THE PENSACOLA CAMELLIA

SEPTEMBER 2015

Interim Newsletter Editor: Carolyn Pulford Note: Please excuse the very basic format as we transition.	
<u>Meetings & Programs</u> are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Garden Center, 1850 N. Ninth Ave. with social/refreshment time at 6:30 and program at 7:00.	<u>Upcoming Events</u> <u>Workdays:</u> Watch for specific dates in October .
September 15 "Camellias 101" – <i>Skip</i> <i>Vogelsang</i> will present a power point illustration of basics of camellia blooms with discussion of interest to novices & experienced growers alike. <i>Dante Kahn</i> will have "gib" & syringes for sale. If you've never tried this technique for earlier & larger blooms, this is the year.	<u>Shade House</u> – planting harvested air layers and cleaning and rearranging shade house with new plants which have been ordered. This is an important task & a great learning experience. <u>UWF Garden</u> – Weeding needs to be done
 <u>October 20</u> LeAnna Brennan will discuss airlayering as a simple method of propagating camellias. Plans will be detailed for harvesting last spring's air layers. <u>November 17</u> A review & rehearsal of plans for the 77th Annual Camellia Show and Plant Sale. Chairman: Skip Vogelsang 	Saturday December 12: 77 th Annual Camellia Show and Plant Sale: NOTE NEW LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church, 33 E. Gregory Street, Downtown <u>Plant Sale</u> begins at 9 a.m.; <u>Public viewing</u> 2:00-4:00
<u>December 8</u> (Note: 2 nd Tues.) Discussion and final preparation for77th Annual Camellia Show and Sale	

<u>REMINDER</u>: Dues are \$10; thank you if yours are already paid. <u>Option</u>: The board voted to offer a paid Lifetime Membership for \$100 for anyone interested (not Honorary Membership).

<u>August Picnic:</u> Many thanks again to Alan and Gloria MacMillan for opening their lovely home to club members for our annual picnic. Aeiko Mitchell posted great pictures to our website (<u>https://www.facebook.com/.../Pensacola-Camellia-Club</u>)

Condolences

***Homer Gresham, a longstanding member of Pensacola Camellia Club, recently passed away. Homer was a valued member of the club who could always be counted on to lend a hand, whether at Doc Lundy's place or any club work day, and was always helping out at the plant sales. He will be sorely missed.

*** Our sympathy to John Davy whose mother, Beth Davy, passed August 16 at age 89.

*** Mrs. Lillian Gordy, of Ocala, FL, passed away recently. She and her husband Clarence, who passed two years ago, were long time "camellia people" and were beloved by all who knew them. They developed many new camellia varieties; among them are Miss Lillian, Early Autumn, and Emberglow. At our Pensacola Camellia Club fund raiser at VPaul's last year, Miss Lillian allowed us the privilege of auctioning three plants that were(are) as yet unnamed. By the way, the plants brought in \$125 each.

(Thanks to Dick Hooton for the information on Homer Gresham and Miss Lillian.)

from <u>A Camellia Calendar of Love</u> Adapted from John Edwards' camellia calendar by Gordon Eade.

September- Plant camellia seeds. Air layer plants should be ready to pot. Spray if needed. Begin disbudding and 'gibbing' programs.

October – Complete disbudding of plants, and continue to pot air layer plants. Mulch for winter months. Continue 'gibbing' program.

November – Water if too dry. Plant new varieties. Transplant or repot plants. Continue 'gibbing' program.

December – Water if too dry, especially before a freeze. Continue planting program. Continue 'gibbing' program. *pickup and destroy fallen blooms. Compete in, and visit, Camellia Show.

Attention given to your plants expresses your love for them -

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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.

PENSACOLA CAMELLIA CLUB FOUNDATION

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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