

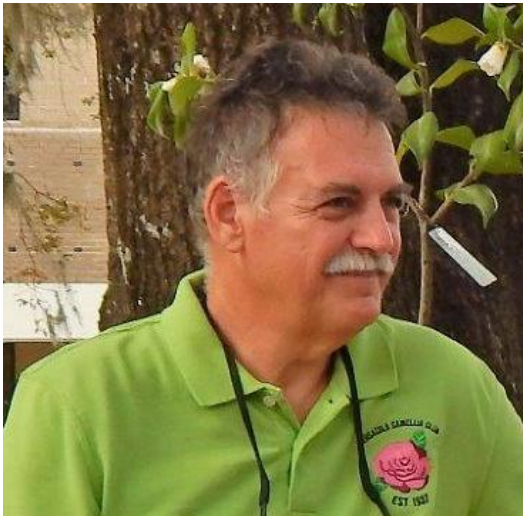
# The Pensacola Camellia



**April 2018 Newsletter of the Pensacola Camellia Club—established 1937**

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## President's Message – John Mate



I am arriving at the end of my year as President of the Pensacola Camellia Club and it has been a great experience for me.

You members inspire me by your kind comments and words of encouragement. You gave me forgiveness with a smile when I forgot your name or mixed you up with someone else. Board members not only had the great ideas, but also would kindly bring up a point that I failed to mention. When I asked for help of any kind, you members were always there. Thank

you for all your efforts and hard work throughout the year.

I learned, rather than lead, as President last year and will gladly serve as a more experienced one next year.

I enjoy the camaraderie and common purpose of the club with you.

John Mate

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### Pensacola Camellia Club (PCC) Statement of Purpose

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- ❖ 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
- ❖ To Aid And Assist In The Standardization Of Camellia Nomenclature
- ❖ To Provide An Opportunity For Camaraderie Among Those Sharing A Common Interest in Camellias



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## **PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB**

### **AGENDA**

Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Garden Center 1850 N. Ninth Ave

With 6:30pm social/refreshments  
followed by program at 7:00 pm.

**If you can come early to help SET UP  
chairs & refreshment tables please  
arrive at 5:30 pm.**

### **Program tonight:**

Dr. Mack Thetford: “Unlocking the  
Mystery of pH; How it Effects Nutrients  
in the Soil.”

Greg Taylor: review of air-layering  
method for propagating more plants.  
Please review the list of gardens and  
dates for air layering so you can sign up  
at the meeting.

Please get your ‘Camellia Wish List’ to  
Dick Hooton prior to our meeting.  
Website to reflect April’s 2018 updated  
inventory list for; ‘Prize Winning Camellia’  
& Inventory Camellias.

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS –**

Our 63 newer members will be  
wearing **Red bordered name tags**,  
please look for them and make them  
feel welcome and included in our  
camellia discussions.

## Upcoming Events ....

**Please help** with Air Layering at any of the following gardens. These plants are **future fund\$** that support the club activities. Our plant sale events: Dec. Camellia Show, YMCA grafting & Novice Show sold a total of 180 plants. We are providing 5 opportunities for you to air layer at various locations- check your calendar and sign up at the general meeting or contact the host directly.

### **Air Layering dates and locations;**

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** Wednesday at 9:30 am

Pierre Kaufke, 9135 Woodrun Circle, (near Kohl's off of 9 mile Rd.) 476-5005

**April 19<sup>th</sup>** Thursday at 10:00 am

University of Florida's Milton Campus located at 5988 U.S. 90, Milton, FL.

Follow the signs for the Milton Gardens & Park, Mack Thetford 292-2557

**April 21<sup>st</sup>** Saturday at 9:00 am

University of West Florida Camellia Garden. (Map is included for our newer members.)

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>** Monday at 10:00 am

University of Florida Milton Campus, located at 5988 U.S. 90, Milton, FL.

Follow the signs for the Milton Gardens & Park, Mack Thetford 292-2557

**April 24<sup>th</sup>** Tuesday at 9:00am

Skip Vogelsang, 4760 Shannon Pl, Pensacola FL , 776-7951

Air Layering method for those who need a refresher or missed the meeting's demonstration can be found on our website;

<http://www.pensacolacamellioclub.com/camellia-care.html> under Camellia Videos.

All air layers must have the plants correct name tag above where we will be cutting at harvest time. Plants do not sell without a name tag, so do not forget this small detailed step that adds sales value to the plant.

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** Saturday the Board members meet to plan our 2018-2019 programs and events. If you have any suggestions on what you would like to learn or share with the club please forward the information to our club Secretary, Lauren Mate, email [secretary@pensacolacamellioclub.com](mailto:secretary@pensacolacamellioclub.com) by May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**August 21<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Pensacola Camellia Club Picnic** at 6:30pm the Garden Center. We look forward to starting the season by sharing tasty dishes with each other. Please feel free to let T. Morris or Louise Seitz know if you would like to help with this event.

**Membership Directory** will be distributed at the picnic.

Annual dues are \$10.00 or Lifetime membership for \$100.00 per person. If you have any questions about your membership please contact Debbie Brown VP Membership at [dmarie.brown@att.net](mailto:dmarie.brown@att.net) or 850-932-0370.

**Oct 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Pensacola Camellia Club will host the Gulf Coast Camellia Society Conference** in downtown Pensacola. Fellow camellia lovers from the southeastern US will come together to share camellia information and have a good time! PCC will be coordinating the many events, live and silent auctions, sightseeing tours, UWF Garden visit, camellia educational sessions, food, and fun with the help of PCC volunteers. Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup> is our general meeting date which will not be held at the Garden Center. Our meeting will be this conference, and we hope you can attend at least some of the events. Special guest speakers like **Dr. Brie Arthur** <https://www.briegrows.com/brie-arthur>, will be featured. More info coming as schedules are finalizes.

### **Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> 2018 PCC Annual Camellia Show and Garden Tour at UWF**

Big change here is our location will be at UWF conference center. This will give us a chance to show off the garden at the same time to all of our visitors. Click on the link to view the facilities; <https://uwf.edu/offices/university-commons-and-event-services/conference-center-and-ballroom/venues/>

Once again we will be collecting toys for "Toys for Tots" as our awards. If you are a shopper you might want to visit "Toys R Us" and pick up some deals before they shut their doors. Christi Hankins will pick up your purchases and store them for the show.

Spring cleaning or downsizing? If you have crystal items that you know longer need, please donate them to the club. We use these items as awards at the annual Novice show and again Christi would pick them up and store them for that event.



## March Banquet photos ....

Photos by Dennis Kohli & Norman Vickers



President John Mate & Rita Kohli



Lauren Mate & Bette Hooton



Left; Greg & Melinda Taylor with  
Charlene Kilpatrick

Below;  
Alan McMillan, with 2 past  
president Cinny & Jack O'Donnell



Marianne & Katherine Geeker





Tod Bancells & Christi Hankins



Stuart Copeland and Michele Kobielnik



Person of the Year – Louise Seitz



Plant auction = \$525

Norman got the last laugh as he sworn the 2018-2019 board into office.



## Buying Opportunities extended to April 17<sup>th</sup>

1. High quality 4x6 Botanical Garden signs just like the ones we have installed at the UWF Camellia Garden. They look especially nice in highly visible areas of your garden or yard.



The cost will be \$15.00 to \$20.00 each (including stakes and hardware) depending on how many the club orders as a group order. If you are interested act quickly by submitting your list of camellias --- all we need is the Camellia name and the other info will be added for you ---- so easy. **Order 1 or 100 no minimum order.**

Camellia Names:

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We have extended the deadline date to our next meeting April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Skip Vogelsang 4760 Shannon Pl, Pensacola, FL 32504 or email to

[Lbv3rd@gmail.com](mailto:Lbv3rd@gmail.com) Checks payable to Pensacola Camellia Club.

2. UWF Camellia Garden Bricks may be ordered through Skip. Prices vary from \$250, \$500 or \$1000 depending on the size of brick.





### 3. ROOT MAKERS AVAILABLE FOR PCC MEMBERS

The deadline is approaching for ordering Root Makers. John Davy has graciously agreed to provide root makers for those PCC members who wish to grow Camellias in containers.

Root Makers are available in 1, 3 and 5-gallon sizes. Prices will vary according to size, and will be determined once John receives his order, based on new 2018 prices, shipping costs and taxes. John estimates the approximate cost to range between \$1 to \$4.50, based on container size.

For those unfamiliar with Root Makers, they are designed to create fibrous, non-circulating root systems, both horizontally and vertically. A fibrous root system means a greater root tip surface area and translates to a greater efficiency in the absorption of water and nutrients. This means an increase in growth rate and vigor, providing a larger and stronger plant whether for transplanting success, or growing in a container or in the ground. Root Makers should, ultimately, provide you with a superior plant.



To place your order, please call PCC member Patty Moran (505-0496) and leave a message as to (1) number of pots in each pot size, and (2) a telephone number so that you can be informed when the order is received later this spring. *Please Do NOT call John Davy direct, call Patty to place orders.*

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**The Pensacola Camellia Club Foundation** provided financial support for the activities of the Pensacola Camellia Club. In years past, our club members had to solicit funds for the Show from local businesses and financial supporters. That was difficult, time consuming, and distasteful to most of our members. Now, thanks in large part to the Foundation's financial support, we no longer have to worry about financing our annual show and can devote our full attention to the show itself. Our Club greatly benefits from having our Foundation.

***The Foundation always needs and welcomes your donations and memorial gifts. It is both exempt from federal income taxation, as a 501(c) (3) organization, and qualified to receive charitable contributions and bequests which are tax deductible for federal income, estate, and gift tax purposes.***

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ONE OF THE FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS.

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### Map and directions to UWF Camellia Garden.

Directions to the garden; if heading east on 9 Mile Road you will turn North/left at University Pkwy. At the UWF entrance turn right at the light onto Campus Dr., at the next light turn left at Campus Lane then right back onto Campus Dr. your heading to Parking Lot W. Warning there is construction near the garden.

