

# Regarding Roses

## Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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## President's Message By Bill Dority

September 2011

Hot and dry, huh? Thank goodness for my watering hoses, otherwise my rose bushes would be in sad shape. There are lots of activities going on for the rose show. All the years of experience that exist in this Society has a way of rising to the top given the leadership of Pat Stanford and her back up stalwarts. Again, to those who have not found a role in this Show of Shows, you are going to miss out on a grand opportunity. You can help out to make the show happen. Show your roses, and get the word out to all you know, including the other organizations that you work with. I have the opportunity to give my power point presentation on Garden Roses to a garden club in Havana on October 10. They are going to get an invitation to come

to the show. I'm betting some of them will come too! Remember Saturday, October 29 and Sunday, October 30 afternoons from 1:00 to 5:00 pm the show is open to the public. Be sure to remind folks you talk to that there is no charge, just lots of beautiful roses to see and smell. Keep in touch!

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### **RIR Reminder**

President Bill Dority would like to remind you once again to participate in Roses In Review for 2011. This review is a must for CR's and other rosarians are asked to participate. It can be done online or by mail. There will be additional forms at the meeting or contact Bill, CR Coordinator.

### **Remembering Bill Kerber—A Celebration of His Life**

The Goodwood Garden and Rose Volunteers will host a Celebration of the Life of William T. "Bill" Kerber at the Carriage House, Goodwood Museum and Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Road, Tallahassee, Florida on Sunday, September 25 at 3:00 pm. There will be optional garden visits prior and following. There will be a reception following the celebration of his life. The volunteers would be pleased to have friends of Bill Kerber attend.

At the Celebration there will be a presentation to Goodwood of a garden bench and plaque remembering Bill. Memorial donations may be made to Goodwood Museum and Gardens, attention Fred Gaske, and mailed to 1600 Miccosukee Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32308-5177.

### Society Meeting

Date: Thursday, 22, 2011

Time: Time 7:00 p.m.

Place: Jubilee Cottage at Goodwood Museum and Gardens

Program: Bill Dority will give a profile of his garden. This is the first in a series of garden profile programs.

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## My Favorite Rose—Don Juan By Jean Holzapfel

The *Don Juan* rose was one of the first I ever had—before I knew anything about roses, and it is one of the few I have left now besides the old garden roses and knock-outs. The *Don Juan* is a beautiful climbing red rose with large double blooms and velvety romantic red rose petals. It

makes a stunning effect in a garden, especially if It's trained against a white painted support. It has a profusion of blooms in early Spring and blooms on and off until frost sometimes until Christmas. The *Don Juan* has a rich fragrance and also makes a very (continued on Page 2)



**Don Juan**  
**Large-Flowered Climber**

### Special Notes

- Volunteer at Goodwood Saturday mornings 9:00 a.m. till noon. Contact John Sullivan, joh4@aol.com for more information.
- Plan to exhibit and volunteer to help at the TARS rose show.
- Go to the DSD Convention and Rose Show in Tampa, November 11-13
- Vote on ARS By-Law changes

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

nice cut flower. I have had my current *Don Juan* about 11 years and as soon as roses are available, I am going to get another one or maybe two to enjoy.

### ***Remember to Call***

Call Isabelle de Sercey at 850-997-2170 to volunteer to bring “goodies” for the meetings.

### ***Goodwood Rose Volunteers***

The Goodwood rose volunteers have been busy for the past few weeks rooting cuttings for the 2012 sale. We want to thank all of the members who have contributed their time and efforts and to those who have provided cuttings. The volunteers could still use additional cuttings and if you can make donations, please contact John Sullivan, joh4@aol.com so that arrangements can be made. Plan to bring the cuttings in water on either Friday or Saturday mornings from 9:00 until Noon. You are invited to join the group too. You'll get to meet some great folks, learn about old garden roses and make a worthwhile contribution to Goodwood.

### ***27th Annual Rose Show***

Pat Stanford, rose show chairman, has plans well underway for the show. However, there is still time for you to volunteer to help. Contact her at 519-3745 or wordhacker@centurylink.net. This is a once a year chance for you to get to know your fellow members better. There is a show flyer enclosed and she can make more available to you (even in larger sizes) to help us get the word out. Plan to exhibit. It takes roses to make a show. Bring what you have and there will be members available to help you make your entries if you have never entered before. There are novice classes and the new special Bill Kerber Perpetual Trophy class. Schedules will be available soon. If you would like to contribute awards for the show (or monies to purchase awards), bring them to the September meeting and give them to Pat. Show time will be here soon.

### ***DSD Convention and Rose Show***

We hope that many of you are planning to attend this DSD event. You should have received a registration form earlier, but we will have extras at the meeting just in case you have misplaced it. The Tampa Rose Society has made every effort to keep the price as reasonable as possible and has planned a great weekend of programs, rose show, garden tours, good food and just fun with fellow rosarians. The annual business meeting of the district will be held. See “Name the Rose” raffle information enclosed.

### ***The Rose Tip Workshop for September***

Marilyn Watson will be conducting this month's workshop and explaining the data gathering program that she has been working on recently. She needs your cooperation.

## ***Minutes of The Tallahassee Area Rose Society, August 18, 2011***

A regular meeting of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society was held at 7:00pm at Goodwood Museum and Gardens in the Jubilee Cottage. President Bill Dority presided and welcomed members and visitors. The Society picnic was in May and there were no minutes. The Treasurer's report was presented and accepted. Two TARS members, Bill Driscoll and Bill Kerber, recently died and the society has sent a donation to the Deep South District Garden Fund in their memory. The Treasurer read a note from the family of Bill Driscoll thanking us for the donation. President Dority asked for a moment of silence remembering members who had died. Jennie Myers made some brief comments about member Bill Kerber, who was the head of the Goodwood Gardens Old Garden Roses project. She showed the members a book of pictures of Bill Kerber, commemorating his life. Plans for a Celebration of his life on September 25, 2011 were announced.

President Dority discussed the American Rose Society's “Roses in Review” reporting and urged each member to fill out the review form and submit it before the final date on September 26, 2011. Bill stated that he was very pleased that the Society was included in the yearly “Living Here” magazine, and he thanked the persons who submitted this information to the magazine. Mary Maud Sharpe reported on the joint Rose and Library month, held in June. The library had a display of rose books. The society provided handout information about TARS. She stated that this project was a success and that we received names of persons to add to the mailing list. Mary Maud Sharpe also stated that the date of the next TARS meeting would be on September 22, 2011, as Jubilee Cottage was not available for the regular meeting date.

John Sullivan, who is now head of the Goodwood Gardens Old Garden Roses project, gave a short talk on the current work at Goodwood to continue with the preparation of the old garden roses for the sale in February 2012. He also commented on current plans to maintain the gardens at Goodwood and asked for TARS members to consider volunteering. Mary Maud Sharpe gave a brief presentation on the early history of the gardens at Goodwood and how the TARS Society became involved with this on-going project. Pat Stanford, the Chairperson of the TARS Rose Show, to be held October 29-30, 2011 gave an overview of her functions as Chairperson, outlining the different committees needed for the show and asked for volunteers.

Door prizes were awarded. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm and members enjoyed refreshments. During the refreshments and fellowship time, a workshop was presented on “Making Signs for Your Garden Roses” and was presented by Bill Dority.

Respectfully submitted,

Lennie Kennedy, Secretary

## **September Consulting Rosarian Report**

By Sylvester and Martha Jean Woodward

The days will soon become somewhat cooler and it will be more pleasant to spend time in the garden getting our roses ready for as in the spring. Usually most rosarians do this Labor Day weekend. Fall fertilizing is similar to the spring routine. Give your plants plenty of organics to carry them through the winter. You can use chemical fertilizer now but not after October since plants should not have tender growth when cold weather arrives. With the three digit temperature we have been having, be sure to water frequently. Check to beautiful fall blooms. It is still not too late to cut back your roses – but not as severely see if you need to stake to prevent wind damage. Remember to deadhead frequently through October. For your spray program, most rosarians alternate their products for more effective control. Check your mulch, you may need to replenish it to help moderate soil temperature and control weeds.

Enjoy your fall blooms.

### **Attention ARS Members**

Information on the By Law Amendment vote was in the September—October issue of American Rose. You may vote online using your unique ID number or by returning the card in your magazine. The ballots must be received by October 15. If you vote by mail, be sure to sign your ballot. For questions please call Laura Pfender 1-800-637-6534 or e-mail [laura@ars-hq.org](mailto:laura@ars-hq.org).

### **Safe Handling of Chemicals**

- Read the label and follow all instructions.
- Never use more chemical than is recommended.
- Mixing several chemicals may result in plant damage.
- Spray in cool parts of the day.
- Make sure plants are well watered before spraying.
- Do not use additives unless recommended by the manufacturer.
- Use a spreader sticker only if recommended.
- Use the proper chemical for the specific problem that you need to control.
- Always spray both the underside and the tops of the foliage.
- Store all chemicals in their original containers and never divide chemicals into other containers.
- Keep in a dry, dark place and out of reach of children and pets.
- Do not use restricted pesticides unless you have a license.
- Abide by all the federal and state laws concerning chemical control.
- Be sure to take care of yourself—handle all chemicals properly.

## **“Remember Me”...Rose Gardens**

### **To Remember, lest we forget**

“Remember Me” Rose Gardens is an organization dedicated to creating gardens to honor those who died on September 11, 2001. Gardens are being created in New York City, the Pentagon and near Shanksville, PA. Sue Casey is the person with the inspiration for creating and naming the “Remember Me” gardens. Eleven roses will be named in honor of the victims. The eight that have been named and introduced are Firefighter, Soaring Spirits, We Salute You, Forty Heroes, The Finest, Patriot Dream, Survivor and Wings of Courage. The roses named and yet to be introduced are Port Authority Police, Flight 11, Flight 175 and Responders’. “Firefighter” is a red hybrid tea rose to honor the 343 firefighters who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. “Soaring Spirits” is a cream pink and yellow striped climbing rose to honor the more than 2,000 people who lost their lives as they worked at the World Trade Center Towers. “We Salute You” is an orange pink hybrid tea to honor the 125 service members, employees and contract workers who died at the Pentagon. “Forty Heroes” is a golden yellow rose named for the crew and passengers of United Flight 93 who fought back forcing hijackers to crash the plane in rural Pennsylvania instead of the Washington target. “The Finest” is a white hybrid tea named for the 23 NYPD lost in the line of duty. “Patriot Dream” is a salmon colored shrub rose with a light fruity fragrance and named for the 64 people who were the crew and passengers of American Airlines Flight 77 when it crashed into the Pentagon. It was hybridized by Ping Lim. “Survivor” is a deep pink floribunda rose hybridized by Ping Lim and is named for the survivors who made it out of the World Trade Center and helped other before the Towers collapsed and the Pentagon Survivors. “Wings of Courage” is a butter yellow with a halo of white petals shrub rose that is mildly scented and is named in honor of the crew and passengers of American Airlines Flight 11 which struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center. It was hybridized by the late John Clements of Heirloom Roses. John was with FAA for 28 years as an Air Traffic Controller. It is the most recently named and is featured on the cover of the September/October issue of *American Rose*. Be sure to read the article on page 12. Most of the named and introduced roses are available at garden centers. “Wings of Courage” will be available later.

A perpetual maintenance fund has been created to support and maintain each of the three gardens. To finance the fund a donation from the sale of each rose will be directed to the maintenance fund.

***“There isn’t a person anywhere who isn’t capable of doing more than he thinks he can.”***

*Henry Ford*

## Upcoming Society Programs

**September 22:** Bill Dority will be profiling his garden and will have handouts. Questions are encouraged.

**October 20:** Pat Stanford, TARS 2011 Rose Show Chairman, will be telling us what happens on show weekend.

**November 17:** Stan Rosenthal, Leon County Extension Service, will be discussing soils and their importance in growing quality roses.

**January 19:** Pam Greenwald, Angel Gardens, Alachua, Fl, will present the highlights of her work in Europe this past summer.

**February 16:** Sue Hansen will present a profile of her gardening efforts. This will be the second in this series of garden profiles.

## Calendar of Society Events

**September 22 —Society Meeting**

**October 20—Society Meeting**

**October 29-30—Annual Rose Show**

**November 17—Society Meeting**

**December—No Scheduled Meeting**

**January 19—Society Meeting**

**February 16—Society Meeting**

## Rose Shows: Fall

**October 29-30—Tallahassee, FL.** 27th Annual “Celebrating with...Wine and Roses” Contact Pat Stanford, 850-519-3745, wordhacker@centurylink.net.

**November 11-13—DSD Annual Convention and Rose Show—Tampa, FL.** Contact Walt Pilat, 813-818-7686 or trs.wpilat@verizon.net.

## ARS National Events:

**October 13-16—Fall National Convention and Rose Show—Los Angeles, CA.** Contact Marcia Sanchez-Walsh, losangelestinseltownrs@gmail.com

## 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 E-mail copy of the Bulletin for \$10 a year or \$25 for three years. Printed copies are \$15.00 a year or \$40.00 for three years. Kay Harrell, DSDBulletin@fairmarsh.com

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