

Oregon Camellia Society

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September/October/November 2019

Membership Dues Due

Our fiscal year begins July 1. The dues for the year are \$10 per single membership and \$15 per family. New members that joined at a flower show are considered paid through June, 2020. Give your dues payment to Martha Ragland, Treasurer or Garland Bayley, Secretary at upcoming meetings. Or, send it to Secretary, Oregon Camellia Society, 38008 Evergreen Blvd., Unit A, Washougal, WA, 98671.

September Meeting

September 21, 2019 1-3 pm

The September meeting will be a demonstration of camellia grafting. Member Alan Taft, who you may remember is also a bonsai expert, will give the demonstration at his house, which is at 5910 SW Idaho St. in Portland.

October Meeting

October 12, 2019 1-3 pm (This is the 2nd Saturday of the month instead of the usual 3rd Saturday)

We'll meet from 1:00 to 3:00 at the Home Orchard Society for a tour of their orchard and hybridizing setup. As many of you know this was a very popular event (including tasting apples) years ago when even Jim Moon was present. Tonia Lordy is the executive officer there and we are sure this will be nice tour from her.

Go to Clackamas Community College, 19600 Molalla Ave, Oregon City, OR 97045

Once on campus follow signs to the BROWN parking lot, which is located off of Inskeep Drive. Follow the road past the Environmental Learning Center, which will be on your right. The orchard is located on the left at the far end of the street. See the map at the end of the newsletter.

November Meeting

November 16, 2019 noon

We will be having our pre-holiday lunch at 12 noon at Authentic Thai: 3829 SE Division St, Portland, OR 97202

Phone:(503) 234-2521

Menu:authentic-tawannathai.com

We will be dining in a separate area, partly enclosed by a curtain, at the back of the restaurant. There's a parking lot on the east side of the building.

May Meeting Report

Minutes—OCS Meeting, May 18, 2019, at Moreland Presbyterian Church

Present: Denis Dooley, Chris Dooley, Shelley Hannan, Joe Hannan, Irene Lewis, Brady Sheets, Pat Sheets, Grace Bayley, Susan Haywood, Greg Anderson, Kathy Lintault, Roger Lintault, Collier Brown, Martha Ragland, Alan Taft.

Delicious ice cream and treats were provided by Collier and Martha, Grace, Kathy and Roger, and Brady and Pat.

A special welcome was given to new member Irene Lewis.

Denis asked Greg if he were interested in becoming a camellia judge. Denis added that there would be a judging school in the near future since a number of us need to renew as judges. Members can come to the judging school to just investigate if they might be interested.

Denis is now a Club Director on the ACS board—one of three from the West Coast.

Martha presented Treasury report—\$6830.77 in checking at the end of April 2019.

Camellia sale at the Newberg Camellia Festival—\$1337. OCS had paid \$450 for 100 plants sold at the sale and \$150 to the Chehalem Cultural Center for tables.

Grace offered to be the new representative to the Pioneer District, Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs. Alan will be her back-up. Shortly after the meeting, Shelley said she'd also be happy to help with the Pioneer District.

Denis will submit a slate for past due elections. *Editors note: We are currently in need of 2019-2022 directors to replace expired terms of Ann Rasmussen and Jack Campbell.*

Chris moved that in the future, planning for annual OCS camellia meetings and events be part of a board meeting rather than a general members' meeting. The motion was passed. *Editors note: Traditionally the boards planning meeting has been in October as the bylaws do not require a meeting that month. Other months without required meetings are June, August, and December.*

Brady made a motion to form a propagation committee. It was passed. Brady is putting together an 18 x 40' shade structure where camellias can develop after cuttings have been potted up. Cuttings could be rooted by Van Veen Nursery. Collier suggested that OCS could help with the cost of the shade cloth. Brady will gather information about it. Denis suggested a work party to help Brady. Joe mentioned that the state of Oregon has given away greenhouses to high schools. A greenhouse could be donated to a high school in Hillsboro if we wanted to coordinate with the students there.

A propagation committee was formed—Brady, Greg, Susan, Shelley, Chris, Collier, Alan, and Kathy.

Martha made a motion to again donate \$250 to Pioneer District, Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, for its scholarship program. The motion passed.

Planning Ideas for 2019-2020

Susan would like to see how camellias are planted at other members' houses. Alan added that this would be a good time to show how to prune and care for camellias.

Camellia show at Newberg Camellia Festival—April 18, 2020. (Easter falls on the prior weekend.)

Camellia show at Portland Japanese Garden—March 28-29, 2020. It was discussed whether this show should be only one day because of the work involved, but Collier felt it was worth the two-day effort. Chris suggested we don't need to do quite as much on Sunday—maybe Garland need not hold people's judging on Sunday. Grace offered that we had a lot of success advertising the Newberg Camellia Festival at the Japanese Garden show.

Brady offered his home for a September meeting about grapes.

Denis suggested inviting Jim or Tom Nuccio to speak in January 2021. One is an alumnus of University of Portland. Joe offered you could contact University of Portland's alumni association, try to get a write-up in the university magazine, etc. Kathy will contact Portland Chapter, American Rhododendron Society, to see if they might be interested in having J/T Nuccio speak also. Then both clubs would share expenses.

Collier was interested in again visiting the Home Orchard Society at Clackamas Community College in the fall.

Kathy would ask Bud Bowen if OCS could visit Ainsworth House again in January or February. She also mentioned some planning ideas that had been offered at the January 2019 meeting such as slide shows offered

by the American Camellia Society and a talk on small-flowered camellias with small-flower camellias for purchase.

Den would check to see what Sean Hogan, Cistus Nursery, charges as a speaker. Den was also interested in a meeting on propagation techniques.

Tentative Calendar

September 21—Meeting at Alan Taft's home for pruning demonstration. Cuttings can be taken at this time.

October 12 (Note that the meeting has been moved to second Saturday for this month)—Visit Home Orchard Society, Clackamas Community College

November 16—Luncheon at Authentic Thai Cuisine, 3829 SE Division St, Portland, OR 97202

January 18—Presentation by Bud Bowen at Ainsworth House & Garden, Oregon City. Meeting to begin at 11:00 a.m. rather than 1:00 p.m.

February 15

March 20-22—Camellia Display at Lan Su Chinese Garden, Portland. No March meeting because of shows at Chinese and Japanese Gardens this month.

March 28-29—Camellia Show at Portland Japanese Garden

April 18—Annual Camellia Show, Newberg Camellia Festival

May 16—Visit Cecil & Molly Smith Garden, St. Paul, Oregon

Editors note: Last elected officer's list is

President – Denis Dooley

1st Vice President – Collier Brown

2nd Vice President – Greg Anderson

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Treasurer – Martha Ragland

2018-2021 Director Grace Bayley

2018-2021 Director Jewel Walters

2017-2020 Director Brady Sheets

2017-2020 Director Kathy Lintault

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