

# Regarding Roses

## Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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## President's Message By Pat Stanford

October 2012

The 53rd Annual Convention and Rose Show (our 28th show) is "in the history books" at last. Whew! Some of us are still in "go mode" but need to slow down some and ah...*smell the roses*. (Sorry!) I heard that we hit this one out of the park. We were given a "10" for the event. The rose show had a lot to compete with on Saturday, so attendance was sporadic.

We had a steadier stream of folks on Sunday, some of who said they are interested in growing roses after seeing the blooms at the show. That is what it is all about—helping folks in cultivating their love of the rose! And here you thought it was all about winning ribbons and trophies!

My list of "Thank You's" to our folks is a mile long, but I'll try: Jim and Mar-

tha Dooley for set-up and chairing the clerks; Anna and Bill Price for bus tour and set-up and take down; Mary Maud Sharpe for too many things to mention; Cheryl Gibbons for being at the education table; Montine Herring for treasurer, classification and much, much more; Sam Cunningham for classification and Nell Cunningham for tabulation; Ann Reynolds for calligraphy; Martha Jean and Sylvester for Placement and tearing down; Ann Stevens for placement; Lennie Kennedy and Frank Parker for publicity; Lennie Kennedy also clerked and others clerking were Rodney Kittrell, Isabelle de Sercey, John and Jean Grotgen; Bob Schelhorn for another *fabulous* garden tour lunch; Barry Smith, Judy and Tracy Harrington and Joan and Sy Rosen for opening their marvelous gardens; Michael Michelis for being

ready to do whatever needed doing; Barry Smith for entertainment on Friday evening; Karen Jackson for her music; Rick Thomas and Sherry McCord for doing the hospitality room; Marilyn Watson, Gary Canada, Sandy Scott and others who pitched in and got it torn down, loaded and the show area cleaned; and lastly to all the exhibitors who brought roses to exhibit. Without you there would have been no show!!! Our thanks too to the Thomasville and Wiregrass rose societies for co-chairing.

Our October meeting is "Listening to Your Roses" and we hope it will be a pleasant and easy to understand approach for trying methods and ideas in your garden. Come find out what YOUR roses are talking about!

Pat

## My Favorite Rose—Elina By Mary Maud Sharpe

For years my favorite miniature rose has been Mary Maud, the rose named and registered for me by Dianne Giles; however, as a hybrid tea my favorite is now *Elina*. As many of you know our roses have not had as much care as they should have, but the several *Elina* plants are still

growing, blooming and have not had too much blackspot this summer. We have added some bed mix (the same mixture as used in the Peace Garden). I've always like yellow roses and *Elina* is yellow. The outer petal are slightly crinkled and that is a feature I also

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*Elina*  
(Hybrid Tea)

### Society Meeting

Date: Thursday, Oct. 18

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Jubilee Cottage at Goodwood Museum and Gardens

The program will be presented by Marilyn Watson as you tell you to "Listen to Your Roses". Come and learn what your roses say to you.

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### Special Notes

- Volunteer at Goodwood Saturday mornings 9:00 a.m. till noon. Contact John Sullivan, joh4@aol.com for more information.
- Volunteer to bring refreshment to one of the monthly meetings. Call Martha Dooley 850-342-4016

### ***My Favorite Rose* (continued)**

like. I holds well on the bush as a bud and as a bloom and also holds well after being cut. The blooms are generous and it repeat blooms well. The stems are strong and the foliage is a dark green. The bush has a bushy, full growth habit. It does well in hot climates although the color fades in extremely hot weather. It was introduced in 1984 and it has a rating of 8.5. It is a native of Northern Ireland and was hybridized by Dickson. It is grown all over the world and can be a top exhibition rose. The plants we have are on Fortuniana rootstock and this may be part of the reason it has done so well in our garden. You need not be an experienced rosarian to successfully grow *Elina*.

### ***Peace Rose Garden***

The regular Peace Garden volunteers will be taking off the next several winter months maintaining the garden. They will be meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am beginning in March. Plan to come and join them.

### ***Goodwood Roses***

Recently the volunteers have been busy rooting cuttings and moving rooted cuttings to larger pots. If you have varieties that might be useful to the volunteers, contact John Sullivan, joh4@aol.com, and make arrangements to get cuttings to him. It is still not too late for the volunteers to root more cuttings. John is at Goodwood on Saturday mornings. Extra folks on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am until noon would be welcomed. If you can't commit for every Saturday, come when you can. The sale is scheduled for February 9, 2013. Help us spread the word by telling your friends.

### ***DSD Mid-Winter Meeting- January 18-20, 2013***

This meeting is sponsored by a DSD Committee in Gainesville, FL. Regular registration should be made by 12/13/12. If you have never attended a mid-winter, plan to go. The programs are great. Pat Shanley, newly elected ARS Vice President will be a program speaker.

Vendors will be there with plants (you can preorder) for your spring planting. This is also a good opportunity to update your CR status by attending the CR school on Sunday morning or better yet become a CR. Contact Ralph Stream, 352-591-4474 or streamj@gmail.com. The hotel cutoff date is 12/13/12. Get your reservation in soon to Best Western Gateway Grand (352-331-3336). The theme is "Butterflies and Roses". Local society Bronze Medal winners will be recognized on Saturday evening at the dinner.

There will be registration forms at the meeting.

### ***Consulting Rosarians***

Several of our members have recently requested emeritus status as CR's. Note the changes on page 4. We are grateful to each of them for their many years of dedicated service to our society and to the ARS CR program. These members are Bill Dority, Anna and Bill Price and Bill Sharpe.

## ***MINUTES OF THE TALLAHASSEE AREA ROSE SOCIETY***

### ***September 20, 2012, Meeting***

A regular monthly meeting of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society was held at 7:00pm at Goodwood Museum and Gardens in the Jubilee Cottage. President Pat Stanford presided and welcomed members and visitors. The Secretary's notes for the August 16, 2012 meeting were approved as presented in the September newsletter. The Treasurer's report was presented and accepted. President Pat Stanford called for announcements. She stated that the 2012 Deep South District Convention and Rose Show would be held on October 5 - 7, and that plans had been finalized. Rose Show Chairman Michael Michelis asked for members' help, stating that there were still areas where more assistance was needed. Persons were asked to help set up the rose show on October 5, 2012, meeting at the Doyle Conner Administration Building at 9:00am. Lennie Kennedy announced that articles would be sent to the Tallahassee Democrat to obtain publicity for the show. Pat Stanford stated that she would be putting posters about the show in strategic places around town.

President Stanford introduced Mary Maud Sharpe as the coordinator for the evening program. A program was presented on the society's prestigious perpetual trophies that are a part of the annual rose show. Four society members presented a brief commentary on various perpetual trophies, explaining when the trophy was first awarded and what person or event was honored by the award. The program was very informative and the audience was attentive and asked many questions.

The meeting ended at 7:45 pm. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lennie Kennedy*, Secretary

### ***Workshop at October Meeting***

The workshop will be a display of small garden appointments that will enhance, be useful and make your garden more interesting to visitors. If you have a special item you would like to share, bring it or a photo of it.

### ***ARS & YOU***

If you have an e-mail address and are not receiving ARS & YOU, send your e-mail address to sunshine-n-roses@q.com to add your name to the mailing list. This is a monthly e-mail newsletter that is sent to all ARS members who subscribe or request the publication. You may unsubscribe at any time. The publication is done by the ARS local society relations committee. You may contact Sue Tiffany, Chair & Publisher at the above e-mail or at 253-631-0312.



## **September Consulting Rosarian Report**

*By Pat Stanford*

October has been my favorite month since I was a kid. I have always loved the weather change, the holiday season that seems to begin earlier and earlier every year, and since I started growing roses, it is a special month for beautiful fall blooms. I think the bushes enjoy the cooler days as much as I do because they always reward me with a splash of color. It would be really neat to have a special arrangement on the table during the holidays to share with family and friends.

There is still work to do, but the drudgery of summer turns to fun because I don't feel like I have lead in my shoes!

When I first moved here, I used to think October was time to stop doing everything, but since then, I have learned that the main word for October is: **Continue.**

**Continue** to feed your roses, but by now, granular fertilizers should be back in your shed on the shelf. You do not want any tender new growth to emerge during winter months. Organics release nutrients more slowly. You will want to feed your roses potassium to make their roots and stems strong enough get them through winter and increase disease resistance.

**Continue** to spray and remember to alternate what you use so the pests don't build up a tolerance. Our cool fall nights combined with warm days produce conditions favorable for mildew, and be aware that "bugs" like spider mites and aphids are still lurking around. I actually saw some spider mites on roses at the show!

**Continue** to water. Just because it is cooler, doesn't mean your plants don't need a drink. Check your soil frequently to be sure that it is damp enough.

**Continue** to weed your garden. Pine straw is plentiful and you should mulch your beds to help conserve moisture and keep the winter weeds to a dull roar.

October is a good time to really look at your garden and decide *who* will still be with you next year. If you are like me, it is hard to let one go, but if you have given a bush time, love, care and fertilizer and they are still not doing well, they may need to be replaced or relocated. If you decide to relocate, do so from late December - February. Water well before you transplant and keep them well watered after. If you decide to replace, you'll have fun going through the gazillion catalogues that are coming in the mail to find your new "baby" and plan for its debut in the spring. I LOVE the catalogues!

Enjoy the weather!

## **Election of Officials**

The election of officials for the 2013 year will be at the November meeting. Contact Frank Parker, chairman of the nominating committee, with your suggestions at 850-893-9740, stagerider@earthlink.net. The committee report will be in the November newsletter.

## **The Rose Show Winners**

### **DSD Challenge Classes**

J Horace McFarland—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Betty & Dudley Elvery—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Johnston OGR Bouquet—Linda & Walt Reed  
DSD Double English Box—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Katy Lampkin—Cindy Dale  
Director's Miniflora—James & Carolyn Small

### **TARS Challenge Classes**

Doyle Conner—Glenn Schulman  
Bill and Mary Maud Sharpe—Anna & Bill Price  
Bill Kerber—Cindy Dale

### **Horticulture Classes**

Queen (Deidre Hall)—Glenn Schulman  
King (Veterans' Honor)—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Princess (Louise Estes)—Linda & Walt Reed  
Court (Marilyn Wellan)—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Court (Bride's Dream)—Cindy Dale  
Court (Paradise)—Linda & Walt Reed  
Dowager (Souv de la Malmaison)—John & Jean Grotgen

Victorian (Kronprinzessin Viktoria von Preussen)—Anna & Bill Price

Novice (Red Masterpiece)—Cheryl Gibbons  
Miniature Queen (Emma Grace)—Ray Guillebeau  
Miniature King (Sweet Melody)—Ralph & Jean Stream  
Miniature Princess (Best of '04)—Willie Mae Burley  
Miniflora Queen (Louisville Lady)—Ralph & Jean Stream

Miniflora King (Renegade)—Cindy Dale  
Miniflora Princess (Baldo Villegas)—Ralph & Jean Stream

Best of Show (Kardinal)—Glenn Schulman

Sweepstakes—Linda and Walt Reed

Miniature/Miniflora Sweepstakes—James & Carolyn Small

### **Arrangement Challenge**

DSD Trophy—Joanne Maxheimer  
District Director Trophy—Jean Stream

### **Arrangement Classes**

Traditional Design—Jean Stream  
Modern Design—Jeff Hoffman  
Oriental Designs—Joanne Maxheimer  
Miniature Traditional Designs—Sara Coleman and Jean Stream

Miniature Modern Design—Jean Stream

Miniature Oriental Designs—Joanne Maxheimer  
Duchess—Jeff Hoffman

Duke—Joanne Maxheimer

Dried Arrangement—Diane Snyder

Judges Challenge—Lee Hale

Sweepstakes—Joanne Maxheimer

Congratulations to these winners and to the others not listed here!

## Upcoming Society Programs

October 18: Program-Listen to Your Roses  
November 15: Program-Making Decorations for the Holidays

## Calendar of Local Society Events

October 18-Society Meeting  
November 15-Society Meeting (Election of Officials for Coming Year and Awarding Bronze Medal)  
December-No Society Meeting

## DSD Events

January 18-20 DSD Mid-Winter Meeting—  
Gainesville, FL. Contact Jean Stream, 352-591-4474, stream@gmail.com. This meeting also includes the DSD Consulting Rosarian School for updating status or for becoming a CR.

## ARS Happenings

At the September 27-30 ARS Fall National Convention and Rose Show Ed Griffith was installed as Regional Director of Region 3. Karen Prevatt was also installed as the Director of our Deep South District. Please give Ed and Karen your support for their upcoming three year terms. They will be pleased to listen to your concerns and do their best to make your concerns know at ARS meetings. They are also eager to help with local society matters. Contact Ed Griffith at 251-479-3775, roseonr@concentric.net and Karen Prevatt at 813-634-1830, kprevatt@verizon.net.

*"All of our dreams  
can come true,  
If we have the courage  
To pursue them"*  
Walt Disney

## Information

The Tallahassee Area Rose Society meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month except June, July, and December at the Jubilee 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 will be 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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