# Camessia Times



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**Meeting Date** 

**NEW LOCATION** 

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

7:00 PM

Elks Lodge #6, Emblem Room

6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95831

# President's Message



Hello Camellia Friends!

The holiday season is upon us! Besides trying to get the decorations up, I go out every day to

rake leaves from our giant red oak. It's a lost cause right now, but it gets me outside to keep the street gutters clean and laugh when my neighbors ask why I even bother to try and rake! I had to go out and buy myself a new broom. I've worn one out already! Ernie asks me "where ya going?" when I pull it out...funny guy!

This month we will be having our Holiday Potluck on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The meeting starts earlier than usual so we have time to set up all the food and enjoy the evening with our camellia friends. It starts at 6:30, instead of 7:00. If you weren't at the November meeting and plan on attending the potluck, give me a call so I can let you know what is needed. We always bake a couple hams, and plates and utensils are included. So bring your favorite side dish to share with the rest of the group. There will be no formal meeting, just fun! We will have a gift exchange. You do not have to participate, but if you do, bring a gift for around \$15, wrapped. We may have a couple holiday games where you can win a prize. Please plan to attend and enjoy a wonderful evening with us! Please call me if you have questions. 916-371-2174 or email me j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net.

See you on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at **6:30**! If for some reason you cannot attend, please know that we wish you a wonderful holiday season and hope to see you in the New Year! Julie

# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE:

\$10 a year per household, electronic newsletter.

\$15 a year per household, USPS newsletter.

\$20 a year per household, Sustaining membership.

# Membership:

#### LuAnn Lantsberger

2960 Brenda Way

West Sacramento, CA 95691, 916 729-9892

If dues are **not** paid by January, your name will be dropped from the Roster. The monthly Camellia Times will also not be continued.

You can pay your dues with a credit card at the meeting. See **Rosemary** to pay with credit card.



### **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS 2018-2019**

President	Julie Vierra
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Don Lesmeister
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Ron Morrison
Recording Secretary	Irene Moore
Corresponding Secretary	Carol Schanz
Treasurer	Rosemary Spasovich
Historian	Bill Kitagawa
NCCC Rep.	Joan Lesmeister

#### Advisory Board 2018 - 2019

ACS/ICS Representative	Don Bergamini/ Carol Schanz
Education, Research & Science	Don Lesmeister
Greeter	Tracy Bieberly
Hospitality	Rosemary Spasovich
Meeting Bloom Display	Helmuth Wildemann
Membership	LuAnn Lantsberger
Nominating Committee Chair	Rosemary Spasovich
ACS Pacific Regional Vice President	Carol Schanz
Outreach/New Member Liaison	Tanis Toland
Past President	Carol Schanz
Show Chairmen	Don Lesmeister and Julie Vierra
Sunshine	Jackie Randall
Ways & Means	Julie Vierra, Joan Lesmeister, Carol Schanz
Website	Julie Vierra & Carol Schanz

**Program:** Holiday Pot Luck. Call Julie, (916 371 2174) if you want to bring a dish and haven't already signed up. Bring a gift to exchange if you would like. (Maximum value \$15) Lots of fun with friends and good food.

#### **November Guest Speaker Tom Nuccio, Thank you**



Tom Nuccio did a fabulous job talking about different varieties of sasanquas and camellias. He also brought beautiful examples of the different varieties. Many of his plants were donated and won by our members who attended the meeting.



#### Monthly Meeting Dates and Programs 2018-2019, 7:00 PM, Elks Lodge #6



December 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm (potluck)
Christmas Potluck & Gift Exchange
January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7 pm
Identifying camellias by their leaves by Don Bergamini
February 26<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm
How to get ready for the show
March 26, 7 pm
Don Bergamini – Winners this Year

Monthly meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY of each month, October through March. Elks Lodge #6, 6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento (**New Location**)





### Northern California Camellia Council by Joan Lesmeister

- February 2, 9am 3pm, Mini Show and NCCC Meeting.
- Location: Sacramento, CA, Elks Lodge #1, 6446 Riverside Blvd.
- Weighted Ballot voting.
- Uniform cup sizes of 2 1/4 inches = 5 1/4 oz. And,1 cup per bloom! See show brochure for further information.

#### Camellia Culture by Don Lesmeister

As we enter into the blooming season, we still can apply 0-10-10 or 2-10-10...while the manufactures instructions indicate you can apply this even while the plants are blooming, December is generally the last application for me. ===December seems to be the month of the coldest evenings, so be sure your plants are watered preceding the freezing nights===The bud set and size of the buds indicates to me that it may be an early blooming season. Could this be the climate is getting warmer? If so, spread your gibbing out to last a little longer and reduce the number of blooms you gib each application===also, have a Merry Xmas....

# Dates and locations for Board Meetings, 2018 - 2019, 10:30 AM, Tuesday

December 4	Don & Joan Lesmeister	4512 Marble Way Carmichael	916 967 8420
January 8, 2019	Helmuth & Leone Wildemann	31 Rosemead Circle Sacramento	916 422 4128
February 5	Ron & Arlene Morrison	2712 Ripon Court Sacramento	916 383 7005
March 12	Patrick & Irene Moore	5510 Fruitridge Road Sacramento, CA 95820	916 455 7629
April 2	Rosemary Spasovich	6129 Landis Avenue Carmichael	559 779 1197

# 2019 Button Design



# Thank you Joanne Tsukamoto for another beautiful design.

Theme: "Staying Alive for 95". This will be our 95<sup>th</sup> annual camellia show.

# History by Bill Kitagawa

#### **Show history**

Historically, the Camellia show preceded the organization of the Camellia Society. The Sacramento Garden Club presented the first Camellia Show in 1924. In 1941 the Garden Club appointed a Planting Committee of 18 members and it was this group which approved the motion of Jerry Olrich to form a Camellia Society of Sacramento. This was in November of 1943 and the Society held its first meeting in January 1944 and from then on conducted the annual Camellia Show. The new Camellia Society dedicated its first 12 years to stimulation of camellias planting in the gardens of Sacramento County. The members worked, gratuitously, in all of the local nurseries during the month, and this revenue paid for the annual Camellia Show. The close communication with the gardening public, through the nurseries, was a marvelous camellia stimulus for within ten years the exhibition grew to a grand display of over 10,000 blooms to establish an all-time record. The Show earned its title of "Sacramento, the Camellia Capital of the World".

#### **December Plant Raffle**

Hot Shot
Royal Velvet
Holy Pure Special
Sue Kendall Var.
Tudor Baby Var.

Sheng Jie (Holy Pure) (Holy Pure is the ACS registered name.)



Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 Special \$2.00



#### **Dues News**

Because of increased operating expenses for the Camellia Society of Sacramento, it is necessary to increase our dues next year. Annual Regular membership, \$20; Membership with USPS newsletter, \$25; and Sustaining membership, \$30.



#### Northern California Show Schedule for 2019

February 2, 2019 NorCal Council Mtg. and Elks Lodge #6, Emblem Room 6446 Riverside Blvd. Show. Sacramento, CA 95831 San Francisco Show February 9 & 10 **CAB Community Activities** Bldg. 1400 Roosevelt Avenue Redwood City. CA No Show February 16 & 17 Santa Clara Show February 23 & 24 **Community Recreation Center** 969 Kiely Blvd Santa Clara, CA March 2 & 3 Sacramento Show Elks Lodge #6 6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95831 March 9 & 10 Northern Cal Camellia St. Andrews Celebration Society Show 1601 Mary Drive Pleasant Hill, CA March 16 & 17 Modesto Show Ernst & Julio Gallo Administrative Building Modesto, CA.

# American Camellia Society News by Carol Schanz

- The American Camellia Society, ACS, is holding its annual convention in Mobile, Alabama. These conventions give participants an opportunity to meet other camellia enthusiasts from other parts of the U.S and other countries. There will be a camellia show. Flowers from other parts of the U.S. sometimes bloom differently than here on the West coast. 60th Anniversary of Alabama's State Flower
- The events will coincide with Alabama's 200th Anniversary of Statehood and serve as part of the American Camellia Society's 72nd Annual Convention.
- Early registration for ACS members 12/15, \$275
- Regular full registration \$300, due 1/15/2019

There will be wonderful tours of other camellia gardens and a Marda Gras parade. The convention is in February 15-18, 2019. You can find more information at the ACS website. Americancamellias.com.



#### ACS Society Liaison.

This is an opportunity to expand your knowledge and networking with other camellia lovers. You can volunteer to represent our society as an ACS liaison. If you are interested, contact Carol Schanz, <a href="mailto:carolschanz@sbcglobal.net">carolschanz@sbcglobal.net</a>, to submit your name. You would be the communication link between our society and ACS. This position is able to have input about new proposals by ACS.

Welcome to our new member Anita Olsen.

The Camellia Society of Sacramento wishes each of you a joyful and blessed holiday.



#### **Newsletter Information**

Thank you to all who have contributed articles for this newsletter. Remember, you can see previous newsletters on our website, www.camelliasocietyofsacramento.org

**Articles for the Camellia Times** are due by the board meeting date, the first Tuesday of every month. If you have questions or ideas, please call or email me. Carol Schanz, 916 447-1969 or carolschanz@sbcglobal.net

"Change your thoughts and you change your destiny."

