

Coushatta Camellia Society



December 2016 Newsletter

P.O. Box 1655, Conroe, TX 77305

GREETINGS, CAMELLIA LOVERS!

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

(sorry, I apologize for the delay in getting this done.)

Our November meeting was busy with much planning for our future events. Many thanks to all of those who have taken lead roles in these and to the many of you who have volunteered to be workers.

In addition to our planning work, we were indeed blessed with a wonderful presentation and learning experience by Darla Harris who is currently the President of the Texas Gulf Coast Fern Society. She brought many examples of the hundreds of types of ferns and all of those were for sale. Most of those present went home with some wonderful fern plan to add to their gardening. If you are interested in learning more the Society's website is <http://www.tgcfernsoc.org.html>

In December we had our traditional Christmas Dinner for the Society which was held at Salt Grass Steakhouse. We owe **Phyllis Shackelford** a big thank you for all the planning she did for the Christmas dinner hosted by CCS for members. It was a very wonderful evening for all who were able to attend

Coming up in the New Year are our many, many activities which include shows, garden tour, and meetings. It should be a very interesting and fun couple of months for us.

The freezing weather may have caused some damage for our plants and some of the opening buds and blossoms. Hopefully there is time and good weather to assure plenty to submit in our shows.

Upcoming Events

January 8, 2017

Regular Meeting
2;30 social 3:00 meeting
Planning for Show Participatin

January 13, 2017

Set Up and Pre-Show Pizza Party
First Christian Church

January 14, 2017

44th Annual Coushatta Camellia Show
First Christian Church

February 12, 2017

Regular Meeting
2:30 social, 3:00 meeting
Program to be announced

February 19, 2017

Camellia Garden Tour

February 25, 2017

Texas Camellia Show (Huntsville)

PLAN TO PARTICIPATE

Not only do we need help with both the setting up of the show and the show itself, but we need our members and their friends to participate by bringing camellia blossoms. You don't have to have a large number to submit – if you have one blossom that looks good, that would be great!

REMEMBER OUR NEED FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

The **Huntsville Camellia Show** is another big project for us. You don't have to take on a big job as there are many ways in which you can help. Let Chair Frank Ohrt know – either at the January or February meeting or through contacting him - fgohrt@gmail.com. It is fun to both help and/or to participate with a blossom or two.

Bill McCranor, who is our **Garden Tour** Chair, is also in need of volunteers. Foremost right now would be to consider **offering your garden for the tour**. Many of you have gardens with camellias that would be of interest. This is a very worthwhile endeavor to help acquaint others about camellias as well as giving all of us the pleasure of enjoying your garden. In addition, Bill needs **volunteers to help the day of the tour** with being a host at one of the gardens. It is fun to meet folks who come and volunteers make the tour possible. You can contact Bill at wmccranor@gmail.com

*IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR DUES
FOR THIS YEAR 2016-2017 PLEASE DO SO
\$10.00 INDIVIDUAL - \$15.00 COUPLE Payable to CCS.
Mail to
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THANK YOU

**TAKE CARE OF YOUR CAMELLIAS SO YOU WILL HAVE
FLOWERS TO ENTER IN ONE OR BOTH OF OUR SHOWS**