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2013 Tenarky Convention and Rose and Arrangement Show on October 4-6

Hello Rose Lovers!

I invite you to Louisville for the 2013 Tenarky Convention and Rose and Arrangement Show on October 4-6. The Louisville Rose Society is excited about hosting this year and we hope you will join us. The convention will be held at the Fern Valley Inn and Convention Center, same as the last time we hosted. We are lucky to get the room rate of \$71 a night and are trying to keep all of the costs low to encourage you to come.

We will have all the details posted on the Tenarky website soon with a registration form and show schedule. We will have an informal welcome reception on Friday evening beginning at 5pm, near the rose prep area, which is the coolest room in the building. Bring your sweater and get your roses stored from 7-9pm.

The rose prep area will open again at 6:00am Saturday and entries will close at 10am. After judging, the show will be open to the public from 1-5pm. We'll have vendors and a silent auction nearby the exhibit area, and programs throughout the day, followed by the awards banquet.

On Sunday Carolyn and Charles Phelps are hosting a rose garden social. The annual St James Art Fair is that weekend, and worth checking out in Old Louisville. To learn more about that go to www.stjamescourttartshow.com.

So, get your roses ready! We'll see you in Louisville!

Janet Miller

President, Louisville Rose Society



Tenarky Rose Show – Winners Circle Ballroom



Roses from the Louisville Rose Society - see back cover for more!

Director's Message

August Roses at the State Fair Herald Prospects for Autumn Shows

By Sam Jones, TENARKY District Director

Summer roses shown at the Kentucky State Fair in mid-August showed promise of quality roses for our fall shows. Nancy and I were privileged to assist at the Fair by helping judge and

support the efforts of members of the Louisville Rose Society. While not as large as the annual fall Louisville Society Rose Show in numbers of exhibitors, classes, or entries, there were distinct advantages to having an August State Fair Rose Show open the season. Not least among them were the thousands of Fair attendees who got to see, admire, and consider growing roses, and to view the attractive banner of the Louisville Rose Society. The American Rose Society table was also given a prominent place by the Fair Rose Show Chair, Pat Hammonds, where she displayed ARS donated Handbooks for Selecting Roses, as well as beautiful picture catalogs from rose growers such as Weeks, J&P, and others.

Not only does a State Fair Rose Show expose roses to a much wider audience than local society shows, but it also gives the members an opportunity to exhibit under less pressure, while gaining confidence for grooming and showing roses in other ARS Rose Shows. Louisville, you have a great thing going, and it especially paid off this year with an abundance of excellent roses, boosted as they were by our recent summer rains. Keep up the good work!

Scott Drucker from Chattanooga is a talented landscaper, and I can't say enough good things about his work. He will be speaking at the TENARKY District Rose Show coming up the first weekend in October, which is also hosted by Louisville Rose Society. Scott has expertise in combining roses with compatible garden plantings. He is passionate about choosing appropriate ornamental plants for setting off roses attractively in your garden, and you will be pleased to hear his creative ideas. Information for registration, hotel, seminars, speakers, and schedule will be coming to you by email soon and posted on the TENARKY website.

As your TENARKY District Director and

First Lady, Nancy and I have been asked by ARS Vice President, Pat Shanley, to join a delegation representing the American Rose Society and the rose industry on a goodwill, rose-garden tour of China, leaving September 23rd. Visiting rose gardens in and around Shanghai and Beijing, our purpose is to become better acquainted with the roses of China, and to encourage Chinese growers to consider importing American-bred roses for their unique size, beauty, form, color, vigor, and disease resistance. One of the members of our delegation, William Radler, creator of the Knock Out roses, will be particularly interesting to the Chinese growers because of the world-wide popularity that the Knock-Out family of roses have enjoyed for their ease of care and versatility. We are looking forward to sharing with you our observations, views, and impressions gained from our rose friends in China.

Regretfully, the dates of our China tour will not allow Nancy and me to return home in time to attend the TENARKY District Convention in Louisville, October 5th. However, district business will be conducted as usual, and district awards and certificates will be presented.

We are looking forward to a Winter Workshop weekend with Paul Zimmerman of Paul Z i m m e r m a n Roses, the third weekend of February, 2014.

Coming to Nashville, Paul will be returning from speaking during an ARS Seminar Cruise to the Caribbean two weeks previously. He is dedicated to teaching that "Roses Are Plants, Too." Paul's new book released



Sam & Nancy Jones

earlier this year, *Everyday Roses* (Taunton Press), is enjoying wide national sales and has received praise from leading growers and rosarians, including Steve Hutton of Star Roses; Peter Beales, author and rose expert; and Pat Shanley, ARS Vice President/President Elect. Commenting on Zimmerman's book, according to Peter Beales, "Anyone who ... follows Paul's philosophy cannot help but have a garden of healthy roses."

If you want to be inspired to grow beautiful roses, while enjoying and sharing a weekend with like-minded rose friends, then the TENARKY Winter Workshop is the place. As in the past, it will be held at the Marriott Hotel—Cool Springs, Franklin, TN (south of Nashville), beginning Friday evening and continuing through noon on Sunday, February 21-23, 2014. The event is one of the best ways to kick-start the season.

The Nashville Rose Show will be held in the fall again this year, October 12-13, 2013, at Cheekwood Botanical Gardens. If the mid-October weather continues to be favorable for an abundance of roses, Nashville hopes that exhibitors from a number of rose societies will bring them to Nashville.

One of the best ways to improve the quality of our roses is to show them to an eager public. Home-grown roses have an appeal that the most perfect hot-house or mass-grown blooms cannot equal. The first time you show and share your roses, whether with friends, neighbors, or places of business or worship, you will immediately find yourself giving your roses more attention. When you discover the pleasure your roses can give to others, as a grower you will become motivated with a different mind-set. That's when you will have caught the spirit of roses—which is a treasure and source of joy few hobbies can equal. Roses—plant them, grow them, share them, and savor them!



What to Look For in a Rose Garden

by Monty Justice, Louisville Rose Society

What Should You Look For? What Are Your Plants Trying to Tell You? Is the ground crust-ed? If so, it needs to be forked around to loosen the soil and allow for air percolation.

Is there sufficient moisture in the soil: at the root zone depth? Are the tips of the terminal leaves straight out, dipping slightly or drooping? This will identify sufficient water if straight out or lacking water if drooping. Blooms with dried margins also indicate lack of moisture.

* Is there new red growth? If ground temperatures are not below 70 degrees F. during most of the darkness of night for 3 or more days, there will be little or no root growth and therefore no new red top growth.

* Has there been sufficient moisture for new red growth? Cold tap water applied in the evening will help reduce ground temperatures. Frequent daily watering to keep the top two inches of the medium moist is optimum.

* Are the leaves on the plant getting smaller as the plant gets taller? This will help to let you know whether or not sufficient nutrients are available for optimum plant growth or over watering has filled up the air spaces in the soil with water.

* Are there any yellowing leaves? The few "nitrogen chevron" leaves is to my thinking unavoidable if you fertilize in hot daytime temperatures 85 degrees or higher.

* Yellow "blending" leaves at the bottom of the plant could mean too much water being held, filling the air spaces between the soil particles and oxygen or air to the roots is lacking. If the leaves are shaded from the sun by foliage above, or a lack of magnesium in the plant, you may experience this problem. The central molecule of chlorophyll is magnesium. The sun does not perform its function of giving energy to the plant if this element is lacking. Some soils are deficient a small amount (2 tablespoons per plant) Epsom salts broadcast beneath each rose plant every four to six weeks will keep leaves

green to the bottom.

* Leaves with green veins and blonding color: At the top of the plant means lack of iron. At the bottom of the plant means lack of magnesium.

* Look for stems with bore holes and cut back. As far as needed eliminate them. When you cut a thick stem cover (darken) with wet soil. The bore will think it's dead and not stop to lay its eggs.

* Spider mite damage occurs when daytime temperatures are hot and dry basically over 80 degrees. Wash off with a hard water spray on the underside of the leaves twice weekly. Pay particular attention to the leaves close to the ground. Since the mites crawl from the ground up the stem of the rose and on the underside of leaves, they multiply rapidly. The plants will like the cooling effect and will not cause blackspot.

* Blackspot will only adhere to leaves when moisture is on the leaf for at least eight hours or humidity approaches 100%. Frequent watering to keep the top 2" of the rose bed moist and leaves washed off before dark will be beneficial.

* Every rose garden has a different culture, amount of sunshine, trees and shade, soil texture and water holding capacity. All of these and other variables affect results. Therefore, when you go to take care of roses, you evaluate their condition, taking into consideration the variables and the things that they are telling you so act accordingly. Soil drainage is most important for plant growth.

* Always water and feed with Monty's Joy Juice before you spray pesticides. Roses are heavy feeders. Apply a little balanced plant food frequently rather than a whole lot at a time. If a dry fertilizer is applied,

don't let the ground dry out or leaves will show "burning" brown on the leaf margin or worse.

* The single most important factor for plant growth is good drainage - plenty of air or pour spaces in the soil for the roots to reach out. The thickness of the roots will determine the density of the medium. The more the air, the more the thin feeder roots. The more dense the medium, the fewer thicker, and slower to reach out to the roots. There is little or no stem and leaf growth without night time root growth.

Every time you water, you are adding fresh needed air to the soil. A regularly applied balanced plant food to a porous medium with 6 to 8 hours of sun should yield desired results.

I've not mentioned soil pH. Roses need a slightly acid soil 6.0 to 7.0. Because I grow my roses in potting mix in a hole 10" wide x 20" deep in the ground, the medium is desirably neutral. Feedings and watering are only in the hole. The huge number of fine short feeder roots supply quickly the plants when the nutrients have been applied.

Some of the best exhibitors have said that their best roses are grown in large pots with potting mix. I've taken this information one step further - and put a soil-less mix in the ground. It's simple, it's easy and it works well for a long time period. I would be happy to discuss any concerns that you may have. I'm 5 years with this planting process and see many advantages and can't think of any regrets.

Editor's Note:

We lost our Beloved Monty on February 6, 2012. We will miss his wit and charm. Please enjoy his article.

Say Hello To Fall

By: *Ted Mills, ARS Master Rosarian & Judge*

The American flag in RoseDoc's yard was fluttering in the chilly breeze as he arose on this chilly morning. Two squirrels were scurrying in search of food to be stored for the winter months ahead.

Migrating butterflies were sapping nectar from the bluebell bush. Blue birds were driving away sparrows from their domain. All of this activity assured RoseDoc that fall is in the air and the work of a rosarian must not come to a halt.

Occasionally rose gardens suffer Mother Nature's heat waves. This year has brought continuous rainfall. The rosarian must learn the remedy for each condition. Extreme drought conditions cause leaves to hang loosely on the bushes. The resultant blooms are reduced in size as the excessive heat results in buds opening fast. This allows the bud to speedily open before reaching its normal size. In this year's growth period, the bushes have been inundated with continuous rain storms. Roses love moisture but rain clouds would not cease pouring from the skies. Over-abundance of rain created a no-spray period. One can realize the damage caused by fungus. Nothing seemed to go according to custom. Dedicated rosarians have worked hard to overcome the damage caused by black-spot and botrytis. Be not discouraged for roses are tough to permanently destroy. Their existence for centuries proves the sustainability of these favored floral beauties.

Every time RoseDoc writes about rose culture the first thing that comes to his mind is water. Irrigation is the single most important ingredient in producing award-winning blooms. Rosarians sometimes fall into the trap that Mother Nature will surely water the plants during cold periods. This is not always the case. Inspect the soil in the rose beds

and be sure it contains adequate moisture, particularly around the root system. The surface may be moist, but dry roots bring on weak plants that struggle to stay alive.

Another important duty during the fall concerns the soil that surrounds the plant. Be sure that the pH factor is right for the bush. A reading of 6.2 – to 6.8 is considered safe with 6.5 being ideal. If the pH is above 7, it is too alkaline and needs to be lowered with the application of sulfur. However, in most cases in the Tenarky District the soil reading is too acid. The application of dolomitic lime is the cure. Since lime works slowly, it is best to apply it in the fall. Such action will be more likely to produce a proper pH reading by the time spring arrives.

Inspect the garden and rid the rose beds of weak, unproductive plants that have not met expectations during the growing season. It is folly to spend time with weak specimens. Shovel-prune them and substitute lively plants in the spring. Better performance is a good bet to happen. As to plants that remain, check them for twiggy, dead, or diseased growth and remove them before major pruning occurs in the spring. This action lightens the load of the rosarian when spring finally arrives.

Some rosarians may already be planning to build new beds for additional rose plants. If this is the case, fall is the best time of year to perform this action. The components of the planting mix will have ample time to mellow and be ready to provide nutrients when spring arrives. Optimum fertility is the result.



Ted Mills

The best time to evaluate spray materials is during the fall months. Shelf life may have expired. Such chemical depletion reduces the effectiveness of the spraying operation. It is a good practice to order just enough spray products to last one year. If it is determined that chemicals are satisfactory to carry over, be sure to store them in opaque containers that provide insulation. This protection helps to overcome freezing temperatures and also the harm of sunlight. Of course, it is important to utilize a locked container to prevent the tampering of children. Protect spray materials from heat as well.

Many rosarians peruse rose catalogues in the fall hoping to purchase award-winning varieties. Often some inexperienced growers allow pretty pictures to deceive them in determining the quality of plants. If in doubt, always contact a Consulting Rosarian for advice on proven performers. This will save time and money.

The arrival of fall does not mean the rosarian can cease spraying. As long as lively foliage is present, the spray schedule must continue. When is it safe to discontinue spraying? Knowledgeable rosarians wait until two hard freezes (28 degrees Fahrenheit) have occurred. Protecting the bushes in winter is usually done by spraying liquid lime sulfur (usually in January) and then again just before major pruning is performed at the arrival of spring.

Now go out and enjoy this fall weather and don't forget to smell the roses after you have performed your assigned duties.

The Rosey Family

Martin J. Skinner, ARS Master Rosarian

Once upon a time, in the town of 'Columbia' there lived a rose-loving family. This is their story.

Their home was on 'Blueberry Hill' at the corner of 'Broadway' Avenue and 'Granada' Street. In the center of the town was a beautiful park where there was a 'World War II Memorial.' There were fruit trees in the park, and in the spring the 'Apple Blossom' fragrance filled the air. The blossoms formed a 'Kaleidoscope' of color.

The father's name was 'Magic Meidiland' and the mother's name was 'Pearl Meidiland.' The family had three children, a boy and two girls. The boy's name was 'Fire Midland' (because his father was a volunteer fireman), but his pals called him Joe. At home they got to calling him 'Just Joey' to distinguish him from his 'Uncle Joe.' 'Just Joey' often stopped at the bakery after school for a 'Cupcake.' He was 17 years of age and was always fooling with some type of 'Gizmo.' Papa's girls were 'Scarlet Meidiland', who was 'Sweet Sixteen', and her 'Little Sister', 'Ruby Meidiland', was ten. Scarlet was very 'Feminine', but Ruby was the 'Flirtatious' one who liked to 'Finger Paint.' She could really twirl a 'Hula Hoop.' This was a very 'Sentimental' family.

The mother and father had their bedroom on the first level, and the children had bedrooms on the second level where they could look over Lake 'Abracadabra.' The family also had a 'Lake Cottage' on 'Brigadoon' Lane fronting on 'Cape Cod.' They often sat on the beach in the evening with a 'Crackling Fire' as they watched the 'Ebb Tide.' Wherever the mother went, she was 'Always a Lady.' 'Magic Meidiland' held his wife in an 'Ivory Tower.'

'Magic Meidiland' was an 'Alchemist'; however, he worked part-time at the 'Casino.' He was a member of the local club of 'Lions International.' His wife, Pearl, who was born under the sign of 'Gemini', was the receptionist for 'Dr.

Van Fleet'. Several years ago she worked at the 'World's Fair' when it was in 'New Orleans.' 'Just Joey' worked part-time at 'Brooks' Red' & Co. as a stockroom clerk. 'Magic Meidiland' and his wife were married soon after their 'First Kiss', and she was a 'June Bride.' They were always looking forward to their 'Golden Years', and were hoping for a 'Lasting Peace,'

The parents were quite fond of travel. One year they went to England. The highlights were the 'City of London', 'Big Ben', and several 'English Gardens.' They also enjoyed 'Warwick Castle', 'Cambridge' and 'Canterbury.' They saw the home of 'William Shakespeare' and the 'Cliffs of Dover.' Before flying home, they went to Paris to see the 'Eiffel Tower.' The wife brought home some 'French Perfume.' However, it was always good to get home in 'America.' Some of their travels took them to 'Las Vegas', the 'City of San Francisco', and 'Hollywood.' One year they attended the 'Tournament of Roses.' When in 'New York' they saw 'Madison Avenue' and attended the play 'Madam Butterfly.' Another year they visited 'Yellowstone', and on the way home, they flew through the 'Windy City' of Chicago. Even with their rather extensive travels, they never visited 'Tennessee', 'Nevada', or 'Hawaii.'

They lived a rather quiet life when at home. On Saturday evenings they often had a glass of 'Chablis' wine. To really celebrate, 'Magic Meidiland' indulged with a 'Mai Tai' cocktail. There was always a dish of 'Jelly Beans' on the table. They did not believe in children playing 'Hanky Panky', or their going to 'Lovers Lane.' The children were taught to 'Honor' their parents. However, sometimes it was hard to keep 'Peace' in the family. They enjoyed joining neighbors in a 'Garden Party' occasionally in the 'Good Old Summertime.' They really lived a 'Good Life'.

Their favorite comedians were 'Bob Hope' and 'George Burns', and they liked the singing of 'Barbra Streisand' and 'Julie Andrews.' They always considered 'Ronald Reagan', 'Mr. Lincoln', and 'John F. Kennedy' to be their favorite U. S. presidents. Whenever 'Billy Graham' was broadcasting, they made every effort to listen. The recording of 'Bing Crosby' singing 'White Christmas' was their favorite. A very good friend was 'Sally Holmes.' She is very attractive but was rather 'Voluptuous'. They had a great 'Friendship' with 'Gail Borden', also.

As would be expected, the family was involved in rose culture. 'Magic Meidiland' had a 'Loving Touch' with his roses. They usually had roses of sufficient quality to enter in rose shows, and they often got a 'Blue Ribbon' for their 'First Prize' winners. A couple of their favorite roses were 'Moonstone' and 'Veteran's Honor', however they got attracted to "care free" roses like 'Knockout' and 'Home Run.' They grew a few miniature roses like 'Fairhope', 'Minnie Pearl', and 'Irresistible'. His favorite climber was 'Altissimo.'

The children were already planning for their future. After graduation, 'Just Joey' planned to go to Memphis, TN, to study. He hoped to get on the panel that would choose the 'Memphis Queen' and 'Memphis King.' 'Ruby Meidiland' considered 'Cal Poly' for Ag engineering studies. 'Scarlet Meidiland', who was interested in commercial cooking, thought she would become a 'Spartan' at Michigan State University. In these ways, the children would be fulfilling the dreams of their grandmother, 'Sweet Meidiland.'

And so the rosy family lived happily ever after.

Now you have met one "Rosey Family". With a little work, you can create another one. Why not give it a try?

Pesticide Adjuvants

by Roger Bryan of Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga

Whoa! Read on.

Don't be put off by this article's title. Adjuvant may be an unfamiliar word but it's just the stuff you add to pesticide concentrates (other than water) to make the resulting spray solution more effective. I've written a number of articles for Basal Breaks usually dealing with pesticides, their application to rose gardens, and their availability to rosarians, both amateur and experienced.

There is, however, an interesting statistic that must be addressed by any applicator of pesticides: it is the claim of a number of researchers that up to 70% of the effect of a pesticide is dependent on its application. That is to say, regardless of the claims made for a specific pesticide, its effectiveness is no better than the way it's applied – and adjuvants serve to enhance the quality of the application.

A good example, and one with which most rosarians are likely to be familiar, is the adjuvant as a surfactant (surface acting agents) such as Hi-Yield® Spreader-Sticker. This product "...is a non-ionic, water soluble spray additive that makes water wetter and increases absorption, translocation and sticking of Pesticides." Without a surfactant, most sprays will just form droplets on the foliage being sprayed and then dribble off the plant onto the ground – if the spray is on the foliage and not on the ground, the enhancement in spray effectiveness is obvious. Note that the Hi-Yield® product is non-ionic (i.e., it does not ionize the chemicals with which it comes in contact – products labeled as anionic or cationic should be avoided), and is compatible with most pesticides unless noted on the pesticide's label.

Another widely-used surfactant is Brandt Indicate 5®. This product's label states that Indicate 5 is a "pH Indicator, Acidifier, Water Conditioner & Wetter/Spreader." Not only does Indicate 5 serve as a wetting agent but it is also a buffer because it acidifies hard water and indicates, by turning the spray water pink, when a pH of 4.5 has been reached. I've used this product for a

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number of years thinking that it was important to have the spray water acidified to achieve the maximum effectiveness of the pesticide with which the Indicate 5 is being used. About a year ago I began to question my thinking especially with regard to the metallic-based fungicides such as Pentathlon (manganese and zinc) and Phytan 27 (copper). At first I thought these fungicides had just gotten "old", they'd been on the shelf too long. But then when new supplies were equally ineffective against black-spot, I surmised that by acidifying the spray water Indicate 5 might actually be inhibiting the effectiveness of these fungicides so I switched to the Hi-Yield® product. Now these fungicides seem to be working again - you try it and see if you agree. You should, however, continue to use a buffer adjuvant such as Indicate 5 if your water is "hard" with a pH above 7.0 since the efficacy of many pesticides is degraded by alkaline hydrolysis (i.e., chemical decomposition of a compound by reacting with water – in this case water with a pH greater than 7.0).

Another function of an adjuvant is to serve as a pesticide extender. An example marketed by Chemagri International, Inc. is called Binde. Binde is an extender/sticker/spreader designed specifically to extend the life of pesticides. It is non-ionic and may be used with all pesticide products. The Binde product forms a durable film that holds a pesticide on the foliage after spraying. This shield greatly reduces the effects of environmental factors, such as rain, which may decrease the effectiveness of pesticides. It enhances

the initial pesticide application to give complete coverage and prevents the removal of the pesticides from the foliage surface by rainfall and wind. It screens the pesticide spray residue from ultraviolet rays which often cause pesticide degradation. Pesticide volatilization and evaporation is minimized by the protective shield – this is an important feature for systemic and translaminar pesticides because they can only be absorbed by the plant while in liquid form. The Binde product, while perhaps not familiar to many rosarians, is readily available from Keystone Pest Solutions (www.keystone-pestsolutions.com) for \$38.95 per gallon.

Yet another role played by adjuvants is to act as penetrants. A newer group of organo-silicone-based adjuvants are taking the place of the traditional nonionic surfactants. These organo-silicone products work by decreasing the surface tension of the spray droplets so much that the entire leaf surface can be wet by a very small amount of spray solution. The very low surface tension, in turn, results in stomatal (the pores of the plant) flooding thereby greatly enhancing the uptake of systemic and translaminar pesticides. Penetrants are widely used and available in Australia and New Zealand, but in this country their use is largely confined to major farm applications. That is not to say that penetrants are not available in the USA. For example, a nonionic wetter/spreader/penetrant called Cadence™ is produced by Kalo, Inc. in Overland Park, KS, and will soon be available from Kalo's distributor in Nashville, Sig-

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ma Organics (www.sigmaturf.com), for about \$55 per gallon. Kalo also produces a very effective Extender called Bio-Film Extra™ that has properties similar to the aforementioned Binde.

And now a few words about a niche adjuvant. Using spider mites as an example, wouldn't it be great if the mites came to the miticides instead of having to get the miticides to the mites. Enter attractants. Troy Biosciences (www.troybiosciences.com) produces two attractants: Stirrup M® and Konsume®. Stirrup M® is a pheromone that attracts adult mites to the miticide spray thereby overcoming the limitations of not achieving perfect spray coverage – which is not easy to achieve insofar as the rose pest, the two-spotted spider mite, feeds and lives on the undersides of the roses' foliage. Konsume® is an attractant that works on thrips like Stirrup M® works on mites. Konsume® is not only a pheromone but a feeding stimulant as well – it brings the thrips to the insecticide (say, Conserve) and makes 'em eat it, too.

Let's review. In this article, we've identified a number of adjuvants that can be added to our pesticide spray solutions to enhance the performance of the pesticides we're applying. Remember that the application of the pesticide, not the pesticide itself, is the most important component of effective pest control – and adjuvants serve to enhance that application, which for us rosarians is largely via spraying. We see that adjuvants increase the effectiveness of the pesticides we use by making them adhere better to foliage (surfactants), by protecting them once applied (extenders), by enhancing their uptake by the foliage (penetrants), and by bringing the pest to the pesticide (attractants). And, I'll tell you that these adjuvants are relatively inexpensive: the Hi-Yield® Spreader/Sticker is about \$30 per gallon but that gallon will support nearly 150 gallons of spray solution. Likewise, the Binde extender/spreader/sticker is \$38.95 per gallon; but it supports nearly 500 gallons of spray solution and the Cadence™ penetrant (and Bio-Film Extra extender, as well) is about \$55 per gallon and also makes nearly 500

gallons of spray. Indicate 5® is \$52 per gallon but its use rate is dependent upon the hardness of the water it's buffering, but one gallon should make at least 200 gallons of spray. As far as attractants are concerned they cost about \$30 for 8 ounces and their use rate is ¼ teaspoon per gallon. Unfortunately, Stirrup M® is not currently registered for use or sale in the USA – re-registration is being sought by Troy Biosciences. Konsume® may soon be available from Rosemania.

Don't forget to read the labels of any spray products you use – both the labels of the adjuvants and the labels of the pesticides to which you add them. Regarding the pesticide labels – review the Application Instructions to be assured that there are no restrictions pertaining to the use of adjuvants. Most of the pesticides I've used in my rose garden either recommend the use of surfactants for enhanced plant coverage, or have no adjuvant-related recommendations or restrictions.

Upcoming Events

Nashville Rose Show
October 12-13, 2013
Cheekwood Botanical Gardens
& Museum of Art
Contact Sam or Nancy Jones
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Tenarky Winter Workshop
February 8-10, 2014
Marriott Hotel Cool Springs
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Franklin, TN
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Local Society Reports

Bowling Green Rose Society Brenda Coffey, President

The Bowling Green Rose Society offers a variety of programs with the intent of being educational to both the seasoned and novice rosarian. 2013 started with programs on selecting roses as well as finding possible sources for quality rose plants. The next month's program included guidelines on spraying and pruning roses. In preparation for our rose show in May we offered two programs - one on the do's and don'ts for the rose show competitor and one explaining what exactly is a rose show. These were all presented by members of BGRS. We try to include both members and non-members as presenters.

Howard Carmen, a member of the Louisville Rose Society, gave an excellent program on starting roses from cuttings. He graciously consented to judge an in-club mini-rose show at the June meeting. We held this mini-rose show since we had to cancel our regular show in May. The cancellation was due to a lack of show quality roses because of very poor weather conditions leading up to the show time. Since the addition of a photography class is being considered for our future rose shows, BGRS invited two members from a local camera club to give a program on photography with emphasis on photographing flowers.

Upcoming programs include a visit and presentation from the newly selected Warren County Horticulture Agent. This will be followed by a program on landscaping to be presented by one of our many fine Warren County landscapers.

There are two social only meetings. One is a barbecue potluck in July and the other is a Christmas dinner in December.

This year during each member's birth month he/she was asked to tell about a favorite rose, tip or tool.

In June BGRS partnered with the main library in celebration of National Rose Month. The library was given a membership to ARS in order that they would receive literature about roses to be put on display for public access. BGRS also sup-

plied the library with fresh roses weekly throughout the month for display at the library. We also set up a display concerning local and ARS membership and free miscellaneous rose literature. Two of our members presented a program on roses during one of the library's public sack lunch meetings.

Tennessee Rose Society News By Carolyn Noey, President

Linda Farr, our Second Vice President, planned a wide variety of programs for us. This year we covered pruning, new varieties of roses, companion plants for roses, climbing roses, problems in the rose garden, and winterizing roses. Ken Veal, TRS member, presented a unique and beautiful program entitled "Rose Myths, Legends, Old Wives tales, and Helpful Hints." Since we meet in South Greenhouse at the rear of the UT Gardens, Linda Farr used the Beall Family Rose Garden to illustrate her talk about problems in the rose garden.

In March the Holston and Tennessee Rose Societies presented a rose seminar, Growing Beautiful Roses Made Easy. The goal of the seminar was to present programs of value for both the novice and advanced rose grower. Charles Griggs of Holston and Tennessee Rose societies agreed to chair the program. Dr. Mark Windham arranged for us to have the program at the University of Tennessee. Susie Epperson of the Tennessee Rose Society chaired the Speakers' Committee. Ms. Epperson arranged a list of speakers that covered everything from Knockout Roses to selecting and using chemicals safely. Mike Thompson of Holston and Tennessee secured a donation of forty roses from Weeks. Both societies arranged for volunteers to work at the seminar on March 2, 2013. With approximately 120 people attending, it was a success.

Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga Susan Ruxton, President

Tri-State Rose Society members have enjoyed a wide variety of programs for spring and summer of 2013. There has been something for everyone with more to come.

Here is a quick review:

- In April our own members Ann & Paul Barlett shared a wonderful presentation about their experience in the Netherlands last year when they attended the worldwide floral festival called "Floriade." There were many innovative floral & gardening displays exhibited and it was a real treat hearing about everything from their perspective and watching the amazing photos that they shared.

- Phyllis & Charlie Belcher welcomed the entire society to their home and garden for a delightful pot-luck style picnic in May, and the society held a plant auction as a fund raiser after everyone indulged in some divine desserts.

- For the June meeting, Scott Drucker had prepared an outstanding program but some technical difficulties prevented the viewing of his power point and his photographs so instead he provided a very informative and helpful program about "Landscaping with Roses" as a round-table discussion. Scott will also be a speaker at the Tenarky District Show in Kentucky in October so this will be another opportunity to experience his full show with visuals as well this time.

- After all the rain that we have been experiencing this year, Roger Bryan's program and Review of Black Spot Research in July was very timely and helpful. Roger has kept up with a number of the recent studies concerning disease resistant roses and he shared the latest information during his program as well as his best tips and suggestions for combating this nemesis to our beloved roses.

The members of Tri-State Rose Society still have several great speakers lined up for upcoming meetings: on 22 AUG 13, Walt Reed from the Atlanta society will be sharing his insights for Rose Photography. Then in September Susie Epperson will entice us all with her talk about Fragrant Roses, and the last regular meeting will be held in October when Cindy & Jeff Garrett will review the best roses from their garden and their suggestions for next year. Altogether this year our society has been blessed with outstanding speakers and programs with something to interest everyone.

Local Society Reports

Nashville Rose Society Jim Harding

2013 has been an awesome year for roses and members of the Nashville Rose Society.

Thanks to Ken Wood, we now have a Facebook page - check it out - which I guess should be said as "like us" at Nashville Rose Society.

NRS members, Scott and Cindy Worch won a contest that allowed them to participate in the first Biltmore International Rose Trials in Asheville, North Carolina. Pretty cool stuff!

Photo courtesy of Biltmore Estate



ARS Vice President Pat Shanley next to NRS members Scott and Cindy Worch at the Biltmore International Rose Trial

In Nashville we skip January so our first meeting of the year was in February. NRS members were treated to a wonderful program by guest speaker the Host of Rose Chat Radio, Chris VanCleave from Birmingham. Chris shared how Rose Chat got started and demonstrated live how social media can work in the world of roses.

Like many other areas of the country, middle Tennessee enjoyed one of the best spring seasons in years. By the time May rolled around the combination of a mild winter and a gorgeous spring yielded the best spring flush of rose blooms we have seen in a long time. The result was a host of NRS members offering in prompt to open gardens that were absolutely wonderful to see.

The June meeting featured the first of two Grand Prix's (mini rose shows) where NRS members showed off their best blooms and arrangements.

The July meeting was the annual NRS picnic, hosted by Dudley and Millie Dollinger. Blessed with tolerable temperatures and surrounded by beautiful roses, everyone enjoyed the great food and fellowship.

Coming up -

September meeting will include the sec-

ond Grand Prix followed by the Nashville Rose Show on October 12th and 13th. This is the weekend after the Tenarky District Rose Show in Louisville. So many times we either have roses bloom too early or too late to enter in a rose show. In this case any roses that are not ready for Louisville will be welcome in Nashville.

In November our guest speaker will be Richard Anthony, a national exhibitor, plus the owner of a new nursery, For Love of Roses. Richard has compiled a collection of the best mini and miniflora roses you can find anywhere from top hybridizers across the country including Whit Wells, David Clemons and Robbie Tucker.

Our newsletter, the Nashville Rose Leaf received an ARS silver medallion award. This makes it four in a row. This type of recognition comes from great support and contribution by many members who share their time and knowledge. For example, NRS member Ray Hunter received an ARS award of merit for his article titled, Let's Have Fun and Go Modern.

Regular contributor, Dr. Raymond Cloyd also received an ARS award of merit for his articles, Japanese Beetle: What Can You Do? and Twospotted Spider Mite on Roses.

Photo courtesy of Ken Wood



Members of the Nashville Rose Society having fun at the annual summer picnic hosted by Dudley and Millie Dolinger

Local Society Reports

Cookeville Area Rose Society Nancy Layzer

The Cookeville Area Rose Society hosted "Rose Education Day" on Saturday, April 6, at Johnson's Nursery and Garden Center.

Noah Wilson, a Master Rosarian and accredited Rose Judge with over 40 years experience growing roses, shared the A-Z of rose care for both novice and experienced rose growers.

CARS Member Dick Weidner, who grows over 300 roses, an outstanding Consulting Rosarian and recipient of the ARS Bronze Medal, spoke on identifying Rose Rosette Disease.

At the May meeting of the Cookeville Area Rose Society President Sarah Johnson welcomed speakers, Cindy and Jeff Garrett from Soddy Daisy. Jeff and Cindy, members of the Tri-State Rose Society, presented a very interesting and informative program, including recent trends in rose growing, the future of rose growing, benefits of container rose growing, a slide show of their favorite roses, the Veteran's Park no-spray rose garden, and new products such as extenders, penetrants and attractants to benefit the rose grower. The Tri-State Rose Society website at www.chattanoogaarose.org contains spray schedule information, plus lots of other helpful articles. A Question and Answer discussion followed.

Butch Baber, Dogwood Park Chairman, reported that the Rose Garden at Dogwood Park, which is maintained by the four teams of workers from CARS, was looking very good. The park was included in the Clean Commission Garden Tour on Saturday, June 8.

Many compliments came from the Clean Commission Garden Tour attendees. Although blooms were not maximum, the foliage was healthy.

The June CARS Meeting was a lovely picnic held at the home and beautiful gardens of CARS members Al and Rosemary Ponte on Monday, June 10, at 5:30 pm.

The Cookeville Area Rose Society meeting in July featured speaker Mr. Jimmy Mynes, Research Assistant, in the UT Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology. Briefly, he encouraged us to fertilize above-package levels and more often to help combat rose diseases. Good plant vigor is necessary and new growth can replace the diseased parts of the plant. He found in his trials that 'My Girl' and 'Kashmir' were least affected by black spots. He also recommended the new edition of the Compendium of Rose Diseases and Pests as a diagnostic aid. It is available from the American Phytopathological Society Press. The 2nd edition is available at less than half price but was published in 2007.

At the August meeting Bob Sheehan, a new member of CARS from Byrdstown TN, formerly from Florida, spoke on growing roses in a hot humid climate.

Memphis Dixie Rose Society Bill Dickerson, President

The Memphis Dixie Rose Society started the year hosting a free rose seminar at the Memphis Botanical Gardens. The turnout was smaller than average, but we signed 1 or 2 new members! We have our monthly meetings there until spring. Then we meet in members' yards.

Jimmy and Evelyn Moser hosted the May meeting and the club furnished barbecue. When members can walk through rose beds, ask questions and learn firsthand from knowledgeable rosarians, the experience is invaluable.

We as a club are setting up a booth at the Delta Fair to showcase roses and try to sign new members. Plus they have cash prizes at their rose show and I am hoping our members will enter. I volunteered to help judge (I do know a pretty rose when I see it!!)

Holston Rose Society Christine Thompson, President

The year of 2013 has been an eventful one for the Holston Rose Society of Knoxville, TN. Its new officers and members have been inspired by guest speakers, workshops and seminars to keep growing the best and most beautiful roses possible.

Guest speakers have and will be covering the following topics: Building/Rejuvenating Rose Beds; Integrated Pest Control; Summer Rose Care; Photographing Roses; Growing Floribundas; Identifying Mystery Roses; How to Groom A Rose to be a Queen and Aerating our Lawns.

We are also looking forward to touring the Beall Rose Garden located on the University of Tennessee, Knoxville Agriculture Campus, an auction, Rose Photo Contest and our annual Christmas Luncheon. At the Christmas Luncheon, the Man and Woman of the Year will be announced as well as Roses of the Year and installation of the 2014 Officers.

Our biggest and most exciting event of the year was joining forces with the Tennessee Rose Society to host "Growing Beautiful Roses Made Easy" Rose Seminar. This seminar was open to the public and over one hundred attended. The event took place on Saturday, March 2nd. It was held in the Bio-Tech Building which is located on the Agriculture Campus of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Many put in hours of hard work so that the seminar would be a success. The Seminar was a huge success.

Several members attended the TENARKY District Convention and Rose Show and TENARKY District Winter Workshop. By attending our local rose society meetings, rose shows, workshops and seminars, we all gain wonderful knowledge which we can put to use in our own rose gardens to grow the best and most beautiful roses possible.

Louisville Rose Society

The Louisville Rose Society holds off-season monthly meetings at Louisville Nature Center across from the Louisville Zoo. We have a good fellowship of almost 100 members with 10 Consulting Rosarians, 5 ARS Accredited Judges and several ARS/Tenarky Medal Winners all ready and willing to share their rose secrets.

We are looking for new ways to operate our club so that we can attract new members and stay viable, but more importantly share our knowledge and love of roses so that others are encouraged and empowered to grow roses in the Louisville area.

Our strategies include:

- Recognizing the earthkind trend. We recently installed an earthkind rose garden at the Zoo with good results. We used Sunshine Daydream, Belinda's Dream and Home Run. Knock Out roses are so popular with the public and we are striving to educate them on proper care of Knock Outs. The local paper published an article I wrote on Knock Outs in February 2013. We want to be helpful to the KnockOut owners. They may be future rose lovers if they get good results with proper advice on Knock Outs as an intro rose.
- Offering more garden meetings. No gardener I know would prefer an indoor meeting when a garden meeting is an option. It is very encouraging to see a real rose garden.
- Reaching out to other garden clubs. May as well till the fertile ground. They have networks of garden lovers who can add new energy to our club.
- Providing a stronger website presence. Howard Carman as our new webmaster updates frequently and includes monthly articles on rose care, written by Robert Sutherland.
- Converting the newsletter to paperless. RoseLeaves, written by Richard and Cheryl Hartke, was already excellent. Color photos have added a new level of enjoyment to the newsletter. Going digital has brought our budget under control too.
- Boosting our budget with a project of digging and selling rose bushes donated by a retiring member; spearheaded by Sharon Wuorenmaa.

This April, our annual pot luck spring kick-off welcomed Mark Windham, from the University of Tennessee Knoxville Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology to discuss Rose Rosette. It was perfectly timed, as there is lots of bad information about the disease as it moves into our area. We all feel better armed to help the rose novices in the area.

There is a long history of loving roses in Louisville. An article by our beloved Monty Justice is included in this issue. Every time I read this article I learn something. It is jammed-packed with great rose info, as was Monty.

We look forward to hosting the Tenarky Convention and Rose Show on October 4-5, 2013 and hope to see you all!

Janet Miller, President,
Louisville Rose Society



Janet Miller's entire backyard is filled with hybrid teas and climbers. America is a salmon-colored large flowering climber.



The Earthkind Rose Garden at the Zoo is sponsored by the Louisville Rose Society. The Monty Justice Memorial garden is nearby. Hybrid Teas from Monty's backyard were transplanted by his granddaughter and that garden is currently maintained by Monty's Plant Food Company.



Members of LRS toured the Lexington Arboretum Rose Garden in 2011. Pictured from left: (top row) Tom Lehmann, Janet Miller, Howard Carman and (bottom row) Kathy Lehmann, Trish Dinsmore, Ginna Willenbrink, Lynn Schmidt, Sheldon Rein, Paula Williams, Jim Schmidt.

Rose Chat Radio

By Jim Harding

Back in the February 2010 issue of the Nashville Rose Leaf, NRS member Leann Barron wrote and article titled, “Roses for the Next Generation”. In this award of merit winning article she talked about “hearing jovial grumblings in rose circles and poo-pooing about computers and technology, and noted it’s no fad, and we’d best get on the social media bandwagon”.

Fast forward two years and along comes Chris VanCleave, a.k.a. the Redneck Rosarian via Facebook, followed by Rose Chat on Twitter and now live broadcasts with Rose Chat Radio via Blog Talk Radio. Talk about hitting the social media trifecta! But what does all this mean? Chris VanCleave is on the social media bandwagon big time!

In addition to being a direct pipeline to the “next” generation of rose lovers, social media can also reach those of us who were not born with a smart phone on our hip. For folks who have been growing roses longer than some of us have been using computers, take heart. The ease of use of computers has come a long way so no need to sit on the sidelines and let Gens X and Y have all the new fun to be found online at Rose Chat Radio.

So how big is big? Along with his co-host, Teresa Byington, their recent Rose Chat Radio broadcast that featured Paul Zimmerman talking about the Biltmore International Rose Trials has reached over 40,000 listeners! Considering the American Rose Society has only around 10,000 members it makes you wonder who are these people? A quick side note: a big topic in the recent campaign for ARS Vice President focused on how to increase membership. In less than a year the fact that the size of the Rose Chat Radio audience has lapped the ARS is proof that people are still interested in roses and consider this forum a real benefit. Since



both candidates were interviewed on Rose Chat Radio they are witness to the power of social media which will hopefully lead to the ARS leveraging this and other means to increase their outreach program to both current and future members.

Getting back to Chris and Teresa; what exactly is Rose Chat Radio? Simply put it is the only show dedicated to growing roses with interesting guests and the latest news from the world of rose gardening. According to their website, “Whether you have one rose, a thousand or simply an interest in roses you’ll love RoseChat Radio on BlogTalkRadio.”

So how does one get connected to listen in on these broadcasts? Simply go to RoseChatRadio.com and click on one of many broadcasts to pick from. You can listen on your computer, smart phone or download as a podcast to an MP3 player, like iTunes, and listen at your leisure. The first live broadcast I listened to happened to be Paul Zimmerman. As I listened to him talk about the only international rose trial that is being conducted on the east coast at a place that has been our wish list to see I wanted to know more so I called in via the toll free number. Chris answered, and there I was talking with Paul live on the air about how and when to see the Biltmore rose trials in action. Pretty cool. (See related article on page 2 for more details about Paul Zimmerman, featured speaker at the Winter Workshop in February, 2014).



To get more insight into how this all came to be I reached out to Chris. While he currently resides in Birmingham, Alabama it turns out he is originally from Nashville and talked about his mother growing beautiful roses at her home in the Donelson area of Nashville. Chris also shared the story behind his first rose. He was chatting with his elderly neighbor, Miss Dottie (???) about her roses and she mentioned the rose in his yard. He reminded her that he had no roses. She then corrected him that he had been mowing over his rose ever since he moved in. After showing Chris where the rose was he began mowing around the spot and remarkably it grew into a beautiful red climber. A great example that roses can truly survive despite what we do to them!

Since moving to Birmingham in 2000, Chris’s garden has reached the one hundred mark. What began as a way to promote roses on Facebook as redneckrosarian evolved into a monthly live twitter chat. If you are like me and love roses but do not tweet, don’t fret. There is an easy to follow tutorial at www.rosechatradio.com. Through the Twitter rose chat the Rose



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Louisville Rose Society

2013 TENARKY District Fall Convention

October 4-6, 2013

Rose Chat...

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 4

3pm-8pm	Circle Ballroom 12:30pm
Registration at Conference Center Lobby	Judges Luncheon in Hotel
4pm-9pm	1pm-5pm
Vendor Tables Set-Up/Open in Conference Center Lobby	Rose Show Open to Public 1:30-2:30pm
Silent Auction in Winners Circle Ballroom	Speaker: Richard Anthony on Minis and MiniFlora Roses Now and Tomorrow in Pleasant Colony Room
5pm-9pm	2:45-3:45pm
Welcome Reception in Conference Center Lobby	Speaker: Scott Drucker on Landscape Designing with Roses in Pleasant Colony Room
Slide Show of Louisville Rose Gardens	4:15-5pm
5pm-9pm	Tenarky Business Meeting in Pleasant Colony Room
Buffet Dinner in Riva Ridge Room (Pizza, Salads, Homemades)	5pm-6pm
7pm-9pm	Trophy Pick-Up in Winners Circle
Grooming Room available for rose storage in Pleasant Colony	6pm-8pm

Saturday, October 5

6am	Awards Banquet and Buffet
Grooming Room Opens in Pleasant Colony Room	Speakers: Janet Miller, President Louisville Rose Society
6:30-9:30am	Linda Jansing, Tenarky Representative
Registration in Conference Center Lobby	Tina Jennings, M&T Nursery
9:30am	8pm-9pm
Vendors in Conference Center Lobby	Remove Roses and Arrangements
Silent Auction in Winner Circle Ballroom	Sunday, October 6
10am	10am
Rose Show Entries Close	Rose Garden Tour at Carolyn and Charles Phelps, 6806 Old Briscoe Lane, 40228, Directions available at Registration Table
10:15am	
Judges and Clerks Instructions – Winners	

idea was hatched to create a online radio broadcast. Fellow gardener and rosechat tweeter Teresa Byington joined Chris to launch Rose Chat Radio. An interesting tidbit is that Chris, who lives in Alabama and Teresa, who lives in Indiana, have never actually met in person. Another, testament to the power of social media. In case you are wondering, the answer is yes, their spouses know.

All kidding aside the purpose of Rose Chat Radio is threefold.

1. Teach people how to grow great roses
2. Teach the educational value associated with showing roses, and most of all
3. Teach the importance of sharing roses

Needless to say I am very excited about what Chris and Teresa are doing to promote the love of roses through social media and want to encourage everyone who reads this article to not only join in, but to also help spread the word. Leann Barron ended her article noting that “Savvy organizations recognize that Generation X, Y and beyond aren’t going to come to them, they just aren’t seeking us out”. Let this be a call to our local, regional and national organizations to get on board, because social media can be used in meaningful ways to add value to being a member. Rose chat radio is just the beginning and thank you Chris and Teresa for leading the way!

Links of interest:
www.rosechatradio.com
www.redneckrosarian.com
www.thegardendiary.com

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2010 - Ted Mills

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1957 - Mrs. J. E. Darr
1958 - Charles P. Dawson
1959 - Lester V. Smith
1960 - Edna H. Thomas
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1962 - John Allen

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1966 - Jack Adamo
1969 - Luther Keeton
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