

Camellia Times



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Meeting Date

NEW LOCATION

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

7:00 PM

**Elks Lodge #6, Emblem
Room**

6446 Riverside Blvd,
Sacramento, CA 95831

Welcome back Camellia Friends!



We have an amazing camellia season coming up. First of all, as many of you know, we have changed the weekday of our meetings to Tuesday. Our new venue is the Elks Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento. Check the dates in the newsletter and mark your calendar. This venue is easy to find, has good lighting and loads of parking and safer than the church. This is also the venue for our next two Camellia Shows. Don Lesmeister has been drafting a new set-up layout for the Show and deciding what Goes where as far as tables for exhibiting, trophy table, information booth, Matsuyama display, button table, raffle table floral arrangers and our plant sales. I will be a change from what we have been used to for so many years, but change is good and we are up to the challenge! We have some fun programs this year. First off, in October, we will be shown around the Elks Lodge by Laura Montez, the event coordinator. Then, Debbie Arrington will be speaking on gardening trends. Tom Nuccio will be speaking in November. He is also fun to listen to about new varieties and information from Nuccio's.

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This year we are going to get our members more involved in showing their camellias! We have many members who do not exhibit their camellias...that is going to change! We are going to challenge you to expand your horizons and become an exhibitor. Once you have done it, we guarantee you will be hooked. We will show you how to get those blooms to the show and display those camellias. We might even get you to try exhibiting at some of the other show on the circuit. We aren't the only camellia show out there.

We will also be having some pruning clinics at William Land Park. We might even be going over to the Shepard Garden and Arts Center to prune their camellias. So sharpen your pruners, dust off those boxes, because it is going to be a busy and informative and fun year ahead of us.

See you on the 23rd !

Julie



Membership Dues incentive:

Those members who pay their annual dues at the October meeting will receive a special gift.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE 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 2018-2019

President	Julie Vierra
1 st Vice President	Don Lesmeister
2 nd Vice President	Ron Morrison
Recording Secretary	Irene Moore
Corresponding Secretary	Carol Schanz
Treasurer	Rosemary Spasovich
Historian	Bill Kitagawa
NCCC Rep.	Joan Lesmeister

Advisory Board 2018 - 2019

ACS/ICS Representative	Don Bergamini/ Carol Schanz
Education, Research & Science	Don Lesmeister
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Meeting Bloom Display	Helmuth Wildemann
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Sunshine	Jackie Randall
Ways & Means	Julie Vierra, Joan Lesmeister, Carol Schanz
Website	Julie Vierra & Carol Schanz

Program: Our October Program will be a tour of Elks Lodge by Laura Montez & Debbie Arrington (Master gardener) speaking on Garden Trends

Monthly Meeting Dates and Programs 2018-2019, 7:00 PM, Elks Lodge #6



2018-2019 General Meeting Dates

October 23rd, 7 pm

Tour of Elks by Laura Montez & Debbie Arrington speaking on Garden Trends

November 27th, 7 pm

Tom Nuccio speaking on what's news at Nuccio's

December 18th, 6:30 pm (potluck)

Christmas Potluck & Gift Exchange

January 22nd, 7 pm

Getting Members ready to Show Camellias, Part 1

February 26th, 7 pm

How to get ready for the show, Part 2

March 26, 7 pm

Don Bergamini – Winners this Year

Monthly meetings are held on the 4th TUESDAY of each month, October through March. Elks Lodge #6, 6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento (New Location)

Dates and locations for Board Meetings, 2018 – 2019, 10:30 AM, Tuesday

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, 2019	Helmuth & Leone Wildemann	31 Rosemead Circle Sacramento	916 422 4128

February 5	Ron & Arlene Morrison	2712 Ripon Court Sacramento	916 383 7005
March 12	Patrick & Irene Moore	5510 Fruitridge Road Sacramento, CA 95820	916 455 7629
April 2	Rosemary Spasovich	6129 Landis Avenue Carmichael	559 779 1197

Culture Corner by Don Lesmeister

Us Camellia growers are seeing our plants set buds and are getting ready for the blooming season. This changes the items we must do in order to get really good blooms. First, we should add either 0-10-10 or 2-10-10 fertilizer. I prefer the liquid fertilizer because this is easy to apply for me because of the number of plants we have. If you have a limited number of plants, 50 or less, the solid version of this fertilizer works just fine, and is much less expensive. We apply this liquid winter fertilizer at half strength every two weeks for a couple of months. Three or so monthly applications of the solid fertilizer will work just fine. Another thing is to disbud. Leave one flower bud per terminal. This is good for obtaining show flowers. Heavy disbudding is not necessary for non-show flowers and miniatures. Also, SOME reticulata plants do not require this disbudding after the cold weather passes. I also do some LIMITED pruning where limbs will not allow buds to fully open. Another item is to harvest the seed pods and plant the seeds. If you do not have any seed pods, you can look at plants in the various Camellia gardens around town. If you really want to get high tech, you can start rooting Camellias. Both the practices can be very satisfying. The American Camellia Society has a variety of Fact Sheets that describe how to do these two practices. Copies of these will be available at our October meeting for you to take home and follow. ACS has a variety of the fact Sheets, covering many/most growing subjects. If you have a Camellia question, contact the ACS website and obtain these FREE sheets.....

October Plant Raffle

Princess Masako
Tudor Baby Var.
Swan Lake
Julius Nuccio

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



Northern California Camellia Council by Joan Lesmeister NCCC Rep.

The NCCC Fall Meeting was held at Don & Mary Bergamini's on Saturday, October 6th. Several interesting agenda items were discussed. Full report in next month's Camellia Times.

Northern California Show Schedule for 2019

February 2, 2019	NorCal Council Mtg. and Show.	Elks Lodge #6, Emblem Room 6446 Riverside Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95831
February 9 & 10	San Francisco Show	CAB Community Activities Bldg. 1400 Roosevelt Avenue Redwood City. CA
February 16 & 17	No Show	
February 23 & 24	Santa Clara Show	Community Recreation Center 969 Kiely Blvd Santa Clara, CA
March 2 & 3	Sacramento Show	Elks Lodge #6 6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95831
March 9 & 10	Walnut Creek Show	St. Andrews Celebration 1601 Mary Drive Pleasant Hill, CA
March 16 & 17	Modesto Show	Ernst & Julio Gallo Administrative Building Modesto, CA



Camellia Grove Needs You

The camellia grove in Wm Land Park is suffering from a lack of shade and water. The Land Park Volunteer Corp has been working with Julie to get some trees planted and improve the watering. **November 3** is the last work day in the park. Bring your pruning shears, gloves, and meet at the Camellia Grove at 8:30am. The Land Park volunteer staff provide coffee and donuts and a free lunch after we finish around 11:30am. See you there.



We are happy to welcome our new members to the Camellia Society of Sacramento. Looking forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings. It is always fun getting together and learning new things.





Sheng Jie

Newsletter Information

Thank you to all who contributed articles for this newsletter. Remember, you can see previous newsletters on our website, **www.camelliasocietyofsacramento.org**

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

“Change your thoughts and you change your destiny.”

