

Coushatta Camellia Society

January 2022 Newsletter



*Greetings, Fellow Camellia
Lovers!*

Members,
January 2022 is already here but unfortunately the problems we faced last year as a result of Covid19 are still with us. Due to the increase in cases for the new Omicron variant the Board of the CCS has decided to change our indoor annual flower show and plant sale to only be a camellia plant sale which will be held outdoors at the church under a tent on January 28/29 from 1:00-4:00. The logistics of trying to deal with unknown people in an indoor setting and the limited number of volunteers has necessitated this change. It is my hope that this most contagious variant but much milder virus will eventually lead to an end of the pandemic and allow us all to gather together without worrying about being hospitalized. Time will tell. In any event, we can surely enjoy the one plant and passion that we all have in common which is the camellia. Such beauty at this time of year is what growing and nurturing them all the year leading up to now is what we strive for. I know that many of you surely have a few plants that are coming into bloom and others that already did or even others that will open in the later part of the month on through March. This weekend we woke up on Sunday to a cold blistering wind that surely will take its toll on some of the flowers but fortunately it will be a short cold snap and other buds will soon open to reveal their glory. Again, I'm sorry to have to cancel the flower show but would like to see a few of our members come out for the plant sale as we will be advertising it to the general public and could use help in selling the plants or even buying one for yourself.

Sincerely,
Edward Estrada
President Coushatta Camellia Society

Current Activity

January 9, 2022

Regular Meeting

Via Zoom

First Christian Church
3500 SH 336 Loop
Conroe, Texas

January 28-29, 2022

1:00-4:00pm daily

Annual Coushatta Camellia Show
Cancelled in favor of a Camellia Plant Sale
First Christian Church

CCS Website:

<http://coushattacamelliasocietv.com/>

Request for Assistance

Having cancelled the annual camellia show in response to the Omicron variant surge, we will still have an outdoor plant sale at the church. I believe that, with the sale being outside, and everyone wearing a mask, we can do so safely.

Our January meeting will be held via Zoom, at 2:00 PM on Sunday, as usual, where we will discuss the details and logistics of the plant sale. It will be a lot less work than putting on a full show and sale, but there will still be plenty to do, and we will need for members to come and help out. Please log in to the meeting and find out what each of you can do to make the sale happen.

While I can't promise anything at this time, there is also a possibility that we may have a speaker from the Mercer Arboretum.

Frank Ohrt

Articles Attached from Gulf Coast Camellia Society "Camellian" (with permission)

"In the Winter Garden" by Art Landry

"Planting a Camellia"

ZOOM Meeting

Please note that the January 9 meeting will be available on ZOOM at 2:00 p.m. The link will be forwarded separately from this Newsletter.

Brief Calendar for 2021-2022

September 12, 2021

Opening year meeting

October 10, 2021

Regular Meeting

November 14, 2021

Regular Meeting

December 12, 2021

Judges' Class

December 19, 2021

Regular meeting

Christmas Dinner

January 9, 2022

Regular Meeting

Held via Zoom

2:00 pm

January 28-29, 2022

1;00-4:00p.m. daily

Annual Coushatta Camellia

Show – show cancelled

In favor of plant sale

First Christian Church

February 13, 2022

Regular Meeting

March 13, 2022

Regular Meeting

April TBD

End of Year Party

June/July 2022

Board Meeting

