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I cannot praise too highly the small group in Nashville for the wonderful convention. It was one of the largest and most successful we have ever had. Congratulations!

Congratulations to our outgoing president, Bill Kemp, for the excellent job that he did. I only hope I can do as well.

The blooming season in the South and Southeast is now over. We have had an excellent year, which should dispel any doubts about camellias being able to stand the cold weather. Now we can start all over again. This is one good thing about growing camellias.

In the making, we have some great things which I hope to get started. One new project is a Japanese Garden behind the beautiful Boehm Gallery. Another is an arboretum of native trees and shrubs between the barn and the tenant houses. Mr. Gerald Smith of the University of Georgia has agreed to cooperate with us on this project.

I have named two new committees that I think will help us. One is a Ways and Means Committee, which will make an in depth study to increase our income other than through dues. This might include the sale of ties and scarfs made with the ACS seal or a camellia made in the cloth. Bronze medals might be made to be sold to show committees for major awards.

The second new committee is a Research Advisory Committee. The functioning of which will be to keep abreast of camellia research and to keep the Governing Board advised. Details of both of these new com-

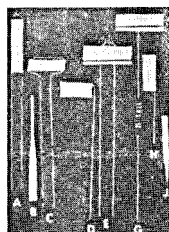
mittees will be covered elsewhere in the *Journal*.

I have to congratulate Tom Evans and the Long Range Planning Committee for the wonderful job they have done. I know they will continue the good work.

I want to repeat that one good thing about growing camellias is that they give us a chance to start over again each year. Let's start now and do this year things we overlooked last year and have better camellias. Above all, let's get that new member we meant to get.

I cannot close without thanking those who had confidence in me to elect me to this high honor. It makes me feel quite humble.

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Highlights of Meeting of ACS Governing Board and Endowment Fund Board of Trustees

OUTGOING GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board of the American Camellia Society met during the Annual Meeting in Nashville on March 4, 1976. It was pointed out that the 1976 Fall Meeting will be held in Gulfport, Miss., the 1977 Annual Meeting in Modesto in March. The Board approved Dr. Daniel Nathan's motion inviting the ACS to hold its Fall Meeting of 1978 jointly with the Middle Georgia Camellia Society and the International Camellia Society. It would be held in the Macon-Massee Lane area.

The Charter and By-Laws Committee prepared three basic changes to the By-Laws in order to close the loopholes currently present.

- (1) Division IV, 2-B (As Amended and printed on page 5 of the 1975 Yearbook).

The following is added at the end of the present section: *In case of the death, incapacity or resignation of the President, the President-Elect shall assume the duties of the President until the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors. In the event there is no President-Elect then in office and if for any reason the President-Elect is unable to serve, then the immediate Past President shall serve as President until the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.*

- (2) Division IV, 1-D

The first sentence of this section, as printed on page 269 of the 1966 Yearbook is deleted. The following now becomes the first sentence of this section: *The Executive Secretary shall cause to be printed in the May issue of the Journal a notice of election directed to the voting members in the Territory from which Directors are*

to be elected to take office at the next Annual Meeting. The remainder of this section begins with the words: "The notice of elections. . . ." remains as is.

- (3) Division IV, 1-J

The present 1-J becomes 1-K. The new 1-J follows: *In case of a tie vote for State Director or Director-At-Large, the Vice-President for the Territory shall advise the tied candidates that a drawing by lot will be held on a specified date as soon as possible, at which time they or their delegate representatives may be present. Following the drawing the Vice-President shall immediately notify the Executive Secretary of the results of the drawing. In the event that the Vice-President of the Territory is one of the candi-*

dates, the drawing will be held by the Executive Secretary.

Following a discussion by one of the Directors-At-Large who opposed the current procedure of printing a Membership Roster, a vote was taken overwhelmingly supporting the concept. There will be a separate Membership Roster—1976. The Board also overwhelmingly supported the Charter and By-Laws Committee's recommendation that no more than one Bronze Recognition Plaque be awarded in one given year. It was announced then that in secret ballot the Governing Board overwhelmingly voted to award the Bronze Plaque for 1975 to George B. Morgan.

Membership Chairman, Jay Ellis reported that our membership for 1975 showed a net gain of 197 over 1974. He did point out that the net gain was the good news (it resulted from an overall gain of 866 new members),



GEORGE B. MORGAN HONORED AT ACS ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. George B. Morgan was singularly honored by the ACS Governing Board at the Nashville meeting in March. He was unanimously voted to be the recipient of the ACS high honor, The Bronze Recognition Plaque. It is awarded for outstanding contributions to the advancement and welfare of the Society and to the accomplishments of the aims and purposes of the Society. There have been only 18 such recipients since the Society was formed in 1946. Seen here is Dr. James M. Habel, Jr., Chairman of Exhibitions and Awards Committee presenting the plaque to George Morgan's good friend and the ACS Director for Texas, Tom Eagleson who accepted it for George who was unable to be in Nashville. All members of the ACS are "in the debt" to George for his outstanding work as Finance Chairman of the ACS and Chairman of the ACS Board of Trustees for the Endowment Fund. (Photo by Grannis, Nashville, TN)

but the bad news was that we lost 669 of our 1974 members, despite a wonderful blooming season. He pointed out that many camellia shows did not sell even one ACS membership while others sold as many as up to 35. He also underscored the importance of obtaining more Life Members.

The Executive Secretary read a summary of Camellia Research Activities from March 1975 to March 1976 performed by Dr. Clifford R. Parks at the University of North Carolina. It was pointed out that in addition to the \$2,500 from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust, obtained through the efforts of the Executive Secretary of the ACS, Dr. Parks landed an additional \$1,800 toward his research basically on coldhardiness of camellias.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thomas C. Evans was re-elected as the Chairman of the Board of Directors. Following this, N. Terrell Weaver was unanimously re-elected as President. His second one year term will begin in Modesto in March 1977. Mrs. Carroll T. Moon was re-elected Vice-President for the Atlantic Coast Territory, Melvin Gum was re-elected as Vice-President of the Pacific Coast Territory.

Dr. Fred Lee was elected Vice-President for the Gulf Coast Territory, vice Roy C. Stringfellow had served in that capacity since March 1973. The Executive Secretary-Editor, Milton H. Brown, the Treasurer, Mrs. T. J. Smith, and the Assistant Editor, Joseph H. Pyron, were all re-elected.

The Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Cliff Lattin, State Director for Mississippi, who resigned for health reasons. The Board then elected Bagby Hall as Director for Mississippi to fill out Lattin's term.

It was then moved and unanimously approved that William E. Kemp be elected President Emeritus.

The meeting was then adjourned.

NEW GOVERNING BOARD

President N. Terrell Weaver accepted the gavel from outgoing President, William P. Kemp. He intro-

duced the newly elected Directors of the Atlantic Coast Territory Boynton Cole for Georgia, Marshall Rhyne for North Carolina and Frances (Mrs. Mayo) FitzHugh for D. C.-Maryland-Northern Virginia (Vice President Moon had acted under the new change of By-Laws. Mrs. FitzHugh who was tied with Dr. William Ackerman was chosen by lot).

Mr. Weaver also announced the re-election of Directors-At-Large Thomas C. Evans and Dr. Daniel E. Nathan; Paul A. Dahlen for South Carolina and Charles C. Mason for Virginia.

Mr. James C. Liipfert, the new Finance Committee Chairman, presented a proposed budget which, if met, will for the first time in some time show a net gain rather than a net loss for the Society. The budget was approved.

President Weaver then announced the formation of two new important committees; Research Advisory Committee and Ways and Means Committee. These are discussed elsewhere in this issue.

President Weaver said he humbly accepted this high honor and the high honor of being re-elected, and hoped that he could carry on the high tradition of former Presidents. He then asked that a standing ovation be given to "Bill Kemp" for the outstanding work he had performed as the President of the ACS.

Meeting adjourned.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ACS ENDOWMENT FUND

Mr. G. Stewart Watson called the meeting to order in the absence of Chairman George B. Morgan. The Trustees then, with great regret, accepted the resignation of Mr. Morgan. There was a standing ovation in appreciation of the work that George has done for the Society where he served in the capacity of Finance Committee Chairman and for the ACS Endowment Fund whose Board of Trustees he chaired. Mr. Watson was then elected Chairman unanimously and William Johnston was elected Secretary unanimously.

There was then a discussion on the importance of raising the corpus of the ACS Endowment Fund to at least \$500,000.00 over its present value of approximately \$160,000.00. Final details of establishing a President's Club will be worked out over the coming months. The idea is that there be a President's Club, an honorary group, of those ACS members who donate \$5,000 to the ACS Endowment Fund in a lump sum or in yearly installments of \$1,000 each.

The Trustees then voted to pay to the ACS the sum of \$5,000 as its annual payment for the work performed for the Endowment Fund by all of the employees at Masee Lane.

The subject was raised about financial support of a professor at California Polytechnic University for a petal blight project. The Board requested that the man considered get in touch with the Executive Secretary as to what programs he actually had in mind and his qualifications for carrying on such a project. The Board then advised the Executive Secretary to pass on any such information for such a project to the newly established Research Advisory Committee for its consideration before asking the Endowment Fund for any specific funds.

Meeting adjourned.

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As Retic hybrids seem to be the "camellias of the future", any improvement in their leggy growth habits will be quite welcome.

We have received several comments on how well the Retic 'SUPERBA' does on foreign shores, such as England, and wonder how it fares in America. Has anyone any experience with it?

A friend of ours read the description of 'ARIANA HALL' on page 230 of

the 1974 Yearbook, Volume II, and decided he had overlooked a variety that he had to have. I agree with him, it sounds entrancing.

Discussions and arguments continue over the meaning and use of the word "typical" in the exhibition and judging of camellia blooms. In other words, when is a bloom typical, and when is it not typical? A good example is 'VALENTINE DAY' which normally is pink, but frequently has blooms that are quite red. Are such red blooms non-typical, and should they be discriminated against? We think not!

A fellow we know acquired 12 sasanqua seedling plants for use as understock. To his surprise one plant produced leaves that were more like japonica than sasanqua, as well as blooms with decided japonica characteristics. Possibly a Chimera. Has anyone else had such an experience?

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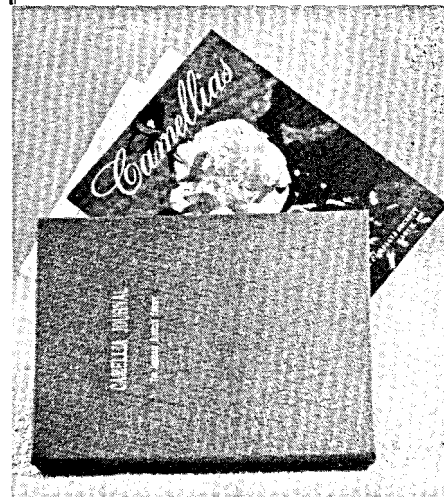
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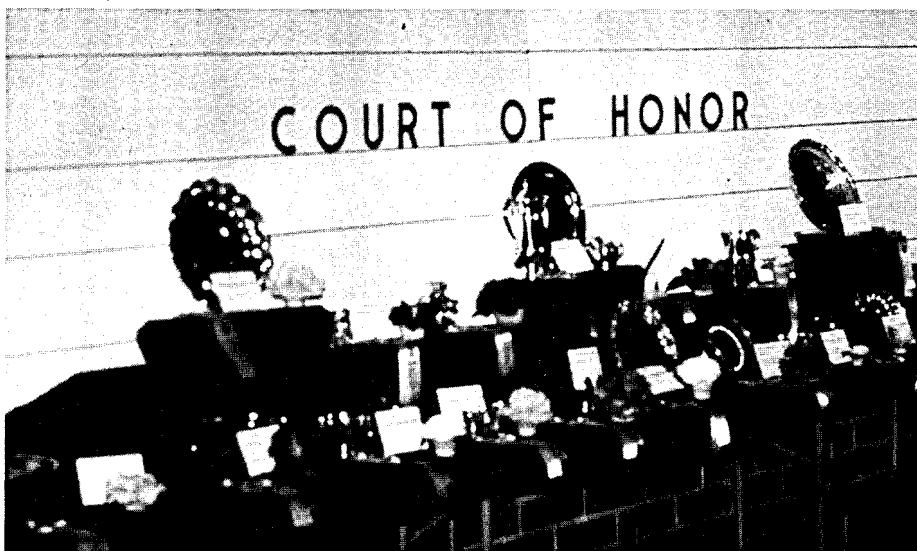
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To provide a setting for 2,000 to 3,500 blooms (weather conditions a factor) entails good leadership and organization. This year Capt. John Nichols provided this leadership for one of the best shows in our 15 years of existence. The weatherman was kind to us as over 3,000 visitors viewed the outstanding array of flowers in this beautiful setting which has unrestricted view with no pillars.

Door prizes are awarded every two hours while the show is open to the

public. Prizes this year consisted of five pound packages of Ortho Camellia fertilizer donated by Chevron Chemical Company.

Beginning at noon, February 13th before our show, tables are brought in and set up, covered with white butcher paper on the plain wood tables. No covering is used on the micarta white tables. Cups are weighted with dolomite and filled with water. All blooms are alphabetized. Separate tables are provided for japonicas, retic hybrids and non-retic hybrids. Attractive nomenclature display cards by cultivar provide both spectators and exhibitors with ease in identifying location for placing and viewing blooms.

The center tables are well spaced in double rows with 6’ aisles being used to display single blooms of japonica and hybrids both retic and nonretic parentage, the latter two groups being separated and displayed independently.

The back wall of over 40’ provided a most interesting and outstanding display of over 150 single cultivar boutonniers and trays of three boutonniers also alphabetically displayed. The north wall of 70’ included some

300 blooms in trays of three japonicas. All seedlings, trays of 5’s and 9’s were displayed on the south wall area where direct sunlight assisted the judges in selecting outstanding seedling blooms entered by approximately 20 hybridizers this year.

The Northern California Camellia Council which is comprised of seven Northern California societies have a group of outstanding hybridizers who have introduced a number of outstanding flowers through nurseries in recent years. Peninsula Camellia Society has encouraged these ardent growers to exhibit their new and as yet unnamed blooms. Recognition in the form of an ACS seedling certificate has been given.

ACS judges are selected from areas throughout California with particular attention given to utilizing three to five novice judges at our show. The use of paper bags identified with duplicate colored tabs assist the 39 judges in finalizing judging.

This Valentine’s Day will always be remembered by our society members as we had four ACS camellia members present from down under to assist with judging. They were Mr. and Mrs. Neville McMinn of Camellia Lodge Nursery, Noble Park, Australia whom the writer met on his trip down under at the Melbourne show in August of 1972 and Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Austin of New Plymouth, New Zealand, who have visited us a number of times.

Five head table judges expedite selection of 6 to 8 blooms per classification for final judging by all judges. All flowers sent up receive an Honor Table ribbon. 152 total blooms were in contention while 40 blooms filled the trophy table. Of the remaining blooms judged 343 ribbons were awarded, 132 first, 119 seconds and 93 thirds.

For the second year we had a youth division restricted to 16 year olds. Eighteen exhibitors received 7 first youth awards, 14 seconds and 6 thirds and one certificate with 10 ribbons. Marc Mandarich won the trophy with ‘VALENTINE DAY.’ It is hoped that

thru this type of program youths will become interested in camellias when they grow into adults and continue camellia growing as a hobby.

It is interesting to note that 258 retic and retic hybrid blooms were displayed while 71 nonretic parent-age hybrids were also displayed. Judging was completed with all trophy and honor blooms placed for public viewing in less than two hours.

The artistic arrangement section under the chairmanship of Mrs. Margaret Butler was held in an adjoining 30 x 40' room with windows on two sides providing a wonderful setting for the 1976 Bicentennial Theme "America 1776-1976". Six themes were used in presenting this auspicious program with a total of 37 flower arrangements.

Following the judging Mr. and Mrs. Chas O'Malley hosted the judges luncheon at their beautiful home in Woodside. Approximately 100 invited guests enjoyed cocktails served on the attractive patio under towering oak trees. Due to inclement weather the catered luncheon was served indoors on tables decorated with camellias and carnations. Wine was provided by our genial Modesto member Mr. Pete Grosso and Gallo Winery.

Peninsula Camellia Society, Inc. has had the honor of being awarded The Most Outstanding Camellia Show Award in the state for three out of the last six years by the California Garden Club of America. Two awards are made annually, one for a specialty show and the other for a camellia show. To secure this award a society must maintain outstanding show leadership, well displayed trophy tables, well organized bloom tables which are neat in appearance, and above all encourage the desire and interest of viewers and participating exhibitors to grow camellias.

As president of our society, I must give credit to all societies and camellia lovers who make our show a success. Without the untiring efforts of many people such as these, our show would not be possible.

Why don't You Write an Article for ACS?

An Editor of any publication—magazine, book, newspaper, etc.—always has a plea: "Why don't you write an article? Your Editor is making the same one; "Why don't you write an article for the ACS?"

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You may feel you "cannot write"; the answer to any such doubt in your mind is that *you can*. What you may be doing in some phase of camellia culture or camellia-related matters will certainly be of interest to others. You may wonder why an article that you sent in does not show up in the very next publication—the answer is that some articles are more appropriate for different quarterlies or may be

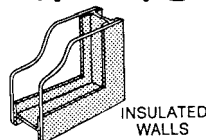
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Our belief also is that a good black-and-white photo will do much to enhance an article and break up "the monotony" of page-after-page of text. Again, you do not have to be a professional photographer—just a good clear photo is all that is needed.

Articles for the *Journals* should be at Headquarters approximately eight weeks prior to the first of February, May, August and November. Those for the *Yearbook* should be on hand no later than June 15th, but preferably by May 15th.

Now—pick up your pen, pencil or sit by your "typing machine" and write that article that you always thought should be printed but then said to yourself, "I just cannot write." *You can—and you should*—share your knowledge with the more than 6,000 members—which makes more than 18,000 readers!

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Show Dates

Place, Location and Sponsor

Columbia, South Carolina, Moore Building, South Carolina State Fairgrounds in conjunction with the State Fair, Mid-Carolina Camellia Society and South Carolina State Fair Association	October 16-17, 1976
Washington, D. C., U. S. National Arboretum, Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley	October 30-31, 1976
Savannah, Georgia, Savannah Bank and Trust Co., Men's Garden Club of Savannah	November 6-7, 1976
Shreveport, Louisiana, Pierremont Mall, Men's Camellia Club of Shreveport	November 6-7, 1976
Fort Valley, Georgia, at Massee Lane, Middle Georgia Camellia Society	November 13-14, 1976
Gulfport, Mississippi, Gulfport Men's Camellia Society (In conjunction with ACS 27th Annual Fall Meeting)	November 20-21, 1976
Albany, Georgia, The Garden Center, 808 Fifth Avenue, The Albany Men's Garden Club	December 4-5, 1976
Brookhaven, Mississippi, Main Office of Brookhaven Bank & Trust Co., Brookhaven Camellia Society	December 4-5, 1976
Slidell, Louisiana, Municipal Auditorium, Ozone Camellia Club	December 4-5, 1976
Moss Point, Mississippi, Moss Point Camellia Club	December 11-12, 1976
Panama City, Florida, Municipal Auditorium in downtown Panama City, The Camellia Society of Panama City	December 11-12, 1976
Pensacola, Florida, Municipal Auditorium, Pensacola Men's Camellia Club, Inc.	January 8-9, 1977
Ruston, Louisiana, Ruston Men's Camellia Society	January 8-9, 1977
Beaufort, South Carolina, Beaufort Academy on Lady's Island, Council of Beaufort Garden Clubs	January 15-16, 1977
Mobile, Alabama, Civic Center, Camellia Club of Mobile	January 15-16, 1977
Aiken, South Carolina, Kennedy Junior High School, Aiken Camellia Club	January 22-23, 1977
Fort Walton Beach, Florida, Choctawhatchee High School, Fort Walton Camellia Society, Inc.	January 22-23, 1977
New Orleans, Louisiana, Mall of Lakeside Shopping Center, Camellia Club of New Orleans	January 22-23, 1977
Augusta, Georgia, Augusta Garden Center, 598 Telfair Street, Augusta Camellia Society, The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. and in cooperation with the Georgia Railroad Bank & Trust Company	January 29-30, 1977
Shreveport, Louisiana, Pierremont Mall, Men's Camellia Club Shreveport	January 29-30, 1977
Savannah, Georgia, Citizens & Southern Bank, Men's Garden Club of Savannah	February 5-6, 1977
Columbia, South Carolina, Bankers Trust Tower, corner Gervais and Sumter Streets, Mid-Carolina Camellia Society and Bankers Trust	February 12-13, 1977
Wilmington, North Carolina, Blockade Runner Hotel in Wrightsville Beach, Tidewater Camellia Club	February 24-25, 1977
Chattanooga, Tennessee, Eastgate Center, Chattanooga Camellia Club and Eastgate Merchants Assn., American National Bank	February 26-27, 1977
Fayetteville, North Carolina, Fayetteville Camellia Club	March 5-6, 1977
Modesto, California, Camellia Society of Modesto (In conjunction with ACS 32nd Annual Meeting)	March 19-20, 1977
Washington, D. C., U. S. National Arboretum, Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley	April 16-17, 1977



Bicentennial Award ALBERT E. BUCHHOLZ

This being America's birthday, two beautiful young ladies of United Airlines get together to pose with the Bicentennial Year Trophy that the Employees' Sales Program presented to the Santa Clara County Camellia Society for this year's show.

Linda Hardy on the left and Jewell Dagenais on the right will see their first camellia show—of course, it will be the Santa Clara show. They both got interested in camellias from a friendly coworker and they both have camellias growing in their own yards. Linda works for the United Airlines' Credit Union as a Loan Officer and Jewell works as a Scheduler.

The Santa Clara Camellia Society held its show in a new location this year, McCabe Hall in downtown San Jose. (Photo by Sal Hernandez.)

Show Reports

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, February 14-15, 1976
Sponsor: Birmingham Men's Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 3,168.

Attendance: 25,000.

Best Bloom in Show 'ELEGANS SPLENDOR' won by Marshall Rhyne

Best very large 'TOMORROW'S DAWN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Evans

Best large 'HELEN BOWER VAR.' won by R. F. Jeffares

Best medium large 'LADY KAY' won by Dr. Jack Davis

Best medium 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Dr. Olin W. Owens

Best small 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Marshall Rhyne

Best miniature 'MINI PINK' won by Mike Wesson

Best White 'SILVER CHALICE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Evans

Best 'LOUISE HAIRSTON' won by Dr. Joe Verser

Best Reticulata 'CORNELIAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Evans

Best Reticulata Hybrid 'PHARAOH' won by Marshall Rhyne

Best (Non-Ret.) Hybrid 'DEBBIE' won by Jeff Fuller

Sweepstakes won by George Garrison

Sweepstakes runner-up won by Dr. Joe Verser

Best Arrangement in Show BIRDS IN FLIGHT won by Johnie Decker

Best Table Arrangement AFTER THE BALL IS OVER won by Mrs. J. J. Forslund

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

MOBILE, ALABAMA, January 17, 1976 (36th Annual)

Sponsor: The Camellia Club of Mobile, Inc.

Number Blooms Displayed: 6,000.

Attendance: 10,000.

Japonica in open 'SNOWMAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jessie T. Barfield

Runner-up 'TIFFANY' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. LaRose

Best Medium 'FUNNY FACE BETTY' won by Gordon G. Wesley

Best small 'KITTY' won by T. E. Lundy

Best miniature 'MINI PINK' won by Gordon G. Wesley

Best white 'GUS MENARD' won by Gordon G. Wesley

Japonica grown under glass 'HELEN BOWER' won by Thomas O. Bower

Runner-up 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

Best medium 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by George Garrison

Best small 'BLACK TIE' won by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hicks

Best miniature 'PINK SMOKE' won by Dick Burnett

Best white 'SNOWMAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Copeland

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)

In open 'VALENTINE DAY' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. LaRose

Under glass chem. treated 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Copeland

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

In open 'CHARLEAN' won by Dr. and Mrs. Alvin E. Johnson

Under glass chem. treated 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Copeland

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Barfield

Under glass won by Col. E. A. Swiatek (Ret.)

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Dr. and Mrs. Alvin E. Johnson

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hicks

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

EL DORADO, ARKANSAS, February 7-8, 1976

Sponsor: Camellia Society of El Dorado

Number Blooms Displayed: 600.

Attendance: 500.

Japonica in open 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by J. A. Peninger

In open chem. treated 'DONCKELARI' won by Walter C. Dunn

Under glass 'LEANNE'S TOMORROW' won by Jon Carvain

Under glass chem. treated 'CARTER'S SUNBURST' won by E. N. Kimes

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'THREE DREAMS' won by E. B. Tompkins

Under glass 'ROYALTY' won by Fred A. Martin

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass chem. treated 'SYLVIA MAY WELLS' won by E. B. Tompkins

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by J. A. Peninger
In open chem. treated won by Walter C. Dunn
Under glass won by Jon Carvain
Under glass chem. treated won by E. N. Kimes

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by J. A. Peninger
Under glass won by Hilery E. Hanna
Under glass chem. treated won by Jon Carvain
Number of ACS memberships sold: 2

BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, March 6-7, 1976

Sponsor: Bakersfield Camellia Society
Best flower of show 'MOUTANCHA' won by Fred Hamilton
Best Lg.-V. Lg. Japonica 'GUILIO NUCCIO VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gaeta
Runner-up 'EASTER MORN' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Gray
Best Medium Japonica 'ELEANOR MARTIN SUP.' won by Rudy Moore
Runner-up 'IVANE' won by Leland Chow
Best miniature 'ALISON LEIGH WOODROOF' won by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gaeta
Runner-up 'REEVES SWEETHEART' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harmson
Best 'GUILIO NUCCIO' won by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gaeta
Best 'KRAMER'S SUPREME' won by Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Rowe
Best Hybrid with Reticulata parentage L-V. Large 'MOUTANCHA' won by Fred Hamilton
Runner-up 'JOHN TAYLOR' won by Dr. and Mrs. Richard Stiem
Best Hybrid non-Reticulata 'ELSIE JURY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Grady Perigan
Runner-up 'WALTZ TIME VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Mel Canfield
Best sport was sport of 'MAMIE LOU' won by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rowe
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, March 7, 1976 (28th Annual)

Sponsor: Central California Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,800.
Attendance: 1,900.
Best Japonica large to very large 'KRAMER'S SUPREME' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Evans
Runner-up 'KONA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton
Best Japonica Medium 'ANNETTE GEHRY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Al Taylor
Runner-up 'HARRIET BISBEE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Evans
Best Boutonniere 'BUDDY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pinheiro
Runner-up 'BONBON' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur V. Ray
Best Hybrid over 5 inches 'CHITTAGONG' won by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Collier
Runner-up 'OTTO HOPFER' won by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Thompson
Best Hybrid under 5 inches 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Jones
Runner-up 'WILBER FOSS' won by The Art Gonos Family
Best Chemically treated bloom 'NUCCIO'S RUBY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Maurie Abramson
Runner-up 'GRAND SLAM' won by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pinheiro
Junior Division:
Best Japonica 'NUCCIO'S GEM' won by Kathleen Gonos
Runner-up 'HERME' won by Kathleen Gonos
Best camellia other than Japonica 'AZTEC' won by Meilin Wang
Runner-up 'CORAL DELIGHT' won by Tod Harris
Best boutonniere 'LITTLE SLAM' won by Kathleen Gonos

Artistic Division:

Best of Show won by Trent C. Williams
Best Beginner won by Mrs. Herb Martin
Best Intermediate won by Vera Weymouth
Best advanced won by Carl Stephens
Best mens only won by Trent C. Williams
Best Junior Gr. 1-6 won by Bobbie LeeAnn Grim
Best Junior Gr. 7-9 won by Mark Lowe
Best Junior Gr. 10-12 won by Kitty Lewis
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

MORAGA, CALIFORNIA, February 28-29, 1976 (12 Annual)

Sponsor: Delta Camellia Society
Best miniature Japonica 'PINK SMOKE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Don Bergamini
Runner-up 'PEARL'S PET' won by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Grosso
Best small Japonica 'AVE MARIA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Mobley
Runner-up 'PINK PERFECTION' won by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Mobley
Best medium Japonica 'JEAN MARIE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pitts
Runner-up 'JEAN CLERE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pitts
Best large Japonica 'KRAMER'S SUPREME' won by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Grosso

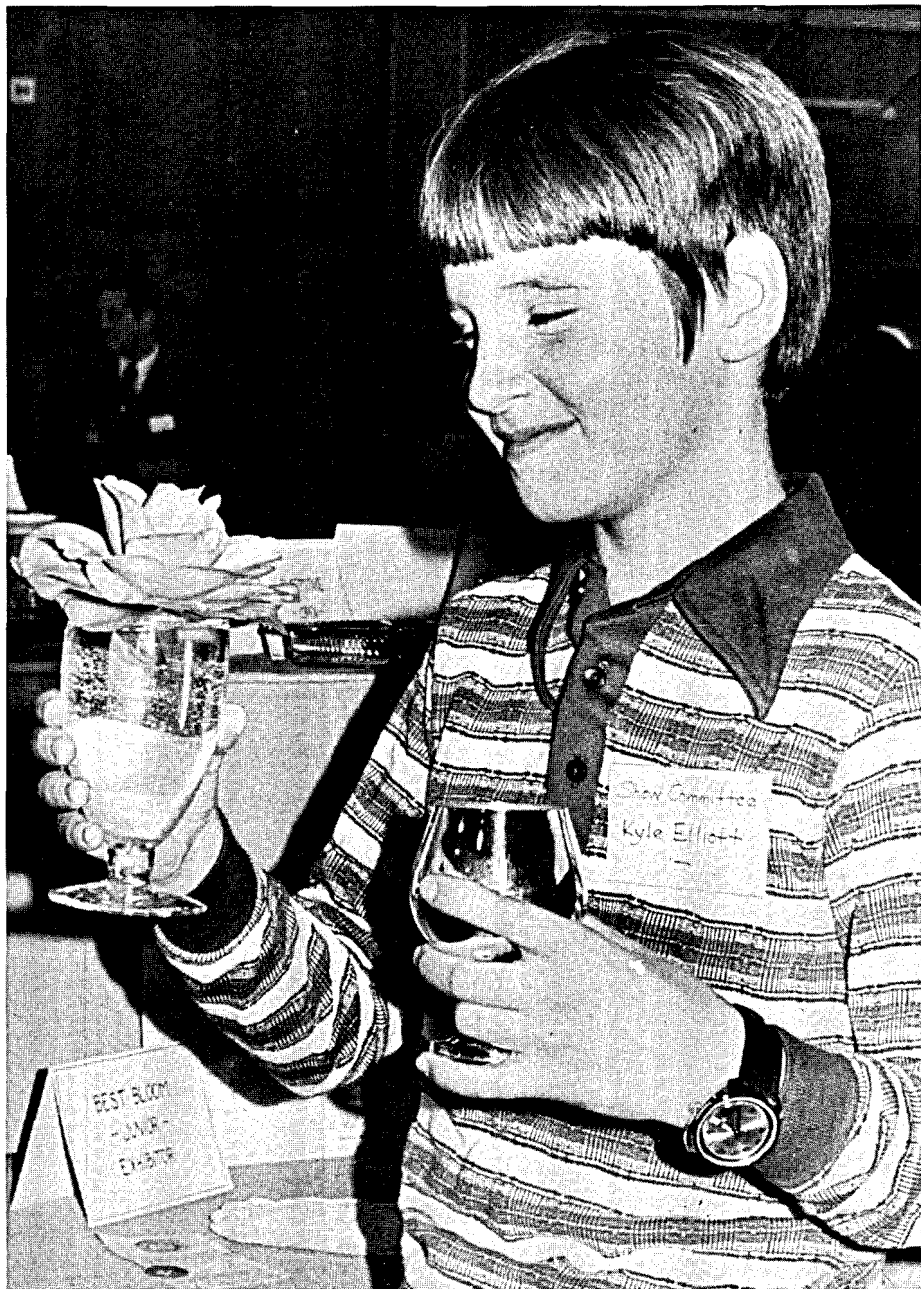
Runner-up 'ADOLPHE AUDUSSON SPECIAL' won by Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Achterberg
Best very large Japonica 'ELEGANS SPLENDOR' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Woo
Runner-up 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Peter Van Hoecke
Best Reticulata Hybrid 'DR. CLIFFORD PARKS' won by Mr. and Mrs. H. Rambath
Runner-up 'VALENTINE DAY VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pitts
Best non-Reticulata Hybrid 'WATER LILY VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pitts
Runner-up 'ANTICIPATION' won by Mr. and Mrs. Doug Batt
Best Youth Miniature or Small Japonica 'KITTY' won by Sandy Chilcote
Runner-up 'BONBON BLUSH' won by Darren Smith
Best Youth Japonica under 4½ inches 'FINLANDIA VAR.' won by Kim Kellogg
Runner-up 'UNCLE SAM' won by Sandy Chilcote
Best Youth Japonica over 4½ inches 'SAN DIMAS' won by Sandy Chilcote
Runner-up 'SILVER TRIUMPH' won by Kirk Smith
Best Youth Reticulata or Hybrid 'VALENTINE DAY VAR.' won by Jane Pitts

Runner-up 'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by Marc Mandarich

Best Local Novice Camellia Bloom of any species 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Curtis Knight
Runner-up 'CARTER'S SUNBURST VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Pulos
Best Bicentennial Bloom 'AUGUSTO L'GOUVEIA PINTO' won by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Setich
Runner-up 'DONCKELARI' won by Mrs. S. B. Davi
Number of ACS Memberships sold: None

POMONA, CALIFORNIA, February 21-22, 1976

Sponsor: Pomona Valley Camellia Society
Best very large Reticulata 'PHARAOH' won by Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Schmidt
Runner-up 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Dr. John Urabec
Best small-medium-large Reticulata 'NUCCIO'S RUBY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Andrews
Runner-up 'KOHINOR' won by Paul M. McClelland
Best Hybrid non-Reticulata 'WATER LILY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Ken McWilliams
Runner-up 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Novick



HOW SWEET IT IS!

Kyle Elliott shows complete and utter satisfaction as he looks at his 'ROSEA SUPERBA' which won Best Junior Exhibitor Award at the Aiken, S. C. show. Hours after the award was made, Kyle had barely moved more than five feet from his silver award and award-winning bloom.



A "COURT OF HONOR" AT THE AIKEN, S. C. SHOW

Aiken, S. C. again held an outstanding camellia show despite "deep freezes" a few days before. Shown here are: Paul A. Dahlen, South Carolina State Director of ACS; William Kemp, President of ACS; W. K. Herndon, Jr., Show Chairman; W. Lee Poe, Jr., Chairman of Judges; Harold Austin of New Zealand; Executive Secretary of ACS; Front row shows Mrs. William (Betty) Kemp, Phyllis Austin of New Zealand and Mrs. Milton H. (Ann) Brown. (Photo supplied by the Aiken Camellia Club)



NEVER MISS BEA AND NEAL ROGERS' PARTY

Each year on the Friday evening before the Mobile Show, Bea and Neal Rogers host a glorious party in their greenhouses at nearbv Theodore. Good friends assist them in putting on such a real "bash". Look at that tray of lovely Gulf oysters. Bea is introducing A. B. Cooper (Tennessee State Director of ACS) to one of these delicacies. Looking on with astonishment is "Jack" Jones of Savannah—which also claims a hold on the seafood eating—and "Tom" Clower of Gulfport.

Best other Species 'STAR ABOVE STAR' won by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McNeil
 Best Special Culture 'HOWARD ASPER' won by R. Jaacks
 Runner-up 'EASTER MORN' won by Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Summerson
 Best medium Japonica 'ELEANOR MARTIN SUP.' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Goertz
 Runner-up medium Japonica 'NUCCIO'S GEM' won by Les Baskerville
 2nd Runner-up 'TWILIGHT' won by Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Rowe
 Best small Japonica 'MAROON AND GOLD' won by Les Baskerville
 Runner-up 'AVE MARIA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Carey Bliss
 Best bloom Australian Origin 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Rudy Moore
 Best large Japonica 'ADOLPHE AUDUSSON SPECIAL' won by Mr. and Mrs. Sergio Bracci
 Runner-up 'PREMIER VAR.' won by Les Baskerville
 2nd Runner-up 'CHOW'S HAN-LING' won by Lee Chow
 Best Miniature Japonica 'LITTLE SLAM' won by Bill Harris Family
 Runner-up 'KEWPIE DOLL' won by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McNeil
 Number of ACS memberships sold: None

REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA, February 14-15, 1976

Sponsor: Peninsula Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,944.

Attendance: 3,000.

Japonica:

Best very large 'ELEGANS SPLENDOR' won by Mrs. Sal Davi

Best large 'KONA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Oliver

Best medium (3½ to 4½ inches) 'NUCCIO'S GEM' won by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Riggs

Runner-up best medium 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Doug and Marilyn Batt

Best small 'WHITE DEB' won by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Oliver

Best miniature 'LITTLE MAN FORMAL' won by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pinheiro

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Best very large 'DR. CLIFFORD PARKS' won by Larry and Nancy Pitts

Runner-up 'AZTEC VAR.' won by Doug and Marilyn Batt

Best medium to very large 'DIAMOND HEAD' won by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Galli

Hybrids (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Best 'CHARLEAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Woo

Runner-up 'SYLVIA MAY WELLS' won by Mrs. M. Bergamini

Best bloom of Australian, New Zealand or Japan Origin 'ELSIE JURY' won by Jack Mandarich

Best member's Japonica 'CHARLIE BETTES' won by Mr. and Mrs. John Augis

Best member's Reticulata or Non-Reticulata Hybrid 'MANDALAY QUEEN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Kolak

Best Youth Bloom 'VALENTINE DAY' won by Mr. Marc Mandarich

ACS Gold Certificate:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Oliver

ACS Silver Certificate:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. John Mendoza, Jr. and Son

ACS Artistic Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. W. Harry Devine

Best member's Artistic Arrangement won by Mrs. Jessie Rotherth

Number ACS memberships sold: None

SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA, February 7-8, 1976

(29th Annual)

Sponsor: San Diego Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,550.

Attendance: 1,300.

Award of Honor (Most Trophy Winning Blooms)

Rudy Moore

Japonica in open:

Large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Rudy Moore

Runner-up 'ELEGANS SPLENDOR' won by Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pace

Medium 'KONA' won by Fred Hamilton

Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Ronald Braid

Small 'AVE MARIA' won by Rudy Moore

Runner-up 'PURITAN LASS' won by H. W. Oliver

Miniature 'HOPKIN'S PINK' won by H. W. Oliver

Runner-up 'LITTLE SLAM' won by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Andrews

Special Culture (Chemically treated or protected)

Any Species

'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Woo

Runner-up 'HOWARD ASPER' won by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gaeta

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage) In open:
 'ARCH OF TRIUMPH' won by H. W. Oliver
 Runner-up 'MOUCHANG' won by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Humphrey
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata Parentage) In open:
 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Sergio Bracci
 Runner-up 'DEBBIE' won by Charles Petersen
 Species:
 In open 'SUKIYA' won by Rudy Moore
 Novice (Limited to japonica, open grown)
 'TIFFANY' won by Eve Felletti
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 1

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, February 21-22, 1976
 Sponsor: Camellia Society of Santa Clara County, Inc.
 Japonica large to very large 'EXTRAVAGANZA' won by Wm. D. Stewart
 Japonica medium 'RAGLAND SUPREME' won by Jack Lewis
 Reticulata or Reticulata Hybrid 'K. O. HESTER' won by Mr. and Mrs. L. Pitts
 Hybrid non-Reticulata parentage 'ELSIE JURY' won by Bobby G. Jones
 Hybrid non-Reticulata parentage medium or small 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Tony Pinheiro
 Fragrant varieties I Bloom 'SCENTSATION' won by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hallstone
 Youth I Japonica 'ALTA GAVIN' won by Sandy Chilcote
 Youth Reticulata or Hybrid 'DR. CLIFFORD PARKS' won by Kirk Smith
 Members Trophy I Japonica 'ELEANOR MARTIN' won by Gilbert Cochetto
 Members Trophy II Japonica 'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by R. E. Bernhardt
 Novice (Any Variety) 'TALI QUEEN' won by Billy Oliver
 Sweepstakes, United Airlines Trophy won by H. Oliver
 Runner-up City of San Jose Trophy won by John Mendoza, Jr. and Son
 Number of ACS memberships sold: None

GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA, January 17-18, 1976
 Sponsor: Gainesville Camellia Society
 Number of Blooms Displayed: 1,050.
 Attendance: 1,000.
 Japonica: in open 'GUILIO NUCCIO VAR.' won by R. T. Adams
 In open chem. treated 'JESSIE BURGESS' won by R. T. Adams
 Under glass 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. Linton D. Baggs, Jr.
 Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)
 In open 'FRANCIE L' won by R. T. Adams
 In open 'MOUCHANG' won by R. T. Adams
 In open chem. treated 'JOHN TAYLOR' won by Doris and Jay Ellis
 Under glass 'VALENTINE DAY' won by Linton D. Baggs, Jr.
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 In open chem. treated 'CHARLEAN' won by R. T. Adams
 ACS Gold Certificate:
 In open won by R. T. Adams
 ACS Silver Certificate:
 In open won by Henry C. Lunsford
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 14

FORT WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA, January 24-25, 1976
 Sponsor: Fort Walton Camellia Society
 Best White Bloom unprotected 'POLAR BEAR' won by Mr. Gordon Wesley
 Best medium bloom unprotected 'DORIS ELLIS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Barfield
 Best bloom unprotected 'HELEN BOWER VAR.' won by Mrs. R. L. McConnell, Sr.
 Best bloom unprotected runner-up 'ELEANOR MARTIN SUPREME' won by Mr. Gordon Wesley
 Best bloom protected 'CARTER'S SUNBURST' won by Mr. and Mrs. Don Madison
 Best bloom protected runner-up 'VEILED BEAUTY' won by Mr. Lloyd M. Benjamin
 Best white protected 'CHARLIE BETTES' won by Mr. C. C. Buck
 Best medium bloom protected 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Mr. and Mrs. Don Madison
 Best miniature protected 'MINI PINK' won by Mr. George Griffin
 Best Hybrid with other than Reticulata parentage unprotected 'WALTZ TIME' won by Mr. Clyde Massey
 Best Hybrid with Reticulata parentage protected 'TALI QUEEN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Don Madison
 Best Hybrid with other than Reticulata parentage protected 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Don Madison
 Local—Those in Okaloosa County with 15 or less plants unprotected:
 Best bloom Mrs. William Cady
 Runner-up to best bloom Mr. Joe Staskus

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate for Tri-Color won by Mrs. E. W. Horton and Creativity Award won by Mrs. Allen B. Cowart
 Number of ACS memberships sold: None

ORLANDO, FLORIDA, January 10-11, 1976 (28 Annual)
 Sponsor: American Federal Savings & Loan and Camellia Society of Central Florida
 Number Blooms Displayed: 1,400.
 Attendance: 4,000.
 Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'ELEGANS SUPREME'
 Japonica in open 'CARTER'S SUNBURST' won by James L. Beavers
 In open chem. treated 'TOMORROW'S DAWN' won by L. G. MacDowell
 Under glass chem. treated 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by D. G. Elliott
 Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)
 Under glass chem. treated 'MOUCHANG' won by Paul Dahlen
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 In open chem. treated 'CHARLEAN' won by S. A. Wilsey
 Under glass chem. treated 'ELSIE JURY' won by L. G. Wilhelm
 ACS Outstanding arrangement certificate won by Mrs. Stanford Long
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 12

PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, January 3 and 4, 1976 (18th Annual)
 Sponsor: Camellia Society of Panama City Florida
 Number Blooms Displayed: 1,972.
 Attendance: 1,475
 Most outstanding bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'LADY LAURA' grown in open
 Runner-up 'ELEGANS SUPREME' grown inside Japonica in open 'LADY LAURA' won by Dr. T. E. Lundy
 Runner-up 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Dr. T. E. Lundy
 Runner-up 'PIRATES GOLD' won by Jesse T. Barfield
 Runner-up 'DONCKELARIJ' won by Jesse T. Barfield
 Runner-up 'TOMORROW' won by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gramling
 Runner-up 'CARTER'S SUNBURST PINK VAR.' won by Dr. T. E. Lundy
 Runner-up 'PINK DIDDY' won by Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Johnson
 Japonica under glass 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by Robert A. Hill
 Runner-up 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Robert A. Hill
 Runner-up 'TOMORROW'S DAWN' won by James A. Newell
 Runner-up 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by James A. Newell
 Runner-up 'FASHIONATA' won by R. A. Sansing
 Runner-up 'TOM CAT' won by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hicks
 Runner-up 'GRANADA' won by Mrs. Robert Cottle
 Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage) 'FRANCIE L' won by John Terry
 Reticulata under glass 'MOUCHANG' won by James A. Newell
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage) 'JIMMY JAMES' won by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gramling
 Hybrid under glass 'ELSIE JURY' won by R. A. Sansing
 ACS Gold Certificates:
 In open won by Dr. and Mrs. Alvin E. Johnson
 Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hicks
 ACS Silver Certificates:
 In open won by Jesse T. Barfield
 Under glass won by D. and D. Madison
 Number of ACS memberships sold: Two (2)

PENSACOLA FLORIDA, January 10, 1976 (34th Annual)
 Sponsor: Men's Camellia Club, Inc.
 Number Blooms Displayed: 2,500.
 Attendance: 8,500.
 Japonica in open 'GOVERNOR MOUTON' won by C. E. Massey
 Runner-up 'GRANADA' won by Robert Cottle
 Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)
 In open 'MASSEE LANE' won by Dr. A. E. Johnson
 Under glass 'MOUCHANG' won by W. E. Sellers
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 In open 'WALTZ TIME' won by C. E. Massey
 Under glass 'DEBBIE' won by Dr. H. T. Moore
 ACS Gold Certificates:
 In open won by Dr. A. E. Johnson
 Under glass won by E. A. Swiatek
 ACS Silver Certificates:
 In open won by Frank S. Huebscher
 Under glass won by R. D. Hicks
 ACS Outstanding arrangement certificate won by Mrs. Homer W. Davis
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 10
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Membership Record at Show Again Smashed

The record number of ACS members obtained during a camellia show was set by the Pensacola Men's Camellia Club, as you know, with a total of 31 in January 1975. This record was soon smashed by the Middle Georgia Camellia Society who obtained 35 new ACS members in November 1975.

Records are made for one main purpose—to be beaten! Yes, there is a new record. At the Camellia Show in Atlanta, Ga. in February 1976 the ardent members of the ACS Membership Booth signed up a record 36 new ACS members. This show was held by the Atlanta Camellia Society, the North Georgia Camellia Society and the Buckhead Lions Club.

These great gains for the ACS come as a result of a lot of hard work by the members of the Membership Booth and Display. Personal contact with people who look interested or who ask about camellias and information about camellias is what it is all about. A "passive" approach with only a sign to join up or a few *journals* on a table will neither get new members for ACS nor new members for your own local Society.

There is the record—36 NEW MEMBERS at one show. See if you can top this during the coming camellia season. Even if you know you cannot top this, why don't you set out to get a new record for your own Society and Show.

—ACS—

Judges School at Massee Lane

The middle Georgia Camellia Society is again sponsoring a Camellia Judges School to be held at Massee Lane on June 19-20, 1976. Please contact Executive Secretary, ACS, P. O. Box 212, Fort Valley, Georgia 31030 promptly; details will be provided. Class limited to 24.



'LASCA BEAUTY' IS QUEEN OF DALLAS SHOW

The Charles Seidenglanz Award for the most outstanding flower in the show—to include *C. japonica*, *C. reticulata* and hybrids with or without "reticulata blood" in all sizes. The winner was 'LASCA BEAUTY' and was exhibited by Jon Laird Carvain of Dallas. Pictured is the proud winner receiving the trophy from the Executive Secretary and his wife Ann. The day before the one-day (Sunday) Dallas Show, the Browns participated on Saturday in the camellia show in Atlanta, Georgia. (Photo by Judge Paul Harkey, Dallas.)

ALBANY, GEORGIA, December 6-7, 1975 (1st Annual)

Sponsor: Albany Men's Garden Club
Number Blooms Displayed: 460.
Attendance: 400.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Japonica in open chem. treated 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Best White 'SNOWMAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass chem. treated 'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

In open chem. treated 'EL DORADO' won by Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Nathan

ACS Gold Certificate:

In open won by Anne and Bob Gramling

ACS Silver Certificate:

In open won by G. Stuart Watson

Number of ACS memberships sold: 2

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, January 31, 1976 (18th Annual)

Sponsor: Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Augusta Camellia Society and Georgia Railroad Bank & Trust

Number Blooms Displayed: 2,273.

Attendance: 2,500.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'PHARAOH' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Japonica in open 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Mr. and Mrs. John Graham

Under glass 'TOMORROW PARK HILL PINK' won by Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Bush

Under glass chem. treated 'HELEN BOWER' won by G. M. Serpos

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass chem. treated 'MANDALAY QUEEN' won by M. F. Miller

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass chem. treated 'CHARLEAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. John Graham

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Teague

Under glass chem. treated won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Dubus

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Bush

Under glass chem. treated won by Mrs. William K. Laughlin

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. H. M. Henry for Creativity and for Tri-

Color Mrs. John Harlan and Mrs. Thomas Hanson

Number of ACS memberships sold: 4

STATESBORO, GEORGIA, February 14-15, 1976

Sponsor: Ogeechee Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 800.

Attendance: 5,000.

Japonica in open 'GUILIO NUCCIO VAR.' won by Stephen K. Meyers

Runner-up 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by J. M. Jones

Under glass 'EASTER MORN' won by A. R. Andrews

Runner-up 'JULIA FRANCE' won by Dr. Hunter Robertson

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass 'FRANCIE L' won by A. R. Andrews

Runner-up 'MANDALAY QUEEN' won by J. B. Joiner

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'EL DORADO' won by J. B. Joiner

Runner-up 'ANTICIPATION' won by Dr. Hunter Robertson

ACS Provisional Highly Commended Seedling Certificates: Japonica certificate won by J. M. Jones

for Chance seedling originated by J. M. Jones, Savannah, Ga.

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, February 5-6, 1976

(27th Annual)

Sponsor: Waycross Federated Garden Clubs and

First National Bank

Number Blooms Displayed: 490.

Attendance: 160.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-in-Show) or Queen of Show 'HOWARD ASPER'

Japonica in open 'SUGAR DADDY' won by Mrs. W. V. Tyson

In open chem. treated 'BART COLBERT' won by M. S. Edwards

Under glass 'TOMORROW' won by Mrs. W. V. Tyson

Under glass chem. treated 'SUGAR DADDY' won by Mrs. W. V. Tyson

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

In open chem. treated 'HOWARD ASPER' won by A. R. Andrews

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mrs. W. V. Tyson

In open chem. treated won by Mrs. C. W. Barfield

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Pomeroy

In open chem. treated won by Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dubus

Number of ACS memberships sold: 3

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, January 10-11, 1976

Sponsor: Baton Rouge Camellia Society

Japonicas grown in open:

Large to v. large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Medium 'DIXIE KNIGHT SUPREME' won by Mrs. B. A. Ragusa

Small 'TINY BUD' won by Mike Cannon

Miniature 'LIL TIFF' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Best Bicentennial specimen (variety introduced 1792-1875) 'MATHOTIANA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Japonicas grown protected:

Large to v. large 'TIFFANY' won by Pamela Scholz

Medium 'MAGIC CITY' won by Thomas H. Perkins, III

Small 'JOHNNY'S FOLLY' won by Stanley Magee

Miniature 'MAN SIZE' won by Oscar B. Elmer

Best Bicentennial specimen (variety introduced 1792-1875) 'DONCKELARI' won by F. F. Becker, II

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Stone

Under glass won by R. Stanley Magee

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Under glass won by F. F. Becker, II

Hybrids (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Grown in the open 'ELSIE JURY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Grown protected 'EL DORADO' won by F. F. Becker, II

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Grown in the open 'VALENTINE DAY VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Grown protected 'MOUCHANG VAR.' won by Oscar B. Elmer

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, February 7-8, 1976

Sponsor: The Southwest La. Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,505.

Attendance: 538 registered.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'TOMORROW PARK HILL'

Japonica in open 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mrs. O. J. Reeves

Runner-ups 'GRAND SLAM' won by Mrs. Albert K. Newlin

'GUILIO NUCCIO' won by Mrs. Harrell R. Smith

'GARY'S RED' won by Mrs. H. S. Stone

'FLAME' won by Mrs. Albert K. Newlin

'MATHOTIANA' won by Merlin J. Verret

'SUSAN STONE' won by Mrs. Matthew Istre

'LADY KAY' won by Mrs. R. P. Rees

'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Mrs. Harrell R. Smith

'JESSIE BRYSON' won by H. S. Stone

'HELEN BOWER' won by Mrs. Marguerite Castle

In open chem. treated 'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Mrs. Marguerite Castle

Runner-ups 'CORAL PINK LOTUS' won by Mrs. H. S. Stone

'MARY DUDLEY' won by Mrs. H. S. Stone

'PINK PAGODA' won by Mrs. R. P. Rees

'PINK DIDDY' won by Mrs. Lorena Jenkins

Under glass chem. treated 'CORAL REEFS' won by Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Berridge

Runners-ups 'MOONLIGHT SONATA' won by Mrs. Edwin L. Atkins

'MIKE WITMAN' won by Mrs. R. P. Rees

'CARTER'S SUNBURST PINK' won by Dr. H. L. Berridge

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

'ELSIE JURY' won by Dr. H. L. Berridge

Runner-ups 'EL DORADO' won by Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Berridge

'ANTICIPATION' won by Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Berridge

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Stone

In open chemically treated won by Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Stone

Under glass won by Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Berridge

Calcasieu Parish Sweepstakes Winner: Mr. F. C. Buckley

ACS Silver Certificates:
In open won by Mr. F. C. Buckley
In open chemically treated won by Mrs. Lorena Jenkins
Under glass won by Mrs. R. P. Rees
Calcasieu Parish Sweepstakes Runner-up Mrs. Harrell R. Smith
ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates won by:
'INDIAN HARVEST' won by Mrs. H. L. Pentecost
'THE ALAMO' won by Mrs. Gilbert Watson
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

MONROE, LOUISIANA, February 14-15, 1976
(13th Annual)

Sponsor: Northeast Louisiana Camellia Club
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,471.
Attendance: 900.

Japonica Camellias Grown Under Glass:
Large to extra large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. Bill Tompkins
Medium 'DIDDY'S PINK ORGANDIE' won by Mr. Otto Klick
Small 'HAKU HAN KUJAKU' won by Mr. F. F. Becker, II
Miniature 'DRYADE VAR.' won by Dr. and Mrs. Fred Lee

Japonica Camellias Grown Unprotected:
Large 'HELEN BOWER' won by Mr. G. F. Abendroth
Medium 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Mrs. W. E. Lee
Small 'KITTY' won by Mr. G. F. Abendroth
Miniature 'MAN SIZE' won by Mr. and Mrs. John Geiser

Hybrid with Reticulata parentage 'AZTEC VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow
Hybrid without Reticulata parentage 'CHARLEAN' won by Mr. E. N. Kimes
Best white protected 'SNOWMAN' won by E. N. Kimes
Best white unprotected 'GREGORY CONWAY' won by Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn

ACS Arrangement Certificates:
Creativity won by Mrs. William R. Haight
Tricolor won by Mrs. Mark Wiginton, Jr.
Number of ACS memberships sold: 4

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, November 29, 1975 (5th Annual)

Sponsor: The Southern Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 2,500.
Attendance: 10,000.

Grown Outside:
Best Miniature 'LITTLE BABE VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose
Best small 'KIKU TOJI' won by Mrs. J. J. Ciolino
Best medium 'JUANITA SMITH' won by Dr. J. M. Ciaravella
Best large 'LADY KAY' won by Mrs. B. A. Ragusa
Best v. large 'PIRATES GOLD' won by Mr. C. R. Butler

Grown Protected:
Best miniature 'SUGAR BABE' won by Mr. W. B. Patterson
Best small 'DEMI-TASSE' won by F. F. Becker II
Best medium 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Mr. R. S. Magee
Best large 'MIKE WITMAN' won by Mr. Jon L. Carvain

Best v. large 'CARTER'S SUNBURST VAR.' won by Mr. W. E. Sellers

ACS Gold Certificates:
In open won by Mrs. Henry S. Stone
Protected won by Mr. R. S. Magee

ACS Silver Certificates:
In open won by Mrs. L. Schlaudecker
Protected won by Mr. F. F. Becker, II

ACS Provisional Seedling Certificate awarded to Mrs. Ferol Zerkowsky for Seedling Japonica No. 74-13

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, January 26, 1976
(36th Annual)

Sponsor: Camellia Club of New Orleans
Number Blooms Displayed: 2,210.
Attendance: 6,000.

Japonica in open chem. treated 'MOONLIGHT SON-ATA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose
Runner-up 'LADY LAURA' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose

Under glass chem. treated 'LEANNE'S TOMORROW' won by Mr. John Carvain
Runner-up 'TOMORROW' won by Bagby Hall
Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

In open chem. treated 'VALENTINE DAY VAR.' won by E. J. Laurent
Runner-up 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose
Runner-up 'DR. CLIFFORD PARKS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose
Under glass chem. treated 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by C. C. Bush
Runner-up 'VALLEY KNUDSEN' won by Clyde Copeland
Runner-up 'LILA NAFF' won by Clyde Copeland

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
In open chem. treated 'SOUTH SEAS' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. LaRose
Runner-up 'ELSIE JURY VAR.' won by E. J. Laurent
Runner-up 'ELSIE JURY' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. LaRose
Under glass chem. treated 'CHARLEAN' won by Jon L. Carvain
Runner-up 'JULIA HAMITER' won by James Smelley

ACS Gold Certificates:
In open chem. treated won by Mrs. H. S. Stone
Under glass chem. treated won by James Smelley

ACS Silver Certificates:
In open chem. treated won by Dr. Alvin E. Johnson
Under glass chem. treated won by F. F. Becker
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, January 31st-February 1, 1976 (22nd Annual)

Sponsor: Men's Camellia Club of Shreveport
Number Blooms Displayed: 2,500.
Attendance: 8,000.

Japonica protected large and very large 'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Runner-up 'CARTER'S SUNBURST PINK VAR.' won by Bob Waters
Medium to large protected 'SAWADA'S DREAM' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Worley

Runner-up 'EVELYN POE BLUSH' won by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Copeland
Medium protected 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Small protected 'LITTLE GINGER' won by Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow
Miniature protected 'MAN SIZE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow
Outstanding White Japonica protected 'SNOWMAN' won by David S. Rubin
Japonica large and very large unprotected 'ROSE MAHAN' won by W. F. Mann
Runner-up large and very large 'GUILLO NUCCIO' won by G. F. Abendroth
Medium to large unprotected 'IWANE' won by George Dehn
Runner-up 'EMMETT PFINGSTL' won by J. A. Peninger

Medium unprotected 'MAGNOLIAEFLORE' won by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Worley
Small unprotected 'HISHI-KARAITO' won by G. F. Abendroth
Miniature unprotected 'FIRCONA VAR.' won by W. F. Mann

Outstanding White Japonica unprotected 'LEUCANTHA' won by Dr. Melvin Johnson
Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)
'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Copeland
Hybrids (With other than Reticulata Parentage)
'ELSIE JURY' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

SLIDELL, LOUISIANA, December 13-14, 1975
(25th Annual)

Sponsor: Ozone Camellia Club
Number Blooms Displayed: 3,541.
Attendance: 2,560.

Japonica in open 'CARTER'S SUNBURST PINK' won by Mr. and Mrs. John Geiser
Runner-up 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by Mr. Robert Hill

Japonica under glass 'FASHIONATA' won by Mr. Bagby Hall
Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Dr. Harry Moore
Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

In open 'HOWARD ASPER' won by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Crutcher
Runner-up 'LILA NAFF' won by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. LaRose
Under glass 'VALLEY KNUDSEN' won by Mr. Stanley Magee
Runner-up 'MOUCHANG' won by Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Elmer

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
In open 'CITATION' won by Mr. Mike Cannon
Runner-up 'ANTICIPATION VAR.' won by Mrs. Mattie Cop
Under glass 'ELDORADO' won by Mr. F. F. Becker
Runner-up 'CHARLEAN VAR.' won by Mr. F. F. Becker

ACS Gold Certificates:
In open won by Mr. and Mrs. John Geiser
Under glass won by Mr. Bagby Hall

ACS Silver Certificates:
In open won by Mrs. B. A. Ragusa
Under glass won by Mr. F. F. Becker

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ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. Patrick Laurent, Creativity Certificate won by Mrs. Bernard Larmann
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, February 14-15, 1976 (26th Annual)

Sponsor: Hattiesburg Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 2,000.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best Local-in-Show) 'LADY IN RED' won by C. V. Bozeman

Japonica in open 'BROADWATER' won by Dr. Alvin Johnson

Under glass 'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Bagby Hall
C. Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass 'FOUR WINDS' won by Clyde Copeland

C. Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'CHARLEAN' won by R. T. Fancher

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Dr. Alvin Johnson

Under glass chem. treated won by R. T. Fancher

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Dr. Robert E. Schwartz

Under glass won by C. V. Bozeman

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, February 7, 1976

Sponsor: Jackson Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,200.

Attendance: 5,000.

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'FOUR WINDS' won by C. X. Copeland

Japonica in open 'FLAME' won by T. B. Fatherree

Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD' won by C. B. Goodson

Under glass 'TOMORROW'S TROPIC DAWN' won by Charles Malone, Jr.

Runner-up 'FASHIONATA' won by A. B. Cooper

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'VALENTINE DAY' won by Cliff Lattin

Runner-up 'PHARAOH' won by Ealon Magee

Runner-up 'FRANCIE L VAR.' won by Ealon Magee

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'ELSIE JURY' won by Shortstop Hall

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. A. E. Wiseloge

Number of ACS membership sold: 3

MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI, December 13, 1975 (16th Annual)

Sponsor: Moss Point Men's Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,123.

Japonica in open 'LADY KAY' won by Mr. Herbert Segner

Runner-up 'CARTER'S SUNBURST' won by John K. Edwards, Jr.

Under glass 'HELEN BOWER' won by T. O. Bower

Runner-up 'FUNNY FACE BETTY' won by Dick Burnett

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Best 'JULIA HAMITER' won by R. A. Sansing

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by J. Y. Christmas

Under glass won by T. O. Bower

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Jessie Barfield

Under glass won by Dick Burnett

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, February 28-29, 1976

Sponsor: Men's Camellia Club of Charlotte

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,250.

Attendance: 12,000.

Japonica in open over 4½ inches 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Jean and John Graham

Runner-up 'MISS CHARLESTON VAR.' won by Jean and John Graham

Protected 2½-4½ inches 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Hahn

Runner-up 'MRS. R. L. WHEELER' won by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Holzcaw

Under glass over 4½ inches 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by Osborne Oakley, Jr.

Runner-up 'HELEN BOWER' won by Doris and Robert Fowler

Under glass miniature 'TAMMIA' won by Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Bush

Runner-up 'MAN SIZE' won by Dr. Olin Owen

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass over 5 inches 'FRANCIE L' won by Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Hahn

Runner-up 'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by Susan Royal

Under glass 2½-5 inches 'BLACK LACE' won by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holderby

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'CHARLEAN VAR.' won by Lester M. Allen

Runner-up 'CHARLEAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holderby

Best white over 2½ inches 'SWAN LAKE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Hahn

ACS Gold Certificate:

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holderby

ACS Silver Certificate:

Under glass won by Lester M. Allen

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, February 22, 1976 (30th Annual)

Sponsor: Fayetteville Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 925.

Attendance: 600.

Japonica in open 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Mr. Joe Thomasson

Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Dr. Skipper Smith

Under glass large to very large 'LOUISE HAIRSTON' won by Mr. J. O. Jackson

Medium 'PINK PAGODA' won by Mr. Harry D. Watson

Small 'KITTY' won by Mr. R. R. McVey

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

Under glass 'MOUCHANG' won by Mr. Ernest Aycock

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'ANGEL WINGS' won by Marie and Paul Dahlen

Best miniature 'BONBON' won by Mr. Harry D. Watson

Best White 'ECCLEFIELD' won by Mr. J. O. Jackson

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. Joe Thomasson

Under glass won by Mr. Lester Allen

Number of ACS membership sold: 4

WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, February 28, 1976 (20th Annual)

Sponsor: Whiteville Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,150.

Attendance: 450.

Outstanding Bloom Certificates for the following:

Japonica in open 'DRAMA GIRL' won by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mason

Under glass 'TICK TOCK' won by J. K. Blanchard

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'HOWARD ASPER' won by Jack Jackson

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)

In open 'BRIGADOON' won by J. J. Seelig

Under glass 'EL DORADO' won by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by J. J. Seelig

Under glass won by Annabelle and Lou Fetterman

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mason

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. Ann Williamson

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA, January 24-25, 1976 (22nd Annual)

Sponsor: Aiken Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 887.

Attendance: 4,000.

Most outstanding bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'LEANNE'S TOMORROW' won by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Evans

Japonica in open 'CLARK HUBBS' won by Mr. Bill P. Mayer

Under glass large to very large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. L. G. Wilhelm

Under glass small to medium 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Dr. O. W. Owen

Reticulata (Includes all Hybrids)

Under glass large to very large 'HOWARD ASPER VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Under glass small to medium 'ROSE PARADE VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Teague

Best White 'CHARLES BETTES' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Junior Exhibitor 'ROSEA SUPERBA' won by Kyle Elliott

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. Bill P. Mayer

Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by A. R. Andrews

Under glass won by Mrs. W. K. Laughlin

ACS Provisional Seedling Certificates of Merit for Chemically Treated flower: Japonica certificate won by Mr. Jack Hendrix for unnamed seedling

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. Paul A. Dahlen

Creativity award won by Mrs. Mackey Scott and Mrs. Eugene Holley

Number of ACS memberships sold: 11

BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA, January 17-18, 1976 (30th Annual)

Sponsor: Council of Beaufort Garden Clubs

Number Blooms Displayed: 722

Attendance: 327

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'DR. CLIFFORD PARKS' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

Japonica in open untreated Beaufort County Resident 'DONGKELARI' won by Mrs. John Bull

Japonica in open 'GUILIO NUCCIO' won by Bill P. Mayer

Japonica in open chem. treated 'GRAND SLAM' won by Mrs. W. V. Tyson

Japonica under glass chem. treated or untreated 'EASTER MORN' won by Ernest O. Aycock

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata parentage)

Under glass 'VALLEY KNUDSEN' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott

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 In open chem. treated won by A. R. Andrews
 Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Miller
 ACS Outstanding arrangement certificate won by Lisa Grant for Tri-Color and Creativity
 Number of ACS memberships sold: None

COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, February 14-15, 1976

Sponsor: Mid-Carolina Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 1,750.
 Attendance: 3,000.
 Japonica in open 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Mr. W. T. Shepherd
 Runner-up 'HALLMARK' won by J. J. Seelig
 Japonica grown protected:

Best bloom over 5" 'EASTER MORN' won by Gladly and Jim Pinkerton
 Runner-up over 5" 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by William Olliff
 Best white 'DOROTHY COPELAND' won by Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Bush
 Best miniature 'MAN SIZE' won by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hendrix
 Best bloom under 5" 'SAWADA'S DREAM' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott
 Runner-up under 5" 'MARGARET DAVIS' won by Jane Robertson

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)
 Best 'CORNELIAN' won by Mr. and Mrs. Linton D. Baggs
 Runner-up 'HOWARD ASPER' won by W. G. Duncan, Jr.

Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 Best 'ELSIE JURY' won by Graem Yates

ACS Gold Certificates:
 In open won by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sanders
 Under glass chem. treated won by Jack Teague

ACS Silver Certificates:
 In open won by J. J. Seelig
 Under glass chem. treated won by D. G. Elliott

ACS Provisional Highly Commended Seedling Certificates: Japonica certificate won by Jack Hendrix for unnamed seedling originated by Jack Hendrix
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 5

GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA, February 7-8, 1976

Sponsor: Council of Garden Clubs
 Number Blooms Displayed: 823.

Attendance: 176
 Japonica in open 'JESSIE BURGESS' won by W. T. Shepherd
 In open chem. treated 'WHITE HIBISCUS' won by Mr. and Mrs. John Graham
 Under glass 'HELEN BOWER VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott
 Under glass chem. treated 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. O. J. Jackson
 Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)
 Under glass chem. treated 'VALENTINE' DAY VAR' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 Under glass chem. treated 'EL DORADO' won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott
 ACS Gold Certificate:
 In open won by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blanchard
 ACS Silver Certificate:
 In open won by Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Elliott
 ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificate won by Mrs. C. C. Dawson
 Number of ACS memberships sold: None

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, March 6-7, 1976 (4th Annual)

Sponsor: Middle Tennessee Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 830.
 Attendance: 3,000.

Japonica grown protected:
 Large to V. Large 'CLARK HUBBS VAR.' won by William Robertson
 Medium large 'LADY KAY' won by Jack Lewis
 Medium 'DIDDY'S PINK ORGANDIE' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.
 Small 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Jon Laird Carvain

Miniature 'TAMMIA' won by Jon Laird Carvain
 Arminta Cawood trophy for best Japonica in show 'ELEGANS SUPREME' won by W. D. Stewart

Australian trophy for best bloom of Australian origin 'SWAN LAKE' won by A. B. Cooper
 Best bloom grown in Middle Tennessee 'BLACK LACE' won by George Griffin

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)
 Under glass 'AZTEC' won by David Elliott
 Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage)
 Under glass 'ANTICIPATION' won by Douglas Batt

ACS Gold Certificate:
 Under glass won by A. B. Cooper

ACS Silver Certificate:
 Under glass won by George Garrison

ACS Provisional Highly Commended Seedling Certificate: Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage) Certificate won by Mr. Frank Pursel for X-4 originated by Mr. Frank Pursel.
 Number of ACS memberships sold: 2

BEAUMONT, TEXAS, January 17-18, 1976 (19th Annual)

Sponsor: Southeast Texas Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 625.

Attendance: 202
 Most Outstanding Bloom in Show 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Japonica grown unprotected:

Under 3 inches 'ANNIVERSARY' won by Mr. Sid Johnson
 From 3-5 inches 'MAGNOLIAEFLORA' won by Mr. Sam Partlow
 Over 5 inches 'GUILIO NUCCIO' won by Mr. Herschel Neel

Japonica Grown Protected:
 Under 3 inches 'FIRCONE VAR.' won by Mr. Bob Waters

From 3-5 inches 'ALTA GAVIN' won by Mr. W. E. Worley
 Over 5 inches 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Hybrid or Reticulata:
 Grown unprotected 'FELICE HARRIS' won by Dr. Emil Carroll
 Grown protected 'PHARAOH' won by Mr. Bob Waters

ACS Gold Certificate:
 Won by Mr. A. Sidney Johnson

ACS Silver Certificate:
 Won by Mrs. R. P. Rees

ACS Provisional Highly Commended Seedling Certificate: Japonica certificate won by Mr. A. Sidney Johnson and Mr. O. E. McAllister and originated by Mr. A. Sidney Johnson and Mr. O. E. McAllister

Number of ACS memberships sold: 2

DALLAS, TEXAS, February 22, 1976

Sponsor: Dallas Camellia Society

Most Outstanding Bloom (Best-In-Show or Queen of Show) 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Jon L. Carvain
 Best large Japonica 'HELEN BOWER' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.

Best medium-large Japonica 'BETTY SHEFFIELD PINKHEART' won by Jon L. Carvain

Best medium Japonica 'PEARL MAXWELL' won by Frank T. Bailey, Jr.

Best small Japonica 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.

Best miniature 'FIRCONE VAR.' won by Jack Greenberg

Best non reticulata Hybrid 'EL DORADO' won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.

Best Reticulata Hybrid 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Jon L. Carvain

Novice Award 'SAWADA'S DREAM' won by Nancy and Garvin Tate, Jr.

ACS Gold Certificate won by Charles B. Malone, Jr.

ACS Silver Certificate won by Jack Greenberg

Number of ACS memberships sold: None

ACS Fall Meeting to Be Held in Gulfport/Biloxi, November 18-19-20, 1976

Plans have moved ahead for the 1976 Fall Meeting to be hosted by the Gulfport Men's Camellia Society. The Convention Headquarters will be the Biloxi Hilton Hotel; Single room rate is \$25.00 and double is \$30.00. The Cost of Registration Fee is \$40.00. There will be more details in the August and November issue of the *Journal*.

The tentative schedule of events is as follows:

Thursday, November 18

9:00 A.M. Registration
 1:00 P.M. Hospitality Room opens
 2:00 P.M. Governing Board Meeting

4:00 P.M. Board of Trustees Meeting
 5:00 P.M. Closing of Registration
 Dinner on your own

Friday, November 19

9:00 A.M. Registration
 9:00 A.M. Hospitality Room opens
 9:30 A.M. General Meeting and Educational Meeting
 12:00 Noon Luncheon on your own
 1:30 P.M. Tour of Gardens or Beauvoir (Optional)
 5:00 P.M. Closing of Registration and Hospitality Room
 6:30 P.M. Social Hour—Cash Bar

7:30 P.M. Supper Seafood Jamboree

Saturday, November 20

9:00-11:30 A.M. Registration and Hospitality Room opens
 8:00-11:00 A.M. Enter flowers in Show
 Tour to Ship Island or Beauvoir (Optional)
 12:00 Noon Meeting of Judges
 12:15 P.M. Judging of Show
 2:30 P.M. Preview of Show
 3:00 P.M. Show open to public
 6:30 P.M. Social Hour
 7:30 P.M. Annual Banquet

FORT WORTH, TEXAS, February 15, 1976 (18th Annual)

Sponsor: Fort Worth Camellia Society, Inc. and First National Bank of Fort Worth
Number Blooms Displayed: 831.
Attendance: 5,600.

Japonica Protected:

Large-Very large 'HELEN BOWER' won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Runner-up 'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Medium-large 'MOONLIGHT SONATA' won by Mr. David Rubin
Runner-up 'VILLE DE NANTES RED' won by Dr. and Mrs. R. P. McDonald
Medium 'DIDDY'S PINK ORGANDIE' won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Runner-up 'CARVAIN'S SILK MOIRE' won by Mr. Jon Laird Carvain
Small 'PINK PERFECTION' won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Runner-up 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Mr. Jon Laird Carvain
Miniature 'TAMMIA' won by Mr. Jon Laird Carvain
Runner-up 'FIRCONE VAR.' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Japonica Unprotected:

Large-very large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mrs. Bess Laird Carvain
Runner-up 'DONCKELARIJ' won by Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Reese
Medium-large 'MOONLIGHT SONATA' won by Mrs. Bess Laird Carvain
Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD DREAM' won by Mrs. Bess Laird Carvain
Medium 'DIXIE KNIGHT SUPREME' won by Mrs. Bess Laird Carvain
Runner-up 'SUNSET OAKS' won by Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Reese

C. Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage) Protected or Unprotected:

Most Outstanding Bloom 'FRANCIE L' won by Mr. Bob Waters
Runner-up 'LASCA BEAUTY' won by Mr. Fred A. Martin

C. Hybrid (With other than Reticulata parentage) Protected or Unprotected:

Most outstanding bloom 'EL DORADO' won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Runner-up 'CHARLEAN VAR.' won by Mr. and Mrs. Temple Bowen

Judges Division: C. Japonica, C. Reticulata, C. Hybrid, etc. Protected:

Most outstanding bloom 'PHARAOH' won by Mr. Milton Surles
Runner-up 'VILLE DE NANTES' won by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Squyres

Unprotected:

Most outstanding bloom 'DON MAC' won by Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Boudreaux
Runner-up 'GULLIO NUCCIO' won by Dr. and Mrs. Emil Carroll

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Reese
Under glass won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.

Judges Division:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Squyres
Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Squyres

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. Gregory E. Davis
Under glass won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greenberg

Judges Division:

In open won by Dr. and Mrs. Emil Carroll
Under glass won by Mr. Milton Surles

ACS Provisional Seedling Certificates of Merit for Chemically Treated flower: Japonica certificate won by Mr. Fred A. Martin for Seedling No. 11 originated by Mr. Fred A. Martin
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

HOUSTON, TEXAS, December 13-14, 1975

Sponsor: Houston Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 850.

Attendance: 40,000

Japonica in open 'LADY KAY' won by Dr. and Mrs. P. Disclafani

Runner-up large to very large 'DRAMA GIRL' won by Mr. Charles E. Nadeau

In open medium 'CAMPARI' won by Dr. and Mrs. P. Disclafani

Runner-up 'MAGNOLIAEFLORA' won by Mr. Grove Blair

In open small or miniature 'AVE MARIA' won by Dr. and Mrs. P. Disclafani

Under glass large to very large 'TOMORROW PARK HILL' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Runner-up 'TOMORROW VAR.' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Under glass medium 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Runner-up 'TOM KNUDSEN' won by Mr. Charles E. Nadeau

Under glass small 'GRACE ALBRITTON' won by Mr. Bob Waters

Reticulata (Includes Hybrids with Reticulata Parentage)

In open 'VALENTINE DAY' won by Mr. Dudley P. Boudreaux

Under glass 'VALLEY KNUDSEN' won by Mr. David S. Rubin

Sasanqua in open 'CHANSONETTE' (C. *hiemalis*) won by Mr. Charles E. Nadeau

ACS Gold Certificates:

In open won by Dr. and Mrs. P. Disclafani
Under glass won by Mr. Clifford A. "Pat" Wolfe

ACS Silver Certificates:

In open won by Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Zagst
Under glass won by Mr. Charles B. Malone, Jr.
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

LIBERTY, TEXAS, January 24-25, 1976

Sponsor: Atascosito Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 528

Attendance: 200

Japonica in open:

Large 'SNOWMAN' won by C. O. Zagst
Runner-up 'DRAMA GIRL' won by J. A. Penninger

Medium 'LALLAROOK' won by G. E. Davis
Runner-up 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME' won by Frank Lemley

Small 'PINK PERFECTION' won by Sid Johnson
Runner-up 'KIKU-TOJI' won by Sid Johnson

Miniature 'LITTLE SLAM' won by G. E. Davis
Japonica under glass:

Large 'JUDGE MARVIN MANN VAR.' won by W. E. Worley

Runner-up 'ELEGANS SUPREME VAR.' won by O. E. McAllister

Medium 'ANNETTE GEHRY' won by W. E. Worley

Miniature 'FIRCONE VAR.' won by J. A. Caldwell

Hybrid with Reticulata parentage:
Protected 'HOWARD ASPER' won by W. E. Worley

Unprotected 'LILA NAFF' won by C. O. Zagst
Hybrid without Reticulata parentage:

Protected 'CHARLEAN VAR.' won by W. E. Worley

Unprotected 'CHARLEAN' won by G. E. Davis

ACS Gold Certificates:
Protected won by W. E. Worley

Unprotected won by G. E. Davis

ACS Silver Certificates:
Protected won by J. A. Caldwell

Unprotected won by Sidney Johnson

ACS Provisional Highly Commended Seedling Certificates:
Japonica: No. TH#1 won by Dudley Boudreaux

Japonica: No. 574J won by Sidney Johnson

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates: Best of Show and Creativity won by Vena Cochran

Tri-Color won by Vera Pearl Farris
Number of ACS memberships sold: None

Fort Walton Camellia Society Holds Successful Show

CATHERINE P. (Mrs. H. L.) BERRIDGE

The Fort Walton Camellia Society in Cooperation with the American Camellia Society Annual Camellia Show at Choctawhatchee High School January 24th and 25th drew admiring viewers from a wide area. Saturday from 1:00 P. M. to 3:00 P. M. Judges from Pensacola, Panama City, Marianna, Florida; Montgomery, Ozark, Mobile, Theodore, Alabama; Americus, Georgia and Nashville, Tennessee awarded Protected blooms 241 blue (1st); 185 red (2nd); 120 white (3rd) ribbons. They gave Unprotected blooms 176 blue; 152 red; 83 white

ribbons. The viewers registration showed visitors from Lincoln, Grand Island, Nebraska; Hampton, Virginia; Pittsburg, Kansas; Lafayette, Indiana; Cape Cod, Maine; Rutland, Vermont; Norwalk, Iowa; Palm Beach, Florida; Rochester, N. Y.; Victoria, Canada; Reading, Pennsylvania; Ferguson, Missouri; Fitzgerald, Georgia; Shelbyville, Illinois; New Castle, Pennsylvania; Dundee, Scotland; Lake George, N. Y.; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Randolph, Minnesota; Clio, Michigan; Dixon, Illinois; Randolph, Minnesota; Salem, Indiana; Sault Ste. Marie,

Ont., Canada; Portland, Florida; Devinedale, Michigan; Kalispell, Montana; Freeport, Illinois; Rochester, Massachusetts; Dimondale, Michigan; Indianola, Mississippi; New Hampshire; Wilmington, Delaware; Warwick, R. I.; Blooming Prairie, Minnesota; Kalamazoo, Michigan; Toronto and Lindsay, Canada; Lineville, Alabama; Piper City, Illinois; Toledo, Ohio; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Louisville, Kentucky; Worchester, Massachusetts; Carmel, California; Abington, Virginia; Johnstown, Pennsylvania; Ashland, Kentucky,

Birmingham, Alabama; Bellefontaine, Ohio; Barre, Massachusetts; Edinburg, Texas; Enid, Oklahoma; Sudbury, Ontario, Canada; Largo, Florida; Jordan, Montana; Kingsport, Tennessee; Ganado, Arizona; Iowa Falls, Iowa; Montreal, Quebec; Geneva, N. Y.; St. Louis, Missouri; Rock Island, Illinois; Colorado; as well as localities in Florida, i.e., De Funiak Springs, Crestview, Shalimar, Destin, Mary Ester, Pensacola, Panama City. Amazement of such beauty in winter; gasps of admiring joy; disbelief a camellia could be so large or so gorgeous were heard from a steady stream of avid viewers Saturday afternoon and Sunday from Noon until 4:00 P. M.

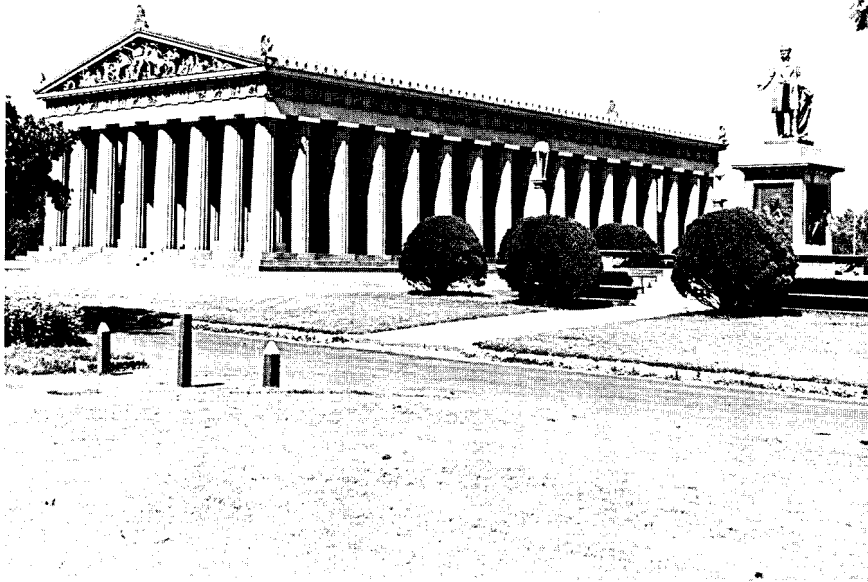
Fort Walton Camellia Society members and Judges for their Annual Show, January 24 enjoyed a banquet Night at the Eglin Officers Club. President Herbert G. Campbell was Master of Ceremonies. John W. Brooks, a nephew of Sarah Frances Pryor, founder of the Society, had presented a plaque of walnut and bronze "in Memory of Sarah Frances Pryor who loved camellias and shared that love with so many. For Outstanding Contributions to the Cultivation of Camellias." President Campbell announced he headed a secret committee he appointed to name persons whose names would be inscribed for past and present efforts. Mrs. H. D. Reed, a Charter Member and this year Artistic Division Coordinator; Mrs. H. L. Berridge; Corresponding Secretary, Past American Camellia Society Chairman; Classification and Entry Chairman; Publicity Chairman for many years and this year's Judges Co-Chairman; Mr. George Dewrell, many years Show Chairman, Awards and Honors Chairman and Judges Chairman; Dr. H. L. Berridge who served the Society as President for many years; President for the second term of the Gulf Coast Camellia Society; Show, Rules, Awards and Honors Chairman and Judges Co-Chairman.



Fort Walton Camellia Society in Cooperation with the American Camellia Society Placement Committee for their Annual Show January 24-25 were assisted by the Wheelettes. Left to Right Back Row—Kathy Mills, Sharon Cosgrove, Cindy Findley, Karen Park, Robin Duke. Front Row—Laura Ciemniecki, Lisa Shahid, Pam Leonard.



Fort Walton Camellia Society in Cooperation with the American Camellia Society was assisted with their January 24-25, 1976 Camellia Show Set-up and Tear-down of the Show by the Key Club, Choctawhatchee High School. Left to Right—Todd Crumpler, Mike Madaris, Col. H. J. Mehserle, Chairman of the Committee, Berry Jones, President, Bubba Garner, Vice President. Other members working in other crews—not shown—are David Simpson, John Tandler, Wayne Walker, Mike Johnson, Steve Brockman, Kelly Conklin, Paul Petrey, Randy Bailey.



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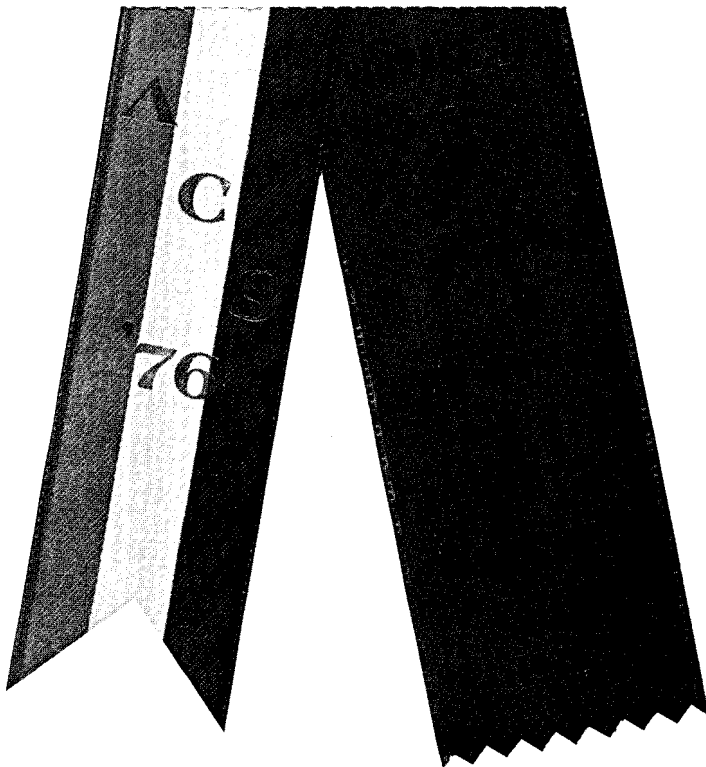
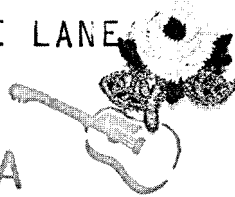
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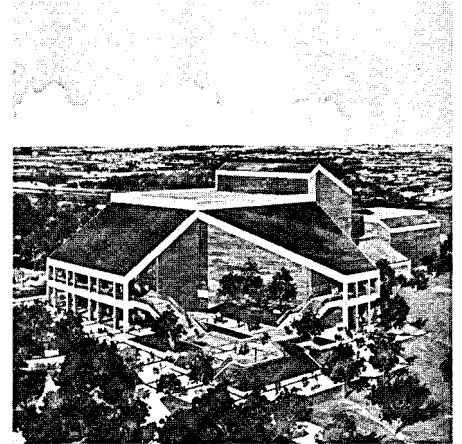
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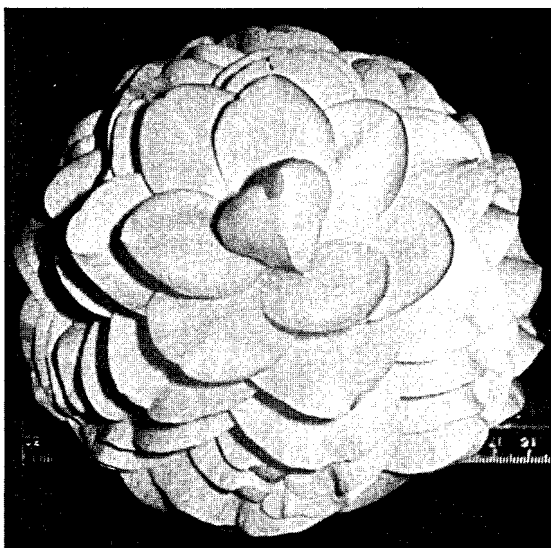
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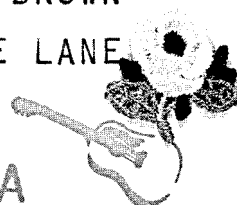
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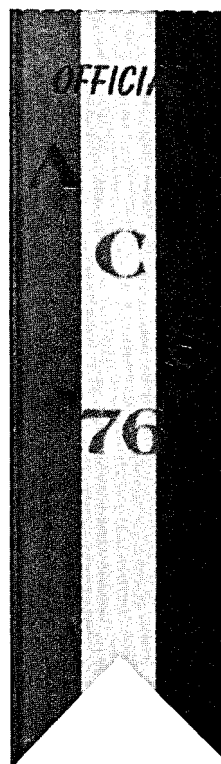
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Many believe that the low cost of the trip is more than worth it just to have the opportunity to visit with and hear from that grand man of camellias, Professor E. G. Waterhouse who had his ninety-fifth birthday last month. He is looking forward eagerly to our visit.

The tour departs from San Francisco for Sydney on the evening of July 29th. The visit in Sydney includes, among other things, sightseeing of this gorgeous city, a night at the fabulous new Sydney Opera, receptions and dinner at private homes, a reception by the Lady Mayoress of Sydney, the famous Australian Camellia Research Society Show under the auspices "Bicentennial Salute to America", botanic garden visit, a harbor cruise.

After that we leave by air-conditioned bus for Canberra with lunch at "Browley Farm". While there you will see this planned and beautiful capital city and enjoy the Australian Camellia Research Society Congress dinner.

You will then fly to Adelaide where you will tour the Adelaide Hills, have lunch hosted by South Australian branches of the ACRS and evening dinner in the homes of South Australia members. You will be coached to the Barossa Valley—the wine country. There will be an official dinner function the night before taking off for Mount Gambier, which is noted for its remarkable Blue Lake.

Then—on to Melbourne to be hosted by the Victorian Branch mem-

bers of ACRS and a visit to the wonderful Botanic Gardens which an ACS Charter Member Alex Jessup was Director for many years. There will be time for leisure or shopping at each city, and a farewell cocktail and dinner in Australia.

On Sunday, August 15th you leave for New Zealand. While there you will see many interesting tourist attractions, camellia gardens and the New Zealand Camellia Society's Annual Conference at Whangarei. We are still working on more details of this leg of the tour. There will then be three days of "total leisure" in the Pacific paradise of Fiji. For these three days you will be on your own to rest, take a one-day optional cruise of the smaller islands. On August 25th you will fly from Fiji back to California.

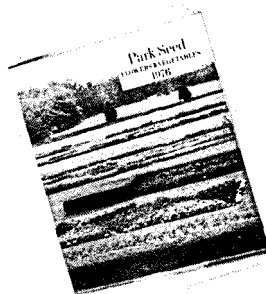
The cost of the trip is \$2,300.00 per person double occupancy; \$2,625.00 for single room accommodations. This includes all air and surface travel from San Francisco to Australia to New Zealand to Fiji to California; portage; taxes; most all meals except at Fiji where you are on your own; all hotels first class or deluxe. Air travel is Economy (known also as Tourist) Class. The cost does not include your air travel to and from points of departure in California.

We have more details as to clothing, passport and visa needs, etc. available to you should you sign up to go. Please let us know immediately and post to us a deposit of \$250.00 per person.

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Mrs. Donald R. Griffing (Nov.)

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Horticulturally Speaking

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In the month or two since the doors closed on the last camellia show, enthusiasm has waned. In its place is the tendency to neglect the plants until the buds show signs of swelling in the early fall.

The Horticulture Committee reminds everyone that during the summer months it is most important that camellia plants be given proper care and attention. It is really good summer care that puts flowers on the Honor Table during the blooming season.

The Committee will welcome advice and suggestions as well as questions from any grower. Address one or all of us through A.C.S. headquarters or by reference to the Membership Roster.

Sanitation

In summer the gardener loves to be outdoors, in the cooler hours of early morning and late afternoon if not all day. Fresh air naturally directs one's senses to freshness of plant life and cleanliness of locale. One seems most aware then of the hazards of insects and diseases.

Do the plants appear as fresh as you would like to see them, or are their leaves disclosing evidence of scale or being nibbled away by chewing pests? Are the branches fouled by scale or defoliation?

If so, it's time to spray with insecticides like Malathion, Isotox or Cygon. The latter is called "systemic" because it is absorbed into the vascular system, hence is markedly de-

structive of sucking insects and scale. Aphids, weevils, cutworms, beetles and spider mites feeding on luscious leaves and buds are susceptible to any of these sprays, and the same may be true of scale insects. However, since scale spreads by hatched crawlers, it can be most effectively eliminated in the crawler stage before becoming affixed to the bark or leaf and protected by impervious crust. For example, wax scale is in the crawler stage in late May and early June and should be attacked then. At other times it is barely destructible except by laboriously plucking individual scales from the plant.

Dieback is the most prevalent disease to attack camellias in summer. No fungicide has given effective control, and a strong, vigorous, healthy plant is the best known remedy. All affected twigs or branches should be removed, cut back to live tissue. Dieback may be recognized before the whole plant goes, by the wilting, browning and shrivelling of leaves and the subsequent tendency of the dead leaves to hang on.

Benlate is another systemic fungicide used in controlling dieback and canker. It can be applied as a soil drench—2 tablespoons to one gallon of water. Since hybrids are particularly susceptible to dieback and canker, a couple of applications to this species is recommended during the summer.

The only other serious fungus disease is petal blight, which everyone should have tried to control during the past eight months by gathering and destroying all fallen petals and spraying the ground where they fell to kill the spores which live in the soil and are scattered by the wind when they appear above ground.

Variegation of foliage is fungus-caused but presents no danger. It

usually affects not a whole plant but merely a few branches. Transmitted from one plant to another only when the scion or the understock used in grafting is infected, it appears either in leaf discoloration or in breaking flower color solidity, and sometimes both ways.

Watering

Inasmuch as dehydration by summer's sun and wind impedes photosynthesis (nature's method of using light to produce food and energy for the plant), it is extremely important for camellias to receive ample water in hot weather. Neglect of this need is probably the greatest single cause of damage which shows up much later—even next spring—when buds fall or bull nose or when plants suddenly turn up their toes, apparently inexplicably.

In some areas of the South, camellias grown in the garden require little water in summer, says Clyde Copeland, but he warns that in most cases it is necessary to water thoroughly at least once every ten days, and he adds that no plant should be allowed to become moisture deficient to the extent that the older foliage will wilt. Foliar spraying is considered "a dessert and not a main course."

Feeding

Fertilizing plants in the ground is not absolutely essential, as the roots draw sustenance from the original soil mixture, from decaying mulch, and from reaching out into new areas of soil. However, in summer the camellia runs into its busiest season, working hard to make new wood and foliage and to set healthy buds, so a friendly hand can help provide food.

Assuming that all plants were fertilized at the end of the blooming period, Copeland recommends a second but light feeding in early June consisting of two parts cottonseed meal and one part commercial camellia-azalea fertilizer, which seems to be gaining popularity in the South. On the other hand, Roy Stringfellow urges regular, systematic feeding each

month of the year, certainly with cottonseed meal but also with some additional nutrients. He uses Esminel twice a year, preferably in late summer and in fall.

There are so many food formulas backed by staunch advocates that it behooves every grower to try several and decide for himself which works best for him. In cold climes, feeding after midsummer is not advised for fear of stimulating new growth too late to harden off before the onset of frost.

Container grown camellias require more frequent feeding than those in the ground but, because of the limited amount of soil in the containers, they are more susceptible to damage from over-fertilization. Many growers of camellias in containers find that monthly applications of fertilizer at half the recommended dosage works successfully.

Mulching

Many advantages derive from applying mulch at least two inches thick around the base of a camellia plant. It insures more efficient use of rainfall, reducing rain wash and storing the moisture, retards weeds, equalizes soil temperature, improves soil structure, spurs root growth. Satisfactory mulches include oak leaves, pine needles, pine bark, hardwood chips, straw, bagasse, peanut shells, and sawdust.

Stringfellow doesn't stop at two inches but piles it up more generously. While some growers mulch their container plants, still he sees no real advantage in this and prefers being able to see the container soil at a glance to better determine the need for watering.

Pruning

An important phase of camellia culture is proper and sufficient pruning. Some of this took place when the flowers were cut, but now is the time to do a thorough job, whether it is simply snipping a growth bud that appears to be in the wrong place or removing a much elongated

and ungainly limb. Begin at the heart of the plant, extracting twigs and small branches clogging and shading the interior, then the limbs which are too near the ground. This improves air circulation. Of course, every dead shoot must go.

Finally, look the plant over carefully, see if any larger limbs should be completely cut off or radically pruned to give the plant a more symmetrical appearance, and remember that the heavier the pruning the greater the stimulus to growth. However, the position and direction of the new growth is unfortunately not ours to prophesy! But a properly pruned bush will put on more handsome foliage, be less damaged by insects and diseases, and present an altogether finer appearance. All cuts should be treated with Tree Kote or similar asphalt material so as to minimize injury and the possible invasion of disease.

Re-Potting or Transplanting

To quote Roy Stringfellow of Upper Louisiana, "Re-potting or transplanting should be done in the dog days of late August or early September. If the plant is to be bare-rooted, this is the best time. The plant is nearly dormant then and will have the entire winter to get over this shock. I know there are growers who bare root or transplant any month of the year with good results, but I still think August and September are the safest months for this chore."

In colder climates, spring is generally considered the best time because, even though the plant is not dormant, it needs several months before the onset of freezing weather to become acclimated to its new surroundings of soil and site. This goes equally for plants in containers and in the ground.

Disbudding

In contrast to the people who leave every flower bud on a plant because they want it to provide the utmost display of color when bloom-

ing, those who dream of producing the largest and most perfect blooms will almost strip it of buds in late summer. Disbudding is begun as soon as the bloom buds are easily distinguishable from the vegetative buds. If show winners are the object, be ruthless and leave just one bud to a terminal.

Marshall Rhyne is reputed to leave only two or three buds to a plant. Although this is said in jest, it may actually be true, judging from the magnitude and quality of his flowers and the number of prizes he captures.

Disbudding once is not enough. Examination of the plants a couple of months later will detect the fact that a good many additional buds have been set.

Gibbing

After August 15, when flower buds become easily distinguishable from growth buds, it is time to start forcing some camellia japonica varieties into autumn bloom with the aid of the gibberellic acid you have borrowed from friends or bought from the *Journal's* advertisers. Not only does the acid accelerate maturity but it is conducive to enlargement of the flower. Some reticulatas and hybrids may respond slowly to it but not sasanquas. "Gibbing" appeals essentially to the show-conscious grower. For more information, see pp. 76-83 of the 1974 *Yearbook*, Vol. II.

Propagating

Four choices confront the grower whose ambition is to produce camellias on his own (omitting hybridization, which is a bit technical for beginners). In order of speed in getting a new plant to bloom, the methods are (1) Air-Layering, (2) Grafting, (3) Rooting Cuttings, and (4) Planting Seeds.

For air-layering, though April and early May would be preferable, late May or early June may still be not too late. Summer is not the season for grafting or for harvesting and planting seeds, but it is the correct

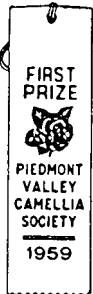
time for cutting scions and rooting them.

The substance of air-layering is selecting a healthy branch one or two feet long from the variety you wish to duplicate, treating it so that a new root system forms on the branch within three months, then cutting it off with the new roots and planting it. How to do this easily and efficiently is fully explained in the 1973 *Yearbook* at page 18.

By rooting a cutting you may also produce another plant similar to the one from which you take the cutting (scion). While this method of propagation is detailed in the 1972 *Yearbook*, p. 106, the gist is that in June or July you cut about three inches off the tip of a branch of half-hardened current year's wood when the wood has turned from green to brown; the cutting should bear one or two leaves and one or two vegetative buds not yet in the growth stage; apply a rooting hormone and stick the cutting in a mixture of sand and peat moss or perlite; keep it moist, and within 60-90 days sufficient root should develop to warrant potting.

Greenhouse Culture

While all of this article has been pertinent to outdoor camellia culture, most of it is applicable to container-grown plants. For full details on what to do with greenhouse plants at this season of the year, reference may be made to the August 1, 1975, special issue of *The Camellia Journal*.



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President Weaver Forms Two New Important Committees

At the Annual Meeting in Nashville, President N. Terrell Weaver announced two new and very important committees, the Research Advisory Committee and the Ways and Means Committee.

The Research Advisory Committee is jointly chaired by Ken Hallstone of Lafayette, California and Dr. William Ackerman of the U. S. National Arboretum in Washington, D. C. The functions of this committee are: To keep the Governing Board advised as to what research is being carried on with reference to camellias. To keep in touch with various amateur and professional people and/or organizations that are doing research on camellias—diseases, pests, hybridizing, etc. Along with this to maintain a "catalog of research" within the U. S. and foreign countries. To prepare an article each year for *The American Camellia Yearbook*. To make suggestions to the Board of Trustees as to possible financial grants for research to individuals or organizations. To meet at least once a year, if feasible, to discuss research and research programs and to inform the Executive Secretary and the research personnel and/or organizations concerned with camellia research. The Committee should be allotted \$100.00 per year initially for postage, phone calls, and other such expenses. In addition to the Co-Chairmen, the Committee consists of Dr. Luther Baxter, Jr., Clemson University; Dr. Walter Homeyer, Jr., Macon, Ga.; Dr. William Bennett, Pensacola, Fla.; David L. Feathers, Lafayette, Ca.; Raymond L. Self, Auburn University; Gerald Smith, University of Georgia; Myer Piet, Arcadia, Ca.; and Dr. Clifford Parks, University of North Carolina.

The Ways and Means Committee is jointly chaired by John and Helen



Augis, San Jose, Ca. Its functions are to make an "in depth" study as to how to increase the income of the ACS other than through annual dues. Such possibilities as having ties and ladies' scarves made with the seal of the ACS or a camellia made into the cloth; bronze medals to be sold to local Show Committees as major ACS awards and any other such matters as the committee deems advisable. To make recommendations to the Governing Board of the ACS for suggested "ways and means." The Committee consists of: Melvin Gum, San Gabriel, Ca.; Mrs. Pearle Moon, Springfield, S. C.; Dr. Fred Lee, Little Rock, Ark.; Douglas Deane Hall, Chevy Chase, Md.; William Johnston, Fresno, Ca.; W. F. Freshwater, Fort Valley, Ga.; James Liipfert, Fort Valley, Ga.; Dr. Alvin E. Johnson, New Orleans, La.; David Elliott, Clinton, S. C.; William Robertson, Aiken, S. C.; Robert Sansing, Pensacola, Fla.; and Mrs. Charles O'Malley, Woodside, Ca.

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1976-1977 Arrangement Contest

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Theme: Camellias Through The Years
Artistic Division

Section A—Tricolor Classes

Arrangements must score 95 or above. All fresh plant material must be used featuring some camellias. One or more accessories permitted. Three classes with four entries in each.

Class 1—Antebellum Beauty

The grandeur of the period.

Class 2—Plantation Days

The beauty of simplicity.

Class 3—Our Foundation—the Church

Suitable for a church of any denomination.

Suggested Scale of Points for Judging:

Design	30
Appropriateness to Period or Theme	20
Color	20
Distinction	15
Condition	15
—	100

Section B—Creativity Classes

Arrangements must score 95 or above. Must include fresh camellias and plant material, fresh, dried or treated. No arti-

ficial flowers or foliage. Accessories may be used. Three classes with four entries in each.

Class 4—The Hum of Industry

Suggestive of an industry in America.

Class 5—Scientific Development

Suggestive of the advancing of science.

Class 6—Cultural Growth

Interpreting any of the arts in America.

Suggested Scale of Points for Judging:

Design	30
Interpretation and conformance to schedule	20
Distinction	20
Condition and compatability of material	20
Personal expression	10
—	100

Section C—Tables

Camellias with other fresh plant material must predominate in the table arrangements. Must score 95 or above to receive tricolor ribbon. Exhibitors may use fruits, flowers, vegetables, china, mats, cloths, candlesticks or other accessories, but no flat silver, cooked food, or cut fruit. Three classes with four entries in each. Individual schedules may state size and number of place settings for tables.

Class 7—Antebellum Entertainment

Semi-formal—A dinner table in the elegant manner.

Class 8—Plantation Pleasure

Informal—A buffet table celebrating an activity of the period. (Card naming occasion)

Class 9—Modern Moods

A brunch table in the modern manner.

Suggested Scale of Points for Judging:

Design	30
Perfection of decorative unit	20
Distinction and condition	20
Beauty and harmony of all units	20
Conformance to schedule	10
—	100

Arrangement Contest Rules

1. Contest is open to exhibitors in Camellia Shows held in cooperation with ACS.

2. The Standard System of awarding as required by the National Council shall be used—one blue, one red, one yellow may be given in each class. A white ribbon may be awarded for Honorable Mention. The Handbook for Flower Shows, 1970 edition, of the National Council of State Garden Clubs will be used by exhibitors and judges as authority.

3. Only blue ribbon winners may be entered in the ACS Contest.

4. Class names must adhere to the schedule prepared by the ACS Contest Committee.

5. Photographs must be in the hands of: Mrs. John C. Walker, Jr.

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before May 15, 1977 or be disqualified. All photographs become the property of the ACS.

6. Photographs must be 5" by 7" or 8" by 10", black-and-white glossy prints. They shall be clear in design. No entries will be accepted that include entry card, ribbons, or other extraneous material such as trophies. All ribbons and signs should be removed from the exhibit before picture is made.

7. It is suggested that a color slide be attached to the photograph for better judging in case of a tie vote. Slides will become the property of ACS.

8. Descriptive information must be typed and accompany the photograph. Do not write on the back of the photograph or attach material with clips or pins. The following descriptive information is required:

Class

Design

Container

Color of container, flowers, background and accessories

Materials used

Name of Camellias, if possible

9. Other typed information to be included on a separate sheet:

Name and complete address of contestant

Name of show

Name of club staging show

Date

10. A schedule of the show must be included.

11. Do not send questions or photographs to the ACS headquarters or ACS president. The National Arrangement Contest chairman and committee are solely responsible for the ACS Contest.

12. The Standard System of Judging as required by the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. shall be used and all decisions of the judges will be final.

13. Exhibitors shall be limited to one entry in each class.

14. Camellias must be featured. Other plant material and accessories should be used only to carry out theme or contribute to the design of the arrangement.

15. No artificial plant material will be allowed.

16. Backgrounds should be plain for photography purposes.

17. Photographs should be made as soon as judging is completed.

THE FOLLOWING POLICIES ARE RECOMMENDED:

1. The local Camellia Show Artistic Arrangement chairman may prepare an entirely different schedule from the one prepared by the ACS committee. However, if the local group desires to compete in the ACS Contest, their schedule must be selected from the ACS schedule and all rules of the contest adhered to.

2. Local groups or clubs may add additional Artistic Arrangement Classes and/or Invitational Classes to the official schedule if they desire.

3. Contest entries will be selected only from the classes in the ACS Arrangement schedule.

4. The Arrangement judges and the Contest judges must be accredited by the National Council of State Garden Clubs in order to uphold the Standard System of Judging. It will be helpful if they are also American Camellia Society judges.

5. Lighting adds much to the mood and beauty of Artistic Arrangements and photographic clarity.

6. Local chairmen have full responsibility for acquiring ribbons of local Camellia Society, also State Garden Club Tricolor and Creativity award ribbons.

7. The local club is responsible for staging and for rules for exhibiting and judging contest arrangement classes.

8. Exhibitors in the Artistic Division need not be members of a Camellia Society.

9. The size of backgrounds should be specified in the local schedule.

Book Reviews

Color In The Sky: Edwin A. Menninger, Horticultural Books, Inc., Stuart, Florida; 1975; \$14.95. This book is a real panorama of gorgeous trees from warm countries which begin to enliven the gardens and highways of our southern states. This book of some 40 chapters will acquaint you with the outstanding beautiful flowering trees that can grow in many of our warmer states. There are hundreds of photographs; perhaps the only drawback is that there are not more color pictures of these lovely flowering trees. We are pleased to have this book in our ACS Library.

Beautiful Camellias of Descanso Gardens: Compiled and edited by William W. Donnan and published by The Southern California Camellia Society and The Descanso Gardens Guild, Inc. This is the first effort to display many colored pictures of camellias in more than two decades; there are eighty varieties shown in this book of 96 pages. It is paperback and the size of the Nomenclature books. There is a short—4 page—section on camellia culture and another short article on camellia seedling culture. This book should be in your library or on your coffee table. You can purchase it for only \$3.95 postpaid from American Camellia Society, P. O. Box 212, Fort Valley, Ga. 31030 or directly from SCCS or the Guild.

Growing Camellias: Neil Treseder & Edward Hymans; Thomas Nelson & Sons, Ltd. London; 1975; \$10.00. This new addition to camellia lore can be ordered directly from the publisher

at 36 Park St., London W1Y-4DE at £3.75, or approximately US \$10.00.

Mr. Treseder comes from a family of nurserymen and landscape gardeners and his main interest for more than 25 years has been camellias. Mr. Hymans is a well-known authority in gardening, and one of England's leading viticulturists.

This book is an interesting admixture of camellia information by the professional camellia grower, Mr. Treseder, and an amateur grower, Mr. Hymans. The book is really a good handbook on camellias with chapters on soils, buying and planting, manuring and feeding, propagation and camellias in pots and containers—all written by Mr. Hymans.

The second part of the book, by Mr. Treseder, begins with some camellia recollections. Here he quotes Will Arnold-Forster from his well-known book *Shrubs for Milder Counties* which strikes a good cord for me and underscores that which should become more well-known: "I should like to think that this chapter would encourage the planting of ten thousand camellias, in small simple gardens as well as grand ones. For these are not simply plants for the rich man's greenhouse, as used to be supposed: they are plants for Everyman." He wrote this in 1947. This Part II of the book then goes on to describe some outstanding camellias, discusses species—particularly "the Reticulata Complex", the Williamsii hybrids, diseases and pests and maladies, and camellias in flower arrangements. There is an excellent chapter on "Plant Associates for Camellias and Their Landscape Usage." There are 15 color plates—unfortunately a few of them are a bit too pink, but still are attractive to look at.

Music City '76

or

Nashvillians a Really Hearty Band of Camelliaphiles

The members (all 20 of them) of the Middle Tennessee Camellia Society of Nashville (with some assists from Chattanooga Camellia Club and the Memphis Camellia Society) can truly be called a "hearty band" "Hearty" is described as "expressed with warmth of feeling; exuberant and unrestrained." It also means "providing abundant nourishment." And now, what about the word "band". Well, two descriptions of that word also fit our Nashvillian friends. It means, "A thin strip of flexible material (this band of Nashvillians had to be flexible) used to encircle and bind a number of objects together." It also means "a group of people joined in a common purpose." All those who attended the ACS Annual Meeting in Music City USA—'76 know that all of these definitions fit our "hearty band" of Middle Tennesseans who hosted the truly outstanding ACS Annual Meeting, March 4-7, 1976.

This was a large and happy convention with 280 delegates from 18 States and the District of Columbia (Maine, New York, D. C. Ohio, Missouri, Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Texas, Arkansas, California, Tennessee, and Washington.) The largest delegation of Californians ever to attend an ACS convention outside their own state came to Nashville—58 of them.

Hospitality PLUS began upon registering on Thursday or early Friday mornings. There was a fun bus tour down to historic Lynchburg, Tenn., complete with box lunch and drinks. THEN—a tour of the outstanding Jack Daniel Distillery, the only dis-

tillery in the U. S. to be placed in the National Register of Historic Places by the U. S. Government. Then, all were bussed to Jack Daniels own park where a wonderful barbeque along with plenty of the famous Black Label of Jack Daniels and good ole country music. Jack Osegueda, a delegate from California, took over "first fiddle" for a while, much to the surprise and enjoyment of all present.

Friday morning was a highlight with an illustrated lecture on "Hybridizing is Fun" by that well-known hybridizer, Ken Hallstone of Lafayette, CA. This was followed by a bus tour of Nashville to see the "Athens of America", including a true copy of the famous Parthenon of Athens, Greece. All were then taken to the historic Hermitage, home of General Andrew Jackson, 7th President of the U. S. What was billed as a "basket lunch" at the Cabin-by-the-Spring at the Hermitage turned out to be one of the finest meals yet—good barbeque, fried chicken, and so many fresh vegetables most of us lost count. No—the day was still not over. That evening we went to the Grand Ole Opry where we first were again fed a glorious buffet dinner in the TV broadcasting studios. About one-half of the delegates stayed on until the very end of the 2½-hour spectacular featuring the biggest names in country music. This program is broadcast each Friday and Saturday night as it has been since 1925—the longest running continuous radio show on the air—on radio station "clear channel 650—WSM."

Saturday saw more-than-expected numbers of delegates signing up and taking an optional bus tour of Nash-

ville. Others went out to put blooms in the show. Others just went to the Hospitality Room to visit with "Jack Daniels" again. Despite the cold weather, the hot weather, the alibis, too much rain, not enough rain, etc. the camellia show was a great one with blooms from California as well as the South and Gulf Coast areas. Everyone seemed to enjoy Cheekwood (For a description of this unusual garden center see "Cheekwood-Nashville's Botanic Beauty" by Elizabeth Cooper in the November 1975 issue of the *Journal*, page 44).

The special Australian award donated by the Australian Camellia Research Society was won by the *hybrid* 'SWAN LAKE' exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper of Nashville. The new Arminta Cawood Award, for Best Japonica in the show held in conjunction with the ACS Annual Meeting, was won by 'ELEGANS SUPREME' brought from California and exhibited by W. D. Stewart of Sacramento, Calif. (For other results of the show see Show Reports elsewhere in this issue.)

There was great fun at the banquet. Prior to the dinner, the Modesto "boys" started us on the way to Vintage 77 by serving excellent Gallo champagne. Doctor Earl Beatty of Fort Valley joined the "task-force" with the Executive Secretary to see that everyone had the opportunity to donate for "an opportunity" to own a Boehm porcelain camellia. Mrs. Boynton (Caroline) Cole went back to Atlanta, Ga. on Cloud Nine with a Limited Edition of the Boehm porcelain camellia 'EMMETT BARNES', and Bernice Gunn went back to California with the Boehm porcelain 'BETTY SHEFFIELD SUPREME'.

President Weaver told the convention some of the highlights of the actions taken by the Governing Board, and the Executive Secretary made a few comments about the ACS and its goals. Dr. James M. Habel, Jr., Chairman of the Exhibitions and Awards Committee presented the Bronze Plaque for George B. Morgan to Tom Eagleson who volunteered to carry it to his good friend in Beaumont, Texas. Dr. Habel also presented the Illges Award for the *C. japonica* 'SNOWMAN' to the Executive Secretary who had been asked by its originator, Wilmer Stewart of Savannah, Georgia, to accept it for him since he could not get to the convention. Dr. Habel also announced the award of the Sewell Mutant Award for 'MARGARET DAVIS', originated by Mr. Arthur M. Davis of Australia. The Committee had made no award for the Harris Hybrid Award for 1975. Mr. Frank Pursel announced that he was going to name one of his seedlings, that had won five ACS certificates, 'CAMERON COOPER' in honor of the late Lieut. J. G. Cameron Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper of Nashville. All Past Presidents were recognized by Walter Morgan, Convention Chairman.

Thus endeth Music City '76 which started almost two years ago with the cryptic ad in the Journal "Music City '76", anonymously paid for by Dr. Harry T. Moore, Jr. He, his wife June and the A. B. Coopers plugged this meeting at a Hospitality Room at virtually all of the Gulf Coast shows and others, as well. They, along with the Walter Morgans, E. F. DeMoss, G. Ernest Harrisons, the Dr. Garth E. Forts, and Dr. C. David Scheibert served as the Convention Steering Group with Walter M. Morgan, Jr. serving as Convention Chairman. Other active Nashvillians were: Mrs. N. L. Carter, James White, Dr. Jack Swan, Mrs. Robert Sturdivant, James S. Lively, Woodrow Harris, George and Jane Griffin, the John Myers, Mrs. Henry F. Lochte, and perhaps others whom we have only momentarily forgotten in the glow of exuberance we all took home with us from Nashville.

New Life Members of The ACS

The newest Life Membership for the ACS is one given In Memory of Mrs. Edith Nathan (Mother of Director-at-Large Dr. Daniel E. Nathan) and Mrs. Anna Halprin (Mother of Mrs. Nathan) by Mr. and Mrs. T. Ashby McCord, Jr. of Fort Valley, Ga. It was given to The Thomas Public Library in that city.

This brings the total of new Life Memberships for 1976 to 13—our goal is a modest 25 for this year.

We obtained the following new ones at Nashville during our Annual Meeting: Mr. and Mrs. David G. Elliott, Clinton, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. George E. Garrison, Birmingham, Ala.; and Mr. and Mrs. Al Parker, Sebastopol, Calif. The South Georgia Camellia Society also became a Life Member and has the publications sent to the Library of Valdosta State College, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Freshwater, Fort Valley join our growing number of Life Members.

Camellias Registered With The ACS Since The 1975 Yearbook

Name	ACS Registry Number	Originator
'MISS AIKEN'	1390	Mr. George M. Owens
'JUST DARLING'	1391	Dr. W. F. Mathis
'DEE DAVIS'	1392	Dr. Jack Davis
'POLLY HEATON'	1393	Mr. Houghton S. Hall
'BILLY GATES'	1394	Mrs. Henry S. Stone
'BROTHER ROSE'	1395	Mrs. Henry S. Stone
'WILLIAM SELLERS'	1396	Mr. W. E. Sellers
'MISS LUCY'	1397	Dr. T. E. Lundy
'BLOODY MARY'	1398	Mrs. Henry S. Stone
'DR. LILLIAN HANCHEY'	1399	Mrs. Henry S. Stone

Each issue of *The Camellia Journal* will list those camellias registered with the ACS in the interim period from the former issue. Once so published, these names are valid as the one name for any camellia so registered. No other camellia is to be named the same, regardless of the species concerned. There shall be only one name within the genus. A full description of each ACS registered flower will appear annually in *The American Camellia Yearbook*. Immediately upon registration a description is forwarded to the Nomenclature Committee which is responsible for publishing *Camellia Nomenclature* every two years. The flower is then carried in the next issue of that publication.

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The following states have been allocated to the Gulf Coast Territory: Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Oklahoma. The Governing Board in making this decision in 1954 did so out of a desire to more or less equalize the total number of states in each Territory, and not by a desire for a more compact geographical distribution. Members in these states can vote to nominate two (2) Directors-at-Large but cannot vote for any State Director.

Directors-at-Large: The present incumbents are Dr. Reeves F. Wells, Panama City, Florida and W. F. Wilson, Jr., Hammond, La. Since Dr. Wells is completing his second term he *is not eligible* for renomination or reelection. Mr. Wilson *is eligible* for renomination and reelection.

State Directors:

Alabama: Incumbent is Mrs. Neal Rogers. She *is eligible* for reelection.

Arkansas: Ed Kimes is incumbent and *is eligible* for reelection.

Florida: Jay W. Ellis is incumbent and *is eligible* for reelection.

Louisiana: Onis D. Hyatt is incumbent. He is completing his second term and *is not eligible* for reelection.

Mississippi: Bagby Hall is completing a few months of Mr. Lattin's term. Mr. Hall *is eligible* for reelection.

Tennessee: A. B. Cooper is the incumbent and *is eligible* for reelection.

Texas: Tom Eagleson is the incumbent and *is eligible* for reelection.

At its meeting at Nashville on March 4, 1976 the Governing Board changed the By-Laws as regards nominating Directors-at-Large and State Directors. Accordingly, you *will not* receive a separate mailing of postcards as in the past. In order to nominate the two (2) Directors-at-Large and the individual State Directors you are asked to fill out the following form and send it to headquarters *prior to* September 1st, 1976. Election ballots will then be sent to each member showing these two in each category who have received the most nominating votes and have agreed to run for the particular Directorship.

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Ozone Camellia Society Celebrates Silver Anniversary

FAY HAUTOT



JUNIOR HONOR COURT: Jennifer Steele, Gretchen Elizabeth Guth, Virginia Fritchie Burkes, Kristin Ann Cottingham, Thomas Michael Haas, James Walter Hitchcock, G. Sidney Menard, William Phillip Hitchcock. (Photo by Henry C. and Associates)

1975 was truly the "Year of the Camellia" here in Slidell, Louisiana where we have created a festival atmosphere around our Ozone Camellia Show. Late in summer we select a Queen, Consort, Maids and Dukes, a la Mardi Gras, keeping their identities a secret until about six weeks before the show. A round of parties is usually given the court by parents and friends. About six weeks prior to show date we begin to release the pictures and names of the court, saving the Queen and Consort for last. By Show Week the word "camellia" is on the lips of every citizen.

Meanwhile, various committees, under the direction of four show chairmen, are usually busy decorating, painting tables, washing containers and generally having a good time. Because of the large membership, about 300 strong, Slidell's Municipal Auditorium, scene of the Ozone Camellia Show, resembles Santa's workshop full of elves at this time.

Miss Mary Michele Holmes, lovely dark haired daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James S. Holmes was crowned Silver Queen of Camellias by Senator J. Bennett Johnston at the December 14th show. Queen Michele, escorted by her Consort, Christopher Morrow Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Schneider, Jr., reigned over the show and traditional Supper-Dance at the Pinewood Country Club culminating the many weeks of festivities.

Miss Holmes began her reign by representing the Ozone Festival at the Gumbo Festival in Belle Chase, Louisiana early in October.

The Louisiana State Society of Washington, D. C. honored Queen Michele with a coveted invitation to participate as a Queen in the court of the King of Washington Mardi Gras late in January, an event she attended with her parents.

Prior to Miss Holmes' departure for Washington, Mayor of Slidell, Frank Cusimano, presented her with a key to the city. A champagne reception at Chata Ima, home of Consort Schneider, followed the presentation.

The Silver Camellia Show was dedicated to Mr. Joseph Johnson, Charter Member, past President and long time chief of table placement.

Gracing Mr. Johnson's tables were more than 3,000 blooms on show day, one of the loveliest sights in this ol' world. When Queen Michele, resplendant in silver and white, and Mr. Schneider (who have both worked in various capacities on the show since they were mere tykes) made the traditional promenade among the blooms and their most willing subjects from all over the country, many hearts were deeply touched.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: As beautiful as the cover of this Journal is, it does not really impart the beauty and radiance of Queen Mary Michele and her Consort Christopher as they stand near the reflecting pool on the grounds of Chata Ima Manor. Chris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Schneider of Chata Ima. The lovely Mary Michele is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James S. Holmes.)



United States Senator from Louisiana J. Bennett Johnston crowning Mary Michele Holmes Silver Queen of Camellias. Her Consort is Christopher Morrow Schneider. (Photo by Henry C. Miller and Associates)

Petal Bright

HELEN H. TEETER
Secretary to The Secretary

A 24° freeze the early morning of February 8, 1976 afforded an opportunity to observe the relative cold hardiness of open camellia blooms at Masee Lane.

Despite two previous drops to 17° and many other below freezing nights in late December and early January, many of the mid-season varieties were in full bloom on Saturday, February 7. The leaves of the huge 'IMURAS' scattered throughout the old part of the garden were almost hidden by the white mass of large blossoms. By noon Sunday these same plants looked from a distance as if they were dying—every petal was brown.

On the other hand, leading the list of blooms without a spot of cold damage showing were 'JESSIE BURGESS', 'GRAND SLAM', 'SARASA' and 'HOLLIS C. BOARDMAN'. 'VILLE DE NANTES' and 'DONCKELARI' showed only slight damage when viewed close-up and looked completely unhurt from a distance. The few 'GLEN 40's' that had opened were also in very good condition as were open blooms of 'SALOME', 'FIRCONE', 'GUN-SMOKE' and 'FIREBRAND'.

This should suggest that some of these "cold hardy blossom" varieties be more often considered in landscape planting—especially the large, bright flowered 'JESSIE BURGESS'.

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Once again the ACS Endowment Fund has been so well remembered by the Tuscaloosa Men's Camellia Club. Mr. Robert Alexander and Graydon Ausmus presented the ACS a check for \$507.00 at the Nashville meeting. For the past seven years this active camellia club has donated its profits from the sale of gibberellic acid to the ACS Endowment Fund. The amount donated this year brings the total during that period to over \$4,100.00 of donations. Each issue of the *Journal* carries an advertisement for this gib. In addition to the money, Mr. Alexander sends Massee Lane "fresh" gib to use in our gibbing program in the gardens and in the greenhouse. We are all most indebted to the kindness of the Tuscaloosa Men's Camellia Club and the hard work put in by those men who prepare the gib, mail it out, purchase the gib containers, etc. Our grateful thanks go to the men of Tuscaloosa.

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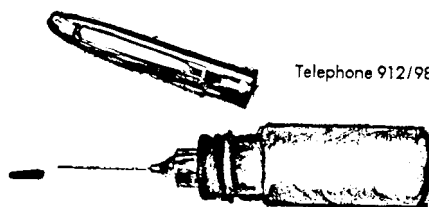
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The Camellia Caused the Revolution

It took a visiting Englishman, George Halling of Croft, Leicestershire, who is visiting the Freshwaters in Fort Valley, to point out that the Revolution of 1776 was actually caused by the camellia. King George III himself was not aware at that time how strong the camelliaphiles were in the Colony across the Atlantic, or how well organized they were. During that dark night at the wharves of Boston harbour, the camelliaphiles of Massachusetts slipped aboard the ships, broke open the boxes and poured into the bay the leaves of the camellia—*C. sinensis*. Was it at anger that the British had emasculated the beautiful *C. sinensis* plants in China, Japan, Siam or Burma and then did the drastic bit of drying these leaves of the "beloved camellia"? Well, there you are! You have another bit of Bicentennial lore—or have you?

International Notes

The International Camellia Society held a conference in Falmouth, Cornwall England during April 3-9. Eight from the U. S. went to the meeting: President Emeritus Bill Kemp and Betty; Executive Secretary Brown and Ann; Endowment Fund Trustee Doug Hall and Martha; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Reading Van Doren of Stamford, Conn. Details of this exciting meeting will be in the August *Journal* or the 1976 *Yearbook*.

Soon after this issue reaches you the lucky people of Project Oil will be getting ready for the fabulous trip to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. There are still some vacancies on this tour; if interested write or call ACS Headquarters. Those who had the opportunity to meet and talk with Harold and Phylis Austin of New Plymouth, New Zealand will certainly want to see their camellias. Harold and Phylis have become the first ACS Accredited Judges amongst our overseas members. They judged seven shows in their short stay in America during late January and early February and March. We hope to get them to do an article for a later issue.

The American Camellia Society and the Middle Georgia Camellia Society

have purchased American varieties of camellias from Trehane's Nursery in Cornwall to be planted at Mount Edgecumbe which will be a fabulous public camellia planting in England and one which is sponsored in a great way by the ICS and its Directors and Officers in England.

The *Notiziario della Societa Italiana della Camelia* continues to be an excellent publication. In addition to the regular camellia shows at Cannero Riviera along Lake Como, Rome, Gravedona on Lake Como, the Society was planning for a camellia show at Florence. The shows run from about 10th of March through early April. The world-famous artist Anna Marie Treschlin has put at the Society's disposal 12 watercolors of camellias for persons who offer 50,000 Lira as an extraordinary contribution. We have seen much of this lady's gorgeous watercolors. This publication frequently has an article on "History of Camellias in Italy" and always one on care of camellias on a monthly basis. Dr. Antonio Sevesi, President of the Italian Society, had a glowing article on Professor Eben Gowrie Waterhouse of Australia.



Harold and Phylis Austin of New Zealand are seen (in lower left hand of picture) talking about camellias with Florida State Director Jay E. Ellis at the Orlando, Florida show.

Local Affairs & Notes

In the *Gulf Coast*, Publicity Chairmen or Show Chairmen have been able this year to get tremendous publicity in the local news papers, on local radio stations and on the TV stations. Many of the news papers even carried large color photos which must have done a lot to increase attendance at the wonderful shows throughout this area. The highlight of camellias in the Gulf Coast, of course, was the National Convention at Nashville. We are saddened to hear that petal blight is spreading in much of the area of the Gulf Coast states where it had never been before. As Bob Sansing of Pensacola says "The people of California have lived with petal blight since the late 30's and still enjoy and raise camellias. In fact, they are some of our most enthusiastic growers."

Probably the most heavily attended show continues to be that staged by the Birmingham Men's Camellia Society. Birmingham Botanical Society in its Newsletter for January states "over the last 18 years, attendance at these shows has been some 17,300 to over 50,000 on four different shows. Last year, five visitors were from foreign countries, and there were 27 states and 123 Alabama towns represented. Camellia exhibitors came from ten states and there were several thousand blooms on display." This show is also sponsored by the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce and is a civic enterprise. As in the past, the Camellia Queen and her court officiated both days. We need add nothing here about the outstandingly beautiful Camellia Court and Show in Slidell, La. (See separate article in this issue).

We continue to get good information and ideas from *Camellia Chats* published by the *Jackson Camellia Society*. Many of these ideas and those gathered from local groups in the other two territories will be covered

in the next printing of our "Periodic Memoranda" to local, state and regional Societies.

In the *Atlantic Coast Territory*, shows again were fortunate in getting what seems to be more than usual good publicity in all phases of the mass media. The Lynchburg (Va.) Camellia Society, which is a chapter of the ACS, continues its activities. It has sent out an interesting questionnaire to its membership asking them for specific ideas as to programs and other activities for the coming year. There will be an article about this 23-year-old club in the 1976 *Yearbook*. At the show in Aiken an excellent 16-page brochure *Camellias for South Carolina* prepared by Clemson University was available to all who attended the show. The Savannah Men's Garden Club's 36th annual show was tastefully decorated with the theme "Japan, The Culture of Camellias". The Consul General of Japan, Mr. Kazuo Chiba, the Higo Camellia Society of Japan and Japan Air Lines all assisted in presenting this oriental decor. Japanese ladies in their traditional costumes were hostesses during the show. At Tampa, Fla., Gettes Smith, who has about 230 varieties in his gardens, opened his gardens to the public for two days. There was considerable prior publicity including color pictures in the Tampa news papers. Hundreds visited the beautiful gardens and many joined the ACS "on the spot". A highlight of local Societies publications is the "Message From The President", Dr. Chiun T. Ling, of the *Pioneer Camellia Society in Maryland*.

As can be expected, the *Pacific Coast Territory* also had its regular outstanding publicity of camellia shows. The Northern California Camellia Council continues to be one of the most actively regional organizations in the "Camellia World". The Fresno Camellia Society will host the

Camellia Cavalcade once again; it will be held November 6, 1976 at the Smugglers Inn in Fresno. Meanwhile, the camellia folks in *Modesto* are already in high gear for "Vintage-'77". The *Sonoma County Camellia Society's* "Camellias—Growing and Showing" is worth the cost of membership in this active Society. We can certainly agree with that Society's view that too many new camellias are being named whereas actually the average of a good new seeding is probably less than one per thousand. Their article states "The good seedling should be propagated and put on the market, but those hundreds of new varieties that go into the Nomenclature Book each year never to be seen again except in the Nomenclature Book should never be registered in the first place." (EDITOR'S NOTE: Actually many of these hundreds of new varieties have not actually been registered with the ACS, the authorized point for registration, but are sent to the Nomenclature Book for inclusion therein. Inclusion in the Nomenclature Book is not synonymous with registration.) The Sacramento Camellia Society, always one of the most active in the country, announced a judging symposium sponsored by the Northern California Camellia Council. All members were invited to attend. The *Pacific Camellia Society* continues to have one of the most mouth-watering list of plants available at their meetings. Their Flower-of-the-Month competition at each meeting is something that may well be worth thoughts by other Societies.

It is our hope, indeed our desire, to have more of the local, state and regional publications sent to us here at Massee Lane. In May we will be sending out our second memo of ideas we think are worth sharing with all the clubs which are members of the ACS.

Camellias-Pruning/Transplanting Relationship

JAMES H. WAGNER

Procedures used to transplant and prune camellias vary little from those used on other ornamentals. Whether one is moving a plant in a bare root condition or balled and burlapped, up to one third of the top should be removed. This does not mean the overall size of a camellia must be reduced. Many camellias tend to develop structures that are too heavily branched and would welcome thinning. Compact camellias present an ideal home for scale and its resultant sooty mold. Of course, one does not have to move a camellia as an excuse to thin it out. Start with the dead wood and crossing branches. If reduction of size is not desired, try thinning out the lateral growth developing from each main branch.

Much of the attractiveness of Sasanqua camellias stem from their open growth habits. Opening up C. Japonica and C. Reticulata tend to relieve their stiff compact form and can be used to show off growth structure. When pruning, remember that although, total growth will be reduced, the reduction of woody tissue will cause diversion of plant food to the remaining plant parts. This can be advantageous. The reduction of terminal growth buds will also increase nitrogen and other nutrients to the balance of a plant. You can prune so this additional food can be utilized to increase the height, spread or particular parts of a camellia.

The carbohydrate/nitrogen theory of flowering assumes that a severely pruned plant draws on its carbohydrate food reserves to promote growth. This lowers the carbohydrate/nitrogen balance within the plant.

Root pruning reduces nitrogen accumulation and slows growth of the plant as a result. This slowed growth conserves carbohydrates stored in the

plant, an excess of which promotes flowering.

Transplanting a camellia, from a container or a landscaped garden bed, destroys or removes a portion of its root system. This tends to promote flowering of a plant already having difficulty providing nutrients for excessive top growth. Reduction of the top foliage by thinning will lower the increased demand for food in propor-

tion to the nutrients supplied by the roots.

It is not necessary to wait until a camellia has completed its period of bloom before it can be pruned. It is not necessary to imply camellias must or should be pruned at a particular time of year. If you prune *properly* you will not have to synchronize the time of pruning camellias with any of their principle growth functions.

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From the Desk of the Executive Secretary/Editor

Now that the very successful camellia season has ended, we look forward to summer care and preparing our plants for the shows of the 1976-77 season. This has been a truly outstanding camellia year throughout the entire camellia growing area despite some cold spells in December and early January. Only one show was cancelled due to cold weather; one other moved its show forward two weeks because of the intense heat in contrast to cold spells.

This issue is being "put to bed" just prior to Ann's and my leaving for England on a personal visit but during which time we will attend the International Camellia Society Conference

in Cornwall. The Bill Kemps, the Doug Halls and the Van Dorens will carry the flag for ACS at this conference. Once more, we here at Masee Lane and all you members are indebted to Joe Pyron, as he will cover many of the "problems" that arise during this absence, including proofreading, etc. of the galleys of this *Journal*.

The girls here at headquarters, Helen Teeter, Betty Bowden and Helen Bryan, once more have done air layering on some 75 plants. Successful air layers last year were given to people who newly joined the ACS at the Middle Georgia Society Show "in the barn" at Masee Lane. The show this year will once again be held



during the second weekend of November—November 13-14—and not the last weekend of October as originally planned and reported in the February *Journal*.

Have a good summer. Do all the things that Doug Hall's Horticultural Committee are telling you via "Horticulturally Speaking" found elsewhere in this issue.

The Gentry Kidd Camellia Collection

MRS. C. W. THORNHILL

It was December 11th, 1975, a beautiful morning and a memorable day. It was the day of commemoration of the Gentry Kidd camellia collection at the Houston Garden Center in Hermann Park. It was the culmination of twenty years of dedication of Tiny and Gentry to sharing the pleasure and knowledge of growing camellias.

During this time they had assembled a collection of Camellias without peer. There are five hundred and thirty-five plants including many old varieties so rare they cannot be duplicated and many of the very latest innovations yet to become well known. These plants had been assembled for the variations in form, blossom, growth potential and possible acclimatization. All of these requirements were considered for each addition. Their garden was a show place that they were always eager to share on garden trails, and anyone who wanted to visit it was always

most welcome. Neither Tiny nor Gentry was ever too busy to share their love of and knowledge on growing camellias in Houston. They really worked out a system and a schedule which was expedient, efficient and very successful in the culture of camellias.

From the start of their camellia garden with seven plants, they were interested in participating in camellia shows and have won too many awards in all categories to be recounted. For many years they attended the shows in Texas and Louisiana and were a familiar sight with boxes of gorgeous blooms, many of which found their niches on the Honor Tables.

Gentry passed away last year and Tiny offered their collection to Bob Lanier, head of the Parks and Recreation Department. She was extremely pleased when he proposed to have a special Camellia Garden comprising these plants. She felt they would be more accessible and could be seen

and enjoyed by more people at the Garden Center in Hermann Park than anywhere else in Houston.

So it was a beautiful morning December 11th to see these fine plants all gathered together in a special garden proudly carrying out the original intent and hope of Tiny and Gentry that they could be admired and enjoyed and shared by many visitors over a long period of time.



GENTRY KIDD CAMELLIA GARDEN DEDICATED IN HOUSTON

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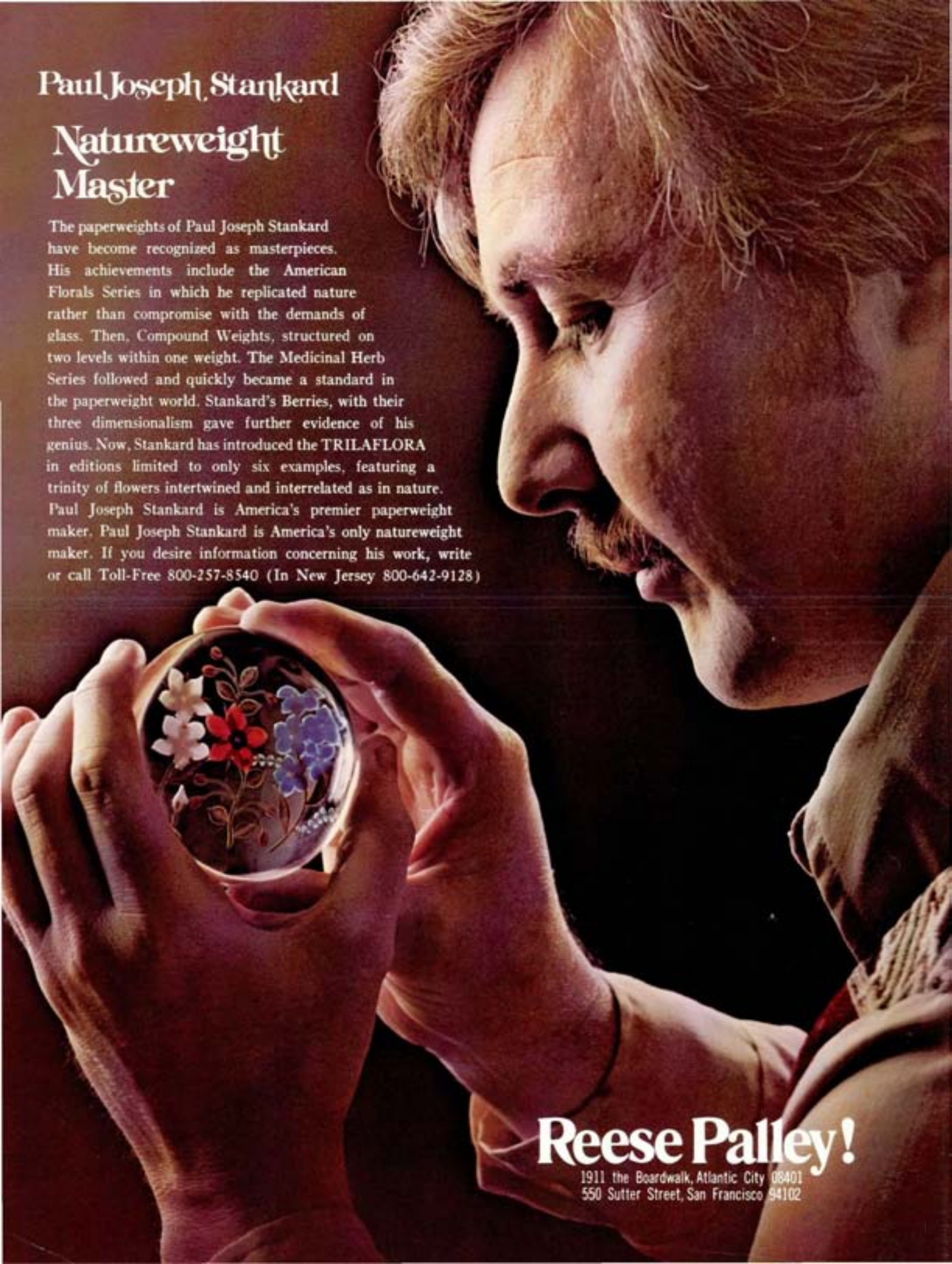
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