Coushatta Camellia Society



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GREETINGS, CAMELLIA LOVERS!

FROM AN APPRECIATIVE PRESIDENT

After the Bar-B-Que afternoon on April 9, our CCS year will end and we will be looking toward getting ready for our fall/winter camellias. I am grateful to all of you for volunteering and participating this year. Every attendance at a meeting is most welcome and every bit of help was so appreciated and so necessary to have a successful year. Every dues paid in support of us as an active or inactive member is so helpful and welcome. Wish I could name each of you, but I would surely leave somone out, so if you either attended, volunteered and/or were a financial supporter, please know I am speaking to you. I do want to specially thank the officers and board members who worked so hard to be sure the jobs got done. We will be working toward a successful and interesting new year. If you have suggestions about any phase of our activities, please do not hesitate to send me a note – victor.treat@verizon.net, or P. O. Box 143, College Station, Tx. 77841 Remember this is your Society!! Jo Ann

Our meeting on March 12 was a good meeting in that we got both our business taken care of and we had a very interesting and useful program. Mike Mendic from Master Gardeners spoke to us on Rain Water Harvesting which is very timely for us moving toward our rather hot and many times dry summer. There was something for all types of needs to capture water to use for our plants. Mike and his wife Meg are former members of CCS and she joined him to help.

April 9 Meeting - Bar-B-Que Afternoon

Join us for an afternoon meal of Bar-b-Que and all the fixing provided by CCS. Let's have fellowship and fun as we close our year and look forward to September.

Upcoming Events

April Meeting/Afternoon Bar-b Que And last meeting of this 2016=2017 year

We will meet on April 9, 2017 At our regular meeting place for fellowship And our afternoon meal. 2:30 pm First Christian Church – 3500 N. Loop 336

Our 2017-2018 year will begin September 10, 2017

After which we will have our regular meetings on the 2nd Sunday of each Month unless you are told differently

There will be a Newsletter in the Summer to advise you of plan, request dues and put together committees for the year.

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER AND GET YOUR PLANTS READY FOR THE FALL

Garden Tour Report

Bill McCranon talked about the Garden Tour and the fact that without some different gardens to tour we should think in terms of working toward skipping a year and finding new ones. We have used the same gardens for several years and while we are very grateful to the Eidems, the Marcottes, and McCranon for allowing us to come t their gardens, we need different ones. In regard to that we have identified one garden that needs some help to begin to get it in shape and several of our members are willing to spend some time doing that, probably in April.

The Huntsville Show went reasonably well considering that it is more difficult to get the as many volunteers needed. The results of this show and the Conroe Show are shown later in this newsletter. However, the Board met before the membership meeting and several suggestions were offered and will be fully fleshed out when they meet this summer.

Possible Group Tour

One of the suggestions mentioned during the meeting was taking a trip to Peckerwood Gardens, perhaps during the Fall. While in the past we when we have planned road trips, it has been somewhat difficult to arrange for enough folks to take a bus so this will be one where we travel together in cars. And while Peckerwood Gardens was suggested, there are many others that we could visit. This will also be on the Board's agenda for the early summer meeting.

Camellia Plant for Sale

Dick Eidem reported that CCS has a number of very fine plants for sale and he passed out a list for those present to consider. We sell these to members for \$20 a plant which is a very good rate. Dick takes care of these plants all through the summer, but if you want to have something new for your garden, you could let him know to bring it at the April meeting or make other arrangements. The list of available plants is at the close of the Newsletter – **Call Dick to arrange for purchase - 936-264-2437**

Coaster Sets for Sale

In addition, to the plants, we also have a number of the coaster sets that were used as awards for a category of the blossoms that were chosen at both shows. These are very lovely and make nice gifts. We are selling them to members at cost - \$8.00.

We once again can welcome new members -

Ann Evans from Montgomery and Margaret Gulleage from Huntsville

This was such a good year for us in the wonderful group of new members. We hope to see them often and have them join in our activities.

Our officers elected for the coming year are:

 $President-Jo\ Ann\ Treat$

1st Vice President - Randy McDaniel

2nd Vice President – Frank Ohrt

Secretary – Frank Ohrt

Treasurer – Henry Wei

Immediate Past President Don Marcotte

At-large-Director Bill McCranor

At-large-Director Edward Estrada

At-large-Director Dudley Boudreaux

Dick Eidem was elected a Board Member Emeritus. And we were pleased to have Tommy Weeks join us at our board meeting in March. Tommy and Dick have been invaluable members through the years.

CONROE SHOW RESULTS

(remember – many of our members lost all of their blooms)

Unprotected

Onprotected					
japonica	lg/vlg	Georgia Nat Fair	Tommy Weeks		
	Lg	Royal Velvet Var	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Ru	Royal Velvet	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Md/lg	Lady laura	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Ru	Eleanor Martin	Tommy Weeks		
	Md	Georiga Fire	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Sm	Little Babe Var	Dick Eidem		
	Ru	Freedom Bell	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Min	Melissa	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Ru	Fircone	Bill McCarnor		
Protected	lg/Vg	John Shirah	Hal Vanis		
Japonoca	Lg	Dusty	Hal Vanis		
	Ru	Louise Fitzgerald	Hal Vanis		
	Md	Debutante	Hal Vanis		
	Ru	Cutie Buttons	Hal Vanis		
	Sm				
	lg/Vg	Delores Edwards	Hal Vanis		
protected					
Hybridw/nonret	Md/Lg	Sehritso-Koh	Hal Vanis		
	Ru	Just peaking	Hal Vanis		
	Md/Lg	Julie	Dudley Boudreaux		
Unprotected	Ru	Twinkle Star	Tommy Weeks		
Hybridw/nonret	BB	Star above Star	Dudley Boudreaux		
	Ru	SHi-Shi Gasitel	Don Marcotte		
Sasanqua		Cinninin Cindy	JingFong Wei		
Best Sport		Royal Velvet Var	Dudley Boudreaux		
Best Large Bloom unprotected - Earle & Iola Gentry Memorial Award:					

No winner

HUNTSVILLE SHOW RESULTS

Unprotected	Lg	Rosa Superba	Dudley Boudreaux
japonica	Ru	Royal Velvet	Randy McDaniel
	Md/lg	Ace Of Hearts	George Shackelfort
	Ru	China doll	Tommy Weeks
	Md	Torch Domto	Don Marcotte
	Ru	Nuccios Cameo	Jenny Marcotte
	Sm	Red devil	Tommy weeks
	Ru	Tudor baby Var	Dick Eidem
	Min	Mens Mini	Tommy Weeks
	Ru	Mens Mini Var	Tommy Weeks
	lg/Vg	Stephen stanley	Hal Vanis
Protected	ru	Sound of music	Hal Vanis
Japonoca	Lg	Royal velvet var	Hal Vanis
	Ru	John Rumbach	Hal Vanis
	Md/Lg	Happy Birthday	Hal Vanis

MdBlack magicHal VanisRuVille De nantesHal VanisSmBuddy varHal VanisRuTudor baby varHal Vanis

lg/Vg Dr. Clifford park Dudley Boudreaux

UnprotectedMd/LgJuliaHal VanisHybridw/nonretRuNicky cristHal Vanis

dr tipton Tommy Weeks Lady laura Dudley Boudreaux

Best Seedling Spring daze Tommy Weeks

Ru Leucantha Tommy Weeks

Best Sport

Best Trayof 3 Lg Christmas beauty George Wei

Md/Lg Brother Rose Gynda Malleski

Novice

PLANTS FOR SALE

1 gallon, repotted to 2 gallon, grafted: (Larry Bates)

(1) Betty Sheffield Pink(1) Mary Edna Curlee(1) Cile Mitchell(1) Margaret Sears(2) Debutante(1) Pink Perfection(1) Georgia Fire(1) Snowman

(1) Georgia National Fair

3 gallon, on own roots: (Glen Read)

(2) Cara Mia(2) Charlotte Blount var.(3) Lady Clare(3) Lady Laura

(4) Cile Mitchell (4) Lady Vansittart Red

(2) Donnan's Dream(1) Man Size(1) Fire Falls(3) Massee Lane(1) Henry Huntington(4) Southern Secret(1) High Fragrance(1) Sweetie Pie

(1) Kramer's Supreme (3) Taylor's Perfection

Sassanquas:

- (5) Cool Breeze
- (2) Leslie Ann
- (2) Strawberry Limeade

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