

# Camellia Times



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## Meeting Date

Monday, December 18, 2017

6:30 P.M.

Lutheran Church of the Master

1900 Potrero Way

Sacramento, CA 95822

## President's Message, February 2018



Hello Camellia friends!

I hope this finds you all well. I am sitting here with the doors open, the weather fabulous...unfortunately it is not spring yet!! As I drive around town, I see lots of beautiful camellias smiling at me! It needs to cool down so our camellias don't all bloom out before our show!!

It is show time! We need everyone to come to the next meeting and sign-up for Friday setup, Saturday and Sunday during the show, then tear-down Sunday at 5. Please, we need everyone to help us. So please check your calendars and block the weekend off. Tell all your friends to come visit you!

Our February meeting will feature Elaine Ginosar who will be showing us tips on traditional styles of flower arrangements. She calls it "Happiness is Flower Arranging!"

Please try and visit the Murer House in Folsom on February 24<sup>th</sup> if you aren't going to the Santa Clara Show. They will be having a "Camellia Day". The address is 1125 Joe Murer Court. I understand it's a beautiful home and garden.

I hope to see you all at the February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Bring a friend and have a wonderful February!

Julie

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW OVERDUE 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 2017-2018**

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Joan Lesmeister,  
Carol Schanz

Website

Julie Vierra & Carol Schanz

**Program:** Our February Program will be presented by Elaine Ginosar from the Sacramento Floral Design Guild and the Davis Arrangers. She will demonstrate creating traditional styles of flower arrangements. She will share “Tips and Tricks”.



**Monthly Meeting Dates and Programs 2017-2018, 7:00 PM**

October 23	The Plant Lady	Marlene Simon
November 27	Potassium Permanganate	Don Lesmeister
December 18		Pot Luck and Gift Exchange
January 22, 2018	2017 Show Winners	Don Bergamini
February 26	Floral Designs with Camellias	Jan Goehring, SFDG President
March 26	ACS Convention, Newburg, Oregon	Don Lesmeister
April 28	End of the Year Luncheon Club Pheasant West Sacramento, CA	

**Dates and locations for Board Meetings, 2017 – 2018, 10:30 AM**

October 2	Ernie & Julie Vierra	1048 Longcroft Street West Sacramento	916 371 2174
November 6	Gary & Carol Schanz	1177 Cavanaugh Way Sacramento	916 447 1969
December 4	Don & Joan Lesmeister	4512 Marble Way Carmichael	916 967 8420
January 8, 2018	Helmuth & Leone Wildemann	31 Rosemead Circle Sacramento	916 422 4128
February 5	Ron & Arlene Morrison	2712 Ripon Court Sacramento	916 383 7005
March 12	Ernie & Julie Vierra	1048 Longcroft Street West Sacramento	916 371 2174
April 2	Rosemary Spasovich	6129 Landis Avenue Carmichael	559 779 1197

Culture Corner by Don Lesmeister

All our hard work for the past several months is starting to pay off...We are seeing our Camellias bloom. But we can't totally relax. One of the biggest nemeses, pedal blight, is just starting to appear. This is that nasty fungus that puts those brown marks on our favorite flowers. The rain one day, warm weather the next, etc. creates ideal conditions. There is no known commercial product that can eliminate or prevent this from happening. So, what can we do? First, spread the word to your friends and neighbors to pick up their spent blooms. You must show leadership in this. Put all your spent blooms in the GARBAGE cans, not the green waste. If you place these infected blooms in the recycle green waste containers, they will be ground up with other green waste items and be recycled to various locations in your City. This will just perpetuate the problem. CLEANLINESS is the word of the Camellia day.

Don

**FEBRUARY Plant Raffle**

Dr. Clifford Parks – DP  
Chris Bergamini  
Tudor Baby  
Betty's Sheffields Supreme  
Elaines Betty



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

**Publicity Help Needed!!!**

Ron and Arlene Morrison have a very difficult job getting publicity about our show out to the public. At times their hard work does not appear to have been seen by the publicity resources. They are looking for some help! The Camellia Show is the oldest in the United States. Can you help get the word out about our beautiful show? We start sending notices now. All ideas are welcome. Let Ron Arlene know if you can help with this important job, [Arlene49er@aol.com](mailto:Arlene49er@aol.com) or 383-7005. Thank you.



**NCCC NEWS**

Northern California Camellia Council Mini Show, had a good turnout! Don B, Don L & Julie were our head honchos & did a mahvalous job! Don B briefed us on the new American Camellia Society Rules. And, encouraged newbies to volunteer to clerk at shows. Bev, our excellent "Head Clerk" had some helpful hints! Julie won Best of Show - ask her about it!!! Joan L. will make you a copy of the "Supplement to The Southern California Camellia Society 2017 Camellia Nomenclature (Current through April, 2017) , if you need it! Please contact her at 1-916-967-8420! See you at the shows!!!

Camellia Society History Trivia: by Bill Kitagawa



- 1 – February 7 of what year was the first camellia arrival?
2 – In 1924, ladies from which club created the first show?
3 – During the festival of 1950 from February 20 to February 25, there was a goal to plant camellias. What was that goal number?

Answers: 1) 1852, 2) Tuesday Club, 3) 50,000

Northern California Show Schedule for 2018

Table with 3 columns: Date, Location, and Venue. Rows include events for February 17 & 18, February 24 & 25, March 3 & 4, March 10 & 11, and March 17 & 18.



GARDENING FOR YOUR HEALTH

- Dress to protect – wear sturdy shoes, long pants, garden gloves and use insect repellent.
Put safety first – follow instructions on all labels, sharpen your tools carefully, keep harmful chemicals out of children’s reach.
Know your limits in the heat – make sure you are well hydrated (does not include alcoholic beverages!!) Drink lots of water and listen to your body in warm weather.
If you have arthritis, use tools that are easy to grasp and that fit your ability. Research shows that 2-1/2 hours per week of moderate physical activity can give you more energy and can help relieve arthritis and stiffness.

## **American Camellia Society (ACS) Club Director Position**

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Interested members must also be members of ACS. They should be someone who has good communication skills, contagious enthusiasm and a willingness to promote ACS membership and participate on an ACS committee. If anyone is interested in the fun opportunity to meet and get to know camellia lovers from other parts of the United States, and increase your knowledge about camellias, this is for you. There is an application that will need to be completed. Members of the board will select the candidate to represent our club. That name will be submitted to ACS for consideration. California has three (3) ACS Club Directors. Contact Carol Schanz, 916 447 1969, or [carolschanz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carolschanz@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested. Deadline is March 1, 2018. The American Camellia Society has a wonderful website with pictures of camellias, culture and care, activities and more. <http://www.americancamellias.com/> Check it out.

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END OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON  
PASTA BUFFET  
April 28, 2018

- Green salad with shredded carrots, kidney beans, garbanzo beans, bests & salami. Your choice of House dressing (tomato based vinaigrette), Bleu Cheese, or ranch
- Homemade Beef Ravioli with Meat sauce
- Homemade Cheese Ravioli with Pesto sauce
- Penne Pasta with Alfredo Sauce and Grill Chicken
- Coffee, Tea, or Milk
- Includes spumoni ice cream for dessert

\$27.25

This is a very wonderful way to end our camellia season. Delicious food, silent auction, camellia plants for sale, installation of officers and good friends. Start saving now for the luncheon.

## **New ACS Judging Rules.**

Saturday, February 2, was a beautiful sunny day for the Judges forum. The event was held in the beautiful home of Nancy Hardesty. Don Bergamini reviewed the new rules and Don Lesmeister and Julie Vierra facilitated a mini show to give new judges and clerks an opportunity to practice what they learned. Julie Vierra, our President, won Best of Show with Carter's Sunburst. A fun time was had by all who attended, approximately, 40 camellia lovers.

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Julie just found out she won Best of Show. Way to go Julie!



Best of Show Carter's Sunburst

### Camellia Day at the Murer House in Folsom

1125 Joe Murer Court, Folsom

It is Saturday, February 24th from 10-2. The public is invited to share and show up to five camellia blossoms and ribbons will be awarded! The Home is lovely and they have a beautiful collection of camellias. If you would like to come and help at the table that has been set up for us, we would LOVE to have some help (and company)! Good opportunity to give information about our upcoming show and camellia care.

### Hostess Help:



Rosemary could use some help with refreshments at our monthly meetings. Contact Rosemary if you would like to provide some yummy treats at one of the monthly meetings. [rspasovich@aol.com](mailto:rspasovich@aol.com) or 599 779-1197

### Newsletter Information

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



