

THE PENSACOLA CAMELLIA

**November** Newsletter Editor

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The long awaited December 10<sup>th</sup> winter Camellia show is coming soon. Your club has taken an active role in helping you grow a winning bloom. You have heard a presentation on fragrant camellias, and diseases and pest and have been given advice on fertilizing and gibbing. This month we will hear from Dr. Bennett on qualities of Camellia blooms. The December general meeting is the first Tuesday in December. Occurring the week before the winter show, tips on displaying your Camellias to attract the judges' attention will be presented, but I hear from some members saying "I could never have a winning bloom". Nonsense. It is still not too late to find your plants with buds that can be gibbed. But it must be done in the next several days. The December show has lots of opportunities for a novice to win, so take your best shot. And take this show as an opportunity to volunteer to help and also learn from the winners as to their techniques as a show winner. Good luck. Continued on page 2

REMEMBER TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER AT THE DECEMBER CAMELLIA SHOW AT THE MEETING NEXT WEEK.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO COME TO THE JUDGES LUNCH ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>. YOU NEED TO SIGN UP AND PAY AT THE MEETING. For more information call Sandra at 623-6321 or email her.

If you have an article you would like to see in the newsletter. Please send it to me at <u>shermanacs@aol.com</u>



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

\*Meeting Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. Program; Camellia family tree and demonstration on preparing blooms for entry in the camellia show.

Remember our December meeting is the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in December right before our show. Date: December 6<sup>,</sup> 2011

PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB (PCC) STATEMENT **OF PURPOSE** □ TO FOSTER AND MAINTAIN AN INTEREST IN CAMELLIAS AND THEIR CULTURE  $\Box$  TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF CAMELLIAS □ TO PROVIDE AN **OPPORTUNITY FOR THEIR** EXHIBITION AND APPRECIATION, NOMENCLATURE AND TO **RECOGNIZE THOSE** INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ENCHANCED THE CAMELLIA IN OUR SOCIETY

#### 2011 OFFICERS

President- Charles Fosha 1st VP & Show Chair-Sandra Sherman 2ndVP & Program Chair-Bruce Musselman 3rd VP, Membership-Judy Kerr Secretary-Norman Vickers Treasurer- Thekla Morris Past-President Skip Vogelsang 2011 BOARD MEMBERS Barbara Angello Joan Blanchard Al Jeppesen Carol Comber Dennis Kohli Gabriel "Ole" Olsen

# MINUTES PCC November 1, 2011

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

T. Morris: Judy Kerr and others reported that T. is at Haven o Peace for rehabilitation from operation on knee and total hip replacement. Making good progress and is in good spirits. There was a question about loan of cups to the Ft. Walton Camellia Club-theirs were lost. T. indicated that cups used by PCC were purchased and owned by her, personally. Hence, PCC is unable to honor Ft. Walton club request. Who is designated to communicate with FW club? Sherman responded to FWB club.

Budget: Vogelsang passed out Excel sheet and explained in detail. October income: 1,716.00; Expenses 1,803.00. Oct loss 88.00. Majority of income and expense relate to plant sales Membership income for Oct. 520. December Show/Plant Sale: Sandra Sherman indicated that things are on track. Signup sheet for Judges Luncheon was circulated. There are 40 places for Judges Dinner. This is open to judges, spouses, PCC board and workers.

## **Reports**

Foundation: No report as Vinson absent. Membership: Judy Kerr reported 214 current members but 114 of these not yet

paid. ACS members 59! Considerable discussion about lag of 4 months for dues to be paid-due in August but delinquent Jan 1. E-mail will go those who have not paid followed by letter, if necessary. Newsletter: Sandra will, in future, get newsletter out before our board meeting. We can always update members by email message if necessary. She plans to use some color photos, even for print newsletter. Most go by e-mail. She has only 40 receiving print newsletter. She will add tips for camellia care. Website: Lyford discussed updates for website. Public Relations: Vickers reported that press releases have been sent. UWF Garden: Vogelsang again discussed conversion of the garden from grass to mulch/natural. Need about \$4,000 total for the project. Discussed various ways to raise rest of money including "adopta-plant." No action taken at this time. Programs: Musselman said that January program would be on grafting. Installation banquet in Feb. Then his term ends. Plant sales/shade house: Vogelsang will get mulchpickup load-for use in

potting for air-layering progress. Hooton is out of town now.

Additional: Judy Kerr reported

that she and Gordon Eade are updating "operations manual" and putting in duties of historian. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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We also have a spring show for novices to learn how to prepare and present your blooms. Enjoying the color, size and shape of the various blooms makes growing Camellias worth it but why not add frosting to the cake as a show winner.

As always there will be raffles and plant sales at the membership meeting. Remember when you purchase your Camellias from the Camellia club you can be sure you are getting a very healthy plant that is what you paid for. All our Camellias are bloom tested before being sold. And the prices are very competitive. So let us know what you want. In most cases we can deliver.

#### Chuck

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#### MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are payable in August and September. The bylaws were changed February 15, 2011 to reflect this change in the due date for all members. If dues are not paid by December 31 membership will be terminated and you will no longer receive the newsletters or get a copy of the membership directory. If you have not paid your current year dues please submit a check to: Membership Chair, Judy B. Kerr, 3115 Windermere Drive, Pensacola, FL 32503-8207.

Remember if you have one (1) gallon pots bring them to the meeting. Norma English will be collecting them this month.

MONTHLY MEETING IS November 15, 2011 At the PENSACOLA GARDEN CENTER. SOCIAL AT 6:30 AND MEETING AT 7:00

> CAMELLIA SHOW COMING UP

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NOVEMBER FORT WALTON BEACH, FL, Greater Fort Walton Beach Camellia Society, 11/12/2011, at Westwood Retirement Resort,1001 Mar Walt Drive, Martin Harwood, (850) 477-3625., camelliamartinharwood@gmail. com

BILOXI, MS, Mississippi Gulf Coast Camellia Society, 11/19/2011, at Lyman/Gulf Coast Community Center on Highway 49, Al LeFebvre & Steven Manis, (228) 832-2405, <u>dlefebvre0738@att.net</u>.

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LADY LAURA Photo by Sandra Sherman



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Do I have the winning number?

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# October 18, 2011 Pensacola Camellia Club Meeting



From left, Roger Vinson, chair of Pens. Camellia Club Foundation makes a point. Pres. Chuck Fosha and Program Chair Bruce Musselman



Norma English at registration table



Judy Kerr, Membership Chair, left, and Sandra Sherman, Vice Pres. Look on



Larry Morris talked about camellia pests and diseases and how to deal with them.



Large audience attentive to Program Chair Bruce Musselman

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