



THE PENSACOLA CAMELLIA FEBRUARY 2013

Newsletter Editor

Sandra Sherman



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Banquet will be Tuesday Feb 19, 2013. It will be held at Seville Quarter on Government Street downtown, in the Heritage hall. Cost is \$20 per person and members are encouraged to bring significant other and guest (2 or 3 if they would like, the charge is the same \$20 for guest or member) to further promote the club. We will have music, a cash bar, tables will be decorated with Camellia, we need members to bring blooms for tables. We will have a mini show and all members are encouraged to bring blooms for Mini show. Mini show and Cocktails start at 6 pm, meal around 7 pm installation of officers around 7:45 pm. Please send money to PCC (Pensacola Camellia Club), % T. Morris, 579 Man O'War Circle, Cantonment, Fl. 32533 or they can send to Paul Bruno , P.O. Box 228 , Pensacola Florida 32591. Please respond by 2-12-13.

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Maps will be available at each location.

Community Camellia Show will be held at the Library downtown on February 23, 2013. Entries can be made from 8 am to 10 am. If you haven't gone to the head table 3 times at a Camellias show you can enter this.

If you have a short article on Camellias that is interesting please send it to me (shermanacs@aol.com) with the information on when, where and who published it (so we can give them credit). I will try to get it in the newsletter.

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MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY MEETING

OUR BANQUET AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS WILL TAKE PLACE INSTEAD OF OUR REGULAR MEETING. FEBRUARY 19, 2013. SEE INFORMATION IN ANNOUNCEMENTS

PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB (PCC) STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1. TO FOSTER AND MAINTAIN AN INTEREST IN CAMELLIAS AND THEIR CULTURE
2. TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF CAMELLIAS
3. TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THEIR EXHIBITION AND APPRECIATION,
4. TO AID AND ASSIST IN THE STANDARDIZATION OF CAMELLIA NOMENCLATURE
5. TO RECOGNIZE THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ENHANCED THE CAMELLIA IN OUR SOCIETY

2012 OFFICERS

President- John Davy
 1st VP & Show Chair- Skip Vogelsang
 2ndVP & Program Chair- Bill Lyford
 3rd VP, Membership-Judy Kerr
 Secretary-Norman Vickers
 Treasurer- Thekla Morris
 Past-President- Charles Fosha

2012 BOARD MEMBERS

Paul Bruno
 Christi Hankins
 Pierre Kaufke
 Leanna Brennan
 Dick Hooton
 Bill Bennett

Minutes PCC

Board Meeting

Tuesday Feb 5, 2013

Present: Paul Bruno, Skip Vogelsang, Sandra Sherman, Christi Hankins, Norman Vickers, Thekla Morris LeAnna Brennan, Richard Hooton, Al Jeppesen, Judy Kerr, Mack Thetford and Roger Vinson.

Absent: Bill Lyford, Bill Bennett, Pierre Kaufke and John Davy.

Call to order by VP Skip Vogelsang in Pres. Davy's absence.—Welcome 2013 board Al Jeppesen, Mack Thetford and Sandra Sherman. Thanks 2012 board members Bill Bennett, Bill Lyford & Chuck Fosha, past president. Sandra, as newsletter editor attended last year's board meetings and it is expected that Lyford in his position as webmaster will attend the 2013 board meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Camellia Show

2013 review: Since Vogelsang was not present at the Jan board meeting where that show was critiqued, this was again reviewed. Good things about the show: many compliments from our exhibitors and visitors. Still getting compliments, unsolicited, from participants at other camellia shows. Items

needing improvement: need more clerks and runners. Move hospitality to right of entrance doorway—it was blocking traffic entering the prep area. Hankins made motion: *Do away with red and white ribbons (2nd & 3rd place indicators) but still use blue ribbons red and.* (keep the 3 color sticker system) Moved, Seconded and Passed.

Discussion about sale of consignment or plants other than the club ensued. Need for continuing discussion on this issue.

Report/critique of

Camellia Workshop & Plant Sale 1-26 13.

Generally successful. Good weather and good crowds. Not having to graft for club, but for members/guests was an advantage. Suggestions for next year: camellia waxing (LeAnna expressed interest. She can also do it at coming Community Camellia Show if details can be worked out) Have pruning and air-layering exhibitions scheduled for particular time, perhaps once or twice during the event.

Treasurer's report—

Ending bank balance \$8,424.24. Detailed spread sheet distributed and discussed by Vogelsang and others.

Membership report:

Judy Kerr reported that with addition of two new members, current active membership is 200! Directory for 2013 is ready to go to printer and likely will be available for distribution at the annual banquet.

Foundation: Roger Vinson indicated need to for replacement for one member due to Bob Bothfeld's death. *Skip Vogelsang was nominated and elected.*

Program chair/website.

Lyford's report as e-mailed. He reported continuing hits of about 10/week. Photos are up on the website for the Camellia workshop.

Newsletter: Sandra Sherman suggested that members get articles in soon. It was suggested that seasonal portions of Johnny Edwards' camellia calendar be used in order to remind members about care of their plants.

PR: Norman Vickers has sent board members items from press. We've had good coverage.

UWF Garden:

Skip Vogelsang discussed Green Grant solicitation from University. Some funds are to be available for improvements on campus. Walkways, borders, benches for Camellia Garden might be

feasible. Solar powered lighting was also suggested. Thetford expressed that student safety would be an important factor in grant allocation. Lighting and walkways would fit that category. Vogelsang will work with Tom Henderson of the UWF Retired Employees Association and make the grant application.

Volunteer work day at UWF Camellia Garden: Friday 2-8 from 1-3 p.m.— need to prepare garden for best showing for our Garden tours & Plant Sale 2-16.

Club Grafting Project— at Shade House Saturday 2-16, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Should be able to work this out after conclusion of Garden tours.

COMING EVENTS

Garden Tours & Plant sale: Sat 2-16, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. John Davy Home 5527 Oakmont Dr., Pace & UWF Camellia Garden. Chairs Hankins and Kohli will be in charge of this. Sale of plants needs to be at Gardens since Davy's homeowner covenant prohibits sale of plants from his location. Some discussion ensued about need for permission from UWF for plant sales on their property. Vogelsang and Tom Henderson will work out these details.

Maps will be prepared by Hankins and Kohli. Additional signs for directing people to UWF Gardens will be handled by Vogelsang. Kohli and Hankins will make UWF police aware our tours— courtesy notification. They will also assign workers for both locations.

Banquet, Installation of officers, camellia mini-show Tuesday 2-19, 6:00 p.m. Heritage Hall/Seville Quarter. Canny O'Donnell in charge of decorations. Hooton runs mini-show. 3 blooms max/entrant. Vinson in charge of installation of officers (brief!) PCC member Crystal Joy Albert –pianist. Photographer(s) needed especially for the group photo of officers. Kohli? Engie?

NEW BUSINESS

PCC Picnic: will be at John Davy's house on Sat May 4. Davy will coordinate volunteers as needed. Date and location for summer workshop/planning. Saturday June 1. It is hoped that we can meet at Downtown Library. Vickers appointed to make arrangements.

Charles Merritt died 2/3. He was the last living member of the original Pensacola Men's Camellia Club. Funeral to be at 2:30

p.m. Friday 2/8 at First Presbyterian Church.

Sandra Sherman will ask Jack O'Donnell to prepare article of PCC newsletter.

Gordon Eade and Nona will be moving soon to live near son at Huntsville, AL. ***Moved, seconded, passed (MSP): Award Lifetime membership in PCC to Gordon.***

Mary Ellen Edwards: M, S, P: Award lifetime membership. This is a reiteration, we believe, as it has been previously awarded.

Proposed Tour of Studer Garden: Quint and Rishy Studer have purchased and renovated the Sherrill House at LaRua and 20th Avenue. The organizational meeting of the Pensacola Men's Camellia Club was held there. Mr. Studer has suggested that the PCC members might like a tour of their grounds. After discussion, it was suggested that Vogelsang propose a garden tour at the Studer home on Sunday Feb 17 from 2-4 p.m. Pending assent from the Studers, that can be announced to the PCC membership.

Announcement: **Jack O'Donnell** has fallen and broken his arm. No other injuries, otherwise. Business concluded and adjourned at 7: 14 p.m. Norman Vickers, Secretary

After the garden tours this Saturday, February 16, 2013, there will be a club function at the shade house. Those who would like to do some grafting for club sales are welcome and encouraged to come, as well as those who would like some more schooling on the process and those who would simply like to watch (you can also do your own personal grafting and we will have root stock on sale for \$6. There will also be some opportunities to air-layer plants and/or learn how to air layer plants. If you're bored or looking for something to do, there are some minor clean-up jobs to do outside the shade house

Hooton

IN MEMORY OF
CHARLES W. MERRITT,
JR.

“He lived a rich, full and happy life”. Often heard, it’s an accolade indicating the highest tribute that could be paid to a loved one recently departed. As applied to the life of

Charlie Merritt, it might be an understatement. Charles W. Merritt, Jr. was born in Pensacola on April 28, 1914. He died in Pensacola on February 3, 2013. He attended local schools and graduated in 1932 from Pensacola High School. While at PHS, Charlie lettered in both football and golf. In December of 1937, Charlie was invited to a gathering of fellow Pensacolians who were interested in forming an organization dedicated to the enjoyment and promotion of the camellia. That meeting led to the formation of the Pensacola Men’s Camellia Club and Charlie Merritt was one of its charter members. He was an active member of the Club for over 75 years. During that time he served as President, first in 1954 and again in 1963. He was named “Man of the Year” in 1981. He was an enthusiastic participant in the Annual Camellia Shows and more often than not, his blooms appeared on the Head Table. Charlie Merritt’s last years were spent at Azalea Trace. He continued to participate in

Club events to the extent that his health permitted. His dues were paid to the very end! He – and that infectious smile of his – will be sorely missed. Charlie Merritt was a winner in every sense of the word.



RASEBERRY SHERBERT



SPORTING CLASS

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2012
Pensacola Camellia Club Foundation, Inc.

The Pensacola Camellia Club Foundation is a Florida not-for-profit corporation registered with the Internal Revenue Service (ID No. 03-0384090). The Foundation's primary purpose is to help support the Pensacola Camellia Club, its annual Camellia Show, and its other activities. It has received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service in which it is recognized as:

(a) Exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code because it qualifies as a 501(c)(3) organization;

(b) Qualified to receive charitable contributions and bequests which are deductible for federal income, estate, and gift tax purposes; and

(c) Not required to file an annual income tax return (Form 990) as long as its annual gross receipts do not exceed \$25,000.

In addition, the Foundation has a Sales and Use Tax Exemption from the Florida Department of Revenue (No. 85-8012510865C-5), valid through 12/31/2017, which allows tax-exempt purchases in the State of Florida.

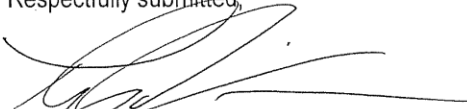
The funds held in the Foundation are the result of the generosity and foresight of our Club's members and friends.

During 2012, the Foundation received income as interest and dividends totalling \$2,081.90.

The amount of the donations (excluding those for the UWF Camellia Garden) received during 2012 was \$130.00.

The Foundation's investment assets as of December 31, 2011, totaled \$49,618.34. Its investment assets as of December 31, 2012, totaled \$56,364.74, an increase of \$6,746.40. Of this, \$1,185.00 is designated for the UWF Camellia Garden. The Foundation also holds title to the red 1995 Chevrolet pickup truck used by the club and donated by Ole Olsen, and the lease for the Club's shade house.

Respectfully submitted,



Roger Vinson, Chairman

Jack O'Donnell

Richard Hooton

Chuck Fosha, Trustees

