Regarding Roses Tallahassee Area Rose Society

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President's Message: Janet Newburgh

President's Message for May, 2023

SHARING THE EFFORT, SHARING THE BEAUTY

The final meeting of the Tallahassee Area Rose Society (TARS) for the first half of 2023 will be held on Sunday, May 7, in the form of a pot luck picnic in the lovely home of Cheryl and Ed Gifford. I personally can't wait to see their roses, which are always gorgeous, and to learn what new projects they have done. I especially look forward to meeting their new puppy!

Please plan to come to this picnic to celebrate, and to break bread together with likeminded rose lovers. If convenient, please bring a dish to share. Cheryl will be providing homemade lemonade and iced tea, the Society will provide the plates, cups, and utensils, and I will bring a tray of wraps. Do let Cheryl know if you're coming to the picnic, the number of people in your party, and what dish you would like to bring. Guests and family members are most certainly welcome. You can email Cheryl at giffgarden@gmail.com, or text her at 330 354-3087.

We're all working hard to keep TARS an active, valuable, and contributing entity, making changes when it seems wise to do so. I'm incredibly grateful to all of you who take the time and effort to participate in TARS meetings--Cheryl and Ed, Amy, Marion and Gerard, Jan and Tim, Martha, Cheryl, Mike, Ginger, Frankie, Paul and Teresa, Desiree, LeAnna, Nicole, Frankie, Marty, Pat, Mary Lou, John, and all others whom I've missed here. Without you, we wouldn't have a society. This is important, because at least one other society here in Florida has ceased to exist within the last year or two, and we certainly don't want that to happen to TARS.

Beyond participating in TARS meetings, you've taken on important duties that benefit the Society and its outreach to our community. Thank you, Martha, for arranging great meeting places, and to Cheryl and Ed, and Marion and Gerard, for opening your pleasant, welcoming homes when it comes time to party. I am grateful to Board members, Cheryl, Amy, Jan, Gerard, Marion, and Nicole, for your able guidance. Thank you, Tim, for taking on the formidable task of editing and producing the newsletter; much gratitude goes to all who have contributed articles for it. Gerard and Ginger, thank you for your work on the TARS website and Facebook page, which convey lots of information within and outside TARS. Special thanks go to Cheryl Gibbons for her extensive, informal outreach efforts on behalf of the Society.

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TARS Fundraiser

Don't forget that Teresa & Paul Watson have generously offered to create personalized, laser engraved slate plant markers. They are \$20 each or \$15 each for 2 or more. Email Paul for orders (pbwatson@gmail.com). They will be available for pick up at TARS meetings.

May, 2023

Pot Luck Picnic May 7, 2023

2:00 p.m.

The Gifford's See Page 3 for details and directions

Exhibitor's School July 8, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood See page 3 for details

> First Fall Meeting August 3, 2023

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2023 Membership We need your Support!

If you haven't already done so, please fill out and send in your 2023 TARS Membership renewal. President's Message continued from page 1

Several of you have worked on fundraising activities that make it financially possible to carry out TARS' work. I'm very excited about Teresa and Paul's plans for making and selling garden plant labels as a fundraiser; perhaps in the future I'll have fewer roses in my garden whose names have been lost. John's presentation on rose propagation has many of us fired up about propagating rose plants to sell as fundraisers, and some of you already are experts in rose propagation. (I don't yet feel that I can claim a lot of success in that regard, but I'm working on it!)

Extremely important is your participation in many activities aimed at helping our community to grow and appreciate roses. This includes the TARS table at the IFAS Master Gardener Open House that will be held on Saturday morning, May 13. Cheryl Gifford is taking the leadership for the TARS table at that May 13th Open House, so please let Cheryl know if you can help, and if you have some nice roses to put on the table—they always draw a lot of attention! And in the future, perhaps we'll find a way to work with our local nurseries to enhance knowledge and enthusiasm among their customers about roses.

Above all, many of you already are involved in preparations for TARS' big rose show that will be held the last weekend in October. That rose show is a huge undertaking, and I'm particularly grateful to Jan and Amy for chairing this event. I hope that everyone will find a way to contribute your talents to the show, and that you enjoy and learn through your participation. Do let Jan or Amy know how you can help.

Tallahassee Area Rose Society Minutes

April 6, 2023

President Janet Newburgh called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm. There were 16 attendees at the meeting..

Janet reminded people to pay their 2023 TARS membership dues. She also said that a volunteer coordinator for meeting refreshments is needed.

Attendees were referred to the minutes for the March 2, 2023, meeting that were included in the April, 2023 issue of Regarding Roses.

Treasurer's Report: The current balance is \$5379.15. In the last month, \$45 has been collected in dues.

Teresa and Paul Watson will be producing personalized, laser engraved slate plant markers that will be sold for \$20 each, or \$15 for orders of at least two. All proceeds, after production costs will be donated to TARS. Thank you, Teresa and Paul!

Janet announced that Sandy Dixon will hold a hands-on arrangement workshop at the August 3rd TARS meeting. It was agreed that we should ask Sandy to bring the materials, although individual members could augment this by bringing materials that they would like to incorporate into their own arrangements.

The next TARS meeting will be a picnic held at the Gifford home, located at 600 Shady Bridge Road in Monticello. Friends and family are invited. If possible, please bring a dish to share. Email Cheryl to let her know how many in your party are coming, and what you are bringing.

Other announcements:

The American Rose Society National Meeting will be held in Shreveport, LA on May 5-7, 2023.

TARS has been approved to have a table at the Master Gardener Open House on May 13, 2023, from 9 am till noon. Cheryl Gifford volunteered to coordinate the TARS team and is asking for volunteers to help her and to bring beautiful roses for the table.

An Exhibitor's School is planned for July 8, 2023, at Goodwood. More information on this Exhibitor's school will be forthcoming at a later date.

Jan Godfrey provided an update on the plans for the TARS rose show, scheduled for October 28-29, 2023. The name of this, the 37th Annual Rose Show, show will be: It's Rose Showtime!

Jan and Cheryl Gifford made a fascinating visual presentation of Old Garden Roses. Their presentation included a lot of historical information. Roses date back thousands of years in many cultures. Some of the highlights Jan and Cheryl's presentation included: Buff Beauty, dating back to 1924, with medium fragrance; Green Rose, a China rose dating before 1856 that served as a marker for safe houses; Rouletti, found in Switzerland and used there in flower boxes; Rubens, an early tea rose; and Verdun, dating back to 1918. The world's oldest rose is in Germany.

Martha Dooley was the winner of the door prize.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm and was followed by delicious refreshments very generously contributed by several members.

Respectfully submitted by

Janet Newburgh

It's Rose Showtime!

Tallahassee Area Rose Society 37th Annual Rose Show October 28 & 29, 2023

TARS SPRINGTIME PICNIC

AT THE HOME OF CHERYL AND ED GIFFORD

600 Shady Bridge Rd, Monticello SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023 STARTING AT 2 P.M.

You are invited to come to our May Family Picnic. Please plan to come and please bring a covered dish to share. If it rains, it will be held inside, so do come rain or shine. Cheryl will provide homemade Lemonade, Ice Tea, and Coffee. Please let us know how many of you are coming, and possibly name the dish that you can share, so I can serve you better. Any questions, feel free to call either of us. Cheryl (330) 354-3087 or Ed (330) 354-5533

The Gifford's home is located just over the Leon County line, in Jefferson County, just south of Lloyd. Below are 3 different ways to get to there. There is plenty of parking in the front lawn. If your legs aren't working well, then by all means park by the door. Most park between the house and the garage. We have 2 friendly dogs that love to say Hi!

We might suggest that you wear pants, because the 4 month old puppy does not understand stay down and he gets quite excited. Everyone will get a kiss from him but he is trying to learn.

- 1. **Traveling on I-10 (heading East)** Exit 217 (Lloyd), Turn Right (South), on to Rt. 59 (Gamble Rd.); go approximately 2 to 2.5 miles. Turn Right on Whitehouse Rd.
- 2. Traveling from US 27 going East (east of Tallahassee)- Turn Left onto Rt. 59 (Gamble Rd), going North. Continue for approximately 3 miles; then Turn Left onto Whitehouse Rd. (Note, the road sign is difficult to see when you are traveling up from the south, but it is the NEXT road after Omega. It is challenging to see as you will be coming over a hill and the speed limit is fast.) After turning Left onto Whitehouse Rd,
- 3. **Buck Lake Rd traveling East** Take Buck Lake Rd out of Tallahassee. Turn Right on Baum Rd. Baum Rd will dead end into Capitola, turn Left. Go past "Joy Mart" (now defunct), we are the 2nd road after that; Whitehouse Rd. Turn Right on Whitehouse Rd.

After turning on Whitehouse Rd....

Continue on Whitehouse for .8 mile (just past the Joyner house #814. We are the next driveway, on the right, (Shady Bridge Rd). Please follow the Homemade Rose Society signs, to the right, on the dirt road. We are at #600 Shady Bridge, so continue on that dirt road for 6/10 mile. We are the first house; a pale green, that you will easily see from the field. Enter our gate, go through our

woods, bearing to the right at the bend to our front lawn to park.

Exhibitor's School

The DSD will be holding an Exhibitor's School in Tallahassee in Jubilee Cottage at Goodwood Gardens. Saturday July 8, 2023

Watch your email for further details and registration form.

Topics to be covered

Horticulture (growing roses for show) – Glenn Schulman

Exhibiting advice and demonstration – Ralph Stream

Pesticide safety - Karen Barnes

Photography – Taura Bryant

Entry rules and arrangements – Joanne Maxheimer

There is a registration fee of \$15 for the day and lunch is included.

May Consulting Rosarian Report

By John Sullivan

Most of our enjoyment of roses comes from their beauty or smell but their name is also a source of inspiration. The list starts with "A Better Tomorrow" and ends with" Zwergkonig" or dwarf king, like in Game of Thrones. There are 62 roses in the ARI Listing with "Love" featured in their names, but none with "Hate". There are 45 "Happy" roses including "Happy Butt", but no "Sorrows". Royalty abounds with 66 "Queens", 22 "Kings", 124 "Princesses" and 49 "Princes". Many roses honor the famous and honored folks from history with 65 "Presidents" and 54 "Saints". The most common color for a rose in titles is pink with 367 "Pink" roses, 279 "Red", 197 "White", 137 "Orange" (including "Orange You Happy") and 125 "Yellow". If you're not feeling shipshape, there are 94 "Doctors". If you are inspired by celestial bodies, 38 roses have "Sun" or "Sunshine" and 48 "Moon" or "Moonlight", 3 "Eclipses", even one for "Saturn" and "Pluto". For some reason "Uranus" has not yet been used. My two favorites might be "Mary Maud" and "Sullivan Hit". So Shakespeare must have had a rose inspiration when he wrote "A Rose by Any Name" and deserves to have his 2 rose names.

Ask A Consulting Rosarian

If you have any rose questions. Email: AskAConsultingRosarian@gmail.com

Upcoming Society Programs and Events

May 7, 2023 2:00 p.m.—Annual Picnic

July 8, 2023—Exhibitor's School

Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Plantation & Gardens

August 3, 2023—First TARS meeting of fall.

Watch for details in email.

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, berdks@mindspring.com

Tampa Rose Society 51st Annual Rose Show Saturday, May 13, 2023 Westshore Mall, Tampa FL For information, contact Christine O'Donnell, 813-997-3880, cvodon47@gmail.com

South Metro Rose Society Rose Show Saturday, May 20 and Sunday, May 21, 2023 Fayetteville Church of Christ, Fayetteville GA For information, contact Cindy Dale, rosepro@bellsouth.net

DSD Fall Conference & Rose Show Friday, October 13 and Saturday, October 14, 2023 Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel, Gainesville FL For information, contact Karen Barnes, barneskw@yahoo.com

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.

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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.

DSD Bulletin: Quarterly Bulletin, available by email to all ARS members. A black and white copy is also available to members with no 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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