

Camellia Times



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MEETING DATE:

- **Monday, October 26, 2015**
- **7:00 p.m.**
- **Lutheran Church of the Master**
- **1900 Potrero Way**
- **Sacramento, CA 95822**



Dear Members,

Welcome back to Camellia Times. I can't believe that summer is over, although the weather hasn't made me a believer. Summer has had its challenges. I received many questions about watering. The drought has had a serious impact on our beautiful camellia plants. McKinley Park is in terrible shape and the camellia garden is not doing well...praying for rain soon for all of us. This summer has had some personal challenges for me, broken humorous, pneumonia, and a mild heart attack. I am happy to report I am well.

Summer camellia activities included Christmas in July and the Northern California

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Camellia Council meeting in Micke Grove in Lodi. Don Lesmeister was awarded Person of the Year for his tireless work on the Marcy slides. Thank you, Don!

Dixon Dewey, Harold Edgar and Virginia Rankin passed this summer. We will miss them.

Stay in touch with our activities and meetings by going to our website. Joan Lesmeister has interesting programs scheduled for this year's meetings.

Sacramento will be hosting a "Judge's Symposium at the Club Pheasant, Saturday, January 16, 2016. If you are interested in becoming a novice judge, now is the time to get started. The American Camellia Society website has the application for Novice Judge. Complete it and bring it with you to the work-

shop. All are welcome. See Page 6 for more information.

After much thought, I have decided this will be my last term as your President. I have so enjoyed working and playing with each of you but it is time for a new face. We have such an amazing Board and it is a great experience. I know we have very capable leaders in our membership that will continue to lead the Camellia Society of Sacramento in a positive path forward. Say YES if you are asked!

Your Camellia Friend, Carol

"October's poplars are flaming torches lighting the way to winter"
Nova S. Bair



Welcome back for another fun filled camellia season! Check out what we have planned for you this year! Do you have a friend or neighbor who loves to garden? Bring them with you to our meetings! We'd love to see some new faces along with our ever faithful members. We plan to entertain you this year with some very informative speakers. Also new this year is our revised bloom competition every month. Instead of a Mini-Show in February, we will have folks bring in blooms and when you do, you will be given one raffle ticket. Only people who bring in blooms will get to enter this raffle. This is a separate raffle from our regular monthly raffle. Your chances of winning a plant are great! So, see you soon, with blooms in hand!!

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Photos from our show this past March

Thanks to all the workers at Jackie Randall's moving sale! She was kind enough to donate one-half of the proceeds from the sale to the Camellia Society. The Society made **\$1,239.45!!** Jackie said you earned every bit of it!

The worker bees for this event were: Carol Schanz, Bill Kitagawa, Don & Joan Lesmeister, Lana Paulhamus, Helmuth & Leone Wildemann, Arlene Morrison, Patty Bonnstetter, Jim & Tanis Toland. Also two friends of Carol's, Elizabeth Jasso & Norma Iniguez and their husbands helped. Everyone really worked hard for the entire week leading up to the sale. Thank you everyone!, especially **JACKIE RANDALL!!**



OCTOBER PROGRAM

Carol Schanz and Julie Vierra will be demonstrating the talks they do when other garden clubs call asking for someone to come talk about camellias. We will show you what is said and maybe you can critique us and make our talks even better! We give the history of the camellia and show pictures of camellias common to the Sacramento area.

Please come, and bring a friend!



Our Ways & Means girls have come up with a Camellia Enthusiast's Calendar for this year. It has all our meeting dates, board meetings, speakers for the year, show dates, and some camellia culture tips too! Come to the meeting and pick one up! They make great gifts for friends and neighbors who might be interested in joining our club! Only \$5!



MEETING DATES FOR 2015-2016

Monday, October 26th—Carol Schanz and Julie Vierra will talk on the history of the camellia and camellias common to the Sacramento area.

Monday, November 16th—Joanne Tsukamoto will talk on how she designs a button once she knows the theme. Joanne also is one of Jackie's judges in our Photo Contest at our Show.

Monday, December 14th—Holiday Potluck & Fun

Monday, January 25th—Debbie Arrington of the Sacramento Bee will be talking on current garden topics.

Monday, February 22nd—Our own Bill Kitagawa will speak on Matsuyama, Japan, our Sister City.

Monday, March 28th—Don Bergamini will talk on his camellia introductions & the process for naming them.

Saturday, April 23rd (End of Year Luncheon)—Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle & much more!



PLANT RAFFLE FOR OCTOBER

Door Prize: Waltz Time Var. (Hybrid)
Regulars: Nuccio's Bella Rosa (Japonica)
Coral Delight (Hybrid)
Chow's Han-Ling (Japonica)
Autumn Jewel (Hybrid)
Spring Daze (Hybrid) and,
a special variety for our NEW Bloom Competition!



**Tickets are \$1
or
6 for \$5**





**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! You can also mail a check to her:

**Patty Bonstetter
441-34th Street
Sacramento, CA
95816-3340**

**Questions, call her at
447-3919**

**THANK YOU FOR
SUPPORTING OUR
CLUB!**

CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER

From an October, 2011 Camellia Times Newsletter, by Gary Schanz:

Culture Tips for October

Time to start disbudding your camellia plants. By removing some of the flower buds, you will have room for the remaining flower bud to open.

This applies not only to your show plants, but also to your landscape plants as well. By removing the extra flower buds on landscape plants, this will reduce the clean up come blooming time. Some people suggest not to disbud miniatures. Generally speaking, yes. But some varieties are profuse bud setters. Some include Sweet Jane, Paper Dolls, Night Rider, etc. Some years you will find heavier than usual bud set on some varieties. Disbud down to two flower buds per branch for miniatures.

October is also a good time to apply 0-10-10 or 2-10-10 to your plants. This adds a little color to your flowers.

Just because fall is here, doesn't mean it's time to stop watering. Keep an eye on your plants and water on your designated water days. Don't forget your trees. They are a big investment. You don't want to lose them.



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) (if we get any...rain, that is)
- Check your camellias at least a couple times each week. Those buds show up overnight!
- Fertilize after watering well. The drought isn't helping, but be sure to water well. Use 0-10-10 or 2-10-10 fertilizer.
- *Even if you don't want to become a judge, the Judge's Symposium scheduled for January 16th at the Club Pheasant is a wonderful way to enrich your knowledge of camellias. It's free!*

**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—
2016 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

February 6th	Mini Show & NCCC Meeting Held at John's Incredible Pizza Co., 2225 Plaza Parkway, Modesto, CA 95350 Contact: Barbara Bort 209-537-9945
February 13th & 14th	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220
February 20th & 21st	Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5606
February 27th	No Show
March 5th & 6th	Camellia Society of Sacramento Show Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967-8420
March 12th & 13th	Northern California Camellia Society Show St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188
March 19th & 20th	Camellia Society of Modesto Show Ernest & Julio Gallo Administration Building, Modesto Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Tony Miranda, 209-526-2197



*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 manning some of the booths when we open to the public, and help tearing down on Sunday night. It's work, but very rewarding!

JUDGE'S SYMPOSIUM

On Saturday, January 16th, the Northern California Camellia Council will conduct a Judge's Symposium from 10 am to approximately 2 pm at the Club Pheasant in West Sacramento. This is to provide current Camellia judges an opportunity to renew their American Camellia Society Judges certificate and qualified Novice Judges to become certified. *Judges are required by ACS to renew their certification every 5 years.* Don Bergamini, of Martinez, and Don Lesmeister, of Carmichael will provide training at the Symposium. Information will be provided covering ACS Rules and Regulations and how to judge Camellias at ACS approved Shows. The Symposium is **FREE** of charge and **anyone** interested is encouraged to attend. The Club Pheasant will provide a buffet for \$20 for those who would like to eat there.

****IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO BECOME A JUDGE AND JUST WANT TO ATTEND AND SOAK UP INFORMATION ABOUT CAMELLIAS, YOU ARE WELCOME!****



Those interested in attending should contact Julie Vierra at 916-371-2174 or email her at j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net.

NCCC offers these symposiums approximately every 2 years. With so many new introductions every year, it's a good idea to attend every symposium.



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. Multi Camellias on one stem (Spray)
5. Humorous Camellia photo

If you have any questions, Jackie Randall can help you. See her at our meetings.



I want to thank the Camellia Society of Sacramento for all their hard work on my moving sale. I could not have done it without your help. In spite of all the work, we did manage to have a little fun and a few laughs. Friendship is a wonderful gift and I truly treasure ours. Thanks again, Jackie Randall

Hostess Help

*If you can help with the monthly snacks, (preferably something home made!)
please see Rosemary Andriesse
at our meetings or give her a call at 1-559-779-1197! Thanks!*



**BOARD MEETING DATES
ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!**

Monday, October 5th	Julie Vierra
Monday, November 2nd	Gary & Carol Schanz
Monday, December 7th	Don & Joan Lesmeister
Monday, January 4th	Helmuth & Leone Wildemann
Monday, February 1st	Ron & Arlene Morrison
Monday, March 7th	Julie Vierra
Monday, April 4th	Don & Joan Lesmeister

ALL MEETINGS START AT 1 P.M.



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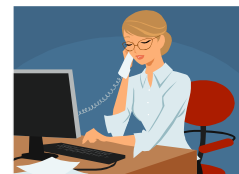
**IF ANY OF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OR ANY SUGGESTIONS AT ALL, PLEASE LET ANY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS KNOW! WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO IMPROVE! IT IS YOUR CAMELLIA SOCIETY, AFTER ALL!**



**Newsletter Information**

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

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