

Regarding Roses

Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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President's Message By Pat Stanford

October 2013

"The early bird catches the worm"...

Well we'll catch at least two things earlier this month and it won't be worms: First, we moved our 29th Annual Rose Show up a week from our normal last weekend of October to the weekend of the 19th and 20th to accommodate the 54th Annual DSD Convention in West Palm Beach. This necessitated our moving the meeting date up also. Our meeting will be Sunday, October 6th and will be a mini version of the Rose Show. This will give our regular exhibitors time between the meeting and show to have a chance for blooms for both. There will be several classes to enter, so *do* bring roses. We will learn *why* some roses win and others do not.

Whether you exhibit or

not (and we hope that you will because it is *fun*) we need your help to make the show a success. Tables need to be set up, table cloths and lattices placed on them, containers filled with water, clerks to help the judges and attach ribbons, unpacking and placement of awards, and when it is over on Sunday, October 20th, reversing the process and packing it all up (Trust me, this takes *waay* less time than the first part!).

We hope to generate an interest in our community for cultivating our favorite flower. That is really what it's all about; the ribbons and trophies are just a way for others to see and understand what it takes to make them the best flower they can be.

During last month's meeting, Pam Greenwald came armed with lots of photos of roses she grows organically at her nursery in Alachua.

She gave us some insight on how to grow and maintain a garden without using chemicals. Organics have always been important, but many people are trying to wean themselves totally off the chemical stuff. Pam says that it is like getting your roses off drugs and having them "go straight". She gave us handouts which included a list of natural fungicides and insecticide. She also came loaded with rose bushes that many people stayed after the meeting to purchase. It was a very informative meeting. I hope to see others like it in the future.

Speaking of the future, have you given your thoughts regarding our new president and officials to Nominating Chairman, Bob Schelhorn? Next month is our
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Society Meeting
Date: Sunday, October 6
Time: 2:30 pm
Place: Goodwood Museum and Gardens Jubilee Cottage
Note change of date and location
Program— A Members Rose Show. Bring your roses and learn how to be a winning exhibitor. All supplies provided. See schedule of classes enclosed.

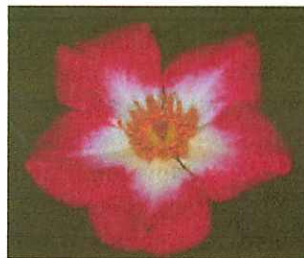
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Thought You'd Like To Know – Peggy "T"

Peggy "T" was one of the winners to Miniature and Miniflora Hall of Fame for 2013. It has five petals and is therefore a single petaled miniature. The petals are a medium red with a white base and white reverse. The foliage is medium green, matte. The rating is 8.5. It was created

from "Poker Chip" and "Rise 'n' Shine" by Gene King. It was introduced in 1988. This is the third Hall of Fame honoree for Gene King. The other honorees for 2013 are "My Sunshine" and "Winsome". "My Sunshine" is also a single petaled miniature. It has
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Peggy "T"
(A Miniature)

Special Notes

- Volunteer at Goodwood Saturday mornings 9:00 am till noon. Contact John Sullivan, joh4@aol.com for more information.
- Volunteer at the Peace Garden the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 9:00 am. Contact Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, WJMMSHARPE@AOL.COM

Thought You'd Like to Know (continued)

been said that rosarians either love or dislike single petaled roses. If you love them you appreciate their beauty. If not, give them a try you might like them.

President's Message (continued)

annual election on our Officers and Board Members. Be ready. Come and let your voice be heard.

Pat

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TARS Rose Show

Pat Stanford is the show chairman. She has most of the committee chairmen, but there are still things that need to be done and she is counting on members to volunteer. Contact her at 850-519-3745 or wordhacker@centurylink.net. The dates are October 19 and 20 and the location is the Conner Building, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Plan to exhibit roses. Schedules will be available at this meeting.

DSD Meetings

Several members of the society are planning to attend the Annual DSD Convention and Rose Show hosted by the West Palm Beach Rose Society. It will be October 25-27. Plan to attend and exhibit roses. A registration form was sent to you earlier to register for the meeting events and hotel rooms. There is additional information in the summer issue of the DSD Bulletin and on the DSD website. We will have additional forms at the meeting.

The DSD Mid-Winter meeting in 2014 will be hosted by Atlanta Rose Societies. There will be more information later so that you will be able to make plans early.

District events are well worth your time and effort to attend. You will learn many things about our rose hobby as well as meet some very interesting rosarians.

Election of Officials

Robert Schelhorn is chairman of the Nominating Committee to make nominations for officials for the 2014 year. Contact him 850-907-1325, bschelhorn@comcast.net with your suggestions. Officials serve for a one year term and may be elected for additional terms. Be thinking of ways you might help the society and be ready to volunteer to be an official or help the new officials. The election will be held in November and the nominees will be listed in the November "Regarding Roses". Officials begin serving as soon as elected. If you have ideas for society activities let the new officials know.

MINUTES OF THE TALLAHASSEE AREA ROSE SOCIETY MEETING

September 16, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society was held at 2:30 at Goodwood Museum and Gardens in Jubilee Cottage. President Pat Stanford presided and welcomed members and visitors. The minutes for the month of August as reported in the September newsletter were approved as written. Mary Maud Sharpe, treasurer, reported income and expenses, balance in the TARS account and a membership of 100 individuals. Anticipated expenses in the coming month include yearly donation to Goodwood, costs of luncheon at the Rose Show, judges gifts, and show supplies. She also made a request for awards for the show. The treasurer's report was approved.

The featured speaker was Pam Greenewald owner of Angel Gardens and Plant Nursery in Alachua, Florida. Angel Gardens is one of only three organic rose nurseries in this country. She explained in detail the advantages of growing roses organically, showed multiple slides of antique roses growing in her gardens and listed many organic solutions of common challenges in growing roses.

Door prizes were awarded; they included several rose bushes from Angel Gardens. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm and members enjoyed refreshments and had the opportunity to wander through a display of roses from Angel Gardens on the Jubilee Cottage patio.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Jackson

Secretary

Goodwood Old Garden Roses

The volunteers work on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am until noon. The volunteers could use help from other members. Contact John Sullivan for more information at joh4@aol.com.

Peace Garden

The Peace Garden volunteers always welcome new folks. Work meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 am.

We Need Your Photos

We plan to have a power point program during the show of photos from members of individual roses, garden scenes, society activities—anything about roses that will interest visitors to the show. Contact show chairman, Pat Stanford, 850-519-3745, wordhacker@centurylink.net. Recognition will be given to members submitting entries for this program. Get your cameras out and get started now!

October Consulting Rosarian Report

By Montine Herring

With the cooler days of October and with all the special care you have given your roses in the past few weeks, you should now be getting a lot of new growth on its way to becoming beautiful booms. This is the special month in the year—ROSE SHOW MONTH. You need to continue all of your daily and weekly cultural practices in order to have quality blooms and Queen of the Show. Now is the time to use liquid fertilizer such as 20-20-20 with trace elements and fertilize much the same as in the spring.

Continue with your spray program, alternating your chemicals. With two months of daily rains it is hard to keep black spot under control. I have been alternating manzate, and kocide. Remember that manzate is difficult to clean from the foliage so you may want to substitute another chemical as show time nears. Orthene sprayed just on the bloom daily should control the thrips which can ruin beautiful blooms. Good clean foliage and blooms always win top honors. After the rose shows, experienced rosarians will not cut blooms so the plants go dormant. They will also discontinue the use of nitrogen fertilizer so that the plants slow growth and get ready for winter.

Remember to get schedules for the Tallahassee Rose Show October 19-20 and the DSD Rose Show, October 25-27, 2013. There is a place for any rose that you grow. Good luck with your beautiful blooms.

Goodies

Our social time following each meeting is a special time to get to know other rosarians and talk more about roses. If you would like to help with refreshments call Mary Maud Sharpe at 850-878-9625 or e-mail wjmmsharpe@aol.com about bringing "goodies".

Heritage Rose Foundation Conference

This 2013 conference will be held in Lakeland, Florida at Florida Southern College, November 14-17. You should have received a schedule of events and a registration form earlier. Plan to go!

DSD Bulletin

It is still not too late for members who do not have e-mail and would like a copies to contact Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625 or wjmmsharpe@aol.com.

October Program

Enclosed is a schedule of rules and classes for the member mini show. Bring roses! There will be tips on becoming an exhibitor if you have never exhibited. Hands on help will be available for grooming roses. Come and see and smell the roses. You will find that exhibiting can open up a new world of roses for you.

Florida's Armadillo

The nine banded armadillo is the species that is found in Florida. It is thought that it came from Texas years ago and has now spread through out most of the state. It is an insect eating mammal. It is unusual because of its protective shield which is a jointed shell that is covered with scales. There are nine movable rings that are flexible and its long tail is also encased in bony rings. Its ears and belly are the only parts not protected by this armor-like shield. Its head has a pig-like snout and it has very sharp claws the it uses to dig. It gobbles up insects with its tongue. The armadillo is a night time creature. Both its eyesight and hearing are poor, but its sense of smell is very keen. Normally it is a slow mover and travels no more than a mile a day. It can however jump straight up several feet when it is startled and may run fast to flee a predator. An armadillo is a good swimmer and can even swallow air so that it can float. It can also cross bodies of water by holding its breath for up to six minutes and walk through ponds or creeks. Most of you have had your lawn or garden invaded by armadillos that dig and root up your landscape. They are looking for roots, grubs, ants and other bugs to eat. They even dig burrows that are used to raise their young. This can be a problem in your rose beds. The female each spring will have a litter after a five month gestation period. This litter always is a set of quadruplets of the same sex and all the babies are from a single egg. The young one remain in the burrow for about three months and then they stay with their mother for up to a year before they venture out on their own. Its shell remains soft and does not harden until it becomes an adult. Once hardened it does not grow. The life span is twelve to fifteen years and the females breed after one year. It is generally true that they live in wooded areas where there is food available. During periods of dry weather they are more likely to invade homeowners landscapes that are being watered. One of our local rosarians always said that he considered them as cultivators in his garden. Needless to say, the armadillos from Texas are probably here to stay.

You are Invited

The society invites judges, exhibitors, workers, members and guests to lunch immediately following the judging of the show on Saturday, October 19th. There is a form enclosed. Please let us know if you plan to attend so that we can make plans for the food. We hope that you will join us.

*"Each of us has been put on earth
with the ability to do something well.*

*We cheat ourselves and the world
if we don't use that ability as best we can."*

George Allen. Sr.

Upcoming Society Programs

October 6: Jubilee Cottage, Members Rose Show
(Note change of date and location)

November 17: Holiday Arrangements—Kelly DeWall

Calendar of Local Society Events

October 19-20: Annual Rose Show—Conner Building. Contact Pat Stanford, 850-519-3745, or wordhacker@centurylink.net.

DSD Events

October 25-27: DSD Convention and Rose Show, West Palm Beach Rose Society. Contact Debbie Coolidge, telephone 561-684-2421, or e-mail geoffcoolidge@bellsouth.net

January 17-19, 2014: DSD Mid-Winter Meeting, Gainesville, FL. Contact Bobbie Reed, 770-979-4237, berdks@mindspring.com.

ARS Events and News

Four month trial memberships are still being offered by ARS. You get free access to the monthly bulletins and two issues of the American Rose magazine plus much more.

Visit the ARS website www.ars.org there is valuable information for local society members. As a member you have access to the members only information in addition to information for all who visit the site.

Information

The Tallahassee Area Rose Society meetings are at 2:30 pm on the third Sunday of the month except June, July, and December at the Laundry Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens.

Membership: Annual dues are \$10 individual, \$15 joint. Contact the treasurer, Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, WJMMSHARPE@AOL.COM

The Deep South District of the ARS issues a quarterly copy of the Bulletin. It is available though e-mail to all ARS members. It will also be made available to members who do not have an e-mail address. Contact Phil Paul at 1106 Bullrush Terrace, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202.

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