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District Director's Report



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Another summer has ended and along with the end of summer we can put the sweltering heat, damaging winds, and torrential rains behind us for another year. Not only was the weather hard on our roses and us rosarians alike, in our west coast area of Central Florida, we were hit with serial infestations of the dreaded chilli thrips. Scale also made its reappearance in our garden during the summer season. We hope our garden is rejuvenated with cooler daytime temperatures and more moderate rain showers.

Fall rose events kick off with the September 20 through 22 ARS Mini/Miniflora National Conference and Rose show in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Since the ARS Board of Directors is holding its fall meeting at the event, I will be attending. This will be my first Mini/Miniflora Conference and I am looking forward to seeing the show. I may be tempted to introduce some new minifloras into my garden when I return home.

Next stop on the rose event calendar for the District will be the Deep South District Convention and Rose Show hosted by the Greater Palm Beach Rose Society October 25-27 at the Hilton Palm Beach Airport Hotel. I want to see all of you there. The Convention Committee has been working hard all spring and summer and has planned some pretty spectacular events and programs. The featured speaker, Ludwig Taschner, is traveling all the way from South Africa to be with us.

Please make the effort to support and participate in local rose society shows, festivals, and open garden events planned in the Deep South. It is up to each of us to keep our local societies active and alive. We are living in very challenging times for all volunteer organizations. Your enthusiasm will help to recruit new members. Your friendship will help keep members active.

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In early June we lost a much loved rosarian, William "Bill" Sharpe. Bill was a long-time member of the Tallahassee Rose Society, the Thomasville Rose Society and the Gainesville Rose Society. I know he is greatly missed by his wife, Mary Maud, and his family. Bill was a member of a pioneer Florida family and always had great stories to tell about his early years. It was my pleasure to know him and to call him a friend.

On a happier note, my husband, Clarence, and I attended the First International Rose Trial at the Biltmore Estate in Ashville, North Carolina, in May. The garden was lovely, but a cold spring and wet weather kept the blooms to a minimum. Our spirits were not dampened by the weather and it was great fun to visit with fellow rosarians and be a guest at one of the greatest private estates in America. Our next rose adventure was serving as rose judges at the Glasgow International Rose Trial in Glasgow, Scotland, in August. It was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the rose trials hosted by the City of Glasgow. Our ARS Regional Director, Ed Griffith, traveled to Scotland with us and we all enjoyed a cruise to Norway prior to judging the roses in Glasgow.

Roses and Rose Mosaic at Florida Southern College

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Since 1983, we have had rose gardens at Florida Southern College in Lakeland. The collection got started when I became interested in rose mosaic virus disease and founded the heat therapy program at FSC to cure plants of that disease.

Rose mosaic is caused by two viruses in the USA: prunus necrotic ringspot virus (PNRSV) and apple mosaic virus (ApMV). It is also caused by arabis mosaic virus (AMV) in Europe, but that virus is not currently thought to exist in the United States. Mosaic spreads almost exclusively by grafting – if an infected scion is grafted to an uninfected rootstock, it moves down into the rootstock; and if an uninfected scion is grafted to an infected rootstock, the virus will quickly move up into the scion. So it is the nursery tradition of collecting scions and rootstock cuttings from grafted plants that has allowed the disease to move from variety to variety. The only other means of

spread ever demonstrated was via natural root grafts in very closely planted plants (inches apart) at the University of California at Davis research plots. Such spread has never been demonstrated in commercial growing fields nor in a home garden. So if you start with known disease-free plants, they will stay that way in your garden, even if nearby plants are infected.

It is often said that own-root roses are less likely to have mosaic than grafted plants. I'm not sure I believe that. If cuttings are taken from an infected plant, all the own-root plants produced will be infected



Rose mosaic virus on a leaflet from a 'Graham Thomas' bush



as well. But it is true that if cuttings are taken from an uninfected mother plant, the new plants will also be virus-free. Of course, as long as scions and rootstocks are selected from virus-free plants, we can also produce disease-free grafted plants easily.

Mosaic disease causes swirly yellow or white "mosaic" symptoms on leaves of the spring growth flush. Most other times of the year, the leaves do not show symptoms. And, even in the spring, some bushes may remain totally symptomless or may show the pattern on only a few leaves. Nevertheless, if a bush is infected, it will be less vigorous, produce fewer flowers on shorter stems, be less long-lived, less cold-hardy, and generally, is a weaker plant. So it's worth growing virus-free plants if possible.

The way we treat a rose to cure it is as follows. A large three-gallon size plant is produced in our greenhouses. In the weeks before heat therapy begins, we toughen up the plant by making it become nitrogen deficient and we water-stress it frequently, to encourage the plant to make abscissic acid, a stress hormone that allows plants to survive extreme stress. The plant is then placed in a heated growth chamber, where it is subjected to 100°F 24-7, for at least 28 days. While there are many places on the earth where the daytime high temperature may commonly exceed 100°F, there is no spot on the earth where the temperature never falls below that temperature, day or night, for a continuous 28 days. So the situation is quite unnatural. Often the plant dies. But if it survives, the virus will have been killed out of most of the buds on the surviving stems. We cut scions from those stems and bud them onto known virus-free rootstocks. The original plant is then discarded, since it is not cured; the root system, which cools off every time we water it, is likely to retain some virus. The budded plants are grown out in the greenhouse like any nursery plant and eventually are tested to see that they truly are clean. If so, a plant goes into Florida Southern's gardens to be maintained as an ongoing source of virus-free propagating material, which is made available to nurseries.

Over the years, FSC has acquired several hundred varieties of roses, mostly Old Garden Rose types (a.k.a. heritage roses, heirloom roses, old-fashioned roses, antique roses, etc.). We currently have several gardens on the campus. The main garden, just north of the Jack M. Berry Citrus Building, houses about 80 plants, including the original collection of Bermuda Mystery Roses in the USA. That garden is scheduled to be razed in the next year or so, so we are actively working at repropagating all of them for planting in a new garden elsewhere on the campus. We also have several smaller gardens on the campus, as well as many roses in the college greenhouses. Nearly all of the plants in the outdoor gardens are mosaic-free.

The gardens are always open to the public. If you want a guided tour, we appreciate a call or note ahead of time so we can be sure to schedule the time with you. We do ask that you not pick flowers or take cuttings without prior permission.

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> Brick walks and raised planters in the Jenkins Rose Garden at Florida Southern College in Lakeland. This garden has been replaced as part of a campus-wide redevelopment.



The Best \$13.82 I've Ever Spent!

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Hybrid tea rose horticulture in West Central Florida would be a nearly perfect hobby if it were not for one dreaded task. You guessed it...**SPRAYING!** Let me amend that previous statement. It would be a nearly perfect hobby if it weren't for the necessity of using that spray-nozzle clogging, fungicide chemical known as Dithane M-45 [also known as Pentathlon or Manzate].

I remember, as if it were yesterday, when I queried one of our more knowledgeable members seeking any advice on how to keep the Dithane M-45 powder from clogging my two-gallon hand-held pump sprayer. I had grown tired of stopping at each untreated bush in order to twist the spray tip a little looser so that a greater quantity of chemicals could pass through the shrinking hole. Inevitably, I would ask myself, "Why wouldn't it be as effective to simply dump the contents of my sprayer over the bush like a bucket brigade bailing out a sinking boat?"

The learned member suggested microwaving two cups of water in a Pyrex measuring cup, then in a separate vessel, thoroughly mixing the yellow powder before combining it with the other chemicals. I tried this method and was ecstatic with the results! Instead of my sprayer clogging after every bush, on a good day, I could get through four bushes before the cursing and swearing would begin again.

Then the stars aligned! I was reading Mark Prue's "February In Your Garden" when he casually mentioned that one of our wise-men members, Clarence Prevatt, used a blender to pre-mix his chemicals before taking his sprayer into the "jungle".

This sounded quite intriguing and I spent each morning the following week, calling all three thrift stores in my neighborhood. Amazingly and frustratingly, the answer to each of the 21 calls was the same.

"Oh!" the voice on the other end of the phone would say. "We had three here yesterday afternoon....but they are gone now. They don't stay long. Have a nice day. Good bye."

Nice day indeed.

Serendipitously, later that week, I happened to be wandering aimlessly in a local store of our nation's largest retailer. Like a bolt from the sky, there it was! A gorgeous white plastic blender with six speeds, carbon tipped titanium blades and a tight-fitting lid for a mere \$13.82! Looking quickly over both shoulders for other fast-approaching bargain hunters, I hurriedly scooped up the blender, raced through check-out and then home to do my bimonthly spraying.

With palms sweating, I plugged in the blender, poured two cups of warm water and one and a half tablespoons of Dithane M-45 into the pitcher, placed the tight fitting lid on top and pressed the first button that caught my eye. The blender screamed to life like a scalded cat making me reflexively cup my ears to relieve the pain of the high decibels. I swiftly pressed another button far away from the first, figuring that would calm the dancing blender. Considering what I paid for this fine piece of kitchen equipment, I was not too surprised that there was no discernible decrease in the RPMs or the accompanying roar. I was, however, mightily heartened to discover that the whirling vortex of yellowish liquid had quickly become uniform and emulsified. With my heart





pounding, I carefully added the blender's contents into my sprayer's tank and noted how it had the consistency and behavior of the finest East Asian silk ribbon.

Excitedly, after donning all my protective equipment, I pumped up my sprayer one stroke short of a thermo-nuclear explosion and raced to my garden. Tears of joy began to flow down my cheeks, nearly drowning me in my respirator as a heretofore unknown fine mist wafted over each and every leaf. With great anticipation, after 30 seconds of spraying, I moved cautiously to the next bush. Shockingly there were no nozzle adjustments necessary to maintain the ethereal vapor. "It's working!" I exclaimed, which probably sounded like, "Mur murfing!" to an outside observer hearing my exuberance through my respirator ports. I continued on without interruption, finishing my 25 bushes in 15 minutes rather than the customary 45!

As my spray bottle began to gurgle, signifying the end of spraying, I looked at the result of my work. I marveled at the consistent coating of chemicals, as each leaf looked as if it had been carefully hand painted with a pastry brush by a Le Cordon Bleutrained French chef.

Thanks to Clarence via Mark, spraying for me is no longer an unavoidable chore. Even if my new blender only lasts one season, it will be the best \$13.82 I've ever spent!

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A Grape Idea!

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The Tallahassee Area Rose Society has for some time maintained a garden of thirty-two '*Peace*' roses in a downtown city park, which is a joint effort of the society and the City of Tallahassee parks and recreation department. In the spring of 2012 the garden was replanted and we were only able to get 30 plants on '*Fortuniana*' rootstock. Cool Roses promised to supply more plants, but the nursery needed more cuttings for graft wood.

Since cuttings would need to be mailed, the society used the "grape" idea from camellia exhibitors who sometimes use fresh grapes on the stems of blooms to keep the blooms fresh when transporting their blooms to a show. We inserted the individual cuttings into grapes, put them into a plastic zip bag and used Styrofoam to secure the bag in a shipping box for mailing. Cool Roses told us that the cuttings arrived in good condition. We further experimented by leaving cuttings inserted in grapes and sealed in bags for several weeks with success. By the time the grapes began to lose their moisture the cuttings fresh for shipping. It is easy and it works!





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Vice District Director's Report



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Since my last report to you we have made some progress in getting ourselves up to date on the DSD Website. We still have more to do especially in the DSD Shares area. I have finished much of the content we need there but would certainly like to see some ideas and material from around the district.

The concept that Karen Prevatt put forth at the beginning of her first term was to have DSD become an unusual "Sharing Organization". In the beginning we received a great deal of contribution, but new input has fallen off. If you received an Award of Merit award from the ARS I would like you to send me a copy of that article so we can share your award-winning work across the district.

There has been some confusion on the **Publicity** of upcoming events such as rose shows or rose festivals. Last year Connie Vierbicky served as the collection point for that information. This year Bobbie Reed (<u>berdks@mindspring.com</u>) is covering it on the last page of the quarterly **DSD Bulletin**. Please send her your input. You should also send it to David Castelli (<u>david@dcd.com</u>) for posting in the Local Events section on the DSD Website. That way you will get the best coverage of your event.

Your Board and Bobbie have noticed that we have very few advertisers this year in **The Bulletin**; please encourage them at our next meeting to communicate to us via **The Bulletin** about their new products so we can keep them in our DSD family.

LIBRARY MONTH REPORT

For many years I have had good intentions of participating in the ARS Library Month held every June but somehow my other projects precluded my ever doing it. This year I was resolved to play. The ARS sent a letter to local libraries and one day the Bradenton-Sarasota RS "Ask a CR" got a note from a Manatee County Librarian asking if we would give a talk on June 1st. That was the trigger for me. I called Vince Celeste, the Bradenton-Sarasota Rose Society President, and asked if I could take on the event. The answer was yes. As I researched the ARS Rose Month idea I found that for \$40 you could donate a copy of **Modern Roses 12** and a year's subscription to the **American Rose** to a library. Anne and I talked it over and decided to make the contribution. At this point a word of warning – some libraries are precluded from accepting subscriptions for content control reasons. We had picked the beautiful Manatee Central Library so we asked them. It only took a couple of days to get the OK, ARS being the upstanding organization it is. We ordered it from ARS and it was in the hands of the library within four days.

At this point we (the library and the Pauls) decided to make this a bigger project (Oh Phil, won't you ever learn?). We designed a sign and a flyer to distribute around Manatee County. The county graphics expert had that done in about 3 days. The Central Library distributed it to their other libraries and I hit the nurseries, doctors' offices, friends and any place where we could find a participant who might attend the talk. I offered a weekly display of roses at the library for the month of June.



The library put out rose books they had on a special stand [above right] to garner attention. That gave me an idea. I asked several rose society members to join me in collecting duplicate or unneeded rose books to contribute to the library. I called Marilyn

Farr sometime after Lat's passing and asked her what she planned to do with Lat's collection. When she heard about the project, she invited me over to pick books that would be useful to the public. I delivered those to the library. A tip here, some libraries won't accept used books. Not Manatee - they were so grateful for every offer we made and thus took in quite a collection. One idea I had was to make Manatee Central Library a good research location for west coast Florida. They supported this by making up lists of rose books in inventory by category, e.g., Selecting Roses, Antique Roses, Planting Roses, Rose Care, etc. This list was handed out at the talk. Another list of all rose books in the library was created at the conclusion of the project to assist in future research.

Now the payoffs: besides working with such dedicated and eager librarians, the second payoff was a full auditorium to hear the Roses 101 talk with example roses of each variety. Included in the audience was a family who had grown up three doors away from Katy Lampkin, the woman who started the old Bradenton Rose Society over 50 years ago. Katy was also quite involved in the 'Fortuniana' revolution in Florida. The family was able to add some historical color to the event. This is Florida's 500th Anniversary and all libraries have been asked to feature local historical gems. I was asked to make posters and give a short introductory talk on our organization's history. We were considered one of those gems that day!

The third payoff was that by the second week EVERY ROSE BOOK THEY HAD and EVERY BOOK I HAD COLLECTED were all checked out. The library had seldom had such success with other projects.

The fourth payoff was that it was really fun and it was one of those rare projects where it all happened quickly over 60 days – 30 days to plan and collect the materials and 30 days of June for the public to enjoy the material. Today I have a new view of libraries. They have computerized research centers, enthusiastic staffs, and are serving the community with new technologies and a continuum of programs to garner interest. This fourth payoff was a biggie because it was the meeting of our commitment to share our knowledge and excitement about roses with the community. We often present programs to each other, but it is the public presentation that gets us new members and carves out our contribution and reputation in our communities.

The fifth and best payoff for me was that for the first time in some time Anne felt she could participate with me on this effort and it was like old times when she would make cute comments and jokes during my talk which was always our trademark that brought joy to an event – especially this one.

I present these ideas now so that you might start collecting books and materials to support such an effort next year. By the way, Jolene Adams, ARS President, tells me that the \$40 program is available all year. It is just traditionally June when we feature it. If you would like to hear more send me an e-mail!



Anne and the Manatee Central Librarian Team found or created a display case of rose memorabilia as shown below

rose

Horticulture Judges Review



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It is the middle of summer as I write this column. As usual, it has been very hot here in Central Florida and my roses are suffering. We have had adequate rain overall, although it may be dry one week and very wet the next. So wet, in fact, that I am going to need to repair the roof on my back porch after rain poured through the electrical fixtures during one deluge last week. One week I am praising myself on how well my roses

look considering the circumstances and the next I am overwhelmed with black spot. Rains seem to occur late in the day or in the evening. I spray weekly now but it seems that I usually get only a few hours before the next rain hits. I have decided my sprayer is a really good rain conjuring device.

I am looking forward to the upcoming rose show season and the District Convention in West Palm Beach, October 25-27, 2013. The schedule is done and I believe that I have my horticultural judging teams in place. I just completed my registration and hope you have done the same (and will bring roses to show). I am acting as chair of horticultural judging at the show and Jim Harrell is doing the same for arrangements. I believe that the District chairs should take on this duty at District shows as we are already tasked with dealing with judging for the district awards. This arrangement worked well in Tallahassee and I hope it continues at upcoming district shows.

In my last column, I told you about a request I received that "judges be given credit for cancelled shows as there seem to be fewer opportunities to obtain the credit necessary to remain active." Waning interest among some societies and the advent of "rose festivals" have reduced the opportunities for judging for both accredited and apprentice judges in our district. I received comments on this matter from both the former and current National Chairs of Horticultural Judging. They pointed out that the Guidelines specify no minimal judging requirement to stay active. The only "requirement" is that "the judge should try to accept as many invitations as permitted by his or her individual circumstances" and "a newly accredited judge should try to judge at least five shows during his or her first three years of accreditation." "Common courtesy requires that a judge respond promptly to invitations to judge so that the show committee will have time to invite another judge if he or she is unable to accept the invitation. If unforeseen circumstances arise that will prevent the judge from judging a show he or she has agreed to judge, the judge should immediately notify the show committee so it can plan accordingly."

In reviewing the Guidelines, I also noted the statement that "Judges are also strongly urged to exhibit. Therefore, the judge must develop a balance between judging and exhibiting. The judge should not judge to the exclusion of exhibiting or exhibit to the exclusion of judging." It is our responsibility as judges to continue exhibiting not only for our own continuing education but also to support rose shows. Therefore, I am again encouraging all of you to bring as many roses as possible to the upcoming convention in West Palm Beach. See you there!

Exhibitors' Update

A Note from Janet Bryant Editor's Exchange Central, ARS Local Society Relations Committee <u>janetsbliss@hotmail.com</u>

I received this information from Linda Burg, Co-Chair of the ARS Horticultural Judges Committee, and wanted to be sure you got it in a timely manner, as many Rose Societies will be having upcoming Fall Rose Shows.

The ARS Classification Committee has reclassified the following roses. The changes have been made in the ARS data base so the changes are effective now. Please contact your societies, judges, and exhibitors about the new changes, especially if societies will be having fall rose shows.

"*Lee Greenwood's American Patriot*" (WELpatriot 0344, Wells, MinFl, 2008) from Miniflora to Miniature.

'Memphis King' (WELing, Wells, MinFl, 2002) from Miniflora to Miniature.

'Autumn Bliss' (WELbliss, Wells, MinFl, 2005) from Miniflora to Miniature.

'I Believe in You' (WELyou9805, Wells, Min, 2012) from Miniature to Miniflora.

'Tootsies Lounge' (WELtoot 0388, Wells, S, 2011) from Shrub to Floribunda.

Arrangements Judges Chair

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Well, once again we are all struggling to survive another southern summer. The heat is taking its toll on the roses but before we know it, we'll start getting those first cool mornings when it's bearable to go out and work on putting our roses in shape 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 get it back to you as soon as possible.

I hope all of you are making plans to attend the DSD Convention, October 25-27, and to exhibit in the Rose Show on October 26 in West Palm Beach. This year, in addition to the regular classes and District Challenge, we have an added special National Arrangement Class to compete in. The ARS has several National Challenge Classes that rotate through the District Shows over the years. This year the Deep South is in the rotation to receive "The **Ruth Tiedeman Memorial Rose Arrangement Trophy"**. It is restricted to current ARS Members who are registered for the District Convention. The class is titled "*Ocean Breezes*" and is a Standard Line-Mass Design using <u>two or more classes</u> of roses. The arrangement must be of fresh, outdoor arranger-grown roses. "AG" must be on the entry tag. Please note the requirement that the arrangement must use TWO or more classes of roses, not just two varieties but two different classes. It can't be just your usual standard line-mass made of one variety of rose. It should be interesting; I hope many of you will try it.



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There will also be an arrangement seminar and hands-on workshop on the use of "**Dried and Painted Plant Material and other Things**" in your arrangements on Friday, October 25. Sandy Dixon, Lee Hale and I have a fun and exciting program planned. Please make plans to attend. Hope to see you there.

Congratulations to Linda Boland and Pam Kolb of the Augusta Rose Society on their successful series of arrangement workshops this past spring. They organized a series of three arrangement seminars at the Aiken Historical Museum, Aiken, SC, in February, March, and April, culminating in an all-arrangement show in May. The seminars were all standing room only and the Rose Arrangement Show was a huge success. Perhaps their efforts will generate some new rose arrangement exhibitors in the DSD!

See you at the fall shows.

Consulting Rosarian Report



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What a summer for rain. I think most of us in the Deep South have had our share of the wet stuff. Our roses are in raised beds or pots, but still the soil has been very wet. If you are getting a lot of yellowing leaves, it may be due to too much water. Hopefully we will be drying out by the time you read this message. Don't forget, your roses are going to need some more nourishment/feeding due to the rain leaching nutrients out of the soil.

I want to make a suggestion to those who qualify to become Consulting Rosarians: please join the ranks, you are needed. Over the past four years that I have kept records of the District's CRs, we have dropped from 160 plus to 143 active CRs. We have had quite a number who have gone the Emeritus route, and others have just not kept up or have passed away. Our District needs to stay strong and well-informed. Our CRs, for the most part, are the most effective teaching instruments available in our societies. If you or someone you know would like to get involved with this rewarding aspect of rose growing, fill out the Consulting Rosarian Candidate form found attached to this **Bulletin** [or at www.deepsouthdistrict.org/CR%20Stuff/CRCandidateForm.pdf] and send it back to me. I will give you further instructions at that point. Thanks to our new CRs over the past four years who have said "yes" to this very important call.

By now you should have seen the Roses in Review list for this year. If there are varieties on it that you grow, let the ARS know by completing the survey. For CRs this is no longer a requirement, but we do *expect* all our CRs to be helpful with information needed so that each rose has a rating in the **Handbook for Selecting Roses** (ARS issues this to all members). I encourage everyone to fill out the report. You don't have to be an ARS member to participate.

The Master Rosarian nomination season has closed for 2013. Ten years of continuous CR service is the requirement for this status. I reminded 33 CRs back in early July that they could apply for this designation. As of this writing, only three have shown interest in this honor. Hopefully we can get others another year. These nominations must be submitted to ARS by August

1st each year. I will accept your forms at any time.

I would like to remind all CRs and other interested persons that the newly revised **Consulting Rosarian Manual** is now available from ARS. Just \$10.00 for a print copy, quite a valuable deal for the wealth of knowledge it contains. [It is also available for free download as a PDF on the ARS website "for members only" section.]

We need to be thinking about our upcoming Fall Convention, being held in West Palm Beach this October. These folks need our support and participation. I am sure they would gratefully accept any donations to help with the success of this event. Jean and I, and I'm sure you as well, truly appreciate any club that takes on these District events for all of us to enjoy. I hope to see you there.

Roses In Review

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We're nearing the end of another cycle of Roses In Review, an annual program of the American Rose Society to rate some of the newer roses on the market. The list of roses to be rated appeared in the July/August issue of **The American Rose**, along with the forms for submitting your ratings. You can also rate your roses on-line, through the ARS website, <u>www.ars.org</u>, (type "roses in review" in the search box at the top right of the home page), or at <u>www.stsrv.com/rir/rirsplsh.htm</u>. Either way, it should only take you a few minutes to complete the process.

But why should you? If you're a Consulting Rosarian, you are *expected* to participate every year. Even if you're not a CR, or not even an ARS member, you are still encouraged to participate. You will have the joy of putting your rose opinions into the ratings, you will get to help the Deep South District compete with other districts to see which has the best participation rates, and best of all – you will help to make sure that there are more accurate ratings in the ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses. Really, take a look at the handbook that just arrived with the September/October issue of The American Rose. Some of those ratings are really screwy! And do you know why? It's because too many of the ratings are from folks who live on the west coast, rather than from the Deep South!

This year, do your part! The deadline for submissions is **September 26, 2013**.



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Membership

 Kitsy Mostellar
 We regret that we will miss the DSD Convention, but look for us in Gainesville at the Mid-Winter Meeting!

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Mailbox Surprise

I certainly did not expect it. There, in my mailbox, was a letter from the American Rose Society! Whatever did they want from me? I have been a faithful member for years.....

"Dear Friend," it says, "we hope it is an oversight that you have let your membership expire. If you respond quickly, you will not miss an issue of the magazine or lose the opportunity to receive our quarterly special bulletins. Use the enclosed envelope to send your check or telephone us with a credit card number.

We look forward to your renewal. For the Rose,

Membership Chair, ARS"



How could I let this happen! I am an officer in my local society, soliciting new members for it and for ARS. I have been an accredited judge for Arrangements and for Horticulture, a Master Rosarian, and representative to our local Gardening Council. Garden clubs and other rose groups invite me to speak. It will not do for me to be careless here. Thank goodness ARS sent me the letter! My rose friends are from all over the country and their rose interests are many.

I have enjoyed the magazine with its rose culture

information and news of new roses and rose shows. We can learn about interesting gardens to visit as well as rose history. Lately, I have become fascinated with the "Fragrant Rose" bulletin, the "Growing Beautiful Roses" booklet I share with new gardeners, and with the beautiful photographs and quilts I see pictured in the magazine and on display at shows. There is a project for every member's interest.

Quickly, I pick up the telephone and dial the number to renew my membership. "Thank you very much," says the person at the other end of the line. "We appreciate you and your support."

After I hang up, I call the society presidents and inquire if they are ARS members. I point out that it is they who pass important rose news to us and if they are not members, we may miss a lot! Next, I write a quick paragraph for our monthly newsletter urging everyone to join ARS and to share with their friends the benefits of membership as well as being a steward of our national floral emblem, the Rose.

A mailbox surprise may be the very thing to wake us up to the need for ARS members to speak out for the organization. We are its life blood; it needs to know that we care. Please join today...and bring a friend!

Thank you from a surprised member.



In Memoriam

Edna Griner of Watkinsville, GA, passed away August 11 at her home. Edna and her late husband John founded the Northeast Georgia Rose Society 20 years ago. Many will remember Edna as the perfect complement to John's outgoing personality. She was the organizer and steadying force behind their many endeavors in growing, showing, and promoting their love of roses. She was the newsletter editor of the organization for many years and loved to keep up with their many rose friends and their accomplishments through the newsletter exchanges. Edna was quick to greet newcomers to the group, encouraging them to become part of rose tradition. Along with John, she served as mentor to many successful "growers and showers" over the years. We will remember her with love. – from Karen Radde



Edna Elizabeth Groezinger Griner, age 83, of Watkinsville, Georgia, died Sunday, August 11, 2013 at her home. Mrs. Griner was born September 19, 1929, in Columbus, Ohio, the daughter of the late Frederick Edward and Jennie Stratford Groezinger. She graduated from Bradenton High School and Florida State University with a degree in Library Science. She married John Milward Griner, Jr., in 1957. He preceded her in death in June of 2005. A 55 year resident of Watkinsville, she left a lasting imprint on the lives of those in the community. She started the first Watkinsville Christmas parade in the early 1970's. Edna also was instrumental in starting the Oconee High School Marching Band. Her love of gardening was evident in her life, helping co-found the Northeast Georgia Rose Society with her late husband John. Her monthly Rose newsletter was widely distributed and read by many in the southeast. Edna, being very artistic, loved writing, sewing, and painting, and she loved being around her family. Survivors include her two sons and daughter in law, John Frederick Griner (Saretta) and James Andrew (Andy) Griner; and her three granddaughters, Lucy, Allison, and Elizabeth Griner. – from the Athens Banner-Herald

In Memoriam

William Jennings (Bill) Sharpe was born December 12, 1921, in Shawmut, AL, to Melwyn and Elloree Sharpe. He died June 2 at the age of 91. He graduated from Bushnell High School in 1940 and attended the University of Florida until he joined the Navy to serve during World War II in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. He returned to the University of Florida and graduated in 1949 with a degree in Agriculture. He was an avid Gator. He was employed by the Florida Department of Agriculture as an inspector of agricultural products in several areas of the state. Following his retirement he continued to own and operate Pleasant Hill Ranch. He was married to Mary Maud (Trowbridge) Sharpe in 1954 and they celebrated 59 years of marriage. In addition to his wife he is survived by a son, John Robert Sharpe and wife Bonnie Sharpe of Kansas City, MO; a granddaughter Jennifer Bailey and husband Charles Bailey; two great granddaughters, Mary Grace Bailey and Lilly Ann Bailey of Stevensville, MD. He is also survived by a brother, M. Hervey Sharpe of Loganville, GA, and a sister Hazel Binger of Crossville, TN, and a number of nieces and nephews. He was a member of the Saint Paul's Methodist Church, the Tallahassee, Thomasville, and Gainesville rose societies, the Tallahassee Camellia Society and the Florida Daffodil Society. He was an American

Rose Society Horticulture and Arrangement Judge as well as an American Camellia Society Judge. He was a Goodwood Rose Garden Volunteer. He loved growing plants and he loved his cows.

from the Tallahassee Democrat

From Pat Sanford: It was under a large magnolia tree at the Goodwood Museum's rose propagation area that I really got to know Bill Sharpe. I had been a member of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society since 2001, but until I started getting my hands dirty along with him and several other faithful folks, I did not know much about him. There are *many* in our Society who would like to share their own personal thoughts. Here are a few:

From Bill Dority: Bill Sharpe was quite a man, and he will be missed. I knew him as a WWII veteran, rancher/farmer, a rosarian, and a major contributor to the local and regional rose societies. He was the bulwark of support to his wife Mary Maud, whom he truly cherished and adored. He and his "Maudie" were/are a major force in whatever cause they participated. Bill would jaw with you at the drop of a hat, and could he ever spin tall tales. He was a delight to know and work with.

From Montine Herring: When Bill Sharpe joined the Thomasville Rose Society 29 years ago, he became one of my best friends. Through the years I have many wonderful memories, whether going on trips judging roses, attending rose conventions, selling bulls from his cows from our farm or pruning camellias. There are too many to list them all. He loved his family, cattle, and roses.

He also loved country cooking and when he was coming up to the farm to visit my family, I tried to have a healthy meal for him – especially some corn bread. One day he came by at lunch time and I had not prepared any lunch except for a Stouffers chicken pot pie for

my husband, Bill. We invited him to eat with us and that was probably the first time he ever ate a Stouffers meal, but we enjoyed his company.

Bill was an American hero having served in the Navy during WWII in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. My family was very fortunate to have known Bill Sharpe. We loved Bill and he will be missed.

From Lennie & Joe Kennedy: Joe and I first met Bill Sharpe when we began attending Tallahassee Area Rose Society meetings in 1998. He was an earlier President of TARS and also very active in the Thomasville Rose Society. He served at the District and national level of the American Rose Society. Sought after as a horticultural and arrangement judge at local, District, and national shows, his life revolved around roses.

In 1999, I began serving as secretary for TARS and got to know him better. I found him very kind and always willing to help others. He shared many stories of his earlier life as an agriculture agent and of his gardening exploits in rooting all kinds of plants. Not only did he help with the roses at Goodwood Plantation and the Tallahassee Peace Garden, he was instrumental in rooting many of the Goodwood roses in the early stages of that garden.



While he certainly loved gardening, he absolutely adored taking care of his herd of cows! It was not unusual for him to attend a district meeting in another city during the day, only to drive home at night to help a cow that was calving.

Respected and admired by all who knew him, Bill was important in many people's lives. Joe and I were so fortunate to have known him and learned from him. He will be greatly missed.

From Jim & Martha Dooley: Bill was quite the storyteller, and this is one of my favorites: Bill served in the South Pacific during World War II. He was on a PT boat, a relatively small, high speed boat used for combat as well as Search and Rescue. They had lots of guns and they were very loud. Bill told me that was the cause of his hearing loss. They were stationed in small outposts to be close to combat action. One of the officers who was very well-liked came by one day towards the end of the war saying he was going home. They teased him a little and envied his good fortune. Then he said, "Oh, it's not that good. My dad died." Bill asked, "How come you get to go home because your dad died?" The officer said, "Because he's the President of the United States." Bill was serving with one of the Roosevelt boys. What a memory Bill shared with us!

From Sam & Nell Cunningham: Bill Sharpe was a man of many loves and interests – talents too! His loves were Maudie, Johnny and Bonnie, Jennifer and Charles, and the "great-grands" Mary Grace and Lilly Ann. Also, and not in any order, were cows, roses, the Gators, and camellias.

He was a man with many entertaining stories. He was always willing to give of his time to set up and take down rose shows, store the many items for the show, exhibit roses and arrangements and travel the country to judge shows and learn something new.

What an example to set for all of us!

From Pat Stanford, TARS President: I *know* there are others who may have favorite stories of Bill, but due to space constraints, I guess we have to stop. Bill Sharpe leaves a <u>big</u> space.

Deep South District Garden Fund

Connie Vierbicky 941-922-6006, <u>gatorrosequeen@verizon.net</u>

A memorial donation to the DSD Garden Fund has been made in memory of Mr. Bill Sharpe by the Thomasville Rose Society.

A memorial donation to the DSD Garden Fund has been made in memory of Mr. Bill Sharpe by Mr. and Mrs. Bill P. Herring.

A donation has been made to the DSD Garden fund in memory of Richard (Dick) Coffee by the Birmingham Rose Society.



Upcoming Convention Reminders

September 20-22, 2013

Welcome to the 2013 ARS Miniature Rose Show & Conference In Winston-Salem, North Carolina

The Winston-Salem Rose Society is honored to host the ARS National Miniature Rose Show. This event will be held at the Holiday Inn Select in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The dates for the event are **September 20-22, 2013**. Our show theme is "Mini Magic."

Winston-Salem is located in the Piedmont region of North Carolina. We are just six hours from Atlanta or Washington, D.C. If you are flying in, the closest airport is the Piedmont Triad International airport (GSO) located just twenty minutes east of the city. The Piedmont Triad International Airport offers 86 nonstop flights daily to 17 destinations via major carriers, including Allegiant, American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta Airlines, United Airlines, Frontier Airlines, and US Airways.

The Holiday Inn Select is located just north of the city on University Parkway, just off US 52 North (5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem, NC 27105). They are offering the special rate of \$95 per room until August 20, 2013. After August 20 the rate will increase to \$149, so get your reservations in early. The phone number for the Holiday Inn is (336)767-9595. When you are making your reservations please let the hotel staff know that you are attending the National Miniature Rose Show or "Mini Magic".

The standard registration fee for the event is \$125.00 and includes a deli buffet on Friday evening, breakfast buffet on Saturday morning and the Awards Banquet on Saturday night. The standard registration deadline is August 31, 2013.

The horticulture and arrangements schedules for the show are available at <u>http://www.wsrs.us/National_Mini_Rose_Show_MQI.php</u>.

On Sunday morning we will have tours of the beautiful Reynolda Gardens and of James and Brenda Richardson's garden. The Richardson garden features over 400 beautiful roses and is always a sight to behold.

The entire city of Winston-Salem and the Winston-Salem Rose Society warmly welcome you; and, with your support we hope we will have the biggest and best Mini National Rose Show. If you need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely, Steve Lawson President, Winston-Salem Rose Society (336) 301-8437, slawson@brookstowninn.com



"Mini Magic" National Miniature Rose Show September 20-22, 2013 Winston-Salem, NC Schedule of Events

Friday, Sept. 20, 2013

12 noon - 5:00 pm	Vendor Set up
3:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Rose Show Check In
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Welcome Deli Buffet (included in Registration Fee)
3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Arrangements placement
3:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Hospitality Suite Open
5:00 pm - 9:00pm	Vendors Open

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013

4:00 am - 9:30 am	Prep Room Open
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Rose Show entries received
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Arrangemens Placement
6:00 am - 12 noon	Information Desk Open
7:00 am - 11:00 am	Breakfast in hotel restaurant - included in Registration
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Judges Breakfast, restaurant
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Hospitality Suite open
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Judges and clerks meeting, Ballroom
10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Rose Show Judging, Ballroom
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Speaker: Artist Linda Weaver demonstrates painting roses with oils
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Lunch on your own
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Rose Show Open to the Public
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Speaker: Dr. Mark Windham, U of Tennessee, "Rose Rosette"
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Speaker: Mr. Don Myers "The Art and Science of the Rose Hobby"
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Speaker: Mrs. John Fleek, "Dry Wrapping Roses for the Show"
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Award Trophies – Ballroom (Except the top Awards)
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Reception and Cash Bar
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Awards Banquet – National Awards

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2013

Breakfast on your own 9:00 am to 12:00 noon Garden Tour: The Richardson garden and Reynolda Gardens



American Rose Society The National Miniature Rose Show "Mini Magic" Hosted by the Winston-Salem Rose Society

Winston-Salem, North Carolina September 20-22, 2013

Registration Form

Registration is required to participate in any of the events of the "Mini Magic" ARS National Miniature Rose Show. Separate registration forms are required for each person attending, i.e., husband and wife, but only one check is necessary for both IF both forms are in the same envelope.

Mail this form with your check payable to: "WSRS-2013 ARS National Miniature Rose Show". Mail check to James Richardson, Conference Registrar, 103 Shortie Court, King, NC 27021. For questions: e-mail jrrosebud@windstream.net or call 336-983-9618.

Registrant's name (as it should be on your badge)

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Registration fee before August 31, 2013**	\$125.00	
Registration postmarked after August 31, 2013***	145.00	
Sunday Bus Tour of Local Gardens	32.00	
	Conference Total	

*Exhibitors must be registered for the conference.

Registration includes Friday Evening Reception, Saturday Morning Breakfast, Saturday Evening Award Banquet, Hospitality Room, and access to all speakers and events with the exception of the Bus Tour. **Sunday Morning Breakfast YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN.

***After this date Room rate will be based upon availability and prices are subject to change.

Event Cancellation and Refund Policy: Please register early! Events will be filled on a first-come, firstserved basis. Some events may have limited space. If minimum booking requirements are not met, we reserve the right to cancel any event with full refund. Registrants for filled events will be placed on a waiting list. Refunds for filled or cancelled events will be mailed after the conference.

Hotel Information:

When making reservations please call the hotel directly and specify that you are attending the "Mini Magic" ARS National Miniature Rose Show. Holiday Inn Select is located at **5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem, NC 27106**. **Phone: 336-767-9595**. Rooms are \$95 per night plus tax. Hotel reservation cutoff date is August 20, 2013; after this date rooms will be based upon availability and price is subject to change.

October 25-27, 2013

Roses in a Tropical Paradise!

Debbie Coolidge 561-684-2421, <u>geoffcoolidge@bellsouth.net</u>



If you can find an old conch shell from some long-ago vacation, hold it to your ear and listen to the song of the sea. Close your eyes, and imagine the coconut palms swaying. Feel the sand in your toes, hear the island sounds of Jimmy Buffet. If that sounds good to you, plan to attend the **Fall 2013 District Convention and Rose Show, October 25-27**, hosted by the Greater Palm Beach Rose Society.

Experience our beautiful beaches, tour the gardens of the rich and famous, and take home an original oil on canvas painting by renowned artist Hope Reis. Of course, you will have to win Queen of

Show first. Visit Hope's website at <u>http://hopereis.com</u> to see some of her outstanding works of art.

We'll start Friday off with the Deep South District's traditional rose arrangement workshop led by the "Fantastic Three", Sandy Dixon, Lee Hale, and Jim Harrell. You may remember them hosting the first ARS Multi-Regional All-Arrangement Rose Show and School in Franklin, Tennessee, last summer. You will be learning from the best. For those who don't do arrangements, we have a tour of the Henry Flagler Museum in Palm Beach. You will arrive back at the hotel in time to "Come as a Rose" to our lake and poolside gathering under the palms, with live music and complimentary champagne for the first hour.

For dinner, we have Tropical Island Display Stations laden with jerk marinated chicken breast; smoked mahi-mahi; marinated grilled sirloin of beef with assorted dipping sauces and cheeses; pasta stations with sauces, chicken and sausages; and a carving station featuring herb marinated beef tenderloin. Sounds great doesn't it? Don't worry, the stations will be spread out around the pool deck because we don't like long lines here in Margaritaville. After dinner we'll have fun judging the "Come as a Rose" costumes and awarding prizes. That's just Friday.

Saturday's rose show will be sure to draw the Deep South's best exhibitors as they vie for Queen of Show and a beautiful painting that the artist, Hope Reis, will sign for the winner. We are thinking outside the crystal vase for this rose show and will have lots of great rose show prizes that you can really use. So bring your roses, it only takes one to win.

We have lined up some awesome programs to educate and entertain you during the day on Saturday:

- Ludwig Taschner is coming from Pretoria, South Africa. He started Ludwig's Roses in 1971, which has become world-renowned as the premier rose nursery in South Africa with the largest selection of rose varieties available.
- Helen Caine, US manager for David Austin Roses, is coming from Tyler, Texas. Ms. Caine is representing one of the only modern rose breeders to develop his own classification of rose, "The English Rose".

- Michael Whitehead of Helena Chemical Company. Mike will inform us of the latest products for plant nutrition and pest management.
- Hope Reis. We will watch Hope as she creates a painting before our very eyes. On the wide screen no less.

For Saturday night's Awards Banquet, we will have passed hors d'oeuvres during the cocktail hour and a plated sit-down dinner with a choice of three delicious entrees. The top show trophy winners will be announced, as will the recipients of the DSD Outstanding Judges Award, Outstanding Consulting Rosarian, and Silver Honor Medal. So make sure you are there; it could be you!

Sunday we invite you to a tour of the beautiful gardens of Palm Beach, Manalapan, and Ocean Ridge; of course, lunch is included.

Our hotel is the Hilton Palm Beach Airport and the group code is: *Rose*. The rate is good for three days before and three days after, and comes with a full breakfast for two each morning, complimentary shuttle to and from the airport, and lots more. Look for the registration form with this article and reserve your room now.

I promise you won't go home hungry. You might not go home with Hope's beautiful painting, I plan to win that! THE GAUNTLET IS THROWN, and you are invited to the Tropical Paradise that is Palm Beach County, Florida. We hope to see you there!





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Roses in a Tropical Paradise!

ARS Deep South District Fall Convention & Rose Show Hilton Palm Beach Airport Hotel, West Palm Beach, FL October 25-27, 2013 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 25, 2013

11:00 am – 5:30 pm	Registration (Conference Center Foyer near Salon D)
Noon – 5:00 pm	Vendors (Royal/Princess Room)
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Flagler Museum Tour, Buses will leave promptly at 1 pm
	(Load outside Hotel Lobby Entrance beginning at 12:45 pm)
1:30 – 4:00 pm	Arrangement Seminar, S. Dixon, L. Hale & J. Harrell (Salons C and D)
6:00 – 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception, Complimentary champagne (Lakeside Patio)
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Welcome Buffet & "Come as a Rose" Costume Contest (Lakeside Patio)
9:00 pm	Visit the Hospitality Suite (Sabal Room, Conference Center)

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Saturday, October 20, 20	15
5:00 am	Prep Rooms Open (Horticulture-Coconut / Arrangements-Kentia Rm)
6:30 am – 9:45 am	Show Entries Accepted (Foyer outside Salons A and B)
6:00 am – 2:00 pm	Registration (Conference Center Foyer near Salon D)
9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Vendors (Royal/Princess Room)
9:00 am – 3:30 pm	Raffle prizes on display (Date Room)
9:15 am – 9:45 am	Show Judges' Orientation Meeting (Sabal Room)
Note: All	of today's seminars and the raffle drawing will take place in the Salons C and D
10:30 am – 11:15 am	Latest in Pest Management, Michael Whitehead, Helena Chemical Co.
11:30 am – 12:15 pm	Oil Painting Demonstration, Hope Reis, Hope Reis Art Studio
12:15 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch on your own (10% discount on Veranda's lunch buffet at Hilton)
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Rose Show Open (Salons A and B)
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	Futuristic Rose Varieties for Warm Climates, Ludwig Taschner
2:30 pm – 3:15 pm	<u>The English Roses</u> , Helen Caine, David Austin Roses
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Raffle Drawing – Must be present to win (Salons C and D)
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Rose Show Breakdown and Pick up of Trophies (Salon A and B)
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Reception, passed hors d'oeuvres, Cash Bar (Conference Center Lobby)
7:30 pm	Banquet, Presentation of Trophies and Awards,
	Keynote Speaker - Ludwig Taschner, <u>Talking Roses</u> (Salons A and B)
After Banquet	Visit the Hospitality Suite (Sabal Room, Conference Center)

Sunday, October 27, 2013

8:00 am – 12:30 pm

Garden Tour, <u>Buses will leave promptly at 8:00 am</u>, *load outside Hotel Lobby Entrance beginning at 7:45 am*

For more information contact

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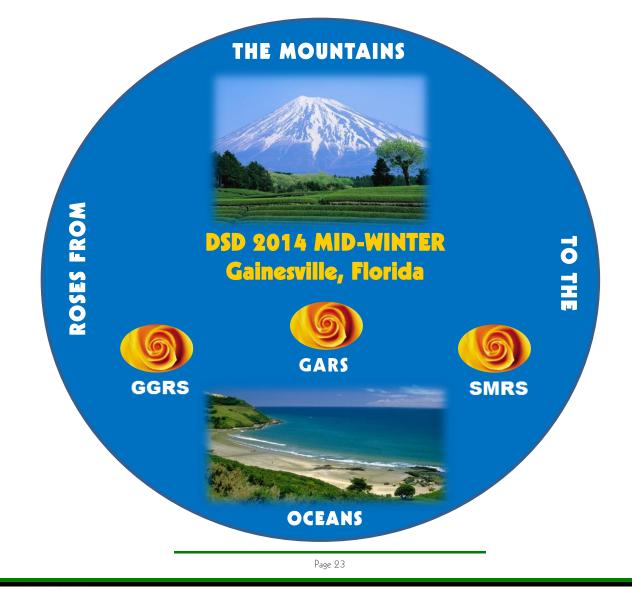
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January 17-19, 2014

Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting January 17-19, 2014

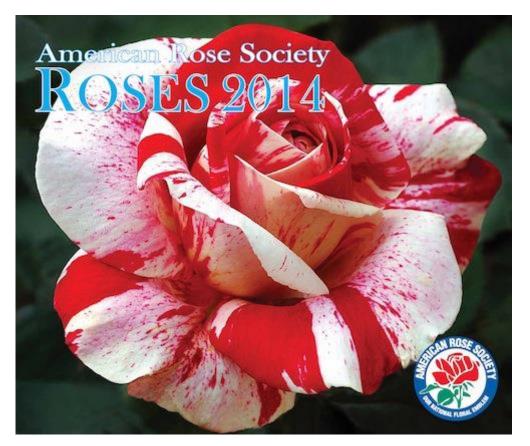
It may still be summer, and still pretty toasty outside, with lots of items on our gardening to-do list, but it is also time to think about joining your rose friends for education and fun at the annual Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting. It will be held again this year at the Best Western in Gainesville on January 17-19, 2014. As always there will be arrangements training on Friday, seminars (and the required business of the district) on Saturday, topped off with a banquet, and on Sunday a CR school for those who are ready to step up and those who just need their refreshers. There will be vendors showing the latest and greatest, there will be raffles and door prizes, food and drink, and mostly FUN!

More details and registration forms will be coming out shortly, but mark the dates now and plan on joining the three rose societies of the Atlanta area in Gainesville, next January.



Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

2014 ARS calendars will arrive in September. Order early to assure you get one. These make great holiday gifts. We will receive a limited quantity of 1,750 calendars; when we sell out, we will not be reordering. Individual calendars are only \$10.00 + S&H. Please pass the word on to all of your rose friends.



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Rose Show Results

Tampa Rose Society

May 11, 2013

CLASS DESCRIPTION	VARIETY	EXHIBITOR(S)
The Fermin Rodriquez Award: Three Sprays, F, Pol,		
M/C Shrub, or OGR	Veterans Honor	Katherine Pilat
Small Garden: one HT or GR, one bloom	Voluptuous	May Jane Espanosa
Judges: One- or multi-bloom : HT, LCI, M/C S, or F	Denali	Bill Langford
HT Queen	Moonstone	Ralph & Jean Stream
HT King	Marlon's Day	J Small
HT Princess	Marilyn Wellan	Ralph & Jean Stream
HT Court 1	Elizabeth Taylor	Mark Prue
HT Court 2	Desperado	Will & Gloria Evans
HT Court 3	Artic Circle	Ralph & Jean Stream
HT or GR spray	Wild Blue Yonder	Marilyn Bertch
Prince of Show: F and Pol sprays	Excellenz Von Schubert	John Tucker
One one-bloom Floribunda	Karen's Pink Lace	Judy & George Lawler
Fully Open HT or GR bloom	Kentucky Derby	Marilyn Bertch
Single, one-bloom or multi-bloom HT	Mrs. Oakley Fisher	Judy & George Lawler
Novice: one-bloom HT or GR	Mister Lincoln	Jean Rowntree
One bloom or spray of pre-1867 OGR	Archduke Charles	Dan Mills & John Tucker
One bloom or spray of post-1867 OGR	Baronne Henriette de Snoy	D. Mills & J. Tucker
Climbing Rose	Social Climber	Dan Mills & John Tucker
Classic Shrub Rose	Prosperity	Judy & George Lawler
Modern Shrub Rose	Richard's Rose	J. Small
Collection: Same three HT or GR, any color	Moonstone	Peggy Sherman
Collection: Any three different HT or GR	Veterans	Kay Meyer
Collection: Three bloom, HT or GR	Marilyn Wellan, Crystalline, Randy Scott	J. Small
Tin Can Derby: Three sprays Shrub or OGR	Assorted Roses	Peggy Sherman
English Box: 6 HT or GR Blooms	Veterans Honor, Cesar Chavez, Marilyn Wellan	Ralph & Jean Stream
HT or GR Bowl Exhibit	Desperado	Mark Prue
Floribunda Bowl	Pete Musser	Ralph & Jean Stream
HT or GR Frame	Marijke Koopman	Jane Espinosa
Roses on Water: 5 to 7 Blooms of any OGR	Happy Child, Colonial Days, Jules Margottin, Molineux, James Galway	Judy & George Lawler
Cycle of Bloom	Louise Estes	Kay Meyer
Fragrant Rose	Fragrant Cloud	Peggy Sherman
Mini-Flora Queen	Whirlaway	Willie Mae Burley
Mini-Flora King	Abby's Angel	Will Evans
Mini-Flora Princess	Powerhouse	Ralph & Jean Stream
One Bloom Miniflora Prince	Seattle Sunrise	J. Small
Mini Queen	Soroptimist Int'l	Ralph & Jean Stream
Mini King	$T_{\mathcal{Y}}$	J. Small
Mini Princess	Alysheba	Ralph & Jean Stream
Mini Prince	Montrose	Judy & George Lawler
Mini/Miniflora One bloom, fully open	Best of '04	Willie Mae Burley
Mini/Miniflora One bloom single/semi-double	My Sunshine	Judy & George Lawler
Any three mini sprays	Ricky Hedrick	
Three one-bloom miniature	Emma Grace & Bees Knees, Ty	James & Carolyn Small
Mini Rose Bowl	Emma Grace	Marilyn Bertch
Best of Show	Louise Estes	Kay Meyer
	ARRANGEMENT AWARDS	
	"Rhapsody in Roses"	

CLASS DESCRIPTION	VARIETY	EXHIBITOR(S)
ARS Royalty: Standard Traditional: Rhapsody in Blue	Pope John Paul	Marilyn Bertch
Standard Modern: Unchained Melody	Cherry Parfait	Mary Lou Harden
Standard Modern: Unchained Melody SILVER	Fourth of July	Marilyn Bertch
ARS Standard Arrangement Oriental Manner: Chop Sticks	Fourth of July	Marilyn Bertch
ARS Miniature Traditional: Moonlight and Roses	Memphis King	Marilyn Bertch
Novice Challenge: Rustle of Spring	Ketchup & Mustard	Mary Lou Harden

Correction

Greater Palm Beach Rose Society

April 27, 2013

Arrangements: "Birds and Blooms"				
Standard Arr Soar Like an Eagle	Honor	Debbie Coolidge	Oriental, Gold	
Miniature Arr Sings Like a Canary	Nashville Music	Jeff Hoffman	Oriental, Mini Gold	
Small Arr The First Robin of Spring	Veterans' Honor	Jeff Hoffman		
Judges Arr Light as a Feather Cajun Sunrise Jim Harrell				

Update from Wiregrass Rose Society

Wiregrass Rose Society		May 4, 2013
HT Queen	Snuffy	Faye Boyd
HT King	Black Magic	Glenn Schulman
HT Princess	Deidre Hall	Glenn Schulman
HT Court	Lady Rose	Elizabeth Armistead
HT Court	Gemini	Faye Boyd
HT Court	Hot Princess	Faye Boyd
Floribunda	Kanagem	Glenn Schulman
Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora Spray	White Success	Glenn Schulman
Floribunda Spray	Nicole	Elizabeth Armistead
Polyantha Spray	Perle d'Or	Matthew Orwat
Climber	Don Juan	Pat & Bill Wente
Classic Shrub	Lavender Lassie	Dennis Campbell
Modern Shrub	Knock Out	Pat & Bill Wente
Dowager Queen	Souvenir de la Malmaison	Matthew Orwat
Victorian	Paul Neyron	Joyce Dees
Novice	Christian Dior	Catherine Fancher
Painter's Palette	Scentimental, Valentine, First Edition, Hot Cocoa, Angel Face	Joyce Dees
English Box	Hot Princess, Marlon's Day, Elina	Glenn Schulman
Large Rose on Water	Tuscan Sun	Elizabeth Armistead
Miniature Queen	Joy	Joyce Dees
Miniature King	Erin Alonzo	Joyce Dees
Miniature Princess	Daddy Frank	J.F. Moore
Miniflora Queen	Memphis King	Joyce Dees
Miniflora King	Regina Lee	J.F. Moore
Miniature/Miniflora Spray	Little Woman	Joyce Dees
Miniature/Miniflora Painter's Palette	Sequoia Gold, Daddy's Little Girl, Cupcake, Ruby Ruby, All In A Twitter	Pat & Bill Wente
Miniature/Miniflora English Box	Joy, Memphis King, Erin Alonso	Joyce Dees
Sweepstakes		Joyce Dees
Arrangements		Elaine Norman



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Upcoming Events

September 20-22, 2013	American Rose Society Mini/Miniflora National Rose Show & Conference, Winston-Salem, NC. See <u>http://wsrs.us</u> , or contact James Richardson, 336-983-9618, <u>irrosebud@windstream.net</u> .
September 26, 2013	Roses In Review deadline, <u>www.stsrv.com/rir/rirsplsh.htm</u>
September 28-29, 2013	Augusta Rose Society 71st Annual Rose Show, Augusta Mall, Augusta, GA. Contact: Linda Boland, 706-394-9075, <u>bolandL42@me.com</u>
October 19-20, 2013	Tallahassee Rose Society Rose Show, Tallahassee, FL. Contact Pat Sanford, 850-519-3745, <u>wordhacker@centurylink.net</u>
October 25-27, 2013	DSD Fall Convention & Rose Show, Airport Hilton, West Palm Beach, FL. Contact Debbie Coolidge, 561-684-2421, geoffcoolidge@bellsouth.net.
November 9, 2013	Pensacola Rose Society Rose Show, Downtown Pensacola Library, 239 N. Spring Street, Pensacola, FL. Contact Mary Rentz, 850-626- 2474, <u>mrentz@birdpalace.com</u> or see <u>www.pensacolarosesociety.org</u> .
Nov. 15-17, 2013	Heritage Rose Foundation Annual Meeting & Conference, Lakeland, FL. See <u>www.heritagerosefoundation.org</u>
January 17-19, 2014	DSD Mid-Winter Meeting. Contact Chris Woods, 770-309-6302, cewoods1268@yahoo.com
May 9-12, 2014	2014 American Rose Society Spring Conference & Rose Show, San Diego, CA. See <u>http://arosefamilyholiday.com</u> , or contact Ruth Tiffany, 619-548-6950, <u>ruthsgarden@sms.com</u>
May 10-11, 2014	Greater Atlanta Rose Society Rose Show, Atlanta Botanical Garden. Contact Sara Coleman, 678-432-4792, <u>alsara.coleman@att.net</u>
July 24-27, 2014	2014 All Mini/Miniflora Conference. Contact Gus Banks, 609-267- 3809, 609-313-5482, <u>jerseyrose@verizon.net</u> .
October 15-20, 2014: ARS Fall Convention & Rose Show, Tyler, TX. Contact Jeff Ware, <u>execdirector@ars-hq.org</u> .	
September 9-13, 2015	ARS Fall Convention & Rose Show, Syracuse, NY

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