

# Coushatta

# Camellia



## August 2003 Newsletter

P.O. Box 1655, Conroe, TX 77305

# Society

GREETINGS, CAMELLIA LOVERS!

### Welcome back!

It's been a busy summer, but slowly the heat is starting to subside and buds are starting to swell on the early-blooming camellias. 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.

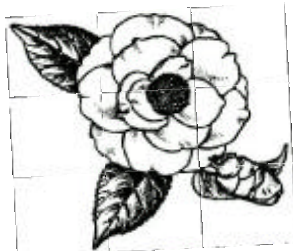
Our first meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Rivershore Community Building. Jack and Diane Dyer will be bringing the turkey and the ham, so bring your favorite salad, side dish or appetizer, bread or dessert to share.

CCS is blessed with GOOD COOKS, so this is always one of our favorite meetings! Take a moment to jot down the recipe as well. Diane plans to assemble a recipe book to sell at one of our shows; it will make a great fundraiser for us!

We'll have some important business to discuss at the meeting:

Dick Eidem, with the help of Troy McCrary, is organizing our September plant sale again this year. Dick and Troy will be asking for volunteers and donations. As you know, this is one of our main fundraisers, so we need assistance from everyone. Dick and Troy will be traveling to Louisiana again this year to pick up a nice

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## Upcoming Events

**September 2** ..... Kickoff Dinner  
6:30 p.m. - social  
7:00 p.m. - Covered dish dinner  
Hosted by Jack and Diane Dyer  
Rivershore Community Bldg.  
206 Scarborough, Conroe  
*Come meet our sponsors!*

**September 27** ..... Annual Plant Sale  
Outside of Kroger  
1217 N. Loop 336 West  
*Place your special orders early!*  
Plant Sale Chairman - Dick Eidem  
Plant Sale Assistant - Troy McCrary

**October 7** ..... October meeting  
6:30 p.m. - social  
7:00 p.m. - program  
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### September meeting - *continued from front page*

variety of quality camellias and sasanquas for our sale. If you have a special request for a certain plant, please let Dick know at the meeting.

Dick will also handle plant raffles at our meetings, and sell camellias at the January show. Jan Waller will handle all other raffles, and Diane Dyer will coordinate door prizes. Please give items you wish to donate for a raffle or door prize to one of these ladies.

Jo Ann and Victor Treat will have our year-books ready, and if you haven't yet had a chance to pay your dues, Jan Waller will be glad to take your money! Your chapter officers and chairmen have already been busy organizing the coming year, beginning with a planning meeting at Linda McCrary's house earlier this month. Librarian Jackie Wells invites any member to call her and come check out one of the many camellia books in the CCS library. We have some beautiful new books with a wealth of information.

We're also looking forward to recognizing our sponsors at this meeting. Each one has received a special invitation to attend. Please make them feel welcome and let them know how much we appreciate their support. This year's sponsors are: Container Grown Nursery (Jeff and Becky Odum), FastSigns (James & Gayle Rankin), Garden World (Kay Mathis), Henderson Feed and Supply (LaVerna Henderson), and Wiesner Auto (John Wiesner).

Please keep Evelyn Norsworthy in your prayers. Evelyn was hospitalized this summer, but has been doing better and may soon be coming home. We were pleased that Jean Kaiser was able to attend the summer planning meeting, and look forward to seeing her again at regular meetings.

**See you in September!**

### Directions to Rivershire Community Building:

Coming from the North: Take the Gladstell Street exit off I-45 South and proceed south on the feeder under the overpass. Then turn right off feeder and proceed to the stop sign, turn left on Scarsborough and go past the strip shopping center to the next stop sign. The building is on the right in the next block.

Coming from the South: Take the Gladstell Street exit off I-45 North and proceed on the feeder but do not go under the overpass. Turn right off feeder and proceed to the stop sign, turn left onto Gladstell, and go over the Interstate to the stop sign. Turn left at stop sign onto Scarsborough and go past the strip shopping center to the next stop sign. The building is on the right in the next block.

### APRIL MEETING

Thirty-five members of CCS met for the last meeting of the year, a social, at the Seven Coves Resort, on April 1st. The food was lovely, the company convivial, and the view over the lake was spectacular! Morris Waller was the lucky door prize winner. What a nice ending to an interesting and productive year.

Incoming President Linda McCrary presented an orchid to Jackie Wells in appreciation of her hard work. Jackie thanked her for the gift, as well as Elizabeth Williams for the photo. She also thanked the many officers, chairmen, and members who had helped her during her administration, and welcomed the new slate of officers.

Jan Waller accepted dues for the new year, and Jo Ann Treat discussed plans for a field trip to take place on the 12th.



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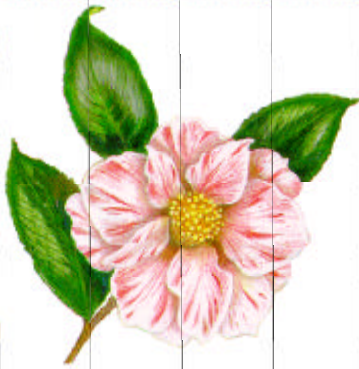
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Awards ..... Judy Weidner

### Camellia Appreciation Project (continued)

Packets ..... Ruby McConnell  
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Refreshments ..... Shirley Roan  
Door Prize Coordinator ..... Jan Waller  
Hospitality ..... Jack & Diane Dyer  
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Newsletter ..... Judy Weidner  
Open Camellia Garden Tour ..... Perry Liston  
Home Selection ..... Jackie Wells  
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Socials  
December Social ..... Beverly Roche  
End-of-year Banquet ..... Jean Kaiser &  
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