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Tenarky District Fall Convention & Rose Show

Everyone attending the first in-person Tenarky District Fall Convention and Rose Show since cancellations due to Covid-19 agreed that it was a great success. Hosted by the Nashville Rose Society at Cheekwood Estate and Gardens, September 17-18, over 60 registered for the event.

Not only was there a beautiful rose show and banquet on Saturday, also included were a Rose Q & A Table manned by ARS Consulting Rosarians, a seminar on "Basics of Growing Roses" by Ron Daniels, NRS Co-President, a "Pick Your Own Bouquet" event sponsored by Cheekwood, and a self-guided tour of the Cheekwood Mansion. ARS President Diane Sommers was one of the show judges, exhibitor, and also speaker at the Saturday evening banquet.

Over 35 rosarians exhibited in one of the show divisions: horticulture, arrangements, and photography including the Tenarky District Challenge Classes in Horticulture and Arrangements. The ARS J. Horace McFarland Challenge was won by Ricky Lockhart from Bowling Green Rose Society. The ARS Ralph Moore District Award was won by Larry Baird, Nashville Rose Society; and the Sam Jones Memorial Arrangement Award was won by Lanni Webb, Nashville Rose Society. Queens were: Hybrid Tea 'Ring of Fire' and Miniature 'Swirly Pop' exhibited by Jeff and Cindy Garrett from the Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga, and Miniflora 'Mango Blush' exhibited by Marty Reich, Nashville Rose Society, (her first queen!!). NRS member Linda Bowen exhibited a beautiful specimen of 'Crescendo' which won not only Novice Queen and King of Show, but also Best in Show!!! Complete show results are on the [Tenarky website](#) and several photos are on page 4.

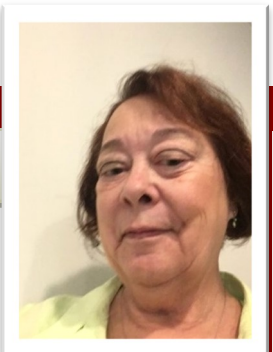
Many thanks to the members of the Nashville Rose Society and the Convention and Rose Show Chairs who spent many hours planning this event that was a huge success and enjoyed by everyone attending!

CONGRATULATIONS ROBBIE TUCKER!!

At the ARS member virtual meeting October 17, ARS President Diane Sommers, announced that Robbie Tucker was the 2022 ARS Gold Medal



recipient. Robbie served as Tenarky District Director 2000-2003 and is a past president and member of the Nashville Rose Society, ARS Horticulture Judge and Consulting Rosarian, past editor of KATnips, hybridizer of award-winning roses, and a co-owner of Rose-mania. He currently lives in Texas.



Tenarky District Director's Message *by Lori Emery*

I am writing this on the first week of November, and it is one of the most beautiful days I have seen this fall. It is 73 degrees, clear blue sky, and a few clouds floating by. By the time you read this, winter will probably have arrived. The changing of the seasons reminds me of this past year. Covid has retreated to the background, but most likely not disappeared. I am thankful that we can meet in person and are able to travel. I went to Louisville to see their rose display, and to Chattanooga for a meeting at the Garrett's. What a treat the Garrett rose garden is in Soddy Daisy! Their rose garden overlooks the lake and is quite picturesque. Jeff and Cindy have over 350 meticulously cared for standard and miniature varieties. It was a beautiful day and the meeting was well attended! I have also been to monthly meetings in Nashville, Holston, Chattanooga, and Knoxville, of course. I plan to travel to Bowling Green, Cookeville, and Memphis next year.

Have you noticed the differences in our lives post-Covid? Have you noticed the inflated prices of food, travel, and everything else? We will have more challenges to overcome in the years ahead. Most societies have trouble getting people to volunteer for officer positions. Common excuses are "I work, I'm busy, I have too much to do." These all may be true, but we have time to spray, feed, and water our roses. Taking care of yourself and your family are priorities; but if you are interested in becoming a Consulting Rosarian (CR), or just learning more about roses, there will be webinars in February 2023. If you already are a CR, maybe you could consider helping your local society by volunteering to do a program or helping with a project. If you are new to a local society, you may be very organized and would like to shadow an existing officer to see if you might be interested in assuming that position in the future. There are opportunities in each local society for you to participate at a level you are comfortable at or accept the challenge of a new responsibility. Do you have ideas you would like your society to try out? Bring them up to the Executive committee! Without new members, new ideas, different perspectives, our local societies won't make it. "This will never work, we've always done it this way, we don't have enough people," are very gloomy and stifling comments. I am hoping there will be representation from all eight of our local societies at the mid-winter workshop in February. We need to generate ideas at the business meeting. Our mission is to educate the public. How are we going to do that next year?

I hope that you all have a wonderful holiday season and I look forward to seeing you next year! I can't wait to see what thoughts you have as to how we can proceed as the Tenarky District in 2023.

TENARKY DISTRICT WINTER WORKSHOP

&

ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

February 17-18, 2023

Cheekwood Estate & Gardens

Friday: Arrangement Seminar and Dinner

Saturday: Seminars and Banquet

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Nashville West End Avenue

100 Murphy Court, Nashville, TN 37203

Click [here](#) for convention rate.



Consulting Rosarian Corner *by Cindy Worch, District CR Chair*

Well, I think we went from Fall to dead of Winter overnight here in Murfreesboro. The weather has been quite crazy. Believe it or not I still have a few blooms trying to hang on! Hopefully everyone has been staying healthy.

I will be sending out information to our current CR's about some changes that are taking place with our CR School and audit. ARS is tying up some loose ends, but it looks like we will be having our school and audit online. The dates will be February 4, 2023, and February 11, 2023. This time it will be a two-Saturday event instead of several Saturdays like last year. I will have more information to follow as soon as I'm notified.

ATTENTION TENARKY CR's!!!

Your 2022 CR report is due by January 31!

Please send your 2022 CR Report before January 31, 2023, to:
Cindy Worch, 1618 Earl Ct., Murfreesboro, TN 37130-1635,
(615) 584-1377, [Email](#)

Click here for the **CR Report Form** in [Word](#) or in [PDF](#) format.

Click [here](#) for Qualifications to become an ARS Consulting Rosarian and [here](#) for the new ARS CR Application Form to complete and send to Cindy Worch at least 30 days prior to the ARS online CR School in February 2023. Mail it USPS or email by January 2, 2023. You may save the form to your computer, complete it, and sign electronically. Those making recommendations may sign electronically also.

If your audit is past due, please plan to attend a CR school at the next opportunity. According to our ARS CR Chairman, a CR can extend only to the 5th year, (with permission from the District CR Chairman).

Contact [Cindy Worch](#), Tenarky CR Chair, for information.

ATTENTION TENARKY JUDGES!!!

Your 2022 Judge's report is due by January 31!

Horticulture judges should complete your [2022 report](#) and send to Howard Carman.
Arrangement judges should also complete the bottom portion and send to Barbara Taube.

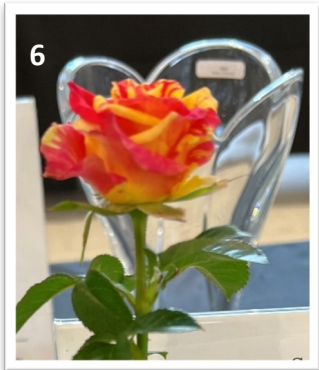
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Tenarky District Rose Show Photos



- #1: McFarland Challenge exhibited by Ricky Lockhart
- #2: Moore Challenge exhibited by Larry Baird
- #3: Novice, King, & BIS exhibited by Linda Bowen
- #4: HT Queen: 'Ring of Fire' exhibited by Jeff & Cindy Garrett
- #5: MF Queen: 'Mango Blush' exhibited by Marty Reich
- #6: M Queen 'Swirly Pop' exhibited by Jeff & Cindy Garrett
- #7: Sam Jones Memorial Arrangement exhibited by Lanni Webb
- #8: ARS Gold & Artist Arrangement Awards exhibited by Connie Baird
- #9 & 10: Novice Arrangement and Photography Queen exhibited by Kathy Brennan
- #11: ARS Miniature Gold & Oriental Arrangement Awards exhibited by Mary Ann Hext



The Tennessee Rose Society will celebrate their 77th Year Anniversary by hosting the 2023 TENARKY District Convention and Rose Show Opening Event in UT Gardens.

by Mary Bates, TRS Fall Convention Publicity Chair



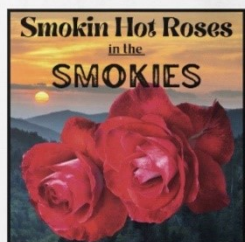
The **UT Gardens** (University of Tennessee—The State Botanical Garden of Tennessee located at 2518 Jacob Drive) function as an outdoor laboratory to evaluate the performance and landscape use of every type of plant, from trees and shrubs to annuals and perennials. The gardens feature a children's garden, formal rose garden, a sustainable kitchen garden, perennial borders, a beautiful Hosta collection as well as annual beds, huge old growth trees and seasonal displays.

The UT Gardens are used for numerous activities including weddings, receptions and family reunions. If you observe closely, you will even find students studying for their classes, reading a book or even taking a nap.

Within the UT Gardens visitors will find the Beall Family Rose Garden which was completed in 2009 through the generosity of an endowment from Sam and Mary Anne Beal. Within the garden there is a collection of over 120 roses including hybrid teas, grandiflora, floribunda, miniature, shrub and climbing roses. There are two waterfalls supported with 20 tons of Tennessee sandstone cascading down to koi ponds. There is also a beautiful 22-foot gazebo.

Kathy Brennan, Tennessee Rose Society 2022 President, commented, "We are so fortunate to have been invited to have our opening event for 2023 TENARKY Convention and Rose Show in the UT Gardens. Our picnic will be so much fun. Be sure to come a little early so you can see the gardens. They are truly beautiful--especially the Beall Family Rose Garden. Last year I was asked to lead a group of volunteers to help in this garden, and we have been working hard to make it even more beautiful for your visit next year."

This exciting venue is perfect for inviting rosarians from all across Tennessee, Kentucky and Arkansas as well as rose lovers and exhibitors from neighboring states to enjoy a bit of Tennessee hospitality and see one of the most exciting rose shows that will be open to the public at no charge after rose show judging has been completed on Saturday, September 16. Come see what roses can be grown in our region. The logo for the Convention and Rose Show is "Smokin Hot Roses." This will truly be a "Smokin Hot" Event that should not be missed.



**2023 TENARKY District Convention and Rose Show
Presented by Tennessee Rose Society
Assisted by Holston Rose Society
September 15-17, 2023**

More information on page 13!



Tenarky's Favorite Roses by Barbara Taube, ARS CR & Judge

As winter approaches and our gardens wind down for the year, our thoughts turn to next year's garden!! We all know that perusing gardening catalogs is a favorite winter pastime. But we also know that we can't always believe everything we read and that even the pictures of those gorgeous roses may have had a little enhancement! One of the best ways to plan for additions to your rose garden is to find out what varieties other rose growers in your area couldn't imagine *not* having in their garden. I asked a few rose growers to name the five roses they couldn't imagine not having in their gardens. I also *asked* them to include why they find these particular roses must-haves, although this was not a requirement. All of the growers are in our immediate area so growing conditions are similar. I also polled exhibitors because, generally speaking, they have tried every new rose to hit the market.

So here are our recommendations for roses we believe you should consider if you are thinking about adding to your gardens!

Joanna Deck-(Sheridan, AR): 'Veteran's Honor' (HT)—grows well, always has beautiful blooms, 'Marilyn Welan' (HT)-same, 'King Kong' (HT)—if you get a good one (and it makes lots of them!) you will have a queen, 'Cajun Moon' (HT) I like it better than 'Moonstone' because the form is more consistent for me, 'Randy Scott' and 'Dona Martin' (HT)-yes, that's two, but one is a sport of the other and they are equally good for bloom size and form and grow really well, 'My Lady Barbara' (HT)—form is better in hot weather and I LOOOVE the bright pink with white. (That's too many but I couldn't narrow it down any more.)

Connie and Larry Baird (Duck River, TN): 'Bees Knees' (M)—this little gem is a constant cheerful bloomer, hardy and a fantastic exhibition rose. 'Lyda Rose' (Sh)—a shrub which blooms in large bouquets. We ordered it many years ago because of the name (from the *Music Man*) and were truly surprised how beautiful it is, blooms all the time, shows well, roots easily. 'Double Delight' (HT)—**Fragrant**, beautiful color, glows in the sunshine; it always goes in bouquets for the neighbors. 'The McCartney Rose' (HT)—highly recommended to us by Glenda Whitaker 20 years ago. We planted them in front of our new home and for 20 years they have bloomed constantly. They are hardy, very fragrant, and beautiful. 'Crescendo' (HT)—a sentimental favorite because of its history, the symphony, and Sam Jones. On a good day it's also a queen.

Paula Williams (Ekron, KY): 'Joy' (M)—holds so well and is such a good rose for horticulture and arrangements. 'Autumn Splendor' (MFI)—awesome fragrance, beautiful vivid blooms, especially in cooler weather. 'Hot Tamale' (M)—simply because of the color and my use in designs. 'Ty' (M)—also for bright yellow color and using for design. For sentimental reasons 'Miss Paula', a sport of 'Miss Flippins' Howard named after me.

Lori Emery (Knoxville, TN): The only rose I could *not* live without is 'Crescendo' (HT). I also love 'Veterans Honor' (HT), 'Mango Blush' (MFI) 'Whirlaway' (MFI) 'Ring of Fire' (HT).

Jeff Garrett (Soddy Daisy, TN): 'Louise Estes' (HT)—grows great and the blooms are almost always great, great rose for garden and exhibition. We have more of this variety in our garden than any other variety. 'Gemini' (HT)—probably one of the best AARS winners of all time, produces lots of beautiful single blooms as well as sprays, color combination is outstanding. 'Veterans Honor' (HT)—no doubt this is the best red hybrid tea ever, vigorous grower that produces lots of well formed, big, rich red blooms. Who doesn't love red roses? 'Colorific' (FI)—is a vigorous floribunda that produces lots of blooms with ever changing colors. While this is not a great exhibition variety, it really stands out in the garden, has good disease resistance as well. 'Gold Medal' (Gr)—is probably the best grandiflora of all time. It grows well and produces lots of blooms with great color and form. It is good on the show table and in the garden. Just a great rose!

Mary Ann Hext (Rockfield, KY)

'Randy Scott' and 'Ring of Fire' (HTs) great form, hold well, exhibit well in horticulture and arrangements and those two colors can be used in different arrangements where a bright or soft color is needed. 'Joy' (M)—it makes multiple sprays and single blooms for horticulture, holds well, and also good for all types of arrangements.

'Green Rose' (Ch)—for arrangements, bouquets and interesting bush. 'Lullaby' (Pol) as it has such sweet little white blooms on multiple sprays and also exhibits well. 'Marriotta' (M)—my most favorite little rose with a unique shape, has won many times in various classes in horticulture (spray, open bloom, floating in bowl, picture



Tenarky's Favorite Roses (continued from p. 6)

frame, and also in arrangements). I usually have one floating in a tiny bowl in the kitchen to enjoy every day.

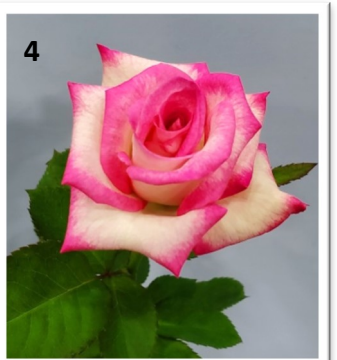
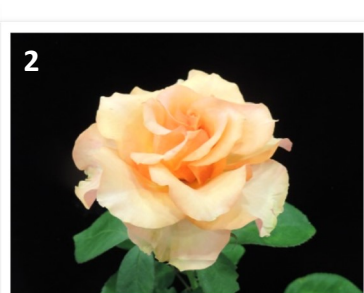
Carol Shockley (Conway, AR): 'Louise Estes' (HT), 'Gemini' (HT), 'Tiffany Lynn' (MFI), 'Joy' (M), 'Sun Glow' (MFI).

Since I wrote the article, I felt entitled to take a little artistic liberty and include my own choices. Hehehe. I will add that in recent years, my focus has shifted to roses that I can do designs with. This tends to mean varieties that bloom, bloom, bloom! I am at that point in my life when I don't want hundreds of roses-or even a hundred roses- so I want varieties that bloom—a LOT.

Barbara Taube (Michie, TN): 'Angel Face' (FI)—fragrance is a plus! 'French Lace' (FI)—again, fragrance is a plus! 'Mango Blush' (MFI)-the 'newest' rose on my list so time may change my mind. But this beauty is *wonderful*!!!! One of the most delightfully fragrant minifloras, always has outstanding form, blooms like everything and that color!!!! Luscious!!!! 'Dr. Troy Garrett' (MFI)—GREAT rose!!!! Blooms like a hybrid tea, mostly single blooms but can produce sprays. And grows like a hybrid tea, too-no bending over to deadhead this big guy! Almost always very good to excellent form. 'Easter Basket' (FI)—Tons of beautiful blooms plus fragrance!

So there you have it. Lots and *lots* of roses, proven to do well in our area, for you to consider adding to your garden. We covered miniatures, minifloras, hybrid teas, floribundas and shrubs for garden, cutting, sharing, exhibiting and using in arrangements. Whatever you are looking for in your next rose(s), I think you should be able to find somewhere among these great roses.

Kentucky State Fair Rose Show Photos—August 20, 2022



- #1: Queen 'Crescendo' exhibited by Tom Lehman
- #2: King 'Sunstruck' exhibited by Tom Lehman
- #3: Princess 'Elizabeth Taylor' exhibited by Sharon Wuorenmaa
- #4: M/MF Queen: 'First Choice' exhibited by Sharon Wuorenmaa
- #5: M/MF King: 'Louisville Lady' exhibited by Janet Miller
- #6: M/MF Princess: 'Nancy Jean' exhibited by Janet Miller
- #7: Best M/MF Spray: 'Diamond Eyes' exhibited by Sharon Wuorenmaa
- #8: Best Floribunda: 'Moondance' exhibited by Janet Miller

Louisville Rose Society Rose Display

October Events - Louisville Rose Society

October 1st Rose Display



At our board meeting in January 2022, the Louisville Rose Society voted to hold a seminar and presentation instead of a Rose Show since the situation with the virus was still unsure. We held it on October 1st at St. Xavier school in Louisville. A great thanks to Linda Schork, who teaches there, for reserving the area in the facility for the event. She also got some students interested in photography and acquired a great display board for the entries. The photos used part of the Tenarky schedule as rules and were also judged with ribbons and LRS certificates given for winners. We were so pleased to have those entries.

Several members contributed roses and displays for the public, and Linda Jansing spoke to those who attended the information segment of the presentation. The event was very colorful and could have had more attendance but overall, a good time with rose friends and interested individuals. We did discuss next year's show and that will get a final vote in January board meeting. I feel we will try for a competition Rose Show again. *By Paula Williams*



Tenarky Local Society News—Thanks to those who sent news!

Louisville Rose Society by Paula Williams, 1st Vice President

It has been a pretty diverse year for rose events for the Louisville Rose Society. May was a garden tour at Linda and George Jansing’s home. It was a great day for the tour where she has some planted in the ground and also an amazing group of potted roses. She gave a presentation of her growing tips and how she practices chemical safety. (photo 1)

June was road trip to Frankfort where we started with Wilson’s Nursery and lunch at Sage restaurant, then on over to the rose garden at the Capital where our hosts and hostess, Tim Depenbrock, Ryan Hix, Shawn Purvis, and Kaitlin Farlee greeted and welcomed us to the garden. (photos 2-4)

July was a practice rose show held at St. X school cafeteria. Howard Carman did some mock judging and gave pointers on entering exhibits. This was a good learning session for all. (photo 5)

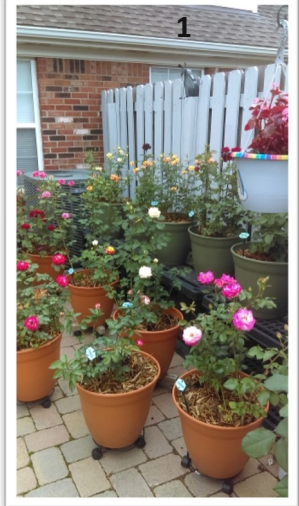
Several members and guests braved the heat for a photo lesson and garden tour in Crestwood at JoAnn Luecke’s home. Margie Shubert gave us instruction on photography and then we used that knowledge while touring the amazing property with all kinds of gardens, ponds, and whimsical structures. (photos 6 & 7)

What a great success the Rose Show was at the Kentucky State Fair on Saturday, August 20! There were many beautiful blooms which made for outstanding color and competition. Some blooms were entered by individuals outside of our rose society along with the LRS members who participated, Tom Lehmann, Janet Miller, Sharon Wuorenmaa, Sherry Lindle, Jim and Lynn Schmidt, and Lynn Kunau. The head table large rose winners were Tom Lehmann with ‘Crescendo’ as Queen, and ‘Sunstruck’ as King, Sharon won Princess with ‘Elizabeth Taylor’. The Mini-Miniflora winners were ‘First Choice’ as Queen by Sharon Wuorenmaa, King won with ‘Louisville Lady’ by Janet Miller as well as princess ‘Nancy Jean’. Sharon Wuorenmaa won mini spray with ‘Diamond Eyes’. Best Floribunda was won by Janet Miller with ‘Moondance’. Sharon also won sweepstakes for both Large and Mini-Miniflora roses. Howard Carman assisted the judges, Paula Williams from our society, Mark Nolen, Linda Kimmel, and Bill Carlson who are all from Indianapolis. We are so appreciative of the exhibitors and judges who made this show a success. (photo 8, see more show photos on page 7)

In January, we voted to hold a seminar and presentation instead of a rose show and it was held October 1 at St. Xavier school in Louisville. (see separate article and photos on page 8)

October meeting was a presentation of members’ gardens throughout the year and was compiled and presented by Linda Schork. November is our last meeting of 2022 but will be done Zoom and will be winter care questions and answers.

Let’s hope 2023 is as good or better for our blooms and activities.





Tenarky Local Society News—Thanks to those who sent news!

Tennessee Rose Society by Kathy Brennan, President

We are finally getting back together in our meeting room in our normal fashion. We meet at UT in the South Greenhouse lecture room on the UT Ag Campus. After a nice 30-minute social with refreshments, we have a 30-minute meeting; then there is an expert speaker or panel of CR's speaking on Rose Culture. TRS has approximately 20 new members eager to learn all they can on growing roses. They always come with a lot of questions.

November meeting, we voted on 2023 officers: Lane Hays, President; Lori Emery, Vice President; Susan McKeehan, Secretary; and Jeremy Dick, Treasurer. This is an outstanding Executive Board; we look forward to them leading us forward into 2023. I will remain on the Board as Past President.

The Tenarky District Fall Convention and Show Committee for 2023 met in October. We decided on our Committee Chairpersons who will form their Committee and Volunteers by January 2023. Since TRS does not have a January Society meeting, the Committee decided to have a planning meeting with all membership to bring them up to date on the Show and Convention.

The Tenarky District Fall Convention and Rose Show 2023 will be September 15-17, 2023, in Knoxville, TN. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

TRS volunteers and UT volunteers are still working in the Beall Family Rose Garden every Thursday morning. We have put down horse manure and mulch for the winter. We continue tidying up the bushes and now pulling spent petals leaving the seed heads. Winter pruning will be done in December.



Mary Wigger, Andrea Sabala, Kathy Brennan, Craig Schmitt, Victoria Deckard and John Sorey pause for photo after working in the rose garden 10/26



TRS meeting at Martha McCluen's home and garden

- 1: Julia DeBord and Lori Emery with view of lake
- 2: Martha McCluen
- 3: 'Veterans' Honor'
- 4: Andrea Sabala and Mary Conway in garden

TRS President Kathy Brennan is presented the Distinguished Volunteer Service Award for her long term commitment to volunteering in the UT Gardens from James Newburn, Director.



Tenarky Local Society News—Thanks to those who sent news!

Nashville Rose Society by Marty Reich, Master Rosarian

In spite of the heat and drought in our area, NRS had a very good growing season this year. The spring open gardens were lovely and we have had many new members joining us. The district show was held at Cheekwood and there were a number of members who exhibited for the first time and won! We were honored that ARS President, Diane Sommers, was able to attend, exhibit and speak at our banquet.

A huge thank-you is due to District Director Lori Emery, Mary Ann Hext, John Wendler, Liz Louie and all of the many other volunteers who worked so hard to put on the show.

A New Members' Meeting was held in the spring and was well attended. Ron Daniels gave his program on rose growing basics, and the lesson was continued in the Cheekwood Rose Study Garden maintained by NRS.

Our Grand Prix in-house rose shows were held in the spring and fall to teach members how to exhibit. Consulting Rosarian, Gene Meyer, who now organizes these shows, has changed to a more informal format. Roses are brought in and beginners can choose from them to make their entries. This keeps members from having to depend on their own gardens for blooms and gives them an excellent learning experience.

Our meetings have been in person for the last months and have had good attendance. Speakers have been both in person and virtual, a combination that will likely continue. We are looking forward to our annual rose sale which will begin shortly as well as our Vendor Day sale for other rose products.

The December Christmas party and the Winter Workshop are also events that we know we will enjoy.

Tri-State Rose Society by Jeff Garrett, President

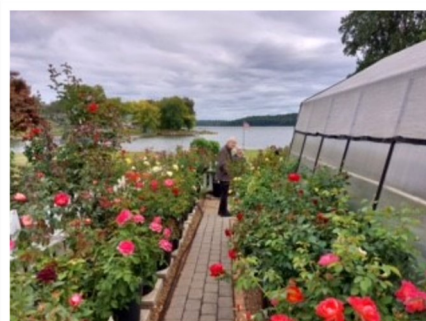
The Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga has enjoyed a great summer with some really outstanding programs. Our June program topic was rooting and budding roses. Jon Whitehead and Jeff Garrett demonstrated how they root and bud roses onto multiflora rootstock. In July, Carol Shockley presented an outstanding program on new roses. Suzanne Horn, from California, spoke to us in August. Her program was on growing roses in containers. Suzanne is an outstanding exhibitor and all of her roses are grown in containers. Our September meeting was actually held the first Sunday afternoon in October, as we gathered in the garden of Jeff and Cindy Garrett. The weather was nice and we had a large crowd to view the roses. Our year will end in early December with our annual banquet. We have been fortunate to have good attendance at all of our meetings and functions this year.



ARS President Diane Sommers presents John Wendler with an ARS Presidential Citation at banquet.



Cindy Garrett with her M/MF roses in the background.



The Garretts' rose gardens with Lake Chickamauga in background at October meeting. Rick Sharpe checking out pots around the greenhouse (center photo).



Tenarky Local Society News—Thanks to those who sent news!

Memphis and Dixie Rose Society by *Bill Dickerson, President*

Our third meeting of the year was held at the end of October with seven members present. We discussed ways to attract new members for next year and are thinking of sponsoring a community rose show for the public at the Botanic Gardens around May. We have only one or two members that show roses so we are hoping to draw interest from the public.

I would love to get a speaker or member outside of Memphis to help with some sort of presentation or seminar on Arrangements!! And would gladly pay room and board. I perceive that there is a goodly interest and especially in the local garden clubs around town that have very active and large memberships. And no, we have no active members in town with experience.

Bowling Green Rose Society by *Mary Ann Hext, Newsletter Editor*

Although we are a small society, we are mighty! We held our 59th rose show on May 20. In June, we reviewed our rose show and had discussion on Summer Care of Roses. We do not meet in July. At our August meeting, we watched a virtual presentation from Teresa Byington, Indianapolis Rose Society, with a tour of her cottage garden. We welcomed two new members.



Preparing for the upcoming Tenarky District Rose Show was the September program with discussion of the different classes in the schedule and how to enter them. Members were encouraged to attend the convention and exhibit at the show. In October, we watched an ARS Webinar on “Rose Gardening Tips, Ideas, and Best Practices” hosted by ARS President Diane Sommers and Paul Zimmerman, Jackson & Perkins Consultant. With the early freezing temperatures in our area, at our November meeting, we had discussion on winterizing roses with all members sharing their methods. New officers were elected and will begin their terms in January. Our Christmas luncheon will be December 9.

Holston Rose Society by *Sallie Blazer, President*—No news.

Cookeville Area Rose Society by *Nancy Lazer, Newsletter Editor*—No news.

Road Trip for Roses by *Janet Miller, CR, Louisville Rose Society*

In late September a woman contacted me from Morgantown, Indiana, which is south of Indianapolis. She told me she had what she expected was the last remaining specimen of “Precious” which was hybridized by local rose legend Charlie Dawson. Charlie was Monty Justice’s mentor; and Monty was my mentor, so I was very glad to make the trip to get a slip.



I took the opportunity to drive through Nashville, Indiana, to see the leaves just beginning to turn. Driving the country roads was a nice getaway from the city.

Anne Young lives on a farm with her engineer husband with beautiful gardens full of roses and other plants, along with water features and farm animals to include horses, chickens, dogs, cats and sheep. It was an experience for this city girl. Anne was so pleased that I agreed to come. She knew that someone in Louisville would honor Charlie’s memory. I was glad it was me. ‘Precious’ (photo above) is now slipped in my “baby bed.”



**2023 TENARKY District Convention and Rose Show
Presented by Tennessee Rose Society
Assisted by Holston Rose Society**



We are looking forward to you joining us in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains as we celebrate our 77th Anniversary. We hope you bring your beautiful roses! It's going to be a "Smokin Hot" Event!

**Date & Time: Sept 15-17, 2023
University of Tennessee Agriculture Campus
Biotechnology Building
2505 E J Chapman Drive, Knoxville, TN**

- Friday night Registration and Barbecue Picnic will be in the beautiful UT Gardens and will be catered by Buddy's Barbecue
- Tour our Tennessee State Botanical Garden—Beall Family Rose Garden
- Enjoy the UT Gardens and meet new and old friends
- Saturday will be filled with a wonderful rose show, educational seminars for rose lovers and TENARKY annual business meeting
- Saturday night banquet will be held at Calhoun's on the River
- More information including registration and show schedule will be available soon on www.tenarky.org

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2023 ARS National Rose Convention

Time for Roses!

May 5-7, 2023

The American Rose Center, Shreveport, LA

Friday, May 5: Rose Show

Saturday, May 6: Exciting events in the Rose Garden and Klima Hall ending in a Celebration Awards Banquet

Sunday, May 7: Meetings, Garden Tours

Monday, May 8: Board Meeting



2022 TENARKY DISTRICT ROSES IN REVIEW RESULTS

Jeff Garrett, our Tenarky District RIR Coordinator, has compiled the results from our district and they have been posted on the district website at www.tenarky.org with a link on the home page. Past years can also be found on the website. Note there was not a report for 2021. Since this information was obtained from our district reporters, it is quite helpful when purchasing roses found on our RIR lists.

Click [here](#) for Tenarky RIR Reports!

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Tenarky Member Websites for Roses & Supplies

- [Rosemania](#)—Chemicals, safety equipment, garden tools, fertilizers, and plants
- [Beaty Fertilizer](#)—Fertilizer, mulch, and much more
- [OliveArt](#)—Containers for floral designs

2023 Tenarky Area & National Rose Shows

- May 5-7, 2023: ARS National Rose Convention, American Rose Center, Shreveport, LA
- May 20, 2023: Bowling Green Rose Society Rose Show, American Legion Post 23
- September 15-17, 2023: Tenarky District Fall Convention & Rose Show, UT Knoxville Ag Campus
- October 14-15, 2023: Nashville Rose Society Rose Show, Cheekwood
- September 9-13, 2024: ARS National Convention, Warwick, RI





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