Camellia Times



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to all my Camellia Friends!

We hope this year is better than last - less masks, less restrictions, more blooms!!

Our New Year's Eve started with a power outage...for four days. That was fun. The older I get, the less I like camping!! I wanted to update everyone about two of our members. Sandra, Irene Moore's daughter, called me Christmas morning to let us know that Irene passed away peacefully on Christmas Eve with family around her. Irene's celebration of life memorial will be **Sunday, January 29th from 12 noon – 4pm** in the Emblem Room at the Elks Lodge (where our regular meetings take place).

Also, I spoke with Alan Logan yesterday. He was on his way to Kaiser for his 8th chemo treatment. He is upbeat, but says some days are better than others. The good news is that their son and daughter-in-law had a healthy baby girl, Eleanor, 7 pounds 14 oz. Mother and dad are tired, but everyone is healthy and happy!

Below are addresses for both so you can send condolences to Sandra Moore and family, and a card to Alan. I know he would love to hear from folks.

Sandra Moore Alan Logan

5510 Fruitridge Road 8404 Matisse Court Sacramento, CA 95820 Sacramento, CA 95828

We are going to have a wonderful program for January. Marlene Hensley, a 1972 Camellia Princess, will share stories about what the princesses did during their time before the Queen was chosen. She is a kick, and you will be entertained by her memories of the Camellia Festival and that time of her life.

See you all on Sunday, January 22nd. Bring a friend!





MEETING DATE:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22nd

2:30 PM

Elk's Lodge #6 Emblem Room 6446 Riverside Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95831



General Meeting Dates

October 23rd, 2022 November 20th, 2022*

December 18th, 2022*

*(a week earlier because of holidays)

January 22nd, 2023

February 26th, 2023

March 26th 2023

LUNCHEON: Saturday, April 22nd (Elk's Lodge #6)

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2022-2023 EXECUTIVE BOARD

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE.

THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE:

- \$20 SENT VIA E-MAIL;
- \$25 SENT VIA U.S. MAIL;
- \$30 FOR SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP

Please send your check to:



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Thank you for supporting our club!



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Happy New Year from the Camellia Society's Executive Board. Left to right: Rosemary Cooper, Bill,Kitagawa, Joan and Don Lesmeister, Julie Vierra, LuAnn Lantsberger. (Lana Paulhamus is not pictured)

2022-2023 ADVISORY BOARD

ACS/ICS Representative	Don Bergamini
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American Camellia Society (ACS) - Carol Schanz

The ACS Convention will be held between February 23rd and 27th in Ft. Valley, Georgia. The event will feature an exciting blend of local history, including touring Macon for its cultural and music history, sightseeing tours to Columbus visiting several American Camellia Trail gardens, touring Massee Lane Gardens, enjoying local food, classes, and a host of other activities. See Carol at the meeting to get more information!

International Camellia Society Congress, Italy 2023

The Congress will take place at Lake Maggiore March 26th to 28th. It'll be preceded by a tour of Tuscany March 21st to 25th, and followed by a lakes tour March 29th to 31st. More details and registration at

internationalcamellia.org/en-us/home/congress-ltaly2023

Northern California Camellia Council - Joan Lesmeister

Just a reminder that Southern California Camellia Shows are on! When you have some beautiful blooms in January, you'll want to share them with our SoCal camellia friends and have a chance to win some trophies! There will be two shows before our NorCal shows begin on February 18th:

Southern California 2023 Camellia Shows:

January 21 & 22 - Descanso Gardens, LaCanada - Rose Pavilion February 11 & 12 - Huntington Gardens, San Marino

Don & I plan to attend one of the shows...hope to see you there!

Happy New Year!
Joan Lesmeister, NCCC Rep.



2023 Camellia Button

California Bloomin'

Pin: \$1 Magnet: \$1.50

We also have previous buttons available! See LuAnn at our next meeting to purchase.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY:

Join us to hear Marlene Hensley, a 1972 Camellia Princess, share stories and photos of the Camellia Festival and her activities as a Princess.





DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER
November 20th	How to evaluate/test a plant	Debbie Arrington
December 18th	All About Camellias! and Christmas goodies Gift Exchange	Tom Nuccio
January 22nd	Tales of a Camellia Princess	Marlene Hensley
February 26th	Flower Arranging	Pat Gaston from the Floral Design group
March 26th	Ice Cream Social!	Discussion/Review of Camellia Show
Saturday, April 22nd	Luncheon, Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle, Great Friends, Laughs	Fun for all!

THIS MONTH'S PLANT RAFFLE - Bill Kitagawa

Lucky Star - Hybrid. Rich orchid pink, semi-double. Medium. Unusual shape due to offset rows of narrow, upward curved petals. Bushy, upright growth.

High Fragrance - Hybrid. Pale ivory pink with deeper pink shades at edge. Medium, peony form. Vigorous, open growth. Fragrant.

Glen 40 - Japonica. Deep red. Large, formal to rose form double.

Grand Prix - Japonica. Brilliant red. Semi-double. Vigorous upright growth.



or 6 for \$5.00



CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER~

With all the cold weather we had in December, the news is reporting that this was also the wettest December in Sacramento since 1955. They also have stated that we have already had more rain this January than the entire January 2022 season. The forecast is also for some degree of rain for the next 9 or 10 days. While this would lead us to believe that we need not water our Camellia plants for at least two weeks, do not be misled. If you have plants that are located in areas where they do not receive direct rain water, check them for dampness, or move them to another location.

The cold weather in December may cause some reticulatas and reticulata hybrids to lose their buds. Many may also lose them once the weather warms up. Some japonicas may also lose buds. Don't worry, every grower is in the same situation. We still need to check our other plants to ensure they have been disbudded. Hybrids are famous for setting buds, even after being disbudded.

Many growers have not done much gibbing because of both the cold weather and rain. If you gib, time is running out so make use of what few days we have with no rain.

During this lull in the camellia work season, you can get ready for the Show season. We will provide all attendees at our January Society meeting with a hand-out on all you will need to know in preparation for the upcoming Camellia Show season. Be sure to attend this meeting and you will be up to date on the befores, durings, and afters for the upcoming Camellia Shows. The first show in Lafayette is on February 18th and will be here before you know it . . .

DON LESMEISTER



UPCOMING SHOW DATES— 2023 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE

February 18th	Mini-Show Desco Plaza III 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd Lafayette Contact: Justin Bergamini 1-707-637-7051
February 25th & 26th	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Meg Melani camelliasfpcs2021@gmail.com
March 4th & 5th PUT THIS ONYOUR CALENDAR!	Camellia Society of Sacramento Show Elk's Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento Contact: Don Lesmeister, 916-967-8420 or Julie Vierra 916-371-2174
March 11th & 12th	Northern California Camellia Society Show St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775
March 18th & 19th	Camellia Society of Modesto Show TBA, Modesto Contact: Cindy Cook 209-484-1369



"Gardening is the art that uses flowers & plants as paint, and the soil and sky as canvas" - Elizabeth Murray





THIS N' THAT



Happy New Year! This month we have a word scramble for you to work on when you are not outside prepping your camellias for the Show season!! Enjoy!

LuAnn

1. DRIBYH
2. EGIENSLD
3. DBDUE
4. NASUSAQA
5. MAENTS
6. RRUSEPN
7. SPALET
8. ICAOJAPN
9. GRATNRAF
10. SEBT FO WHSO









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