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President's Message: Janet Newburgh

LOTS OF SPRING HAPPENINGS!

It's good to have the newsletter for the Tallahassee Area Rose Society (TARS), *Regarding Roses*, back again—thank you, Tim! We have hit some tough spots on the road, but the wheels haven't fallen off the bus, at least not so far, so we keep moving forward. It's springtime, and many roses are pretty much on auto pilot, which is good. Unfortunately, so are the weeds! It's nice on occasion to be able to get out into the garden to see the spring colors and to see how well much of the garden is doing, even with little attention. Like most of you, many other things are calling my name, so I must triage my time and focus on that which is most urgent. I am grateful to you for whatever time you can carve out to help TARS and rose-growing efforts in our community.

We do have a lot going on this time of year. First of all is the TARS meeting on Thursday, April 4. This is a very special meeting, as Joanne Maxheimer will be driving down from Thomasville to lead a hands-on workshop on East Asian Design. We'll start at 5:00 pm to have plenty of time before we have to vacate the premises by 7:50 pm. I'm very excited about this workshop. Joanne will demonstrate several different East Asian styles and then will guide workshop participants in doing a design of their own that people can take home with them. I think basic East Asian style is pretty easy to do, with limited resources and experience. There will be room for 12 participants in the hands-on workshop, and room for lots of observers. If you already are signed up for the hands-on workshop, great! If you aren't yet signed up for the hands-on portion, let me know ASAP, as we have just three more vacancies.

Then there's the annual Thomasville Rose Show April 26-27. This is a great opportunity to show off your spring roses!

Then, TARS will have its annual spring picnic pot luck at my home on Sunday, May 5th, starting at 2:00 pm. This day is Cinco de Mayo, which is a major Mexican holiday, celebrating the Mexican victory in 1862 over Napoleon III's effort to establish an empire in Mexico. I lived briefly in Mexico City. I will provide the makings for tacos, and you might want to consider bringing a Mexican-style dish to share. I now live in the Tallahassee Ranch Club in far Southeast Leon County, near the Natural Bridge Battlefield. My address and directions for the picnic will be sent out later. *Continued on page 2*

Time & Place for April 4 Meeting!

Eastside Branch Leon County Public Library

1583 Pedrick Road Tallahassee 32309

Start time: **5:00 p.m.** for light refreshments

Joanne Maxheimer, Horticulture and Arrangement Judge, Chair of Horticulture Judges for the Deep South District, and excellent rose arranger, will lead a hands-on workshop on Arrangements in the East Asian Style

April, 2024

Upcoming Meetings

April 4, 2023 Arrangements Workshop Pedrick Library

Sunday May 5, 2024 Annual Picnic The Newburgh Home

July 13, 2024 Rose Grower's Forum Jubilee Cottage

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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

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The following Saturday, May 11, the day before Mother's Day, TARS will have a table at the annual IFAS Open House and Master Gardener Plant sale at the Extension Center located on Paul Russell Road. We welcome volunteers to bring roses and/or help staff the table. This is a great place to meet like-minded gardeners and to recruit new TARS members. The plant sale is extremely popular, so you might even find some new plants for your garden or home.

Jumping ahead, a tremendously exciting Rose Grower's Forum is being planned for Saturday, July 13, at the Goodwood Museum and Gardens Jubilee Cottage. Because space is limited, advance registration is strongly recommended. Jim Mills and other rose leaders will be presenters at the forum, and Jim will have roses there to sell. Registration costs \$20 to defray the cost of renting the Jubilee Cottage and includes brunch items and your lunch.

And speaking of Goodwood, we recently re-established a working relationship with the Goodwood Museum and Gardens to help that nonprofit organization with their propagation and sale of Old Garden Roses. This relationship dates back many, many years but was broken off a couple of years ago because of an unfortunate personnel situation. The personnel situation has been resolved, and a lovely lady named Jenni Morgan is doing her very best to get the rose propagation effort back up and running again. Jenni really needs help. John Sullivan and I have been doing what we can to help her, but more help is needed, for all kinds of activities ranging from pulling weeds to pruning to setting up cuttings to repotting to much more. If you could put in a couple of hours a month to help, please let John or me know and we'll put you into contact with Jenni. At this time, there still is limited inventory of rose plants that are ready for sale, but if you are looking for an heirloom rose at a very reasonable price, you might want to go to the plant sale that will be held at Goodwood on Saturday morning, April 13.

If you need further information on any of these activities, please check the Tallahassee Area Rose Society website or Facebook page, or email me directly at JanNewburgh@gmail.com.

Meanwhile, enjoy these beautiful days.

Janet

Ask A Consulting Rosarian

If you have any rose questions. Email:

AskAConsultingRosarian@gmail.com

Tallahassee Area Rose Society Minutes

January 4, 2024

Pedrick Library

Called to order: 6:05 PM

Program:

Mark Tancig, Commercial/Residential Horticulture Extension Agent for UF/IFAS Leon County Extension

- Soil Types
- PH levels
- Synthetic vs. Natural Amendments to soil
- Mulching
- Testing

Business Meeting:

- Door prize: Paul Watson
- Discussion on how to make the meetings more meaningful and enjoyable to the members.
- February meeting: Want members to discuss what roses have done well for them, as well as what roses have not done so well for them.
- February meeting will be favorite tools by John Sullivan
- March will be a discussion on climbing roses.
- April: Rose Show in Thomasville
- Members were asked to look at the Rose show categories and come up with a list of new categories that they believe work better for our rose show. Examples include Shrub roses and open bloom categories.
- Practice Rose Show was brought up with the suggestion that schools may be included to get younger people interested in roses.

Meeting ended at 7:38 PM.

February 1, 2024

Called to order: 6:06 PM

Program:

Pedrick Library

John Sullivan, Consulting Rosarian: My Favorite Tools started at 6:32 PM

- Tools discussed: drill auger, mini-chainsaw, power pruners
- Talked about getting pruners from the Dollar Tree Store
- Recommends: Consulting Rosarian Manual which explains why, when and how about pruning.

Business Meeting

- Discussion of Rose Gardens
 - Cancer Center across from Hill Surgery Center
 - Peace Rose Garden on Park Ave.
- Rose Show 2024
 - Theme: Rose Queen of Halloween
 - Looking for team leaders and volunteers
 - Change in rules Continued on page 3

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- Making frames
- Order mini-floral sniffers
- Found photo mattes
- Tentative date: October 26-27

Upcoming Events

- Feb 3-4 ARS Consulting Rosarian on-line course has a lot of useful information
- March 7 Meeting @ Main Library, Jan will talk about climbers
- April 4 Meeting will start early @ 5PM, it will be an Arrangement
- Sessions, costs for members is free, if you have not paid your dues or are not a member cost will be \$20.
- May 5, Picnic at Janet Newburgh's house
- May 11, Volunteers needed to help hand out information. This is great exposure for our organization.

March 7, 2024

Leroy Collins Leon County Main Library Called to order: 6:13 PM Meeting Ended: 7:15 PM 13 members attended meeting

Program:

Janet Newburgh — Climbing Roses

- Showed gorgeous images of climbing roses
- Discussed multiple varieties and most popular climbing roses
- Discussed some ways/objects the roses can climb
- Group discussions on the different varieties
- Roses do not like metal, be sure to use twine for pegging

Business Meeting:

- Thomasville Rose Show:
 - Date: April 26-27
 - You can sign up for a Garden Tour the Thursday before the Rose Show. \$15 for tour, two different times available.
- Goodwood is asking for help from the Tallahassee Area Rose Society for their Rose Garden. Would like to resurrect outreach program
- Rose Show 2024
 - Theme: Rose Queen of Halloween
 - Looking for team leaders and volunteers
 - Still looking for suggestions to introduce new rules
 - Date Set: October 26-27

Upcoming Events

- April 4 Meeting will start early @ 5PM, it will be an Arrangement Sessions, costs for members is free, if you have not paid your dues or are not a member cost will be \$20.
- May 5, Picnic at Janet Newburgh's house
- May 11, Volunteers needed to help hand out information. This is great exposure for our organization.
- July 13, Propagation School, cost \$20 (includes lunch)
- Request for photos: Please send photos to Janet Newburgh to share what you are doing with your roses.

Rose Grower's Forum

You are cordially invited to attend an exciting Rose Grower's Forum planned for Saturday, July 13, 2024, at the Jubilee Cottage of the Goodwood Museum and Gardens.

Information and a Registration form for the Forum are attached

Please note that among the presenters is Jim Mills of K and M Roses. Jim plans to have roses available for purchase (advance orders to K and M are preferred).

There is a \$20 registration fee to cover the cost of renting the Jubilee Cottage for the day, and for your lunch, which is included.

To register for the Forum, please complete the registration form and send it, along with your check, to either Janet Newburgh or to Glenn Schulman. Please feel free to spread the word among your friends who might be interested in attending.

The Rose Queen of Halloween

Tallahassee Area Rose Society

38th Annual Rose Show October 26 & 27 2024

2023 Rose Show Report

Tim Holmes

Here are the TARS members who won awards at the 2023 Annual Rose Show, "It's Rose Showtime!"

In the Horticulture classes, our members did quite well. Even first time exhibitors can be very successful. LeAnna Willison entered "Life of the Party" in the Novice class and not only did it win the Class but the Judges determined that of all the roses entered in all classes LeAnna's was "Best In Show". Janet Newburgh won the Bill and Mary Maud Sharpe perpetual trophy for having the best entry in a Challenge Class that had a bouquet of at least three different



LeAnna Willison with "Life of the Party"

Photo: Janet Newburgh

varieties of Shrubs. Janet also won One Fully Open Hybrid Tea with "Veteran's Honor" and One Fully Open Miniature with "Mary Pickergill". Paul Watson won Most Fragrant Rose with "Frances Meillard". Cheryl Gifford had three winners. "Belinda's Dream" won as best Modern Shrub. Cheryl also won both of the Old Garden Rose classes with "Duchesse de Brabant" winning the Dowager Queen (roses before 1867) and "Mme Antoine Mari" winning both the Victorian Queen and the Bill Kerber perpetual trophy for having the best rose in Polyanthas, Climbers, Classic Shrubs and Old Garden Roses.

Cheryl also did exceptionally well in the Photography classes. She won the Macro class with "Sally Holmes" which also won Queen and a Gold ARS Certificate; the Garden Scene with "Peggy Martin" which also won King and a Silver ARS certificate; and One Fully Open Bloom with "Ring of Fire". LeAnna Willison won the One Bloom Exhibition Stage with "Pope John Paul" which was also Princess. Janet Newburgh was the winner of One Miscellaneous Bloom with "Iceberg".

In the Arrangements classes Teresa Watson won the Novice class.

Out of town exhibitors Glenn Schulman and Joanne Maxheimer were the winners of the other Horticulture awards with Glenn winning Queen, King, Princess and two of the Court. Joanne won three of the Arrangement classes. The Margaret Donaldson perpetual trophy for best Judges' entry was won by Cindy Dale for "Chessie's Favorite".

All in all, it was a successful show. Hopefully, we will be able to encourage more of our members to exhibit their roses in the 2024 edition, "The Rose Queen of Halloween".

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.

Upcoming Society Programs and Events

April 4, 2024 5:00 p.m.—Monthly Meeting Arrangements Workshop

Leon County Public Library 1583 Pedrick Road, 32317

May 5, 2024 2:00 p.m.—Annual Picnic Janet Newburgh's home (details to come)

May 11, 2024 2:00 p.m.—Annual Picnic IFAS Open House Janet Newburgh for details

July 13, 2024—Rose Grower's Forum Jubilee Cottage, Goodwood Museum and Gardens

October 26-27, 2024—Annual Rose Show Doyle Conner Building 3125 Conner Blvd., Tallahassee

DSD Events

April 26-27, 2024—Thomasville Rose Show Remington Avenue & Broad Street

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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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