

# Regarding Roses

## Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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## President's Message By Jan Godfrey

November 2017

The Deep South District Convention is just around the corner. The final details are soon to be finished. Having never attended a Convention before, I am really looking forward to the experience of being around so many people with the same passion for growing roses. I know there will be roses for sale, if only I could pass them by without bringing some of the lovelies home.

I am so disappointed that I missed last month's program. Folks told me that it was a great experience to see the way Joanne arranges roses for shows.

Our next meeting will be right after the Rose Show. I am hoping that many of our members who showed roses will have won awards (maybe even Queen of Show) will share their success with us.

According to the By-Laws, the November meet-

ing is when end of the year business takes place. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates to serve as Officers and Board Members for the upcoming year. The Treasurer will present the end of year Financial Report. We will also consider and vote on raising Membership dues.

Now my favorite part of my message—what's been going on in my garden. I have been using molasses, kelp and fish emulsions for enhancing bloom production and spraying with bio-fungicides and Organocide to control fungus and insects. It seems to be working because I have blooms on many of my roses. I can only hope that they will continue to bloom so I will have flowers for the Rose Show. For the last 2 years, I had only Jean Bach Sisley. It would be nice to be able to enter more than one bloom

this year. Of course, many of my Bermuda and other "found" roses are in full bloom. It's a shame I can't show Bermuda Spice because not only is she covered in beautiful blooms but she is so fragrant that you can enjoy the scent from quite a distance. She blooms almost constantly throughout the season.

Looking forward to meeting new folks and enjoying their beautiful roses.

See you and your roses at the Rose Show.

"What a lovely thing a rose is!"  
— Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

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*Tea*  
*(Old Garden Rose)*

## Thought You'd Like To Know— Key West Rock Rose

*Key West Rock Rose* is a tea rose with a double (17—25 petals) bloom form. It is light yellow to cream and has a mild fragrance. It is great for cutting and blooms throughout the season. The growth is tall and it is armed with thorns and prickles. It is a large shrub type growth. It is

similar to Mrs. Dudley Cross, with relatively many prickles and flowers tend to be less well formed. It was found in Key West Florida before 1980. This rose in a large clay pot was the raffle item from TARS at the recent Convention and Rose Show. You may find it at Goodwood.

### November Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, November 2, 2017

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Place:** Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Rd., Tallahassee, Florida

**Program:** "Congratulations to DSD Show Winners" Members are asked to show and tell about their entries that were winners at the show in horticulture, arrangements or photography. Mona Lisa Abbott took some photos.

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### Special Notes

- Volunteer at Goodwood Saturday mornings 9:00 am till noon.
- 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

## **Goodwood Roses**

The Goodwood volunteers report that roses have done well. If you would like to volunteer in this propagating program come to Goodwood on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am till noon. We have recently added new volunteers to the Goodwood group and would be pleased to have others. There is always something to do. For more information contact any of the regular volunteers:

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There are plants available and will be sold each Saturday from 9:00 am till noon. Please let others know about these plants. Some plants are being reserved for planting at Goodwood. We are continuing to work on the new rose planting there. We are hoping to have the plantings done soon.

## **Nominating Committee Report**

President Jan Godfrey has appointed a Nominating Committee for the officials for the coming year. The committee is Pat Stanford, chairman, member Mona Lisa Abbott, and member Marion Nimis. Election will be held at the November meeting.

The report of the nominating committee is as follows:

President—Jan Godfrey

Vice-President—Ann Stevens

Secretary—Janet Newburgh

Treasurer—Mary Maud Sharpe

Board Member—Hank Rosen

Board Member—Robert Schelhorn

Board Member—Marion Nimis (Past President)

Thanks to these members who have agreed to serve as officials.

## **Convention and Rose Show**

A special “Thank You” to all the members of TARS and TRS who spent many hours preparing for and during the weekend of the show! The visiting rosarians reported that they enjoyed the events and thanked the societies for hosting. Your Co-Chairmen Mary Maud Sharpe and Montine Herring are grateful for the support of all members. The 2017 Convention and Rose Show will always be a memorable event for both of the societies.

## **Deadline for November Newsletter**

The deadline for submitting information for the December Newsletter is November 23. Please send to the editor Mary Maud Sharpe at wjmmsharpe@aol.com.

*“When we recall the past, we usually find that it is the simplest things — not great occasions—that in retrospect give off the greatest glow of happiness.”*

Bob Hope

## **Tallahassee Area Rose Society**

**October 5, 2017**

### **Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Ann Stevens at 7:03 p.m.

The minutes from the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting were read by Secretary Janet Newburgh. They were approved as read and as printed in the newsletter.

The Treasurer’s report was presented by Mary Maud Sharpe and was accepted as presented.

Seymour Rosen has earned his Rosarian title, and President Jan Godfrey will present his certificate to him at a later date.

Preparations are being finalized for the Deep South Convention, scheduled for October 27-29, 2017. Several items for the goody bags that will be given to each convention registrant already are either on hand or lined up, and additional goody bag items are being solicited. The Polar Express roses that will be given to each registrant are doing well. Help is requested for convention setup that will begin at 9:00 am on Friday, October 27, and for takedown that will begin at 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 29. Thanks to the good work by Gerard Nimis, information about the DSD convention and much more can be found on the TARS website, at <http://www.tallahasseearearosesociety.org/activities/annual-convention-2017>. Marion Nimis has graciously volunteered to meet the public at the rose show on Saturday afternoon, October 28<sup>th</sup>, during the convention presentations at the Doubletree.

The meeting included a fascinating presentation by Joanne Maxheimer on arranging roses, and she encouraged TARS members to try this. Joanne exhorted members to “let their imagination go.” Information as to the kind of roses used in the arrangement needs to be provided, and Joanne noted that judges have to be at least three feet away. Oasis can be used to keep live arrangements fresh and should be soaked in water several hours or overnight before use. She recommended using inexpensive vases and other materials, as sometimes these things get lost. Niches can be purchased from stores like Hobby Lobby. Vases and dead materials can be painted, but not living material. It is important to hide the “mechanics” of the arrangement.

Joanne discussed different types of arrangements. Her first demonstration was a traditional arrangement. These often contain 5 roses, but can include 7 or another odd number, generally with the largest in the middle. Any kind of filler from the garden can be used. This type of arrangement should fill the niche, leading the eye to flow upward and sometimes aiming to make the container disappear.

Joanne next demonstrated an Oriental arrangement. This style stresses simplicity but should never involve four stems, as this number signifies death! Leaves should be cleaned to make them shiny, but nothing should be put on them. These arrangements can include a mixture of roses, including miniatures, but one should

never let a leaf touch the water. Moribana arrangements are the only ones that do not need to fill the niche.

The final style that Joanne demonstrated was modern, or free form. Modern abstract arrangements need at least two abstractions, representing changes from the way the material grew.

Joanne asked for volunteers to help prepare centerpieces for the convention.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm, followed by delicious refreshments generously provided by several TARS members.

Respectfully submitted

*Janet Newburgh*

### ***November Consulting Rosarian Report***

By Montine Herring

November is the month that rosarians and their rose bushes begin to take a rest! However, usually during November we have our first frost of the season and in anticipation of colder weather there are several things that should be done in your garden. Do not use fertilizer with a significant amount of nitrogen, since plants need to be prepared for dormancy and should not have a lot of new fresh growth. Many rosarians cut back the very tallest canes so that their plant's root system will not be damaged by the winter winds. Also staking of any large plants is a good idea for the very same reason. Continue to water well since fall months may be dry. Plants need sufficient water even though the days are cooler. Continue to spray so that your plants will have good healthy leaves. Plenty of good healthy leaves are the key to having good plants any time of the year. Allow plants to form hips (seeds) from blooms. This also promotes dormancy. Mulch well and this will help to moderate the soil temperatures and keep the plants from losing roots that could freeze. It will also help to control those winter weeds that seem to appear. Now is an excellent time to have a soil test done. If you need extra lime for pH adjustment or certain other mineral additives this can be done during the winter months and your plants will be ready for a fresh start when spring comes. Decide now if you need some new plants to replace. If you are planning to add new beds, you can do your bed preparation so that any organic materials you add will have time to mellow before planting in late winter or early spring. Enjoy your roses while they last and use your late fall and winter months to plan for next season's blooms. Hopefully you have other flowering plants in your landscape to enjoy while you and your roses take a well-deserved slow down.

### ***DSD Rose Show Winners***

Listed are some of the winners at the show.

District Classes

- ARS J. Horace McFarland—Bill and Jill Chappell

- DSD Double English Box—James Small
- ARS Ralph S. Moore—Ray Guillebeau
- Katy Lampkin—Debbie and Ken Wilkinson
- Director's Miniflora—Ray Guillebeau

TARS Challenge Classes

- Doyle Conner—Glenn Schulman
  - Springtime—Glenn Schulman
  - Geraldine Livingston—Ray Guillebeau
- Top Hybrid Teas and Grandifloras
- Queen—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - King—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - Princess—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - Court of Honor—Bill and Jill Chappell
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  - Fully Open Hybrid Tea/ Grandiflora—Donna Harrell
  - Floribunda—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Floribunda Spray—Debbie and Ken Wilkinson
  - Climber—Martha and Jim Dooley
  - Modern Shrub—Martha and Jim Dooley
  - Dowager Queen—Alex and Jane Hinson
  - Victorian—Ray Guillebeau
  - English Box—James Small
  - Rosarian's Choice—Donna Harrell
  - Rose in a Frame—James Small
  - Novice—Marion Nimis
  - Judges Challenge—Bobbie Reed and Don Schwartz
  - Miniature Queen—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - Miniature King—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Miniature Princess—Ralph and Jena Stream
  - Miniflora Queen—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Miniflora King—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - Miniflora Princess—Bill and Jill Chappell
  - Single Type Miniature/Miniflora—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Fully open Miniature/Miniflora—Willie Mae Burley
  - Miniature/Miniflora Spray—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Miniature/Miniflora English Box—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Miniature/Miniflora Painter's Palette—James Small
  - Miniature/Miniflora Rosarian's Choice—Ralph and Jean Stream
  - Miniature/Miniflora Rose in a Frame—Ray Guillebeau
  - Fragrant Rose—Seymour Rosen

Arrangement Classes

Local winners were Joanne Maxheimer and Marion Nimis

Photography Classes

Local winners were Ann Stevens, Seymour Rosen and Joanne Maxheimer

*"Success is not the key to happiness.  
Happiness is the key to success.  
If you love what you are doing,  
You will be successful*

Albert Schweitzer

## Upcoming Society Programs and Events

**November 2**—Society Meeting: “Show and Tell from winners at the DSD Rose Show” Election of Officials

**December 7**—Christmas Social TBA

**January 2017**—Beginning a new year of rose meeting and activities.

### DSD Events

**DSD Mid-Winter Meeting**—January 19-21, 2018, Best Western, Gainesville, FL hosted by Wiregrass and Pensacola Rose Societies

### 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](http://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:** [www.tallahasseearearosesociety.org](http://www.tallahasseearearosesociety.org)

**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 \$10 individual, \$15 joint. Contact the treasurer, Mary Maud Sharpe, 850-878-9625, [wjmmsharpe@aol.com](mailto: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. 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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