

Coushatta

Camellia



Society

October 2009 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.

Houston Camellia Society Show

The Houston Camellia Society Show is scheduled for November 21st this year, and will take place again at the Houston Garden Center. We do hope that many of you plan to participate in this show, either as a spectator, or as an exhibitor or volunteer. Houston Camellia Society again needs Clerks and Vote Tabulators on Saturday, November 21st. HCS provides on the job training. The Houston Show has also agreed to use additional Novice Judges who wish to get credit for helping in the judging.

Please arrive at the Houston Garden Center before 10:00 A.M. for check in, followed by a short 2-hours work session before lunch at 12:30 P.M.

The Garden Center is in Hermann Park -- just east of the Houston Museum of Natural Science. Free parking and excellent camellia viewing!

Please call Jackie Wells (494-3119) to sign up.



Upcoming Events

November 3..... November meeting
6:30 p.m. - social; 7:00 p.m. - program
Speaker: Dr. Pat Hegwood
Program: "The Vi & Hank Stone
Memorial Camellia Garden"
First Christian Church Parlor
3500 N Loop 336 W, Conroe

November 7..... Fall Plant Sale
Kroger on the North Loop 336
Chairman Randy McDaniel
BRING YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

November 21...Houston Camellia Show
Support the Houston Camellia Show!

December 1..... December Social
Place your order at the November meeting:
Baked Peruvian Chicken or Baked
Salmon, both with vegetables -
\$26.00 per person
Cost includes salad or soup, dessert &
soft drink. Gourmet coffee available for
extra charge.

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ANNUAL PLANT SALE NOVEMBER 7, 2009

by Chairman Randy McDaniel

The annual Coushatta Camellia Society plant sale will be Saturday, November 7, outside the Signature Kroger store on I-45 N and Loop 336 N in Conroe. Please support this important event. The plant sale is the largest single fundraiser for CCS and we need the support of all our members to make this a successful event.

We will also need volunteers to help sell plants on Saturday from 8 am to 3 pm. Please look for the signup sheet at the November meeting. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to transport plants to the sale. Your help is very much appreciated!

Most of the plants at this sale come from Mississippi and Georgia, and are varieties that are hard to find in Texas. So if you can't help sell these plants, come out and purchase them and help out our club.

Prices will be \$25.00 for a 3 gallon plant.

There are still a few special orders that have not yet been picked up, and these plants will be brought to the November meeting. If you have ordered a plant and will not be able to pick it up at the November meeting, please call Dick Eidem so special arrangements can be made.



Membership

by Chairman Meg Mendeck

There are many reasons why we join a group like Coushatta Camellia Society. For some of us it might have been a love of camellias, or wanting to just learn more about the camellia plant. Maybe you have an interest in gardening and are wanting to get to know others who have a similar interest, or you may have joined for the discount in the plants when we sell them.

Whatever the reason why we have so many new members, I hope you will all seriously think of attending a meeting or two to see what CCS is all about. We have interesting speakers, have a great question-and-answer time for camellia problems (which all of us face from time to time).

Added to that, we all enjoy gardening and we help our communities by sharing our time whether it be at our annual Camellia Show or our Home Tour, or other activities.

CCS can also be a fun place to come once a month for about eight months where we meet new people as well enjoy ourselves for a few hours. So come on out and see what your club is about and you might just surprise yourself in finding a place you'd like to come to once a month for a couple of hours. I know that I did!

I hope to see you at our meeting next
Tuesday. --- Meg Mendeck

Support Our Sponsors!

Happy Birthday!



October

Jacque Baumgartner
Joan Blum
W. B. Knox
Tena Koch
Ruby McConnell
Claire Surlis

November

Linda Chidester
Nancy Dupré
Sarah Eidem
Ruby Knox
Ron Liston
Marilyn Mays
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COUSHATTA CAMELLIA SOCIETY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Is that a little nip in the air? Christmas will be here before you know it! Our social committee (Maxine & Oscar Schank, Jack & Diane Dyer) have put their heads together for a very special outing. They have found a wonderful place in the Conroe area, where the food is fantastic. Reservations must be made by the November meeting, so make yours early so you won't miss out!

Here's the menu:

Choice of first course:

- A) House Salad
- B) Corn Chowder

Choice of entree:

- 1) Baked Peruvian Glazed Chicken with black beans and rice
- 2) Baked Salmon with mashed potatoes and zucchini

Dessert:

Apple tarte with Ice Cream



All dinners will be served with either iced tea or water. Gourmet coffee will be available for an extra charge.

Make your favorite combination of 1 or 2 and A or B, then send your choice(s) with a check made out to CCS for \$26.00 per person (that's \$52.00 per couple), includes tip & tax, to Diane Dyer, 623 Mosswood, Conroe, 77302, or bring payment to the November meeting. Deadline for payment is November 3 (our meeting date). Absolutely no late reservations can be accepted.

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