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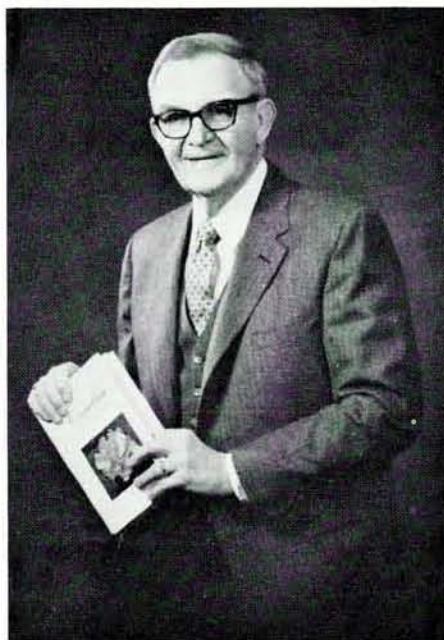
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President's Message



THOMAS C. EVANS

As I worked with our camellias during spring and summer, I kept thinking how much our gardens at Massee Lane would benefit from the attention of a full-time horticulturist. In addition to providing competent direction of the men now working in the gardens, such a person could have insured that all of the plants were properly pruned, fertilized and sprayed. In addition, he or she could have grafted the many scions of new species and varieties made available to the Society, cared for the many seedlings planted last fall and been planning where each specimen would be placed in the greenhouse this fall to insure that our visitors during the winter will have maximum opportunity to recognize and appreciate the wide range of color, form and growth habits of the genus *Camellia*. And above all, that horticulturist would have begun plans for research at Massee Lane to include in part initial hybridizing for color, fragrance, cold hardiness and heat hardiness.

All of these activities, and many more too numerous to mention here, are being accomplished by volunteers of the Mid-

dle Georgia Camellia Society from the Warner Robins, Fort Valley, Perry, Macon and Marshallville area working with the staff at Massee Lane. We are deeply indebted to these people for their untiring support of our Headquarters, and extend to them our sincere thanks for all they have done. However, *we must provide full-time supervision by a horticulturist* of the greenhouse and garden activities and engage in camellia research to achieve maximum benefit for the resources we now have.

Our Endowment Fund is currently providing income sufficient to cover the operating and maintenance expenses for the gardens, Headquarters buildings and greenhouses; and we are hopeful that sometime in the future the Fund will be large enough to pay the salary of a horticulturist.

Recognizing that the Fund may not be large enough for several years, Lew Fetterman proposed an interim funding program as described on page 28 of the *May Journal*. As of now, we have slightly more than half of the required number of donors to finance a horticulturist. If you have not subscribed to this very urgent need, and find it possible to do so, please notify Headquarters or me so that we can secure the professional assistance needed to make our gardens outstanding in all respects.

Now that fall is fast approaching, we look forward with great enthusiasm to the first camellia blooms and the Fall Meeting of our Society. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to meet in the Alexandria, VA/Washington, DC area from October 27-30, 1982, and to witness the varied diplomatic, scientific, cultural and horticultural endeavors existing in our nation's capital. Dotty and I hope these attractions will entice many of our members to attend their first national meeting, in addition to those of you who have attended meetings elsewhere in the past.

Sincerely,

T.C. Evans

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EUGENE ("GENE") C. SNOOKS

QUESTION: I'm growing my camellias in pots. How often do I repot them?

ANSWER: There is no single answer to your question. It is best to let the plants themselves tell you when it is time to repot. Whenever the new growth begins to shorten and the number of new growth buds and bloom buds decline the plant is telling you that it is time. As a general rule, most plants can be left in the same pot for 2-3 years though it is not unusual for some to remain happily in some of the larger pot sizes for 5 years or more. Another sign to watch for is which plant or plants tend to dry out and need water first (assuming that all are planted in the same soil mix). Those which consistently dry out first are probably root-bound and in need of repotting.

Remember to move your plants up gradually... from 1 gallon to 2, from 2 to 3, etc. Not only will you gain the most mileage out of your potting efforts, but your plants will benefit, too. By keeping the root mass and the top in balance at all times the health and vigor of your plants is ensured. See "Repotting the Big Ones," in the 1981 *American Camellia Yearbook*, pp 6-11)

QUESTION: When do I repot my camellias? I plan to keep them in containers.

ANSWER: If your plants are not going to be bare-rooted the repotting operation can be done at any time of the year though it is best to avoid the hotter and dryer months. If bare-rooting is planned, the best time to repot is during the blooming season while the plants are dormant and the weather is cool. A second period is available after the new growth has hardened off in late Summer. The use of vitamin B-1 and frequent misting are advised and the weather must be strongly considered at this time.

QUESTION: Can I graft new varieties onto understock of a different species of camellia?

ANSWER: In general, the answer is yes. Though *C. japonica* and *C. sasanqua* have long been preferred, especially the latter, most species can and have been used. There are some exceptions and con-

siderations to be given. When grafting *C. reticulata* cultivars it is now considered best to use *C. reticulata* hybrid understock. When the more usual species are used the grafted *C. reticulata* tends to grow faster than the understock and soon develops what is known as a "bottle neck" condition. This often proves to be structurally weak and may break at this point in strong winds. Some species, *C. sinensis* (the tea plant) included, do not do well when grafted. Usually they exhibit stunted growth and/or shortened

life. They are best grown on their own root. Especially desirable clones or cultivars can be grafted onto rootstocks of their same species. Even some cultivars do not do well when grafted, even on their own species understock.

The most important point to remember when selecting understock for grafting is not the species but rather the health and vigor of the specimen. Never attempt to graft onto an understock because it is "not doing well"; neither will the graft.

GIBBING IS FOR BEGINNERS, TOO

The subject will be approached from the standpoint of the less experienced grower. "Gibbing" comes first to mind at this season. Let's suppose you have never heretofore done any gibbing. Why try it?

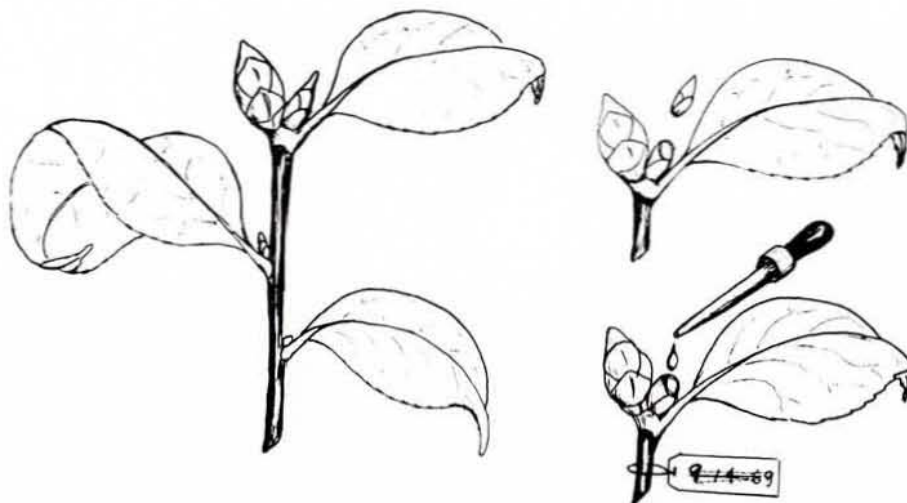
It will either prolong your flowering season by starting it earlier than usual, or it will give you an extra flowering season in the fall in addition to the normal spring season. It will enable you to enjoy exhibiting in fall as well as in spring shows. In many cases it will provide larger, more spectacular blooms than usual. And, in experimenting to find what varieties produce the best results in your locality, you will experience the pride and pleasure of the researcher and scientist.

The first step is to obtain gibberellic acid, which is a natural plant hormone existing in some form and to some degree in most plant life. It was isolated in 1938

by Japanese pathologists. It causes cells to enlarge and to divide more rapidly than normal, so the flower becomes enlarged. It also affects the time of flowering, breaking the normal time cycle which is regulated by the span of daylight.

"Gib" probably is not readily available at your local store. Try getting some from a camellia growing neighbor who, incidentally, may be delighted to use his own supply in giving you instructions in the art. Possibly the camellia club in your area buys it in bulk and distributes it to members; a year's membership fee is likely less than the cost of gib from other sources. Or, read the ads in *ACS Journals*, and order a supply from an advertiser. At the same time, acquire an applicator from the same source; or buy a syringe or eye dropper at the drug store. Now you are ready.

Gib works well on most varieties of



GIBBING TIME IS NOW!

camellias. A friend may have a list of varieties known to respond well in your area; look it over; you can save time and trouble sticking to it. Otherwise, be an experimentalist — try every variety and find out for yourself which responds best. Gib has hardly any effect at all on *C. sasanquas*.

It's elementary, but gib is now applied to a plant — it's applied to buds. How? Knock or twist off the (vegetative) growth bud which adjoins the flower bud which you choose to treat. (See the accompanying diagram and photo.) This leaves something that resembles a little cup into which you drop the acid. By gentle handling you won't shake the fluid out of the cup — although a strong wind may.

Of course, this act is impossible until you can distinguish between the growth bud, which is the longer and more pointed, and the flower bud, which is usually the fatter and more rounded of the two. The time when first to apply gibberellic acid differs geographically. It may be the early part of August if the buds are well formed, but *usually this*



does not come about until the later part of August or the first part of September.

Rather than accomplishing all of your gibbing in one session, it is best to gib at weekly or alternate-weekly intervals so that you will have flowers opening over a longer period; "elongate" the blooming season. Since camellias set bloom buds just once a year, it is well to remember that an autumn gibbed bud will not be replaced for spring flowering. Hence, be cautious as to the number of buds you treat on any one bush. The larger the bush, the more buds you can treat, but most people will want to leave about 80% of the buds for the spring blooming season. And a good rule is to apply the acid very sparingly to a bush under three or four years old. Usually, one drop of the acid does the trick; but occasionally you run into someone who insists that, after a week or two, you should return and place another drop of acid where you put the initial drop.

When do you get results? This can vary, depending upon area and weather. Varieties marked E for early in *Camellia Nomenclature* may be expected to open

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fully within 25 to 40 days after treatment; those marked M for midseason blooming may take 35 to 65 days. On the Gulf Coast action may be speedy; in cooler areas it may be slow. In fact, an unusually chilly autumn has been known to so retard the action that the flower may open barely ahead of its usual spring date. An exceptionally early hard freeze could spoil most of your labor, but let it not discourage you because a warm November or December may recover much of the loss. Furthermore, it would be extremely strange to have such bad luck in successive years.

Gibbing may reasonably be continued until six or seven weeks before freezing temperatures are expected. This would be about September 20 to mid-October in the Mid and Southeast but as late as the end of October in the Pacific Northwest where it is not unusual for gibbed japonicas to flower in December at lower elevations west of the Cascade Range.

Gibbing camellia plants in the greenhouse can be done at any time from about mid-August or early-September since the climate is controlled. A program of weekly gibbing, then, can continue until the last show that "you aimed for" is past.

Gibbing has become more popular as the years have gone by. There seems to be little or no stigma against it now — even in other parts of the world. It is another form of camellia culture and not a panacea for all ills. Only healthy plants will respond well to gibbing as only healthy plants will respond well to sprays, fertilizers and other forms of camellia culture.

—ACS—

Book Review

THE GARDENER'S DIARY, published by The Metropolitan Museum of Art, sells for \$12.95. It is distributed also by Farrar, Straus & Giroux, Inc. It is a delightful must for every serious gardener. This beautifully bound, hard cover book will enhance your book shelf. BUT, it is separated into seasons for you to keep track of your gardening chores, needs, etc. Each month holds the blank pages for your entries and is introduced by a beautiful line drawing and short text. The text, says the Introductory Note of the book, is "composed principally of excerpts from *The Retir'd Gard'ner* (London, 1706.)" You will want this one for yourself and perhaps as a gift.

Budget of American Camellia Society

1 July 1982-30 June 1983

The Treasurer, Dr. Earl Beatty, Jr., presented the following budget prepared by the Finance Committee to the Governing Board on March 4, 1982 at its meeting in Charlotte, NC. It was approved. The budget is based on the premise that membership will once again increase slightly and that there will be a slight increase in advertising revenues. Dr. Beatty pointed out that all members can assist on making these modest gains. He also pointed out the very good net gain each year by the hard work of the Ways and Means Committee under Vera and Al Parker. This type of work does much to help us keep from raising dues. The budget also reflects the accepted requests of the Executive Secretary to reduce his salary and the Secretary to reduce hers. He also pointed out that the budget is just barely balanced. It is felt that our members should be aware of the financial status of their Society and the facts that we do need people to work hard for new members and renewals, and for sales by the members of the Ways and Means Committee and for more advertising in the *Journal*. Believe us, we are working for you and for keeping our dues so low in this day of skyrocketing prices.

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1983 Annual Memberships	\$47,625.00
Proceeds from Sustaining & Corporate Memberships	1,000.00
Interest & Dividends (Includes income from investment of escrow funds for Patron & Life Members, savings account & other Society investments)	5,800.00
Advertising in Journals	5,500.00
Journal Binders	120.00
Camellia Books, Journals, Nomenclature	1,000.00
Sale of Yearbooks	1,000.00
Varietal Registrations	250.00
Show Kits	650.00
Donations, gifts, etc.	1,500.00
ACS Endowment Fund	8,000.00
Ways & Means	6,500.00
"The Camellia," Feathers & Brown	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
TOTAL	\$80,245.00

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Assistant Executive Secretary/Editor	4,800.00
Secretary	8,400.00
Part time office secretarial	9,400.00
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Travel	4,000.00
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Ways & Means	3,000.00
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Election Ballots	200.00
Envelopes & Statements for Dues	800.00
Nomenclature	600.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
TOTAL	\$80,085.00

—ACS—

LYLE BROWN

by

AUBURN MEN'S CAMELLIA CLUB

Camellia enthusiasts in Alabama lost a friend in the death of Lyle Brown in

early March near the end of the 1981-82 Camellia season at Auburn, Alabama.

Lyle's life was a lifetime of loving — family, friends, and things horticultural. He was born April 30, 1898 at Yantly, Alabama, near the Alabama-Mississippi

border. He graduated from API (now Auburn University) with highest honors with a major in horticulture from the School of Agriculture in 1920. His first job was Assistant Horticulturist at Auburn. He then worked as Extension Fruit Specialist with the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service. He returned to Auburn, from which he worked throughout Alabama with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service; first as Extension Forester, then as Extension Horticulturist, and for 12 years as Visual Aid Specialist. His retirement in 1961 opened the way for his active involvement in the Auburn Men's Camellia Club, whose members had the privilege of sharing Lyle's knowledge and interest in camellias for these past 20 years.

Lyle built the first part of his camellia greenhouse about 1940. His daughter, Daphne (Mrs. Sam Rice), remembers how fortunate she was as a teenager to be able to simply step into the greenhouse and cut for herself a beautiful camellia corsage that made her the envy of all her friends. She also remembers "Dad" being just a little unpatriotic in the fuel-scarce days of World War II by having a gas line to his camellia greenhouse for the

occasional nights when a freeze might damage his beauties.

Lyle was a Charter Member of the American Camellia Society and of the Auburn Men's Camellia Club. We have all enjoyed the benefits of Lyle's long experience in growing plants as he applied his expertise to camellia culture. He taught us many things about culture, and enriched our appreciation of the beauty of camellias through his expert photography.

He served as President of the club for the 1964-65 year, and upon leaving office presented the club with a beautiful gavel for use as a symbol of the office of President. We especially treasure this because Lyle turned the gavel from camellia wood and gave it a natural hand finish.

Camellia blossoms remained in most of the members' gardens at the time of Lyle's death. That these blossoms could be collected and prepared by the florest as a funeral wreath gladdened our hearts in an otherwise moment of sorrow. Now, as a lasting tribute to our camellia friend, Lyle Brown, we make this memorial gift to the American Camellia Society.

In Memoriam

C. C. (CHARLIE) MASON

WILLIAM G. REDWOOD, *Past President*,
Virginia Camellia Society

A part of the Virginia Camellia Society died with the passing of Charlie Mason on June 16, 1982. To us in Norfolk, Charlie was Mr. Camellia and a more devoted camelliaphile never lived.

Most generous in the time and labor he spent in promoting interest in camellias, always willing and anxious to interest neophytes in the pursuit and understanding of our hobby and never happier than when talking flowers with his fellow fanciers, Charlie was blessed with an indefatigable zeal in growing, propagating and "spreading the word" about his love, *C. Japonica*. You might call Charlie the Johnnie Appleseed of Camelliadom. He was Director-at-Large of ACS when he died. Earlier he served two terms as Virginia State Director of ACS.

No record has been kept, (nor would he have wanted one or even cared) of the untold hours he spent in air-layering and potting the thousands of plants that have been sold far below their true value simply to attempt to interest the public in camellias, as well as to help enrich the treasury of Virginia Camellia Society, which in turn has enabled us to make generous contributions to the American Camellia Society, the Norfolk Botanical Gardens and to help fund our Fall and Spring Camellia Shows.

The void left by Charlie's passing will never be filled, but he will live on by means of the beautiful camellia which bears his name, the honor having been bestowed on him by his good friend, "Tubby" Habel.

We will carry on in the Virginia Camellia Society, but it won't be quite the same. The absence of this gentle, unassuming and friendly personality will be noted at every sale, every meeting and every show, as well as in the hearts of us all. Charlie old friend, *requiescat in pace*.

WILLIS FRANK DOWD

Willis Frank Dowd of Charlotte, North Carolina, died on Sunday, June 13th. Frank, as he was known to his host of friends in the camellia world and in the business world, was the first President of the active Men's Camellia Club of Charlotte in 1953. He also served two terms as State Director of the American Camellia Society for North Carolina, having been a member of the ACS since 1949 and a Life Member since 1956. In commenting on Frank's interest in camellias his son Frank Dowd, Jr. said, "That was one of his foremost interests. He seemed to have a knack for growing beautiful flowers. He got great pleasure in taking camellias around. Take one to the drug store, to friends, to the bank, to the grocery store — this gave him great pleasure." Frank was also a very prominent businessman and banker. He was always excited about being a Director of Piedmont Airlines when they had only one plane, just after World War II. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth for whom the lovely camellia 'Elizabeth Dowd' was named in 1960 and two sons Frank, Jr. and Rodney and their families.

Show Dates

(ACS Cooperative Shows)

Place, Location and Sponsor	Date
Columbia, SC, State Fair Grounds, Mid-Carolina Camellia Society and SC State Fair Association	October 23-24, 1982
Washington, DC Area, Ramada Inn Old Town, 901 N. Fairfax St., Alexandria, VA, Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley (In conjunction with the ACS 33rd Annual Fall Meeting)	October 27-28, 1982
Greenwood, SC, Crosscreek Mall, West Carolina Camellia Society	October 30, 1982
Shreveport, LA, R. S. Barnwell Art Center, 501 Fant Pkwy., Shreveport Camellia Society	November 6-7, 1982
Greenville, AL, Greenville Camellia Society	November 13-14, 1982
Fort Valley, GA, Massee Lane Headquarters of ACS, Middle Georgia Camellia Society	November 13-14, 1982
Hattiesburg, MS, Cloverleaf Mall, Hattiesburg Camellia Society	November 20, 1982
Beaumont, TX, Parkdale Mall, Southeast Texas Camellia Society	November 20, 1982
Valdosta, GA, Garden Center, First State Bank & Trust Co. and Valdosta Camellia Society	November 20-21, 1982
Gulfport, MS, Harrison County Court House, Gulfport Area Camellia Society, Inc.	November 20-21, 1982
Fort Walton Beach, FL, Atrium of Westwood Retirement Center, 1001 Mar-Walt Drive, Fort Walton Camellia Society	November 27, 1982
Tallahassee, FL, Men's Camellia Society of Tallahassee	November 27-28, 1982
Houston, TX, Houston Camellia Society	December 4-5, 1982
Jacksonville, FL, Regency Square, Regency Square & Camellia Society of North Florida	December 4-5, 1982
Slidell, LA, Ozone Camellia Club	December 4-5, 1982
Brookhaven, MS, Main Office of Brookhaven Bank & Trust Co., Brookhaven Camellia Society	December 4-5, 1982
Panama City, FL, Municipal Auditorium, Camellia Society of Panama City	December 11-12, 1982
Baton Rouge, LA, Baton Rouge Camellia Society	January 8-9, 1983
Conroe, TX, The Woodlands Inn & Country Club, Couthatta Camellia Society	January 8-9, 1983
Pensacola, FL, Men's Camellia Club, Inc.	January 8-9, 1983
Mobile, AL, Springdale Plaza Mall Camellia Club of Mobile	January 15-16, 1983
Ruston, LA, Holiday Inn, Ruston Men's Camellia Society	January 15-16, 1983
New Orleans, LA, Lakeside Mall, Metairie, Camellia Club of New Orleans	January 22, 1983
Aiken, SC, Aiken Camellia Club	January 22-23, 1983
Fort Walton Beach, FL, Santa Rosa Mall, Fort Walton Camellia Society	January 22-23, 1983
Tuscaloosa, AL, West Alabama Camellia Club, Inc.	January 29-30, 1983
Redwood City, CA, Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Peninsula Camellia Society	February 5, 1983
Jackson, MS, Plaza of Walter Sillers Building, Jackson Camellia Society	February 5-6, 1983
Tyler, TX, Citizen's First National Bank of Tyler, Citizen's First National Bank and Tyler Camellia Club	February 13, 1983
Monroe, LA, Central Bank, DiSard St., Northeast Louisiana Camellia Club	February 19-20, 1983
Atlanta, GA, Atlanta & North Georgia Camellia Societies	February 19-20, 1983
Fort Worth, TX, Fort Worth Garden Center, 3220 Botanic Garden Drive, Fort Worth Camellia Society, Inc.	February 20, 1983
Sacramento, CA, Sacramento Convention Center, Sacramento Camellia Society (In conjunction with the International Camellia Society Congress)	March 5-6, 1983
Slidell, LA, Ozone Camellia Club	December 3-4, 1983

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THE ANSWER — Dedicated ACS members working hard for ACS!!

Truly, this is the theme song of the ACS Booth at the Atlanta Camellia Show. The year 1983 will bring our 38th Annual and consecutive Show, never cancelling, but once being open only for an afternoon, due to a sudden ice and snow storm that closed Lenox Square Shopping Mall for the first time in its history.

It is indeed a source of great pride that we have enlisted more new members each year (26 in 1982 and 38 in 1981) than any other ACS Shows, but it is hard work.

Our ACS Booth is set up in a prominent spot in the Show, obvious because it is both educational and attractive with fresh camellia blooms in tall containers, the flowers being given to new female members to wear at the Show. Features at the Booth include an air-layered plant with an ACS Charter member (Mrs. W. G. Merrin) demonstrating the technique of air-layering; an exhibit of grafting and a grafted plant in a pot; information and literature for the beginner by an ACS Charter member (Mrs. R. E. Hodgson); very large, tall signs inviting visitors to join ACS and our smiling knowledgeable ladies and men with application blanks asking the viewers if they'd like to belong; lists of varieties suitable for outside-Atlanta area; methods of propagation; seeds to take home; map showing route to Masee Lane and photos there; selling publications, stationery, etc.; gibbing display and gib to sell with demonstration; *and most of all, the advantages of belonging to ACS.*

These ACS Charter members were sort of pioneers in growing camellias outside in Atlanta, and the Atlanta Camellia Society now sponsors a Fall Exhibition of outside camellias. Entries receive a popular vote from the public. No judging.

Many come to the Booth only looking, but our outgoing committee members never miss an opportunity to exude warmth and friendliness and to engage in

conversation, discussing camellia culture, or even petunias if need be — the very step that leads to membership! Without that feeling of neighborliness, the public does not stop to talk, to study the exhibits, or to join.

We emphasize that \$12.50 for single membership or \$15.00 for double is really only the price of dining out for one today, but that they receive the ACS *Yearbook* annually and *Journals* quarterly — the finest horticultural information —

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Wilmot Gardens

Members of Gainesville (Florida) Men's Garden Club, decimated by age and infirmities, have instituted action to collect needed funds for maintenance and improvement of the Roy Wilmot Camellia Memorial Garden on the campus of the University of Florida. Situated on University property dedicated for the purpose, the garden occupies a gentle sloping 5-acre area immediately west of the ornamental horticulture greenhouses just off Southeast Archer Road and west of the Shands Teaching Hospital.

Contributed funds will be deposited with U of F Loyalty Fund/Share-Wilmot Garden and expended under the joint direction of Ms. Jackie Host, Ornamental Nursery Director of the Univer-

sity Greenhouses, and Dr. Willard Whitcomb, President of the Men's Garden Club, under direction of the original founding club organization.

Assistance in the funding project has been solicited from the national organization, American Camellia Society, through Henry Lunsford, Gainesville, as Director from Florida, and Graem Yates of Charlotte, N.C., former Gainesville resident, and former Director from North Carolina and other groups interested in preserving this valuable memorial for camellia lovers.

The Garden was named for Royal James Wilmot who had national recognition as an authority on camellias. When at the University of Florida Experiment Station, he developed the largest camellia variety planting in the United States. He was an outstanding authority on classification and culture of camellias. He died May 7, 1950.

The American Camellia Society was organized in 1945 with UF Provost of Agriculture Dr. H. Harold Hume as its first President and Wilmot as Secretary. He was Secretary and Editor of both the *Camellia Quarterly* and *Yearbook* until his death.

This writer, operator of the Wayside Press, commercial printer, was intimately involved in the early production of the Society literature and enjoyed the friendship and talents of Mr. Wilmot.

CONTRIBUTION

ROY WILMOT MEMORIAL GARDEN

U. of F. Campus, Gainesville, Florida

For his inestimable contribution to the culture of camellias during the early years of the American Camellia Society, in honor to Roy Wilmot, I wish to help in the maintenance of his memorial.

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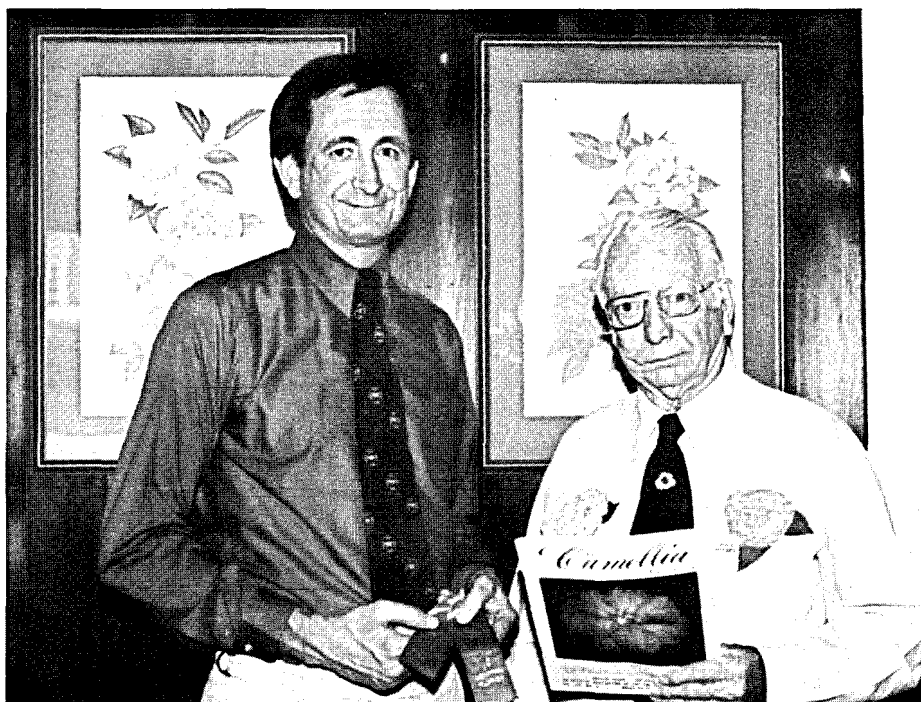
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The proposal for a memorial to Wil-mot was made at the October meeting in 1950 of the Men's Garden Club. Sam McK. Mixson was appointed chairman of the project and donations were asked in the American Camellia Society *Quarterlies*. Plants and money were requested and "the response was excellent from all over the country", he said. The circles of the Gainesville Garden Club also responded with plants and money.

Members of the Men's Garden Club and employees of the grounds department at the University of Florida began plantings in January 1952 when Charlton Melton was the President. The dedication was in January 1954.

For the first time in thirty years public appeal is again made for contributions from camellia lovers to restore and improve the physical condition of this outstanding garden. A coupon is printed in this issue of *The American Camellia Journal* for convenience of those wishing to help.

LOUIS C. GOOLSBY
Gainesville, Florida
April, 1982



Henry C. Lunsford, Sr., American Camellia Society State Director for Florida, grows probably the most gorgeous camellias in this area. His love for the flowering shrub is evident to anyone who has seen his place on NS 5th Ave. in Gainesville. He also regularly shares the blooms with others, such as bringing trays of the red, pink and white blossoms into businesses, like he regularly does to *The Sun*. Now it's come to our attention that the hobby/habit is a family affair. His daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Al Kloman recently won the distinction of exhibiting the best flower in a Central Florida Camellia Society Show in Orlando. But the source may have had something to do with it: Kloman won with a flower from a plant his father-in-law gave him. (Note it was a fine specimen of 'Dr. Clifford Parks'.

November 13-14, 1982

The Tenth Annual Fall Show at

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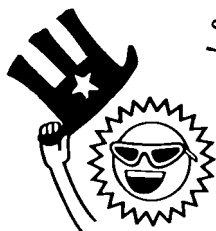
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ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS (See May issue of *Camellia Journal*.) This will be a Standard Show as determined by The National Council of State Garden Clubs.

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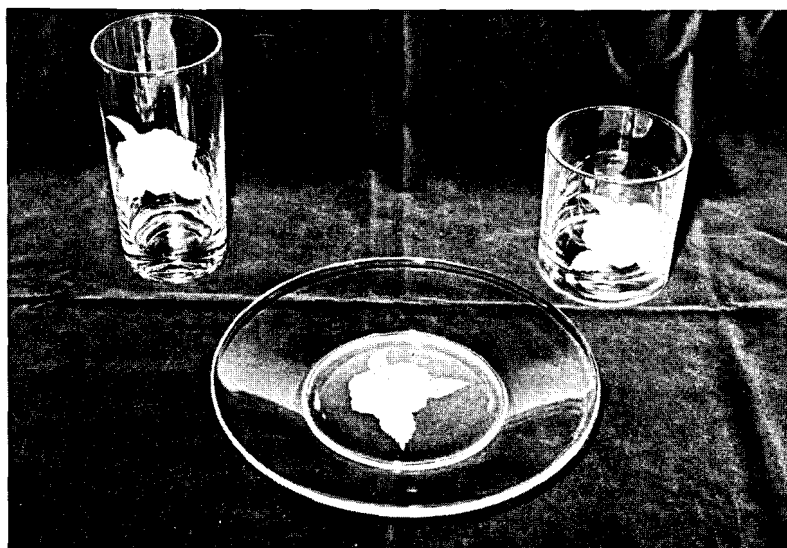
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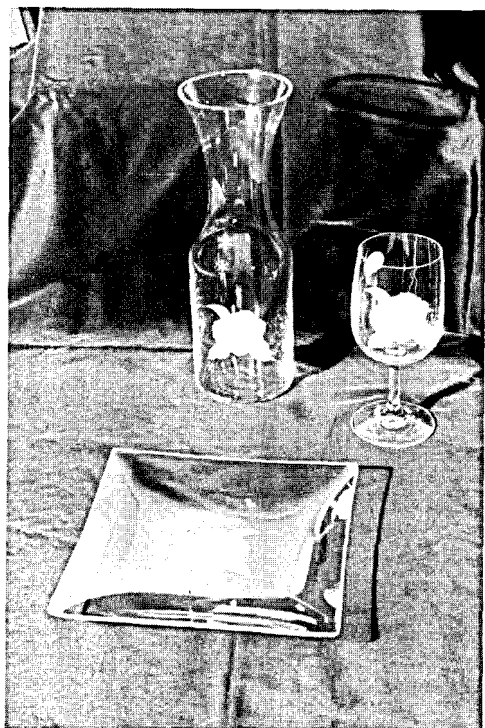
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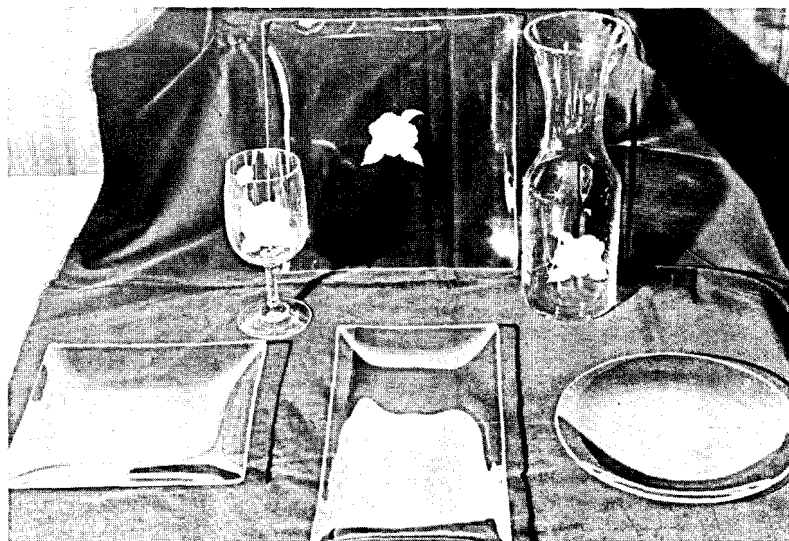
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October 27 - 30, 1982

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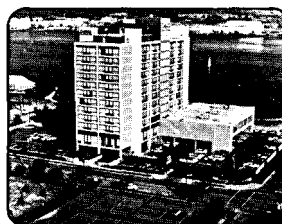
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**33rd ANNUAL FALL MEETING
AMERICAN CAMELLIA SOCIETY
OCTOBER 27 - 30, 1982**

The 33rd Annual Fall Meeting of the American Camellia Society will be held in conjunction with the 11th Annual Fall Camellia Show of the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley. Both the meeting and the show will be held at the Ramada Inn Old Town in Alexandria, Virginia. This meeting will be the first A.C.S. meeting in the National Capital Area.

GENERAL:

A Registration Desk will be provided at appropriate times which will be detailed in the final program for the meeting.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1982

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| 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Entries of camellia blooms will be received for the Camellia Show in the United Way Room of the Ramada Inn Old Town. Flower refrigeration is available without cost at the hotel. <i>Note the changes in both the date and the place of the show from information previously published.</i> Light refreshments will be served. |
| 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | Judging of entries in the Show. |
| 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Welcoming reception and cocktail party hosted by the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley in the Ramsay Room of the Ramada Inn Old Town. |
| 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Preview of the 11th Annual Fall Camellia Show of the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley in the Ramada's United Way Room, adjoining the Ramsay Room, where you can eat and drink while enjoying the Camellia Show. |

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1982

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| 7:20 a.m. | One chartered bus with 47 to 50 members leaves the hotel for a special conducted tour of the White House. Coffee and donuts will be served en route to the White House. After visiting the White House, this bus will join the other buses at the National Arboretum for a tour. |
| 9:00 a.m. | Remaining buses leave hotel for National Arboretum. |
| 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Camellia Show open to the public at Ramada Inn. |
| 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. | Tour of National Arboretum. |
| 11:00 a.m. | Leave Arboretum for a riding tour of the Capitol Hill area — U. S. Capitol, U. S. Supreme Court, U. S. Library of Congress, etc. |
| 12:00 noon | Luncheon (included in registration) at Pier VII Restaurant, Channel Inn, on the waterfront overlooking Haines Point. |
| 1:15 p.m. | Leave the Channel Inn Restaurant by bus for a riding tour of the Federal Triangle area of the City of Washington, conducted by knowledgeable CSPV members, with specially conducted visits to the Diplomatic Recep- |

**Fall National Meeting
In The Nation's
Capital Area**

**3. U. S. National
Arboretum**

WALTER J. HAMER

NOTE: *The Fall Camellia Show of the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, October 27 and 28, at the Ramada Inn Old Town in Alexandria, Virginia where the American Camellia Society will also have its headquarters for the Fall National Meeting. This is change from the previous announcement that the CSPV Fall Show would be held at a later date at the U. S. National Arboretum. Blooms to be judged should be entered by 5 P.M. on the opening day, namely, Wednesday, October 27.*

The subjects of the two preceding articles in the Journal on the Fall National Meeting were Alexandria, Virginia, the headquarters for the Meeting, and the Federal City of Washington, D. C., the center of the National Capital Area. In this issue the U. S. National Arboretum will have our attention. The CSPV, your host for the Meeting, has planned a bus tour to the Arboretum for Thursday morning, October 28.

The National Arboretum was established by an Act of Congress on March 4, 1927 during the Coolidge administration. It is situated about three miles northeast of the U. S. Capitol on 444 acres of land in the Mount Hamilton section of Northeast Washington. From its banks on the east one gets a good view of the Anacostia River.

The activities of the National Arboretum are concerned primarily with educating the public and conducting research on trees and shrubs. Although not a park it provides walks and roads for viewing and enjoying the trees, plants, and flowers. It is open year-round and is visited by horticulturists, landscape architects, gardeners, scientists, school children, educators, and tourists from all

tion Rooms of the Department of State and to the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The buses will be divided into two groups, one that visits the State Department from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. the other from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The sightseeing tours, the visit to the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and possibly other stops will occur before or after the scheduled visits to the Diplomatic Reception Rooms.

5:00 p.m. Return to hotel.

5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Hospitality Room open.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

8:00 p.m. Meeting of the A.C.S. Governing Board and Board of Trustees in United Way North Room at the Ramada.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1982

7:20 a.m. One bus with 47 to 50 members will leave hotel for a special conducted tour of the White House. Coffee and donuts will be served en route. The bus will return the members to the hotel before the 9:30 a.m. opening of the educational program.

9:30 a.m. *Educational Conference* in the Ramada's Cameron Room. Chairman for the Conference will be Dr. Albert A. Piringer, President of the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley and Chairman of the Horticultural Science Institute, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, USDA.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Henry M. Cathey, Director, U. S. National Arboretum, whose subject is to be "Promoting the Camellia to More Widespread Public Acceptance". Dr. Cathey will be followed, after a coffee break, by:

(1) Dr. Francis R. Gouin, Professor, Department of Horticulture, University of Maryland, on "Growing Plants in Containers, Container Soils, Winter Protection, etc.";

(2) Dr. Donald Krizek, Plant Stress Laboratory Plant Physiology Institute, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, USDA, on "Growing Plants Indoors"; and

(3) Dr. James Locke, Plant Pathologist, Florist and Horticultural Laboratory, USDA, Beltsville, Maryland, on "Pest Control in Camellia and Related Plants."

Talks are scheduled to be 20 minutes each, except Dr. Cathey who is to speak for 40 minutes. Ten minutes will be provided for questions after each talk.

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Hospitality Room open.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon (included in registration) in the Lee Ballroom of the Ramada Inn.

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. *Afternoon Education Conference.*

Speakers will be:

(1) Robert Dreschler, Curator, Japanese Bonsai Collection, U. S. National Arboretum, Washington, D. C., on "Growing Bonsai Plants — including Camellias."

(2) Dr. Clifford R. Parks, Department of Botany, University of North Carolina,

over the world. On a single day as many as 20,000 may visit the Arboretum when the azaleas are in bloom. The Arboretum's location in an intermediate climate zone adds to its national character. It is as far north as many "southern" plants can grow, and as far south as many "northern" plants will thrive.

The Arboretum conducts research on trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants with the aim in mind to improve plants through introduction, breeding, and selection. It exchanges seed and plant material with other botanic institutions world-wide. It has a major herbarium of botanical specimens for research and plant identification. The Arboretum publishes results of its researches, supplies technical information to the public, conducts symposia, presents art exhibits, and hosts many flower shows of scientific societies including the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley. However, because of logistics the CSPV Fall Show at the time of the ACS Fall Meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn Old Town in Alexandria, Virginia, as stated above.

In October, when you will be visiting the Arboretum, the seasonal highlights are fall-flowering Lycoric, Sternbergia, and massed fruits of crabapple, fire-thorn, and a host of berried shrubs and the spectacular changes in the color of tree foliage. This color is highlighted by the rich yellows of tulip poplar and hickory and the reds and bronzes of the gums and dogwoods that are abundantly scattered throughout the native woodlands.

There is not space here to give a comprehensive description of all a visitor may find at the National Arboretum. Some special features you may expect to see during the Fall Meeting are noted below.

The Arboretum has many *Camellia japonicas*. It also had many outstanding fall-blooming *C. sasanquas* until the winter of 1976-77 when they were severely damaged by drought and prolonged cold weather. Efforts are now being made to replenish them as well as damaged *C. japonicas* and to develop cold-hardy types. Small groups of other camellia species may also be seen at the Arboretum.

The *National Bonsai Collection* will be a feature of the ACS tour. This Collection was a gift of the Japanese people to

Chapel Hill, North Carolina, on "Evolution of Cultivated Camellias"; and (3) Dr. William L. Ackerman, Research Horticulturist, U. S. National Arboretum, on "Advances in Breeding for Cold Hardiness". Dr. Ackerman will also conduct an open panel discussion on any recent significant developments applicable to camellias.

4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Hospitality Room open.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1982

9:15 a.m. Leave hotel by bus for a walking tour of the historic Old Town Section of Alexandria with brief visits to Christ Church, Carlyle House, Gadsby's Tavern, the 18th Century Apothecary Shop, and the 18th Century home of a member of the Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley.

12:00 noon Leave the main Old Town section by bus for return to the hotel.

12:00 noon to 12:30 p.m. Hospitality Room open.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon (included in registration) in the Lee Ballroom of the Ramada Inn.

2:00 p.m. Leave hotel by bus for visit to the National Cathedral (Cathedral of Saint Peter and Saint Paul) in Washington, D. C.

3:30 p.m. Leave National Cathedral by bus for return to hotel at about 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Leave by bus for a scenic ride along the Potomac River to Gunston Hall Plantation, the 18th Century home of Revolutionary War patriot and author of the Bill of Rights, George Mason. Following a tour of the garden and a candlelight tour of the manor house, cocktails will be served beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the conference banquet scheduled for 8 o'clock.

Harpisichord and flute concerts will be given in the manor house and after the banquet. The artists will be Dr. Sherodd Albritton, Professor, Music and Speech Department, Virginia Theological Seminary, and Choir and Music Director, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, Alexandria, Virginia, and Mrs. Margaret Albritton, Organist, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill.

Members will be returned to the hotel by bus.

Hospitality Room open upon return to hotel.

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America on the occasion of the U. S. Bicentennial in 1976. The 53 bonsai, assembled by the Nippon Bonsai Association, include 34 different species ranging from 30 to 350 years of age. Included are a few *Bonsai Camellias*.

Hollies dot the landscape of the Arboretum. They add a special tone to the fall and winter scene. The hollies are roughly classified into six principal groups: American Holly, English Holly, Chinese Holly, Japanese Holly, Mis-

cellaneous and Evergreen Hollies including the native black-fruited Inkberry, *Ilex pedunculosa*, having red fruits suspended on long stalks, and *Ilex pernyi* which is slow-growing with spiny leaves, and Deciduous Hollies, especially the Black Alder or Winterberry. One should get a map from the Arboretum of the Holly Garden for it gives locations and indentifying numbers of the various hollies.

The *Fern Valley Trail* is another outstanding feature of the Arboretum. It is a joint project of the Arboretum and the National Capital Area Federation of Garden Clubs. It was started in 1959 with the planting of 1,000 ferns and has been expanded since that time by thousands of native plants, planted by volunteer workers of local garden clubs. It is a wooded area of ferns, wildflowers, and native trees and shrubs. Visitors should again make themselves available of a map of the area, supplied by the Arboretum. The map gives 40 trail markers that identify the trees or plants seen in Fern Valley. Plants are arranged in groups, known as plant associations, which bring together plants liking the same type of environment.

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The *National Herb Garden* with its uniquely designed concept covers about two acres in a meadow opposite the Arboretum's Administration Building. The Herb Garden features plants selected to demonstrate the significance of plants in human life. In all the Herb Garden consists of the Knot Garden modeled after a fashionable 16th-century English garden, an Historic Rose Garden, 10 Specialty Gardens, and some related gardens and facilities including a trial and propagation garden.

Water Lilies enhance the environs next to the Administration Building. Gold fish, many from the orient, may also be seen in the lily pond.

In addition to the National Arboretum the Plant Introduction Station at Glenn Dale, Maryland, and the Agriculture Center at Beltsville, Maryland, are two important government horticulture establishments in the area. While here you may wish to visit either or both. If so, arrangements for a visit should be made at least two weeks in advance of the Fall

Meeting by contacting Dr. William L. Ackerman, Mink Hollow Rd., P.O. Box 41, Ashton, Maryland 20702 for Glenn Dale, and Dr. Albert A. Piring, 4409 Beechwood Rd., University Park, Hyattsville, Md. 20782 for a Beltsville visit.

Remember the dates of the ACS Fall National Meeting are October 27-30. Will see you then. Be sure to bring your camellia blooms by 5 p.m. on October 27.

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The following members and friends have "joined" one of the clubs or made additional contributions to them since the May issue of the *Journal* (Information as of June 4, 1982).

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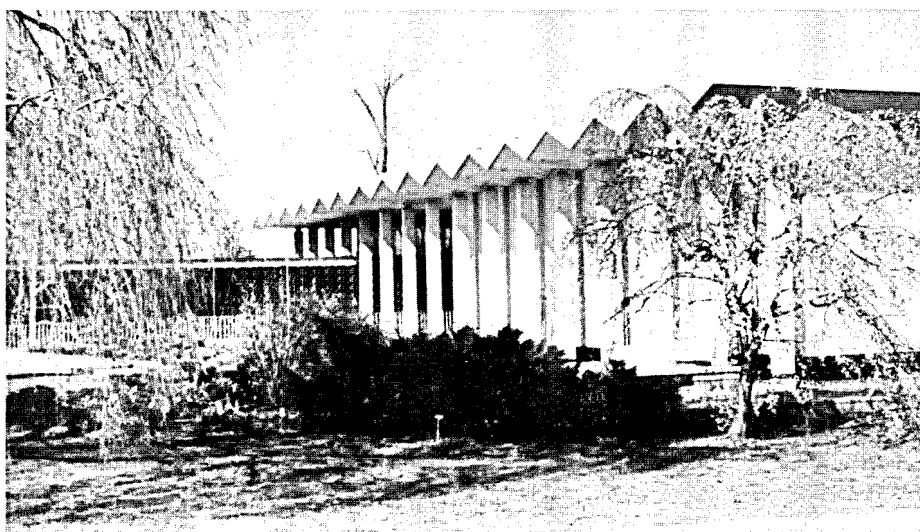
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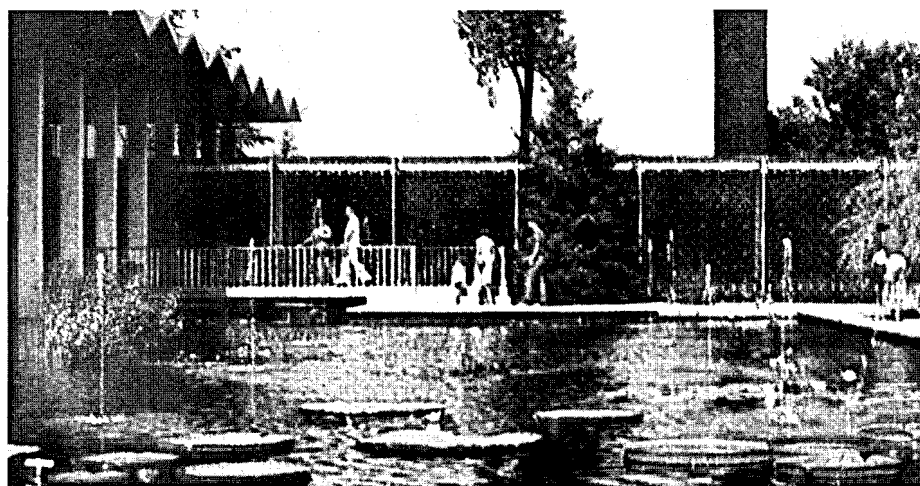
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Our Booth is manned during ALL the hours of the Show — two days at Lenox Square Shopping Center. We maintain that first of all, we must communicate — communicate and reach out to those who look remotely interested in our very special dedication to “our flower” and to our national organization!! There are still many in this area who remember Dave Strother, and we do adore reminiscing about the great benefactor of ACS. We especially encourage young people to grow camellias, not necessarily to own a greenhouse or to grow tremendous flowers, BUT to enjoy camellias, both *japonicas* and *sasanquas*, in the landscape design . . . for they will surely take our places in beautifying this world . . . AND . . . in LOVING CAMELLIAS!!!

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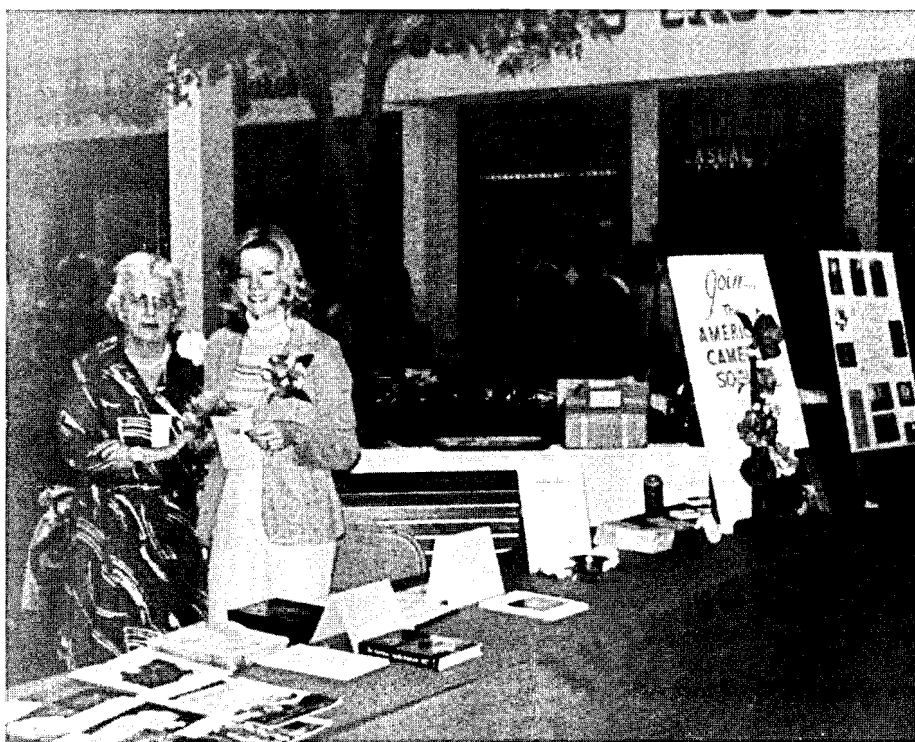
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Mr. Milton H. Brown,
American Camellia Society
FORT VALLEY, U.S.A.

Dear Brownie,

A quite extra-ordinary co-incidence! The 1981 ACS Yearbook arrived exactly 30 minutes after I posted my letter on 6th April. Sea mail, nowadays, takes longer than it did in the days of sailing ships.

Congratulations on the 1981 issue which keeps up the standard so long maintained. In my researches last year, I worked right through the file of Yearbooks, starting with 1946 and it is amazing what a vast amount of valuable and interesting information they contain. Incidentally, when we are no longer here, or no longer able to use them, our complete collection of camellia books and reference material, together with all our supporting horticultural literature, are



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going to a New Zealand University which has a very active horticultural department. The hope being that it may inspire some hopeful advanced students to do some research work on camellias.

Many thanks again for your continued kindness and assistance,

Tom Durant.



JIMMY CARTER

April 14, 1982
To Milton Brown

Rosalynn and I enjoyed seeing you Sunday morning. We appreciated the opportunity to meet Dr. Ho and Dr. Chang and are grateful that you arranged it.

Thank you for the “Amy” azalea. It has already become a beautiful addition to our yard.

Sincerely,

Mr. Milton H. Brown
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Name and Description	ACS Registry Number	Originator
'Betty Drews', miniature to small, creamy pink, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, very early	1798	Rupert E. Drews
'Bill Stout', medium, white lightly marked with rose red lines and specks, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early	1799	Miss Ida Meriwether
'Broadus Turner', very large, light rose pink, semidouble to anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early	1800	J. R. Cantelou
'The Duchess of Cornwall', medium to large, silvery blush pink, double, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. saluenensis</i> x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Adolphe Audusson'), mid-season	1801	Gillian Carlyon
'Yesterday', large, bright pink, double, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. saluenensis</i> x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Tomorrow'), medium to late	1802	Gillian Carlyon
'Edward Carlyon', large, rose pink, double, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. saluenensis</i> x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Adolphe Audusson'), mid-season	1803	Gillian Carlyon
'Bumble Bee Var.', medium to large, fluorescent pink blotched white, anemone to loose peony, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. japonica</i> 'Debutante' x <i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe'), early to mid-season	1804	George Priest
'Ruthie Pope, Solid', large to very large, rose pink, anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Ruthie Pope', early to mid-season	1805	C. R. Pope
'Nina West', large, cherry red, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1806	W. T. Shepherd
'Nina West Var.', large, cherry red blotched white, variegated form of 'Nina West', semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> , mid-season	1807	W. T. Shepherd
'Little Cutie', medium, light pink, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1808	Ted Alfter
'Stacked Deck', large, rose red, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1809	Ted Alfter
'Robert McNeese', small, soft pink, anemone to rose form double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1810	Robert McNeese
'Rudolph', medium, deep red, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1811	Nuccio's Nurseries
'Que Sera Sera', large, light pink, semidouble to anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1812	Nuccio's Nurseries
'Margaret Davis Picotee', medium, white to cream white edged vermillion, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Margaret Davis', early to mid-season	1813	William E. Woodroof
'Carter's Sunburst Sweetheart', large, blush pink with real small red spots and stripes, semidouble to peony form to formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Carter's Sunburst', mid-season	1814	Robert L. Wines
'Lillian A.', very large, deep pink, peony form, <i>C. reticulata</i> chance seedling of 'Buddha', early	1815	L. G. McKeever
'Black Lace Peony', medium, dark velvet red, peony form, <i>C. reticulata</i> mutant of 'Black Lace', mid-season to late	1816	Robert L. Wines
'Barbara Ratliff', very large, light pink with orchid overtones, semidouble, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. saluenensis</i> x <i>C. japonica</i>) 'Holland Orchid' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Angel', early to mid-season	1817	Ted Alfter
'Barbara Ratliff Var.', very large, light pink with orchid overtones — splotted white, semidouble, <i>C. hybrid</i> variegated form of 'Barbara Ratliff', early to mid-season	1818	Ted Alfter
'Witman Yellow' medium, white to yellow, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1819	Dr. W. F. Homeyer, Jr.
'Margaret Bernhardt', large to very large, rose red, formal double, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 'Jean Pursel'), mid-season to late	1820	Frank Pursel
'Trudy Smith', very large, dark red, semidouble to peony form, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid (<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe')		

(Reports of ACS Cooperative Shows. In each report, the word *C. reticulata* includes those hybrids with *C. reticulata* parentage. Also, in each case, the *C. hybrid* means all those hybrids with other than *C. reticulata* parentage. *C. sasanqua* includes related species.)

CALIFORNIA

CONCORD, March 13-14, 1982

Sponsor: Northern California Camellia Society

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Large: 'Reg Ragland', Mrs. William Breuner

Runner-up: 'Fashionata', Mrs. William Breuner

Medium: 'Elizabeth Weaver', Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Ray

Runner-up: 'Raspberry Ice', Harlan Smith Family

Small: 'Tammia', H. W. Oliver

Miniature: 'Frances Councill', Mr. & Mrs. Pete Grosso

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Cornelian', Mr. & Mrs. E. F. Achterberg

Runner-up: 'Lasca Beauty', Mr. & Mrs. Don Bergamini

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Water Lily Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pitts

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Don Bergamini

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ehrhart

Best White: 'Elegans Champagne', Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pitts

Youth Class: *C. japonica* — 'Black Tie', Jene' Pitts

C. reticulata — 'John Taylor', Jene' Pitts

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

SACRAMENTO, March 13-14, 1982 (58th Annual)

Sponsor: Camellia Society of Sacramento

Number Blooms Displayed: 4,365.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Pink Dahlia', Mr. & Mrs. Donald

Lesmeister

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Very Large: 'Tomorrow Park Hill', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

Runner-up: 'Elegans Champagne', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

Large: 'Carter's Sunburst', Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lesmeister

Runner-up: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', Mr. & Mrs. Donald

Lesmeister

Medium: 'Wildfire', Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Vervalle

Runner-up: 'Nuccio's Jewel', Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lesmeister

Small: 'Pink Dahlia', Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lesmeister

Runner-up: 'Alison Leigh Woodroof', Mr. & Mrs. Donald

Lesmeister

Miniature: 'Tammia', Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Achterberg

Runner-up: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

C. reticulata:

Very Large: 'Nuccio's Ruby Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Martin

Runner-up: 'Notre Dame', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

Large: 'Dr. Louis Pollizzi', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

Runner-up: 'Shot Silk', George M. Cunningham, Jr.

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Pink Dahlia', Frank & Winnie Serpa

Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

R. Walter Langhart

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Mr. and Mrs. Al Taylor

Best White: 'Elegans Champagne', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

Best Seedling: Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Martin

Youth Class: *C. japonica* — Large: 'Grand Slam', Judy Morrison

Medium: 'Pope Pius', Tina Stevahn

Miniature: 'Pink Perfection', Mat-

thew Kerby

C. reticulata — 'Lila Naff', Danielle Rasor

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

SANTA CLARA, February 20-21, 1982 (41st Annual)

Sponsor: Camellia Society of Santa Clara County

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,605. Attendance: 3,000.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Large-Very Large: 'Swan Lake', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo

Runner-up: 'Kramer's Supreme', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

Medium: 'Jean Clere', Mr. & Mrs. E. F. Achterbert

Runner-up: 'Nuccio's Gem', Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pitts

Small: 'Starlet', Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Rambath

Runner-up: 'Ave Maria Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Don Bergamini

Miniature: 'Wilamina', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

Runner-up: 'Little Red Riding Hood', Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pitts

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Miss Tulare Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Don Bergamini

Runner-up: 'Curtain Call', Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pitts

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Sylvia May Wells', Mr. & Mrs. James Randall

Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Ray

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Don Bergamini

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

Best Seedling: *C. reticulata* hybrid, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo

Best Novice Bloom: 'Emperor of Russia', Bill Firth

Youth Class: *C. japonica* — 'Mary Fisher', Kirk Smith

C. reticulata — 'Valentine Day', Jene' Pitts

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

SANTA ROSA, March 27-28, 1982 (17th Annual)

Sponsor: Sonoma County, Camellia Society, Inc.

Number Blooms Displayed: 2,313. Attendance: 300

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Large-Very Large: 'Miss Charleston', Mrs. William R. Breuner

Runner-up: 'Helen Bower', William D. Stewart

Medium: 'Margaret Davis', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

x [<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis']], mid-season to late	1821	Frank Pursel
'Paul Harkey', very large, dark red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid (<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe' x 5X=(<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis') x <i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian')), mid-season to late	1822	Frank Pursel
'R. L. Brent', very large, rose red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid (<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe' x [<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis']], mid-season to late	1823	Frank Pursel
'Ray Watson', very large, dark red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ([<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe' x 5X=(<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis')) x [<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis']], mid-season to late	1824	Frank Pursel
'Grace's Sweet Pea', miniature, white with pink undertone, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Grace Albritton', mid-season to late	1825	Ray Gentry
'Timothy Gilley', large, rose pink, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1826	Paul Gilley
'Ernest Gilley', large, bright rose pink, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1827	Paul Gilley
'Ginny Anderson', large, light rose, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1828	Paul Gilley
'Black Gold', medium, black red, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling of 'Maroon and Gold', mid-season	1829	Paul Gilley
'Helen G', large, medium pink, anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1830	Paul Gilley
'Jean Feathers', medium, blush shading vivid magenta, loose peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> ('Dr. Tinsley' x 'Debutante'), early to late	1831	David L. Feathers
'Alisa', medium, salmon pink, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1832	David L. Feathers
'Harry M. Bloom', large, salmon red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ([<i>C. saluenensis</i> x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Apple Blossom') x <i>C. reticulata</i> 'Crimson Robe'), early to late	1833	David L. Feathers
'Tu-Tu', small deep orchid pink, peony form, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. sasanqua</i> x <i>C. hiemalis</i> 'Shishi-Gashira'), early	1834	Mrs. T. K. Knight
'Adrianne's Betty', medium to large, white veined and shaded light pink with petals edged a little deeper pink, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Betty Sheffield Silver', mid-season	1835	Mrs. A. B. Rhodes
'Harvey Taylor', large, brilliant red, anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1836	Harvey Taylor
'Gordon Howell', very large, rose red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 'Jean Pursel'), mid-season to late	1837	Frank Pursel
'Dr. Alvin Johnson', very large, red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 5xc [<i>C. reticulata</i> 'Cornelian' x <i>C. japonica</i> 'Mrs. D. W. Davis; back crossed on 'Cornelian']], early to late	1838	Frank Pursel
'Robert Fowler', very large, red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 'Jean Pursel'), mid-season to late	1839	Frank Pursel
'Judith Toomajian', very large, pink, semidouble to rose form double, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 'Jean Pursel'), mid-season to late	1840	Frank Pursel
'Alfus Johnson', very large, deep red, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x 'Jean Pursel'), mid-season to late	1841	Frank Pursel
'Tomorrow's Dawn Blush', very large, blush pink with wide white border, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Tomorrow's Dawn', early to mid-season	1842	Clyde Copeland
'Eleanor Merton', medium to large, dark red, single, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1843	J. Drayton Hastie
'Spring Mist', miniature, blush pink, semidouble, <i>C. hybrid</i> (<i>C. japonica</i> 'Snow Bell' (Huntington) x <i>C. lutchuensis</i>), early to mid-season	1844	A. E. Longley & C. R. Parks

Runner-up: 'Dixie Knight Sup.', Mrs. William R. Breuner
Small: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ehrhart
Runner-up: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo

C. reticulata:

Over 6': 'Pharaoh', D. D. Lesmeister
Runner-up: 'Valentine Day', Mr. Edith Mazzei
Under 6': 'Francie L', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo
Runner-up: 'Black Lace', Mr. & Mrs. Al Taylor

C. hybrid:

Over 4½': 'Anticipation', D. D. Lesmeister
Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo
Under 4½': 'Rose Bouquet', D. D. Lesmeister
Runner-up: 'Pink Dahlia', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ehrhart

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo

Best Seedling: Exhibited by Mr. & Mrs. John Movich
Best White: 'Elegans Champagne', Harlan Smith Family
Best Fragrance: Exhibited by Mr. & Mrs. Ken Hallstone
Youth Class: 'Grace Albritton', Leah Lesmeister
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None

MARYLAND

BALTIMORE, April 9-10, 1982 (24th Annual)
Sponsor: Pioneer Camellia Society of Maryland, Inc.
Number Blooms Displayed: 325. Attendance: 5,000
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Kishu-Tsukasa'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Best Bloom: 'Kishu-Tsukasa', John Pumphrey
Runner-up: 'Flowerwood', Mr. & Mrs. Harry J. Kendig

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', Mrs. Margaret White
Runner-up: 'Valley Knudsen', Mrs. Margaret K. White

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Anticipation', Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Maryott
Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Mrs. Margaret K. White

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. Harry J. Kendig

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

John Pumphrey

ACS Provisional Commended Seedling Certificate:

C. japonica 001X, Mr. & Mrs. Emerson Waltz

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:

Tri-Color: Emi Furukawa

Creativity: Mrs. Frank Chandler

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Two.

TEXAS

BEAUMONT, January 9, 1982
Sponsor: Southeast Texas Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 600. Attendance, 6,000.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open:

Over 5': 'Helen Bower', D. P. Boudreaux
3'-5': 'Lady Kay', Dr. Emil Carroll
Under 3': 'Pink Perfection', Van O'Quinn

C. japonica: Under Glass:

Over 5': 'Tomorrow Park Hill', Wallace Herbert
3'-5': 'Margaret Davis', Dr. Emil Carroll
Under 3': 'Tinsie', E. D. Cowan

C. reticulata:

In Open: 'Francie L', J. A. Kirchmer
Under Glass: 'Lois Shinault', Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Harold J. Showalter

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

DALLAS, January 23, 1982
Sponsor: Dallas Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 630
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Curtain Call', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow Park Hill Pink', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow

Runner-up: 'Tomorrow's Sweet Image', Jon Laird Carvain

Medium-Large: 'Glen 40', W. E. Worley

Runner-up: 'Evelyn Poe Pink', Dr. Emil Carroll

Medium: 'Goggy', Ray Bond

Small: 'Buddy Var.', Bill Mann

Miniature: 'Man Size', Charles B. Malone, Jr.

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Curtain Call', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
Runner-up: 'Nuccio's Ruby', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stingfellow

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Debbie', Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Charles B. Malone, Jr.

Novice Class

Medium-Large: 'China Lady', John R. Mertens
Medium: 'Mrs. Charles Cobb', Mrs. Bob Tinsley

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Two.

FORT WORTH, February 21, 1982

(24th Annual)

Sponsor: Fort Worth Camellia Society, Inc.
Number Blooms Displayed: 400. Attendance: 2,000.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:

Large: 'Tomorrow's Dawn', Dr. Emil Carroll
Runner-up: 'Guilio Nuccio', Dr. & Mrs. R. P. McDonald

Medium-Large: 'Betty Sheffield Pink', Peter Mitref

Runner-up: 'Ville de Nantes', R. L. Morris

Medium: 'Diddy's Pink Organdie', Charles Malone

Runner-up: 'Margaret Davis', Dr. & Mrs. R. P. McDonald
 Small: 'Pink Perfection', Charles Malone
 Runner-up: 'Daisy Eagleson', Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Arnold
 Miniature: 'Bonbon', Mr. & Mrs. Temple P. Bowen
 Runner-up: 'Man Size', Charles Malone

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', Mr. & Mrs. Temple P. Bowen
 Runner-up: 'Lasca Beauty Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Temple P. Bowen

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Charlean', Jack Greenberg
 Runner-up: 'Julie', Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Charles Malone

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Dr. & Mrs. R. P. McDonald

Best Seedling: Charles Malone

Best Novice Bloom: 'Carter's Sunburst', Mrs. Paula Moore

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Two.

HOUSTON, December 5-6, 1981

(24th Annual)

Sponsor: Houston Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 561. Attendance: 300.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open:

Large-Very Large: 'Clark Hubbs Var.', Mr. & Mrs. G. F.

Abendroth

Runner-up: 'Tomorrow Park Hill', Dr. Emil Carroll

Medium: 'Campari', Mr. & Mrs. Alfus Johnson

Runner-up: 'Fran Mathis', Mr. & Mrs. Alfus Johnson

Small: 'Pink Perfection', Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Davis

Miniature: 'Hopkin's Pink', Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Davis

C. japonica: Under Glass:

Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C.

Stringfellow

Runner-up: 'Granada', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

Medium: 'Goggy', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

Runner-up: 'Linda Brothers', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

Small: 'Ave Maria', Mr. & Mrs. Paul Harkey

Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

C. reticulata:

In Open: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', Mr. & Mrs. Harold Showalter

Under Glass: 'Aztec', Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

C. hybrid:

In Open: 'Charlean', Mr. & Mrs. Charles O. Zagst

Under Glass: 'Debbie', Dr. Emil Carroll

C. sasanqua:

Best Bloom: 'Cleopatra White', Mr. & Mrs. Charles O. Zagst

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:

In Open: Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Davis

Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. Roy C. Stringfellow

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:

In Open: Dr. Emil Carroll

Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Nadeau

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

TYLER, February 14, 1982

(33rd Annual)

Sponsor: Tyler Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 375. Attendance: 463.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open:

Large: 'Mathotiana', Dr. R. P. McDonald

C. japonica: Under Glass:

Large: 'Show Time', Dr. Emil Carroll

Runner-up: 'Sea Foam', Jack Greenberg

Medium: 'In The Pink', Dr. R. P. McDonald

Runner-up: 'Harriet Bisbee', Dr. Emil Carroll

Small: 'Daisy Eagleson', Mr. & Mrs. R. L. Arnold

Runner-up: 'Bob's Tinsie', Judge Paul Harkey

Miniature: 'Little Slam', Judge Paul Harkey

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Jack Greenberg

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Dr. Emil Carroll

Best Seedling: 'LL945 Var.', Ray Bond

Novice Award: 'Harry Bettes', Jack Foster

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

VIRGINIA

NORFOLK, March 27-28, 1982 (39th Annual)

Sponsor: Virginia Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 710. Attendance: 600.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: (In Open)

Large: 'Donckelarii', Mrs. Dora Midgett

Runner-up: 'Funny Face Betty', Dr. J. M. Habel, Jr.

Medium: 'Shorty', Dr. J. M. Habel, Jr.

Runner-up: 'Magnoliaeflora', A. M. Daughtry

Small: 'Grace Albritton', Grover C. Miller

Runner-up: 'Black Tie', Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Mason

Miniature: 'Tammia', Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

Runner-up: 'Spring Festival', Ira E. Hefner

C. japonica: (Under Glass)

Large: 'Elegans Splendor', W. Irvin Nixon

Runner-up: 'Fashionata', Lester Allen

Medium: 'Diddy's Pink Organdie', Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

Runner-up: 'Nuccio's Pearl', Ira E. Hefner

Small: 'Kitty', Lester Allen

Runner-up: 'Susan Stone', Dr. J. M. Habel, Jr.

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Jean Pursel', Joe Austin

Runner-up: 'Bernadette Karsten', Ira E. Hefner

C. hybrid:

In open: 'Carousel', W. Irvin Nixon

Runner-up: 'Carousel', W. Irvin Nixon

Under glass: 'Charlean', W. Irvin Nixon

Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Ira E. Hefner

Best White, In Open: 'Lotus', Dr. J. M. Habel, Jr.

Best White, Under Glass: 'Ivory Tower', Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Howell

Best Seedling: Dr. J. M. Habel, Jr.

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

Perfect Weather — Perfect Show — Perfect Attendance

MRS. TEMPLE P. BOWEN

Fort Worth, Texas

Our show was in a different location this year, at the Botanical Garden Center, after 22 years in the lobby of The First National Bank of Fort Worth, Texas. We are most grateful to the bank for their wonderful support and all of their help during this time.

Most of our members had "mixed emotions" about our new place, but when the show was over on Sunday afternoon, there was no doubt in our minds that this was one of the best shows ever staged by The Fort Worth Camellia Society! We displayed 400 of the most beautiful blooms, which is good for such a late show as the 21st of February, and had 2,000 visitors to see our show! When we closed the doors, almost that many were still in line to see the show but it was necessary for us to be out of the garden center at 5:00 and it does take time to

break down a show! Almost 700 visited the Fort Worth Japanese Gardens on that afternoon after attending our show. The weather was perfect, a wonderful 83 degrees on the 21st day of February — but that is the way we do it in Texas — MOST OF THE TIME — we have been known to have ice and snow for our show!

Our judges were superb in every respect and our society is most grateful for their time and help in helping us with our annual show. The 1983 show will be in the same place, The Botanical Garden Center, on the 20th of February, and it will be our "Silver Anniversary" — the 25th Annual show for the Fort Worth Camellia Society. We are making plans now, well in advance for this show, and we just hope that the weatherman will be on our side again next year!!!

GET A NEW MEMBER



Helen Teeter, as she is known to her ACS friends throughout the country, was honored at a reception on May 19th at Masee Lane. The Governing Board, when it met in Charlotte in March, unanimously voted a special award to Mrs. L. V. Teeter for her outstanding service and loyalty to The American Camellia Society. A lovely reception was arranged by "the girls" of the office and the presentation of the plaque was made by Dr. Daniel E. Nathan of Fort Valley who is a Trustee and former Director-at-Large of our Society. Middle Georgian camellia leaders came for the lovely affair. From left to right we see Frances Bowden of the ACS staff; Mrs. T. Sanders Harris, Helen's mother; Joe Pyron, Emeritus Executive Secretary from Reynolds, GA; Dr. Nathan; Muriel Nathan; Helen Teeter; Martha Beatty, Ft. Valley, GA; Judge Hulyn Smith, Valdosta, GA; Marvin Jernigan, President of Middle Georgia Camellia Society; Helen Bryan, ACS staff; and Dr. Earl Beatty, Jr., ACS Treasurer, Fort Valley. (Photo by Carla Hill, courtesy of The Leader-Tribune, Fort Valley, GA)

Election Of Directors For The Gulf Coast Territory

As Vice President for The Gulf Coast Territory, Robert A. Sansing, Jr. has turned in the following report for nominations for Directors-at-Large and State Directors. In accordance with the By Laws as amended, every effort was made to obtain at least two persons for each position. In most cases this was not possible as the Incumbents were so well regarded that others did not wish to enter into nomination in opposition to them. This time there were no nominations made by a person or camellia club other than only by the committee. (For list of the Nomination Committees see page 35, *The Camellia Journal*, Vol. 37, No. 1, February 1982.) As you know, every member or club in the Gulf Coast Territory could have made such a nomination for his state or for Director-at-Large.

Contact was properly established and each nominee described below has given consent in writing to run for the office as shown. Also, all were asked to send in a short *curriculum vitae* and a photo to accompany this article. The briefs are garnered from information that each candidate has sent in after accepting nomination.

Since there are no contests for Directors-at-Large and for State Directors other than for the State of Alabama, ballots will be sent only to members in Alabama to vote only for their State Director. All others are, in effect, elected by acclamation since there is no opposition.

The short information and pictures of each candidate follows. **DO NOT SEND IN ANY VOTES UNTIL YOU RECEIVE THE OFFICIAL BALLOT WITH ITS INSTRUCTIONS.**

DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

There are two (2) Directors-at-Large for the Gulf Coast Territory. The two incumbents Dr. Alvin E. Johnson and Mrs. Henry S. ("Vi") Stone will serve another three-year term as there are no contending candidates.

"VI" (MRS. HENRY S.) STONE, of Baton Rouge, LA, is past President of The Gulf Coast Camellia Society and a Life Member of it. As the other candi-

dates, Vi has long been a member of the ACS (since 1949) and is active in her local Society, the Baton Rouge Camellia Society. She is a member of the Camellia Societies in Texas, South Carolina, Southern California, Australia and New Zealand. She is an honorary member of the Nagoya, Japan, Camellia Society. She is also one of the three U. S. Directors of the International Camellia Society. She has originated several outstanding camellias and has travelled far and wide in this country and overseas to visit with camellia people. She is serving as Membership Committee Chairman of the ACS.

DR. ALVIN E. JOHNSON, of New Orleans, LA, has been growing camellias for over 30 years. He is active in his local Society, the Camellia Club of New Orleans. He is a Charter Member, a Life Member and a past President of the Gulf Coast Camellia Society. He has served on several ACS committees including Ways & Means, Membership and Conventions. He is also a member of the International Camellia Society, and the Societies of New Zealand, Southern California, Texas, South Carolina, Pensacola and Mobile. He was Chairman of the ACS Convention in New Orleans in January 1979.

STATE DIRECTORS

ALABAMA

Alabama members will be sent a ballot in September to vote for one of the two following candidates. Both are outstanding camellia people who support camellias in general and The American Camellia Society in particular. They are listed here in alphabetical order.

COL. (RET.) R. D. HICKS has been growing camellias for some 40 years and has been a member of the ACS since 1948. He is a charter member of the Atlantic Coast Camellia Society and a member of the Gulf Coast Camellia Society and served as its Vice President for three terms and he is a member of the International Camellia Society. He has been accredited judge of ACS for some 25 years and he attends and exhibits and



judges in 8 to 10 shows a year. He does "low-level research" and occasionally writes for camellia publications.



WILLIAM C. ("Bill") REDD has been a member of the ACS for some 25 years. He first grew camellias in the cold area of Maryland and was active in the Camellia Society of the Potomac before moving to Birmingham 22 years ago. He is an active member of the Birmingham Camellia Club and is a member of the Gulf Coast Camellia Society. He and his wife Connie have retired from their Tupperware business and reside in Birmingham. Bill has traveled to the Orient and will be going to Australia-New Zealand this year on camellia interest.

ARKANSAS



ED KIMES has always been interested in everything that is beautiful. Prior to his retirement as Plant Manager of American Oil Refinery in El Dorado, AR, he raised numerous blooming plants and in 1947 he directed his attention to camellias, starting with one makeshift greenhouse and one camellia plant. After retirement he began growing his own root stock and grafting many varieties.

In 1948 he joined the American Camellia Society of which he has served as State Director for Arkansas and is currently a member of the Board of Trustees. He was instrumental in establishing the El Dorado Camellia Club and he has judged as well as entered many blooms in many area Camellia Shows.

FLORIDA

HENRY C. LUNSFORD, SR., of Gainesville, FL, is a past President of the Gainesville Camellia Society and an active member of it for almost 20 years. He was one of those who helped to re-activate the Gainesville Society after three years of inactivity. He is a member of the ACS Convention Committee and was the Chairman for the ACS Fall Convention held in Gainesville in 1979. He and Mrs. Lunsford are Life Members of the ACS and have been growing camellias out of doors and he has now built a greenhouse, becoming an indoor grower as well. He is also responsible for starting the Harold Hume Memorial Garden at the Old His-

toric Thomas Hotel which was dedicated when the ACS met there in 1979.

LOUISIANA



WILLIAM F. MANN is a very active camelliaologist in Shreveport. He and his wife Jackie are Life Members of the ACS; Life Members of the Australia Camellia Society and Life Members of the New Zealand Camellia Society. He is also a member of the Gulf Coast, the International, the Atlantic Coast and the Shreveport Camellia Societies. He is a Trustee of the ACS Endowment Fund; he and Jackie are members of the Presidents Club and the Century Club of the ACS Endowment Fund. He is an accredited ACS judge and exhibits and judges in many shows each year.

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THOMAS PERKINS, III of Brookhaven has been growing camellias since 1964, growing them both in a greenhouse and out-of-doors. He has a keen interest in all phases of camellias and camellia culture. He has traveled extensively to

visit camellia people within the U. S. and in England, Spain, Japan, Taiwan, Australia, New Zealand and twice (1980 and 1982) in the People's Republic of China. He is very active in his local club, The Brookhaven Camellia Society, the Gulf Coast Camellia Society and the International Camellia Society. He is the ICS Membership Representative in the U. S.

TENNESSEE

DR. HARRY T. MOORE, JR., of Nashville, TN, has been very active in his local Society, the Nashville Camellia Society, and the statewide Society known as the Volunteer State Camellia Society. He and Mrs. Moore are Life Members of the ACS and he has been active in attending ACS conventions and travels widely to camellia shows throughout the Gulf Coast and the Southeast. He plays an active role in the Gulf Coast Camellia Society and is a Charter Member of the Atlantic Coast Camellia Society. He is a member of the ACS Endowment Fund's President Club.

TEXAS

JUDGE PAUL HARKEY, of Dallas, TX, is a past President and Show Chairman of the Dallas Camellia Society and past President of the Texas Camellia Society. He is a member of the The Gulf Coast Camellia Society, South Carolina Camellia Society and the International and New Zealand Camellia Societies. Judge Harkey is a talented speaker and has "shown his wares" at meetings of the ACS and the Shreveport and Texas Societies. He is the "anonymous author" of articles in the ACS *Yearbooks*.

All of these candidates are outstanding camellia people. You can see them at many shows each year throughout their own area and in areas far distant from their "home base." They assist in many cases in setting up the shows, in organizing the judging and in judging them. All are eligible for the high office which they seek. Actually our Society of almost 5,000 members would not find it difficult to elect that many directors. Please do give them very serious consideration and vote **ONLY ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT** which will be sent only to members in Alabama.

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(As of June 4, 1982)

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Into the National Register

We recently received the official certificate naming "Strother's Farm" a historic site. The State of Georgia Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Section certified that "Strother's Farm" has been entered on The National Register of Historic Places by the United States Department of the Interior under provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. It was

signed by Joe D. Tanner, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources and Elizabeth A. Lyon, State Historic Preservation Officer.

Massee Lane, Headquarters of The American Camellia Society, is the property known as Strother's Farm which was owned by the late Dave Strother from 1927 until he deeded it to The American Camellia Society in 1966.

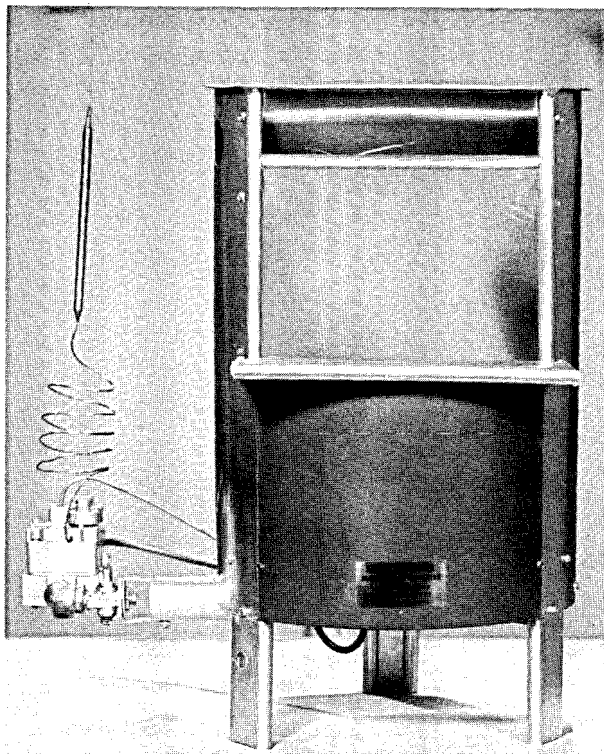
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Our thanks go to then Mayor Bickley and the other officers of the City of Marshallville, the Middle Flint Area Planning & Development Commission and ACS Headquarters personnel for all of the hard work that went into obtaining such a high honor.

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CHARLOTTE JOHNSON

Great Happy Excitement prevails in the Lath House of Ted Alfter, after a successful Cataract surgery on his eye. The other eye was destroyed during World War II. The years of cross pollinating and cross grafting in search of the good uses of Virus are imprinted on the new blossoms.

The white band has been set on many varieties, and is beautiful, like 'Very Cherry' — oh my gosh it's spectacular!

The following ideas I got him to note are what motivated his research: The latest blossom to open is a 90% white 'Miss Tulare.'

TED ALFTER'S VIEWS ON VARIABLES IN VARIEGATING VARIETIES IN VOGUE

As an Amateur, I graft about 200 *C. sasanqua* understock, raised from seed, each spring. I have found that viruses in camellias are of many strains, some mild and some severe. The word "virus" is Latin for the word poison, and it is the cause of the white in various degrees in the blooms and in the leaves. Virus in the foliage, be it yellow or white, without a distinct pattern, is undesirable and must be discarded. Variegation in the bloom should be at least 50% White to be attractive while 90% white are the real eye-catchers. Some virus patterns are more attractive than others, while some seem to stunt the size of foliage and bloom. Therefore, it is wise to choose the variegated varieties like 'Eleanor Martin Supreme,' which is listed in a large nurseryman's catalogue as heavy white variega-



Ted Alfter in his grafting area. At age 75 he is more active than ever. He is quoted in a local newspaper as saying that after retirement and after losing sight in his right eye, "My hands just seemed to fit right in. . . . I had to find something to do. You can't shoot pool and drink beer all the time." (Photo by Californian Photo, John Harte.)

tion, with vigorous growth.

Some solid red varieties are hard to variegate. I've found it takes as much as three years to transmit the virus into them. I use the double cleft graft for transmission. Contact grafting is also very rapid, many the first year and nearly all by the second year will show some degree of virus (white) in the bloom. Plants that show more variegation in the foliage than the bloom, are destroyed.

C. sasanqua understock does not sweat, there is little infection, and I use Captan wet, applied to all cut surfaces. Indoor grafts take in 30 days when kept at 65 to 80 degrees. Outside contact grafts, 35 to 50 degrees, as much as two months are required.

In 1970, I purchased a plant of 'Valentine Day,' from a large grower. The first season's blooms were perfect, nice rose bud. The second year the foliage turned variegated; the flowers were solid color still.

Over a period of 6 to 8 years, after using chelated iron, trace minerals, cottonseed meal, osmocote pellets — the 9 month's formula — T.L.C., rain water, etc. — not all at once of course, but over the period of many years — finally, the foliage has cleared up and a nice solid green is again present. Don't ask me which one or combination has done the job.

In our overseas travels when my wife Virginia and I visited 20 Countries in Europe and the South Seas, Virginia made use of her keen vision to spot variegation in native plants and flowers. In the South Pacific, on the Island of Java, she spotted the flowering trees had variegation in their flowers. In Madrid Spain, at the Hotel entrance, were huge Privot (little leaf) type specimen plants that were variegated green and white and also had foliage red and white. The gardener stopped me as I showed interest in scions. He said they were hard to reproduce and had been handed down from his father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

Variegation seemed to be affected by warm weather. We found more variegation in warm climates. Perhaps this is why our variegated blossoms are outstanding here in the San Joaquin Valley where a 100 degree temperature is maintained for well over 30 days. The Fiji Islands in the South Pacific had an abundance of variegated blossoms. Literature advocated: Plakidas 1962-63 *ACS Yearbook*, Pp 108-113; Claude Thoby, Oct. 1981 *ICS Journal*, Pp 46-47. Have fun with your Camellia plants. Ted

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FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE ACS

October 27-30, 1982 Washington, D. C./Alexandria, Virginia
February 10-12, 1983 Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas
Fall 1983 (exact date not yet determined) —

Kennett Square, PA/Wilmington, DEH
January 1984 (exact date not yet determined) Orlando, Florida
November 8-11, 1984 Perry/Fort Valley, Georgia
January/March 1985 (OPEN)
Fall 1985 (exact date not yet determined) Houston, Texas

Peat Gradation & Peat/ Perlite Mixtures

The Perlite Institute, Inc. recently made the first study of horticultural perlite particle size. It should provide excellent guidance as to when finer grades are the preferred material to use. We are listing only the Summary; if you want a copy of the full study we suggest you write to Robert S. Milanese, Managing

Director, Perlite Institute, Inc., 45 W. 45th St., New York, NY 10036.

SUMMARY

1. Perlite and peat moss have physical properties within the same order of magnitude.
2. Perlite can be produced to fit specification whereas peat moss is likely to be somewhat different from year to year.
3. Low density media can be produced with all grades of perlite and peat moss in any desired proportions.
4. Highest moisture retention occurs with the finest perlite grade which is

comparable to peat moss in this property. Coarser perlite grades have proportionality lower moisture retention and higher free porosity compared to peat moss.

5. Aeration characteristics are excellent for all grades of perlite/peat moss mixtures and for all component ratios.

These data confirm what most growers have known for many years — peat moss/perlite combinations provide outstanding physical properties for propagation and growing media. What may not have been fully appreciated is the practicality of using the less expensive finer grades for many of these purposes.

Georgia Hosts Chinese Visitors

The Middle Georgia Camellia Society was honored to host Professor He Shan-an, Deputy Director of the Botanical Garden Mem., Sun Yat-Sen, Nanjing, China and Professor Zhang Aoluo, Vice Director of the Kunming Botanic Institute and Curator of the Kunming Botanical Gardens. The visit was in mid-April in the Fort Valley area. Assisting in hosting these two brilliant botanists were the South Georgia Camellia Society and the North Georgia Camellia Society. The Chinese gentlemen were the house guests of Ann and Brownie.

Three times these men were called on to give illustrated talks — to the Kiwanis Club, the Thomas Public Library and at Massee Lane to the jointly held barbecue dinner. While in Georgia they were able to have a personally conducted tour of what is probably the world's largest man-

ufacturer of school bus bodies, The Blue Bird Body Co., by Captain Austin H. Barnett, Jr., last year's local Show Chairman. They were then given a City Proclamation by Fort Valley's Mayor Rudolph Carson. The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Tree Nut Experiment Station in Byron proved to be most mutually beneficial; the day there was chaired by Dr. Bill Horton. Locally developed Kiwi Fruit (formerly known as Chinese Gooseberries) was one of the highlights.

The native azaleas (rhododendron) and many of the kurume and Back Acre azaleas were in full bloom at Callaway Garden to welcome the visitors from China. Dr. Fred Galle, a top official at Callaway, was the host for the day. He also was able to show them many native wild flowers, some of them on the En-

dangered Species list.

People came from as far away as Rome, Atlanta, Valdosta and throughout Middle Georgia to enjoy the friendly chicken barbecue — along with delicious frozen peach daiquiris — in the barn at Massee Lane. Professor He's illustrated talk was on the botanical gardens of the People's Republic of China. Professor Zhang's talk was about rhododendron in China and, of course, it was heavily "laced" with slides and information about the famous yellow camellia species of China, *C. chrysantha* and *C. euphlebica* as well as many of the beautiful *C. reticulatas* of Yunnan Province.

Easter Sunday dawned with a beautiful sunrise. The Executive Secretary then drove the visitors down to Plains, Georgia. He had earlier made arrangements for them to visit with former President Jimmy Carter and Mrs. Carter. This was really a thrill. The former President talked to them about his visit to China and about his deep feeling for the Chinese people and their Vice Premier whom he visited earlier in the year. The Carters had a few native azaleas in bloom which the President had planted; he also planted several trees that week. He showed some of his outstanding woodworking in the form of furniture that the Carters will move to a cabin they are having built in North Georgia. After some picture taking the Executive Secretary presented the Carters with a blooming azalea plant of 'Amy.' The President said he would plant it for Amy when they came home from Church — after all it was Easter.

This pleasant visit was followed by a stop at historic Andersonville where the

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visitors were met by Mayor Louis East-erlin who explained the Civil War village and park.

This full — almost overwhelming — itinerary of events was arranged by ACS Headquarters. Everyone who was asked

went all out to help make this visit a worthwhile one for Professor Zhang and Professor He. Private dinners were held in the homes of Dr. & Mrs. Daniel E. Nathan, Dr. & Mrs. Earl Beatty, Jr., Wally Freshwater. There was also a bona

fide Chinese banquet hosted by the Middle Georgia Camellia society in The China Garden, probably the best Chinese restaurant in this area of the country. After a dessert of cold plum wine all went home tired but so very, very happy that these two Chinese scholars came to Middle Georgia.



Professor He Shan-an and Professor Zhang Aoluo setting up their slide programs with the help of the Executive Secretary. (Photo by C. Wilton Walton and courtesy of *The Leader-Tribune*, Fort Valley, GA)



Marvin Jernigan, President of Middle Georgia Camellia Society, busy cooking tomato hush puppies (recipe to be in "Head Table Cooks") while some kibitzers look on as they sip frozen peach daiquiris (recipe to be in "Head Table Cooks") They are the Executive Secretary, MGCS Show Chairman Captain Austin H. Barnett, Jr. and Cheryl Thompson wife of Fort Valley Postmaster C. Warren Thompson. (Photo by C. Wilton Walton and courtesy of *The Leader-Tribune* of Fort Valley, GA)

Panama City Show

LUDELLE BRANNON

Life/Style Editor

From *News-Herald*, Panama City, Florida, January 4, 1982.

Growers from around the Southeast displayed over 2,000 camellia blooms in the Panama City Municipal Auditorium this weekend.

The 24th annual Camellia Show, which opened Saturday, featured exceptional blooms from various species, both protected and non-protected.

Sponsored by the Camellia Society of Panama City in cooperation with the American Camellia Society, the show was dedicated to the memory of Frank S. Huebscher, long time camellia-growing expert.

Frank Bobe, past president, said, "What makes camellias so popular and spectacular, is because you don't get many blooming flowers here at this time of the year. Also, there's so many different shapes and colors."

Bobe said the exhibit included blossoms from the 'Mathotiana Supreme,' the most commonly grown and easiest to cultivate, to the most difficult, 'Feathery Touch,' a white bloom with many ruffled petals with crinkly edges, pronounced center stamen, and softly shaded to pale pink in the center.

"One grower said, 'I'd go broke trying to cultivate and sell the Feathery Touch,'" said Bobe.

"We've had really good response to the show. Growers from all over called before the show opened, saying they had plenty of blooms and were coming over," Bobe said.

Bob Gramling from Tallahassee showed up with outside blooms that had been cut before the freeze and held for three weeks. Gramling said he had "used Dr. Lundy's formula to keep the blossoms fresh."

A Canadian admirer of camellias and a landscape artist, Bert Mol from Dundas, Ontario, joined the Camellia Society this year. He had tried cuttings from camellias in Canada, with no success, so he plans to carry seed back and try for better results in British Columbia, he said.

"I got interested in camellias about five years ago, when coming down here, and have tried with plants for two years. No, I'm going to try the seed, and hope to have better luck," he said.

There were 29 awards presented to winners in the show, which was judged by 42 experts from the Southeast area.

"This is a camellia growing community, and all of the judges are experts," said Willard Peck, a vice president.

"We give awards for large blossoms, medium size, small and miniature," explained Peck. "This is repeated for both protected and non-protected blooms. That is, blooms grown outside and those grown under glass, in greenhouses. We don't give a Best of Show award. But we do give gold and silver Sweepstakes winner awards."

"Prizes go the best plate of five, also the best plate of three. There are species

and varieties. After these, the judges select honor court awards in blooms grown in the open and protected blooms," Peck said.

A new award, the Best Novice Award presented to the Camellia Society from another club, the Atlantic Coast Camellia



The 24th Camellia Show was held Saturday and Sunday, January 2-3, 1982 at the Municipal Auditorium. Camellia blooms and winning exhibits featured the greatest variety (above) including the more popular and rare blooms. Also at the show was Canadian Bert Mol (left) from Dundas, Ontario, who travels to spend the winters and gather camellia seed to grow when he returns home. A landscape artist, Mol, at right, discusses the growth of camellias with Willard Peck, vice president of the show.

Society, was given this year to a new grower.

Jerome A. Hogsette, Jr., Ph.D. of Panama City won the crystal beer stein etched with a camellia design, for his entry, a *Latifolia*.

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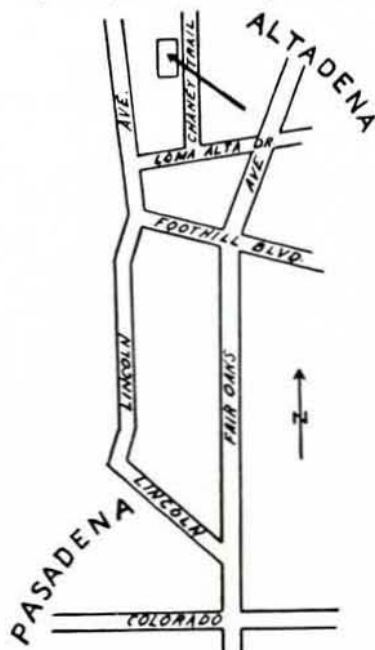
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From the Desk of the Executive Secretary/Editor

"Our Cookbook," *Head Table Cooks*

We feel we should point out the hard work and thousands of hours that have been and will be consumed in publishing this outstanding cookbook. The entire staff at Massee Lane and other friends worked almost entirely the past three months — including often Saturdays, Sundays and the lone holiday — to have the manuscript to the printer, R. L. Bryan Company by June 7th. This does not include the many, many hours involved in the work of committee members in obtaining recipes. The work still to be done consists of proofreading the galley proofs and then once again in proofing the page proofs and the final check of the "blueprint" of the book. Despite all of this work yet to be done after the printer has set the book in type, Ed O'Cain, a Vice President of the Bryan Co. has assured us that we shall have several hundred copies available at the time of the ACS meeting in Alexandria, Virginia/Washington, DC. We hope that you will be as enthusiastic about the book as we are. Over 825 recipes sent in by more than 350 cooks from 16 states and 8 overseas countries are highlighted by eleven superb drawings for each menu page by Jim McCoy and one from a rare book on China, printed in 1843 and which is in the ACS Rare Book Library.

The cost of the *HEAD TABLE COOKS* for ACS members is only \$10.00 plus \$2.50 for handling and postage. (Georgia residents must add 4% sales tax.) If a member orders ten or more to be sent to the same address the cost of handling and postage will be considerably less than \$2.50 per book; ACS will bill for the amount above the \$10.00 per book.

For non-ACS members, and book stores' sales, the price of the book is \$12.50; plus \$2.50 for handling and postage when ordered from ACS Headquarters. There is a *Special Introductory Pre-Publication Price to non-members of ACS* for \$10.00 plus the \$2.50 for handling and postage until November 15th only.

Christmas gifts, Show awards, bread-and-butter gifts, gifts to relatives and

other friends are all some of the ideas for purchasing this great book. The First Printing will be 10,000; we hope to follow other cookbooks into a second and even more printings. We can with the help of each and every one of you!

MEMBERSHIPS — GOOD NEWS

For the first time in four years *we have not lost members*. As of 1 June we are slightly ahead of 1981 memberships and we can expect a few more to come in before 1982 is over. Much of this is due to 160 members renewing for 1982 who had not renewed in 1981. We welcome "back into the fold" these members and hope they are as pleased as we are. Also, Directors have, in most cases, sent out letters to 1981 members who had not renewed for 1982. With a little extra push still this year, we can get more 1982 members; all back publications are sent immediately to those renewing for 1982 or those becoming new members for 1982. EACH ONE GET ONE! Dorothy and Clyde Copeland saw to having new young members by making 18-day old Robert Christopher Hand Jordan a member. Soon after Kevin Teeter became the "tie breaker for 1982 memberships over 1981" thanks to his grandmother, Mrs. L. V. Teeter. Kevin is 28 months old. Who says we don't have young members!

MEMBERSHIPS — BAD NEWS

This is the first issue since 1976 that we are not able to list any new *Life Members*. Since we started our campaign in earnest in May 1975 we have increased Life Membership roll from 106 to 265. Patron Members have during the same period increased from 3 to 15. Let us set a goal of 300 Life Members and 20 Patron Members to be reached during 1982-1983. Will you help?

GREENHOUSE RENEWAL

Under the supervision of Marvin Jer-nigan, President of the Middle Georgia Camellia Society, five high school stu-

dents from Peach County High School are renewing the Smith Memorial Greenhouse that was so terribly damaged in the devastating fire of last September 30th. This is, indeed, very hard work at any time but even more so in the heat of the high 90's F of June. When the work is completed we shall really have a beautiful show greenhouse. It will be planted — not tubs of camellias — with camellias and companion plants along brick walkways and with a fountain adding to the beauty. This phase will be under the plans and guidance of Ms. Millie Botesky, another one of our enthusiastic members from nearby Warner Robins. The funds for this greenhouse renewal came from \$10,000.00 fire insurance, a grant of \$7,500.00 and 2 gifts totaling \$1,500. This should prove to be sufficient for a truly great improvement at Massee Lane. Come to the Annual Show of the Middle Georgia Camellia Society on the weekend of November 13-14 and see for yourselves. For details of this show see the advertisement on page 7 of this issue.

WHAT IS IT?

With all of the interest in the *C. chrysanth*, Dr. Kenzo Iriyama, Life Member of ACS in Japan, sent this interesting photograph which he took. He describes it as "the splitting nature of my helping plant of the so-called Chrysanth of Nagopya type. Cotyledon with root." Hope you recognized it!

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Memphis Camellia Contest Winners

The camellia contest that was held on Valentine's Day at the Dixon Gallery and Gardens in Memphis, Tennessee had two winners. First Prize went to Mrs. Sam Nicky III, with a guess of 1080 blooms; Second Prize went to Mary Elizabeth Overton with a guess of 1092 blooms.

The correct number of blooms that were open on the camellias in the Wards S. Stout Camellia House on Valentine's Day, 1982, was 1028. The staff at the Dixon Gallery and Gardens extended thanks to all who participated. (Editor's Note: This could be a good idea to encourage enthusiasm in camellias and could be done in gardens as well as greenhouses or slat houses. Y'all try it!)

Head Table Cooks



American Camellia Society

HEAD TABLE COOKS, the award winning name of the cookbook to be published this year by The American Camellia Society was given to us by the late Charles C. Mason of Norfolk, Virginia.

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'MASSEE LANE'

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The late Milo Rowell of Fresno, California named this lovely flower for Massee Lane, Headquarters of The American Camellia Society. It was, when registered in 1972, a nine year old seedling of 'Phyl Doak'; this New Zealand hybrid was itself a seedling of *C. saluenensis* X *C. reticulata* 'Captain Rawes.' It is a beautiful flower but it does have a bad habit of bull nosing at times. This lovely picture was taken by Yvonne Cave, F.P.S.N.Z., A.R.P.S. The color separations were kindly loaned to us by The New Zealand Camellia Society, which will celebrate its Twenty-fifth Birthday this year. Our congratulations to our great friends in New Zealand.