

Regarding Roses

Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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President's Message By Jan Godfrey

October 2018

I really enjoyed last month's discussion—it was fun hearing about how each others' gardens are faring. Most of my roses are continuing to improve. My sandy loam soil dries out so quickly that watering enough has been a daily event.

A few plants were lost and they will be replaced but I have realized that 65+ rose bushes are enough for me to take care of—although I still have many others on my list to get. It's 7:00 a.m. and I'm on my way out to prune and water. The bushes that seem to have done the best this summer are Mrs. B. R. Cant (Tea 1901), Napoleon (China 1835), Saint David's (Found Bermuda China), Georgetown Tea (Found Tea), Princesse de Sagan (Tea 1887), Papa Hemeray (China 1912) and Vincent Godsiff (Found Bermuda China). Bob Harper's rose

(unknown) has had many beautiful pink blooms and has been one of the healthiest plants.

Right now, I like many others, are getting plants ready for the Rose Show. Today I am putting diatomaceous earth, azomite and sludge around the plants. (I got the last 3 bags of sludge from Waukeenah). I have read that the diatomaceous earth will kill the Chilli Thrip larvae; the other 2 are to fertilize. I am continuing to spray for blight, this week using Fertilome Fire Blight spray.

Remember that in October the Nominating Committee will prepare a slate of Officers and Directors for the next year. Marion Nimis, Mona Lisa Abbott and Bob Schelhorn are on the Committee. If you have any interest in volunteering for the open positions, please let one of them know. Nominees will be announced in

the November newsletter and voted on in the November meeting.

I know you haven't forgotten the Rose Show coming up October 27-28. More volunteers are needed and hopefully if you are asked to help, your answer will be "Yes!". As you know, our Society has a small number of members so it would be great if everyone would volunteer to help make this our best Show ever. Please make an effort to enter your roses in the Show. It is very rewarding.

I am really looking forward to this month's program—Edible Flowers will be presented by Lynne Schafer. Many edible flowers find their way into my salads and I can't wait to hear all about her rose recipes—rose honey sounds
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Thought You'd Like To Know—Smokin' Hot

Smokin' Hot is a new hybrid tea that was introduced by Edmunds; Roses and hybridized by Bedard. The foliage emerges as burgundy and glossy. It matures to a deep lustrous green with hints of red remaining on the edges. The blooms are fiery red with a white reverse and

deep smoky overtones. The fragrance is moderate tea and spices. It flowers throughout the summer and makes a good cut flower. We have featured it in the 2018 show flyer. We think that you would be pleased to have it as an addition to your garden.



Smokin' Hot
(Hybrid Tea)

October Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 4, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm.

Place: Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Road, Tallahassee, FL

Program: "Edible Flowers" will be presented by Lynne Schafer. We understand that there will be tastings that she plans to share. Learn how to delight your family and guests on special occasions in the near future.

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Special Notes

- Volunteer at Goodwood Saturday mornings 9:00 am—Noon and third Wednesday 9:00 am.
- Volunteer at the Peace Garden the first Wednesday March through October beginning at 9:00 am. Contact Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, wjmm-sharpe@aol.com

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particularly good to me. Thanks Cheryl Gibbons for arranging this program for us.

I also wanted to mention that I have really appreciated, enjoyed and learned from the last few Consulting Rosarian reports. Thank you John Sullivan and Seymour Rosen.

Looking forward to seeing you on October 4th. Please bring roses!

"The fragrance always stays in the hand that gives the rose."

— George William Curtis

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Goodwood Roses

Maintenance includes removing deadwood and spent blooms, fertilizing and pulling weeds. Work is usually completed in an hour on third Wednesday monthly at 9:00 am. If you would like to help with maintenance come and join us. We do plan to meet in October, but will give the roses a rest until February when we will be pruning. The Goodwood volunteers report that if you would like to volunteer in the propagating program come to Goodwood on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am till noon. We are accepting and would appreciate cuttings. For more information contact any of the regular volunteers:

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There are plants available. Please let others know.

Peace Garden

Yes, volunteers will be doing their last work day of the year at the Peace Garden on Wednesday, October 3. We will let Mother Nature and our automatic sprinkler system look out for them until March 6, 2019.

Hospitality Committee—Martha Dooley

If you are willing to provide a goodie (sweet, savory, beverage) for October, please call me at 850-342-1711 or e-mail to mbdooley@embarqmail.com or text to 850-294-4016. Thanks to all who have volunteered in the past!

Lynn Schafer

See enclosed recipe shared by Lynn Schafer our October program presenter.

Tallahassee Area Rose Society Minutes

September 6, 2018

Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens

The meeting was called to order by president Jan Godfrey at 7:07p.m.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Mary Maud Sharpe and approved by those in attendance. Total paid members so far this year is now 64. Receipts were for membership dues and there were no expenses. Anticipated expenses for the show were given. All were encouraged to either donate items or money for the awards for this year's show. There are some prizes left from last year. Additional anticipated expense will be the Bronze Medal.

Marion Nimis will be chairman or hosts and hostesses for the show. It was suggested that we consider serving lemonade and coolies to visitors

It was noted that Jim Small will present a seminar on judging for horticulture judges Saturday, September 22 in Thomasville, Georgia. and any rosarians are welcome.

It is time for Roses in Review and even if you don't have the new varieties, just filling out a form helps.

We were reminded that volunteers maintain Goodwood gardens on the third Wednesday of the Month and the Peace garden on the first Wednesday of the month.

The business portion was adjourned and those present visited the newly planted garden at the pool area.

Members returned to Jubilee Cottage and discussed what was happening in their gardens. Disaster subjects were chili thrips, deer, armadillos, weeds etc. Several members brought roses to share.

The door prize was awarded, and members enjoyed refreshments and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Maud Sharpe

Acting Secretary

Nominating Committee

Marion Nimis, 850-894-1133, marion@statistix.com is chairman of the committee and members are Mona Lisa Abbott 850-222-6662, amonalisa@me.com and Bob Schelhorn 850-907-1325, b.schelhorn@yahoo.com. Please contact any member of the committee to volunteer to serve as an official or nominate another member to serve. Please make your nominations by October 18 so that they may be included in the November issue of "Regarding Roses". Nominations may also be made from the floor. The election will be held at the November 1 meeting of the society.

Society Shirts

Society shirts are still available and are done by a local firm. There will be more information at the meeting or contact Mary Maud Sharpe at 850-878-9625.

Deadline for November Newsletter

The deadline for submitting information for the November "Regarding Roses", the society newsletter is October 18. Please send information to the editor Mary Maud Sharpe at wjmmsharpe@aol.com.

October Consulting Rosarian Report

By Bob Schelhorn

EXHIBIT, EXHIBIT, EXHIBIT

You are a member of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society. You read the newsletter. You may even attend the monthly meetings and call yourself a rosarian, but do you exhibit? NO? I don't think so. How come? Your roses wouldn't win? You've never done it before? You work on Saturdays? (My personal and very contradictory excuse for the past two years – though I have had nary a rose to enter). You can't find Conner Boulevard? PUHLLLEEZZZ!!!! Admit it! You're chicken!

Step up to the plate, chickens. The society needs you to exhibit. It might be fun. You could even win a ribbon. You will see some friends and make some new ones. You will walk away from the show feeling good. I guarantee it. Having participated, you will have become part of the solution rather than part of the problem.

Yes, it is a little intimidating at first. Please don't even glance at Glenn Schulman's, Ralph and Jean Stream's or Barry Smith's roses in the staging area. They are pros and their bounty will make even experienced and winning rosarians (me) feel inadequate.

Yes, you don't know what you are doing. Your best and favorite rose has thrips. You gotta get up early. Your feet hurt. You're low on gas. Your dog ate your homework. Tuff! Exhibit anyway.

Start by enlisting a consulting rosarian. We are called "consulting" rosarians for a reason. Read the rose show schedule that Mary Maud sends you. Highlight the classes that apply to you. Make a list of questions to ask the CR. It should be long. Get and prepare some entry tags beforehand. Grab a sheet of return address labels that Jerry Lewis sent you after receiving that last check. Sharpen a couple of pencils, get some rubber bands, scissors, clippers, a microfiber towel and the 2018 ARS "Handbook for Selecting Roses" (Correct spelling is crucial).

Finally, skip your morning coffee – You'll be jacked enough. Try a mimosa or bloody Mary instead to help calm your nerves.

Best of luck! See you at the show!

TARS 2018 Annual Show

Reserve the last weekend in October for the 2018 annual TARS rose show. We hope that many of our members will be exhibiting this year. The schedule will be similar to previous years, so study the classes and plan those you can enter. Mark your calendar now and join us in supporting this annual event to introduce the public to the world of roses and how they too can enjoy roses in their gardens. Ann Stevens, 850-576-1800, stevensann@yahoo.co, and Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, wjmmsharpe@aol.com are co-chairs for the show. Contact them and volunteer to help.

DSD Horticulture Seminar

We are pleased that many TARS members attended the recent Seminar. The program was well presented by knowledgeable rosarians and the subjects covered were photography, sprays, old garden and shrub roses, judging ethics and discussions on updates in judging. The Thomas County Library was the location of the events of the day.

Notes for the Show

- Cut your roses as near to show time as possible. Roses that are fresh have the best chance of winning.
- Place them in water as soon as cut.
- Some roses will keep for a few days. Give it a try especially if it is a very good specimen.
- Travel carefully to the show. There are many ways to transport your entries.
- Be sure to protect the blooms and the foliage. Good foliage is important.
- Remove only the foliage that will be below the top of the container.
- Damaged foliage may be trimmed with serrated scissors.
- Fill entry tags before the day of the show if possible. This will save you valuable time on show day.
- Come early. The preparation area will be open at 6:00 am and entries will be received beginning at 7:00 am. Entries close at 10:00 am.
- Entry tags, rubber bands and schedules will be available at the classification table.
- Boxes, frames, goblets, etc. are on a first come basis, but the supply is adequate.
- There will be extra wedges. Exhibitors may use wedges to position specimens.
- Help will be provided for novice exhibitors. Just ask.
- Goodies, coffee, juice and water will be available to exhibitors.
- The classification table will answer questions about entries. Other exhibitors may be too busy to help.
- When you finish your entries ask if there is any way you can help.
- The show opens to the public at 2:00 pm. Make sure to tell others.
- Invite rose lovers to exhibit and to view the show. Word of mouth is the best way to let others know about coming.
- Enjoy your show day. Good luck!

*"Joy descends gently upon us like the evening dew,
and does not patter down like a hailstorm."*

Jean Paul

Upcoming Society Programs and Events

October 4—“Edible Flowers and Creativity with Roses” presented by Lynne Schafer, She plans to have tasty samples.

October 27– 28—Annual Rose Show, Doyle Conner Building, 3115 Conner Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL

November 1—Review and Evaluate the Show. Election of Officials

December 6—Holiday Party

DSD Events

January 18-20, 2019—DSD Mid-Winter Meeting

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. There is much interesting information in the ARS magazine such as news from ARS, articles on varied rose topics, beautiful photos, national, district and local events and much more.

Visit the ARS website www.rose.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.

Publications such as Horticulture, Arrangement and Consulting Rosarian Manuals are available for reference and download. The Rose Registration Listing is also available. ARS e-mails members the publication of ARS & You.

Information:

Web Site: www.tallahasseearearosesociety.org

Meetings: The Tallahassee Area Rose Society meetings are at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month except June and July at the Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens.

Membership: Annual dues are \$15 individual, \$20 joint. Contact the treasurer, Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, wjmmsharpe@aol.com

DSD Bulletin: The Deep South District of the ARS issues a quarterly copy of the Bulletin. It is available though e-mail to all ARS members. A black and white copy is also available to members who do not have an e-mail address. Make check for \$10.00 to Deep South District and mail to Kay Harrell, 121 Shore Rush Circle, St. Simons Island, GA 31522-1420

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