

March 2017 Newsletter of the Pensacola Camellia Club—established 1937 www.PensacolaCamelliaClub.com or like us on Face book.

Past President's Message – Christi Hankins

Our Camellia Garden Tour was another great success by our club members. Thanks to Alan and Gloria McMillan for opening their garden to tours, and to all the club members that worked the tours at both locations. Thanks to Larry Morris at Pensacola Seed and Garden for offering our "tourists" special pricing on camellias.

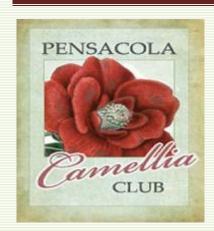
As most of you know, our annual induction banquet is March 21st at V Pauls on Palafox. Special thanks to Paul Bruno for hosting this annual event. Get in touch with T Morris for your reservation before March 15 so we can include you in the festivities.

LeAnna Brennan will be holding an air layering seminar at our April 18th meeting. She will have sign-up sheets for air layering on the 22nd at area gardens. This is a great opportunity to learn how to air layer, improve your skills, and multiply your collection of camellias.

Thank you for the honor of being your president. It has certainly been my pleasure. You have found a great leader in John Mate as your next president and have selected a wonderful board for the upcoming year. I look forward to continuing to serve you as Past President. Under John's tutelage, it is going to be another successful year of Camellia events! Thanks to those that served on the board while I was president. Your tireless commitment made my job easy.

Your president,

Christi



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Membership Meetings & Programs

Tuesday April 18th, 2017
Garden Center 1850 N. Ninth Ave
With 6:30pm social & refreshment
followed by program at 7:00 pm.
Can you come at 6:00 pm and help us set
up for the meeting? Lynn & Jerri would
appreciate table set up.

Program for the night;

- Air Layering review by LeAnna
 Brennan along with sign up for air
 layering at UWF garden on April 22nd.
- Soil sample kits from Escambia County will be available.

Membership Dues:

Have you forgotten to pay your dues?

According to the bylaws; payable during the month of January. Dues are still \$10.00 for the calendar year or \$100.00 for Lifetime membership. Remember we are a 501c 3 charitable organization which would go towards your tax donations.

Please keep Lynn Manthei up-to-date with any changes to your contact information; address, phone or email at rosalindmanthei@gmail.com

Need a ride to our meetings? We are setting up car pools for members who need assistance. Please contact Lynn at 850-723-5175 for arrangements.

At our February meeting.....



Christi Hankins (left) presented
Pensacola Camellia Club Certificate of
Appreciation to Christine and Jim Frazier.
Thank you very much for working on the
beds, UWF garden, shows preparations
and shows.

Photos on this page by Norman Vickers

Mack Thetford took questions from the audience for our panel of experts; John Davy, Skip Vogelsang, Dick Hooton and Roger Vinson. They shared their opinions on a variety of questions; root stock, grafting, when to fertilize & what type to use, such as a time release. Too much water vs too little water, de-bud if multiples, plants have only so much energy to fill bring the buds to blooms & you only pick up the buds that fall off



later. The best tip, know your soil pH to correctly fertilize your plants. The club will bring in some soil testing kits at our April 18th meeting, or you can go to Escambia County office at 3740 Stefani Rd, Cantonment for a kit.

The following is from University of Florida's website.

How do I test my lawn or garden soil?

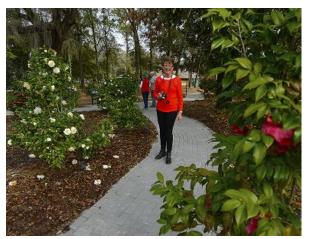
Escambia County Extension offers soil testing kits that you may pick up Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. You will then collect soil from the area you wish to test and submit it with the soil testing form,

http://escambia.ifas.ufl.edu/hort/Landscape Testing Form.pdf, to the University of Florida (UF) in Gainesville. The cost per sample is either \$3.00 for just the pH or \$7.00 for the pH and nutrient analysis. In 7-10 days, the UF soil lab will send you a detailed analysis of your soil with recommendations. You may then call or email Escambia County Extension for any assistance in the analysis interpretation or for further recommendations.

As you know our event calendar was overwhelming for February and if you missed any of these events please see the website or Face book page for more photos. Here are a few to summarize. Thank you for contributing your photos for our PowerPoint review of the UWF garden which we shared at our meeting & Community Show.



Feb 14th UWF Camellia Garden
Enhancement Ribbon Cutting
Ceremony was a perfect day in
every way, beautiful weather with
lovely blooms of camellias
everywhere in the garden.



Walk ways between the camellia and benches to sit on with memorial bricks truly enhance the garden. We will be selling more memorial bricks to those that missed this opportunity and still wish to purchase.

Photos on this page from UWF.





On Feb 18th - **YMCA** Grafting Workshop demonstration by John Davy and Air Layering demonstration by Christi Hankins and Mack Thetford. The following photos provided by Jill Cleaver who recently joined PCC and really wants to graft.

















And now the waiting begins.



Christi Hankins assisted by Mack Thetford provided step by step method on how to air layer. Come practice what you learned on April 22nd at UWF garden.

Photo by Norman Vickers

Feb 25th Community Show at the downtown Library brought out 100 visitors with 222 blooms on display and 38 plants sold to members.

Photos by Louise Seitz, Vickers family photo by Mack Thetford









The following photos are from our March 4^{th} Garden Tours at UWF. There were 80 visitors to the garden that enjoyed the benches and blooms.

Photo by Norman Vickers.





John Mate and T. Morris helped our guest at UWF garden tour.

John Mate photos Norman Vickers pruning while at the garden.



Mark your Calendar....

March 21st Pensacola Camellia Club Annual Banquet

Come join us at V.Paul's Italian Ristorante located at 29 Palafox in downtown Pensacola for a delicious meal, musical entertainment, installation of officers and camellia plant auction. (Bring your check book for the auction). Please bring your camellias to decorate the tables which patrons may take home after the event. Time: 6:00 pm, Cost: \$30.00 per person (includes tips) same price for your guest or non-club member. Checks made out to: **Pensacola Camellia Club** and given to: T. Morris / Treasure at the next meeting or mail to 579 Man O' War, Cantonment, FL 32533 no later than March 15th.

There will be a "Cash bar" available for your enjoyment.

April 18th Pensacola Camellia Club Meeting at Garden Center

Join us at 6:30 pm social with refreshments follow by 7:00 pm program. LeAnna will demonstrate air-layering in preparation for our workday.

This will be final call for anyone who wishes to purchase a memorial brick for UWF garden.

April 22nd Air-layering at UWF and other gardens.

Please come out to UWF garden to help with this project so we will have more plants to sell to members later on.

June 10th Board Planning Meeting @10:00am - Pensacola downtown library. If you have any suggestions for future programs of what you would like to learn about please inform Mack Thetford prior to this date. Any positive or negative feedback on meeting or events that can help the club would be appreciated.

August 15th PCC Picnic

Save this date, reservations and side dishes/desserts will be organized by Jerri Smith over the summer. More details will come after our June meeting.

Miscellaneous

On Feb 19th the club received a **Thank You note** from Laura Hussey of Wear 3 TV.

" Thank you so much for the beautiful "Lady Laura" camellia! It was such a pleasure to view the garden at UWF and meet some of the club members.

You truly bring beauty to our community, and now you have added beauty to my life. Thanks for your kindness and generosity," Laura Hussey

Misplaced Large Camellia sign. Did anyone pick up our club sign at past December show? Please contact Carol Comber if you have it at 850-455-8496.

We are looking for photos of **Pensacola Camellias Varieties** that you might have for the following bloom to be included on our website. Please forward your photos to Skip Vogelsang and Louise Seitz for this website project.

Carmine. large. Single with ruffled petals and yellow anthers. Vigorous, compact, upright growth. M. U.S. 1960 - O.J. Faircloth

B.C. Light pink with dark pink stripes on some petals. Medium, full peony form. Goodman Vigorous, open growth. Distinct fragrance. E. U.S. 1950 - B.C. Goodman

White lightly marked rose red. Small to medium, full peony form. Slow Bill Stout

upright growth. E. U.S. 1981 - I. Meriwether

White blotched and striped red on one side of flower. Large, peony form. Chief Slack

Medium open growth. M. U.S. 1951 - G.J. Slack

White striped rose. Very large, semi-double. Vigorous, open upright Cindy B

growth. M. U.S. 1965 - T. Herrin

Edwin S. Cream white. Large peony form with notched petals. Vigorous, spreading

growth. M. U.S. 1950 - Wilkinson Northup

Elinore Lee-Medium, anemone to peony form. M. U.S. 1948 -R. Lee White

Light pink. Large, semi-double. Mediu, compact growth. M. U.S. 1946 -Elizabeth

Herrin T. Herrin

Bright clear pink. Large, anemone form. Medium, open growth. E.M. Gaynell

U.S. 1966 - Bray

James White with occasional blotches of rose pink. Medium anemone form.

Leonard Vigorous, upright growth. M. U.S. 1954 - F. Turner

Dark pink shaded to pale pink. Very large, semi-double with ruffled petals Lady Estelle

intermingled with petaloids and stamens. Medium growth. M. U.S. 1985 Peel

- V.E. Magette

White to cream white with occasional small pink stripes. Large, full peony Lucy Turner

form. Medium, compact growth. M. U.S. 1954 - F. Turner

Marian Cerise pink. Large, anemone to peony form. Medium, open upright

Harrison growth. M. U.S. 1961 - Harrison

Light pink to light rose pink as flower ages. Large, semi-double. Medium, Most Precious

upright growth. M. U.S. 1959 - E.S. Simpson

Pensacola Rose pink. Medium, full peony form. Medium, open, spreading growth.

Belle M. U.S. 1957 - Mrs. C.D.

Terry Clayton Light pink. Large, semi-double to peony form. Vigorous, upright growth.

Newell E.L. U.S. 1966 - Bray

Ashes of roses. Large, semi-double of 'Magnoliaeflora' form. Slow, dwarf Tiny Tim

growth. (U.S. 1949 - Herrin).

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2016

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 over the years.

Memorial donations for Vernon Vinson and John Shrader and honorarium gifts for Dr. Merrill Wilhoit and Dr. Don Applegate, totaling \$300, were received during the past year. The Foundation received income as interest and dividends totaling \$1,849.75 during 2016.

The Foundation also received a large number of donations in 2016 for our UWF Camellia Garden, totaling \$43,450.00, all of which have been applied to the Garden's recent major improvement project.

The Foundation's investment assets as of December 31, 2015, totaled \$65,527.96. Its investment assets as of December 31, 2016, totaled \$74,193.86, an increase of \$8,665.90 for the year. Of the Foundation's assets, \$1,185.00 is designated for the UWF Camellia Garden. The Foundation also holds title to the 2005 Chevrolet van used by the club, and the lease for the Club's shade house.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, Roger Vinson, Chairman

Jack O'Donnell Richard Hooton Skip Voegelsang Chuck Fosha, Trustee

Pensacola Camellia Club (PCC) Statement of Purpose

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.

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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From the PCC webmaster, Bill Lyford:

Why should PCC members go to the website? There are ideas for camellia care, photographs of PCC activities and history of the organization beginning in 1937. Besides, one can access previous newsletters and see photos of Pensacola varieties. Most members know that there have been over 100 varieties originating from this club. Also, there are direct links to the American Camellia Society website. If ACS has done it better, then we link to their website rather than try to duplicate the effort. For those who receive the newsletter by e-mail, click here to go to PCC website. Click here to go to ACS website or like us on our Face book page.