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District Director's Report



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Sitting here in the heat of the summer and

thinking about how the rose garden will produce those glorious large fall blooms the cooler weather brings always makes me happy. They say hope springs eternal and I guess you can say that for me. Right now our garden has been decimated by chilli thrips, and the brown scale has come back with a vengeance. We live in an agricultural area known for strawberries, bell peppers, tomatoes, and melon crops. In June when most of the crops have been harvested the chilli thrips go looking for a home and they find our 350 rose bushes a delight. Although we try to fight them off with Conserve, we always seem to have to resort to Orthene. For those of you who are lucky enough to live a little farther north than Gainesville, Florida, the chilli thrips eat the buds and all the foliage off the new growth, killing the canes and eventually the bushes unless they are controlled. They flew in from the Caribbean in the 2004 hurricane season and have decided they like south and central Florida as their new home.

I am saddened by the loss of a good friend and another great Deep South District rose leader. Our ARS Regional Director, *Ed Griffith*, passed away on June 19. He fell and broke his femur at his home in April and spent the next 60 days in and out of the hospital, never getting well enough to return home. Ed was an ambassador for the rose, traveling frequently during his life to rose-growing countries to celebrate the rose. For fifty years, he attended almost every national convention except for the San Diego Convention this past May after he suffered his fall. He was the recipient of the ARS Gold Medal, the DSD Silver Honor Medal, the World Federation Silver Honor Medal, and numerous other awards and recognitions for his service. Ed was a recognized leader in his local Mobile Rose Society, Former DSD District Director, and Regional Director. An accredited ARS Life Judge, Master Consulting Rosarian, and Royal National Rose Society Judge, he enjoyed exhibiting roses and judging rose shows and international test gardens.

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Ed had a brilliant mind and a great memory for all things rose related. I often consulted with Ed before embarking on a new idea for our District. His knowledge of the American Rose Society was unequaled. I miss him and I am sure that many of you share my grief. My condolences to his brother, Lee, and sister-in-law, Cathy, who were always there for him.

As I am writing this article, I just learned about the passing of another great rose friend, **Jean Baker** of Lakeland, Florida, who passed away on July 30. Jean was a most gracious lady, always ready to assist at rose shows and give programs at local and district meetings. She taught many new exhibitors how to put in their rose entries. Please remember her husband, Harold, in your prayers.

On a brighter note, we have an up and running and fully functional website thanks to our Assistant District Director, **Phil Paul**. If you have not visited our website recently, please take the time to see what's happening. Phil and his son, Peter, have given us new life and a new look. I am grateful to Phil for undertaking this most difficult task. We could never have completed the job without his and Peter's technical knowledge and dedication.

I encourage you to attend the **DSD Convention and Rose Show** hosted by the Gainesville, Florida, Rose Society, October 31-November 2. Our Convention chair, **Jean Steam**, has worked very hard to make sure we will have a full and fun weekend. Please bring your roses to exhibit, even if you have not exhibited before. We know it is a little late in the season for many of our members, but we want to make sure that we have as many blooms as possible. It may be a good time for you to try out some of your dry wrapping skills.

Remember to mark your calendars for the combined **Carolina District and the Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting** on January 9-11, 2015. We have secured the Savannah Desoto Hilton in the heart of the historic district for our convention site. You must make your reservations before December 10 to get the great room rate we have secured for the event. You can call for reservations now at 1-877-280-0751. They have given us a Group Code of "ARS". Our rate for the event is \$115 a night, and you can extend your visit before or after the meeting at his rate. Registration forms will soon be up on our website and linked to the hotel for reservations. We need volunteers for many jobs. This is a District hosted event so everyone is welcome to participate.

It is that time of year again when you nominate and elect your local rose society officers. Your local society pays annual dues to be a member of the District. Make sure that your new officers know about the dues of \$25 if the society has fewer than 100 members and \$50 if it has more than 100 members. The dues are levied each October and must be paid to our District Treasurer, Ed Easom, by the following June 30. As a member of a local rose society that pays its District dues you are automatically a member of the District. Please participate in your district activities and in the American Rose Society. You will be rewarded with new rose friends and what can be better than that!



Remembering Ed Griffith

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Edmund W. Griffith, Jr., 77, of Mobile, AL., passed away on June 19, 2014, at Mobile Infirmary, from complications following surgery. Born in Freeport, Long Island, he graduated from St. Lawrence University and the University of Alabama.

Retired from the insurance industry, Ed's long-term avocation was the advancement of The American Rose Society, rose culture, breeding, collecting, lecturing, writing, and researching.

Ed was a member of the American Rose Society since 1970. He was a successful grower of over 600 rose bushes of all types, and, as an exhibitor, won over 1,000 local, district, and national trophies.

He became a Consulting Rosarian in 1974 and a Master Rosarian in 2005. He was an ARS accredited Horticulture Judge and Arrangements Judge. He was also a Royal National Rose Society accredited Horticulture Judge. He served as ARS Chair of Horticulture Judges in 1985-1988 and 2000-2003, and served on the World Federation of Rose Societies Judging Committee from 2000 to 2006. He served as DSD Chair of Arrangements Judges from 2006 to 2009. He was guest editor of the American Rose Annual in 2001, and served on countless committees. He was a very busy man!

He served as president of the Mobile Rose Society and as editor of the *Rosy Register*, the MRS newsletter, for 30 years. He established Mobile's first Public Rose Garden in 1971, the Public Rose Garden at the Battleship Memorial Park in 1973, and was a Special Rose Consultant for Bellingrath Gardens. He received the All-America Rose Selections Outstanding Evaluator



Ed Griffith and Dr. Tommy Cairns, San Ramon, CA in 2012



Jeff Wyckoff presented the American Rose Society Gold Honor Medal to Ed at the 2010 convention in Atlanta, GA
Photo by Cindy Dale



Ed with rose friends from near and far, at the 2009 WFRS Convention in Vancouver, BC. [L-R] Rob Russell, David Ruston (past WFRS president), Jolene Adams, Ed Griffith, Pam Russell, Walt & Linda Reed, Bobbie Reed

Award. He was also awarded the M. O. Beale Scroll of Merit by the Mobile Press-Register. He chaired the ARS National Conventions in Mobile, AL, in 1982 and 1994.

Ed's service was recognized many times. He received the American Rose Society Bronze Honor Medal, the Silver Honor Medal in 1983, and the ARS Gold Medal in 2010. He received the Deep South District Outstanding Judge award in 1988, and the Outstanding Consulting Rosarian in 1994. He also received the World Federation of Rose Societies' Silver Medal in 2006.

Ed was a great guy, devoted to roses and to making the rose world fun for everyone. We will miss him!

Remembering Edmund Griffith, Jr. – Rosarian and Humanitarian Extraordinaire

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Everyone who regularly attended the National or Deep South District Rose Shows and Conventions came to know Ed Griffith – he made sure of it. A true man of the people, Ed was everywhere at once, it seemed.

He held court from the highest levels of convention daises and award ceremonies to the coffee shops, hospitality suites, and hallways. He was never seen sitting alone. His booming voice, easily distinguished from across the room, could be heard greeting one and all. You couldn't miss him, a sharp-dressed man of stature, a real standout amongst the crowd in his favorite bold striped suit.

Ed, of course, loved the beauty of nature and the perfection of the rose, but most of all he loved people. Eager to share his encyclopedic rose knowledge, he traveled worldwide to rose events as a senior judge. After I became a new judge, in envy of his travels, I asked him about the personal expense of judging international competitions. He said, "Well, I have some discretionary income and this is how I'd most like to spend it, meeting other rosarians of the world."

In his later years, camaraderie with fellow rosarians seemed to become his *raison d'être*. This was most unabashedly seen when he delivered his heartfelt address as outgoing Regional Director of ARS. A gentle giant of a man, his deep, gravelly voice, began as expected, reviewing events and memories and offering thanks to various officers and committees --- but soon he turned personal, describing how much he was going to miss the close associations with people he'd grown to know as another family.

Showing no embarrassment, through heaving sobs and tears, he continued from the podium to repeat what the years with rose friends and occasions had meant to him. This emotional tribute to others, in retrospect, now seems to have served as a fitting memorial from us to him for his years of devoted service and friendly associations within the DSD and ARS. True reciprocity, back at you, to our big man with an even bigger heart. Listen for it, and you just might hear again that unique throaty voice now --- laughing, encouraging, urging us on...

We are all going to miss you, big guy....



Remembering Jean Baker

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One of the best and most accomplished exhibitors of miniature roses has gone on to be with the Lord. Wilma Jean Baker, 84, passed away from Parkinson's disease on July 30, 2014. She was married to Harold Gene Baker, and they celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on July 4, 2014.

For rosarians who are serious about growing and exhibiting roses, it takes extraordinary people who know roses to lift them to the next level. Jean lifted many rosarians to the next level during her lifetime. While in Illinois in 1976 Jean became a member of the American Rose Society. But before that she was the president of the garden club and, after completing rigorous courses, an American Council of Garden Clubs accredited flower show judge. There she judged all kinds of flowers. The ARS did not have arrangement judges at that time, so accredited flower show judges were called in to judge the arrangements. Modern ARS judges may find this hard to believe, but at that time the lady judges had to wear hats, white gloves, high heels, and a girdle. The Bakers' first blue ribbon was won with one of Jean's arrangements. When ARS started to have their own arrangements judges, Jean wrote one of the chapters for that first ARS arrangement manual.

She and Harold moved to Florida in 1989. She received the Bronze Medal from the Central Florida Rose Society in 2000 and the DSD Silver Medal in 2001. They won the queen and best rose in the show at the 1985 World Federation of Rose Societies International Show in Toronto, Canada, with the rose "Esmeralda" (*'Keepsake'*), which was proclaimed "the most beautiful rose in the world". On the national level Jean and Harold have won the Queen for hybrid teas, miniatures, and minifloras in addition to 18 national challenge classes, fourth among active exhibitors at that time. They have won ten different national challenge classes, including the J. Horace McFarland Memorial Award, the Herb Swim Memorial Trophy, and the Earl of Warwick Urn. At one time they were one of only two exhibiting teams that had won every national miniature challenge class. They won their last two national challenge classes in the spring of 2007 and retired immediately afterward, going out while still on top.

Jean was an important inspiration to our area exhibitors, for then we knew it could be done. The breadth of knowledge that she freely shared with her fellow rosarians was extensive. Sometimes she would ask another successful exhibitor how they did something, and they would reply that they would tell her if she promised not to tell anyone else. She would tell them that if it was a secret, don't tell me because I will share everything that I know with others. The closest national rose shows are usually two days drive from here and are held at times of the year when our roses are far from their best because of the heat. Faced with these handicaps it was extremely rare for anyone from this area to have any success at national rose shows. The first thing that the Bakers did was to plead with everyone to quit branding every exhibitor a loser if they were not the



one to win queen. Then they encouraged people to place more emphasis on challenge classes, which had been given little prestige locally. They pointed out to the societies that if they were to stage challenge classes properly they needed to do away with the coke bottles and test tubes that they were using and get vases and pinch bottles. I believe every Florida society has now made this change. At that time almost everyone was allowing only clear plastic wrap for wedging material. Jean and Harold also advocated the use of green styrofoam wedges, and that practice is now widespread. They have been published in local and District bulletins, the *Rose Exhibitors Forum*, and the *American Rose Annual*, and have received numerous Award of Merit Certificates.

Jean, along with Harold, has given programs specifically on exhibiting to just about every rose society in Florida. Jean was an expert on dry wrapping roses and shared this knowledge freely. There are many people living up North who have been thrilled to receive fresh roses from Florida at Thanksgiving and Christmas from rosarians who received her dry wrap advice. At rose shows, Jean spent most of her time in the prep area helping and encouraging novice and other exhibitors. But above all, she was the kind of exhibitor exemplified by the ARS National Blake Hedrick Award which she received in 2006 – the mentor – the successful exhibitor who shares her knowledge with newcomers and up-and-comers. Jean influenced some of the best exhibitors in the country. New as well as experienced rosarians' careers have been blessed by her assistance over their thirty-year span of growing and showing roses. She was the epitome of integrity. She was humble in victory and gracious in defeat. The white Hybrid Tea rose, 'Jean Baker' (introduced 1998 by Eddie Edwards) was named in her honor. For me, and many others, she became a legend in her own time and will be sorely missed by many. By the way, the picture of Jean with that incredible arrangement is with 100 of her 'Fairhope' miniature roses, each at the most perfect stage of beauty.



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Vice District Director's Report



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My major activities continue to be to support of the DSD website. New information being added includes:

CR Section: The new CR Report Form for 2014 (Now excludes the requirement for an RIR report)

Editors' Corner: Bobbie Reed has just updated the current DSD Editors as of this July and it is posted on the website.

Local Societies: Please look over your society's listing and make sure it is up to date. If changes need to be made please send them directly to me, as we are having trouble with the update form.

One addition has been made and that is the website for Jacksonville has been added.

We are cleaning up the display format on the Local Societies page. The data is correct to my knowledge.

Horticulture Judges: The Lawlers have changed their e-mail address and it is now posted on the Hort Judge's page.

Fall Convention: The Arrangements Schedule has just been approved and will be posted in the next couple of days.

While we are repairing the update pages for Officers, Local Societies, and Judges, please send any changes to me at the above e-mail address. That will speed up the corrections and updates process for the time being.

Thanks to Wayne Myers for his input on several key areas needing repair on the site.

MID-WINTER Presentation Information:

We are starting to pull together the many aspects of our combined Mid-Winter Meeting in Savannah, and Karen has asked me to handle the coordination of the Audio/Visual activity once again. I will have a laptop, screen, and projector there for the speakers' use. Normally I like to put the slide show on my machine so it is effortless to quickly change between speakers. If you are a speaker and are using PowerPoint, we will have software to support you. Just send me a flash card with the talk on it before the event. If you need some other form of presentation software we will need get together well before the event to figure out how to support that requirement. We will also have backup equipment so that we are prepared to keep the event running smoothly. Contact me if you have any questions at the phone or e-mail listed above.



Horticulture Judges Review



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It is the doldrums of summer here in Central Florida. It has been unbearably hot but we have experienced adequate rain, so my rose garden looks decent for this time of the year. I have needed to replenish the fertilizer regularly to keep it green as nutrients quickly leach from our sandy soils. I try to get out early in the morning to deadhead and pull weeds before the sun become too hot for me. I just can't handle the heat like I used to do.

The upcoming fall rose show season is coming up quickly. Preparations are progressing nicely for the District show in Gainesville. Jim Harrell and I will be managing the judging as usual. I noticed that in addition to our usual District awards, the Rosedale Bowl Trophy, an American Rose Society Challenge Class, is on the competition schedule. Hopefully, we will attract a number of exhibitors and have a great district show. There are also several local shows scheduled for the fall season but, so far, I have seen only two schedules submitted for approval. One was for the Orlando, Florida, rose show, which is being resurrected this year. I was a prime author of that one so it was easily approved.

I am happy to report that we now have an up-to-date list of judges on the DSD website and we are updating it as new information is received. Addresses change, both e-mail and street, as well as telephone numbers. Please check your name to make sure all information is correct. If there are errors, please inform me so they can be corrected.

Unfortunately our roster of DSD judges continues to get smaller and smaller through both retirements and deaths. We have added only one new judge to our ranks in the past four years (Mark Prue), so we are beginning to face serious issues in staffing judging teams at local rose shows. Judges need to help identify suitable candidates for our next judging school scheduled for 2016.

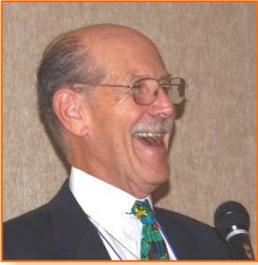
I was saddened to hear of the passing of Ed Griffith from Mobile, Alabama. I have known Ed for many years as both an excellent judge and an active participant in both ARS and District affairs, holding many offices in the process. Ed will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

I am hoping that all our judges have now learned how to bring up the **ARS Modern Roses** database on their smartphones. It is a very quick way to check on the names of roses that are not familiar. I don't see it as replacing the **Handbook for Selecting Roses**. That publication resolves 99% of the issues seen, but the database is necessary for information on the varieties that are not listed because they are very new or out of commerce. It is really easy to use. You only need the ARS password listed in the magazine for access.

I hope all of you have a successful fall rose show season and have excellent competition to evaluate. Have fun!



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We all thought it was too cold this past winter, and now we're struggling to survive another southern summer. The heat takes its toll on both the roses and our patience, but before you know it, we'll start getting those first cool mornings when it's bearable to go out and get to work on our roses for the fall shows.

If you are hosting a fall show and haven't sent in your class schedule for review, please get it to me and I will return it to you as soon as possible.

I hope all of you are making plans to attend the DSD Convention, October 31-November 2, and exhibit in the Rose Show on November 1 in Gainesville. I am trying to line up a panel of judges from outside the district so all of you will have a chance to exhibit. We all need to support the District show. The arrangement schedule should be available on the DSD website by the time you read this article.

Our arrangement seminar and hands-on workshop on Friday, October 31, will be "Creativity and Distinction in Rose Arrangements – the Icing on the Cake". It will be an ARS Accredited Seminar for Arrangement Judges. Sandy Dixon and I have a fun and exciting program planned. Please make plans to attend. Hope to see you there.

See you at the fall shows.



Consulting Rosarian Report



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Every now and then I get the question, "How can I get my roses to look like yours?" My response is always, "What are they growing in?" Up north where we started growing roses (40 years ago), the soil was almost 100% minerals and silt so there was no problem in having healthy roses with huge blooms. Here in the Florida sand, minerals are almost non-existent. If you are to get healthy plants and nice blooms, the sand has to be removed and replaced. I solved this problem by using raised beds, then filling them with a good blend of top soil, perlite, and peat moss. Then when I plant a rose bush, I still add plenty more organics. I was once told, you don't put a \$15 plant in a \$2 hole. It's the other way around. So to those still wondering how successful exhibitors do it, planting methods are the single priority for growing nice plants, no matter what root stock is being used.

Every year I keep harping on getting in your Roses in Review reports. Our Consulting Rosarians are no longer *required* to make this report, but let's face it, you

volunteered to be a teacher and helper when you were appointed. So we still expect all CRs to do their part in this program and encourage other society members to do so as well. Remember, reports are due by September 26th.

By the time you read this edition of the *DSD Bulletin*, the Master Rosarian Registration will be closed for 2014. I sent out 22 reminders to qualifying CRs that they were eligible for this recognition this year. I had only two eligible CRs come forward and ask for the form to request this Master CR status. What a shame that many others did not think they were worthy; what other reason could one have not to be honored for their many years of service?

At our 2014 Fall Convention and Rose Show, the first program Saturday morning will carry a CR Seminar Credit for Chemical Safety. This credit is usually only available at a CR School. Our good friend, *Walter Reed*, will be the presenter. If you are in need of the Chemical Safety credit to remain active as an ARS CR, then here it is for you. Walt's update on this subject will be a good review for all of us.

I want to remind everyone that the 2015 CR School is not far off. Anyone wishing to take the CR exam should be reminded that I need your paperwork four weeks in advance. The school will be held in mid-January 2015. A new rule just set forth by the ARS is that a CR candidate now has to be a minimum of 18 years of age and an ARS member for three full years and have three active CR recommendations. As of this date I have one ready for the 2015 CR exam and I would love to have a few more.

It is hard to believe that after all the reminding and calling I am still getting the required CR Annual reports up into July. This report is due no later than February 1st each year. After that date no ARS credit can be recorded for that year. Any late reports, no matter how outstanding they are, will not be considered for any major CR achievements. So please, keep this requirement a priority. I will have the new Annual Report Form in the Winter *Bulletin* for your convenience and on the DSD website.

It seems like I talk about the same issues in every *Bulletin*, but I believe in keeping everyone informed. There is nothing as embarrassing as someone saying, "I was never told." This is not the case when I am working with you. If you have a question or concern, please call or e-mail me, I'll try to get it done.

Looking forward to the fall weather.



Deep South District Garden Fund



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Memorial donations have been made to the Deep South District's Garden Fund in memory of Oline Reynolds. One is from the Tallahassee RS and one is from *Mary Maude Sharpe*.



Roses in Review

This Roses in Review marks the 89th time that the members of the American Rose Society have evaluated new rose introductions. The ultimate value of this procedure is realized only when we have a broad base of participation. We need your contribution, whether you grow only one plant of one variety on the list or many of them. We need input from "garden" rosarians as well as exhibitors, and from new rosarians as well as seasoned veterans. We also welcome reports from those who are not yet ARS members, so please pass along the website address to your rose-growing friends. The complete results of this survey will be included in the January/February, 2015, issue of *American Rose*, and will help determine the ratings in the *ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses*. For these results to be meaningful, we need everyone to participate. So, please – take a few minutes of your time to evaluate your new roses. Only evaluate roses you grow from the cultivar list.

The easiest way to participate is through the Roses in Review website, www.arsmodernroses.org. If you require a paper reporting format, you will find the report forms in the July-August issue of the *American Rose*. Please mail your reports to our District RIR Chair, Mark Prue, at 1018 Lake Cooper Dr., Lutz, FL 33548. You can contact him at 813-390-6944, lutzprues@verizon.net.

Fungicides à la Mode



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How are we going to decide which fungicides we should buy to use in our gardens? This is a question that arose recently at a program on chemical safety presented by *Walt Reed*. Certainly I consider safety when selecting a fungicide – I'd rather use a chemical that bears a CAUTION statement rather than one that says DANGER.

We have been advised to rotate chemicals so that fungi don't develop resistance to the one we are using. But we know that some fungicides are sold under different names but have the same active ingredient, or they may come in different concentrations, but the same ingredient. Even if we rule out the clones, we may still find that different chemicals have the same "mode of action".

When chemicals with the same "mode of action" are used on the same target week after week, resistance can become a problem. All the target members of the fungus population that are susceptible to that mode of action are wiped out, allowing the ones that aren't susceptible to flourish and grow. Eventually we will have a population of fungi to fight that are immune to the chemical we are using.

"Modes of action" tell us how the chemical acts to kill or disable the fungi. Some may "inhibit sterol biosynthesis in membranes" while others "inhibit mitosis and cell division". Fortunately I don't need a Ph.D. in biology to understand this, since we



can find simple charts that sort them out for us. Some “modes of action” can be further broken down into FRAC groups, and it *may* be possible to rotate among FRAC groups, but there may still be problems of cross-resistance. Looking over those charts I find that some chemicals I thought were different actually fall into the same “mode of action”. For instance, Banner MAXX, Eagle, Funginex (triforine), Immunox, Rubigan, and Systhane are all in the same group. Rotating among them won’t help us to reduce resistance; we’ll need to look for fungicides from different groups. Pentathlon and Cleary’s 3336 are in different groups, and could be applied in rotation with one from the first group. I generally try to go to different “modes of action”, rather than consider FRAC groups, just to keep things simple enough for my brain.

That still leaves a lot of fungicides to choose from. We can look at which fungicides are “systemic” and which are “contact” with multi-site activity, and are therefore less likely to promote resistance.

The next criterion to consider when choosing a fungicide for me is price. Not price per bottle, or even price per ounce. No, I’ve discovered that rates of application may vary from one-quarter teaspoon per gallon of water to two tablespoons per gallon; that’s a factor of 16! So I’d like to know which ones are least expensive per gallon of spray material, before I make my final selections on which ones to use. We could also consider how often the label recommends spraying – that ranges from once a week to once a month, but we tend to spray something every week, so I’m going to ignore this for now. It would be nice to have a simple chart that puts all this together, wouldn’t it?

Life is never quite that simple. Fluid ounces (a unit of volume) are not the same as the ounces used in weighing things (weight is usually also listed in grams on the package if it’s being sold by weight). And fungicide brands change over time, with different chemicals, different concentrations, different rates of usage. Some old favorites are no longer available. You may have an old bottle with one formulation, but in shopping you could be looking at new bottles with a different formulation. A tablespoon is one-half of a fluid ounce, but that doesn’t translate to weight. One dry chemical may be fluffy and light, while another is dense and heavy, making them harder to compare; the only way to sort those out is by actually measuring. And measurement is based on actual measuring spoons, not the teaspoon you use to stir your coffee with. Oh, and prices vary widely, and change over time.

Here is a chart I’ve put together with recent formulations and prices – if you can find them, which isn’t always easy. You must still read and follow the label directions on your own container, since concentrations and usage rates may vary.



<u>Modes of Action **</u>	<u>Trade Name</u>	<u>Caution</u>	<u>Warning</u>	<u>Danger</u>	<u>Systemic</u>	<u>Translaminar</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Active Ingredient</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Liquid Container Size</u>	<u>Price Per Fluid Ounce</u>	<u>Price Per Gallon Mixed</u>	<u>Usage Per Gallon</u>	<u>Uses Per Ounce</u>
1	Banner MAXX		■		■			propiconazole	\$368.00	1 gal (128 oz)	\$2.88	\$0.32	2/3 tsp	9
1	Honor Guard		■		■			propiconazole	\$58.00	1 pint (16 oz)	\$3.63	\$0.40	2/3 tsp	9
1	Quali-Pro Propiconazole		■		■			propiconazole	\$80.00	1 quart (32 oz)	\$2.50	\$0.28	2/3 tsp	9



1	Ortho RosePride Disease Control 6.5%	■ ■ ■	triforine	\$31.10	1 pint (16 oz)	\$1.94	\$0.97	1 tbsp	2
1	Immunox	■	myclobutanil	\$23.00	1 pint (16 oz)	\$1.44	\$1.44	2 Tbsp	1
1	Bayer Advanced Disease Control for Roses, Flowers, Shrubs	■	tebuconazole	\$15.97	1 quart (32 oz)	\$0.50	\$0.37	1.5 tbsp	1.33
2	Cleary's 3336	■	thiophanate-methyl	\$53.00	1 quart (32 oz)	\$1.66	\$0.28	1 tsp	0.17
4	Subdue Maxx	■	phenylamide	\$261.00	1 quart (32 oz)	\$8.16	\$0.49	2tbs/100 gal	16.67
6	Daconil	■	chlorothalonil	\$13.48	1 pint (16 oz)	\$0.84	\$0.26	1.25 fl oz/4 gals	3.2
6	Bonide 880 Fungonil	■	chlorothalonil	\$36.00	1 pint (16 oz)	\$2.25	\$0.84	2.25 tsp	2.67
6	Ortho Max Garden Disease Control	■	chlorothalonil	\$11.00	1 pint (16 oz)	\$0.69	\$0.13	1.5 Tbsp/4 gallons	5.33
6	Southern Ag Copper Fungicide	■	copper	\$9.47	1 pint (16 oz)	\$0.59	\$0.11	2 tsp	5.33
6	Mancozeb	■	mancozeb	\$30.00	1 pint (16 oz)	\$1.88	\$1.88	2 tbsp	1
6	Pentathlon LF	■	mancozeb	\$151.00	2.5 gal (320 oz)	\$0.47	\$0.24	1 tbsp	2
	Neem oil	■	neem	\$22.50	1 pint (16 oz)	\$1.41	\$1.41	2 tbsp	1
	Lime Sulfur	■	sulfur	\$30.00	2.5 gal (320 oz)	\$0.09	\$1.50	16 oz	0.0625
						<u>Container Weight</u>	<u>Price Per Ounce</u>	<u>Usage Per Gallon</u>	<u>Relative Usage Rate</u>
3	Chipco 26019	■	iprodione	\$110.00	2 lbs	\$3.44	*	2 2/3 tsp	5.33
5	Heritage	■	Azoxystrobin	\$152.00	4 oz wt	\$38.00	*	1/2 tsp	1
5	Compass	■	Trifloxystrobin	\$525.00	1 lb	\$32.81	*	1/2 tsp	1
5	Flint	■	Trifloxystrobin	\$355.00	20 oz	\$17.75	*	1/2 tsp	1
6	Pentathlon DF	■	mancozeb	\$60.00	6 lbs	\$0.63	*	1 tbsp	6
	Green Cure	■	potassium bicarbonate	\$16.00	8 oz	\$0.80	*	2 tbsp	12
	Mil Stop (K bicarb)	■	potassium bicarbonate	\$100.00	5 lbs	\$1.25	*	1 tbsp	6

*It is not possible to compute a price per gallon of mixed spray material from the information available. It would require measuring the fluid volume (tablespoons, ounces, pints, quarts) of the weighed product. So far, I haven't been that compulsive. However, some products clearly require a lot more volume for each gallon mixed, as shown in the "relative usage" section.

**The Modes of Action are:

1. Inhibits sterol biosynthesis in membranes
2. Inhibits mitosis and cell division
3. Inhibits the production of lipids and membrane synthesis
4. Inhibits nucleic acid synthesis
5. Inhibits respiration
6. Multi-mode/multi-site activity – inherently low (or no) risk for buildup of resistance

1 tablespoon (tbsp) = 3 teaspoons (tsp)
 1 fluid ounce (oz) = 2 tablespoons
 1 cup = 8 fluid ounces
 1 pint = 2 cups
 1 quart = 2 pints
 1 gallon = 4 quarts



Much of this information is taken from two sources on Modes of Action: an article by Roger Bryan and Raymond Cloyd, “**Pesticide Modes of Activity – The Importance of Rotation**” posted on the Chattanooga Rose Society website at www.chattanoogaarose.org/MOA%20Entire%20Paper.htm, and the “**Interactive Pesticide Tool**” posted on the Bradenton-Sarasota Rose Society website at www.b-srs.org/cgi-bin/DisplayPesticides.cgi. Thanks to both for sharing their knowledge with us.

There are similar charts for insecticides and miticides. We’ll look at those another time.



2014 Deep South District Photo Contest

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Many apologies to those who have patiently waited for me to forward information about the upcoming photo contest. I have been extremely busy completing a work for publication, a history of Camp Oglethorpe, a Civil War POW camp for Union officers located in Macon, GA. All the little things – footnotes, illustrations, supplemental indexes – are still a work in progress. Proud to say I have been offered a formal contract by Mercer University Press. The tough work of revision and editing is still to come.

The contest will essentially remain the same as last year. The one distinct difference will be a reduction in the number of awards given. See attached rules. Also, due to my procrastination, **the entry deadline will be extended to October 1, 2014**.

Contest Rules

1. Contestants may enter up to three images per Class. Multiple entries of the same rose variety within the same Class are not allowed.
2. Photos must be submitted in JPEG image format.
3. Images must be taken by an amateur photographer who is a member of the ARS and living in the Deep South District, or a member of a local Rose Society located in the DSD.
4. Digital images that have won awards in previous ARS or DSD photography contests are not eligible.
5. Images must be identified by their ARS approved exhibition name.
6. Identify each image submitted by its Class and ARS approved exhibition name. Ex: Class 8 - Abraham Darby.
7. Email questions/entries to Stephen Hoy: hoy127@cox.net. Include your name, home address, and phone number.
8. **ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 1, 2014.**
9. Receipt of entries will be confirmed by email.



Classes

- 1: One **Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, exhibition stage, no single-flowered cultivars.
- 2: **Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Spray** - must have two or more blooms. Single-petalled HTs or GRs allowed.
- 3: One **fully open Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, stamens must be visible. Single-petalled HTs or GRs allowed.
- 4: One **Floribunda** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, most perfect phase of beauty.
- 5: **Floribunda or Polyantha Spray** - must have two or more blooms.
- 6: **Old Garden Rose** - one bloom per stem or spray, side buds permitted. Entries must be submitted with date of introduction. Two awards will be given; Dowager Queen for roses introduced before 1867, and Victorian Award for roses introduced in 1867 or later and for unknown date of introduction.
- 7: **Shrub Rose - Classic Shrubs** (H Kordesii, H Moyesii, H Rugosa, or H Musk) or **Modern Shrubs**, one bloom per stem or spray, side buds permitted. No David Austin roses (see Class #8).
- 8: **David Austin Roses** - one bloom per stem or spray, side buds permitted. Must be a David Austin introduction.
- 9: **Climber** - Large Flowered Climbers, Hybrid giganteas, Ramblers, and Hybrid wichuranas, one bloom per stem or spray, side buds permitted.
- 10: **Species Roses** - one bloom per stem or spray, side buds allowed. See *Modern Roses, ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses, Official List of Approved Exhibition Names for Exhibitors and Judges*, or visit www.helpmefindroses.com.
- 11: One **Miniature** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, exhibition stage, no single-flowered cultivars.
- 12: One **Miniflora** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, exhibition stage, no single-flowered cultivars.
- 13: **Miniature or Miniflora Spray** - must have two or more blooms. Single-petalled cultivars allowed.
- 14: One **fully open Miniature or Miniflora** - one bloom per stem, no side buds permitted, stamens must be visible. Single-petalled cultivars allowed.
- 15: Any **Arrangement** - ANY class of rose. Must include arranger's name and name of roses.
- 16: **Macro Photography** - any part of a rose photographed at extreme close range, may include insects.
- 17: **Abstract or Impressionist Photography** - a photo having non-objective, design, form, or content of a rose(s) or any part of a rose. May be digitally manipulated.
- 18: **The Rose Garden** - a photo taken of a garden prominently featuring roses.
- 19: **Novice Class** - any rose photo from an entrant who has not previously won an award (1st, 2nd, 3rd, or Honorable Mention) from a DSD or ARS Photo Contest.



A Thesis Study on Rose Rosette Disease

Dr. David Zlesak, University of Wisconsin

Graduate student Patrick Di Bello is working on his M.S. thesis studying various aspects of the virus leading to RRD (variation of the virus, transmission via mites, etc.). His major advisor is Dr. Ioannis E. Tzanetakis who first reported characterizing the virus leading to RRD <http://vir.sgmjournals.org/content/92/7/1727.full> Latest factsheet: <http://www.uaex.edu/publications/pdf/FSA-7579.pdf>.

Patrick would like to receive samples of RRD from different places to compare the sequence of the virus to see how similar or variable it is in different places. He asked if we could send him about 20 grams of infected leaf tissue (that's not too large – basically one good sized broom will more than do). I asked him if there is a timeframe he would like to receive them, and he said as people have them would do. He'll be able to run the samples over time as specimens come in.

He would like submitters to include the location as closely as possible and the cultivar it is found on. If you have more than one cultivar it is on and are willing to send samples from a few different cultivars, that would be greatly appreciated. If you have GPS coordinates that would be great, but if not one's address should work and he can estimate from there.

Please prepare them as one would a typical sample being sent for diagnosis to a disease clinic or shipping rose cuttings to a friend in the mail. Typically, moistening paper towels or newspapers and squeezing hard to remove any excess moisture so it is just damp is perfect. Loosely wrap your plant samples in it and put it in a sealable plastic bag so they don't dry out. It would also be greatly appreciated if you would ship them Priority Mail so they can get to him relatively quickly and not sit over a weekend.

He is very grateful for our assistance. Our help will go a long way in helping understand the diversity of the virus and learning if there are trends for different strains in different parts of the country. Please contact him at: pldibell@uark.edu if you are able to help and he'll guide you through the process including the appropriate permit.

Publisher's note: Please send samples in sealed, air-tight bags to prevent contamination.

From the August 2014 issue of ARS & You, the American Rose Society newsletter for local society members, Sue Tiffany, Publisher, Mary Hext, Editor.



Membership Musings



Kitsy Mostellar, Master Rosarian
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I have spent the last few days sifting through ancient Atlanta Rose Society files, looking for pearls of wisdom. There have not been many pearls but there have been many themes. Even in the 1960s we were appealing for attention to membership. One would think in a hobby such as ours that rose lovers would be lining up to join local societies as well as the ARS!! It is still a bargain to belong when there are so many things to learn!!

The Deep South District currently (end of June) has 734 members in all classifications. Is that the BEST we can do? I would like to think not. Each society should have a membership chair who is contacting lapsed members to encourage them to renew with both the local society and the American Rose Society. We also need to continue getting the message out about various levels of membership to new gardeners, garden club members, and newcomers.

Also, does your local library subscribe to the ARS *American Rose* magazine?? Many societies around the country make a gift to their library so that visitors may read about roses. The Library gift membership costs \$25 per year and includes a copy of *Modern Roses 12*, but there is a \$15 shipping fee for a total of \$40. It is a wonderful project. Put the *American Rose* on the periodical shelf and take a vase of roses to the staff with some membership information.

I will hope to see our numbers increase by the time we meet in Gainesville.



Deep South District Fall Convention & Rose Show



Jean Stream, Co-Chair
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The Deep South District Fall Convention and Rose show is just around the corner. The Gainesville Rose Society has been working on this event since we agreed to be the host society late last fall. We have worked very hard to keep the cost as low as can be achieved in this era of outrageous pricing. Hopefully our efforts to keep the costs low will give us good convention attendance.

The convention registration form and schedule of events are on both the District and Gainesville Rose Society's websites. Anyone not having access to this information can give Jean or Ralph Stream a call. We will be more than happy to mail you the information/forms for registration.

The weekend starts off with the rose arrangement workshop which begins at 1:30 pm, and will run until 4:00 pm. For those early arrivers, our vendors will be setting up and selling their items. That same evening we are invited to the *Rhythm & Roses*

welcome buffet. Music will be provided to entertain us. Don't forget to make a stop for a while at our hospitality station and visit with old friends we have not seen for a while.

Saturday morning is the rose show experience. We hope to have lots of you bring flowers to make the show both beautiful and delightful. We are planning to have the show open by 12:30 or 1:00 pm. Programs for Saturday, November 1, start off with a very informative presentation by Walt Reed on chemical safety and correct equipment usage. This program is an approved seminar for CRs needing that 4th credit. At 1:30 pm we have David Johnson from Weeks Roses bringing us his thoughts on his 30 years in the rose business and a PowerPoint presentation on Weeks' newest releases.

Baxter Williams from the Houston, TX, Rose Society is a well-known speaker throughout the nation. You might remember him from a convention we had few years ago. He will speak at 2:45 pm. His topic will be "Things I Wish I'd Learned Sooner". He will be giving us some very good insights with his brand of humor that I am sure will leave us enchanted.

At 4:30 pm the much-anticipated raffle will start, (you must be present to win). In past years we have offered as many as 50 items. You won't want to miss the excitement of this fun activity. After the DSD announcements and raffle, we have an afternoon break until dinner. The main part of the rose show will be taken down to enable setting up for dinner. The cash bar will be open at 6:30 with the Awards Banquet to follow at 7:00 pm. We will be giving recognition to our Outstanding CR and Judge, the Silver Medal (the District's highest award) for years of outstanding District service, and of course the top rose show awards in both the Arrangement and Horticultural sections. Again we will be entertained with a musical offering from talented local musicians. Don't forget, hospitality social until 11:00 pm.

For those planning on taking the Sunday morning garden tour, make sure you have arranged to travel to the two stops in your own vehicle or a carpool with someone. We will do our best to get this coordinated with drivers. We mentioned that we tried keeping costs low, this is a perfect example. A full-size bus costs about \$800 per day and enough seats on smaller ones would be even more. Thus, our reason for opting to carpool.

We will first visit David Richardson's garden in Earleton. David, one of the best growers in our area, grows wonderful roses of all types. Next will be the lunch stop at the home of Ralph and Jean Stream, who feature an exhibition garden of most rose classes. This garden has produced nearly 60 Queens of Show in the past 18 years. You will see many new varieties. Ralph, being a Horticultural Judge, likes to rotate his roses every few years so he can learn what to expect in judging new varieties. Here you will end your tour with a scrumptious lunch before heading back to the hotel.

We do hope you will talk up this event to your friends and club members. Please plan to come and enjoy the weekend. The Gainesville Rose Society is truly looking forward to you attending. *Rhythm & Roses*, what a nice way to end our year together!



"Rhythm & Roses"

DSD 2014 Fall Convention & Rose Show

October 31, November 1 & 2, 2014

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 31

Noon – 5:30 pm	Registration (at tables in front of Springhills Ballroom)
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Vendors (Nurserymen in Santa Fe room and others in San Felasco Room)
1:30 – 4:00 pm	Arrangement Workshop, Jim Harrell (Springhills Ballroom West) "Exploring Creativity and Distinction in Arrangements – the Icing on the Cake"
1:30 – 5:00 pm	Rose Show set up (Springhills Ballroom East & pre-function area)
6:00 pm	Welcome Reception Cash Bar (Springhills Ballroom West)
7:00 pm	Welcome Buffet - fun program, Roses and Music
9 – 11:00pm	After-Buffer, Hospitality Social (Breakfast Area)



Saturday, November 1

6:00 – 9:45 am	Rose Show Prep open (Cross Creek Ballroom)
8:00 – 12:00 noon	Registration (at tables in front of Springhills Ballroom)
8:00 – 5:00 pm	Vendors (Nurserymen in Santa Fe room and others in San Felasco room)
10:15 – 10:30 am	Welcome – Tom Mullins, Gainesville Rose Society Remarks by Karen Prevatt, DSD Director (Springhills Ballroom West)
10:30 – 11:30 am	"Chemical Safety & Equipment Usage", Walt Reed, Peachtree City, GA Note: Seminar Credit given for CRs attending
11:30 – 1:15 pm	Lunch on your own – Area restaurant list will be available.
1:30 – 2:30 pm	"What's New at Weeks Roses", David Johnson, Weeks Roses, Charleston, SC
2:30 – 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 – 3:45 pm	"Things I Wish I'd Learned Sooner", Baxter Williams, Houston, TX
3:45 – 4:30 pm	Breakdown of show and pick up awards
4:30 – 5:30 pm	DSD Announcements & Raffle, winners must be present (Springhills Ballroom)
6:30 pm	Welcome Reception Cash Bar (Springhills Ballroom)
7:00 pm	Banquet, Recognition Outstanding CR, Judge, and Silver Medal, Rose Show Awards Music "Rhythm, Roses and You"
After Banquet – 11:00	Hospitality Social (Breakfast Area)

Sunday, November 2

8:00 am – 1:00 pm	Garden Tours with Lunch
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Visit Gainesville is helping to support our event – see their Ad in the Show Schedule.



“Rhythm & Roses”

55th Deep South District &
Gainesville Rose Society’s 41st Rose Show & Convention

Hosted by the Gainesville Rose Society

Best Western • Gateway Grand Gainesville, Florida 32606

October 31, November 1 & 2, 2014

Registration Information:

Name(s) [for name badges] _____
 Street Address _____
 City, State & Zip _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____ Local Society _____

Registration Fees:

	Price	Number	Amount
Regular (postmarked by 10/11/2014)	\$40	_____	_____
Late (postmarked after 10/11/2014)	\$45	_____	_____
Arrangement Workshop (Friday 1:30-4 pm) Fee covers flowers & handouts, bring your shears	\$15	_____	_____
Welcome Buffet (Friday 7 pm, Cash Bar 6-7 pm) Soup, Roast beef, turkey, ham, salads, dessert MUST RESERVE BUFFET BY 10/17/14	\$25	_____	_____
Banquet (Saturday 7 pm) (Cash Bar 6:30-7 pm)			
Tuscan Chicken	\$35	_____	_____
London Broil	\$35	_____	_____
Vegetable Cannelloni	\$35	_____	_____
	MUST RESERVE BANQUET BY 10/17/14		
Rose Garden Tour with Lunch (Sunday 8 am - 1:00 approx) (Will car pool to two gardens and have lunch before returning to the Hotel.)	\$10	_____	_____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Would like to bring a dessert to share at the Hospitality Suite, please let us know (yes ___no ___)

Would like to make your vehicle available for carpooling on Garden Tour (yes ____, # of seats available _____)

Would like to Clerk the Rose Show (yes _____ no _____)

Make Checks Payable to “**Gainesville Rose Society**” - Mail this form with your check to our Registrar,
Kay Harrell, 121 Shore Rush Circle, St Simons Island, GA 31522-1420

Cancellation Policy: Registration Fee Less 25% will be refunded if request is received by **10/15/2014**. No refund after that date.

For Additional Information, Contact: **Ralph or Jean Stream**, 352-591-4474, streamj@gmail.com,

Kay Harrell, 912-634-0323, kay@fairmarsh.com; **Tom or Shirley Mullins**, 352-378-4231, mullins32@bellsouth.net; or visit www.deepsouthdistrict.org for schedule of events and details.

Hotel Information

Event dates: October 31, November 1 & 2, 2014 (room rate also available on Oct 29 & Nov 3)

Call the hotel directly to make your reservation and indicate that you are coming for the DSD Gainesville Rose Convention Oct. 31. We need an exact count of the rooms reserved by our attendees!

Best Western Gateway Grand, 4200 NW 97th Blvd, Gainesville, FL 32025, **877-464-2378**. (Toll free number)

www.gatewaygrand.com. Rooms are \$79, plus tax, per night, single or double occupancy (double beds) or \$89, plus tax, per night (King bed). Complimentary breakfast, free high-speed wireless internet access, no charge self-parking.

Location: I-75 Exit 390 off of I-75, northwest corner.

Hotel Reservation Cutoff Date is 10/07/2014. After this date, lowest room rate will be based on space availability.

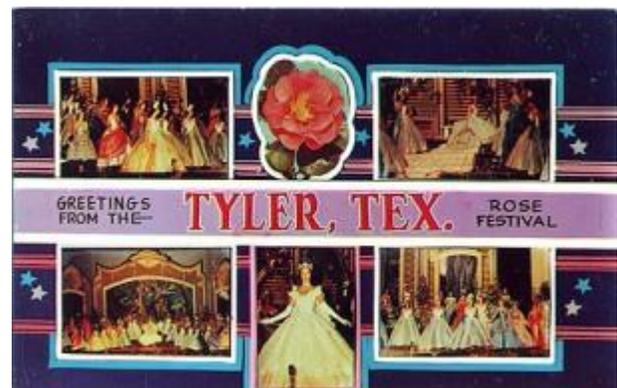
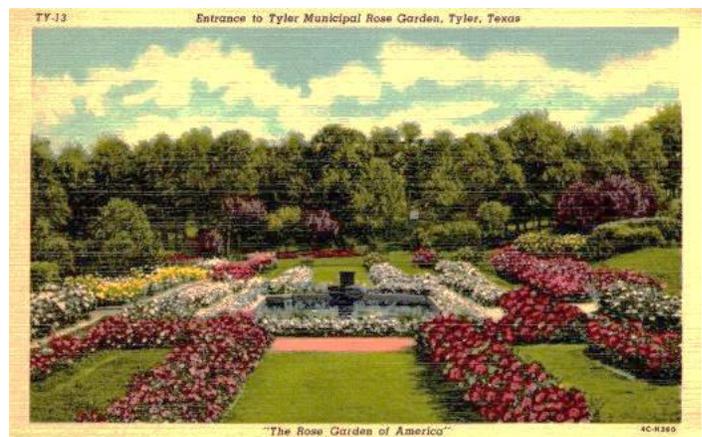
Upcoming Convention Information

Roses in the Piney Woods

It's time once again for rosarians from across the country to gather for an exciting fall rose show and convention. This year, that will be happening in the "Rose Capital", Tyler, TX, on October 15-19. Our convention will coincide with the 81st Texas Rose Festival. In Texas, and in much of the nation, Tyler means roses. The city boasts a fabulous rose garden maintained by the city. There are seven rose processors in Tyler that distribute about 75% of all roses in the US. There are rose nurseries: no visit to Tyler is complete for the traveling rosarian without a visit to Chamblee's Rose Nursery, David Austin Roses, or one of the many roadside stands selling rose bushes and cut roses at amazing prices. And then there's the Rose Museum, the Rose Festival, the Rose Parade, and the Rose Queen.

The convention will have a split venue, with the rose show at the Rose Park (Friday and Saturday), while meetings, speakers, and vendors will gather at the convention hotel. Shuttle service will be provided. Speakers will include Bob Martin, Mike Shoup, Gaye Hammond, Dr. David Byrne, Claude Graves, Pat Shanley, and Dr. Mark Windham. The convention will culminate with a BBQ Bash at the American Rose Center in Shreveport, LA, celebrating its 40th Anniversary, and a post-convention tour to Dallas-area rose gardens.

Website: www.ars.org/tylerconvention





Date/Time

Event

Location

Wednesday, October 15

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

Hotel

Thursday, October 16

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Registration opens

Hotel

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Hospitality room open

Hotel

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Rose Show set up

Tyler Rose Garden Center

8:00 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Vendor set up

Hotel

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Refrigeration available

Tyler Rose Garden Center

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting

Hotel

8:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

Hotel

7:00 p.m.

Vendor Show opens

Hotel Reception Area

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception, Key Note Speaker Robert B. Martin Jr

Hotel

Friday, October 17

4:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Rose Show prep area open

Tyler Rose Garden Center

6:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Rose Show entries accepted

Tyler Rose Garden Center

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Registration open

Hotel

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Hospitality room open

Hotel

8:00 a.m.

Refrigeration closes

Tyler Rose Garden Center

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Judges Breakfast

Hotel

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Clerks Meeting

Tyler Rose Garden Center

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Educational Seminars:

Hotel

Gaye Hammond — Chilli Thrips

Mike Shoup — Empress of the Rose Garden

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Rose Show prep area (breakdown)

Tyler Rose Garden Center

10:30 a.m. – Noon

Show Winner Photography Session

Tyler Rose Garden Center

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Educational Seminars

Hotel

Dr. David Byrne — Texas A&M research

Claude Graves — Belovich Rambler Garden

1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Rose Show opens to the public

Tyler Rose Garden Center

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

President's Reception

Hotel

7:00 p.m.

Coronation (Ticketed Event)

Cowan Performing Arts Center UT Tyler

6:00 p.m.

South Central District Awards Banquet

Hotel

Saturday, October 18

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Registration open

Hotel

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Hospitality room open

Hotel

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Rose Show Open to the public

Tyler Rose Garden Center

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Texas Rose Festival Parade & Rose Festival, Arts & Crafts Fair & Plant Sale

Tyler Rose Garden Center

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Educational Seminars

Hotel

Pat Shanley — AGRS

Dr. Mark Windham, et al — Rose Rosette Panel

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Queen's Tea, Tyler Rose Festival

Tyler Rose Garden Center

3:30 p.m.

Trophy Pickup (except National)

Tyler Rose Garden Center

4:00 p.m.

Rose Show closes

Tyler Rose Garden Center

4:00 p.m.

Vendor Show closes

Hotel

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

ARS Members Meeting

Hotel

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception

Hotel

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Awards Banquet

Hotel

Sunday, October 19

9:00 a.m.

Patron Breakfast

Hotel

10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

40th ARC Anniversary BBQ Bash

Gardens of the American Rose Center
Shreveport, Louisiana

Monday, October 20

Post Convention Tour

Dallas, Texas

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print your name as you wish it to appear on your name tag. Your e-mail address and other personal information will not be published, shared or sold outside ARS.

Registrant's Name(s): _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

ARS Member ID (required for Member Registration): _____

Is this your first National Convention? Yes No

If yes, do you plan to attend the President's Reception for First Timers? Yes No

Are you an Annual Fund Patron? (Donations \$200+) Yes No

If yes, we would like you to attend the Patron Breakfast as our guest. Yes No

Do you plan to exhibit... Horticulture? Yes No Arrangements? Yes No

Will you need cold storage? Yes No If yes, when will you arrive? _____

Are you qualified and may we contact you about: Judging Clerking

Rose Show schedules are available on the convention website: www.ars.org/tylerconvention



CONVENTION REGISTRATIONS	PRICE	TOTAL
ARS Member Inclusive	\$175 by 9-15, \$225 after	
Non-ARS Member Inclusive	\$275	
If you are purchasing the Inclusive ARS Member Convention Registration will you volunteer for two hours? The first 100 volunteers will receive a \$25 discount.		<input type="checkbox"/> YES (-\$25)
Non-ARS Member Educational Seminars	\$50 <i>Includes one-year ARS membership starting at time of registration and a free rosebush.</i>	
ARS MEMBER A LA CARTE REGISTRATION	PRICE	TOTAL
Exhibitor Entry	\$100 <i>Includes Rose Show entry, educational seminars, Vendor Hall, ARS Hospitality Suite, registration bag & goodies</i>	
Opening Festival Reception w/Keynote	\$30	
President's Reception & First-Timers	\$25	
Shuttle Pass	\$20	
ARS National Awards Banquet	\$50	
TOURS	PRICE	TOTAL
Queen's Coronation	\$50	
ARC 40th Anniversary BBQ Bash	\$50	
ARC 40th Anniversary BBQ meal	\$25 <i>(for those with personal transportation)</i>	
Post Convention Tour	\$50	
SPECIAL OFFERS	PRICE	TOTAL
Roses in the Piney Woods T-Shirt	\$20 pre-order by 9-15, \$25 at convention	
ARS Long-Sleeve Shirt	\$24 pre-order only by 9-15	
ARS Vest	\$46 pre-order only by 9-15	

TOTAL: _____

I would like to pay by credit card: Mastercard Visa AmEx Discover I have enclosed a check.

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: ___/___ CCV (3-4 digit number on back): _____

Print Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

Card Statement Address: _____

ARS Mini National: Jersey Rose Gems

Bobbie Reed, *Master Rosarian*

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This summer we traveled north to the sixteenth **American Rose Society Mini & Miniflora Rose Convention**, in Mt. Laurel, NJ. I believe that Don and I were the only representatives from the Deep South District, except for Andrea Maceri, who was able to get away for a couple of hours on Saturday from her Reserve training at Fort Dix.

The weekend began with an arrangements seminar hosted by Gary Barlow and Lew Shupe, demonstrating two similar arrangement categories, Oriental freestyle and modern free form. We practiced making miniature designs of each type with roses and line material provided for the workshop; some of these designs wound up with blue ribbons in the show the next day. We also had the opportunity to purchase some arrangements containers. I always enjoy playing with (or buying) someone else's toys.

The 120 attendees included both of the announced candidates for ARS Vice President in 2015, Sam Jones and Bob Martin, as well as the current ARS President, Jolene Adams, and ARS VP, Pat Shanley. That led to a number of deep discussions about the future of the ARS. The farthest-traveled attendee was Dawn Eagle, former editor of the *New Zealand Rose Annual*; we first met her at an Atlanta area rose meeting a decade or so ago, and have been sharing newsletters since then. We had lots of good conversations with folks from all around the country, covering a lot of different topics, from bees to quilts to relocating a garden (from New York to Florida) to arrangements and old garden roses, convention fundraising, editing a newsletter, and the politics of the upcoming ARS elections.

The rose show was small, but there were good roses. I was judging on the "verification" team, double-checking the roses on their way to the head table. That means our team saw every winning rose, including the challenge classes; we spent a lot of time checking the identity and classification of every rose in those multi-rose entries. The show was well-organized and judging moved quickly. There were some familiar names among the winners, like Bob & Sandy Lundberg (who won the Top Gun trophy, nine perfect roses), but new names as well from among (relatively) local exhibitors, like the Wrightstones of Camp Hill, PA. There were about 80 arrangements, too, by some excellent designers.

We learned which roses were added to the Mini Rose Hall of Fame this year, '*Soroptimist International*' and '*Incognito*'. Hall of Fame winners must have performed well for at least 20 years, so these are *good* roses. Normally there would be an



The Gold Medal-winning arrangement in the show was "A Delightful Surprise – Turquoise Earrings", by Georgie Dettinburn



The Frank Benardella trophy was won with '*Renegade*', '*Bee's Knees*', '*Soroptimist International*', '*Joy*', '*Dr. Tommy Cairns*', '*Ty*', '*Edisto*', shown by Mike & Sally Wrightstone



'*Soroptimist International*', hybridized by Frank Benardella, was added to the Mini Rose Hall of Fame

announcement of the ARS Award of Excellence winners, but sadly there weren't any this year. The Convention honored the work of Frank Benardella, a noted mini rose hybridizer and former ARS President; he is no longer with us, but his widow and daughters were there for the first presentation of the national Frank Benardella Trophy. Everyone took home a rose hybridized by Frank Benardella, 'Show Stopper'.



'Incognito', hybridized by Dennis Bridges, was the second rose entering the Mini Rose Hall of Fame this year. Photo by Heirloom Roses

Then there was the garden tour. We love garden tours! We visited the garden of Tom Mayhew, Master Rosarian and master photographer. He loves to have birds in his garden, and we were struck by the fabulous six foot tall cardinal flowers (*Lobelia cardinalis*) [photo right center] planted in his rose garden to attract hummingbirds. He also shared his set-up for photographing hummingbirds in flight, and shared handouts on deer fences and irrigation problems. Later we went to the home of Bill & Kathy Kozemchak [photo below right]. I'd seen their gardens before in photos, but it's always different in person. A rabbit ran from the horde of eager rosarians, and it was clear that grandchildren are frequent visitors to the roses. The garden specializes in ramblers and climbers (many not in bloom this time of year), which made the other plants seem small. Bill discussed his roses with visitors and freely shared cuttings (along with bags and wet paper towels in which to transport them). He's always generous with his roses – we have a bush of 'Floranne' he gave us several years ago after we admired it at previous shows and conventions. We had time to bond with our "bus captain" over old garden roses (we both like) and critters like moles (we don't), and Don had long conversations with Laura Pfender, the new director of development for ARS, about naming the American Rose Society in wills and trusts.



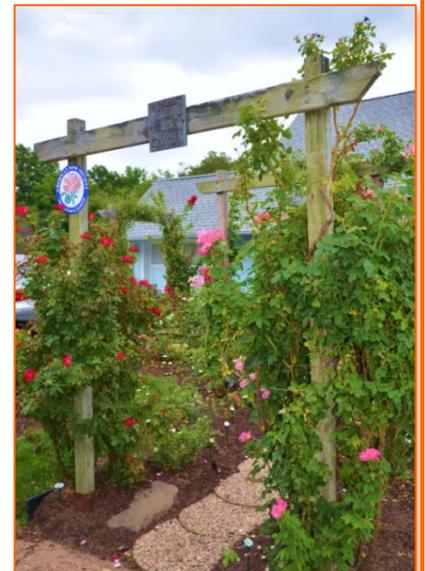
We have several more conventions coming up in the next year or so. The DSD Convention will be in Gainesville, FL, October 31-November 2. The 2015 ARS Spring Convention will be in Columbus, OH, in June, doubling as the Mini convention for 2015. The 2015 ARS Fall Convention will be held in September at Syracuse, NY. The roses are great, the opportunity to learn about roses is important, and the nice people you meet make it all special. We hope we'll see you there!



Queens of the Show: 'Joy' [left] and 'Whirlaway' [right]



The Top Gun Award was won by Sandy & Bob Lundberg, with 'Shameless', 'Show Stopper', 'First Choice', 'Butter Cream', 'Louisville Lady', 'Abby's Angel', 'Foolish Pleasure', 'Whirlaway', and 'Sandy's Pick'.



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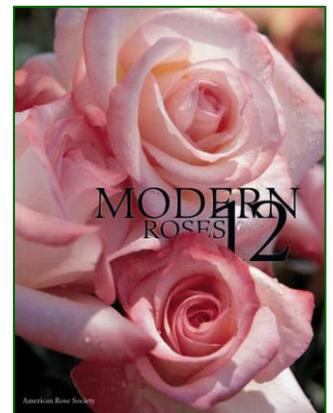
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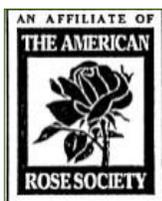


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- October 15-20, 2014** **ARS Fall Convention & Rose Show**, Tyler, TX. See
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