

# Coushatta

# Camellia

# Society



## August 2012 Newsletter

P.O. Box 1655, Conroe, TX 77305

GREETINGS, CAMELLIA LOVERS!

### Welcome back! New time – 6 p.m.

It's time now to look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones at our monthly get-togethers, to preparing for camellia shows and plant sales, and to learning more about gardening and about our favorite in the garden – the lovely camellia.

Our kick off dinner will be September 4th in the church parlor, a little bit earlier – 6 p.m.. Our Hospitality Committee will bring party sandwich trays and would like club members to bring desserts to go along. If you could plan on staying for a few minutes after dinner to help with the clean up, that will really be appreciated.

We will have more information about upcoming dinners as soon as things have been finalized and remember if you have a suggestion for a restaurant, we'd love to hear it.

This is the meeting where we recognize our sponsors, so be sure to take a moment to give our thanks to:

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Jo Ann and Victor Treat will have our yearbooks ready, and if you haven't had a chance to pay your dues, our treasurer will be glad to take your money!

**See you in September! At 6:00!**

### Upcoming Events

#### September 4 Kickoff Sandwich Dinner

**6:00 p.m.** - social; 6:30 p.m. - dinner

First Christian Church Parlor  
3500 N Loop 336 W, Conroe

*Bring a dessert.*

#### October 2 ..... October meeting

**6:00 p.m.** - social; 6:30 p.m. - program

Speaker: John Ferguson, Nature's Way

First Christian Church Parlor  
3500 N Loop 336 W, Conroe

#### October 15, 16 ..... Gulf Coast

Camellia Society Annual meeting  
Natchez, MS

*contact Claudette Shelfer for more information; she will bring back gib from this meeting.*

Come join us in the parlor at the First Christian Church at 3500 North Loop 336 West, in Conroe. The church is not far from the intersection with highway 2854, and can be reached from I-45 most easily by taking either exit 84 (Loop 336 S ) or exit 88 (Loop 336 N) and proceeding west around the loop to the church, which lies on the west side of the road.

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## Jacquelyn Wells

Jacquelyn Dolores Wells was born June 17, 1928 in Livingston, Texas to Paul and Georgia Platt and entered the Gates of Heaven on May 21, 2012. Jacquelyn is survived by her daughters, Joni Miller and husband, Mark, of Southlake, Texas and Jamie Herrmann and husband, Robert, of The Woodlands, Texas and by her grandsons, Michael and Christopher Miller. Jacquelyn was a long-time teacher/librarian for the Willis Independent School District and a member and past-President of the Coushatta Camellia Society. Jacquelyn will greatly be missed by her loving family and numerous friends.

The above obituary appeared to commemorate the passing of a great woman. Members of Coushatta Camellia Society gathered at Jackie's home on Hillcrest on June 2 to meet with her family and friends and share the memory of the many things she contributed to our lives.

Jackie shared her knowledge of camellias and her love of gardening with us all. She stepped forward at a time when our group needed leadership and made an immense difference in the society. She was influential in many projects, not least of which was the ESCAP project which introduced camellias to school children. Not many realized that the story of "The Little Camellia" which was read to the children was written by Jackie. She also designed the bookmark that was given to children who attended our show, and initiated the concept of coloring pictures of camellias as a contest and displaying the pictures at our Annual Show. Our annual Garden Tour was begun while she was President, and she was a master at organizing people and obtaining volunteers for projects.

**We will miss her!**

**Congratulations** to Dick and Sarah Eidem and Morris Waller, who have completed the requirements to become American Camellia Society accredited judges.



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## *CCS Under New Management*

Coushatta Camellia Society would like to thank Dennis Bilyeu and his wife Renee for all the hard work that they have put into our society during the past few years.

Dennis and Renee have requested to step back at this time, and Oscar Schank will take over the duties of the President, with the help of his wife Maxine.

Oscar looks forward to working with the current board. There are a few positions that still need filling, so please be ready to help when you are asked.

Volunteers may call Oscar or Maxine at (936) 445-1765 or e-mail [oschank@consolidated.net](mailto:oschank@consolidated.net)

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Beginning Balance June 1, 2012 \$7,640.55

#### Expenses:

ACS Dues	\$ 30.00
Storage	420.00
Web Site	300.00
Total Expenses	\$750.00

#### Deposits:

Plant Sales	\$190.00
Dues	25.00
Friends of CCS	25.00
Trophy	60.00
Sponsor	250.00

Total Deposits: \$550.00

Ending Balance August 26, 2012 \$7,440.55

### **A Message from the Treasurer:**

Our Treasurer Claudette Shelfer would like to thank all of you who have already paid your dues, and to remind those who have not yet sent in their money - NOW is the time to PAY THOSE DUES! It's \$10 for a single membership and \$15 for a joint membership, a price which can't be beat.

# *Support Our Sponsors!*

## *Happy Birthday!*

Hope everyone has had a great summer. Happy birthday to our members who had summer birthdays!



### **June**

Charlie Gambrell  
Margie Koehl  
Roy Kveton  
Pamela Lewis  
Laurie McCranor  
Jim Sadoti  
Tommy Weeks  
JR Weidner

### **August**

Bill Dupré  
Sue Hall  
Patricia Harness  
William Harness  
Peggy LeVrier  
JoAnn Treat  
Judy Weidner

### **July**

Greg Davis  
Diane Dyer  
Bill Feece  
Beverly Fussell  
Ash Shah  
E. B. Smith  
Amy Thorn  
Morris Waller

### **September**

Doris Allwright  
Buffalo Allwright  
Lois Boudreaux  
Bill McCranor  
Randy McDaniel  
Debra Stallings  
Sharon Walker

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### ***Highlights of Summer Board Meetings:***

- CCS will purchase QuickBooks for use by Treasurer
- C.C.S. purchasing 6-8ft. foldable tables for the church for the Allie Dezell memorial
- The storage building will be shared, to help with expense
- Bill McCranor continuing work on the website; approval made for Bill to go ahead with our own domain
- C.C.S. Show will be January 26; it will be a 1-day show with a grafting workshop and possibly a Camellia 101 workshop
- Suggested to have the show on the 26<sup>th</sup> and the Tour on the 27<sup>th</sup>
- No separate fall plant sale; participation in the Montgomery County Fall Plant Sale, continue with Mercer sale, sales at tour & show; fewer plants bought this year as we have good inventory
- Suggestions to be presented to membership:
  - Start of the meetings to begin at 6:00(social) and the regular meeting starting at 6:30 as the length of meetings was always an issue as some members live a distance away.
  - New members dues will be good for the following year if they did not join till after January 1.
  - Price of dues going to \$15 for individual or \$20 for couple, for those who get their newsletter by snail mail or mailed to them. Those who choose E-mail will still pay \$10 for individual and \$15 for couple.



***ACS Discount Available for a short time:*** As an incentive to those that have never been an ACS member before, ACS is offering a 50% discount for the one year membership. The \$15.00 membership fee should make it affordable for most budgets. Your membership includes: Quarterly issues of *The Camellia Journal*; Annual copy of the *American Camellia Society Yearbook*; Access to additional publications, education content, and forums on the ACS website; 10% discount in the ACS Gift Shop and at the online store; A copy of *Camellia Culture*, a publication on camellia care and propagation; Free admission to Massee Lane Gardens – the American Camellia Society headquarters in Fort Valley, GA. In addition, free admission to reciprocating botanical gardens; National meeting and conventions, educational workshops, an extensive camellia library, fact sheets, and nursery information. A registration form will be included with the e-mailed newsletter, or will be available at the September meeting.

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To qualify, you must answer YES to the two questions below: (Circle Below)

- I am a member of my local camellia club or society. YES or NO
- I have never been a member of the American Camellia Society. YES or NO

### **Member Information**

Title			
Name			
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Co-Member Name			
	First	Middle Initial	Last
Address			
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Referring Club			
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**This discount offer applies only to local club/society members who have NOT previously been a member of the American Camellia Society. This offer is limited to a full one year ACS membership subscription. Regular annual dues apply to future ACS membership renewals. Offer valid only through December 31, 2012.**

### **Payment Section**

Membership Dues: \$15 Single or \$15 Joint One Year ACS Membership			
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