA U.S. MAIL;
- \$20 FOR SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP

If you are a new member and paid at our Show last March, your dues will not change this year.

Please send your check to:

Patty Bonnstetter
441—34th Street
Sacramento, CA
95816-3340
?’s call 447-3340

Thank you for supporting our club!



~ CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER ~

We are starting in a new cycle of Camellia care. Summer months require Nitrogen fertilizing and additional watering. Both are required for good Camellia care, but too much of either or both is the worst thing you can do for your plants. Liquid fertilizers provide nutrients to plants within a matter of hours. Solid fertilizers don't provide nutrients to the plant for up to 2 weeks. When a sudden heat wave comes along, heat release solid fertilizers can cause immediate Nitrogen release and root damage without the grower detecting until it is too late. Camellia plants in the ground can be lightly fertilized every month, April through August, and can be watered every 6 days or so. Camellia plants in containers require entirely different care. I have been fertilizing container plants more often, about every 15 days, but at half strength, without fear of fertilizer burn. Plants grown in containers require watering about every 4 days. Early in the morning or late in the evening is best. If you do not have an overhead watering system, you can supplement your watering on hot days (95 degree or above) by lightly spraying off the plants with a garden hose. Have a good summer. Take care of your Camellias, and don't overdo fertilizing or watering....DON

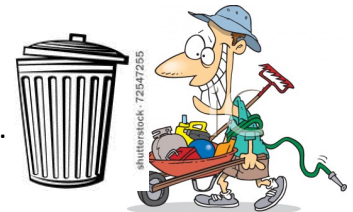
PRUNING CLINIC AT WILLIAM LAND PARK!

WE HAD A FUN TIME PRUNING THOSE CAMELLIAS BY THE PONY RIDES! SOME NEEDED LOTS OF PRUNING, OTHERS NEEDED TO BE DUG UP...BUT IT'S MUCH PRETTIER NOW!

WE WILL BE DOING ANOTHER PRUNING SESSION ON THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH. WE WILL BE ON THE 13TH AVENUE SIDE OF THE PARK, PAST THE POND, SAME SIDE OF THE STREET. THE BALL DIAMONDS ARE ACROSS THE STREET. PARK IN THE PARK, WHERE IT IS A 2-HOUR PARKING LIMIT. WE SHOULD BE DONE QUICKLY IF WE HAVE ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS. HINT, HINT...WE WILL START EARLY IF IT'S GOING TO BE WARM...9 O'CLOCK?? PLEASE BRING GLOVES, RAKES & CLIPPERS. SEE YOU THERE!

THIS 'N THAT

- Be sure and rake up all spent blooms beneath your camellias to prevent petal blight...Be sure and put in the GARBAGE, not GREEN WASTE
- Prune, thin, and fertilize your camellias
- Seeds are starting to form...twist them off!
- Read Don's culture for what to do this summer.



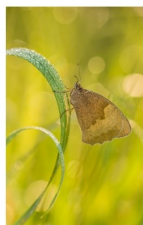
DON'T FORGET TO FILL OUT THE RESERVATION FORM FOR THE APRIL LUNCHEON!

**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—
2015 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

February 6th <i>Flower of the Show: Valentine's Day</i> <i>Won by: Gary & Carol Schanz</i>	Mini Show & NCCC Meeting Held at John's Incredible Pizza Co., 2225 Plaza Parkway, Modesto, CA 95350 Contact: Barbara Bort 209-537-9945
February 13th & 14th <i>Flower of the Show: Frank Houser, Var.</i> <i>Won by: Helmuth & Leone Wildemann</i>	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220
February 20th & 21st <i>Flower of the Show: Lady Laura</i> <i>Won by: Don & Joan Lesmeister</i>	Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5606
February 27th	Open
March 5th & 6th <i>Flower of the Show: Junior Prom</i> <i>Won by: Don & Joan Lesmeister</i>	Camellia Society of Sacramento Show Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967-8420
March 12th & 13th <i>Flower of the Show: Queen Bee</i> <i>Won by: Nancy & Steve Russell</i>	Northern California Camellia Society Show St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188
March 19th & 20th <i>Flower of the Show: Larry Piet</i> <i>Won by: Don & Joan Lesmeister</i>	Camellia Society of Modesto Show Ernest & Julio Gallo Administration Building, Modesto Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Tony Miranda, 209-526-2197

A BIG SHOUT OUT TO **BRIAN BARNES** OF PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. (PRMI) FOR GRACIOUSLY REDOING OUR POSTERS THAT HANG AT THE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM DURING OUR SHOW. THEY LOOKED *FABULOUS!!* **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

THANKS ROSEMARY FOR HOOKING US UP!



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October

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**OCTOBER 24TH WILL BE OUR FIRST MEETING OF
THE NEW CAMELLIA YEAR! MARK YOUR
CALENDARS! SEE YOU THEN!
HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!**



A big **Thank You** to all of you who have, over the years, been so supportive of our newsletter. I've enjoyed the kind words you have sent after I've emailed the newsletter out each month. I have enjoyed making it my own, but now it is time to let someone else take over the reins. Carol Schanz was that person before I started and now she is back! Please continue supporting Carol when she begins her new journey as our new Corresponding Secretary. We are just trading places, like we have been doing since our journey down the breast cancer trail...I know she will do an excellent job! Thank you so much! Lotsa love, Julie ❤️

BUTTON THEME FOR NEXT YEAR

BE SURE AND ATTEND THE LUNCHEON. WE WILL BE VOTING ON THE THEME FOR THE 2017 CAMELLIA YEAR. WE WILL PASS AROUND THE THEME OPTIONS AND YOU GET TO CHOOSE YOUR FAVORITE. WE WILL HAVE A DECISION BY THE END OF THE LUNCHEON. WHAT WILL IT BE??? STAY TUNED!



Pictures from our March Meeting!
A fun time was had by all!! The ice cream wasn't bad either!!



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