

October Newsletter

Camellia Society of Modesto
2015-16

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President's Message



Hello Camellia Friends, Now that it is fall, it is once again my pleasure to welcome all of you to another camellia season. Hopefully you had a relaxing, enjoyable summer and are now ready to welcome some cooler weather to our region. Your plants should be showing some good-sized buds by now, and they should have been fertilized over the Labor Day weekend, or shortly thereafter.

Our first meeting was September thirteenth for the second annual "Ice Cream Social". The social was attended by quite a few of our regular members, and we all enjoyed our ice cream sundaes, root beer floats, cookies and chips. It certainly was good to see our friends again after the summer break. Hopefully our

newer members will be able to join us at our regularly scheduled meeting that will be starting soon.

At our October 11th meeting we will have a special guest. Ron Hoffman, from Morris Nursery, will be speaking about drought tolerant plants. The meeting should be of interest to many of us as well as helpful for our personal gardening. Please be sure to invite your friends and neighbors, as this topic concerns all of us. We are working on several other speakers for our other up-coming meetings.

In addition to our meetings there will be a judges symposium in January. (See below) This is where those interested in judging at the camellia shows can receive free training - all in one fun day. There will be more on that later.

I think we are off to a good start this year but it will be even better with your participation. The more meetings you attend the more well informed you will be. Well informed members make very smooth running organizations. We will achieve great things with your consistent attendance and presentation of ideas. We will be meeting in our former location - the fellowship hall of the SDA church on the corner of 16th and G St. in downtown Modesto. The time is 1:30 on the second Sunday of each month. See you October 11 at 1:30PM.

Marvin Bort , President

General Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at SDA Church Fellowship Hall 16th and G Street, Modesto

Board Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at the Bort's home, 2316 Glasgow, Ceres unless otherwise announced.



Northern California Camellia Council - Fall Meeting



Don Lesmeister

Voted Camellia Person of the Year 2015-16

Award presented by NCCC President, Barbara Bort



Membership Renewal Time



As another season of camellia meetings begins, it is time to remind all of us that our annual dues of only \$10 per family (\$15 if we mail you the newsletter and other notices) are needed from all of our members. As far as I can tell, this is the lowest amount any of the Northern California Camellia Societies asks for in membership dues. You may think that your dues are too small to matter, but they are not. When we all contribute our share, there is enough to plan interesting meetings for everyone. I hope

you will renew your membership again this year and invite some of your family and friends to join us. The more help we have, the easier it is on all of us. Plus we all like to meet new friends. You may mail you check to me, or you may give it to me personally at our first regular meeting October 11. Thank you.

Barbara Bort, treasurer
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NCCC Meeting cont:

All Six of the Northern California Camellia Council Members were represented at the 2015 Fall meeting of the NCCC. Held at Micke Grove, Lodi, CA. Twenty six members were in attendance and enjoyed a potluck lunch afterward.



Modesto's 2nd Annual Ice Cream Social

Ice cream sundaes, Root beer floats,
Cookies and chips.





Northern California Camellia Council Camellia Show Calendar

Plan on Attending

Plan on Showing your blooms at all the Shows

Congratulations! You may be a Winner

2/06/16 NCCC Spring Meeting and Mini Show
John's Pizza, 2225 Plaza Pkwy, Modesto, Contact: Barbara Bort 209-537-9945

2/13/16 San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show,
CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City.
Contact: Linda Kancev, 650-574-1220

2/20/16 Camellia Society of Santa Clara County Show,
Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara.
Contact: John Mendoza, 408-249-5606

3/05-06/16 Camellia Society of Sacramento Show,
Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento.
Contact: Carol Schanz, 916-447-1969 or Don Lesmeister, 916-967-8420

3/12/16 Northern California Camellia Society Show,
St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill.
Contact: Don Bergamini, 925-229-0775 or Bob Ehrhart, 925-937-0188

3/19-20/16 Camellia Society of Modesto Show
Ernest & Julio Gallo Administration Building 600 Yosemite Blvd., Modesto.
Contact: Pete Warner, 209-576-0831 or Marvin Bort 209-537-9945

2016 Judges Symposium to be held in West Sacramento.

This is your opportunity to renew your certification or for those who might be interested in becoming Novice Judge.

**Note: Those wishing to become Novice Judges
must be a current member of the American Camellia Society.**

Join at: <https://www.americancamellias.com/american-camellia-society/become-a-member>

The symposium will be held at The Club Pheasant 2525 Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento
January 16, 2016 10:00 a.m. to 3:00

A buffet lunch will be available for purchase. **You must R.S.V.P. if you plan on attending.**

Please contact: Don Bergamini camelliadon@comcast.net
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