

Regarding Roses

Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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President's Message: Janet Newburgh

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President's Message for February, 2023

We are now in a brand new year, and spring will be here very soon. The end of 2022 and the beginning of 2023 brought a couple of big changes. First of all is the loss of our beloved Bob Schelhorn, who passed away recently after a long illness. We certainly will miss Bob, with his words of wisdom and his wonderful culinary productions. A GoFundMe account has been organized by Miranda Seay on behalf of Bob's daughter, Nicole Maxwell. To make a donation to this fund, you can go to GoFundMe Robert Bob Schelhorn.

Bob's passing left many gaps in this world, one of which is a vacancy on the Tallahassee Area Rose Society Board of Directors. Nicole Balanoff has very graciously agreed to join the Board. I know that Nicole will be an excellent asset to the Tallahassee Area Rose Society. We welcome her and promise not to overburden her. I know that we will all work together very well for the benefit of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society (TARS).

The next TARS meeting will be on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at a new venue and time. We will meet at the Library located at 1583 Pedrick Road in Tallahassee, starting at 6:00 pm. The earlier time is necessary because we must be out of the building no later than 7:45 pm. We will start the meeting with light refreshments, so don't be late! The main topic of the meeting will be end-of-winter and early spring care of your roses. This is very important for the health and beauty of your roses later in the year. At the TARS meeting, we also will share information from the recent Deep South District Winter Meeting that three of us attended a few days ago in Gainesville. The Winter Meeting provided a ton of good and entertaining information, and interesting rose experts to talk with.

February Meeting February 2, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Pedrick Road Public Library
"Early Spring Rose Care"

March Meeting March 2, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Leroy Collins Public Library
"Old Garden Roses"

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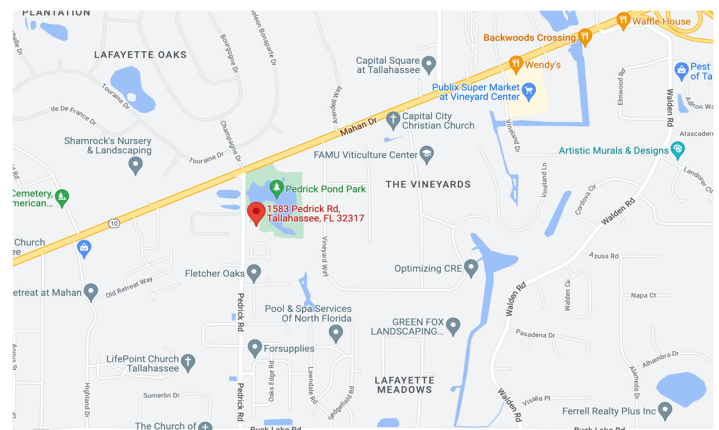
Note: Time and Place change for February Meeting!

Leon County Library

1583 Pedrick Road

Tallahassee 32309

Start time: 6:00 p.m. sharp



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Information will be provided at the TARS meeting about the online Consulting Rosarian school sponsored by the American Rose Society that will be held on February 4 and 11. You do not have to be a Consulting Rosarian, or Consulting Rosarian Candidate, to be able to log on to these very informative sessions. The TARS meeting will include a group discussion about activities that we might consider for fundraising and about sharing information and enjoyment of roses.

A lucky attendee of the February 2nd TARS meeting will receive a door prize of a new deep yellow floribunda rose bush purchased at the Deep South District Winter Meeting from K&M Roses for donation to TARS. Please pay your TARS dues in order to be eligible for the door prize drawing; you can pay your dues right there at the meeting on Thursday night. TARS dues are a very low \$15 for an individual or \$20 for a family membership. Also at the TARS meeting, there will be a fundraising auction of a 2023 American Rose Society calendar; each page contains really good photographs of gorgeous roses. The ARS sells these calendars for \$17.50 plus an almost equal cost for shipping and handling, if you can even get one, as they are very popular and sell out quickly. Even though I receive tons of free calendars in the mail every year, I always purchase the ARS calendar because it is so beautiful. This year, I purchased an extra calendar for donation to TARS for use as a fundraiser.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday, February 2. Please feel free to bring a friend, so that we can share our love of our Nation's Flower.

Newsletter News

By Tim Holmes

Given all the effort and expense of mailing hard copy of Regarding Roses, we have decided that starting in 2023, we will email a PDF of the newsletter to everyone on our current mailing list. Please make sure that we have your current email.

If you would like a mailed copy, an option on the 2023 Membership form allows you to opt in to USPS mail for an additional \$10 added to your membership fee.

Tallahassee Area Rose Society Minutes

January 5, 2023

Vice President Cheryl Gifford called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Dorothy B. Owen Park. She led the group in a discussion of new location options, with the group deciding to explore public library locations.

Gerard Nimis gave a treasury report and a reminder to send in annual dues. The group discussed some fundraising ideas, including sales of a calendar, a plant sale of propagated roses, and selling arrangements of wholesale flowers at farmers markets or at the annual rose show.

Vice President Gifford then led a brief presentation of New Rose Introductions. She passed out a list of hybrid teas available from K&M Roses and the Deep South District's Roses in Review 2022 results. The group then discussed their best performers of 2022 and those doing okay despite the recent freezing weather. A few roses of note: Madame Antoine Mari, Georgetown Tea, Veteran's Honor, Miracle on the Hudson (always blooming), Tournament of Roses, and Brindabella's Purple Prince. Ed Gifford noted that Esposito's now has bare root roses, however several noted difficulty with getting bare root roses to do well.

The program closed with Leanna Willison winning a Papa Hemeray rose as the door prize and members enjoying refreshments.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Beaven

TARS Secretary

2023 Membership

If you haven't already done so, please fill out and send in your 2023 TARS Membership renewal.

The 2023 TARS Membership form is attached. You can also download the form from our web site.

Please make sure we have your correct email address.

Ask A Consulting Rosarian

If you have any rose questions, please email: AskAConsultingRosarian@gmail.com

JAN GODFREY EARNS THE 2022 BRONZE AWARD

FOR THE TALLAHASSEE AREA ROSE SOCIETY



Jan Godfrey was awarded the Bronze Medal at the Tallahassee Area Rose Society's December 4th holiday party. This is the highest award under the auspices of the American Rose Society that is given by a local society for outstanding service. This award to Jan is extremely well deserved, in view of her many major contributions to the Tallahassee Area Rose Society and her many years of service and through an extremely difficult period.

Jan served as TARS President for five years, and she continues to serve on the Board of Directors. She co-chaired the very successful 2022 Rose Show, which was an unusually difficult undertaking because TARS had not had a rose show since 2019. Over the years, Jan has put in endless hours to promote TARS, the American Rose Society, and rose cultivation, with particular emphasis on heirloom roses and environmentally friendly methods. Jan shares her knowledge through many articles on roses; she always offers encouragement and advice to rose growers of all levels of experience. She is a stalwart participant in TARS activities. Her many contributions to TARS, and to rose growing, have made a huge difference, and it's a great pleasure to see her receive this honor.

February Consulting Rosarian Report

By Mary Maud Sharpe

Tips on Sharpening Your Clippers

1. To do a professional cleaning and sharpening all parts of the clippers should be taken apart and cleaned thoroughly. You will need a small wrench to loosen and the nut. Lay the parts out so that you will remember exactly how to put them back together. All parts should be cleaned to remove any grime and also, any plant sap or tar that has collected. "Goo Gone" may be the best, but any good solvent can work.
2. Most clippers are bypass and only the cutting blade should be sharpened. If clippers are extremely dull, start with a small file to begin the sharpening process. Use one stroke – not a back and forth motion. For finer sharpening continue with a whetstone, very fine sandpaper or special tape with a fine abrasive.
3. Use white grease (buy at local hardware stores or auto supply stores) on the inside part of the blades and wipe off excess.
4. Reassemble the clippers and adjust the tension on the nut so that the clippers move freely, but are firmly tightened.
5. The test is to try to cut a piece of regular letter paper. If you have done the process properly your clippers are ready to prune your roses without damaging the plant canes. You may have to adjust the tension.
6. Congratulations!

Newsletter deadlines

Please have any articles and information for "Regarding Roses" to the editor by:

March issue: February 16, 2022

April issue: March 23, 2023

May issue: April 20, 2023

Upcoming Society Programs and Events

February 2, 2023 **6:00 p.m.—Monthly Meeting**

Early Spring Rose Care
Leon County Public Library
1583 Pedrick Road, 32317

March 2, 2023 **6:00 p.m.—Monthly Meeting.**

Old Garden Roses
Leroy Collins Public Library
200 West Park Avenue, 32301

DSD Events

Greater Atlanta Rose Society Rose Show
Saturday, May 13 and Sunday, May 14, 2023
Atlanta Botanical Garden
For information, contact Bobbie Reed, 770-979-4237

ARS Events

Online Consulting Rosarian School
February 4th and again on February 11, 2023 from
10:30-1:30 Eastern time
For information on signing up, contact Janet
Newburgh, 240-281-4352

ARS Membership

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.

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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Meetings:

Monthly meetings are on the first Thursday of the month except June and July. Please see our web site for location and time 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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