

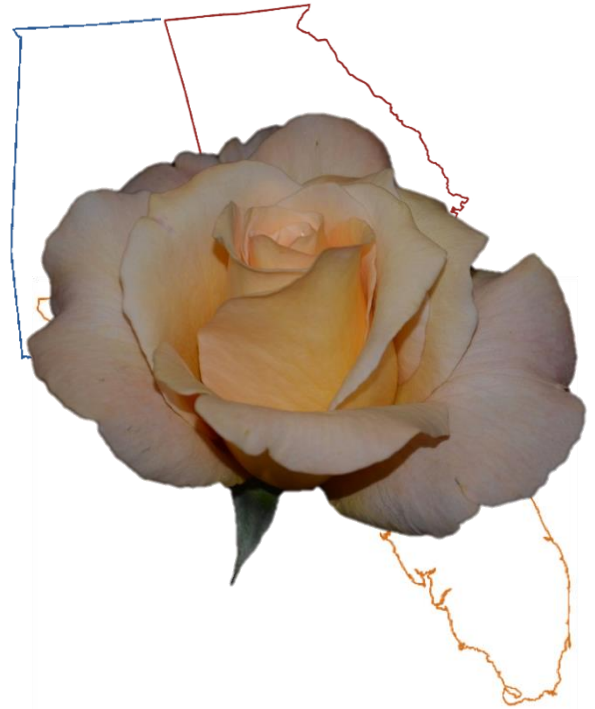
# The Bulletin

## Of the Deep South District

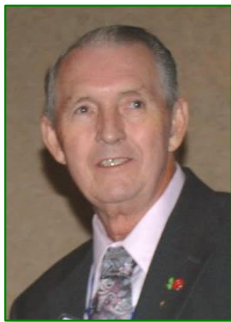
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## District Director's Report



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**For those of us** who were able to make the Atlanta area's DSD Fall Convention and Rose Show were pleasantly surprised. The hotel was one of the best we have experienced. The staff, meals, and hospitality were top rate. It is hard these days to find any facility to be flawless. If our host societies experienced any problems, they did not share them with me, so I have to assume they were very happy with the hotel's performance.

The weekend events were also flawless, entertaining, and educational. The rose show was near the top of my list for presentation and quality. I am sure all 90-plus attendees had a good time visiting and catching up with friends and enjoying the weekend. My thanks go out to *Cindy & Dave Dale* and *Linda & Walt Reed* who opened their rose gardens on Sunday morning. Their gardens were very nice, and we had really pleasant weather for the weekend as well. We all thank you, Greater Atlanta, South Metro, and Greater Gwinnett Rose Societies, and *Chris Woods* for heading up this event. Great job.

Now that cooler weather is here, we can all get out and breathe fresh air again. No better time of the year than fall in my opinion. These cooler days are very short-lived here in Florida, so get the demanding work done now. To make the best of the cooler temps Jean and I will be mulching all our flower and rose beds this fall and winter. We had not done any mulching for the past few years except a bag or two here and there. To cover everything with three inches of fresh mulch will require approximately 25 cubic yards, quite a pile in the driveway, but we will take our time, no big hurry. Then we have new roses sitting everywhere, lots of old plants need replacing. I never keep a rose very long if it starts showing poor health. Replacing them is the smart thing to do as it relieves our aggravation in watching favorite plants decline. I got this advice from an old friend years ago.

Along with winter comes our Mid-Winter Meeting. This year the Birmingham Rose Society is looking for us all to spend the weekend of January

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20-22 with them. As of this writing the complete schedule has not been presented to me for approval, but I do know they have a great lineup of speakers to keep us interested. The Mid-Winter Meeting is our most relaxed event of the year – there is no rose show – and we just show up and enjoy a no-pressure good time. If you have been away from our District meeting for a while you need to be attending again to rejuvenate your interest in what this, your district, is doing. I am always amazed in how much a few good workers can get done when they put their minds to a task.

At the 2016 Fall Convention, I was proud to announce that we now have all the Mid-Winter meetings and Fall Conventions confirmed through 2018. This runs for my first three-year term as DSD Director. This was one of my priority goals for my first year as Director. Our Deep South District Board of Directors will be meeting at the 2017 MWM in Birmingham. We will be looking at the task of how to improve membership for local societies and ARS. Brain-storming will also be part of the meeting to tackle other issues that you, our DSD members, may have. If you have a suggestion or thought, let me know so it can be addressed at the board meeting. We will also be having a General Session business meeting to address a few issues already in my hands. At this time, there are no business items needing votes, but each society needs to send one voting member and one alternate in case a vote is needed at the last minute. If an issue needs a DSD vote and there are no delegates, then the item may have to wait another full year. Let's all stay proactive and get our concerns addressed.

In closing, I want to thank everyone for your support and many kind words. I think we have made some good progress this year and I'm looking forward to working with you, our members, toward future improvements. We need to change with the times, not stay stagnant. Your help is greatly needed in most every aspect of our rose hobby. Let me know where you can help.

Have a great fall and winter.

**Ralph**

## A Rose Adventure

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**Jean and I** (Team Stream) began our journey with roses in 1974, three years after building our first home in Maryland. I have always been interested in gardening; my grandfather had 12 children and always a huge garden. He grew just about every vegetable you'll find in the produce aisle of supermarkets. He also loved flowers, and lots of them; he just did not have any roses that I can recall. This is where I came to appreciate the beauty that flowers can provide. Although granddad grew no roses, I can remember him bring my grandmother roses on special days.

At one home where my family lived there was a 12 to 15-foot fence row of red roses that I just loved tending. The roses were the decorative type; I spent many hours tending them, watering, deadheading, smelling the fragrance, and just sitting under them, just doing what boys do. I had no other involvement with roses until I met my wife Jean back in 1961. We were just kids, but it did not take long before we knew we were meant for each other. For the first eight to 10 years, I would do as granddad did, bring her roses



One of the Streams' many queens, this one is 'Moonstone' from the 2015 DSD Convention & Rose Show  
Photo by Bobbie Reed

on our special days. When our first home was built in 1971 I started a small rose garden, six plants I got from a Jackson & Perkins catalog. All but one plant died the first year. I found out later roses want lots of sunlight, so the next year I planted six new roses in a circle around our private water well; they flourished. The next year I did a few more. Did I mention all were hybrid teas?

We were not introduced to minis until a few years later, perhaps my fourth year of successful rose growing. The introduction came at a rose show Jean wanted to attend, just to go see what it was all about. I was reluctant, but did give in after her twisting my arm, so off we went. I guess this next scenario was like many rose growers, getting hooked. Yes, that show was all it took to hook me. I went around writing down names of all the roses I liked, a list of some 20 to 25 varieties. I went right to work after getting home the same day looking up who had these and where I could get them. That list included six miniatures. I can't remember just what they were, but I do remember killing all of them. I later was told by an old timer I had met at the show that the best way to start new minis is to grow them in pots, stepping them up as needed until they look like they are mature. Once they are mature they can be planted in the ground or just left in pots large enough to keep them happy. I did so with every new mini I bought thereafter and never lost a single plant. It gets very cold in the winter in Maryland where we lived, so protection was very important and a big job with 300+ plants. At this point by 1990 we were growing all the major classes of roses available up to the 1990s.



One of the Streams' recent wins was the ARS District McFarland Trophy at the 2016 DSD Convention & Rose Show. The winning roses included 'My Lady Barbara', 'Carolina Pride', 'Desperado', 'Jewel Grace', and 'Louise Estes'

Photo by Jean Stream

By the time we decided to move to Florida we were growing approximately 150 miniature plants and a few of the not-yet-miniflora class. Our very first rose show Queen was with the miniature 'Minnie Pearl', second was with 'Snow Bride', then 'Olympic Gold'. As we continued to show our roses before moving to Florida we had won 30+ Queens of show from all three classes, hybrid teas, miniatures and the new miniflora class. By then with the introduction of the new miniflora class we had an opportunity to win three Queens of show at one location/show, and as of this writing we have done so numerous times. To date we have been able to bring home our share of Queens of show, just over the century mark, since our humble beginnings; 2015 was the most prolific of all, winning 12 Queens from all three classes this year at five different shows.

Along the way in our rose showing participations we have met some real experts who really knew their stuff when it comes to showing roses. There were three men who encouraged us, saying "keep trying, your skills will improve". One such exhibitor/mentor, "Mr. M" really had a knack for grooming and presentation. He invited me to just stand over his shoulder and watch what a magician he was. He could turn a tulip into "Queen of Show" just by working the petals with his fingers. He taught me not to be afraid to move petals around to make them more uniform and symmetrical. Being mentored gave us confidence and direction. One thing that has stuck in my mind is to never take trash blooms to shows in hopes that they will get better; it never happens. Fresh blooms will always win. Jean insists that her arrangement blooms be cut no sooner than the day before the show. Traveling great distances to shows sometimes makes this a problem.



In short, I would say don't be afraid to try grooming your roses. Start by bringing a few inside and practice moving the petals, you will be surprised at what you can learn on your own. Ask any good exhibitor at a show if you can watch; I'm sure you will never get a "no" answer. Just wait until they are done to ask your questions. Time is short when trying to enter lots of specimens.

As of now my favorite hybrid tea is '*Moonstone*'; this variety has won nine Queens for us. My favorite miniflora is '*Tiffany Lynn*'; she has won seven Queens. Then the minis, '*Pierrine*' is at the top of my list, it has won six Queens; second best mini is '*Fairhope*', with five Queens. We currently have some new roses from these three classes that look mighty good; we'll see what happens.

I have been asked over the years by a number of rosarians how I am able to have such rich looking foliage and bright-colored blooms. I always answer them with the reply, experience. I then share a few of the almost best-kept secrets, one being organics, and lots of them, from planting medium to feeding stages. The organic I use is my own mix of six ingredients, all of an organic nature I learned a few years back. Most of what you buy nowadays has a lot of fillers; these do nothing for the growth aspect. They just lay on the ground and turn to muck. I also use a few chemical fertilizers and solubles as well. Sul-Po-Mag or K-mag has always been in my feeding program, applied every six weeks during the growing season to promote strong stems from the bud union and laterals on the canes. In Florida the growing season is every month; they just slow down in December and January but don't really stop growing.

In our move to Florida we had to leave behind all but a few of our rose plants that we decided to bring. These plants did not fare well; they did not like the hot Florida weather, especially the ones grafted on multiflora root stock. The own-root plants did a little better, but then the nematodes got to them as well. We soon learned at our local rose society that the '*Fortuniana*' root stock is what we needed our plants to grow on. Now we currently are growing just about 200 plants, with all but a few on '*Fortuniana*' root stock. We add a few new ones every year that come on their own roots. If I like them, I graft them on our preferred root stock. The grafted roses grow three times larger and have three to four times more blossoms compared to any other root system for Florida. So for us, 200 or so plants are all we need to take care of since they get so large.



The Stream garden in 2014

We grow most of our larger plants in raised beds with rich organic soil, while our minis and minifloras are grown in pots, except for a few like 'Whirlaway', 'Tiffany Lynn', and 'Gift of Love'. These and a few others get as large as the hybrid teas, six to seven foot high and four to five foot wide. Our other 58 minis and minifloras are all in pots raised off the ground to keep fire ants out. Our roses, no matter if hybrid teas, minis, or minifloras, all have an unbelievable amount of single stems and sprays blooms, I mean to say truckloads of them. The only drawback is the cleanup, by not deadheading at the proper time. I stopped growing the OGR class years ago, since I am a sanitation freak and don't like to see any leaves or petals in the beds. The other classes, similar to OGRs, can drop their petals in a heartbeat and I can't be in the garden every day to be cleaning them off the ground.

Keeping foliage clean and disease-free is a real job here in Florida. To be competitive at shows, I spray the roses every seven to ten days, using fungicides that are systemic and contact with different modes of action. I rotate four systemics and use the same contact fungicide (Dithane) every time I spray. Pesticides are used sparingly; I only use them when a problem comes up or just before a rose show to counteract the thrips problems; for the rest of the time I tolerate a few damaged blooms. As for the foliage, it is the life blood of the plant. Keeping it as perfect as possible all year long will definitely reward you with all the blooms you can enjoy. As mentioned above, spraying every seven to ten days with the proper products will do the trick. One other trick I use in every spray is Miracle-Gro all-purpose plant food, at one tablespoon per gallon of spray. It really gives the foliage a shine and it feeds some as well.

I keep thinking now and then, I have come a long way since granddad's vegetable garden, and wonder to myself why I don't just retire from showing while I have achieved a level of success. Then I say to myself, NOT QUITE YET. There are still so many really nice roses yet to see and grow that are still coming along. Over the past 40 or so years Jean and I have grown or should I say have tried at least 2,000+ roses of different varieties and classes, sometimes having two or three plants of the same variety, making the total number of plants much higher. All the roses we have tried and are no longer growing have either been given away, left at our first home 20+ years ago, or just trashed. We don't keep any variety that has no showing potential. Our garden has not grown in size for the past 10 years; we keep the same beds and rotate the roses and soil every two or three years if they are duds. Being a rose show Horticulture judge, I like to grow the latest roses, and will rotate 20 to 25 plants each year; the growers love me. My search for perfection will never end, so I just keep looking and buying. Some say I have an addiction, and maybe I do, but now and then we get one that stays forever; 'Louise Estes' is one such rose, a perfect blooming machine. These beautiful varieties keep me in the game, and what a great game it has been for us. Just remember, there are as many ways to grow roses as there are rosarians; if your way of growing works for you, then it can't be wrong.

Our motto is and always will be, grow and show what you love. Its rewards are in the challenge of growing, in the challenge of showing, and in the friends you make along the way.



The Streams also won the 2016 Deep South District Double English Box with 'My Lady Barbara' and 'Carolina Pride'.

Photo by Paul Colombo

## Horticulture Judges Review



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**The DSD held a judging seminar** at the District Convention in Atlanta on October 7, 2016, that satisfied the four-hour audit requirement for our accredited judges. Topics covered included judging ethics, penalization and disqualification, judging miniatures and minifloras, judging sprays and collections, and judging OGRs and shrubs. There was also a discussion on the attire judges should wear

while judging rose shows. The consensus among participants was that judges should dress to fit the occasion. Male judges often wear a tie and sports jacket and women judges wear suits, pants suits, or similar attire. Certainly blue jeans and a pullover shirt are not appropriate attire for such occasions.

In looking over my list of DSD Horticultural judges, I notice that six judges need to complete an audit by the end of this year. In 2017, those who have not met the audit requirement will be placed on inactive status, meaning they will no longer be able to judge ARS-accredited rose shows. I will post an updated list of active judges on the DSD website in early January. If you are placed on inactive status, you have two options to remain accredited. You could attend a four-hour judges seminar or a judge's school in another district and be reaccruited for another four years. The next school or seminar in the DSD will not take place until 2018. Alternatively, you could be reaccruited for one year by going through electronic recertification. If you are interested in electronic recertification, please contact me.

I am pleased to welcome three new apprentice horticulture judges to our ranks, **Sara Coleman**, **Barbara McFarlen**, and **Linda Krontz Schuppener**. Please invite these apprentice judges to your shows. They will need to successfully judge five shows to be fully accredited. Don't forget to send in the evaluation forms to ARS. I understand there have been some issues (nationwide) with submission of the evaluation forms. Please be conscientious and submit the evaluation forms promptly.

A discussion has been ongoing among District Chairs of Judges about how to judge collections, particularly if members of a placement committee rather than the exhibitor have placed them on the show table. If someone other than the exhibitor accidentally moves the flowers to a different position it may detract from the overall presentation. Collections are classified as a challenge class in some schedules but not in others. Exhibitors usually place exhibits in a Challenge Class. These exhibits may not be moved, except by the exhibitor. In other schedules, collections are treated as any other exhibit and placed on the show table by the placement committee. The concern expressed on the Horticultural Judging committee is that specimens in a collection may be moved to a position not desired by the exhibitor and that may affect how they are judged. Personally, I haven't seen much of a problem with specimen movement since the advent of the green Styrofoam wedge, but others seem to be concerned. One proposal to address this issue is to just judge the horticultural excellence of the individual specimens and ignore the



Discussing roses at the judges seminar.  
Photo by Jean Stream



Our new apprentice judges: Linda Schuppener, Sara Coleman, Barbara McFarlen.  
Photo by Bobbie Reed

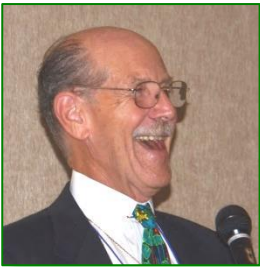


arrangement. I don't like this proposal, as I believe the arrangement of the flowers is an important aspect of the overall exhibit. Another suggested option is to treat all collections as challenge classes and have them placed by the exhibitor. In that case, the pleasing arrangement of specimens would be an additional criterion for judging beyond the horticultural excellence of the specimens. Right now, the consensus seems to be to leave this issue to the local schedule writers rather than address it in the Guidelines. The question is certainly one for thought.

It is time again to fill out your annual horticultural judge's report. I will be sending forms out by e-mail in early December. Please submit these in a timely fashion. Several of our judges are finding it more difficult to judge due to advancing age and health. If you are thinking about retiring from judging, contact me to begin the process of elevating you to emeritus status.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season. We can all look forward to the spring that, in my garden, produces the best roses of the year. I am just hoping not to be dealing with downy mildew again this winter. That would certainly ruin my holiday.

## Arrangements Judges Chair



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**The 2016 rose season** is over and we should all be making plans for the upcoming year. I hope all of you had fun in your forays into rose arranging this year and are making plans to try even more new and creative things in 2017.

Congratulations to the DSD Challenge Class winners at the Fall District Rose Show. *Sara Coleman* won the Deep South District Challenge Trophy and *Joanne Maxheimer* won the District Director Miniflora Arrangement Trophy.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the District show this year, for the first time in many years, but I understand that participation in the Arrangement section of the District Show was good this year. However, more of you still need to step up and accept the challenge of exhibiting at the District Show. I know it takes planning and effort to bring arrangements to a District Show, but it is important for you to participate.

We will have an Arrangement Seminar on Friday at the Mid-Winter Meeting in Birmingham, plan to be there! *Sandy Dixon* has found some interesting mechanics for us to use to improve our use of space in arrangements. This will be the focus of our workshop, and you will have a fun new toy to take home and use to make better arrangements! The registration fee will be only \$15 for the seminar. We'll provide the flowers but please bring your pruners and some line material and filler to use in the arrangements. Hope you can attend.



Here are the big arrangement winners from the DSD 2016 rose show. Top is the Deep South District Challenge, "The King and Queen Buildings", won by Sara Coleman. Below is the District Director's Miniflora Challenge, "Ice Storm", won by Joanne Maxheimer.

Photos by Paul Colombo



Attention arrangement judges! Your Annual Judge's Reports for 2016 are due by February 1. You will soon receive the form by e-mail as a PDF. If you have the current version of Adobe Acrobat Reader you may fill out the form in the PDF and return it to me by e-mail. You may also print it, then fill it out and return it by regular mail, if you are not comfortable using the electronic format. For those of you who still don't have e-mail, I will mail it to you.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year,

*Jim*

## Consulting Rosarian Report



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**Consulting Rosarians (CRs):** Thanks to all of you for your continuing support of the rose and your local societies!

**!!NEWS FLASH!!** **Rose Rosette Virus Disease** has established in Georgia north of Atlanta and in Alabama north of Birmingham, according to Dr. Mark Windham. There are still no reports of it having established in Florida. The reports from three northern counties that led to the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences RRV Pest Alert in early 2014 turned out to be on plants brought to Florida from the north.

You must know the symptoms of this disease! Here is a link to the Florida alert: <http://nwdistrict.ifas.ufl.edu/phag/files/2014/02/Rose-Rosette-Virus-Pest-Alert.pdf>  
Contact your county agents immediately if you suspect this dread disease.

RRV is devastating roses in many areas of the country. There is no known cure—pruning out infected canes is now thought to be a very risky, short-sighted policy which probably won't save the plant for more than two years and seems to increase the risk of RRV spreading to nearby roses.

Dr. David Byrne of Texas A&M is leading the \$4.6 million dollar USDA research project on RRV. He recently held a progress report meeting in Texas November 10-11. Included below is Dr. Mark Windham's brief summary from the meeting. See the DSD website Library for Dr. Windham's March 2016 PowerPoint about RRV.

**CR School:** The annual DSD CR school will be held at the Mid-Winter Meeting in Birmingham, AL, January 22, 2017, 8AM. Please encourage your qualified local members to complete the application package and send it to me before **December 7th**. The key requirements are to have grown a wide variety of roses for five years, to be currently a member of the ARS for three consecutive years, and ACTIVE in a local ARS society. The forms and the current **CR Manual** are available for download on the DSD web site.

We have a tremendous array of speakers for the school:

Pests and Diseases: **Dr. Allen Owings**, Louisiana State University Extension Service and ARS Gulf District Director.





Fertilizers: Ms. **Gaye Hammond**, Houston Rose Society and Earth-Kind™ roses program.

Soil and Water: Mrs. **Cathy Farmer**, Greater Atlanta Rose Society, former author of the *American Rose* beginners' column.

Pesticides and Chemical Safety: **Phil Paul**, Bradenton-Sarasota Rose Society, DSD Web Master, former editor of ARS Mini/Miniflora Bulletin.

**NEW MASTER ROSARIANS:** Congratulations to our three new Master Rosarians: **Tom Burke** of the Central Florida and Orlando Area Heritage Rose Societies, **Joyce Dees** of the Wiregrass Rose Society, and **Gloria Purnell** of the Birmingham Rose Society. CRs are eligible for Master Status after having served ten years as an active CR. Master status reflects the appreciation and respect of the American Rose Society (ARS) for ten years of hard work in support of the rose and the goals of the ARS. It also reaffirms your commitment to continue active service to your local rose society and the rose.

In 2017, 21 DSD CRs who are not Master Rosarians will have served as CRs for at least ten years. I hope that all will “re-up” and reaffirm their commitment to the rose by seeking Master status.

**Outstanding Consulting Rosarian 2016:** Congratulations to **Glenn Schulman** of the Pensacola Rose Society who was recognized at the October DSD convention as the Outstanding CR for 2016. This “lifetime achievement” award specially recognizes the tremendous service by Glenn as a CR since 1991.

**ROSES IN REVIEW:** Thanks to all of you who rated roses in the annual survey. Most of the listed roses were those varieties in their second year in commerce. I hope you submitted a report even if you aren't growing any of the new roses.

**CONSULTING ROSARIAN MANUAL REVISION:** The *CR Manual* was revised this past summer to include a better description of rose mosaic virus. The *CR Manual* had been updated in 2015 to include more information about rose rosette virus disease. However, the information is already out of date. For more complete information, download from the DSD website library Dr. Mark Windham's presentation to the Jacksonville Rose Society in March 2016. <http://deepsouthdistrict.org/dsd-library/>.

**ANNUAL REPORTS:** Please complete your annual CR Report. Please use the form on the DSD website. I've modified the ARS report to collect more local data. Return by e-mail is preferred, or snail mail still works. Or give it to me at the Mid-Winter Meeting in Birmingham. Please submit by January 23, 2017.

**SEMINARS FOR AUDIT CREDIT:** It's encouraging that many of you are recognizing that educational local rose programs can be pre-approved to meet the continuing-education requirements to update CR currency. If you update your currency through seminars, one must be pesticides and chemical safety.

Have a wonderful holiday season and enjoy the brief break from rose care.



## Summary of the Rose Rosette Meeting November 10-11, 2016

By Mark Windham, PhD, University of Tennessee

**Various labs**, including ones at Texas A&M, Arkansas, Oklahoma State, Florida and the USDA ARS continue to investigate the genome of RRV so that tests can be developed that are more sensitive for detecting very small amounts of RRV in roses. These findings are being used to develop PCR-based diagnostic tests. A USDA lab is working on serological diagnostic assays. These assays may not be as sensitive as the PCR tests, but may lead to test kits that can be used by growers to assay for virus infections in stock plants without expensive equipment and extensive lab training. Scientists at Texas A&M and Oklahoma State are going to test all the different assays that have been developed for detection of RRV and determine which give the most consistent (reliable) results in the fastest and most economical manner.

Dr. Jim Amrine and Dr. Ron Ochoa gave excellent reviews of the eriophyid mite, *Phyllocoptes fructiphilus*, concerning the mite's biology and ecology. Best management plan development is focused on identifying cultural controls (barriers, spacing, etc.) miticides, and antiviral compounds. Questions were raised as to how mites survive dissemination in air currents and what environmental factors affect mite survival and if those factors could be used to predict where the disease may become established.

Resistance screening efforts in Tennessee, Delaware, and Texas continue to shorten a long list of plants that might have resistance to RRV. Many potential candidates for resistance have been eliminated. Roses being screened for RRV resistance in Tennessee and Delaware are being screened for blackspot resistance and *Cercospora* leaf spot resistance in Texas. Efforts at Texas A&M to understand rose genetics and develop rapid, efficient breeding technologies are being pushed since with current technology it could take a minimum of seven and more likely 15+ years to develop resistant cultivars once resistant germplasm is identified.

Economists are looking to understand the effects of RRV on the rose industry and to determine how the public would view and be willing to pay for RRV-resistant roses. Rose industry leaders are worried about the threat RRV poses toward their industry and encouraged people to work as hard as possible for solutions. Efforts are underway to get information learned through research into the hands of stakeholders as rapidly as possible by using cutting-edge information-sharing technologies. Finally, frank discussions were held as to what has been accomplished to date, what is left to do and where do we go in the future with research based on what we have learned in the last three years.

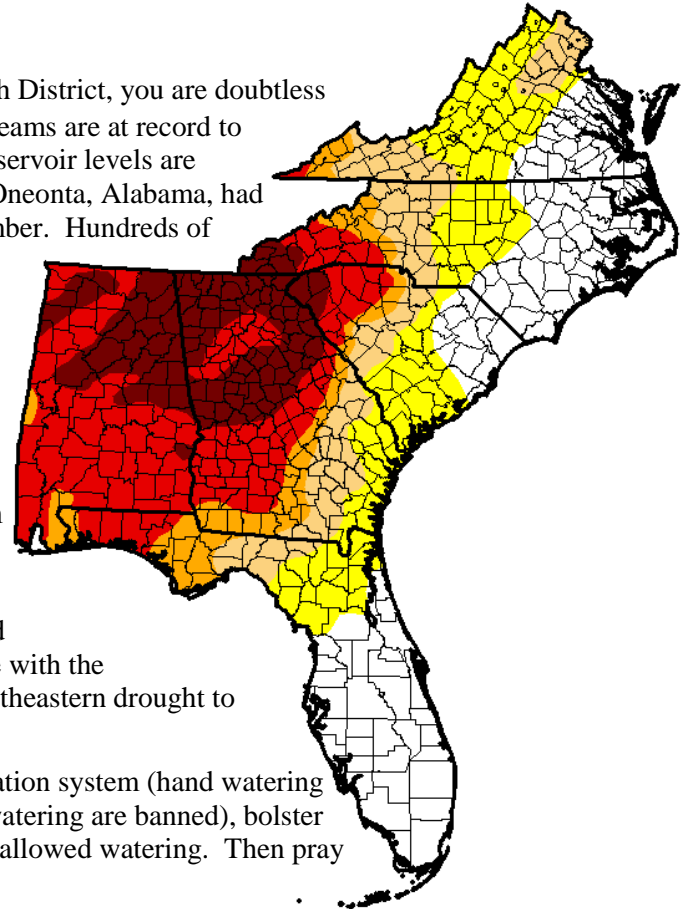


Rose Rosette Disease on  
a bush at the Missouri  
Botanical Garden  
Photo from the Missouri Botanical Garden

# Got Drought?

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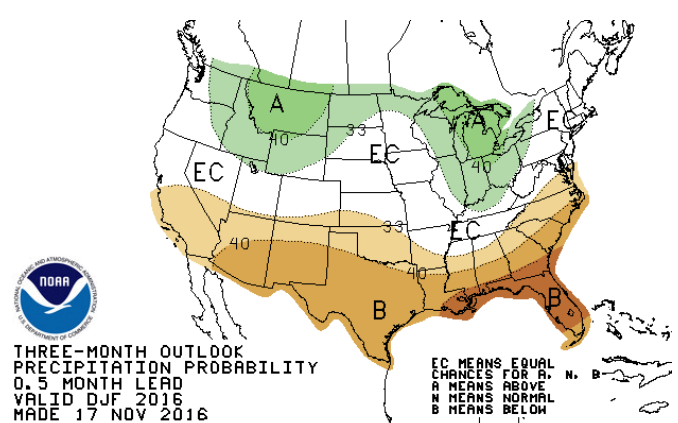
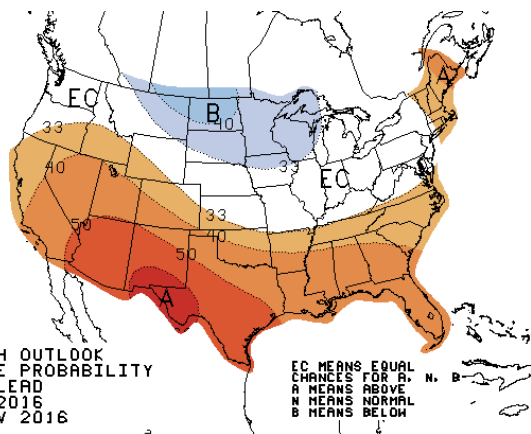
**If you live in** the northern half of the Deep South District, you are doubtless aware of the continuing drought visiting us this year. Streams are at record to near-record low levels. Farm ponds are drying up and reservoir levels are dropping. Lake Lanier is now ten feet below full pool. Oneonta, Alabama, had gone 95+ days without rainfall through the end of November. Hundreds of wildfires have broken out across the northern part of our district. Rain in the last couple of days in November was welcome, but did little to change the situation. Watering restrictions have been announced for Alabama and Georgia.



“Exceptional” drought in northern Alabama and Georgia can affect water supplies throughout the southern half of the states and in Florida. We won’t even mention the effect on our tri-state water wars.

So what do we have to look forward to? The National Weather Service predicts warmer than usual and drier than usual weather for the next three months, in line with the current La Niña weather pattern. That will allow the Southeastern drought to persist and spread.

That makes this a good time to review your irrigation system (hand watering and drip irrigation may be allowed when other types of watering are banned), bolster your mulch, and adjust fertilization to match rainfall and allowed watering. Then pray for rain!





## Roses in Review



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**The 2016 Roses in Review** (RIR) report deadline was September 26<sup>th</sup> and we'd like to thank all DSD rosarians who participated. When the 2018 ARS *Handbook for Selecting Roses* comes out next year you can feel good about contributing to a publication that is heavily relied upon by so many rose growers.

This year 68 DSD reporters contributed 343 reviews on 124 rose varieties! Another 40 DSD rosarians participated by reporting that they grew none of this year's reviewable roses for a total of 108 reporters. This is an increase of 29% over last year's 84 reporters! Consulting and Master Rosarians are no longer required to send in reviews to keep their certification but they are expected to participate. Sixty-six of our DSD CRs/MRs (out of a total of 120) participated this year for one of the highest participation rates in years. This translates to 55% of our CRs who reported compared to 38% last year (when we were the 5<sup>th</sup> lowest of the 18 ARS districts) for a 17% increase!

As laudable as these increases are, we still have a long way to go. Considering that our district includes all the local societies of Alabama, Georgia, and Florida, 108 reporters is not nearly enough. Also, page 1-2 of the *Consulting Rosarian Manual* states that, "Consulting Rosarians should be active in furthering the cause and interests of the American Rose Society in whatever way they can," but just slightly over half our CRs/MRs chose to do this through their RIR participation. Hopefully, we can do better next year.

In the next newsletter, we'll break down the highest garden ratings by rose classification for our district to give you some suggestions for your spring purchases.

Thanks again for your input in "Roses in Review."

## From the Treasurer



By Kay Harrell, *Master Rosarian*  
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**Congratulations to all** of the DSD's local Rose Societies! Every one of our local rose societies have paid their annual dues for 2016 to the DSD during the DSD's fiscal year which ended 9/30/16. Furthermore, as we go to press, one local society, Marion County, has already paid its annual dues for 2017! Please encourage your local society to send in its dues soon so that you, too, can join this proactive group. Unfortunately, two local societies, Savannah and Fort Myers, have not responded to our repeated requests for 2016 dues. If any of you know what has happened to them, please let us know.

FYI – these annual dues or, if you prefer, *contributions*, that are paid annually by each local society to the DSD, are used to pay the nominal but ongoing expenses of the



DSD. Local societies with 100 or more members are asked to pay \$50/year and those with less than 100 members are asked for only \$25/year. According to the DSD's by-laws, these dues are supposed to be paid by the end of May. Of course, we'll all be busy with our roses at that time, so why not send your dues in now, as Marion County did?

Thank you,

*Kay Harnell*, DSD Treasurer

121 Shore Rush Circle, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

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## Website Update



By Phil Paul, *Consulting Rosarian*

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**The website has just been updated** to prepare us for the 2017 Mid-Winter Meeting and we added several other updates. These are all listed in the material below.

We update the website frequently. To make it easier to know what's new we have set up the first tab to list the changes or new material added since the last *Bulletin* was issued. See "What's New on the Web?"

Below you will see the current contents of that page. We get many questions about information you need that can easily be found on our Website, so periodically look at this section and browse the Organization, Photo Gallery, Resources Tab, and the DSD Library tabs for the details.

I notice that it has been a long time since we have received any of your great articles that would be great to share with other DSD Members. Please take a minute and send them to me. We need each of you to contribute to keep our information current.

Committee Chairs, please consider frequent updates in your areas. This is a great way to communicate your activities.

I just removed the "Editors' Forum" since it is so out of date. I believe the last update was in 2014. It would be great if one of our editors would be willing to work with me in making this a useful tool for all our editors again!!

Remember to send information on your events to me, as well as to *Bobbie Reed* (at 770-979-4237 or [berdks@mindspring.com](mailto:berdks@mindspring.com)). The Website gives you the ability to get your information posted between issues of the *Bulletin*. Every day you get your material communicated is a day more that our members can be aware of what is available across the whole district. Every event should be posted in both the *Bulletin* and the Website ASAP!

Here are the newest changes to our Website (updated 11-15-16)

### In the Upcoming Events Tab:

See the DSD and local Rose Shows and Conferences for 2017

See the Dates, Registration Form, Schedule, and Speakers' List for the DSD 2017 Mid-Winter Meeting



See information on the scheduled CR Class on January 22

**In the Organization Tab:**

The updated DSD bylaws approved in July 2016 by the ARS Board are included in this section.

The UPDATED 2016 Horticulture Judges list has just been added to this section.

Note: Local Societies, please review your listing and submit any changes.

Call or send a note to *Sara Coleman*, DSD Secretary, at 678-432-4792 or [alsara.coleman@att.net](mailto:alsara.coleman@att.net)

**In the Photo Gallery Tab:**

2013 Photography Awards

2014 Photography Awards

**In the Resources Tab:**

The 2016 *Bulletins* are now posted on the DSD *Bulletin* Page. The Fall 2016 *BULLETIN* was posted as of 9/20

All *Bulletin* issues from 2011 through 2015 are in the "**Bulletin Archives Tab**"

The Event Preparation Tab is now a part of Resources AND INCLUDES A NEW SET OF GUIDELINES FOR DISTRICT SHOWS

**In the Consulting Rosarian Section:**

A newly updated *ARS Consulting Rosarian Manual* was issued in August of 2016. It is posted as the last entry in the Consulting Rosarian Section. The CR test (given at the Mid-Winter Meeting) will be based on this new edition of the CR Manual. You can copy it to your computer easily as it is a PDF file.

A list of all DSD CRs has been updated and added by *Wayne Myers* 12/31/15

If you are a CR and we didn't post your name or if other information about your CR efforts needs changing, please contact *Wayne Myers*, CR Chair, [wayneiacroses@gmail.com](mailto:wayneiacroses@gmail.com) and *Phil Paul*, Webmaster, [roseguy-pfp@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:roseguy-pfp@tampabay.rr.com).

**In the DSD Library Tab:**

The Library has been completely reorganized so that you can easily scan all the topics available to you. PLEASE consider contributing your best articles! (Send to webmaster, e-Mail address above)

Two new articles have been added to the library on 7-20-2016

Please let me know if you see any omissions or errors on the website. Please send articles!





## Membership Matters

By Chris VanCleave, *Consulting Rosarian*  
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**As the chairman** for the upcoming Mid-Winter Meeting for the Deep South District, I want to personally invite you to come to Birmingham in January to be a part of this event.

Your engaged participation in district events will broaden your knowledge base, expand your friends list, and you'll just have a whole lot of fun.

The first district meeting I ever attended, I didn't know what to expect. True to form, I jumped in head first and had a blast. At a minimum, you'll hear from some fantastic speakers, eat some good food, and have an opportunity to learn from the masters at the Arrangements Seminar and the Consulting Rosarian School. For me, the best part of these events is the feeling of support and camaraderie that you take home with you. It's in knowing that you are not alone in your quest to grow great roses and grow a great rose society. That through our network of local rose societies in the Deep South District, together we can accomplish much.

Check out the Deep South District website, [www.DeepSouthDistrict.org](http://www.DeepSouthDistrict.org), or [www.BirminghamRose.org](http://www.BirminghamRose.org) for registration details. See you in January.

*Chris VanCleave*



## Call for Nominations for the Miniature and Miniflora Rose Hall of Fame

Dr. Jim Hering, Co-Chairman, ARS Miniature/Miniflora Rose Committee

**The ARS Miniature and Miniflora Rose Hall of Fame** honors miniature and miniflora roses that have stood the test of time in commerce for at least 20 years. Now, it is your opportunity to participate in this process by sending in your nomination(s), (five or less). A short list of the most popular miniature and miniflora roses that are 20 years or older can be found at the end of this article. Criteria for the Hall of Fame can be summarized as follows:

1. The variety must have been introduced at least 20 years prior to the year the award is given. Introduction date will be verified by the latest edition of *Modern Roses*.
2. There can be multiple winners in any year.
3. Varieties for consideration are solicited from the general membership through an announcement in the *American Rose* magazine, on the ARS website, in the *Miniature Rose Bulletin* and in district and local bulletins. Nominations are to be sent by March 1, 2017 to:

Dr. Jim Hering  
1050 Kingwood Drive



Marion, OH 43302  
[rosehering@roadrunner.com](mailto:rosehering@roadrunner.com)

4. The Co-Chairman of the Miniature/Miniflora Rose Committee will prepare the tabulations for selection by the full committee by ballot.
5. Formal announcement of the winner(s) will take place at the ARS National Miniature Rose Conference.

**PREVIOUS WINNERS**

**ELECTED IN 1999**

**Starina**, 1964, Meilland  
**Beauty Secret**, 1972, Moore  
**Magic Carrousel**, 1972, Moore  
**Rise'n'Shine**, 1977, Moore  
**Party Girl**, 1979, Saville

**ELECTED IN 2000**

**Cinderella**, 1953, de Vink  
**Mary Marshall**, 1970, Moore

**ELECTED IN 2001**

**Green Ice**, 1971, Moore  
**Jeanne Lajoie**, 1976, Sima

**ELECTED IN 2002**

**Cupcake**, 1981, Spies

**ELECTED IN 2003**

**Snow Bride**, 1982, Jolly  
**Little Jackie**, 1982, Saville

**ELECTED IN 2004**

**Minnie Pearl**, 1982, Saville  
**Red Cascade**, 1976, Moore

**ELECTED IN 2005**

**Jean Kenneally**, 1986, Bennett  
**Rainbow's End**, 1986, Saville

**ELECTED IN 2006**

**Giggles**, 1987, King  
**Black Jade**, 1985, Benardella

**ELECTED IN 2007**

**Pierrine**, 1988, M. Williams

**ELECTED IN 2008**

**Irresistible**, 1989, Bennett  
**Fairhope**, 1989, Pete & Kay Taylor

**ELECTED IN 2009**

**Gourmet Popcorn**, 1986, Desamero  
**Luis Desamero**, 1988, Bennett  
**Tiffany Lynn**, 1985, N. Jolly

**ELECTED IN 2010**

**Chelsea Belle**, 1991, P. & K. Taylor  
**Grace Seward**, 1991, Bennett  
**Fancy Pants**, 1986, King

**ELECTED IN 2011**

**Kristin**, 1992, Benardella  
**Olympic Gold**, 1983, N. Jolly

**ELECTED IN 2012**

**Hot Tamale**, 1993, Zary  
**X-Rated**, 1993, Bennett

**ELECTED IN 2013**

**My Sunshine**, 1986, Bennett  
**Peggy "T"**, 1988, King

**Winsome**, 1984, Saville

**ELECTED IN 2014**

**Soroptimist International**, 1995,  
 Benardella

**Incognito**, 1995, Bridges

**ELECTED IN 2015**

**Glowing Amber**, 1996, Mander

**ELECTED IN 2016**

**Miss Flippins**, 1997, Tucker



**A BRIEF LIST OF ELIGIBLE MINIATURE & MINI-FLORA ROSES**

<b>Acey Deucy</b>	<b>Apricot Twist</b>	<b>Baby Grand</b>	<b>Baby Katie</b>	<b>Baby Secret</b>
<b>Bambino</b>	<b>Behold</b>	<b>Cachet</b>	<b>Caesar's Rose</b>	<b>Cal Poly</b>
<b>Crazy Dottie</b>	<b>Cuddles</b>	<b>Dazzler</b>	<b>Dee Bennett</b>	<b>Elfinglo</b>
<b>Figurine</b>	<b>Gail</b>	<b>Halo Fire</b>	<b>Halo Today</b>	<b>Holy Toledo</b>
<b>Innocence</b>	<b>Jennifer</b>	<b>June Laver</b>	<b>Kayla</b>	<b>Lavender Delight</b>
<b>Lavender Spoon</b>	<b>Linville</b>	<b>Little Mermaid</b>	<b>Memphis Queen</b>	<b>Millie Walters</b>
<b>Mobile Jubilee</b>	<b>Mothers Love</b>	<b>Old Glory</b>	<b>Over the Rainbow</b>	<b>Overnight Scentsation</b>
<b>Pacesetter</b>	<b>Peaches'n'Cream</b>	<b>Playgold</b>	<b>Poker Chip</b>	<b>Popcorn</b>
<b>Pucker Up</b>	<b>Red Minimo</b>	<b>Roller Coaster</b>	<b>Rose Gilardi</b>	<b>Ruby Pendant</b>
<b>Scentsational</b>	<b>Si</b>	<b>Simplex</b>	<b>Stars'n'Stripes</b>	<b>Suzu</b>
<b>Sweet Chariot</b>	<b>Sweet Revenge</b>	<b>Teddy Bear</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>Toy Clown</b>
<b>Twister</b>	<b>Vista</b>			

**SOME ROSES ELIGIBLE FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR**

<b>Absolutely</b>	<b>Ace of Diamonds</b>	<b>Amy Grant</b>	<b>Barbie</b>	<b>Bees Knees</b>
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Cl. Rainbows End	Dorothy Rose	Dreamrider	Frivolous	Gizmo
Halo Karol	Heartsounds	Honey Butter	Jingle Bells	Judy Robertson
Lasting Impression	Lemon Pearl	Lionheart	Little Brother	Little Flame
Little Tommy Tucker		Moonlight & Roses	Odessa	Prophecy
Raspberry Punch	Raspberry Sunblaze	Watchfire	Sis	Summer Harvest
Tiffany Lite	Tropical Twist		White Sunshine	Wild Plum

The 2017 ARS National Miniature Rose Show and Conference will be held in Arcadia, CA, April 20-23, 2017. Contact Chris Greenwood, [CrisGreen1@aol.com](mailto:CrisGreen1@aol.com) for information.

## Driving Miss Rosey to Atlanta

By **Bobbie Reed**, Master Rosarian  
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**Every fall we gather** to celebrate friendship and roses in the Deep South District. This year, we gathered in Atlanta, GA, on October 7-9. Our convention happened to coincide with the visit of Hurricane Matthew; what better way to evacuate for a hurricane than by heading for sunshine and roses and a weekend with friends? Actually, our hotel was the landing zone for many evacuees, especially the ones with pets – I made several new doggy friends over the weekend.

After months of planning and meeting and getting ready, the festivities began with a judges’ seminar on Friday. **Jim Small** arranged for presentations by **Cindy Dale, Linda & Walt Reed**, and **Bobbie Reed**, which generated some heated discussions. It was a most enlightening afternoon.

The Welcome Dinner, in addition to some great southern food, included **Alba Sequeira**’s Rosarian Bingo. As **Sara Coleman** described it, “We found out things from other rosarians that we did not know and some things that we probably should not know, but everyone had a wonderful time mingling around the room to find answers.” If you won one of those miniature African violets, I promise you will enjoy it.

Then came the rose show. Both exhibitors and show staff were up early on Saturday (I suspect some never went to bed) bringing beautiful roses and arrangements to share. We had planned to have as many classes to enter as possible to attract the most exhibitors, and out of 59 horticulture classes, 45 had entries – and 172 entries, almost



Delores Snellgrove of South Carolina was delighted to have won all the hybrid tea royalty: Queen with ‘*Gemini*’, King with ‘*Mavrik*’, Princess with ‘*Desperado*’.

Photo by Sheree Wright



400 roses. In 25 classes for arrangements, 20 had entries, for a total of 27 entries. We challenged all our local exhibitors to make entries in this show, and they came through. We all had a great time.

Horticulture brought us queens in hybrid teas, ‘*Gemini*’ by Delores Snellgrove of South Carolina; in miniatures, ‘*Renegade*’ by **Ray Gillebeau** of Florida; in minifloras, ‘*Whirlaway*’ by **Ken & Debbie Wilkinson** of Georgia; and in Old Garden Roses, ‘*Green Rose*’ and ‘*Rosette Delizy*’ by **Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz** of Georgia. The special challenge group winners were **Ralph & Jean Stream**, who won both the McFarland and the DSD Double English Box trophies; **Ray Gillebeau**, who won both the Ralph Moore and Director’s Miniflora Rose Trophy; and **Ken & Debbie Wilkinson**, who won the Katy Lampkin Trophy. Arrangements were just as competitive. **Sara Coleman** won the Deep South District Challenge trophy. **Joanne Maxheimer** won the District Director’s Miniflora Challenge. While the show was open to visitors for only three hours, we were visited by convention attendees, hotel guests, and hotel staff, who all enjoyed the beautiful displays.

Meanwhile, there were speakers upstairs. Sadly I didn’t get to hear them while I worked on the show, but I heard great things about them. **Dave Dale**’s program on stamps on roses, **Connie Vierbicki**’s program on David Austin roses, **Karen Radde**’s program on roses being trialed at the University of Georgia, and Jeff Garrett’s program all received rave reviews.

The Awards Banquet featured more great food and a chance to celebrate our accomplishments. In addition to the presentation of show awards, other industrious DSD members were honored, including Outstanding Consulting Rosarian, **Glenn Schulman**, and Outstanding Judge, **Alice Boyd**. You’ll hear about the ARS Silver Honor Medal winner at the Mid-Winter Meeting in Birmingham. We finished up dancing the night away – well, some of us danced while others wandered to the lobby or the hospitality suite, and others retired early.

About thirty people enjoyed the Sunday morning garden tours, hosted by **Cindy & Dave Dale** and **Linda & Walt Reed**.

I’d like to express our thanks to all the folks who participated at the convention, especially the many, many volunteers who helped in planning, in preparation of show materials, in set-up and take-down, in speaking, and in exhibiting at the show, and everything else it takes to put together a first-class convention. Also, I have special thanks to those who helped my husband **Don Schwarz** get around the hotel; he’s now had his hip replacement surgery and is doing much better.



Among the beautiful blooms were ‘*Renegade*’, the mini queen exhibited by Ray Gillebeau, and the ‘*Wild Blue Yonder*’ collection which won Best in Show, exhibited by Linda Schuppener  
Photos by Paul Colombo



Ray Gillebeau won The Director’s Miniflora Rose Trophy with ‘*Whirlaway*’, ‘*Bold Ruler*’, ‘*Tammy Clemons*’, ‘*Lady E’owyn*’, ‘*Power Point*’  
Photo by Jean Stream

## Roses on Trial

**There are two international rose trials** in the United States. The one closest to us is at the **Biltmore Estate** in Asheville, NC. This year Cindy Dale, George Ann Hamilton, Lyndy Myers, Tina Lovvorn-VanCleave, and Marci Martin were among the judges there.

(Photo right by Chris VanCleave)

Since 2011, Biltmore's historic Rose Garden has been home to the trials in which more than 150 varieties from growers and breeders worldwide have been planted and cared for by Biltmore's expert horticulturalists.



'*Polar Express Sunbelt*' (photo left by Leeann Donnelly at [www.biltmore.com/blog](http://www.biltmore.com/blog)), bred by Kordes (KORblixmu), took the top award: the George and Edith Vanderbilt Award for Most Outstanding Rose of the Trials. In addition to winning Best in Show, '*Polar Express Sunbelt*' won the Edith Wharton Award for Best Floribunda, and the William Cecil Award for Best Growth Habit.

'*Honeymoon Arborose*', bred by Kordes (KORhemtra), was the winner of the Gilded Age Award for Best Climber and the Lord Burleigh Award for Most Disease Resistant. (Photo right by Leeann Donnelly)



'*Double 10*', bred by Ping Lim (LIM10), was the winner of the Pauline Merrell Award for Best Hybrid Tea. (Photo left by Leeann Donnelly)





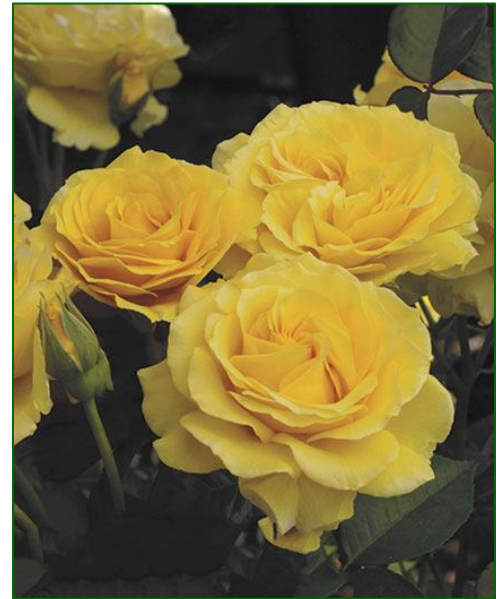
‘*The Lark Ascending*’, bred by David Austin Roses (Ausursula), was winner of the Chauncey Beadle Award for Best Shrub. (Photo right by Leeann Donnelly)



## Rose Hills

The other rose trial is held each year in Whittier, CA. The annual rose trials at Rose Hills are one of four signatory International Rose Trials held within the Pacific Rim countries of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, and the United States, referred to as the “Pacific Accords of Rose Friendship.” Roses are judged by over 70 rosarians from all over the USA over a two year test period. This year’s winners included:

The Golden Rose of Rose Hills, awarded to the top scoring winner, went to ‘*Doris Day*’, a dramatic colorfast yellow floribunda hybridized by Christian Bedard of Weeks Roses. (Photo right by Weeks Roses) Its parents are ‘*Julie Newmar*’ and ‘*Julia Child*’.



The Hamilton Gardens of New Zealand Trophy, the Hybrid Tea Gold Medal, went to a stunning multicolored variety, ‘*Neil Diamond*’. It was bred by Tom Carruth, formerly of Weeks Roses. This variety also won the award for the most fragrant variety in the trials and was awarded the Gifu Prefecture Governor’s Trophy from Japan. Its parents are ‘*Della Reese*’ and ‘*Rock & Roll*’. (Photo left by Weeks Roses)



In the Floribunda group the award went to another brilliant yellow variety named ‘*Goldmine*’, hybridized by Ping Lim and introduced by Altman Plants. This was the first medal awarded to Ping Lim. (Photo right by [www.roseaie-querinaiis.com](http://www.roseaie-querinaiis.com))



The Gold Medal award for the outstanding ground cover variety went to French-bred cultivar from Meilland International,



introduced here in the US by Star Roses and Plants. The rose is appropriately named ‘*White Drift*’ for its magnificent canopy of small perfectly formed white blooms. (Photo left from [www.roseaie-querinaiis.com](http://www.roseaie-querinaiis.com))

## What Happens Next?

### GROW. SHOW. SHARE.

## Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting 2017

**The 2017 Mid-Winter meeting** is sure to be a lot of fun. The events are being held at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens. *Money Magazine* recently featured the gardens as one of the hidden treasures and FREE attractions in Birmingham. With the Dunn Formal Rose Garden, Japanese Garden, and Southern Living vegetable garden, there is something to see year-round. Our hotel is just a short five minute drive from the gardens and is close to many eateries and locally-owned shops. On Friday, you'll be welcomed to an Alabama BBQ supper and you'll have an opportunity to bid on the latest rose introductions at our auction. On Saturday, you'll hear from some of the top speakers in the world of roses on a variety of topics ranging from Thoroughbred Roses, how to help increase membership in your local rose society, what's new at the ARS, and a research update from LSU.

**NEW THIS YEAR, LUNCH & LEARN:** Saturday lunch you have the option of selecting a box lunch served at the gardens or feel free to explore one of the local eateries in the area. If you opt for the box lunch, you'll be treated to a Lunch & Learn where you'll see a demo on constructing photography ladders used to display photographs at your local rose show. It's sure to be a fun and interesting time.

If you would like to exhibit your rose photography at the show, please bring your 11x14-inch matted rose photo and we'll display it in the show hall. A team of judges will pick a "best in show" award. We may not have LIVE garden roses in February, but we can sure have a display of photos!

Our awards banquet will be held on Saturday evening when we honor and pay tribute to the achievements of our peers.

I sincerely hope you'll make every effort to attend.

**Chris VanCleave**

Mid-Winter Chair

## Inspiring Speakers

**Pat Shanley**  
President, American Rose Society



**Pat Shanley** lives and gardens in Glen Cove, NY, where she grows approximately 250 roses. She is President of the American Rose Society. She is also an ARS Horticultural Judge; ARS Arrangement Judge; ARS Master Rosarian; Recipient of the ARS New York District Silver Honor Medal, Outstanding Judge, and Outstanding Consulting Rosarian Awards; Recipient ARS



Bronze Medal; Founding and Immediate Past President of the Manhattan Rose Society; Founding Chairman of the New York Metropolitan Rose Council; Chairman of the Great Rosarians of the World™ East (GROW™) Award Lectureship; Past Vice Chairman, Queens Botanical Garden Board of Trustees, and Chairman of American Garden Rose Selections™ – the new national testing program for new rose varieties. Pat was the Guest Editor of the 2012 *ARS Annual*. She is also the co-editor and a contributing author of *The Sustainable Rose Garden – A Reader in Rose Culture* 2010, published by Newbury books (an imprint of Casemate Publishers), which received the World Federation of Rose Societies Literary Award for 2012.

### David Clemons

#### Thoroughbred Roses for Win, Place & Show



*David Clemons* resides in Grant, AL, where he and his wife Tammy grow more than 250 roses. As an avid rose exhibitor, he has competed and won awards on the local, district, and national levels. David is a Master Rosarian and past president of the Huntsville-Twickenham Rose Society in Huntsville, AL.

His amateur hybridizing efforts have led to the introduction of several “Thoroughbred” miniature and miniflora roses, including the #1 rated exhibition miniflora ‘Whirlaway’, and the #1 rated exhibition miniature and AOE winner ‘Joy’. David’s most recent introductions include the 2014 AOE winner ‘Tammy Clemons’ and the 2016 introduction ‘Bold Ruler’.

### Gaye Hammond

#### President, Houston Rose Society



*Gaye Hammond* is the Past President of the Houston Rose Society, the largest local rose society in the United States, and has served on their Board of Directors for almost 20 years. She is also a Life Member and Steward of the American Rose Society and serves as the Chair of the Development Committee of the national organization. Gaye is also a Special Section Editor of the American Rose magazine.

Besides being a nationally-known lecturer and avid writer of more than 300 articles and book chapters, Gaye has the unique ability to develop huge numbers of members for both organizations. In the last five years she has recruited more than 1,000 members for the Houston Rose Society and almost 700 members to the American Rose Society with 138 of those being recruited in the last 90 days.

In addition to service to these non-profit horticultural organizations, Gaye is the

study liaison between the Houston Rose Society and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in connection with Earth-Kind® Rose Research – the largest environmental rose research study done in the U.S. She has co-authored a peer-reviewed journal article on Earth-Kind Roses published in 2009 in *Floriculture & Ornamental Biotechnology*, a chapter in *The Sustainable Rose Garden* and authored a chapter in the book *Gulf Coast Gardening*. Her photography has appeared on the cover of *HortScience* (December 2010) and she was awarded the cover story for the September 2011 issue of *Parks & Recreation Magazine*.

### Allen Owings

#### Professor of Horticulture – LSU Ag Center



Rose Variety Observations and Research from the Gulf District

*An overview of Easy Tea varieties, rose trials at the LSU AgCenter, highlights of recent AGRS winners, disease observations, and more.*

**Allen Owings** is a horticulture professor with the LSU AgCenter. He also serves as the Gulf District Director for the American Rose Society and chairs the American Rose Center committee.

Dr. Owings received his B.S. degree in plant science from Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, LA, and graduate degrees in horticulture

from LSU and Mississippi State University. He is a native of Hammond and is currently coordinator of statewide LSU AgCenter extension efforts in commercial ornamental horticulture and serves as resident coordinator of the Hammond Research Station. He serves as the director of research and education for the Louisiana Nursery and Landscape Association.

He has received extension programming excellence awards for the LSU AgCenter and early in his career was named outstanding young extension horticulturist by the American Society for Horticultural Science. He has received Professional Achievement and Distinguished Service Awards from the Louisiana and National Associations of County Agricultural Agents. Dr. Owings is a Louisiana licensed landscape horticulturist and enjoys gardening, LSU sports, and golf.



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## Schedule of Events

### Location:

#### Birmingham Botanical Gardens

2612 Lane Park Road  
Birmingham, AL 35223

### FRIDAY:

2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Registration & Photo Entries Received
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Vendor Set-Up
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Arrangements Workshop
6:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception & Alabama BBQ Supper
7:30 p.m.	Auction – Bid High! Bid Often! – Roses & Rose Gardening Items
Later	Hospitality suite open at hotel after the events at the gardens have concluded

### SATURDAY

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Registration Open
8:45 a.m.	Welcome & Announcements
9:00 a.m.	Speaker #1 – <b>Pat Shanley</b> , President, American Rose Society
10:15 a.m.	Speaker #2 – <b>David Clemons</b> , Thoroughbred Roses
11:15 a.m.	Box Lunch or Lunch on your own – See restaurant List
1:00 p.m.	Speaker #3 – <b>Gaye Hammond</b> – Houston Rose Society
2:15 p.m.	Speaker #4 – <b>Allen Owings</b> – LSU AG Center
3:15 p.m.	District Meeting
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Raffle Drawing, Photography Entries Judged, Garden Stroll weather permitting
7:00 p.m.	Dinner, & District Awards Presentation
Later	Hospitality suite open at hotel after the events at the gardens have concluded.

### SUNDAY

8 a.m.	Sunday Devotion
8:30 a.m.	CR School



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**Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting January 20-22, 2017  
Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham AL**

**Registration Information:**

Name(s) [for name badges] \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration Fees:**

	<b>Price</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Regular</b> (postmarked by 12/31/2016)	\$40	_____	_____
<b>Late</b> (postmarked after 12/31/2016)	\$45	_____	_____
<b>FRIDAY MEAL: Welcome Buffet – Friday (6:00pm)</b> <i>BBQ Pork, BBW Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Iced Tea, Water</i>	\$25	_____	_____

**SATURDAY MEALS:**

<b>Box Lunch</b> – Sandwich, Chips & Cookie (Saturday 11:15 am) <i>Circle Selection(s) for Lunch Sandwiches: Grilled Chicken, Vegetable, Ham, Lean Turkey, Chicken Salad</i> <i>Beverages: Assorted Sodas or Bottled Water</i>	\$15	_____	_____
<b>Banquet</b> (Saturday 7:00 pm) <i>Grilled Lemon &amp; Rosemary Chicken Breast</i> <i>Oven Roasted Salmon</i> <i>Caesar Salad, Boursin Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls, White Chocolate Bread Pudding, Iced Tea, Coffee</i>	\$40	_____	_____

**MEALS MUST BE RESERVED BY: 12/31/2016**

**Arrangements Seminar Friday 3-5 p.m.:** \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Would like to bring a dessert to share at the Hospitality Suite? Please let us know (yes \_\_\_no\_\_\_)

**Make Checks Payable to “Birmingham Rose Society” - Mail this form with your check to our Registrar:  
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Registration Fee Less 25% will be refunded if request is received by 12/31/2016. No refund after that date.

**Hotel Information - Hampton Inn & Suites, 2731 US-280, Birmingham, AL 35223 | Phone: 205-870-7822**

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- Photography Competition – Free to enter**

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## Rose Show Results

**The Bulletin** attempts to provide a complete list of local and district rose show results in each issue. For this to occur, someone at each rose show must gather and transmit complete results, as an Excel (preferred), Word, paper, or e-mail document. Results should be sent within one week after the show, and should include class description, winning rose(s), and exhibitor's name, plus arrangements theme and additional awards (medal certificates and rosettes). These transmissions are in addition to those you must send to the ARS national horticulture [www.roseshow.com] and arrangements [jim@fairmarsh.com] quarterlies. Your timely cooperation is appreciated. – *The Editor*

### Deep South District Rose Show, Atlanta, GA

October 8, 2016

HORTICULTURE		
Class Description	Roses	Exhibitor(s)
The American Rose Society J. Horace McFarland Memorial Trophy	<i>My Lady Barbara, Carolina Pride, Desperado, Jewel Grace, Louise Estes</i>	Ralph and Jean Stream
The Deep South District Double English Box Trophy	<i>My Lady Barbara, Carolina Pride</i>	Ralph and Jean Stream
The American Rose Society Ralph S. Moore Trophy	<i>Daddy Frank, Fairhope, Joy, Sweet Mallie, Pierrine, Pina Colada, Memphis King</i>	Ray Guillebeau
The Katy Lampkin Award	<i>Soroptimist International</i>	Debbie & Ken Wilkinson
Director's Miniflora Rose Trophy	<i>Whirlaway, Bold Ruler, Tammy Clemons, Lady E'owyn, Power Point</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Hybrid Teas and Grandifloras - Queen	<i>Gemini</i>	Delores Snellgrove
Hybrid Teas and Grandifloras - King	<i>Mavrik</i>	Delores Snellgrove
Hybrid Teas and Grandifloras - Princess	<i>Desperado</i>	Delores Snellgrove
Fully-open Bloom, Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora	<i>Jema</i>	Delores Snellgrove
Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Spray	<i>Gemini</i>	Linda and Walt Reed
Floribunda Spray-One (1) spray of two or more blooms	<i>Hannah Gordon</i>	Debbie & Ken Wilkinson
One-Bloom-Per-Stem Floribunda	<i>Black Cherry</i>	Cindy Dale
Polyantha Spray-One (1) spray with two or more blooms	<i>The Fairy</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
Climbers	<i>Above All</i>	Barbara McFarlan
Modern Shrub	<i>Evelyn</i>	Barry J McCasland
The ARS Dowager Queen	<i>Green Rose</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
The ARS Victorian Rose	<i>Rosette Delizy</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
Species Rose	<i>Rosa moschata</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
Rose in a Bowl-Large Bloom	<i>My Lady Barbara</i>	Ralph & Jean Stream
Rose in a Bowl-Shrubs	<i>Heritage</i>	Alba Sequeira
Rose in a Bowl-Old Garden Roses	<i>Hermosa</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
English Box	<i>St Patrick, Signature, Spring Break, Moonstone</i>	Glenn Schulman
Hi-Lo	<i>Moonstone Joy</i>	Debbie & Ken Wilkinson
Rose in a Frame-Large Rose	<i>Veterans' Honor</i>	Cindy Dale
Cycle of Bloom	<i>Hot Princess</i>	David & Susan Baker
Fragrance	<i>Fragrant Cloud</i>	Cindy Dale
New Seedlings and Sports	Unnamed Seedling	Linda Schuppener
Collection: Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora	<i>Wild Blue Yonder</i>	Linda Schuppener
Collection: Floribunda one bloom per stem	<i>Scintimental</i>	Cindy Dale
Collection: Shrubs	<i>Graham Thomas</i>	Rani von Württemberg
Collection: Old Garden Roses	<i>Blush Noisette</i>	Nancy Miller
Judges	<i>Hannah Gordon</i>	Joanne Maxheimer
Miniature Queen	<i>Renegade</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Miniature King	<i>Memphis King</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Miniature Princess	<i>Joy</i>	Debbie and Ken Wilkinson
Fully-open Bloom, Miniature	<i>Best of '04</i>	Bill and Jill Chappell
Single Type Miniature	<i>Tomboy</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz
Miniature Rose Spray	<i>Joy</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Miniature Rose in a Bowl	<i>Renegade</i>	Bill and Jill Chappell
Miniflora Queen	<i>Whirlaway</i>	Debbie & Ken Wilkinson
Miniflora King	<i>Louisville Lady</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Miniflora Princess	<i>Bold Ruler</i>	Ray Guillebeau
Fully Open Miniflora	<i>Double Take</i>	Ray Guillebeau

Miniflora Rose Spray	<i>Ghost Zapper</i>	Ray Guillebeau	
Miniflora Rose Bowl	<i>Jolene Adams</i>	Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz	
Miniflora Rose in a Frame	<i>Show Stopper</i>	Debbie and Ken Wilkinson	
Mini Cycle of Bloom-Miniature or Miniflora	<i>Joy</i>	David & Susan Baker	
Collection: Three One Bloom per Stem-Miniature or Miniflora	<i>Daddy Frank</i>	Ray Guillebeau	
<b>BEST IN SHOW</b>	<i>Wild Blue Yonder</i>	Linda Schuppener	
<b>ARRANGEMENTS: "Driving Miss Rosey"</b>			
<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Rose(s)</b>	<b>Exhibitor</b>	<b>ARS Awards</b>
Deep South District Challenge: "The King and Queen Buildings"	<i>Paul Shirville</i>	Sara Coleman	DSD Trophy
District Director's Miniflora Challenge: "Ice Storm"	<i>Shirley Ray</i>	Joanne Maxheimer	District Director's Miniflora Trophy
Trad Line/Line-Mass: "The Downtown Connector"	<i>Sunny Sunday</i>	Jean Stream	Royalty, Bronze
Modern Abstract: "Georgia Tech"	<i>Graham Thomas</i>	Bet Sobon	
Modern Angular: "Little Five Points"	<i>Ty</i>	Bobbie Reed	Artist, Gold
Oriental Manner in a low container: "Lullwater Road"	<i>St. Patrick</i>	Jean Stream	Oriental, Silver
ARS Best Novice: "Atlanta University Center"	various	Melissa Cobb	Novice
ARS Miniature Duchess: "The Fox Theater"	<i>Bold Ruler</i>	Jean Stream	
Mini Trad Line/Line-Mass: "The Olmstead Linear Park"	<i>Pierrine</i>	Jean Stream	Mini Royalty, Mini Bronze
Mini Modern : "The Martin Luther King, Jr., Center"	<i>Cinderella</i>	Bet Sobon	
Mini Oriental Manner, any other style: "The Atlanta Beltline"	<i>Tomboy</i>	Joanne Maxheimer	Mini Oriental, Mini Silver
ARS Keepsake Certificate - Dried Roses : "The Gold Dome"	various	Diane Snyder	Keepsake
ARS Rosecraft Certificate Dried Roses: "The World of Coke"	various	Diane Snyder	Rosecraft
Fun Bouquet: "Piggly Wiggly"	various	Victoria Fleming	



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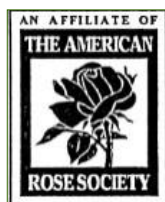


## Upcoming Events

- January 20-22, 2017** **Deep South District Mid-Winter Meeting**, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL. Contact Chris VanCleave, 205-987-9184, [chris@redneckrosarian.com](mailto:chris@redneckrosarian.com)
- January 23, 2017** **Greater Palm Beach Rose Society, Chemical Safety program**, 7:30pm, Mounts Auditorium, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL. Contact William Langford, 561-309-8736, [WHL2@prodigy.net](mailto:WHL2@prodigy.net)
- January 23, 2017** **Consulting Rosarian reports are due**
- February 1, 2017** **Arrangement Judges reports are due**
- April 20-23, 2017** **ARS National Miniature Rose Show and Conference**, Arcadia, CA. Contact Chris Greenwood, [CrisGreen1@aol.com](mailto:CrisGreen1@aol.com)
- April 22, 2017** **Pensacola Rose Society Rose Show**, the Garden Center, 1850 N 9th Ave, Pensacola, FL 32503. Contact Glenn Schulman at [glenn.schulman@att.net](mailto:glenn.schulman@att.net)
- Apr 22, 2017** **Gainesville Rose Society - 44rd Annual Rose Show**, First Christian Church, Gainesville, FL 32606. Contact Jean Giesel at [betty.giesel@gmail.com](mailto:betty.giesel@gmail.com) or 352-475-2762
- April 29, 2017** **Jacksonville's annual ARS Rose Show and Celebration of Roses**, 1-4pm, at St Mark's Episcopal Day School, 4114 Oxford Ave, Jacksonville, FL 32210. Contact Wayne Myers, 904-272-7885, [wayneiacroses@gmail.com](mailto:wayneiacroses@gmail.com)
- May 13-14, 2017** **Greater Atlanta Rose Society Rose Show**, Atlanta Botanical Garden, Atlanta, GA. Contact Barry McCasland, [bmccas@aol.com](mailto:bmccas@aol.com) or 404-550-9776
- May 13, 2017** **Tampa Rose Society Rose Show**, Westfield Citrus Park Shopping Center. Contact Marilyn Bertch, [mqbertch@msn.com](mailto:mqbertch@msn.com).
- May 13 & 14, 2017** **Birmingham Rose Show**, Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Contact Chris VanCleave, 205-585-9687, [www.BirminghamRose.org](http://www.BirminghamRose.org)
- May 20-21, 2017** **South Metro Rose Society Rose Show**, Church of Christ, 870 Redwine Rd., Fayetteville, GA 30215. Contact Cindy Dale, 770-631-3885, [rosepro@bellsouth.net](mailto:rosepro@bellsouth.net)
- May 27, 2017** **Huntsville-Twickenham Rose Society Rose Show**, Parkway Place Mall in Huntsville, AL. Contact Jill Chappell, [greenmntroses@comcast.net](mailto:greenmntroses@comcast.net), 256-880-3773.
- September 8-10, 2017** **ARS National Rose Show & Convention**, Gettysburg, PA. [www.facebook.com/GettysburgRose2017](http://www.facebook.com/GettysburgRose2017)
- October 2017** **2017 Fall Convention and Rose Show**. Hosted by Tallahassee and Thomasville Rose societies.
- January 2018** **2018 Mid-Winter Meeting**. Hosted by Wiregrass Rose society
- May 4-6, 2018** **Combined DSD Fall Convention and Rose Show/ARS Mini National Convention and Rose show**. Hosted by Jacksonville R.S, ARS, and other rose societies.
- January 2019** **2019 Mid-Winter Meeting**. Host TBD

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