



# The Pensacola Camellia

## The Pensacola Camellia Club February - 2010

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Bill Lyford

**Annual Banquet:** On Tuesday, February 16 we will gather at the Pensacola Yacht Club. We will have a mini show for our novice growers. Our non-novice growers are asked to bring their blooms for exhibition. Everyone is asked to bring blossoms for use for the table decorations. Bring your blossoms to set up for the show, exhibition and table decorations at 6:00 PM. The social time will be from 6:30 to 7. Dinner will be served at 7. Make your reservation by calling T Morris 476-4080 or myself 434-6632. Please do so by February 9<sup>th</sup> so that we can make the final arrangements with the club.

**Garden Tours Saturday, February 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Reid Leonard and Carl Brady have graciously agreed to host their gardens this year. It's free to members and public. We need club members to be available to meet and greet our visitors. Each member is asked to give at least an hour to the club for this event by helping at either garden site. Please call Joan Blanchard, our event coordinator, @ 431-4216 to schedule the time and garden at which you will serve.

**Emerald Coast Flower and Garden Festival, Friday-Sunday April 9-11 at PJC/UWF Milton Campus.** Again for this event we need our members to give an hour or more to the club to man the camellia plant sales and membership table for this event. This is truly an outstanding event. You will have the opportunity to see exhibitions and sales booths setup by gardeners and nurseries to get all your spring plantings for your own garden.

**March and April Membership meetings.** The March 16<sup>th</sup> program will be a mini show for all to show their blooms and watch, listen and query the judges as they make their decisions. The April 20<sup>th</sup> program will be on growing camellias in containers. Our presenter will be Walter Creighton. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to attend this program as Walter is an outstanding grower. Check our show results on the website [www.pensacolacamellioclub.com](http://www.pensacolacamellioclub.com) to see the quality of his blooms and how frequently he has the best blooms.

**Annual Picnic Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup>** will be our final meeting before the summer break. Roger and Ellen Vinson have graciously invited us to their house for the event again this year. You will hear more details on each of these events but mark your calendars now to join in these educational and fun events we have scheduled.

This will be my final column as president. It has been a delightful year and I appreciate all the help individuals from the club have given me. I will continue to serve on the board as past-president and will coordinate the newly updated website.  
- Thanks all.

### Events and Notes

**Annual Camellia Club Banquet:** Feb. 16th at the PYC. Reservations must be made by Feb 9th. Join us for a Novice Mini Show and a great evening of fellowship and food. Bloom placement will be at 6 PM Social at 6:30. Dinner at 7:00

**March 16th Meeting:** program will be a mini-show for everyone with instructional critique

**Emerald Coast Flower and Garden Festival, Friday-Sunday April 9-11 at PJC/UWF Milton Campus.** Please sign up with T. Morris 476-4080 to schedule your work hour.

**April 20th Meeting:** Program on container grown Camellias by Walter Creighton

**May 1st:** Annual picnic

Carl Brady has a number of Indica azaleas and a few Loropetalum 'Razzleberri' which flower intermittently throughout the year, plants that are free to members. Please phone Carl at 525-9565 to arrange to dig, and for a description of the plants. Some of the azaleas are dug, and ready to go.

### 2010 Show schedule

Brookhaven 2/6-7/2010  
Birmingham 2/13-14/2010  
Atlanta 2/20-21/2010

**MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB**  
**Tuesday January 19, 2010, Pensacola Garden Center**

The Membership meeting of the Pensacola Camellia Club commenced with a social time at 6:30 p.m. at the Pensacola Garden Center on Tuesday January 19, 2010. Fifty persons were present.

President Bill Lyford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and introduced new members and guests.

Skip Vogelsang and Dick Hooton presented the program on grafting. They demonstrated the process and members were able to view the process close at hand.

After a short break, Lyford called for election of officers. Nominees had been announced at the December meeting.

Vickers reported that the committee was composed of Vickers as chair, Gabriel "Ole" Olsen, Gordon Eade and Richard Hooton.

Report of the committee is as follows:

President: Skip Vogelsang

1<sup>st</sup> VP and Show Chair: Joan Blanchard

2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Program Chair: Bruce Musselman

3<sup>rd</sup> VP and Membership Chair: Judy Kerr

Secretary: Norman Vickers

Treasurer: Thekla Morris

Board members: Carol Comber, Charles Fosha, Dick Hooton, Dennis Kohli, Gabriel "Ole" Olsen and Sandra Sherman.

There were no nominees from the floor and the slate was elected by acclamation.

It was reported that Pensacola Camellia Club did extremely well at the Mobile Camellia Show the previous weekend. Skip Vogelsang won Sweepstakes. Joan Blanchard won Best White Bloom (open) Other winners were Bruce Musselman, Joan Blanchard, and Richard Hooton. For more detailed information, see the ACS website, Mobile Camellia Club.

Minutes were approved as in newsletter ( sent by e-mail and US Postal service.)

T. Morris, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$6,955.90 in the checking account.

Gordon Eade, Membership Chair, thanked all for their participation. Membership was approximately 100 in 2005 and now is slightly over 200. He congratulated Judy Kerr on her new post as Membership Chair.

Newsletter: Carol Comber reported that recent newsletter had gone out by e-mail and US Postal service.

Publicity: Norman Vickers reported that we had good press notice on TV, Radio and print media.

No Foundation report as Roger Vinson, President of the Foundation, was out of town.

Plant Sales: Dick Hooton discussed plans for plant sales at the workshop and plant sale on 1-23.

**Old Business:**

**Gulf Coast Camellia Society:** meets in Pensacola Oct 1-2. Carol Comber is overall chair. She urged that people begin selecting items for silent auction. Should be less than \$50 value. An auction item chair is needed. Any volunteers?

**NCIS:** Neighborhood Camellia Identification Service. Skip Vogelsang is chair of this new committee. We have already gotten good press on this. Calls come in to him and he, or his designee(s), will inspect camellias on-site and make recommendations or, if blooming, try to identify unknown varieties.

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**Website:** Bill Lyford, chair, reported that website is functioning and asked all to view it. [www.pensacolacamellioclub.com](http://www.pensacolacamellioclub.com) Make suggestions for improvement. We have a webmaster, Aeiko Mitchell, who will make updates as necessary. Other members of the committee are Charles Fosha, Norman Vickers and Skip Vogelsang.

**Pot exchange:** Norma English is in charge of swapping 1 gallon plastic pots for much needed 3 gallon pots for our shade house. Bring pots to workshop. She will make the exchange at no cost to the society.

**Wilkinson memorabilia:** Norman reported that Gordon Eade, Roger Vinson and he presented the George Wilkinson ribbons and memorabilia to West Florida Historic Preservation/ Pensacola Historical Society. It was received by Lynne Robertson, curator. Photos were taken of the ceremony inside the TT Wentworth Museum. Also photos were taken of Eade presenting the original Illges Medal (1949) won by George Wilkinson for his "Beau Harp" at the ACS show in Savannah, GA in 1949. That medal will be delivered to ACS to be on permanent display. Eade also wrote up brief history and outlined all other camellias registered by Wilkinson—Dr. John D. Bell; Edwin S. Northup; Elizabeth Le Bey; Margorie Magnificent #36; Norwilk; Princess Lavender and Rox Cowley.

## **New Business:**

Next meeting will be annual banquet, installation of officers at our regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday meeting time February 16 at Pensacola Yacht Club. Reservations are mandatory. Cost is \$25/person. Sign up with Lyford. There will be a novice adjudicated camellia show. Others asked to bring in blooms to show and for table decorations. Bloom placement starts at 6:00 p.m. Social time is 6:30 with dinner and program beginning 7:00 p.m. ( There will be a cash bar. PYC can take cash or checks, but no credit cards.)

Bruce Musselman announced that the March meeting will be a mini-show for novices with instructional critique. April meeting will feature outstanding speaker Walter Creighton of Mobile. He will discuss growing camellias in pots.

Plant raffle was held and meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

-----s/s F. Norman Vickers, PCC Secretary-----

**Editor's note to Minutes:** The Board of Directors at the February meeting decided to make the March mini show open to all.

E- Newsletter recipients will receive postcard notification on their renewal date. Please send checks to:  
"T" Morris  
579 Man of War Circle  
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Full house at Jan PCC meeting



Skip talks about grafting



Attentive members at the Jan meeting



Master photographer Carl Brady



President Bill Lyford addressed the group



Dick Hooton talks about grafting

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## February Workshop



Vernon Vinson demonstrates grafting



Scion Swap



Roger Vinson demonstrates graft



Skip Vogelsang makes graft cleft



Cool morning at the registration/membership table

Photos By Norm Vickers

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Norm and New Member Jacqueline Straub



Cool Day -- Slow Sales



Members are very attentive



Loyce Burkhalter "Keeping Warm"



Bruce Musselman Grafting Black Magic



Bill Bennett Instructing

Photos by Carl Brady

# PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB (PCC)

## • STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

- THE PURPOSE OF THE PCC IS:
- TO FOSTER AND MAINTAIN AN INTEREST IN CAMELLIAS AND THEIR CULTURE.
- TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF CAMELLIAS.
- TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THEIR EXHIBITION AND APPRECIATION. NOMENCLATURE AND TO RECOGNIZE THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ENHANCED THE CAMELLIA IN OUR SOCIETY.

### • 2009 OFFICERS

- President— Bill Lyford
- First VP & Show Chairman—John Davy
- Second VP— Program Chairman— Larry Morris
- Third VP Membership Chair—Gordon Eade
- Treasurer—Thekla Morris
- Secretary—Norman Vickers

### 2009 BOARD MEMBERS

- Bill Bennett
- Carol Comber
- Dick Hooton
- Bruce Musselman
- Roger Vinson
- Skip Vogelsang

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