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Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show

The 2016 Tenarky District Fall Convention and Rose Show hosted by the Nashville Rose Society was held in Franklin, Tennessee, September 23-25, and was co-chaired by Cindy Worch, NRS president, and Mary Ann Hext, Tenarky district director. The event was truly a team effort with NRS members working very hard



to make the weekend a wonderful event to honor Sam Jones.

Friday evening Nancy Jones and Cindy Worch hosted a pizza/salad event. A beautiful rose show with hundreds of entries and over 30 arrangements and over 70 photos was enjoyed on Saturday and Sunday by rosarians, exhibitors, and visitors. Photos are on the Tenarky Facebook page and will soon be uploaded to the district website.

The Tenarky District business meeting was held Saturday afternoon. Major items of business included:

- The descriptions about the people for whom district challenge classes are named was included in the rose show schedule
- The 2017 Tenarky Winter Workshop & Photography Show will be held in Bowling Green at the Holiday Inn/Convention Center
- The Louisville Rose Society will host the 2017 Tenarky Fall Convention and Rose show; and it will also be held in Bowling Green at the Holiday Inn/Convention Center
- A motion presented by a special

committee of Tenarky arrangers appointed by the district director, chaired by Connie Baird, and approved by the Tenarky District Awards Committee, to add an Arrangement Challenge Class to the 2017 rose show schedule in honor of Sam Jones was approved. The class will be sponsored by the Nashville Rose Society and will be a line/line mass arrangement which was Sam's signature arrangement.

Saturday evening, Linda Kimmel, from the Indianapolis Rose Society, was the banquet speaker and shared information and photographs of her trip to Lyon, France, in May 2016, to attend the World Federation of Roses convention and rose trials. An photo tribute to Sam Jones was presented with a collection of photographs showing some of his many rose activities and contributions to the American Rose Society, the Tenarky District Rose Society, the Nashville Rose Society, and his dedication, love for roses, and involvement with rose people and rose events and activities across America.

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SAVE THE DATES!

2017 Tenarky
 Winter Workshop
 CR School
 February 17-19, 2017
 Bowling Green, KY

Bowling Green RS
 Rose Show
 May 20, 2017

Tenarky Fall Convention
 & Rose Show
 September 29-30, 2017

Check [website](#)
 for details!

If you want even more
 great information about
 roses, join the [ARS!](#)

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 American Rose Society
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Tenarky District Director's Message *by Mary Ann Hext*

I recently returned from the fall American Rose Society (ARS) Board meeting in Shreveport, my first without Sam and Nancy in attendance; and then learned about the loss of Martin Skinner after getting home. Both of them were an important part of the Tenarky District and their local societies and will be greatly missed.

With the help of a great group of members of the Nashville Rose Society, we were able to complete the plans Sam had begun for the district rose show and convention and it was a beautiful show. We presented the ARS Silver Honor Medals to Nancy and her family; and I was glad that a small question had required me to tell Sam that the district rose societies had unanimously voted for them to receive this honor at the fall banquet. I also attended the Louisville Rose Society show which was also beautiful and lots of fun.

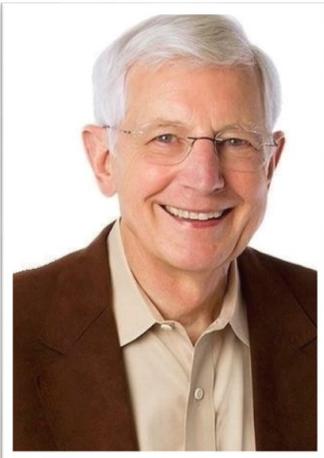
Plans are underway for our 2017 Tenarky Winter Workshop. It will again be at the Holiday Inn in Bowling Green and I believe we have some outstanding speakers coming for the educational seminars and Consulting Rosarian School. Be sure to put this date on your calendar and encourage others in your rose society to attend. We have one of the best winter meetings in the country!

I hope to have information about the workshop completed in November and it will be sent to your presidents and editors to distribute and also be on the district website.

Be sure to take time to enjoy our fall rose season, your rose activities, and your rose friends. I hope to see you in February at the Tenarky Winter Workshop!



In Remembrance



**In Memory of
Dr. George Samuel "Sam" Jones"
April 9, 1937—August 2, 2016**

**Tenarky District Director 2009-2015
Nashville Rose Society Past President
ARS Master Rosarian
ARS Outstanding Arrangement Judge
ARS Outstanding Consulting Rosarian
ARS Bronze & Silver Honor Medals**



**In Memory of
Martin Joseph Skinner, Sr.
January 9, 1923—October 12, 2016**

**Holston Rose Society Past President
and Newsletter Editor
ARS Master Consulting Rosarian
ARS Bronze & Silver Honor Medals**

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**2017 Tenarky
Winter Workshop**

**February 17-19, 2017
Hosted by BGRS**

**Bowling Green, KY
Holiday Inn/Convention
Center**

**Rose Seminar Speakers
include:**

**Bob Martin
Carol Shockley
David Clemmons
Connie Hilker
Mark Windham
Clayton Beaty**

**CR School on Sunday
Registration
Information
Coming Soon!**



Consulting Rosarian Corner *by Kathy Brennan, District CR Chair, TRS*

I was talking with David and Tammy Clemons about our gardens. Up came the subject of blossoms turning brown after spraying. David suggested using organza bags like the ones we get when purchasing jewelry. These bags come in different sizes to fit all rose blossoms.

So I tried it and this tip worked for me. Bags protect from spray and bugs. They do allow sun and water, rain to get to the flower. Also, these bags are washable and reusable. It works!!! (photos at right)



CR Reminder

It is against the principles of the Consulting Rosarian Program to charge a fee. The only exception is when a CR is also a professional nurseryman or landscape designer. An Honorarium may be accepted for mileage, travel expenses or donation to local society, District or ARS.

Being a Consulting Rosarian is more than an obligation, it is a call to service in helping others, to stimulate greater interest in growing roses and to further the growth of one's local rose society and the American Rose Society.

(Above information taken from ARS Consulting Rosarian Manual.)

Be sure to keep a calendar of your CR work to help fill out your CR Report due February 1, 2017 for 2016. New report form found on Tenarky website.

2016 Tenarky District Fall Convention Awards



Evelyn Moser
ARS Judge Emeritus
Memphis & Dixie
Rose Society
ARS Horticulture &
Arrangement Judge
ARS Bronze & Silver Honor
Medals



Anne Owen
ARS CR Emeritus
Nashville Rose Society
ARS Horticulture Judge
ARS Bronze & Silver
Honor Medals
ARS Master Rosarian



Sarah Johnson
ARS Outstanding CR
Cookeville Area
Rose Society
ARS Consulting Rosarian
ARS Bronze Honor Medal
ARS Master Rosarian



Jack Wedekind
ARS Master Rosarian
Nashville Rose Society
ARS Consulting Rosarian
Author of several rose articles
for American Rose magazine,
local and district newsletters



Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show (cont. from p. 1)

Tenarky District Awards were presented to:

- Evelyn Moser, Memphis & Dixie Rose Society—ARS Judge Emeritus
- Anne Owen, Nashville Rose Society—CR Emeritus
- Jack Wedekind, Nashville Rose Society—ARS Master Rosarian
- Sarah Johnson, Cookeville Area Rose Society—ARS Outstanding Consulting Rosarian
- ARS Silver Honor Medals to Sam and Nancy Jones (see photo at right)



NRS members presented rose related seminars which included:

"Building and Caring for a Rose Garden" presented by Ron Daniels, CR, on Saturday afternoon and "Basics of Rose Growing" presented by Marty Reich, MR, on Sunday afternoon.

Following the Sunday morning devotional led by Nancy Jones, convention attendees were able to tour three public rose gardens: the Belmont College Rose Garden, the Music City Rose Garden, and the new rose garden at Cheekwood Botanical Garden.



Hybrid Tea Queen 'My Mary Ann'
Exhibited by Joanna Deck



Miniflora Queen 'Whirlaway'
Exhibited by David & Tammy Clemons



Miniature Queen 'Joy'
Exhibited by Joanna Deck



Arrangements
ARS Miniature Royalty & Gold Medal
ARS Duke & Gold Medal
Designed by Mary Ann Hext



Tenarky District Challenge Classes
J. Horace McFarland Challenge
Blackburn Challenge Campbell Challenge
Dawson Memorial Utz Memorial
Justice Memorial Moore Challenge
Wells Challenge Floribunda Challenge
Exhibited by Joanna Deck

Moser Challenge
Exhibited by Keith & Martha Garman

ARS Photography Queen
'Queen of Hope'
Exhibited by Joanna Deck

Novice Queen
'Princesse de Monaco'
Exhibited by John Hannah

(no photos available)
Complete results and photos are on the
Tenarky website Rose Show Photos tab.



'Betty Boop' Little Darling or Not? By Mary Bates, ARS Consulting Rosarian and Horticulture Judge, Tennessee Rose Society

The question of mixing roses with companion plants often arises. Most serious rosarians relegate roses to their own special beds where they are more easily cared for. Roses do not like to be crowded and often stress and drop their leaves in protest. Perhaps the secret to growing roses with companion plants is soil enrichment, plenty of water, good drainage and deep planting holes. Perhaps the secret is to learn to grow roses first and add a few companion plants after the roses are established. How you use roses in your garden is a personal decision, but the most important decision is to add roses to your garden and enjoy them!!



'Betty Boop' F, red blend, 8.0

Each rosarian's garden is different and has its own personality. Our twenty-year-old garden is best described as a Spring Woodland Garden with sunny front and side yards. With a wooded backyard and most of the formal landscaping in place, we made the decision to develop a series of garden beds around our home where we added many pass-along plants handed down from my mother and grandmothers. Our favorite hybrid tea roses have their own beds, but more care-free, hardy roses have been added to existing gardens beds. This decision was made because the garden was established before the rose-addiction set in, but also because of the influence of the beautiful New Zealand gardens where roses are often mixed with companion plants in a glorious riot of color.

When one looks at the history of roses, the formal roses-only garden beds date only after the time of Empress Josephine. Before that time, roses grew in happy harmony with other plants. With all this in mind, I want to share how 'Betty Boop' came into our then fourteen-year-old garden where orange and red tones had been avoided and how she came to dominate our front garden with her color, size and charm and how she continues to do so even today.

It all started innocently enough—our circular front garden bed was about to be invaded by roses. This also was about the time that my rose-addiction set in. A hybrid tea bed had been properly prepared and was ready to plant. All the roses had been carefully selected and ordered, but the Nashville Rose Society Annual Rose Sale enticed me with even more fortuniana rootstock roses. I impetuously ordered 6 more roses. Four were floribundas—'Europena,' 'First Kiss,' 'Sunsprite,' and 'Betty Boop'; and the other two were hybrid teas—'Pop Warner' and 'Mavrik.' I am not quite sure why I selected this particular group of roses. Maybe I had read about them, but I certainly wasn't thinking of color or even putting them all together. I just knew I wanted them. For lack of proper planning, all the roses ended up in an existing 10 x10 circular bed in my front yard. I grouped the floribundas with the two hybrid teas in the front all the while dodging and moving sleeping bulbs and perennials.

Soon the roses began to bloom—so much for my carefully color coordinated garden!! The roses were absolutely beautiful and somehow it all seemed to work! The roses became the crown jewels of this little garden. I named this bed—"In the Hands of a Child" for this is exactly what it looks like-- a happy random bouquet picked by a child for her mother.

As the roses grew I cautiously pruned all except 'Betty Boop' who had ended up in the back of the bed. Perhaps it was the well-shaped bush—not at all floppy. Perhaps it was her name—so sweet and innocent, but perhaps it was the pact that I had made with my roses in this highly visible bed in my front yard—"If you will please just grow for me, I will let you grow as you please." (Not always the preferred plan of care but new roses resent pruning with a heavy hand.)

Well, grow they did and many years later, 'Betty Boop' claims at least one half of the now 18 X18 circular bed for herself. I am surprised at how large she has grown. I think about how this little bed was planted—almost reverse of what it should have been with little regard for color co-ordination, but I also have discovered this is one of my favorite beds.

This bed is a good example of how hardy roses really are if you meet their needs—so venture forth and add more roses to your garden. Enrich the soil with organics and provide plenty of water. Organics are the primary source of plant nutrients and soil organisms such as earthworms. Learn the basics of good rose culture that have been passed down to us from generation to generation but do not be afraid of roses. If you love and care for them, they will love you back even if you make a few mistakes along the way.



Louisville Rose Show Royalty—October 1, 2016



Louise Estes
Hybrid Tea Queen
shown by Tom Lehmann



Shameless
Mini Flora Queen
shown by Linda Jansing



Erin Alonza
Miniature Queen
shown by Larry Baird



Hybrid Tea Queen 'Louise Estes'
Exhibited by Tom Lehman

Miniflora Queen 'Shameless'
Exhibited by Linda Jansing

Miniature Queen 'Erin Alonza'
Exhibited by Larry Baird

ARS Duke & Gold Medal 'Sunstruck'
"Sam's Journey" Designed by Mary Ann Hext

ARS Mini Oriental & Gold Medal 'Joy'
"Artistic Gymnastics" Designed by Donna Tarrant

Complete results and photos are on the Tenarky website Rose Show Photos tab.

CONGRATULATIONS!

TENARKY DISTRICT NOVICE QUEEN 'PRINCESSE DE MONACO'

EXHIBITED BY
JOHN HANNAH
NRS MEMBER

ARRANGEMENT NOVICE
DESIGNED BY
FAITH ANN CLARK
NRS MEMBER





Neonicotinoids by Jeff Wyckoff, Past President of the ARS

Earlier this spring, while browsing through the very limited selection of roses at Home Depot, I came across a tag (taken from a variety that shall not be named) with the following information:

This plant is protected from problematic Aphids, Whiteflies, Beetles, Mealy Bugs, and other Unwanted pests by Neonicotinoids. These pesticides are approved by the EPA. For more information, please visit us at www.ecoptions.homedepot.com/healthyhome/gardening. Proceeding to the website, I found this message:

Honey Bees and Insecticides

The Home Depot is deeply engaged in understanding the relationship of the use of certain insecticides on our live goods and the decline in the honey-bee population. We continue to seek scientific facts on the effects of our products on bee health, because we are committed to safeguarding the health of these critical pollinators.

We have been in communication with the EPA, insecticide industry and our suppliers to understand the science and monitor the research. We are encouraged by the improvements in the colony collapse disorder data and support the White House's Pollinator Health Task Force. We will continue to expand our customer education on pollinator friendly gardens.

Our live goods suppliers have reduced the number of plants that they treat with neonicotinoids, so that now over 80% of our flowering plants are not treated with neonicotinoids. We will continue this decrease unless, 1) it is required by state or federal regulation, or 2) undisputed science proves that the use of neonicotinoids on our live goods does not have a lethal or sub-lethal effect on pollinators. Otherwise we will have a complete phase-out of neonicotinoid use on our live goods by the end of 2018.

Neonicotinoids are a class of broad-spectrum systemic insecticides having a chemical structure similar to that of nicotine (hence the name) and acting on the central nervous system of insects by selectively binding to nicotinic acetylcholine receptors. Neonicotinoids are neurotoxins that are considered safer for humans than many other classes of pesticides because they interfere with neural pathways that are more common in insects than in mammals. The neonicotinoid family includes acetamiprid, clothianidin, imidacloprid, nitenpyram, nithiazine, thiacloprid and thiamethoxam. Imidacloprid is the most widely used insecticide in the world.

On January 21, 1986, a patent was filed, and granted on May 3, 1988, for imidacloprid in the United States (U.S. Pat. No. 4,742,060) by Nihon Tokushu Noyaku Seizo K.K. of Tokyo, Japan. [On March 25, 1992, Miles, Inc. (later Bayer CropScience) applied for registration of imidacloprid for turfgrass and ornamentals in the United States. On March 10, 1994, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved the registration of imidacloprid.

In January 2013, the European Food Safety Authority stated that neonicotinoids pose an unacceptably high risk to bees, and that the industry-sponsored science upon which regulatory agencies' claims of safety have relied, may be flawed, or even deceptive. *European Food Safety Authority (16 January 2013) & Damian Carrington (16 January 2013)*

The following statements were recently taken directly from Bayer Crop Science websites:

"These findings [from the Universities of Wageningen, Ghent and Amsterdam] are in line with many large-scale, multifactorial studies that were undertaken in the USA, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany and other countries. These have shown that poor bee health is correlated with the presence of the Varroa mites, viruses and many other factors, but not with the use of insecticides."

The Wageningen study, *J. Godfray et al*, was published in the *Proceedings of the Royal Society B* (Botany) in 2014. It has been superseded by a study from the same authors entitled "A restatement of recent advances in the natural evidence science base concerning neonicotinoid insecticides and insect pollinators." <http://rspb.royalsocietypublishing.org/content/282/1818/20151821>.

Also from a Bayer website:

The Bayer Bee Care Program was established to find solutions to bee health challenges. The program brings Bayer's extensive bee health experience and knowledge under one coordinated platform. Bayer has proudly dedicated 25 years to ensuring the protection of bees.

Bayer's disclaimers are disingenuous at best. Extensive scientific research worldwide during the last 10 years has concluded that imidacloprid is *absolutely* detrimental to honey bee colonies. A couple citations here should sum up recent findings:

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Neonicotinoids (*continued from page 7*)

"The application of imidacloprid by foliar spraying, is highly toxic to honey bees." **Pesticide Action Network, U.K**

"Toxicity category: I - Do not apply to blooming plants" "Notes: Soil-applied imidacloprid can move into nectar, so don't apply prior to bloom." **University of California Integrated Pest Management**

According to the Pesticide Action Network (PAN) U.S., there are over 700 insecticidal products registered in the United States containing imidacloprid. Since Bayer holds the patent on imidacloprid, all of these are either Bayer products or those licensed by Bayer; these latter include all Merit® and Premise® formulations. Scotts Miracle Gro, another well-known name in lawn and garden products, has announced it will phase out its use of neonicotinoids by 2017. Whether or not Home Depot will revisit its "undisputed science" and also get rid of imidacloprid as promised remains to be seen.

In fairness to Bayer, they do have a number of insecticidal chemicals that are far less toxic than imidacloprid in their extensive product line. These include pyrethrins, cyfluthrin, potassium salts, and canola oil. However, virtually all of their "combo" products: 3-In-1, 2-In-1, and All in One, which they promote as "systemic" products, contain imidacloprid. And, of course, these are the ones sold in big-box stores and eagerly snapped up by casual gardeners who think they are saving time and money thereby.

With our primary mission being that of education, you would expect the American Rose Society to be on the forefront of in-forming its members and the general public about the dangers of neonicotinoids. Sadly, that is not the case.

To begin with, one our endorsed products is Bayer's All-In-One Rose and Flower care, a product containing imidacloprid. Admittedly, the ARS Product Endorsement Committee OKed this some years ago before most of the research on imidacloprid had come to the fore, and we are now contractually bound to its endorsement, and, seemingly, to continue to accept magazine advertisements for it.

Perhaps more egregious is our failure to educate our members, and especially our Consulting Rosarians, about imidacloprid, and beyond that, about the active ingredients in our most popular fungicides, insecticides and miticides. Do you know, for example, what the active ingredient is in Banner Maxx? In Daconil? If so, what do you know about the overall toxicity of that ingredient, not just to humans but also to aquatic and airborne life? Is it a suspected carcinogen? Does it have other adverse properties? It is likely not in the best interests of the American Rose Society to publish material critical of various commercial products. Nonetheless, there exist avenues of information that would conform to our educational mandate, specifically:

- Provide information on organizations and websites that focus on pesticide dangers, such as the PAN Pesticide Database www.pesticideinfo.org, or the Xerces Society www.xerces.org, a group dedicated to the preservation of invertebrates such as bees and their habitat.
- Mandate more training for Consulting Rosarians on pesticides' toxicity. At present, the only required block of instruction for CRs as part of their 4 hours of recertification is on "chemical safety", the same old litany of "read the label", "wear protective garments", etc. This needs to be revised and enlarged, to include more comprehensive and timely material.

The Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act was signed and enacted into law by President Obama on June 22, 2016. One of its provisions gives EPA new authority to order testing and ensure chemicals are safe, with a focus on the most risky chemicals. Whether or not this will have an effect on the use of neonicotinoids remains to be seen. Whatever the case, the American Rose Society should exercise its educational mandate keep its membership informed. Hard information regarding the products we use may not be the most pleasant things we want to hear, but like the song by Poison says "Every rose has its thorn".

Editor's Note: This article appeared in the August 2016 issue of the "Northwestern Rosarian", newsletter of the Pacific Northwest Rosarian, and is used with permission from the author, Jeff Wycoff, and the editor, Judy Heath. It is included in this newsletter for information purposes and awareness of this topic.



Tenarky Local Society News

Louisville Rose Society *By Janet Miller, Membership*

The Louisville Rose Show was held at Surherlands Hardware which encouraged foot traffic and a good public viewing. We also had a tent outside where we offered a class on "Selecting and Growing Roses" and sold roses that were donated to us by a local nursery. It was a beautiful show that brought new exhibitors and new members. (See more photos on p. 6)



Nashville Rose Society *By Cindy Worch, President*

Fall is finally here and not only do I appreciate the cooler weather but so do my roses. The last couple of months have been a roller coaster of emotions for all of us starting with the loss of our beloved Sam Jones who will forever be in our hearts.

Our September meeting was our "Grand Prix" local show. We had a nice number of roses. Bill and Jill Chappell came up from Huntsville to show us how they get ready for a show. Their slide show and hands on presentation was wonderful and just in time for the big show!

The Nashville Society was very busy with hosting the District Convention and Rose Show. We want to thank everyone from all of the district societies and beyond for coming and helping us make it a huge success!

In October, Sam Moses from Nashville and one of the best dahlia growers in the South gave a presentation on how to grow beautiful dahlias. He has 1500 of them. I think I can speak for everyone who was there that we learned a lot of very interesting things about dahlias. I want to grow more of them for sure!

I was out at Cheekwood this week and the rose garden is looking fabulous! Jack Wedekind will be talking to us about how to winterize our potted roses in November. He grows all of his roses in pots! Did I mention that I'm really glad that cooler weather is here?

Cookeville Area Rose Society *by Nancy Lazer, Newsletter Editor*

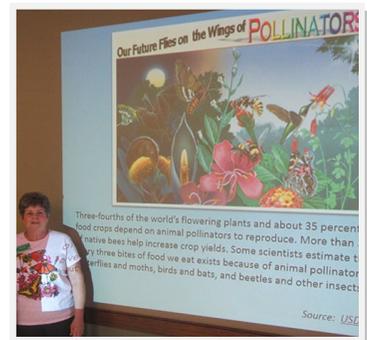
Dr. Alan Windham spoke at the August meeting (center). Kathy Brennan of Knoxville spoke on "Soil and Growing Good Roses" at the September meeting (left). C. B. Coburn spoke on "The Importance of Roses to Native Bees" in October on the "Importance of Roses to Native Bees".



Bowling Green Rose Society *by Mary Ann Hext, Past President*

BGRS is very happy to have added six new members this summer. We continue to work at our public rose garden, had a potluck dinner in September, and heard a program about Pollinator Gardens in October. Plans are underway for hosting the Tenarky Winter Workshop in February.

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Tenarky Local Society News *(cont. from p. 10)*

Tennessee Rose Society *by Mary F. Carlson, President*

Members of the Tennessee Rose Society (TRS) have been busy keeping their roses alive during what was a very hot summer with little rain. Weeds were in abundance and constantly being removed as mulch was being added.

Nevertheless, eight members made it to the Tenarky District Convention and Rose Show, which was hosted by the Nashville Rose Society in Franklin. Our thoughts turned to our former District Director, Dr. Sam Jones, as special tribute was paid to him in several ways including at the Saturday evening banquet with his dear wife Nancy and children and grandchildren in attendance.

In spite of the hot weather, there were numerous entries from the District and from members of TRS. One of the big winners was the son of Clyde and Margaret Chappell, long-time TRS members and recipients of national, district, and local awards. The Chappells' son and his wife come all the way from Huntsville, Alabama.

Monthly meetings have featured speakers including Jeff and Cindy Garrett from Soddy-Daisy who presented an excellent PowerPoint program on current topics of interest to rose growers and discussed old and new products from Beaty Fertilizer Company in Cleveland. The October meeting was a garden party in the beautiful rose gardens of Dr. John and Kay Rodgers. Members and guests enjoyed roses, food, and fellowship overlooking Lake Chickamauga (*see photo above*). We are in the process of selecting officers for next year and looking forward to our annual Christmas dinner at Fox Den Country Club.



Holston Rose Society *by Sallie Blazer, Editor*

In July, our speaker was Sarah Johnson of Johnson Nursery & Garden Center located in Cookeville. Sarah shared lessons she learned when she started growing roses. She also talked about the joys reaped from growing and sharing roses. Sarah brought flowers from her garden and the nursery which she used for making arrangements. The arrangements were given as door prizes.

August brought Ron Daniels from Hendersonville. Ron's topic was "Building and Caring for a Rose Garden." He talked about the steps he went through to build his rose garden at his current home. Ron showed photos of the construction process and the finished product. All were amazed at the beautiful results (photo at right).

In September, Holston Rose Society member Mike Thompson talked about "Problems in the Rose Garden." He covered insects, rodents, RRD and winterizing. He brought several bugs (in plastic bags of course) so that members could see them first hand. Mike also covered "Planting Roses in East Tennessee Clay Soils." The handout is an excellent reference for any rose gardener.

October is usually our annual photo contest. Martin Skinner has always taken the lead on this. We decided to skip the photo contest this year. Kathy Brennan from the Tennessee Rose Society has agreed to be our speaker. Her topic will be "Creating the Correct Soil for Growing Roses."



Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga *by Sue Dempsey, President*

Since my last update, we were fortunate to have Ron Daniels join us in July. His talk was very interesting with a lot of thought going into his new garden to make it an accessible garden for tours. August was followed by Dr. Raymond Cloyd from Kansas. He talked about bees and butterflies and what affects them. In September we had multiple members bring their favorite roses, giving a brief description and why they liked them. Other members went home with the blooms to enjoy after the meeting.

The Garrett's did some fertilizing on the new roses at the Veterans Park in Soddy Daisy and cut back all of the Knockout roses. They either have rose-rosette or have been impacted by chemical spraying. As they begin to put out we should be able to tell. We certainly hope the garden people enjoy so much is not going to be destroyed by rose rosette.



2017 Tenarky Winter Workshop Rose Photography Show Schedule



is now on the district website
at www.tenarky.org

New ARS Rosettes will be awarded to the King, Queen, & Princess
Take photos of roses now to enter in the classes!!

Tenarky District
On Facebook

Like us!



Join the ARS for just \$10 for a 4-Month Trial Membership

The American Rose Society is offering a four-month trial membership for only \$10 to anyone who is interested in becoming a member of our organization. Most ARS members are home gardeners who enjoy growing roses and want to expand their knowledge of rose culture.

Four-Month Trial Members receive:

- Free advice from Consulting Rosarians.
- Free or reduced garden admissions, a \$25 value after just three uses.
- Free online access to five quarterly bulletins, a \$45 value.
- Two issues of *American Rose* magazine, a \$16 value. View a free issue online at www.ars.org.
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A 4-month trial membership is valued at \$86 for only \$10!

Join Now!

You may [complete the online form](#)
or call us at 1-800-637-6534.

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Winter Workshop Expenses!!

2017 Rose Shows

- ▶ April 20-23: Mini National, Arcadia, CA
- ▶ May 20: Bowling Green RS Rose Show
- ▶ Sept. 8-10: ARS National Rose Show & Conv., Gettysburg, PA
- ▶ Sept. 29-30: Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show hosted by Louisville Rose Society:

Tenarky Member Websites for Roses & Supplies

- [For Love of Roses](#)—Miniature & Miniflora roses
- [Rosemania](#)—Chemicals, safety equipment, garden tools, fertilizers, and plants
- [Beauty Fertilizer](#)—Fertilizer, mulch, and much more
- [OliveArt](#)—Containers for floral designs



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