

Regarding Roses

Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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President's Message: Janet Newburgh

December 2022

President's Message for December, 2022

Members of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society (TARS) pulled together for a lovely rose show that was very well attended by members of the community. Kudos go to all who participated in any way. Special thanks go to the three co-chairs—Amy Beaven, Jan Godfrey, and Marion Nimis—who worked tirelessly for months, taking care of the myriad details that are necessary for a successful show. The show chairs' task was particularly difficult this year because TARS did not hold a rose show in the prior two years due to COVID concerns, and organizing a rose show was a brand new experience for all three of them. Many others contributed their talents and time to the show, and those efforts made a huge contribution to the show's success. Work has already begun for next year's rose show. We are looking forward to holding a bigger, better show in 2023. We hope to greatly increase participation next year, particularly among local folks, in exhibiting all types of roses, as well as rose photography and arrangements. During the coming months, we'll be doing what we can to set the stage for greater community involvement in all these areas.

I also want to thank Past President Jan Godfrey for organizing the nomination slate for TARS officers and board members for 2023. Vice President Cheryl Gifford, Secretary Amy Beaven, and Board Members Jan Godfrey (Immediate Past President), Robert Schelhorn, Marion Nimis have graciously agreed to continue in their positions, and I will continue as your President. We welcome Gerard Nimis as the new Treasurer, who will take over that responsibility from our absolutely amazing Mary Maud Sharpe. Mary Maud has been the heart and soul of TARS for time immemorial, contributing her own time, financial resources, and even her home for publishing the newsletter, her living room for organizing TARS activities, her barn for storing show equipment, and so much more. And speaking of the TARS newsletter, Tim Holmes is taking over the very important job as editor of *Regarding Roses*. This newsletter is the key line of communication with TARS members and with others who have an interest in roses, and we look forward to seeing it each month when TARS meets. Welcome, Tim, and thank you so much! I am thrilled to welcome several people who recently joined TARS as new members, and equally thrilled that many others who have been TARS members for a while are increasing their involvement in the Society. COVID suspended many TARS activities for a while, and there have been some other changes that have impacted us. Hence, we have some rebuilding to do for the Society. A key goal is to open the door to new activities for more people to engage in new directions that are of maximum interest to them and our community.

To really maintain effectiveness as a Society, we need to constantly be open to new people and

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Rose Spotlight—Jewel Grace

The Queen of this year's rose show was Jewel Grace. This rose is a hybrid tea introduced in 2012 by Jim Mills of K & M Nurseries. Jim attended this year's show and had a number of roses for sale. The breeder is Eddie Edwards from Louisiana. It is pink and yellow with pink reverse. It has a mild fragrance and has large full blooms (26-40 petals) borne mostly solitary

in flushes throughout the season and makes an excellent exhibition form. Its parents are Veterans' Honor (another 2022 Show winner) x Marilyn Wellan. When researching this rose, I found many instances of it winning local rose shows around the country. It might be a winner in your garden!

December Holiday Party

December 4, 2022

Nimis' Home

4:00 p.m.

January Meeting

January 5, 2023

Dorothy Oven Park

7:00 p.m.

New Varieties of Roses

February Meeting

February 2, 2023

Dorothy Oven Park

7:00 p.m.

Early Spring Rose Care

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ideas, while constantly be open to new people and ideas, while making sure that we have what's needed to implement those activities. We need to welcome new people and to give them important roles in TARS, commensurate with their interests, abilities, and commitment. In return, we hope to help people to learn more about roses, and to explore and promote the immense variety of rose types that grow well in this area. We sincerely hope that each of you will step forward and share your ideas about TARS.

But above all, we need to enjoy what we are doing. We need to enjoy working with America's favorite flower, and enjoy working with each other. Let's do good together!

Tallahassee Area Rose Society Minutes

November 3, 2022

President Janet Newburgh called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Ten people attended the meeting at Dorothy B. Oven Park.

Janet opened the meeting by sharing photos from the October Rose Show. Many society members graciously turned out for big volunteer jobs over three days. Several entered roses and won! Janet also noted the wonderful article by Pat Stanford that appeared in the Tallahassee Democrat prior to the show, as well as other publicity that brought a good turnout during the public hours. Over 45 people came to the show on Sunday. Janet noted that a class on arrangements would be offered at the Deep South District meeting in January. The group suggested a future meeting of a hands-on arrangement workshop where we can try out more things.

The Deep South District winter meeting will be January 20th – 21st in Gainesville, FL.

Janet Newburgh gave a short presentation on mid-winter care for roses. Many of the tips from October – watering well during dry spells, mulching, and disease and pest prevention – should continue for November. This month stop fertilizing until next Spring and prune only dead branches. Also, roses may need to be staked against strong winds and protected from freezing temperatures, especially those in pots.

Ed Gifford led the group through an after-action review for the TARS Rose Show. Some key aims for next year are to encourage more exhibitors and to get entrants in more categories. Members will continue outreach efforts this year, possibly through farmers' markets, garden clubs, regional and DSD events to get more people interested and growing roses to show. Photography may be one area where novice growers, but good photographers, could get interested in showing. A few operational things were also discussed and will be added to the TARS show manual.

Jan Godfrey led the group through a vote of officers for 2023. They are as follows:

President, Janet Newburgh
Vice President, Cheryl Gifford
Secretary, Amy Beaven
Treasurer, Gerard Nimis
Board Member, Marion Nimis
Board Member, Bob Schelhorn
Board Member, Jan Godfrey

Janet Newburgh presented each of the three Rose Show Co-Chairs – Jan Godfrey, Marion Nimis, and Amy Beaven - with a Beverly rose from K&M Roses. The program closed with Tim Holmes winning a Little White Lies rose as the door prize.

Respectfully submitted by
Amy Beaven

2022 TARS Rose Show

By Tim Holmes

A special thanks to our show co-chairs and all the committee chairs and volunteers. It takes a huge team effort to put on a successful show and this year, after a couple of years absence, the team did a wonderful job.

We are grateful to all of our exhibitors, particularly those that travelled long distances to show their beautiful roses.

Ralph & Jean Stream from central Florida won the best of show with Mr. Caleb roses in the double English Box. The Streams also took top honors in the Miniature and Miniflora sections, winning Queen, King and Princess in both. winners were Miniatures: Bees Knees, Chessie's Favorite & Memphis King and Minifloras Tammy Clemons, Baldo Villegas & Joy Kathleen. They also won the Bill Kerber Award with Belle Story, a Modern Shrub.

The Queen, Jewel Grace, and King, Carolina Pride, of the show were exhibited by Tommy Bell from Georgia, The Princess was Sunny Sundays shown by Ralph & Jean Stream. The Court was Marlon's Day, Veteran's Honor and Mr. Caleb shown by Johnny & Cindy Cochran, Donna Harrell and the Streams.

The best Judges entry and winner of the Margaret Donaldson Trophy was Raymond Privat exhibited by Bobbie Reed. The Judges arrangement section "Rose Masterpiece" was won by Joann Maxheimer.

Local society members also did quite well. The Dowager Queen was won by Cheryl & Ed Gifford with Louis Philippe. The Victorian Queen was won by Janet Godfrey with Rosette Delizy. One of our newest members, Desiree Bowen won the Most Fragrant Rose class with Tiffany. Janet Newburgh won class 11 (fully open Hybrid Tea or Floribunda) with Ring of Fire and class 33 (fully open Miniature or Miniflora) with Autumn Splendor.

Cheryl Gifford won both Queen and King in the Photography section. The Queen was Cinco de Mayo in class 3 (One bloom at most perfect stage of beauty). This exhibit also received an ARS Certificate because it was exhibitor grown. The King was Dolly Parton in the Macro photography class.

Congratulations to all the winners!

2023 Membership

The 2023 TARS Membership form is enclosed. Please take the time to fill it out and send to the address on the form. Starting in January 2023, Regarding Roses will be distributed via email and any member wanting a mailed copy will have an additional fee of \$10.00.

Please make sure we have your correct email address.

2023 DSD Mid-Winter Meeting

The 2023 ARS/DSD Mid-Winter Meeting to be hosted by the Greater Palm Beach Rose Society the weekend of January 20–22, 2023 in Gainesville, Florida, at the Best Western Grand Hotel and Conference Center. The fun and learning start Friday afternoon with the very popular arrangement seminar.

On Saturday there will be a varied line up of speakers, including Malcolm Manners talking about his travels and the great rosarians he has met along the way. Vendors selling many types of roses and rose growing supplies will be set up.

As always, we will be honoring the Bronze medal winners at the awards banquet. We would also like to share in a walk down memory lane of DSD events. If you have photos from past DSD conventions, Blackspot and Beetle festivals and other events, please email them to Debbie Coolidge.

Email: GeoffCoolidge@comcast.net

Plan now to attend.

It will be a great way to get good start to 2023!
Bill Langford, Chairman.

Note: There will not be the usual Sunday Consulting Rosarian School this year. The CR school will be held at Mid-Winter Meetings taking place on even-numbered years.

For more information see the DSD web site.

DeepSouthDistrict.org/upcoming-events/

December Consulting Rosarian Report

By Janet Newburgh

WHAT IS A CONSULTING ROSARIAN?

As you read “Regarding Roses,” you no doubt notice a list of ARS Consulting and Master Rosarians. You might ask, “Who are these people, how did they get to be an ARS Consulting or Master Rosarian, and exactly what do Consulting and Master Rosarians do?” As the name implies, the Consulting and Master Rosarian program is organized under the auspices of the American Rose Society. Consulting and Master Rosarians are charged with “...inspiring a love and appreciation of roses, their culture, and exhibition...” and with advancing “the aims of the American Rose Society.” At the time of their application, Consulting Rosarians and Master Rosarians should have the experience of growing a variety of roses for at least five years. Knowledge about roses is constantly expanding. Consulting Rosarians are expected to take advantage of their own experience and of continuing education opportunities to advance knowledge about roses. They need to be ready, willing, and able to share that knowledge with others.

Master Rosarians are considered to be among the most knowledgeable and active people in the American Rose Society. To be considered for the title of Master Rosarian, a person must have demonstrated outstanding service to the rose community and to have served a minimum of ten years as a Consulting Rosarian. Anyone can become a Consulting Rosarian after meeting several qualifications. As noted above,

they should have at least five years’ experience growing several different types of roses. Some other basic requirements are that they must be at least 18 years of age, must be a regular or associate member of the American Rose Society for at least two years at the time of their application for the program, and be an active member of a local society. They need to be willing “to share knowledge and enthusiasm for the rose and the American Rose Society ideals,” which is one of their main responsibilities. Anyone should be able to freely approach Consulting Rosarians with rose questions. If the Consulting Rosarian doesn’t immediately have the answers, they should try their best to help to find those answers—that is part of their job!

If you have met the above requirements and wish to apply to become a Consulting Rosarian, I recommend that you start by downloading and completing the Consulting Rosarian Candidate form from rose.org, the website of the American Rose Society, and that you make sure you meet all of the requirements listed therein. This form may be found on the American Rose Society website (rose.org) under Education/Publications, but if you have trouble locating it, let me know and I’ll try to help you. If you intend to apply to become a Consulting Rosarian, this Candidate Form must be completed and submitted to the Deep South District CR coordinator **at least 30 days prior to attending a Consulting Rosarian School/Seminar that includes at least four continuing education units, one of which must be Chemical Safety.** These schools are offered from time to time throughout the year in various locations and are listed on the American Rose Society website and in the Deep South District quarterly bulletin. Immediately after completing the CR School/Seminar, you then would take a multiple choice open book test of approximately 50 questions, hopefully earning a passing grade of at least 75% on the test.

Consulting Rosarians have available to them an abundance of information, webinars, etc., to help them keep their rose-related knowledge up to date and expanding. They must maintain their active membership in both the American Rose Society and their local society, and need to take an active part in society activities. They must participate in the yearly Roses in Review put out by the American Rose Society, and must accrue four continuation credits (one of which must be in chemical safety) within four years of their earlier certification as a Consulting Rosarian, and repeat that at least every four years while they are a Consulting Rosarian.

If you are actively growing a variety of roses, have been a member of the American Rose Society for at least two years, and are a member of our local society, I hope that you’ll consider applying to become a Consulting Rosarian. It’s an awesome chance to help others to grow America’s Favorite Flower, and to be an active force in your community while learning so much more about roses. I hope that you’ll consider this path even if some lead time is required to meet the minimum membership requirements and as you continue to be active in the Tallahassee Area Rose Society, or some other local rose society.

Upcoming Society Programs and Events

December 4, 2022—**Holiday Party** 4:00 p.m. at the Nimis' home. See enclosed flyer.

January 5, 2023—**Monthly Meeting.**

New Varieties of Roses

Dorothy Oven Park, 7:00 p.m.

February 2, 2023—**Monthly Meeting.**

Early Spring Rose Care

Dorothy Oven Park, 7:00 p.m.

DSD Events

January 20–22, 2023—**2023 DSD Mid-Winter Meeting**

Hosted by the Greater Palm Beach Rose Society in Gainesville, Florida (see page 3 for details)

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 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 emails members the publication of ARS & You.

Ask A Consulting Rosarian

If you have any rose questions, please email:

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Society Information:

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Meetings:

Monthly meetings are at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month except June and July. Please see our web site for location details.

Membership:

Annual dues are \$15 individual, \$20 joint. Download the membership form from the web site or contact us by email to send you a copy.

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DSD Bulletin: The Deep South District of the ARS issues a quarterly copy of the Bulletin. It is available though email to all ARS members. A black and white copy is also available to members who do not have an email 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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