Coushatta

Camellia



October 2011 Newsletter

P.O. Box 1655, Conroe, TX 77305

#### **GREETINGS, CAMELLIA LOVERS!**

#### Fall is finally here!

Cooler temperatures are finally starting to come our way, and the season is fast approaching when the lovely camellia will take the spotlight! A few early camellia blossoms have already started to share their beauty, but most of us will have to wait just a little longer for those buds to fulfill their promise. In the meantime we'll enjoy the lovely splash of color provided by the sasanquas.

Welcome new members!

Welcome to our newest members, who joined at the Huntsville Show. Please add this information to your yearbooks.

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#### TREASURER'S REPORT October 2011

Beginning B	alance – 10/1/2011	\$12,386.06
Income:	Dues Friends Donation Raffle Plant Sales Total	\$ 55.00 25.00 10.00 26.00 140.00 \$ <b>256.00</b>
Expenses:	Newsletter Printing Sponsor Sign Printing Total	\$ 11.48 35.72 \$ <b>47.20</b>
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Balance as of 10/22/2011 .....\$12,594.86

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Upcoming Events

November 1 ...... November meeting 6:30 p.m. - social; 7:00 p.m. - program Speaker: Bart Brechter Bayou Bend Gardens First Christian Church Parlor 3500 N Loop 336 W, Conroe

November 19-20Gulfport Camellia Show Gulfport, Mississippi

December 3 Slidell Camellia Show Slidell, Louisiana

December 6 ..... Christmas Social Hyden's Seafood Restaurant, 6:30 p.m. 5104 W. Davis, Conroe Choice of 6 entrees, from \$18 per person to \$14 per person. See back page for options & more info. You may pay at the November meeting, or call Renee Bilyeu at (936) 760-6744.

December 17Covington Camellia Show Covington, Louisiana



### ACS JUDGES REACCREDITATION SCHOOL

Date: January 7, 2012 Location: First Christian Church Gym Time: 10am to 12:30 pm Purpose: Reaccredit judges to new ACS

guidlines

#### **Comments:**

- New accreditation is good for 5 years; i.e., judges will not need to be reaccredited until 2017.
- No fees for this course
- Material provided by ACS
- Novice judges may audit course but will not be certified as judges
- Judges should bring their new judges guideline book sent to them by ACS
- No judges schools are currently scheduled by CCS, so it may be several years before a judges school is available in this area; i.e., if a judges accreditation expires in the next few years, he(she) would need to travel to other Camellia club location to attend a school and maintain their ACS judges accreditation.
- All currently accredited ACS judges are urged to attend this reaccreditation school, if at all possible.
- Dudley Boudreaux will be conducting the school

## Minutes for CCS Meeting Oct. 04, 2011

The October meeting started at 7:00 pm. John Ferguson of Nature's Way Resources was our guest speaker. His talk was titled "The Dirt on Soils", with compost tea as the main topic.

The business meeting opened at 8:15 with a prayer by Oscar Shank. Dennis Bilyeu thanked Tommy Weeks and those that helped with the end of year party. Also, thanks went out to those responsible for the kick-off party and to those who are serving on the board. A call for volunteers for future activities was stressed. Dennis asked for feedback on the new format.

The minutes as published were approved, as was the treasurer's report as published in the newsletter.

A site for the plant sale is still being worked on, as Kroger's is no longer available to the club. Morris Waller reported the Huntsville show is moving along as planned and is set for March 03, 2012. Randy McDaniel is working on our Camellia Show set for January 28 and 29, 2012. Homes and volunteers for our Camellia Home Tour are still needed for February 11 and 12, 2012 as reported by Bill McCranor.

Hyden's restaurant and Vernon's Kuntry Katfish are possible choices for our Christmas party. After a discussion by membership, Hyden's was selected for our Christmas dinner.

Support Our Sponsors! Happy Birthday!

October ( W. B. Knox Tena Koch Ruby McConnell Lyn Shah Claire Surles November Barbara Gibson Nancy Dupré Sarah Eidem Ronnie Gibson Ruby Knox Ron Liston Beverly Roche Kim West

Claudette Shelfer is collecting birthdays. Does she have yours yet? Call her at 713-468-6803 or send her an email: ckshou36@comcast.net

Dennis discussed Gilmore's nursery as our new sponsor and also the use of the greenhouse in back of Gilmore's. He asked for volunteers or someone to head reconstruction and restoration of the greenhouse and utility shed, for future use by the club. Also, care of the orchids that are now inside the greenhouse.

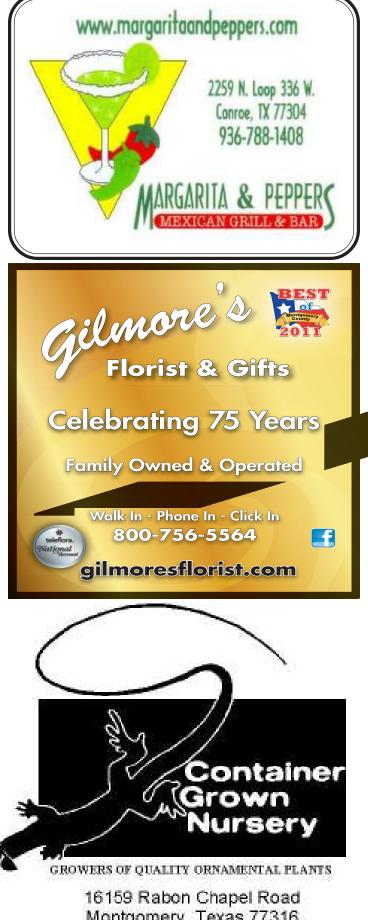
Adopt a park was also mentioned by Dennis as a way of getting the clubs name out to the public.

Randy McDaniel is still working on a park bench for the First Christian Church.

Joann Treat is still working the Club's non-profit status.

Announcement of Master gardener plant sale Saturday October 15, 2011 was made.

After answering a few questions from membership on plant care, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.



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# COUSHATTA CAMELLIA SOCIETY CHRISTMAS DINNER Tuesday, December 6, 6:30 pm

Place: Hyden's Seafood Restaurant 5104 West Davis, Conroe, TX

- Date: Tuesday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m.
  - Menu choices:
  - 10oz. sirloin (\$18), Catfish fillet dinner (\$18), Fried shrimp dinner (\$18)
  - Hyden's chicken and shrimp salad (\$16.50)
  - Chicken fried steak (\$14.00).

Dinner includes soda, tea, or coffee. All items come with vegetable of the day, and a choice of mash potatoes, French fries, Cajun rice, red beans and rice, or white rice. Choices can be made at dinner. Tax and gratuity is included.

Dessert is NOT included, but available for purchase at the time of the dinner

You may make your reservation at the November meeting, or call Renee Bilyeu at (936) 760-6744.





Directions: From I-45, in Conroe, take Loop 336 (either on the north side of Conroe or the south side of Conroe) west to its intersection with Hwy 105 (or take 105 through town, but the intersection at I-45 is under construction). Drive west on Hwy 105 (Davis Street) about 1 1/4 mi, and Hyden's will be on your right.

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