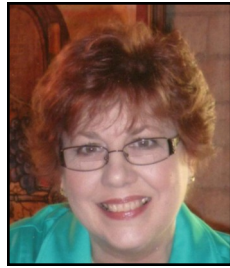


# Camellia Times



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WOW! What a show! A huge **THANK YOU** to all of our members and friends who worked tirelessly to make this year's show such a success. We had the biggest crowd in years. Despite the fact that the weather has been cooler than usual, the flowers were beautiful. Our chairpersons, Don Lesmeister and Gary Schanz did an outstanding job. You may not realize this, but these gentlemen work for weeks to make this show happen. Thank you!

- The trophy table was lovely and the variety of trophies made our trophy table unique. Great job Joan and the "trophy table ladies".

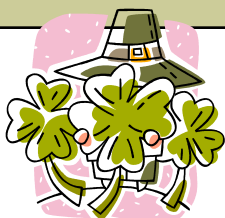
## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

- The plant sale was a big success. We sold all the plants except 25. We made \$3,000. Thank you to Bob, George, Gary, Carl, Rebecca, Patrick and Terry. The plant sale is a very hard job and your hard work and effort is much appreciated.
- Another big thank you to our members who provided the refreshments and coffee Friday & Saturday. I know this is a thankless job but all who attended appreciate the refreshments and beverages.
- The boutique and raffle also did well, earning around \$675 combined. Thank you Julie and Mary for the beautiful cards. Thank you to those who donated items.
- This year's publicity hit an all time high. Coverage by the Sacramento Bee's Debbie Arrington, Channel 3 (KCRA TV) news, sacramento365.com, Channel 10 news, Ron & Arlene Morrison, Gary & the members who put the word about our show, your efforts made a difference. Thank you to all of you (too many to name).
- Lana, your clerks and runners did a great job. (punch, punch, punch) and the judges did a good job as well.

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### MEETING DATE:

- **Monday,**  
**March 25th, 2013**
- **7:00 p.m.**
- **Lutheran Church of the Master**
- **1900 Potrero Way,**  
**Sacramento, CA 95822**



### A NOTE FROM JOAN LESMEISTER

*Thank you trophy donors! Your generous gifts of money or trophies for our show is very much appreciated! Thank you also to the hard working crew on the Trophy Table!*

*Bouquets of beautiful camellias to all for helping to make our show so successful!*

Joan Lesmeister



The May Luncheon is fast approaching! Check the last page for the menu, decide what you want to eat, then fill out the reservation form and return to Rosemary at our March meeting or mail it, along with your check to:  
Rosemary Andriesse  
6129 Landis Avenue  
Carmichael, CA 95608



## CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2012-2013 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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### *MINI-SHOW RESULTS!*

**Flower of the Show, Man Size won by Betty & Stan Kisbey  
1st Runner-Up, Miss Tulare won by Kathy & Vern Fields  
2nd Runner-Up, Margaret Davis, won by Zac Warren  
Congratulations to you all!**



## MARCH PROGRAM

Pat Rubin, Master Gardener and retired SacBee Garden Guru, will be speaking on Square Foot Gardening. It was developed in the '80's by Mel Bartholomew, and calls for dividing a raised bed into square foot sections and growing something in every square foot, taking into account squash needs a bigger spot, but tomatoes grow in a square foot by going up...so she will talk about all the elements that go into a square foot garden, then follow a garden through the growing season and at the end, talk about what works in our climate and what doesn't.

Don Lesmeister will also give a quick talk on camellia seed pods. What are those things growing on my camellia, and will bring in some seedlings that he has grown. They are fun to start and fun to see what they look like once they grow blooms.

Don & Joan Lesmeister with their winning  
Flower of the Show, Junior Prom!  
They won on that flower at both our Show and  
Santa Clara



## MEETING DATES FOR 2012-2013

**Monday, March 25th**-Guest Speaker Pat Rubin

**Saturday, May 4th (End of Year Luncheon)**-Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle & much more!

### Clearance Sale!

Francie L, 2 gallon \$15; Jack Mandarich, 2 gallon, \$15; Kazan, 1 gallon, \$10 (dwarf azalea); Phyllis Hunt, 1 gallon \$10; Showboat, 1 gallon, \$10.

Call Gary at 447-1969 or email Gary at: [garyschanz@comcast.net](mailto:garyschanz@comcast.net)

## PLANT RAFFLE FOR MARCH

**Door Prize: Betty Foy Sanders**

**Special: Kwan Yuen**

**Regulars: Hishi Karaito**

**Princess Masako**

**Lady Laura**

**Spring Daze**

**Queen Bee**



Regular tickets are \$1 or  
6 for \$5

Special plant tickets are  
\$2 each



**MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE. THE NEWS-LETTER 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 in March, your dues will not change this year.*

*See Patty Bonnstetter at our meeting. She would love to take your money!*

If you want to mail her a check, please send it to  
 Patty Bonnstetter  
 441-34th Street  
 Sacramento, CA  
 95816-3340

Call her at  
 447-3919  
 if you have questions

CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER ~ DON LESMEISTER

There are three tasks to accomplish during this month. First, when we have rain followed by warm days, this is prime time for petal blight. So you should pick older blooms before they get infected with this virus and fall to the ground and perpetuate the cycle. It is a good idea to do the same with your neighbors blooms, or at least make them aware of the situation. Also, check around your plants and drain holes on container plants and remove the small dark mushrooms that send their spores to your flowers. REMEMBER, when you remove infected blooms and/or mushrooms, put them in the garbage,

not the green waste cans. Otherwise, infected blooms, if not properly treated, could end up as mulch in your neighborhood gardens.

Secondly, this is about the last window to transplant Camellia plants, particularly the larger ones... Container plants can be transplanted at nearly any time, so long as the roots are not drastically disturbed. I usually finish up container transplanting when the plants finish blooming.

Lastly, it is nearly time to fertilize your Camellia plants. Liquid fertilizers break down and enter your plants system within hours, so you can

wait until the end of the month to apply. Solid fertilizers usually take longer to break down, so this should be applied somewhere around the middle of the month. Remember, more is not necessarily better for Camellias. A fertilizer with a small Nitrogen composition (usually less than 10) is not only safer, but best for your plants.

Good luck in your gardening and stay tuned to next month...



*Thanks to Joanne for staying and signing her buttons on Saturday! She came back and stayed all Sunday!*

*She did get some smack talking from one of the artists from the Paint In, telling her to be careful, that some of the artists are going to enter the button contest next year... Bring them on!!*



**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—  
2013 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

February 2	<i>Napa Camellia Society Show</i> Napa Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA Contact: Nancy McGowan-Russell, 707-545-7546
February 9	<b>Open—No Show</b>
February 16	<i>San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show</i> CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue Redwood City, CA Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220
February 23 & 24	<i>Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show</i> Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara, CA Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5696
March 2 & 3	<i>Camellia Society of Sacramento Show</i> Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento, CA Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967- 8420
March 9	<i>Northern California Camellia Society Show</i> First Baptist Church, 2336 Buena Vista Ave., Walnut Creek, CA Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188
March 16 & 17	<i>Camellia Society of Modesto Show</i> Ernest & Julio Gallo Administrative Building,, Modesto, CA Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Tony Miranda, 209-526-2197
March 23	<i>Mini Show</i> , Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek, CA Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188

**We have 3 Show Kits still available for purchase (\$5) at the March meeting. The people who bought them last month, did you like them? Were they helpful? Is there something else you would like to see in the kits? See Don at the March meeting. We would love input!**

**SATURDAY, MAY 4th LUNCHEON**  
**SOCIAL HOUR STARTS AT 11:00 A.M.**  
**LUNCH AT 12:00**

**We have a few cards left from the Show that Mary James made (the photo cards) and also the camellia note cards that Julie made. We will sell them for \$1.00 to our members. So bring your pocket book and buy, buy, buy!! We don't want to bring them home and store!!**



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, continued

Thank you to the Camellia Assembly of Rainbow Girls who once again served as runners during judging.

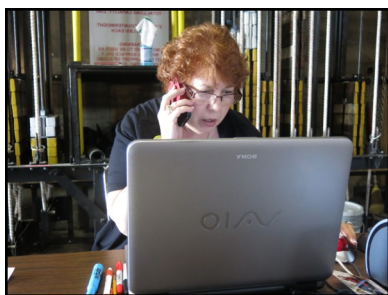
- Thank you to Julie, Rosemary and Leone for organizing the delicious luncheon and decorations.
- Julie, the Information Table and Button display were wonderful. I know you put a lot of time preparing the program. Patty B., the 3rd grade classes entries to the button contest were beautiful. It was so much fun meeting the students and their parents just "beaming" with pride. Thank you Patty for helping set up the Button Display...Julie couldn't be in three places at once!
- The students of Will C. Wood Middle School and their teachers were such a big help setting up.
- George and Rose Marie, great job with the tabulations.
- Thank you to Green Acres for their display and use of plants. So many great comments about how pretty the plants were as people entered the Auditorium.
- To our Hostess Rosemary and our members, Joanne, Marcia, Illa, who greeted everyone who attended. Your cheerful welcome really set a positive tone for the show.
- Thank you also to the Floral Design Guild and David Peterson with his Paint In group for you adding another item of interest to our show!
- I also want to thank the City of Sacramento, specifically Brian Chatterton and his staff. We, the members of the Camellia Society of Sacramento, appreciate all your support and cooperation which helped to make this event successful and allow us to continue this Sacramento tradition.
- And last, but not least, the "clean up" crew. I think we set a new record. After three long days of hard work, you somehow dug deep and found the energy to tear down, pack and load all our items in less than an hour. I cannot even begin to express my appreciation for all you have done.

I apologize if I have neglected to mention one of the hardworking groups of dedicated members and friends that made this year's show a success. This is an event that cannot happen without the combined efforts of our membership.

BEST OF SHOW winners this year, Don and Joan Lesmeister with Junior Prom. Don and Mary Bergamini won the Sweepstakes with 139 firsts. Congratulations to all the winners!

I look forward to welcoming our 8 new members at our next meeting, March 25, at 7 p.m. Bring a friend and share the fun!

Sincerely, Carol



Carol typing out cards for the trophy table (& troubleshooting!)



Carol walking our Show making sure everything was good!



Carol and David Peterson, our Paint In Coordinator on Sunday



Do you have anything to donate for the Silent Auction on **May 4th**? I have several things already, but we can always use more “gently used” items or even new items...everyone loves to bid on them!

See Julie at the meeting or give her a call or email at 916-371-2174 or [j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net](mailto:j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net)

I'd appreciate knowing what they are **BEFORE** the luncheon so I can make bid cards for them and make sure I have enough room on the table. Thanks so much!

While we are on the subject of donating, have you been cleaning out your cupboards? Do you have stuff hanging around your house you don't want anymore and would like to donate?

The Camellia Society of Sacramento is going to have a Garage Sale on **June 1st** at Julie's house (poor Ernie) and we would love to have your stuff!! **BUT**, we don't want it until the day before or the morning of the sale. Can you please put an amount you think the item(s) should sell for and bring them to Julie's house (and stay and help if you want!!)? The more help the better. I'll even pop some popcorn once the garage sale is going strong for sustenance...and some hot coffee and if anyone wants to bring some goodies to eat for the crew, that would be great, too!! Once the sale is over, everything that doesn't sell is going to Goodwill...so Ernie can get his garage back!! Just let me know. Julie :-)



Friday



Is that you Zac?



Rosemary & Carl



Will C. Wood students



Carol & Channel 10



Holly & Joanne



Joan L. & Dan Yee



Sunday

**PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS!**

*Single Camellia: Art Gonos from Fresno*

*Camellias in the Landscape: Barbara Bort from Modesto*

*Camellias with Children and/or Pets won by Barbara Bort from Modesto*

*Adults with Camellias won by Joan Lesmeister*

*Humorous Picture won by Jackie Randall*

*Congratulations to all our photo contest entrants! The pictures were all winners!*

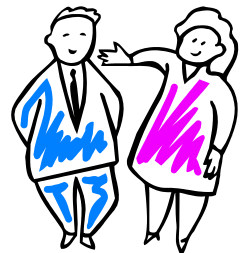
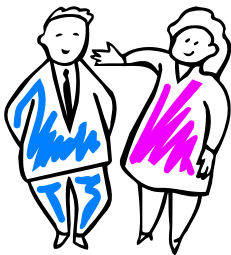


**POEM CONTEST FOR 2013**

*Once again we will have our poem contest. Pen a poem and give it to one of the board members. He/she will give it to the people who will be judging the poem contest. We will announce the winner at the April Luncheon.*

**Welcome New Members!!**

Anita Bunter  
Gary & Marjorie Elliott  
Connie Getterson  
Stephen G. Henry  
Barbara Lord  
Alicia Relles  
Jeffrey Silvera



**Welcome Back Shellie-Rae Leverett & Violet DeBord!**



**SATURDAY, MAY 4th LUNCHEON**

CLUB PHEASANT



**SATURDAY, MAY 4th LUNCHEON**

2525 Jefferson Blvd  
West Sacramento, C A 95691  
Phone: 916.371.9530  
[www.theclubpheasant.com](http://www.theclubpheasant.com)

**LUNCHEON PARTY MENU WITH ICE CREAM – No-Host Cocktails at 11:00 – Lunch at 12**

PICK WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AT THE LUNCHEON AND FILL OUT THE ORDER FORM BELOW.  
*Thanks!*

Garlic Steak Sandwich \$22.00  
Chicken Sandwich \$19.00  
*\*All Full Sandwiches served with choice of French Fries, Ravioli or Salad with House Dressing*

Combination Spaghetti and Ravioli \$15.50  
Spring Mix Salad \$16.00  
Shrimp Louie Salad \$17.50  
*\*Pasta Dish and Salads served with Garlic Bread*

ALL ENTREES SERVED WITH CHOICE OF COFFEE, ICE TEA OR MILK  
ALL ENTREES INCLUDE ICE CREAM FOR DESSERT  
ALL PRICES INCLUDE SALES TAX AND GRATUITY

MAKE YOUR DINNER SELECTIONS AND RESERVATIONS BY FILLING OUT THE FORM BELOW MAKING CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO**

**SEND TO: Rosemary Andriesse  
6129 Landis Avenue  
Carmichael, CA 95608  
Questions? Call Rosemary at 916-944-4415**

**PLEASE GET YOUR LUNCHEON ORDERS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!  
RESERVATIONS DEADLINE IS APRIL 26th!**

cut- ----- LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM ----- cut  
send to Rosemary

NAME	SELECTION plus CHOICE OF SIDE DISH (if you are having a sandwich)	COST

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Camellia Society of Sacramento  
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West Sacramento, Ca 95691*