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## **A Word from the Director**

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### **Upcoming Events**

Tenarky District  
Fall Convention  
October 3-5  
Nashville, TN

Winter Workshop  
February 2009  
Bowling Green, KY

It has been Bowling Green's great pleasure to host the past five Tenarky winter workshops, and unless something happens to prevent it, we will host our sixth and final one in February 2009. That will complete my two terms as district director, the maximum allowed by the American Rose Society Bylaws.

I should point out that there is nothing in the bylaws of either the District or the American Rose Society that indicate that the District Director has the responsibility of preparing and

hosting the winter workshop. It is just something I felt I should do, as Robbie had done in Nashville before me. Historically, and in the best of my memory, there will have been six here next year, three in Nashville, two in Memphis, and, I think, twenty in Jackson.

Further, it needs to be said that this district has no source of funds other than this workshop. We have no dues by members, no fees to individual societies, no charges to "log" onto the web-

site, no charges for the newsletter except mailing costs for those who want a hard copy, and so forth. Yet we have certain expenses! Here are some:

- Silver medals cost \$50.00 each, plus engraving and the certificate. Last year we awarded three.
- Certificates of recognition in a nice plaque cost \$50 each.
- The website costs \$120 per year plus \$75 every three years for the domain name.

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## **Roses for Everyone in Nashville**

This year's Tenarky district convention will be held October 3-5 at Nashville's Cheekwood Botanic Garden and Brentwood's Holiday Inn.

With the theme "Roses for Everyone," the convention promises speakers and activities to ap-

peal to all rosarians.

A special barbeque kicks off the convention Friday night with Carol Reese speaking.

Headlining the Saturday program is Stephen Scanniello, popular author, lecturer, and landscape design consultant.

He has written four books on roses—*Roses of America*, *Climbing Roses*, *Rose Companions* and *A Year of Roses*—receiving the American Horticultural Society's Annual Book Award in 1998. He transformed Brooklyn

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## Little Green Men, Big Red Roses

Who can forget that day in July of 1969 when man first set foot on the moon? Neil Armstrong's "one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind" captivated the world, showing us that the moon was only our first step on a journey to reach for the stars.

But due to a lack of vision, funding, and desire, the space program has stalled. A total of 12 men have walked on the moon, none since 1972. We've sent the space shuttle into orbit for dozens of missions, but none of these trips has stopped on another planet.

The Hubble telescope has brought us fantastic pictures from our own solar system and galaxies from millions of light years away. But these have yet to inspire us to reach beyond our own atmosphere.

Nearly 40 years after the first moon landing, we are well behind where most scientists and authors felt we would be in space travel. Most thought we would have been to Mars by now and headed for the outer planets soon. But this has not been the case.

Recently, NASA has made some overtures toward Mars, landing an unmanned Rover which has covered the Martian surface, sending back photographs and performing rudimentary scientific analysis of the planet's surface. As a result of the Rover, we now believe there was once water on Mars.



Official sources have said that this photo from the Mars surface shows an odd rock formation. But it really shows a humanoid life form on the planet's surface...along with some interesting plant life.

The photo above was shown in print and television news shows earlier this year. The official government story is that this is an odd rock formation on the planet's surface. But what NASA and the news outlets did not tell us was the whole story.

Thanks to some intense investigative reporting, the *Tenarky Tattler* has determined that the entire photo from the Mars Lander was not made available to the public. Thanks to highly placed but anonymous sources, we were able

to obtain the original, full-sized photo. In addition to the humanoid sitting on his rock chair, we see in the upper left of the photo the barely-perceptible edge of a rose garden. Not only is there humanoid life on Mars, there is also plant life. And not just any plant life—a rose bush. The little green men of Mars have apparently been very busy growing big red roses.

After seeing a photo like this, dozens of questions remain to be answered. Why did the government cover up incontrovertible evidence of life on Mars? How did the roses get there? What effect does the lack of atmos-

phere have on roses? What do they fertilize with? Are there different colors from what we see on earth? Inquisitive rosarians the world over want to know the answers to these questions. The only way we will ever get satisfactory responses is to pressure the government—demand that they increase the NASA budget to set a goal to land humans on Mars in the next ten years—and that a rosarian be among them. Any volunteers?

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## Director's Column

- Claire and I have never charged for phone expenses, but we and other officers are repaid for most mail and other office expenses.
- Master rosarians certificates and pins are \$15 per person.
- Donations to the ARS have been made regularly, including a \$1000 grant last year.
- Expenses for some workshops.

Finally, very importantly, we must have a decent savings to allow us to overcome any type of disaster affecting our meetings. Expenses would still need to be paid. Also, we stand ready to cover losses by individual societies hosting conventions, to an extent, **and if** the Director has pre-approved the convention budget section by section.

We make every effort to “break even” on the workshop, and each year we have come very close to doing that. Whatever profit that comes from the event is in the **rose auction**. This is the **sole source** of the District income at this time. Of course, if you think about it, those who are not at the evening session are not bidding on the roses. It may be soon that the district will face the problem of finding another source of income, especially since rose sales are now practiced by some individual societies in the district. This is all heightened by the fact that Ted Mills obtains all our roses free. No one can foresee how long this will last.

Let me say a bit about the office of District Director. First, it is a distinct honor to represent this District on the National Board of Directors. One's rose friendships are expanded dramatically in the district and nationally. Claire and I will treasure these six years in our memory.

Here are some of the duties of the Director. He or she will (1) select and appoint a team of officers, (2) insure that the business of the District, including the newsletter and website, is conducted in a timely manner, (3) oversee our two district meetings each year, (4) work to insure a continuing supply of accredited and up-to-date CRs and judges in the district, (5) and in general, represent the ARS to the District and the District to the ARS and participate in conducting the business of the ARS.

This final point is accomplished by the Director's automatic appointment to the ARS Board of Directors, a cumbersome, but in many ways very special group of over 30 members. This Board meets twice each year at the national conventions. We attend those meetings, usually one, or one and a half days, during the convention, at our own expense, as you do when you attend. It is expected and verified by each candidate who allows himself or herself to be nominated. As Director, I have attended conventions and/or business sessions in Pasadena and San Diego, CA, Washington, D.C., Tulsa, OK,

Shreveport, LA three times, St. Paul, MN, St. Louis, Seattle, WA, Houston and Dallas, TX, and Denver. Unfortunately, I missed the terrific national at Memphis as I was in the hospital that week. Visits to Vancouver, Canada, and Palm Springs, CA still await us during my term. This needed to be said because there seems to be a belief in some quarters that the expenses are paid by the District or National. This is not true; **no member of the BOD or any national officer receives funds from any source**. There is a bit of a tax break in traveling and working for a tax-free non-profit organization.

One of the great concerns facing the ARS right now, not to mention membership and finances, is the future of the national conventions. It is my belief that we are headed for one national convention and rose show per year. However, the Board will continue to meet face to face a second time each year to conduct the business of the national society.

Again, I want to say how grateful Claire and I are to have this opportunity to serve you. Roses and rose people are important to us. Next year is the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth. He said many wonderful things. One, with slight variations, I'll repeat here. “You can please all the people some of the time, some of the people all the time, but never, all the people all the time.” My charge to you is “work on membership,” “vote carefully in the national elections,” and enjoy your life with roses – they do have the power to uplift the human spirit!

**Join the American Rose Society**

**Annual Membership**

Individual.....	\$49
Senior (65+) .....	\$46
Joint .....	\$62
Senior Joint .....	\$59
Youth .....	\$10

**Two Year Membership**

Individual.....	\$95
Senior (65+) .....	\$89
Joint .....	\$117
Senior Joint .....	\$111

**Three Year Membership**

Individual.....	\$140
Senior (65+) .....	\$132
Joint .....	\$170
Senior Joint .....	\$162

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or visit  
[www.ars.org](http://www.ars.org)

**News**

**District Director 2009-2011**

Dr. Sam Jones of the Nashville Rose Society has informed friends and officers of NRS and the Tenarky District that he intends to run for the office of Tenarky District Director in the 2009 elections. Sam and his wife Nancy are familiar figures at District and National meetings. Sam is National Chaplain, National Chairman of the Prizes and Awards Committee, and a member of the National Nominating Committee.

Sam is a retired minister and has experience working with large, diverse groups. He and Nancy are co-chairmen of the 2008 Tenarky District Convention in Nashville on October 3-5.



**Tenarky Winter Workshop  
February 20-21, 2009**

Dr. Campbell has announced that we have procured a “full house” of great rosarian educators for our next winter workshop. Among the six presenters will be our two announced candidates for ARS Vice President (President Elect), Bob Martin and Jolene Adams. This meeting looks to be a highly educational, but fun-filled gathering. The next issue of Katnips will cover the presenters in depth.

**Katnips to Go 100% Electronic**

Like many other district newsletters, Katnips is going completely electronic. The current subscriptions for hard copies will be honored until they expire. However, they will not be renewed and no new subscriptions for hard copies will be sold. It will be the responsibility of each society to furnish copies to those of their members who are not able to obtain it on the internet.

**The Nashville Rose Society**  
**Hosts the**  
**2008 Tenarky District Convention**

**October 3-5, 2008**

**Brentwood Holiday Inn &  
Cheekwood Botanical Gardens**

**Friday**

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

\* Welcome BBQ

Special Speaker Carol Reese

**Saturday**

**October 4<sup>th</sup>**

\* Rose show

\* lectures open to the public

Monty Justice

Stephen Scanniello

Robby Tucker

\* District Meeting

\* Judging School/Audit

\* Awards Banquet

Wine tasting

District awards

\*Stephen Scanniello

**Sunday**

**October 5<sup>th</sup>**

\*CR breakfast with 1 hour credit (all welcome)

Speaker Raymond Cloyd - Kansas State University

\* Judges practical test

\* Garden tours

\* Rose show open

**Directions:**

**Hotel: Holiday Inn, 760 Old Hickory Boulevard, Brentwood, TN 37027 (Phone: 615-373-2600)**

**From North:** Take I-65 SOUTH, EXIT 74-A, (Right) onto Old Hickory Blvd East. Hotel on left hand side (approximately ¼ from I-65). Turn left into Hotel at second light (Brentwood Commons).

**From South:** I-65 NORTH, Exit 74-A, (Right) onto Old Hickory Blvd East. Hotel on left hand side (approximately ¼ from I-65). Turn left into Hotel at second light (Brentwood Commons).

**Hotel to Cheekwood:** Right (West) from Hotel onto Old Hickory Blvd (5.8 mi), right onto Chickering Rd (1.4 mi), stay straight to go onto Page Rd (1.2 mi), end at Cheekwood entrance.

For more information including the rose show schedule, agenda, ect. visit:

**[www.nashvillerosesociety.com](http://www.nashvillerosesociety.com)**

**Rooms:** A special Block of rooms has been reserved at the **Brentwood Holiday Inn.**

Please call **615-373-2600** for reservations. Convention rooms (King, Non-Smoking) are \$99 per night plus taxes (single or double occupancy). Reservations must be made by **September 11, 2008** for the special rate.

You must mention **TENARKY Convention** to get the rate.

For more information contact:

**Sam and Nancy Jones**

**Phone: 615-646-4138**

**Email: [gsamj@bellsouth.net](mailto:gsamj@bellsouth.net)**

**Convention Registration:** Registration is required for all convention and rose show participants. Full payment must accompany each form.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Rose Society: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to exhibit? \_\_\_\_\_ Horticulture \_\_\_\_\_ Arrangements \_\_\_\_\_

The schedule is on the NRS website [www.nashvillerosesociety.com](http://www.nashvillerosesociety.com) do you need a paper copy mailed? \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee	Before Sept. 3rd	#:		@ \$35.00 =	
	After Sept. 3rd	#:		@ \$45.00 =	
Friday Night Welcome BBQ/Speaker	6-9 PM	#:		@ \$22.00 =	
Saturday – Judges School Audit	Coffee & Danish	#:		@ \$5.00 =	
Sat. Night Awards Banquet	Chicken Cordon Blue 7-9 PM	#:		@ \$35.00 =	
Sunday AM Buffet Breakfast	Includes CR Audit Class	#:		@ \$12.00 =	
Sunday – Judges School with Test	Coffee & Danish	#:		@ \$60.00 =	

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Completed registration forms with check made out to  
 “NRS District Convention” to:  
**David Hazlewood, Registrar**  
**300 Wheatfield Circle Apt. B 126**  
**Brentwood, TN 37027-4491**  
**(615) 491-7265**  
[davidandnancy@comcast.net](mailto:davidandnancy@comcast.net)

# Convention

Botanic Garden's Cranford Rose Garden into an internationally acclaimed rose garden.

The annual district rose show including the highly sought McFarland trophy will be held Saturday. Further information as well as other speakers Saturday include Monty Justice speaking on "Revolutionizing Soil Treatment for Roses." Another program on the "Latest Advancements in Disease-Free Roses" (with updates from rose hybridizers and distributors) will be given.

Sunday morning, there will be a consulting rosarian breakfast, with guest speaker Ray Cloyd speaking on "Identifying & Stopping Rose Pests." (He is the co-Author of *Compendium of Rose Diseases and Pests*, 2007).

In addition, there will be a horticulture judging school, garden tours, and more. It will really be "Roses for Everyone!"

See pages 5-6 for registration form, or [www.tenarky.org](http://www.tenarky.org) or [www.nashvillerosesociety.com](http://www.nashvillerosesociety.com) for further information, including the horticulture and arrangements schedules.

## Attention Consulting Rosarians:

Check your information on the Tenarky web page

[www.tenarky.org/Consulting\\_Rosarians.htm](http://www.tenarky.org/Consulting_Rosarians.htm)

Check your address, phone, and email

Email corrections to Claire Campbell, [clairelc@aol.com](mailto:clairelc@aol.com)

## Attention Rose Growers:

It's RIR time again, time for you to review your new roses.

Check out the site

[www.stsrv.com/rir/rirsplsh.htm](http://www.stsrv.com/rir/rirsplsh.htm)

Begin at the "New User" tab, then evaluate as many roses as you grow.

RIR reports are required for Consulting Rosarians.

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'Gentle Giant' shown by Bill Meacham at the Kentucky State Fair. Photo [www.tenarky.org](http://www.tenarky.org).

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