

# The Pensacola Camellia

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## Message from the President - Skip Vogelsang,

It has been brought to my attention that I am now club president. I should know better than to leave town for two weeks when it's time to elect new officers. I'll blame Ole until he is proven innocent.

The truth is that I am looking forward to the coming year and the opportunity to continue the forward momentum our club has experienced over the past few years. I am especially sorry that I missed the annual banquet. I think I was riding an elephant in northern Thailand that day so I had a good excuse.

I also want to take time to thank Bill Lyford for the great job he did as club president over the past year. He now knows what it is like to herd cats. His focus upon the development of a new and improved web site was not only well timed but very successful. I hope that he will continue to lead that important project for the club.

I find that I tend to be more productive if I have some goals so here are a few things I hope our club can focus upon over the next year:

- 1) In the fall we will host to the annual gathering of the Gulf Coast Camellia Society. We need to be sure it is a first class event and that will require a group effort. It will be a great learning and networking opportunity for our club members as well.
- 2) I want to help club members get comfortable with entering blooms in shows. It is much easier than many of you think it is. And nothing feels better that winning a ribbon for a bloom you grew yourself. Having "a dog in the hunt" just makes things more interesting even for the most non-competitive among us.
- 3) The UWF Camellia Garden has tremendous potential as a way to showcase not only Pensacola varieties but also the best varieties from around the world. It is OUR" club garden and it is essential that our entire club feels a true sense of ownership. I urge you to participate in the periodic work days when we plant additional camellias and care for those already there. It is a young garden now but it will be remarkable in a few years.
- 4) Camellias are like Jell-O; there is always room in your yard for at least one more camellia. So start figuring out where your next camellia will go. And I want to suggest a great variety Kiku Toji it is a beautiful red and white formal double that blooms very early and it grows fairly slow so it will fit in your yard no matter what. Kiku Toji is a "must have" for every collection, so I have asked Dick to try to acquire a lot of them for sale and we will continue to graft them for a few years until every yard has a Kiku Toji.
- 5) I am committed to the ongoing development of our Neighborhood Camellia Information Squad, better known as NCIS. It is one of the best ways for us to meet our club mission and to serve the community.

Again, I look forward to the year ahead. We have one of the best Camellia clubs in the nation thanks to caring and active members like you.

#### **Events and Notes**

March 16th meeting: The program will be a Novice Mini Show. The Garden Center 1850. N. 9th Avenue, social at 6:30 PM meeting at 7:00 PM. novices-those who have not had three blooms to head table at official camellia shows. Bring blooms for entry and learn how easy it is to enter. Judging will be instructional to show criteria for best blooms. You'll also learn what NOT to do. Non Novices should bring blooms to show. Bring your unknowns for identification. March 20 UWF Workday -9AM Saturday-we will be planting additional Pensacola varieties and tending the plants already there bring clippers, gloves, shovel and a wheel barrow if you can bring one easily — RSVP to Skip 776-7951 April 20th meeting will feature

Creighton, from the Mobile
Club. The Program will be on
growing camellias in containers.

May 1st - The Annual picnic at
Ellen and Roger Vinson's.

March 7th, 2010 the Dothan
Club will hold their first Camellia

a special guest speaker, Walter

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

show.

Please check the web page at <a href="https://www.pensacolacamelliaclub.com">www.pensacolacamelliaclub.com</a>

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Minutes Annual Banquet, Pensacola Yacht Club, February 16

Forty-seven members and guests assembled at the Pensacola Yacht Club on Tuesday February 16 for our annual banquet and installation of officers. A camellia mini-show for novices was held. Winners were Norma English, large; and Judy Kerr, miniature, small and medium. Judging the show were Dante Kahn, Gabriel Olsen, Richard Hooton and Roger Vinson.

Dinner music was again provided by classical/jazz/Latin guitarist Art Carnrick, performing as "Arturo." ACS President and Pensacola Camellia Club Foundation chair, Roger Vinson installed the following officers: President Skip Vogelsang; I st VP and Show Chair, Joan Blanchard; 2nd VP and Program Chair Bruce Musselman; 3rd VP and Membership Chair, Judy Kerr; Treasurer, Thekla Morris and Secretary, Norman Vickers. Board members installed were: Carol Comber, Charles Fosha, Dick Hooton, Dennis Kohli, Gabriel "Ole" Olsen and Sandra Sherman. (Vogelsang, Comber and Kohli were installed in absentia. Vogelsang was out of the country at the time)

In his address, outgoing President Bill Lyford thanked all who had helped to make his year a success. The major accomplishments included a highly successful camellia show, a newly updated website and a Camellia Club membership of over 200. He said that, in view of Vogelsang's absence tonight, the symbolic passing of the gavel would be held at a later time.

Jack O'Donnell announced that the "Person of the Year Award" would be presented at a later date. The identity of the person so designated will be revealed at that time, s/s F. Norman Vickers, Secretary, Pensacola

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009

Pensacola Camellia Club Foundation, Inc.

The Foundation is a Florida not-for-profit corporation registered with the Internal Revenue Service (ID No. 03-0384090). 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 received a Sales and Use Tax Exemption from the Florida Department of Revenue (No. 27-00-073477-85) valid through 12/31/2012, 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 2009, the Foundation received income as interest and dividends totaling \$ 1,409.40. Since January 1, 2009, donations were received as follows:

- (1) In memory of Virginia Bothfeld: Jack and Cinny O'Donnell, Roger and Ellen Vinson, Robert Bothfeld
  - (2) In memory of Julia Brady Ray: Roger and Ellen Vinson
- (3) Memorial for Ben Williamson at UWF Garden: William Farinas, Jr., Dr. William Bennett, Jan Williamson, Joe Light, Skip Vogelsang, Thekla Morris, Dr. Thomas Birdwell, Judy Kerr, Gabriel Olsen, Dr. Norman Vickers, Jack and Cinny O'Donnell, Roger and Ellen Vinson
  - (4) Foundation gift: Roger and Ellen Vinson

The amount of the total donations received during 2009 was \$ 1,605.00.

In addition to supporting the UWF Camellia Garden, the Foundation provided \$2,000 for general support of the Pensacola Camellia Club a Camellia Show.

The Foundation's assets as of December 31, 2009, totaled \$44,157.82.

Respectfully submitted,/s/ Roger Vinson

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Top left: Preparing mini-show entries, from left Judy Kerr and Joan Blanchard

Top Right: Roger Vinson with microphone, installs board members Dick Hooton, Vinson, Charles Fosha, Sandra Sherman and Gabriel Olsen.



Middle Left: John Davy, Ellen and Roger Vinson.

Bottom Left: Greeting friends, Bob Bothfeld and Betty Vickers.

Bottom Right Joan Blanchard and Judy Woerner.

Photos by Vickers





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From left, Chuck Fosha, Gordon Eade, Judy Kerr



From Left, Ole Olsen and Dante Kahn



Carolyn Whitmer helps with decorating



From left, Ellen Vinson, Betty and Norman Vickers, and Mary Ellen Edwards



From left, Gordon Eade, Carl Brady and Tom Birdwell



Judy Kerr and T. Morris. Note camellias as table decoration.

## PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB (PCC)

### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

#### 2010 OFFICERS

#### 2010 BOARD MEMBERS

President—Skip Vogelsang

Carol Comber

First VP & Show Chairman- Joan Blanchard

Dick Hooton

Second VP

– Program Chairman

– Bruce Musselman Charles Fosha

Third VP Membership Chair—

Dennis Kohli

Treasurer—Thekla Morris

Sandra Sherman

Secretary—Norman Vickers

Gabriel "Ole" Olsen

Roger Vinson

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