

Camellia Times

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Meeting Date

To be announced

Elks Lodge #6, Emblem Room

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President's Message



Dear Camellia Friends,
 Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays!
 I sure miss all of you...I will miss
 enjoying friendly conversation with
 all of you, the delicious potluck
 dinner we always do, along with
 the singing, and Christmas present
 exchange. All of you please have

a safe and delightful holiday season. We still don't have
 any more information about what's going to happen with
 our Show. We will keep you posted when we get anything
 new.

The Board will be picking our button contest winner in the
 coming days, so in January we will have buttons for sale.
 We will post the picture of the winning entry, along with the
 winner of the contest. I was a bit disappointed because
 not a lot of people entered...but we did get some good
 drawings. Hopefully next year we will have more
 participation.

Also, if you are looking to purchase camellias as gifts, or
 for yourself, please check out the list of camellias we have
 for sale on our website. Contact Bill Kitagawa, our plant
 guru, if you would like to make someone's Christmas.
 They are easy to grow and look beautiful in your yard! So,
 along with the Board, please have a wonderful holiday
 season!

Your Camellia Prez,
 Julie

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS 2020-2021

President	Julie Vierra	916 371 2174
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These are provisional positions because of no meetings, the membership has not been able to vote or have these officers officially installed.

Advisory Board 2020-2021

ACS/ICS Representative	Don Bergamini/ Carol Schanz
Education, Research & Science	Don Lesmeister
Hospitality	Rosemary Spasovich
Membership	LuAnn Lantsberger
Nominating Committee Chair	Rosemary Spasovich
ACS Pacific Regional Vice President	Carol Schanz
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

Monthly Meeting Dates and Programs 2020-2021 to be announced.

Northern California Camellia Council by Joan Lesmeister

NorCal Camellia Council: Sorry, but we just don't have much to report! However, if you'd like to attend a few of the societies' of NorCal ZOOM meetings, they'd love to have you! NorCalCamSoc is having a meeting on ZOOM, Dec 6, 2pm, "Camellias 101 by Patrick Andrews, Ocala FL", contact Don Bergamini: camelliadon@comcast.net. Also, the SFPCS - San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society - is having some ZOOM meetings. They will be having their Dec 14 meeting by ZOOM! Their contact is : "camelliasfpcs.org" Tina Isenberg. Don & I have attended a few ZOOM meetings, some more successfully than others! But, we may finally have figured out the HOW with the help of our friends/neighbors/computer whiz's & some practice! It truly is such a treat to see and talk to our camellia friends via ZOOM! Take care, be safe, & try to enjoy these new ways of celebrating... Happy Holidays! Virtual Hugs, Joan Lesmeister

Camellia Culture by Don Lesmeister

While this Virus may have interrupted a lot of things, there are still a few things we can do in the Camellia World. You can start your "Gibbing Program", any time after Thanksgiving. Gib is readily obtainable on the internet for around \$2 per gram, which should be enough for most growers for Fall bud gibbing and Spring growth spraying for an entire year. If you need some help obtaining Gib, give me a call and I will help you. Some suggestions are:

1. Only Gib a few buds at a time. A regular schedule seems to work best for me. Something like 10-20 % every 5-7 days. I usually don't gib after December.
2. Mark the buds you gib with a different color. Something like yarn, clothes pins, etc. this way you can later identify which branches need to be pruned later.
3. Keep records for comparison of variety responses, weather conditions, etc. I had done this for YEARS. While this was fun, and I compared the gib activity for years, when I laid the records end to end, it led me exactly nowhere.

Since we PROBABLY won't have a normal year for showing Camellias, this will give you an opportunity to give flowers to your friends, neighbors, Medical people, etc. We need to do this to draw attention to our Camellias and help perpetuate the hobby. Have a great new year and pray for a return to normal.....YCF DON





Camellia Plants for Sale

Alba Plena	White. Medium, formal double. E-M
Barbara Goff	Pink. Very large. Semi-double, rose-form. Medium upright. E-L Reticulata
Bonanza	Deep Red. Large, semi-peony form. Medium, low growth. E. Sasanqua
Cabernet	Small formal. Rich burgundy red. Medium, bushy, upright growth. L.
Carter's Sunburst	Pale pink striped or marked deeper pink. Large to very large, semi-double to peony form to formal double. E-L.
Chris Bergamini	Anemone form miniature to small bloom that is white with varying shades of red and pink stripes. M
Debutante	Light pink. Medium, full peony form. E-M
Dr Clifford Parks (2)	Red with orange cast. Very large, semidouble to anemone form loose or full peonyform. Vigorous growth. M
E.G. Waterhouse	Light pink. Medium, formal double. M-L
Ferris Wheel	White, aspect red striped. Large. Semidouble, peony form. Upright. E-L
Francie L (2)	Rose pink. Very large. Semidouble with irregular, upright, wavy petals. M-L
Frank Houser Var	The varigated form of Frank Houser. Rose red mottled white. M
Frank Houser	Very large. Deep glowing pink to red with darker veins; white anthers and filaments. Vigorous, upright growth; dark green foliage. E-M
Freedom Bell	Bright red. Small to medium, bell shaped semidouble. E-M Hybrid

Grand Prix	Very large, brilliant red, irregular semi-double. Excellent texture. Vigorous, upright growth. M.
High Fragrance (2)	Pale ivory pink with deeper pink shades at edge. Medium, peony form. Vigorous, open growth. M-L Fragrant
Holly Bright	Glossy salmon red. Petals creped. Large semi-double. Compact, upright and bushy with unique crinkled holly-like foliage. M
Julius Nuccio	Large whorls of intense crimson red petals surrounding yellow centers form semi-double
Katie Var(3)	Salmon rose pink blotched white. Very Large semidouble. E-M
Lucky Star	Rich orchid pink, semi-double. Medium. Unusual shape due to offset rows of narrow, upward curved petals. Bushy, upright growth. M-L.
Moonlight Bay	Pale orchid pink. Very large semi-double, somewhat tubular in form. Extremely strong, upright and full growth. Long blooming season. E-L
Night Rider (2)	Small, very dark black red. Semi-double. Very attractive plant with new growth deep maroon. Upright, somewhat loose growth. M.
Nuccio's Bella Rossa-var (2)	Variegated red mottled white form of Nuccio's Bella Rossa.
Nuccio's Carousel	Large semi-double tubular form. Soft pink toned deeper at edge. Medium upright growth. E-L.
Nuccio's Jewel	White shaded to coral pink on edges. Medium, loose to full peony. Slow, bushy growth. M-L
Red Hots	Medium, tubular, brilliant red semi-double. Pointed petals. Dark green foliage. Medium, compact, upright, somewhat columnar growth. E-M
Rudy's Magnoliaeflora	Brilliant rose pink. Sport of Magnoliaeflora. Medium. Semi-double. Compact, bushy growth. Has all of the fine qualities of its parent. M
Ruta Hagmann (2)	Very light coral pink loose peony. Very large. M
Senritsu Ko	Small to medium formal to rose form. Beautiful light-yellow toned peach pink near edges. moderately fast, upright open growth. M Hybrid
ShockWave	Medium very brilliant deep bluish pink with white filaments and yellow anthers. Upright, open growth. M-L
Sue Kendall Var	Miniature pink with white blotched rose-form double. Sport of Sue Kendall. Vigorous upright growth. E-L
Swan Lake	Large white, formal double to full peony. Medium, upright growth. M-L

Contact Bill Kitagawa, 916 481 5654, for more information

History by Lana Paulhamus

No history for this month. *Wishing each of you a joyful holiday and good health.*

Dues News

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

Send dues to: LuAnn Lantsberger, 2960 Brenda Way, West Sac, CA, 95691

Northern California Show Schedule for 2020-2021

No show plans at this time because of the Covid 19 virus.

American Camellia Society (ACS) News by Carol Schanz

Massie Lane in Georgia, is a magnificent camellia garden and home of American Camellia Society, (ACS)

The gardens are open and the beautiful new Silver Building and Educational Center is open. While travel is on hold because of the virus, if friends or family live in the area, it is well worth the time to visit the gardens which are in bloom now. If you can't visit in person, check out their website.

www.americancamellias.com

Camellia Grove in Wm. Land Park

The camellias are starting to bloom. If you are visiting the Zoo or Fairytale Town, check it out.

Newsletter Information

Thanks to all who have contributed articles to 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.”

*The Camellia Society of Sacramento wishes each of you
a joyful and blessed Holiday and New Year.*

