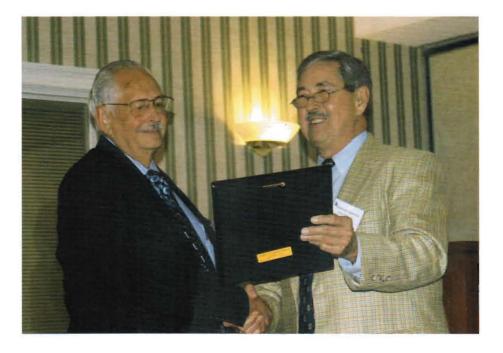
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#### ATLANTIC COAST CAMELLIA SOCIETY 2007 AWARD OF MERIT

#### THE 2007 AWARD OF MERIT FROM THE ATLANTIC COAST CAMELLIA SOCIETY IS PRESENTED TO RICHARD C. MIMS

Richard retired in 1993 as Emeritus Professor from the University of South Carolina. He served as Associate Dean and Accounting Professor and as Director of the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies program.

Richard has demonstrated outstanding dedication and support of the Atlantic Coast Camellia Society, the American Camellia Society and the Mid-Carolina Camellia Society for approximately fifty years. In the American Camellia Society he served as Director-At-Large, State director, and Chairman of the Publications Committee as well as a member of numerous committees. He has been the Editor of the Atlantic Coast Camellia Journal since 2003, writing most of the informative articles. Richard is currently President of the Mid-Carolina Camellia Society and has served as President for the past-several years, also serving as the society's Show Chairman many times.

With his lovely wife, Katherine, they have supported and presented informative programs to many camellia societies and garden clubs throughout the Southeast. Both are long-standing ACS accredited judges, attending and showing award winning blooms at most of the shows in the Southeast. Richard won the National Flower of the Year (Arminta Cawood Award) with "Tomorrow's Dawn" at the American Camellia Society Convention in 2003 and again in 2005 with the camellia, "Ruffian."

The Award of Merit from the Atlantic Coast Camellia society is presented to Richard C. Mims, one of the most dedicated and hardest working individuals, promoting camellias and camellia culture throughout the Southeast.

Note: All photos from the September 2007 Atlantic Coast Camellia Society Conference were provided by Warren and and Cheryl Thompson.

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#### President's Message Warren Thompson

progress and the success of the Atlan- "meeting" we have each year and your tic Coast Camellia Society is related to personal input is needed. what each of us does. I want to thank each of you for the interest you have Now Charleston is "sort of" like the in our society and your eagerness to edge of the earth. Should you drive talk with others about camellias in too far you would drive into the Atlanyour town and at the shows you at- tic Ocean. This means that traffic tend.

show dates. Try to attend all shows planning, we hope to have for people you can and be certain to support them who don't want to shop in the city, by entering your blooms regardless of meals and functions in Magnolia Garhow few or many you have. Shows dens. In the April issue of the Journal, need your help because the January I will give details for your use in plancold snap has hurt many blooms ning. throughout the region.

other success. The conventions facili- rectors to consider should be sent to tate great fun and conversations with me before the April 26, 2008 meeting. friends who love to talk camellias. Just imagine the great time we will Let us all work together to grow our have in Charleston this September if society and have a great year. all members make plans to attend.

I want to post in your memory that Keep in mind that this is the only

going into the city must use the same roads to come out of the city; and that Elsewhere in this issue is a list of makes quite a lot of traffic. So, in

Any suggestions or recommendations Our convention at the beach was an- you might have for the Board of Di-



Photo provided by Johnnie Walker

## Editor's Column Mutants **Richard Mims**

Lifted from Rules & Regulations How long can a ... Mutant bloom be governing Procedures & Judging of entered as a ... Mutant bloom? American Camellia society Cooperative Shows, Revised January 2007:

Mutants are eligible for ... Out- cards." standing Mutant Certificates. Book Two. Page 14 -- Special Rules Pertain- Point scoring should always be kept in ing to Exhibiting and Judging ... Mu- mind with Distinctiveness and Untant Camellia blooms. Definitions: Mutant: . A bloom possessing a distinct break in color or form from normally accepted

parent bloom

of three years.

recognized as a mutation.

is acceptable. Questions are to be camellia world is most familiar. deferred to the Head Judge.

Who can enter a ... Mutant bloom in an ACS Cooperative Show?

1. The originator

2. An authorized exhibitor

When can a ... Mutant bloom no longer be entered as a Mutant bloom?

\* After a ...mutant bloom has been registered with ACS

three times.

Not more than 5 years after it is first exhibited in a ... Mutant category.

"Book One, Chapter II, Section 4, Chapter II, Section 2 (b) Name of par-Page 9 - Seedlings and Mutants: ... ent plant MUST be stated on ...entry

> usual Qualities carrying a heavy weight of half of the points.

The New World dictionary of the American Language defines mutant: \* It must hold true for a minimum "having to do with or undergoing mutation-an animal or plant with inher-\* Variegation by a virus is NOT itable characteristics that differ from those of parents; sport." That last Variegation caused by genetics word, sport, is the one with which the

A few of the most famous sport "families" are "Betty Sheffield", "Elegans", "Aspasia Macarthur," "Tomorrow" and "Herme." A straw-"Tomorrow" sported berry red "Tomorrow Crown Jewel." white brushed red in throat with occasional streaks of red on one or more petals; "Tomorrow, Leanne's", coral rose and "Tomorrow Marbury's Light Pink." The "Tomorrow Variegated" sported \* If the bloom has won an ACS "Tomorrow Park Hill" which sported ... Outstanding Mutant Certificate "Tomorrow Park Hill Blush." In all, more than eighteen cultivars of

"Tomorrow" and its sports and their "knotty" flower with a different color sports are listed in the Nomenclature.

written by Dr. Bill Bennett appear in scions which turned out to be one of two recent issues of the Gulf Coast the most beautiful camellia cultivars in Camellian. giinks@cableone.net for information now sporting many of the colors its about how to get these informative parent sported. Don't get over-eager Journals). should be read by those of you inter- bloom just to win an award because ested in the mutation phenomenon, the bud beside that bloom may have "A Family Tree," Bennett, The Gulf the only genes to produce the sport. coast Camellian, Vol. 33, No. 1, Winter 2007 and "Jumping Genes," Ben- In Dr. Bennett's article, "Jumping nett. The Gulf coast Camellian, vol. Genes" he mentions that a camellia 33. No. 2, Spring 2007.

cause you to read the show informa- texture that should be "isolated and tion about mutants at the beginning of developed." The paragraph below this article. emphasizes what I think is most im- Don't give other growers false hopes portant about the new mutant rules. for a new and different cultivar until

tinct break in color or a form that dif- growing to assure the cultivar's future fers from the normally accepted parent before it is registered with ACS. bloom. The new form and/or color Many plants listed in Nomenclature must hold true in a propagated (rooted, are not now in existence because the lavered, or grafted plant) for at least person who registered the plant either three years. In other words, the bloom lost or never distributed to others the entered in a show should not be picked only one or few plants they had. It is from the parent plant. Should you second hand, but I have heard from a recognize a decidedly different bloom reliable source that one lost one is on your plant, please twist it off care- listed under the name, "True Love." fully as not to damage the growth bud which will form a branch, the scions Not only might a good observer find of which would be used for propagat- color, shape and size mutation, they ing to observe whether or not the sus- might also find exotic leaf mutations. pected "sport" holds true and passes Nuccio's Nurseries catalog offers on its own genes rather than those of around 20 "Foliages" cultivars. its parent. Just imagine the beautiful new cultivar that would have been lost had Jim Smelley chopped off that little

that was blooming on one of his "Betty Sheffield" plants. He thought Very interesting and technical articles it worth observation and later grafted (Contact Geri Jinks, existence, "Elaine's Betty" which is Dr. Bennett's articles and pick a special, different beautiful

grower who "is alert to sudden changes in plant growth patterns ... The purpose of this article was to would notice changes in petal and leaf

vou are certain it will hold true when Mutant: A bloom possessing a dis- propagated. Also have enough plants

## Join NOW!

#### (Membership is a great gift for friends and family!!!)

## The Atlantic Coast Camellia Society

We are a society that wants more members to help us promote the science of Camellia culture by exchanging knowledge and ideas with Camellia specialists, provide information about shows and social events and join us at our annual meeting in September or October each year. Annual dues are \$12.50 per year for singles or couples. A membership entitles you to a journal published in January, May, and September. To join, send your check and personal information for receiving communications and journals to:

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### The Empowered Camellia Lady Richard Mims

The trip from Tallahassee wasn't just your ordinary trip. This was a trip alone for our empowered Camellia Lady. Not even once had she ventured to a far away camellia show without her husband. The Georgia National Fair beckoned and those magnificent blooms had been carefully conditioned and packed for travel.

Gavle fastened her seatbelt, closed her car door and threw a kiss back to the door even though her husband had already left on a proiect. She backed out of that drive at 8030 Bernard and pointed that front bumper toward Georgia. She immediately turned on the radio to a "iive" station. While keeping time with her shoulders and "seat dancing" she thought to herself, "wow! This is not just your ordinary flower show, I'm gonna challenge every one of those wanna be winners. (She made the music louder.). She thought to herself, now Steve wouldn't let me listen to this music He'd always want to listen to some loud mouth spouting out details about a ball game or a political race. She changed stations and slowly swaved to a Strauss waltz

The sign announced, Rest Stop 2 miles. The Lawrence sedan usually stopped automatically at every rest stop ...but this time Gayle fought the steering wheel and said, "NO, Steve's not with me and he's the one who needs to stop. Not me. As the car cleared the rest stop entrance, Gayle giggled and shouted to the highway and the trees-- "Take that Steve! I'm going to zip past every rest stop on the way to Perry."

After a couple hours Gayle felt a little hunger pang. She saw Hardee's ahead and almost turned in. Then she remembered, I don't like hamburgers—Steve likes hamburgers and hates chicken. I'm going to get Kentucky Fried Chicken she stated with her defiant head in the air and a twitch of her mouth. She really enjoyed knawing on that chicken leg—"take that Steve. I didn't have to eat a bite out of your old hamburger."

Gayle arrived at her motel. This wasn't just your ordinary motel room. This room had two queen sized beds. Gayle hopped on one and then on the other. Ha! Ha! I'm gonna watch television on (what would be) Steve's bed and sleep cozily in my bed.

She remembered "I must get ready for the low-country boil at Wilbur and Mary Rumph's house." This isn't just your ordinary low country boil. This is the best. Those shrimp were swimming in the ocean yesterday. Gayle dressed, put on her coat, opened the motel door to face the first cool night of the season.

Gayle arrived in Marshallville. The lanterns lit the drive of the Rumph's magnificent historical home with its large columns. This was the home they would have chosen for Gone with the Wind had the producers seen it before Tara. She saw all of the crowd and fun going on in the back yard. She revved her car, tooted her horn to announce her arrival, slapped on the brakes, hopped out of the car and joined in the fun.

From the looks of things, this just wasn't your ordinary back yard. It was evident some people had put in a lots of work decorating all the tables in a Halloween motif with lit votives in Halloween bags illuminating scary faces.

As Gayle walked into the back yard, there sat Show Guru, Warren Thompson. Warren handed Gayle her Judge's Badge so she would remember who she was should she choose to go to the beverage room behind the sparkling clear swimming pool. She didn't.

At the end of the tables on the left was Master Chef Bill Hardwick busily adding the perfect seasoning in that huge pot holding those shrimp who were swimming yesterday.

These were not just your ordinary shrimp. These were your extra large, plump, wealthy shrimp. Nothing but wealthy shrimp can live around St. Simon Island.

Anyway, Grady Stokes drove down to St. Simon on Thursday and completely destroyed those shrimp's vacations. Those shrimp were boiling in that seasoned water along with that mouth watering corn and tender sausage; and were removed by Bill at their optimum best about the shade of a "Pink Perfection."

Gayle filled her plate and sat down to eat. Under her breath she muttered, "I wish Steve were here to peel these shrimp. Husband's can be useful sometimes." She didn't learn until after she had eaten that it's easy to twist off the shrimp tail and slip the shell right off.

After, not just your ordinary show chairman, but Show Guru, Warren Thompson (Mr. Camellia himself) give instructions for entering the fair, parking, and entering blooms, Gayle took off for her motel. Thoughts entered her mind two queen sized beds and no Steve. What to do! What to do!

Gayle arrived, and while walking toward her room passed an ice machine. She opened her door, grasped the ice bucket and filled it to the brim. She reentered the room and carefully fastened the safety latches. She knew exactly what she wanted to do. She carefully donned not just your ordinary silky sheer, pale lavender negligee with not just your ordinary paler lavender but almost mauve voile scarf—just translucent enough to show the top of that deeper lavender negligee

Gayle just didn't want the night to end early so she carefully unwrapped a cup, put in three cubes of ice (Steve just gave her two), and fixed her a drink, savoring every sip. This sparkling, clear water just tasted soooo good.

Gayle carefully cuddled the television remote. This was just your ordinary television remote but it could just have well have been an airliner instrument panel. Gayle had to hold it a while and study-up on how to use it. You see, Steve never lets her use the remote at home. Steve keeps that remote locked in his hands and Gayle couldn't pry it away long enough to learn how to use it.

Gayle got on the bed that Steve would have used if he had come. raised herself on her knees in the middle of the bed in that Scarlett O'Hara pose, slowly cocked her head toward the television, pinched the corner of that pale lavender, almost mauve voile scarf between her thumb and wedding ring fingers, slowly removing it, throwing it high, wafting in the air and landing on her own queen sized bed. Gayle pushed that "on" remote button-the TV was airing a ball game-she pushed the up button and flipped to a movie-she flipped to Fox channel, (Steve's favorite) so she quickly flipped to Disney (take that Steve). Anyway at about midnight she got tired of flipping channels, moved over to her own queen sized bed and slept soundly 'til time to go to the Georgia National Fair and enter her magnificent camellia blooms.

Gayle arrived at the show, groomed her flowers, and gave them to the placement committee. Mr. Camellia of Georgia, Warren Thompson directed the Judges over to John Newsome who masterfully served as chairman of Judges. John Gamble and Clayton Mathis rechecked nomenclature for size of entry and placed the blooms in contention.

The Judges were ready (get list from Warren) They chose the winners from over 400 blooms at this first show of the season.

At the time Gayle was having that awesome remote control flipping experience, her thoughts were that nothing she would do at this show would be funner. She was wrong! She had brought a bloom that was not just your ordinary "Tango" bloom. It was the Best Reticulata bloom in the show. She then worried a little because she knew Richard would point out the fact that the winning flower was entered by Gayle Lawrence-not the ordinary way. Steve and Gavle Lawrence. She figured that the check would be made out to her alone She could get it from the mail before Steve came home and go out and buy a new dress.

Gayle left the Georgia National Fair Show for Tallahassee, Florida with a big smile. Her thoughts on the trip back was to readjust her lifestyle with her life with Steve. Maybe she will consider stopping at one rest stop, get a small hamburger instead of chicken—but wondered whether or not Steve would let her flip channels on her birthday or maybe Christmas. And, oh yes! She plans to put her and Steve's names on flower entry cards at the next show.

Thanks! Georgia National Fair, Warren Thompson, and our social hosts, Wilbur and Mary Rumph for a great week end. ...and Gayle just told me about flipping TV channels ...and I had to figure out how to use this profound information. Steve is a great guy. I don't think he will hurt me.

## Georgia National Fair Show Report for October 13, 2007

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ional Fair bloom	Howard & Mary Rhodes
Louren Tudor	Chen H. Lee
Edna Bass var	Buck & Tyler Mizell
Nuccio's Bella Rosa	Chen H. Lee
Midnight Magic var	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Takanini var	Eileen Hart
Edna Bass	Buck & Tyler Mizell
Lady Kay	Buck & Tyler Mizell
	Clayton Mathis
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Frank Houser var	Howard & Mary Rhodes
Tango var	Gayle Lawrence
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	Chen H. Lee
Julia	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Punkin	Chuck & Bev Ritter
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Cile Mitchell	Buck & Tyler Mizell
Ruth Smith	Clayton Mathis
Punkin	Clayton Mathis
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Little Red Riding Hood var	r Chuck & Bev Ritter
Helen B	Clayton Mathis
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	Warren Thompson
	Chuck & Bev Ritter
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	Tommy Alden
Dorothy Chester	Chuck & Bev Ritter
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	Chuck & Bev Ritter
	ional Fair bloom Louren Tudor Edna Bass var Nuccio's Bella Rosa Midnight Magic var Takanini var Edna Bass Lady Kay Kiku Toji tdoor Ray Gentry Trophy Black Lace Peony tected Frank Houser var Tango var oor Mona Jury Julia Punkin cted Cile Mitchell Ruth Smith Punkin Little Red Riding Hood van Helen B ume variety) Arajishi Takanini fferent varieties) Omega Sup. Leslie Ann

## Mid-Carolina Camellia Society Show Report for October 19, 2007 South Carolina State Fair

#### C. Japonica, Open

L/VL	Marie Bracey	Miles & Brenda Beach
Runner-up	Edna Bass Var.	Gearry & Bonnie Serpas
М	Grand Marshall	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Runner-up	Tom Knudson	Ed & Lou Powers
S	Ave Maria	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Runner-up	Irene	Johnnie & Susan Walker
Min	Little Red Riding Hood	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Runner-up	Fircone Var.	Johnnie & Susan Walker

#### C. Japonica, Protected

L/VL	Mary Fischer	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell
Runner-up	Edna Bass Var.	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell
М	Harriet Bisbee	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell
Runner-up	Debutante	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell
S	Little Babe Var.	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell
Runner-up	Pink Perfection	Oliver & Tyler Mizzell

C. Reticulata Best Runner-up

Ruta Hagmann Pleasant Memories

C. Hybrid Best Runner-up

Phil Piet Debbie

C. Species Best Runner-up

Egao (Vernalis) Hana-Jiman (Sasanqua)

Best White Bloom Melissa Anne

Best Seedling H-S-971 Orig. H.Smith

Best Novice Bloom Daikagura

Sweepstakes Gold Silver Chuck & Bev Ritter Chuck & Bev Ritter

Oliver & Tyler Mizzell

Oliver & Tyler Mizzell

Chuck & Bev Ritter Joe & Hannah Smith

Richard & Katherine Mims

Chuck & Bev Ritter

Jennifer Sparks Jones

Chuck & Bev Ritter Oliver & Tyler Mizzell

## Grand Strand Camellia Society Show Report for November 3-4, 2007

Most Outstanding	g Bloom in Show	
In Open	Helen Bower var	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Protected	Majic City	Buck & Tyler Mizell
In Open		
L-VL	Betty Shefield Pink	Johnnie Walker
M	Rachel Tarpy	Bill & Molly Howell
S	Little Susie	Tony & Christine Smith
Min	Fircone	Ed & Lou Powers
Protected		
L-VL	Helen Bower var	Buck & Tyler Mizell
М	Doris Ellis	Buck & Tyler Mizell
S	Kiku Toji	Buck & Tyler Mizell
Min		
C. reticulata	Pleasant Memories	Richard & Katherine Mims
C. hybrid	Cile Mitchell	Buck & Tyler Mizell
C. sasanqua	Star Above Star	Johnnie Walker
Best White		
In Open	Melissa Ann	Ed & Lou Powers
Protected	Rinlandia	Buck & Tyler Mizell
Best Bloom by N	ovice	
	Mathoniana	Sophie Chmil
Pre-1900 Bloom	Donkalarie	Mary Whitaker
Sweepstakes Gol	d	
In open		Chuck & Bev Ritter
Protected		Buck & Tyler Mizell
Pre-1900 Bloom Sweepstakes Gol In open	Mathoniana Donkalarie	Mary Whitaker Chuck & Bev Ritter

## Massee Lane Gardens Show Report for November 10, 2007

Most Outstanding Bloom in Show In Open Donation var Geary & Bonnie Serpas Protected Edna Bass var Tommy & Brenda Alden In Open Lauren Tudor Chuck & Bey Ritter L-VL Chuck & Bev Ritter M Elaine's Betty Something Beautiful S Chuck & Bey Ritter Fircone var Chuck & Bey Ritter Min Protected L-VL Bobby Fain Steve & Gayle Lawrence Steve & Gayle Lawrence M Grand Marshall var Buck & Tyler Mizell S Pink Perfection Min Man Size Tommy & Brenda Alden C. reticulata-Outdoor VL Ruta Hagman Chuck & Bev Ritter Valentine Day Cheng Lee L Betty Ridley Esther Lawrence M C. reticulata-Protected VL. Ruta Hagman Buck & Tyler Mizell Buck & Tyler Mizell M Betty Ridley Non-Retic-Outdoor Phil Piet Chuck & Bey Ritter L David & Anna Sheets M Debbie S Punkin Cheng Lee Non-Retic-Protected L Wilber Foss Tommy & Brenda Alden M Joe Nuccio Buck & Tyler Mizell Steve & Gayle Lawrence S Buttons 'n Bows Collection of 3 Chuck & Bey Ritter Outdoor Kiku Toji Miss Bessie Beville Tommy & Brenda Alden Protected Tommy & Brenda Alden Japonica Seedling/Mutant Tommy & Brenda Alden Leslie Ann C. sasangua Best White Leila Gibson Cheng Lee In Open Protected Mary Alice Cox Steve & Gayle Lawrence Buck & Tyler Mizell Best Ville de Nantes Sweepstakes Chuck & Bev Ritter Gold Cheng Lee Silver

## Valdosta Camellia Society Show Report for December 8, 2007

Most Outstanding	Bloom in Show	
In Open or Prot.	Melissa Anne	Howard & Mary Rhodes
Best Local Flower	Yeamans Hall	Sherrida Crawford
In Open-Local		
Red	Don Mac	Adrene Wheeler
White	Morning Glow	Ed Brown
Pink	Prince Eugene Napolea	Jack Fisher
Variegated	Kiku Toji	J.D. Thomerson
Rubra	Mathotiana Rubra	Ed Brown
Japonica-Protecte	:d	
L-VL	Tomorrow var	Tomorrow var
M	Elaine's Betty	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
S	Something Beautiful	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
White	Melissa Anne	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
Japonica-Outdoo	r	
L-VL	Lauren Tudor	Cheng Lee
М	Betty Sheffield Supreme	Cheng Lee
S	Tudor Baby var	Louis & Joanne Raska
White	Nuccio's Gem	Howard & Mary Rhodes
C. reticulate hybrid	1	
Protected L-VL	Tango var	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
Outdoor L-VL	Dr. Clifford Parks	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Best Hybrid other t	han Reticulata-Protected	
L	My Diane	Howard and Mary Rhodes
M	Debbie	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
S	Buttons 'n Bows	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
Best Hybrid other t	han Reticulata—Outdoor	
L	Phil Piet Pink	Chuck & Bev Ritter
M	Debbie	Cheng Lee
S	Punkin	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Best Miniature	Helen B	Louis & Joanne Raska
Collection of 3		
Outdoor	Fragrant Joy	Joseph & Joanne Raska
Protected	Edna Bass	Steve & Gayle Lawrence
Seedling	HS 971	Chuck & Bev Ritter
Mutant	Lauren Tudor	Cheng Lee
C. sasanqua	Midnight Ruby	Ron & Elizabeth Wolfe
Best Fragrant Varie	ety Fragrant Joy	Joseph & Joanne Raska
Sweepstakes	en en la secola de l	
Gold		Chuck & Bev Ritter
Silver		Cheng Lee

Scenes from the September 2007 ACCS Convention at Litchfield, SC Warren and Cheryl Thompson

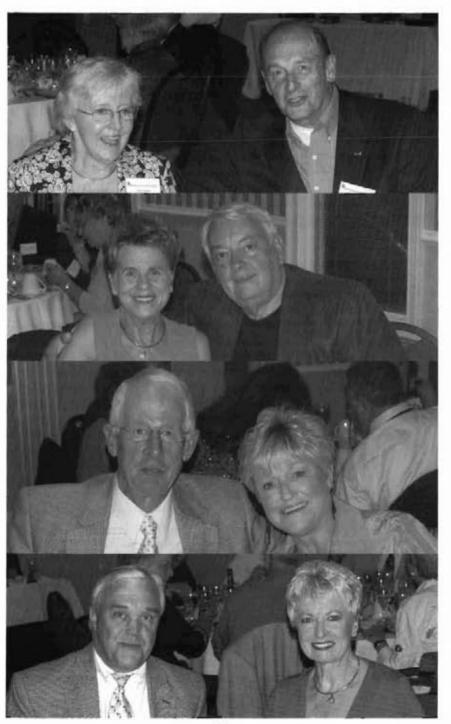
















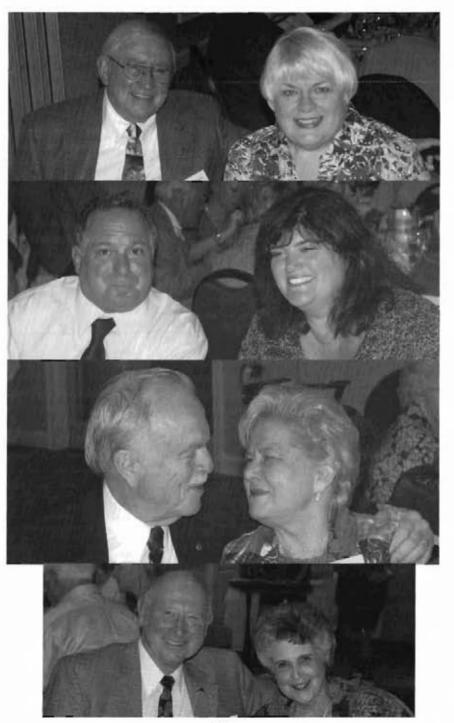




















## **Show Dates**

January 5, Gainesville, FL Gainsville Camellia society Oaks Mall Jerry Hogsette, 352 332-4671

January 12, Cottageville, SC Town of Cottageville, SC Coastal Carolina Camellia Society Cottageville Elementary School Gearry Serpas, 803 854-3171

January 12, Tallahassee, FL. Tallahassee Camellia Club Doyl Conner Administration Bujilding 3125 Conner Blvd. David Skelton, 850 878-9625

January 19, Aiken, SC Aiken Camellia Society\Aiken Mall, Whiskey Road Jim Dickson, 803 279-9451

January 26, Charleston, SC Coastal Carolina Camellia Society Citadel Mall Gearry Serpas 803 854-3171

February 2, Savannah, GA Savannah Camellia Club, Oglethorpe Mall Candi Lee, 912 925-1058 February 9, Columbia, SC Mid-Carolina Camellia Society Mid Town Mall—Forest Drive Richard Mims 804 438-9741

February 16,,Wilmington, NC Tidewater Camellia Club Walter L. Parsley Elementary School 3518 Masonboro Loop Road Ed Powers, 910 799-4410

February 16, Atlanta, GA Atlanta Camellia Club Atlanta Botanical Garden John Newsome, 404 355-4478

February 23, Macon, GA Middle Georgia Camellia Society Colonial Macon Mall Warren Thompson, 478 825-2559

March 8, Charlotte, NC Charlotte Camellia society BLACKLION/Colchester Place Carolina DeJesey, 704 366-2645

Virginia Camellia society Rose Garden Hall Norfolk Botanical Garden Sally Simon, 757 625-0374

Note: The ACCS Journal will publish show dates sent to the editor in time for the issue preceding the show. The Show dates for October, November, and December, 2008 must be received before August 10, 2008. Those for January-March, 2009 must be received before December 10, 2008

### Recipe Corner Mary Kay Hall

This extremely simple recipe is a new one in my repertoire and so it is not one that is a tradition. However, I thought some of you may be interested...given our society's leaning toward being healthier.

This is a recipe I got from a teacher at my school who attends Weight Watcher's religiously. When I was first told it was a "good for you" recipe, I didn't want to try it. However, I've been won over by the wonderful taste and it is a definite favorite when we have our monthly Birthday Celebration at school. It is even a favorite with my Sunday School class and is so simple that even some of our single guys are dishing it up regularly!

Peach Cobbler

1 box yellow cake mix 1 bag frozen peaches

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I can of diet Sprite

Pour the bag of fruit in the bottom of a glass  $8 \times 8$  dish Evenly distribute the box of yellow cake mix over the fruit. Pour the diet Sprite over the yellow cake mix (it will foam a bit so do this very carefully!)

Set the oven heat according to the directions on the cake mix box and bake for the stated amount of time or until lightly browned on top (which may be sooner or later...so keep an eye on it!).

You may tweak this recipe almost any way you want...you may want to use other types of frozen or even fresh fruit (mixed berries is wonderful!). I like to sometimes make this with the sponge cake mix and strawberries for a great strawberry shortcake!

Another similar style of this recipe is using a Brownie Mix and using flavored sodas instead of the water or milk in the mix—like a cherry soda to give it a "chocolate covered cherries" taste or an orange soda for the a favorite chocolate-orange flavor!

#### ENJOY!!!

