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Camellia Times



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MEETING DATE:

- Monday, October 27, 2014
- 7:00 p.m.
- Lutheran Church of the Master
- · 1900 Potrero Way
- Sacramento, CA 95822





Dear Members,

"It's the friends we meet along life's way who make the trip more fun". (Camellia friends are the best.) author unknown

The lovely autumn colors are starting to remind us that summer is over, even though the temperature does not feel like fall. I hope each of you had a wonderful summer filled with fun and relaxation. Now it is time to start working on our camellias.

There were several activities over the summer that brought camellia loving folks together. Christmas in July was hosted by Mary and Don Bergamini at their lovely

WELCOME BACK!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

home. Their camellia plant collection was amazing. Food was delicious, the gift exchange was fun but the best part was just getting together with camellia friends from all over Northern California. The Northern California Camellia Council met in Lodi at Micke Grove Park. Barbara Bort, the president is doing a wonderful job. Several of our members attended. (Don & Joan Lesmeister, Bob & Joanne Logan, Helmuth and Leone Wildemann and Gary & I) This meeting is a great opportunity to get news from the other Northern California Societies and their up coming activities. The show schedule for 2015 was also announced. I encourage you to visit some of the camellia shows sponsored by other societies.

I look forward to an exciting year with all of you. You have an amazing group of dedicated people on the Executive and Advisory Boards. But they can't do it all by themselves. We need your participation and ideas. Gary has great programs lined up for our meetings. This year we are going to try a new feature at the meetings, Culture Minute. It will be a brief announcement about what needs to be done to your camellias each month and a handout to take home. We are hoping to do more outreach to the community. Consider bringing a friend to the next meeting. "The more the merrier", I always say.

The annual Camellia Show is not until March 7 & 8, but it is time to start getting the word out about the show. If you have any ideas or contacts where we can publicize the camellia show, let me or one of our Board Members know.

Your Camellia Friend, Carol

ANOTHER PRUNING CLINIC?

We want to get more of our new members to become more active in our society! Not just names on the roster, but members who want to help out and to learn more about camellias. We had a great pruning clinic at Dan Yee's this past April, so we want to do another. One idea is to go to William Land Park where our grove of camellias is planted (in front of the pony rides) and do another pruning clinic. What if we have another pruning session and then have a picnic afterwards by the grove? Anyone in? Stay tuned.



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Some pictures from this past camellia season! These were taken at our end of year luncheon at the Club Pheasant!

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2014-2015 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Lesmeister & Carol Schanz

Website Carol Schanz & Julie Vierra

We decided to not do the parking lot sale at the Elk's...we didn't have enough people to help us out. Hopefully we can go to another one later on this camellia season, as long as we can get more helpers! (That's a hint!!) :-)

OCTOBER PROGRAM

We will be having a Power Point presentation on the International Camellia Society Convention that was held in Portugal and Spain. Don & Mary Bergamini will be our tour guides showing us some beautiful pictures of camellias and news from the International Camellia Convention. These two always have some great stories to tell!



Gary Schanz will have a sign-up sheet if you want to purchase cottonseed meal. It will cost \$30 for a 50# bag. If there are members who want a half bag, we know there are others who will go halfsies with you. The cottonseed meal will be delivered in January. See Gary at the meeting.

Also, we will be taking orders for name tags. \$10.00 prepaid.

MEETING DATES FOR 2014-2015

Monday, October 27th-ICS Convention Power Point by Don & Mary Bergamini

Monday, November 24th—Button Contest—You help pick our button for 2015!

Monday, December 15th-Holiday Potluck & Fun

Monday, January 26th-How to Show Blooms by Carol & Joan. Also, a forum for Q&A

Monday, February 23th-Mini-Show & YOU be the Judge

Monday, March 23th-Bob Marcy Slides, presented by Don Lesmeister

Saturday, April 25th (End of Year Luncheon)-Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle & much more!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

PLANT RAFFLE FOR OCTOBER

Door Prize: Junior Prom, Japonica
Special: Harold Paige, Retic
Regulars: San Dimas Var., Japonica
Waltz Time, Hybrid
Satsuma Kurenai, Japonica
Betty's Beauty, Japonica
Red Hots, Japonica





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

Special plant tickets are \$2 each

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MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE.

THE NEWSLETTER 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 last March, your dues will not change this year.

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

October Camellia Care



CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER~ JIM TOLAND

- It must be winter! There are camellia flowers in our garden!
- Oh yes, start disbudding!
- Keep a supply of plant stakes handy (wood, 1 inch by 6 inches). Use them to mark unusual plants, colors, blooms, etc.
- No rain in the forecast? Water plants well.
- Frost in the forecast? Water even more carefully.
- Expecting wind? Remember that the fall winds can be very dry and keep an eye on soil moisture.
- Walk through your garden every day and listen to it.
- Use part of your water ration on your trees. They provide shade to your camellias during the long hot summer. Your trees are worth a lot of money, too. Let the water soak in slowly. I am seeing stressed trees all over the area. Yes; dead ones, too.



Water on your designated days!



Don't forget to water your trees!

THIS 'N THAT

- Are you disbudding? Be sure and gently twist off any buds that are pointing UP in a cluster. You want only ONE bud, pointing DOWN (so that rain won't accumulate in the bloom).
- Check your camellias at least a couple times each week. Those buds show up overnight!
- Fertilize after <u>watering well</u>. The drought isn't helping, but be sure to water well. Use 0-10-10 or 2-10-10 fertilizer.



UPCOMING SHOW DATES— 2015 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

February 7th	Napa Camellia Society Show New Venue due to earthquake! TBA
	Contact: Nancy McGowan-Russell, 707-545-7546
February 14th & 15th	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220
February 21st	Open
February 28th	Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5606
March 7th & 8th	Camellia Society of Sacramento Show Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967-8420
March 14th & 15th	Northern California Camellia Society Show *Different Location: St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob
March 21st & 22nd	Camellia Society of Modesto Show Ernest & Julio Gallo Administration Building, Modesto Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Tony Miranda, 209-526-2197
March 28th	Mini Show, Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob



Please start thinking about whether you might want to learn a bit about camellias by **CLERKING** at our Show in March. It's a great way to learn about camellias! Bring a friend!

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We are always looking for people to help with set up on Friday, help on Saturday when we open to the public manning some of the booths, and help tearing down on Sunday night.

BUTTON CONTEST

What a talented group of people who entered our button contest last year! If any of you know someone who can draw, know of someplace we can bring applications to, or want to submit a button design yourself, I will have applications at the October meeting. The application will include a letter detailing contest directions, samples of past buttons and the circle to work within to keep your button design aligned. I have contacted David Peterson, whose art group came to our Show last year. He will spread the word among his artist friends. We are hoping to again have a great turnout of applicants for this years contest.

The theme this year is "Capital City Camellias". If anyone wants an application or has any questions, please call Julie Vierra at 916-371-2174 or email at j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net. I will bring applications at our October meeting, or just email me and I will send you one.





PHOTO CONTEST



Start looking around for some camellia shots for our Show! The categories this year are:

- 1. Best Single Camellia
- 2. Best Camellia(s) in a landscape
- 3. Best Camellia(s) with a child or pet in the photo
- 4. Best Camellia(s) with adult(s) in the photo
- 5. Humorous Camellia photo

Jackie Randall will be going over contest rules at our meetings.



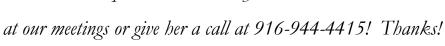




Hostess Help

If you can help with the monthly snacks, (preferably something home made!)

please see Rosemary Andriesse





BOARD MEETING DATES ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

October 6, 2014 Julie Vierra

November 3, 2014 Gary & Carol Schanz

December 1, 2014 Don & Joan Lesmeister

January 5, 2015 Helmuth & Leone Wildemann

February 2, 2015 Ron & Arlene Morrison

March 2, 2015 Julie Vierra

April 6, 2015 Bob & Joanne Logan



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If any of you have suggestions for upcoming meetings or any suggestions at all, please let any of the board members know! We are always looking for ways to improve! It is YOUR camellia society, after all!



#### **Newsletter Information**

Articles for the Camellia Times are due at the board meeting date, the first Tuesday of every month. If you have questions or ideas, please just call or email me.

- Julie Vierra
- 916-371-2174

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GO GIANTS!!



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