

Camellia Times



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MEETING DATE:

- **Monday, October 24th**
- **7:00 p.m.**
- **Lutheran Church of the Master**
- **1900 Potrero Way**



The lovely autumn colors are starting to remind us that summer is over. 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 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 and

WELCOME BACK!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

presented the show schedule for this coming camellia season. Bob Ehrhart provided entertainment with his annual trivia contest. There were many beautiful plants auctioned off. The weather and food were perfect.

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. Don has great programs lined up for our meetings. 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 3rd and 4th, 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.

Our first meeting of the year is October 24th and Don Bergamini will be talking about the top prize winners last year. I am looking forward to seeing you at the meeting. There will be delicious refreshments too.

Your Camellia friend,
Carol Schanz

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

A NEW LOOK TO THE NEWSLETTER!

BY JULIE VIERRA

I have decided to change the look of our newsletter. I value the input of our membership, so I am asking you to let me know if there is anything else you would like to see in this publication or if you

even like it. I'm open to any criticism! I have run it by the Board and they seem in favor of it. But if there is overwhelming input from the rest of you, I can put it back the way it was before. I just think in

this ever changing world, sometimes change is good and you just have to *shake it up* once in a while! So let me know your thoughts. Thanks and have a great camellia year!
Julie :-)

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2011-2012 EXECUTIVE BOARD



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OCTOBER PROGRAM

Our guest speaker for October will be Don Bergamini, from the NorCal Society, BUT also, a member of our Society!

He will be talking on the 2010 Show winners and exhibitors from this past Camellia Season. Did you get to the trophy table at any of the Shows? Maybe your camellia will be shown by Don...you never know! Come to our first meeting of the season and sit down, visit your camellia friends, enjoy the show, have some snacks, and join in the plant raffle. You may win a plant that could win the Flower of the Show this year...you just never know unless you try!

Through the Garden Gate—Jackie Randall

Jackie's Garden Gate participants this month are Gary & Carol Schanz. They will share with you snapshots of their garden and give you a little insight into their yard.

MEETING DATES FOR 2011-2012

Monday, October 24th—Don Bergamini on 2010 Winners

Monday, November 28th—Pasadena Weekend by Jackie, Arlene & Carol

Monday, December 19th—Holiday Potluck & Fun

Monday, January 23rd—How to Get Ready for the Show by Don Lesmeister

Monday, February 27th—Mini-Show & YOU be the Judge

Monday, March 26th—End of Year Program by Julie, LuAnn & Cindy

Saturday, April 28th (End of Year Luncheon)—Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle & much more!



PLANT RAFFLE FOR OCTOBER

Door Prize: Spring Festival
 Special: Himekoki (Sasanqua)
 Regulars: Little Slam Var.
 Kitty
 Cloisonné
 Lady Laura
 Frank Houser Var.



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

Special plant tickets are
 \$2 each



CAMELLIA CULTURE CORNER

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

Some people suggest not to disbud miniatures. Generally speaking - yes. But some varieties are profuse bud setters. Some include Sweet Jane, Paper Dolls, 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 will add a little color to your flowers.

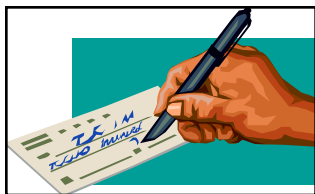
Just because fall is here doesn't mean it's time to stop watering. Keep an eye on your plants and water when needed.

Gary Schanz, the Culture Guy!

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.



We have received a limited number of Camellia-Azalea plants from Nuccio's this year. The price is \$35 per two gallon plant. See me at the October meeting!



DUES ARE NOW DUE AND PAYABLE. THIS YEAR THEY WILL BE:

- \$10 FOR NEWS-LETTER TO BE SENT E-MAIL;
- \$15 FOR SENDING NEWSLETTER VIA MAIL;
- \$20 FOR SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP.

IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER AND PAID AT OUR SHOW, YOUR DUES WILL NOT CHANGE THIS YEAR.

THIS 'N THAT

A new publication from the Southern California Camellia Society will be available for purchase at our meetings beginning in October. "Sun Camellias" is all about those fall blooming camellias "Sasanquas". The cost is \$10.00. It's an outstanding publication. See Gary at the meeting.

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#### 2012 Rosalie Yee College Scholarship

*The 2012 Rosalie Yee College Scholarship application will be available at our October through February meetings. The deadline is March 1, 2012. See Gary or Carol*



*The deadline for applications is*

**MARCH 1, 2012**

**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—  
2012 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

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|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| February 4    | <i>Napa Camellia Society Show</i><br>Napa Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA<br>Contact: Nancy McGowan-Russell, 707-545-7546                                               |
| February 11   | <b><i>Open—No Show</i></b>                                                                                                                                                             |
| February 18   | <i>San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show</i><br>CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue<br>Redwood City, CA<br>Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220            |
| February 25   | <i>Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show</i><br>Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara, CA<br>Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5696                             |
| March 3 & 4   | <i>Camellia Society of Sacramento Show</i><br>Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento, CA<br>Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967- 8420               |
| March 10      | <i>Northern California Camellia Society Show</i><br>First Baptist Church, 2336 Buena Vista Ave., Walnut Creek, CA<br>Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188 |
| March 17 & 18 | <i>Camellia Society of Modesto Show</i><br>Ernest & Julio Gallo Administrative Building,, Modesto, CA<br>Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Tony Miranda, 209-526-2197              |
| March 24      | <b><i>Open-No Show</i></b>                                                                                                                                                             |
| March 31      | <i>Mini Show, Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek, CA</i><br>Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188                                                                |



*We want to thank the students from Will C. Wood for their continued support to our Society on Set-Up Day before our Show. They helped wherever they were needed in a polite and energetic manner. Their continued voluntary community service to our club is invaluable. Thanks also to Patrick and Irene Moore for their hard work cleaning our Show trays. What a job!*

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## BUTTON CONTEST

This year we are opening the contest to even more people. 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 a couple people who are in art leagues and they were going to spread the word amongst their artist friends. We are hoping for a good turn-out of entrants.

The theme this year is "Crazy for Camellias", so spread the word and if anyone wants an application or has any questions, please call Julie Vierra at 916-371-2174 or email at [j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net](mailto:j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net).



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## 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, please see Susanne Dell  
at our meetings or give her a call at 916-474-0356! Thanks!*

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

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| October 4, 2011  | LuAnn Watkins             |
| November 1, 2011 | Gary & Carol Schanz       |
| December 6, 2011 | Don & Joan Lesmeister     |
| January 3, 2012  | Helmuth & Leone Wildemann |
| February 7, 2012 | Ron & Arlene Morrison     |
| March 6, 2012    | Julie Vierra              |
| April 3, 2012    | Bob & Joanne Logan        |



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POEM CONTEST FOR 2012



Once again we will have our poem contest. Pen a poem and give it to one of the board members. He/she will give it to the people who will be judging the poem contest. At the April Luncheon we will announce the winner.

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.

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