



We have several “Milestones” each year for our club. I am happy to say that October is in our rear view mirror. I have heard a lot positive feedback in our sponsoring the Gulf Coast Camellia Society Conference. The air-layers are harvested and 512 have been potted. Thank you, John Davy for hosting our potting party.

Now is a great time to transplant or repot your camellias. Hopefully you have completed your gibbing to have blooms for our ACS Sanctioned Show. Our show is part of the Christmas season therefore we will be collecting donations for ‘Toys for Tots.’ Please bring new unwrapped toys to our next meeting or a monetary donation and we will shop for you. The toys will be displayed on our awards table, let’s make it impressive. The Marines will collect and distribute the toys to the needy children of Escambia County for Christmas. Any members needing help getting their gift donations to the November meeting can call the club number 850-780-0410 or email Louise Seitz at pensacolacamellia@gmail.com for assistance.

Looking ahead, Trumin Brown is the chairperson of the nominating committee. We presently will need to elect a new President, Treasurer and a few board members for the following year. You can learn more about these positions and Pensacola Camellia Club’s **bylaws** on the website under ‘About Us’ or see VP of Membership, Becky Sherman, for a printed copy.

ARTICLE VII

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1: By December 1st of each year the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, consisting of a chairperson and two additional members. The committee shall include at least two past presidents of the club. Members of the Nominating Committee are ineligible for nomination to the office of President.

Section 2: The Nominating Committee shall prepare and submit to the membership a single slate of officers and directors proposed for the coming year at the regular January meeting.

Section 3: Election of officers and directors shall be conducted at the Club’s regular meeting in February. Additional nominations from the membership may be made at least one week before the meeting and with the prior consent of the nominee.



- Greg Taylor / President

Nothing like a few small projects - Louise Seitz

With the sale of the Vinson home we will all miss the many lovely camellias that Judge Roger and Ellen Vinson would bring to our annual show. Ellen reached out to Greg to ask if the Club would want the greenhouse before the new owners take over the property. On our wish list has been to have a separate greenhouse to store just our potted air-layers. On October 5th, Trumin reached out to a few members for help and John Davy provided one of his work trailers for transporting the many large pieces of the greenhouse frame to the Shade House. Step one, disassembling has been completed. The next steps will be grading the selected space before this can be reassembled with irrigation and a shade cloth for our plant needs.



Thank You , Jane Benson, Debbie & Trumin Brown, Paul Bruno, John Davy, Jim DeReuil, John Mate, Cindi McDonald, Allen & LeAnna Sanders, Greg & Melinda Taylor, Skip Vogelsang and Davy's strong helper.



October 15th meeting started with a surprise celebration for Trumin Brown as he enters into another decade. Cake and balloons can always make you feel young again.



Speaking of young, member Peggy DeArmon gave her first PowerPoint presentation that evening and it went perfectly. Peggy has an amazing green thumb and shared her passion for Japanese Maples at many local events in Pensacola. Her subject was, 'Japanese Maples Make Great Companion Plants for Camellias.'

Let's give a Big Shout out to all members who bring those tasty sweet and savory items to our monthly refreshment table. We know many members are coming from work and other activities so your food donations are appreciated by all.

October 12th we opened the gates of the Shade House to sell our camellias due to the church further north having their Fall Festival. It was a perfect day to sit and greet members and non-members as they searched through the many Japonica and Sasanqua camellia plants for their yards. Yep, member, Kathy Casey was happy to find what she was looking for that day. We sold a total of 30 plants that day and recruited a new member; Gary Holt.

CAMELIAS MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS COME SHOP SATURDAY NOV. 16TH AT THE SHADE HOUSE 9-3pm.



Oct 18-19 was the Gulf Coast Camellia Conference and we were ready to party with camellia friends from the various clubs. Visit Pensacola, provided stylish blue sunglasses, that helped us 'break the ice' with the guests for a cheerful time. As I passed out the glasses, I told the guests stop acting your age, let's make our children & grandchildren proud!



I hope everyone of these Camellia lovers will be back in Pensacola with their beautiful blooms for our show, Dec. 14th.

On November 2nd there were 20 members who found their way to Panhandle Growers for a morning of potting our 512 air-layers that were harvested on Friday. The Shade House in Cantonment has no room to store these plants and John Davy generously offer the club a place to work and store our freshly potted camellias. We learned how commercial growers get the job done. There is a 'potting production area' with a tender full of camellia soil mix, empty pots and poking stick to pack the soil for a full pot. John had his team setup an area with ground cover and a shade cloth to store all of our plants. John blessed the pots with a soaking and missed most of the help.



Missing from the photos are Trumin Brown, Jim DeReuil, Ellen Milo, William Paden, & Melinda Taylor.

Look at this root ball of Night Rider with its red roots. Sure hope it grows!



By the way, if you attended The Great Gulf Coast Art Festival Nov. 1st-3rd at Seville Square you may have found these beautiful sasanqua camellias displayed in various locations. Our generous member, John Davy, delivered and setup these large plants as a silent auction. The orange signage mentioned 'Camellias donated by Pensacola Camellia Club.' Great advertisement for the club by John.



What's next you ask?
LETS GET READY
FOR OUR 86th
ANNUAL CAMELLIA
SHOW !



Upcoming Events

Saturday Nov. 9th – UWF Camellia Garden Work Day starting at 9:00am. We will be gibbing and general cleaning of the garden. We will bring the gib and you should bring your, gloves, gardening tools, knee pads and yard waste bags.

NEW Saturday Nov. 16th – Camellias for Sales at the Shade House (3279 Pine Forest, Cantonment, FL) hour's 9-3pm. Many of our members mentioned that they missed the October sale; here is another opportunity for you and your friends to shop. Did I mention Camellias make great gifts to bring to your Thanksgiving host, just thought I give you an idea.

Tuesday Nov. 19th – General meeting– Program: Skip Vogelsang presents, 'What Judges Look for in a Winning Bloom.' Location: Garden Center, 6:30pm for social, 7:00 pm program. If you want Skip to share his best kept secret maybe you should bring some devil eggs to the refreshment table that evening.



Please bring in your unwrapped toy donation for "Toys for Tots" that we will use in place of show prizes for our December Camellia Show winners. We will gladly do the shopping for you if you prefer to support us with a donation.

Here are a few camellias that you might want to take a chance on taking home tonight.



Pleasant Memories
 Species: Reticulata Hybrid
 Color: Pink
 Form: Semidouble With Irregular Petals
 Size: Very Large



Professor Charles S. Sargent
 Species: Japonica
 Color: Dark Red
 Form: Full Peony To Anemone Form
 Size: Medium



Sam Simpson
 Color: Rose Red
 Form: Semidouble
 Size: Medium
 Pensacola Variety



Turner's Camp
 Species: Japonica
 Color: Dark Red
 Form: Semidouble With Irregular Petals
 Size: Large
 Pensacola Variety

Friday Dec. 6th – Pensacola Camellia Club at ‘**St. Christopher’s Caravan**’, 3200 North 12th Avenue, Pensacola **selling camellias and promoting upcoming SHOW events**. If you can help between 9am -4pm leave a message for Louise at 850-780-0410. Please bring a chair, dress for the weather and we will greet the shoppers with camellias and smiles!

Saturday Dec. 7th – Pensacola Camellia Club at [Palafox Market](#) **selling camellias and promoting upcoming SHOW and other events**. If you can help between 8:00am -2:00pm please contact Louise at 850-780-0410. Please bring a chair, dress for the weather and we will greet the shoppers with camellias and smiles!

Tuesday Dec. 10th – General Meeting: Christi Hankins/ Show Chairperson presenting “Where your help is needed for our Camellia Show”. We will finalize all jobs for setup and the show. Location: [Garden Center](#), 6:30pm for social, 7:00 pm program. *Please bring in your toy donation for “Toys for Tots” that we will use in place of show prizes for our December Camellia Show winners.*



Friday Dec. 13th – Show set up at Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio located at 1000 College Boulevard. (They are located across from the Pensacola International Airport, on the corner of College Blvd. and 9th Ave.) Shade House at noon to load show supplies will proceed to the Amos Performance Center, with an estimated arrival time of 1:30- 2pm to unload and set up.

Saturday Dec. 14th – Pensacola Camellia Club 86th Annual Camellia Show & Plant Sales Location: Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio 1000 College Blvd, Exhibitors start time is 7:00am – 10:00am; Judging begins at 10:30am – 1:00pm, Open to the Public to enjoy all of the blooms 1:00pm – 4:00pm.

Tentative - The week of Dec 16th we will be moving the 512 potted plants from Panhandle Growers, Inc. to the shade house. Send everyone you know to the show to buy plants so we have room in the Shade House for them.

We love to hear your camellia stories and / or photos about what you enjoy about camellias or PCC’s events. Please submit to Louise Seitz at pensacolacamellia@gmail.com by the 1st of the month for it to be included in the newsletter.