

# The Pensacola Camellia

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## Message from the President:

It's Show Time! Are you ready? Last month we had a great program and demonstration on getting ready to for a show. Now is the time to practice your lessons. Remember to do Skip's graceful ballet move to seal your bloom with hair spray if blooms are to be kept for several days in refrigerator before the show.

Please note our meeting this month will be on the second Tuesday, December 8 @ 6:30. We will meet at the Cafe which is the room is at the back of the Garden Center. Our program will be the final preparations for the show and answers to any last minute questions.

If you have not signed up to help with the show, please be sure to see John Davy at the meeting to fill vacant places. Don't forget to see or call Bruce Musselman (291 -5855) if you would like to attend the Judges Banquet on Friday night (\$20) and see or call "T" (476-4080) Morris for Saturday lunch reservations (\$10). Not later than 12/8/09. This is shaping up to be another great show, be a part of it by signing up, showing up, showing a bloom, and hosting our judges, visitors and guests.

### A message from Dick Hooton:

At our last meeting, I know some of you wanted to talk camellias, which ones to buy and various problems you, or your neighbors, were having, but things got a tad hectic at the meeting and there were several with whom I wasn't able to speak. Please don't think it was due to a lack of interest. Call or e-mail me and I'll either take care of your concerns or put you on someone who is more knowledgeable than I.

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Please note December 8th meeting is at 6:30 Social time meeting at 7:00 at Garden Center Coffee Shop

# Foundation's donors since June I, 2009.

In memory of Julia Brady Ray, Carl Brady's daughter

- Roger & Ellen Vinson In memory of Virginia Bothfeld:
- Robert Bothfeld
- Capt & Mrs Jack O'Donnell
- Roger & Ellen Vinson

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#### Show schedule

Pensacola- Dec 12-13 Covington - Dec 19 New Orleans- 1/9/2010 Tallahassee 1/9-10/2010 Mobile - I/I6/2010 Baton Rouge 1/30-31/2010 Brookhaven 2/6-7/2010 Birmingham 2/13-14/2010

Remember to Gib for the Upcoming shows

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#### **NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

MINUTES PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETINGTUESDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2009; GARDEN CENTER Social time began at 6:30 when members and guests placed their blooms on the table for the instructional program. Refreshments were enjoyed by 62 persons attending, a record number for recent past. At 7:00 pm. President Bill Lyford called the meeting to order. He welcomed all, especially guests and new members. He asked for suggestions for "programs you want to hear" and commented that the current program was a suggestion from a member.

The program "Preparing your Blooms for the Show" was presented by Skip Vogelsang and Dick Hooton. Practical advice was given to an enthusiastic audience. Following was an instructional judging by the presenters. They gave "right" and "wrong" examples about presenting a bloom. They emphasized that one should bring a number of blooms for the show and that most of the audience would be in the "novice" category. That is, they would be competing with similar contestants who either have less than 25 camellia plants or who have not had three bloom winners at the "head table." They emphasized that there would be plenty of help from experienced presenters at the show, so no need to be shy in showing blooms.

After a brief break, meeting was resumed. President Lyford announced that reservations were needed for the following: Judges Dinner Friday December 11 at Birdwell Home @ \$20/person Luncheon at Wright Place Saturday Dec. 12 @\$ 10/person Annual Installation Banquet and mini-camellia show: Tuesday Feb 16 at Pens. Yacht Club @\$25/person. Reservations required and December events are space-limited, so make them now with T. Morris.

Minutes: were approved as e-mailed and in the newsletter Treasurer's Report T. Morris reported a checkbook balance of \$4,290.19. Membership: Gordon Eade welcomed new members and offered membership applications to take to friends and acquaintances Newsletter: Carol Comber reported that newsletter had been mailed to those without e-addresses or those specifically requesting a printed newsletter delivered by US Postal Service. Carol suggested that those with e-addresses but not currently receiving communications and newsletter by e-mail, contact Norman Vickers, preferably by sending e-mail to <a href="mailto:nvickersl@cox.net">nvickersl@cox.net</a>. It saves postage for the club and your get messages sooner and newsletter photos are in color!

**Publicity**: Norman Vickers reported that press releases have already been sent out for the December show and our December 8 meeting. He indicated that we are always listed in the Pensacola News-journal Sunday issue of Home and Garden section, page 2, under "Things to Do."

**Technology**: Bill Lyford emphasized that work is progressing on the PCC website. No changes are up yet but will be soon. **Plant Sales**: Dick Hooton brought many plants to the meeting for those who had requested. He emphasized that he is at the Shade House on Mondays and by special appointment. Call him if you wish to buy plants (reduced price for members) at 969-0001. There will be approximately 400 plants for sale at the December Camellia Show. Members and non-members will pay retail price at the show. A list of available plants for sale has already been sent to those on the e-address list Upcoming events: Next membership meeting of PCC will be Tuesday December 8 (note—this is Second Tuesday) in Garden Center Cafe, immediately behind current meeting room. (There will be another function that night n our current meeting room, so parking may be somewhat crowded.)

**Judges School**: will be 9 a.m. on Saturday Nov, 28 at St Christopher's Episcopal Church, 3200 N. 12\* Avenue. Call Gabriel "Ole" Olsen for details 457-2172 and registration. It was emphasized that this is a good way to learn about camellias and the process of judging, even if one does not wish to active participate in judging and attending multiple camellia shows.

#### Old Business:

Gulf Coast Camellia Society will meet in Pensacola next October. PCC will be the host club. Carol Comber is overall chair of local arrangements. Call her at 455-8496 to volunteer assistance. She asked members to look for auction items, \$50 or less, for fundraiser. Nominating Committee Report: Norman Vickers, Chair reported the following nominees for 2010-2011.

President Skip Vogelsang

IM VP & Show Chain Joan Blanchard 2nd VP & Program Chair: Bruce Musselman 3rd VP & membership Chair: Judy Kerr Secretary. Norman Vickers

Secretary. Norman Vickers Treasurer Thekla Morris

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

Vickers thanked nominating committee members for their assistance: Gordon Eade, Dick Hooton and Gabriel "Ole" Olsen.

#### **New Business:**

NCIS: Neighborhood Camellia Identification Squad is being organized by Skip Vogelsang. He spoke about need for a group which will assist in identifying camellias in the community, varieties of which are unknown to the owners, NCIS group would also advise regarding camellia care and treatment of pests and diseases. This would be a great service to the community, raise awareness of Camellia Club activity and perhaps identify lost Pensacola varieties.

Call Skip to assist, 438-3790. He reported that this has been successful with other clubs, especially Baton Rouge.

Camellia Raffle was held, making a number of happy camellia recipients. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

#### **EXCITING NEWS FROM THE GULFPORT MISSISSIPPI CAMELLIA SHOW**

The best of the best, the show's highest award, went to Roger Vinson, a federal judge from Pensacola, for his "Melissa Ann." This is a large white camellia that was developed and registered years ago by the late Dr. Legrand Audioun of Biloxi,

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Above Great group at the November meeting of the Camellia club

Left Camellia show at the November meeting



Left Dick Hooten



Right Skip Vogelsang

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## PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB (PCC)

#### 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

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