

Camellia Times



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- **Saturday, May 3rd**
- **Club Pheasant**
- **11 a.m. no host cocktails**
- **12 noon lunch**
- **2525 Jefferson Blvd.**
- **West Sacramento**



“One seed can start a garden, one smile can lift a spirit, one candle can light a room, and one conversation can start a friendship.”

It is hard to believe that the camellia season is ending. This has been a wonderful year. I want to thank each of you for your contribution. For those of you who have not been able to attend our meetings, I hope you feel included by reading this wonderful publication our Corresponding Secretary, Julie Vierra, publishes each month. There will be no “Camellia Times” May through September. That does not mean there is nothing to do. This year’s Sacramento show was outstanding. Assembly Member Roger Dickinson welcomed members of the

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

community and camellia lovers from all over California. The flowers were beautiful despite the strange weather.

A big WELCOME to all our new members this year. It is wonderful meeting you and getting to know you at the meetings.

The Camellia Society of Sacramento was honored by the California Assembly with a resolution recognizing 90 years of camellia shows. Assembly members Isador Hall, Roger Dickinson and Richard Pan all participated in the recognition. A special thank you to Assembly member Hall and his staff.

The American Camellia Society also recognized the Camellia Society of Sacramento for 90 years of shows and contributions to our community. These recognitions honor each of

you who contribute your time and efforts to allow our organization to continue to grow.

Our last meeting of this season will be a luncheon held at the Club Pheasant in West Sacramento on May 3. The officers for the next year will be installed. There is a great silent auction and the food is delicious. Most importantly, it is an opportunity for camellia family and friends to get together one more time. Bring a friend. Reservations must be made in advance.

Have a safe and fun summer. Keep those plants watered. I hope to see you at the luncheon in May.

Carol Schanz, President

UPCOMING PRUNING CLINIC !

We will be holding a clinic at Dan Yee’s home on Saturday, April 12th at 10 a.m. His address is: 1209—40th Avenue, Sacramento. So if you are interested, please call Carol Schanz at 447-1969. Bring your

gloves, pruning shears and bigger lops if you have them. Dan has many very large camellias in his yard. So we will be very busy! A clean-up crew is welcome, along with anyone wanting to learn how to prune. You

will be paired up with members who have been doing this awhile. This is a good chance to learn. Thanks to everyone who participates!
See you there!





Mini Show winners



Roger Dickinson opening Show



Bryan Chatterton receiving award



Gary & Carol being interviewed by the Sacramento Bee



Sally Crowder, Junior winner!



Joanne Tsukamoto showing off her buttons!

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2013-2014 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Website	Carol Schanz & Julie Vierra

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

M. Page Hensley

Miles Hermann & Meghan Hurley

Pam Kempf

Eric Ross & Karen Tarp

Sara Kahn Shapiro & Yossi Shapiro

WELCOME! DON'T FORGET TO ATTEND THE LUNCHEON TO RECEIVE YOUR PLANT!

APRIL (MAY LUNCHEON) PROGRAM

Well, this is it for the year! Make sure you fill out your reservations on page 7! We will have a delicious lunch, our installation of officers, our ever fun silent auction, plant raffle and lots of laughs! The winner of the poem contest will also be announced, along with the camellia bloom contest winner. We also will be voting on the theme for next year!

We hope to see lots of you at this fun event! Bring your checkbook and bid, bid, bid on silent auction items! If you can't attend, have a wonderful summer and see you in October!

By the way, we were honored by the American Camellia Society during judging instructions at our Show! Don Bergamini, ACS President, awarded Carol Schanz a plaque in recognition of our 90th Camellia Society Show! Thanks Don and ACS!



LOOK AT US!

Assemblyman Isodore Hall, along with Roger Dickinson, and Richard Pan recognized the Camellia Society of Sacramento for it's 90 years in Sacramento. We were given a beautiful framed Resolution. We were recognized during an Assembly meeting on March 24th.

We want to thank Assemblyman Hall's staff, especially Terry Schanz (also pictured) for his hand in this presentation! We felt very special and were honored to accept this award.

PLANT RAFFLE FOR MAY LUNCHEON

Door Prize: Toiche Domoto (J)*
Special: Jack Mandarich (Retic)
Regulars:
 Sue Kendall (J)
 Harold Paige (Retic)
 Elaine's Betty (J)
 Betty Foy Sanders (J)
and an azalea plant as well!



*J = Japonica,
 H = Non Retic Hybrid,
 Retic = Reticulata
 (Camellia Species)



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

**Special plant tickets
 are \$2 each**



MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE.

Options:

- **\$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, you are paid up for this year.

See Patty Bonnsetter at our meeting, or mail a check to her at

441 - 34th Street
Sacramento, CA
95816-3340

~ CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER ~
JIM TOLAND

Well, the bloom season is over and now it is time to go to work! There is that long line of new 1 gal plants plus all of those that have out-grown their pots that need to be stepped-up into larger pots.

Where to get the planting mix? Take your pick; every nursery is loaded with it. Be careful though, last year I got a bag with 50 lbs of granite chunks in it! Beware the colorful bags and wild promises. I have noticed some significant down-sizing of bags and up-sizing of prices! Ask the big winners what they use. Many have their own mix, and most will share their advice.

Now What? You need some space to blend the

components of your planting mix. If you have a concrete driveway or parking area, clean it carefully, before you use it. An alternative is to use a kid's plastic water pool. Lay it on the grass and punch holes in it so it will drain when it rains. Now the shovel work begins!

Jim



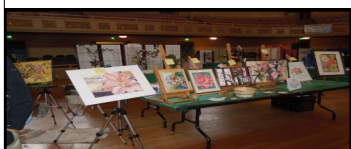
We want to thank Bryan Chatterton and Judy Goldbar of the City of Sacramento for the help and support they have given us throughout the years. Without their help our Show

wouldn't run as smoothly as it does. They are fabulous and as a small token of thanks, we awarded them both with a plaque at the opening of our show on March 1st. Thank you both!



THIS 'N THAT

- **Keep those flower petals picked up to avoid petal blight**
- **Our End of Year Luncheon will be held May 3rd this year. Mark your calendars! Sign up on Page 7 and send to Rosemary as soon as you can! We want a big turnout!**
- **Start pruning and repotting your camellias if you haven't already done so.**
- **Fertilize your camellias with fish emulsion (5-1-1) the 1st & 15th of April. Use half strength each time.**



David Peterson and his Paint-In Artists drawings



**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—
2014 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**


February 1 Flower of Show: Bella Rosa Var. Exhibitor: Gary & Carol Schanz	<i>Napa Camellia Society Show</i> Napa Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA Contact: Nancy McGowan-Russell, 707-545-7546
February 8 Flower of the Show: Frank Houser Exhibitor: Don & Joan Lesmeister	<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
February 15 Flower of the Show: Royal Velvet Variegated Exhibitor: Don & Mary Bergamini	<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 22 & 23 Flower of the Show: Phyllis Hunt Exhibitor: Don & Joan Lesmeister	<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 1 & 2 Flower of the Show: Eleanor Martin Supreme Exhibitor: Gary & Carol Schanz	<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 8	OPEN
March 15 & 16 Flower of the Show: Miss Tulare Exhibitor: Gary & Carol Schanz	<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 22	OPEN
March 29 CANCELLED BECAUSE OF WEATHER :-)	<i>Mini Show, Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek, CA</i> Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188



WOW, WHAT A SHOW!

NOT AS MANY BLOOMS, BUT QUALITY BLOOMS!
 THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED US OUT THIS YEAR! IT
 WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

Gary & Carol Schanz'
Flower of the Show
Eleanor Martin Supreme!



CULTURE TIPS FOR THE SUMMER

APRIL: Fertilize both container and landscape camellias. Make sure you have watered them thoroughly beforehand. Start looking for seed pods forming. Twist off. Finish pruning.

MAY: Water! But don't over water. You will cause plant failure. Deep watering only when needed is the best. Keep watching for seed pods. Twist off.

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST: Water, water, and water. It's hot out there! Hand watering container plants is best. It's good therapy! Spraying of foliate in the late afternoon after the sun has gone down is very beneficial. You can hear the camellias smiling! They love to be showered with water. **Fertilize in July.** You can use the camellia azalea fertilizer (5-5-3) in July. Do not use more than the instructions say and deep water the day before fertilizing so as not to burn the roots.

SEPTEMBER: Continue debudding. Check every week, as those little buggers sneak up on you! Fertilize with 0-10-10 this month. You can find gallon jugs at Lowe's for \$10.



POEM CONTEST FOR 2014

**We will announce the winner of the Poem Contest at the May luncheon.
Good luck!**



Debbie Arrington at Julie Vierra's backyard, along with Randall Benton, her photographer, and Don Lesmeister. This was for the Saturday, March 1st Home & Garden section.



MAY 3RD

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2525 Jefferson Blvd
West Sacramento, C A 95691
Phone: 916.371.9530
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 \$23.75

Chicken Sandwich \$22.50

**All Full Sandwiches served with choice of French Fries, Ravioli or Salad with House Dressing*

Combination Spaghetti and Ravioli \$17.75

Spring Mix Salad (*chicken, pears, dried cranberries & crumbled blue cheese with poppyseed dressing*) \$20.00

Shrimp Louie Salad \$20.00

**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 LUNCHEON 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

PLEASE GET YOUR LUNCHEON ORDERS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
RESERVATIONS DEADLINE IS APRIL 26th! Call Rosemary if you have questions. 916-944-4415

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NAME	SELECTION plus CHOICE OF SIDE DISH* <i>(if you are having a sandwich)</i>	COST

TOTAL: \$ _____

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C/O 1048 Longcroft Street
West Sacramento, Ca 95691*