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Crescendo

*Queen, SCD Show &
Convention*

David & Marion Koch

Director's Message

We had a wonderful Convention and Rose Show hosted by the San Antonio Rose Society! San Antonio Rose Society members are always so welcoming. Thank you, Murray Warner, Convention Chair, David Koch, Rose Show Chair and all the members of the San Antonio Rose Society for all your efforts in executing a successful Convention from all of us!

Hopefully, you had a chance to attend the Convention and Rose Show. The roses were beautiful and seeing our rose friends was even better. Some of the highlights:

- Clyde and Becky Davis received the ARS Silver Medal Honor for their contributions to the ARS South Central District.
- Jo Ann and Ed Bradley were presented a Presidential Citation from ARS President, Bob Martin, for their lifelong efforts in support of the American Rose Society and the San Antonio Rose Society.
- The McFarland Award was won by Randy Keen and Mary Fulgham with a stunning display of Jewel Grace, Dinah Gee, Marlon's Day, Moonstone and Cajun Moon.
- David Koch took the Queen of Hybrid Teas with Crescendo.
- Sheryl Broussard took the Mini Queen with Joy and the Miniflora Queen with Louisville Lady.
- I won the Oklahoma Challenge which I have been trying to win for ten years.

We had a terrific member meeting that was highly interactive. Dr. Allen Owings, our Region 7

Director, presented an update on the Great Garden Restoration. Things are really moving fast! And a very informative Banquet speaker, Dr. David Byrne, gave the latest update on the Rose Rosette Virus and asked for our help in identifying resistant varieties. To do so, Dr. Byrne asks us to enter your roses that contract RRD in www.roserosette.org. Infected rose varieties will be eliminated as possible breeding material for resistant roses.

One of the more protracted discussions we had during the Membership Meeting concerned the geographical organization of the American Rose Society governance. If you attended the meeting, you can skip this part. Otherwise, read on. The ARS divided the country into ten Regions. As a member of the ARS, you are also a member of Region 7 which included the South Central District and the Gulf District. Dr. Allen Owings is the Region 7 Director. If you live in Texas, Oklahoma and most of Arkansas, you are automatically a member of South Central District. So a legitimate question you might ask is why do we have the Patron Program and the \$5 that is asked for annually? If you had attended the Membership Meeting, you would have heard Jo Ann Bradley, our SCD Treasurer, tell you these programs are not dues. As a dues paying ARS member, you are a SCD member. The Patron Program is designed to help the District fund the Annual Convention and Schools within our District. The \$5 is a nominal amount to help us fund the newsletter and the smaller operating expenses. Does this explanation help? If not, please contact me and I will be happy to talk you about it.

In new opportunities, the Dallas Rose Society will host the 2020 Winter Workshop and Arrangement Workshop on Saturday, March 21.

Those who attend will update their Consulting Rosarian Status, could take the test to become a Consulting Rosarian and then have some fun creating Modern and Oriental Arrangements under the expert tutelage of Don and Brenda Johnson. There is more information about the Winter Workshop in this newsletter.

Finally, we are actively looking for a host society for the 2020 Convention. Please consider hosting the Convention next year. It's always a good time. Moving the Convention around the District allows all our members to participate!

As always,
Warmest regards,
Debra

South Central District 2019 Judge's Award

Every year the district recognizes an individual who has demonstrated the high standards of horticultural rose judging. The SCD has a long-standing history of judges who have reach the pinnacle of outstanding rose judging. Judging another rosarian's roses is a privilege that should always be in the forefront of a judge's mind and it is an honor to be asked to judge a show.

Being in the SCD, we have been very fortunate to have our roses judged by some of the very best. We have been blessed to apprentice under those that kept judging to the highest standard.



This year we were honored to add to the list of great judges in the SCD, Baxter Williams. Baxter had demonstrated the actions, traits, commitment, and willingness to be the 2019 recipient of the SCD Outstanding Judge Certificate.

Congratulations Baxter! Well deserved!

South Central District ARS Silver Medal Honor Winners 2019

Each District of the American Rose Society may annually award the American Rose Society Silver Honor Medal to any ARS member who has permanent full-time residency in its District who, in the opinion of the District Awards Committee, has provided meritorious service to the rose and its culture, for efforts expended in support of the American Rose Society and its objectives within the District. It is the highest and most prestigious award the District presents.

In 2019, the South Central District has presented the Silver Honor Medal to the Clyde and Becky Davis from the Golden Triangle Rose Society. Clyde and Becky have been growing and showing roses since 1990. They have both been intricately involved in the many District events the Golden Triangle Rose Society has hosted. This has included Conventions and District Rose Shows, Judging Schools, and Consulting Rosarian Schools. They have held various positions in SCD leadership. Becky currently serves as District Secretary and Clyde serves as District Consulting Rosarian Chairman.

Becky and Clyde have been active rosarians from day one and continue today as rose growers, exhibitors, judges, advisors, and servants for the Golden Triangle Rose Society, SCD and the ARS. According to Debra Bagley, District Director, "Clyde and Becky truly are fine examples of servant leadership and are very deserving of being the SCD honorees. Congratulations to both!"



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Please join us
The Dallas Rose Society Winter Workshop
Saturday, March 21, 2020
Farmers Branch Recreation Center
14032 Hearthside Place, Farmers Branch, TX 75234
Full details online at <https://www.dallasrosesociety.com/> (later this month)

Please complete a form for each registrant.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip code: _____
 Email: _____
 Local Society: _____

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| \$20.00 | _____ | CR School | (includes snacks and lunch) |
| \$30.00 | _____ | Arrangement Workshop | (includes flower materials) |
| \$40.00 | _____ | Arrangement Workshop | (includes flower materials and lunch) |
| \$45.00 | _____ | CR School and Arrangement Workshop (includes flower materials and lunch) | |

Please mail registration with check payable to Dallas Rose Society by:
Jan. 15, 2020, for the CR School
Feb. 15, 2020 for Arrangement workshop only

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SCD Patron Program Dale Dardeau, SCD Deputy Director

The Patron Program is a very integral part of the South Central District. The money generated from local members and local rose societies allows activities all over the district happen. The yearly South Central District Convention and rose show receives seed money from the Patron fund as well as Horticultural and Arrangement Judging Schools and the SCD Consulting Rosarian School. These funds help with furnishing the trophies for the district show each year. With a contribution to the Patron program you also receive a quarterly district newsletter. With your initial payment, you will receive a beautiful Patron pin. Your contribution is tax deductible.

I would like to strongly encourage you to become a contributing Patron to help the South Central District to continue to be the leader in the ARS.

Individual Patron \$25
Family Patrons \$40
Society Patron \$50

We need you!

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Notes from the Regional Director

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Hello everyone! We sure had a nice mid-November welcome to fall with the cold weather than came through Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana. I am more of a “sunshine and palms trees” kind of person. Spring and summer are my favored seasons. Hope everyone did not have major damage to your roses or to other landscape plants.

Late October and early November were filled with travel to South Central District events. Thanks to the great hospitality in San Antonio for the South Central District Rose Show and Convention. The San Antonio Rose Society did a great job hosting. Kudos to their great team.

I also traveled to Dallas and visited with Claude Graves and Dean Oswald at Chambersville Tree Farm.



I also gave a talk to the Collin County Rose Society about the Great Garden Restoration going on at our national ARS headquarters in Shreveport. Also, we discussed some of the recent winners from the Biltmore International Rose Trials in North Carolina.

Speaking of the ARS Great Garden Restoration, progress is going very well. The first circle is close to completion. This will include hybrid tea roses from the last fifteen years. Also, construction has finally resumed on Lions Club pavilion – entirely paid for by Lions Club members across Louisiana and that nation. Christmas in Roseland is coming to the rose center starting Thanksgiving weekend. It would be a good time to plan a trip over.



Debra Bagley and I have been discussing having a Region 7 get-together at the rose center in Shreveport in the spring of 2021. I am doing my best to make happen. Socializing, attending education and seeing the progress on the garden restoration.

Hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday.

Andrew Barocco Named 2019 ARS Rising Star

Several years ago the American Rose Society implemented the Rising Stars Award to recognize and honor the work the next generation of rosarians is doing in support of the culture and appreciation of the rose. This award is intended to be given to up to five individuals per year age 45 or younger for outstanding achievement by an individual in promoting the culture and appreciation of the rose – our National Floral Emblem.

Andrew Barocco has been working with roses since for the last eleven years. He is an LSU horticulture graduate and pursuing MS graduate studies at Texas A&M. Mr. Barocco has been a featured speaker at Gulf District and American Rose Center events. He has a bright rose future.

In the nomination, Region 7 ARS director Allen Owings wrote “it a pleasure to nominate Mr. Andrew Barocco for an ARS Rising Star Award. Having known Mr. Barocco for ten years, I can attest to his love of roses and his potential to make long term contributions to the rose industry. He is a native of Louisiana and had parents and grandparents who enjoyed gardening.”

At LSU, Mr. Barocco worked in sweet potato breeding but also has been working on rose evaluation and breeding. Currently, he is employed at the Antique Rose Emporium in Texas, working with Mike Shoup as plant production manager and director of breeding. He is working on disease resistance, flower fragrance and visual appeal in his rose breeding efforts. Mike Shoup has stated that “Andrew’s enthusiasm has given me fresh optimism for the future of roses.”

See this article in the Houston Chronicle on Andrew’s work:

<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/life/gardening/article/Aggie-at-Texas-Antique-Rose-Emporium-develops-13760967.php>



Andrew Barocco and Mike Shoup

South Central District Rose Show & Convention

(16 exhibitors, 259 entries, including 22 arrangements, total bloom count of 507)

SCD Rose Show and Convention November 1-2, 2019			
Class	Title	Variety	Exhibitor
1	J. Horace McFarland Memorial	Jewel Grace	Keen/Fulgham
		Dinah Gee	
		Marlon's Day	
		Moonstone	
		Cajun Moon	
2	Founders Challenge	Marlon's Day	Keen/Fulgham
		Moonstone	
		Louise Estes	
3	Modern Rose Bouquet	Marilyn Monroe	James and Debbie Laperouse
		Louise Estes	
		Moonstone	
		White Success	
4	Old Garden Rose Bouquet		
5	Shrub Rose Trio		
6	Standard Stages Of Bloom	Jewel Grace	David and Marion Koch
7	Standard Matched Pair		
8	Oklahoma Rose Challenge	Oklahoma	Debra Bagley
9	Standard English Box		
10	Large Rose Bowl	Eddie Edwards	Earl and Deanna Krause
11	Earthkind Rose		
12	Hybridizer Challenge	Exotica x George Burns	Keen/Fulgham
13	Ralph Moore District Trophy		
14	Ben Williams Miniflora Challenge		
15	Miniature/Miniflora Spray Trio		
16	Miniature/Miniflora Bouquet	Shirley Raye	Sheryl Broussard
17	Miniature/Miniflora Stages of Bloom	Shameless	Jimmy Sanford
18	Miniature/Miniflora Matched Pair	Baldo Villegas	Holly and Randy Hodgins
19	Miniature/Miniflora English Box	Louisville Lady	Sheryl Broussard
20	Miniature/Miniflora Rose Bowl	Baldo Villegas	Holly and Randy Hodgins
21	Judge's Standard Challenge		
22	Judge's Miniature/Miniflora Challenge		
23	Large Queen of Show	Crescendo	David and Marion Koch
	Large King of Show	Black Magic	Keen/Fulgham
	Large Princess of Show	Marlon's Day	Keen/Fulgham
	Large Court	Eddie Edwards	Keen/Fulgham
	Large Court	Louise Estes	Sheryl Broussard
	Large Court	My Lady Barbara	Holly and Randy Hodgins
	Large Court	Mr. Caleb	Donna and Murray Warner
	Large Court	David's Love	David and Marion Koch
	Large Court	Cajun Sunrise	Ron and Jan Shannon
	Large Court	Jewel Grace	David and Marion Koch
24	Fully Open Hybrid Tea	Perfectly Red	Sheryl Broussard
25	Single Petaled Hybrid Tea		
26	Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Spray	Jewel Grace	Meg Ware
27	Floribunda	Easy to Please	Earl and Deanna Krause

SCD Rose Show and Convention November 1-2, 2019			
Class	Title	Variety	Exhibitor
28	Floribunda Spray	Ebb Tide	Holly and Randy Hodgins
29	Polyantha Spray	Aunt Margy's Rose	Earl and Deanna Krause
30	Classic Shrub Rose		
31	Modern Shrub Rose	Carefree Beauty	Earl and Deanna Krause
32	Climber	Altissimo	Meg Ware
33	Miniature Queen of Show	Joy	Sheryl Broussard
	Miniature King of Show	Soroptimist International	James and Debbie Laperouse
	Miniature Princess of Show	Odessa	Jimmy Sanford
	Miniature Court	Jean Kenneally	Jimmy Sanford
	Miniature Court	Bees Knees	Jimmy Sanford
	Miniature Court	Donerail	Meg Ware
	Miniature Court	Hurricane	Earl and Deanna Krause
	Miniature Court	Memphis King	James and Debbie Laperouse
	Miniature Court	-	-
	Miniature Court	-	-
34	Miniflora Queen of Show	Louisville Lady	Sheryl Broussard
	Miniflora King of Show	Unbridled	James and Debbie Laperouse
	Miniflora Princess of Show	Whirlaway	James and Debbie Laperouse
	Miniflora Court	Shameless	Jimmy Sanford
	Miniflora Court	Fitzhugh's Diamond	James and Debbie Laperouse
	Miniflora Court	Allene Able	Keen/Fulgham
	Miniflora Court	Tammy Clemons	Keen/Fulgham
	Miniflora Court	Baldo Villegas	Holly and Randy Hodgins
	Miniflora Court	Show Stopper	Holly and Randy Hodgins
	Miniflora Court	Kismet	James and Debbie Laperouse
35	Fully Open Miniature/Miniflora	Autumn Splendor	Donna and Murray Warner
36	Single Petaled Miniature	Why Not	Meg Ware
37	Miniature/Miniflora Spray	Pumpkin Pie	Holly and Randy Hodgins
38	Dowager Queen	Archduke Charles	Meg Ware
39	Victorian Queen	Pink Pet	Sheryl Broussard
40	Novice Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora		
41	Novice Miniature/Miniflora		
42	Standard Traditional	"Bunk House"	Sheryl Broussard
43	Standard Modern	"Gold Rush"	Jamie Elliott
44	Exhibitor's Choice Miniature/Miniflora	"The Mercantile"	Jamie Elliott
45	Exhibitor's Choice Miniflora	"Bee in Your Bonnet"	Sheryl Broussard
46	Standard Mass		
47	Standard Line or Line Mass	"The Hitching Post"	Sheryl Broussard
		Royalty Award and Gold	
48	Standard Oriental		
49	Standard Modern	"Lasso"	Sheryl Broussard
		Artist and Silver	
50	Standard Princess	-	-
51	Standard Duchess	-	-
52	Standard Duke	"Cactus Rose"	Madison Elliott

SCD Rose Show and Convention November 1-2, 2019			
Class	Title	Variety	Exhibitor
		Bronze and Duke	
53	Junior Standard Traditional	"Chuck Wagon"	Madison Elliott
		Junior Royalty	
54	Standard Table Semi Formal	"Cowboy Breakfast"	Melissa Welch
		ARS Etiquette Cert.	
55	Miniature Mass	-	-
56	Miniature Line or Line Mass	"Gun Draw"	Sheryl Broussard
		Mini Gold	
57	Miniature Oriental	-	-
58	Miniature Modern	"Driving the Nail"	Jamie Elliott
		Silver	
59	Miniature/Miniflora Princess	-	-
60	Miniature/Miniflora Duchess	-	-
61	Miniature Keepsake		
62	Standard Keepsake	"Wanted Dead or Alive"	Sheryl Broussard
		ARS Lg Keepsake Cert.	
63	Novice Designer's Choice	-	-
64	Judge's Challenge	"Shootout at the OK Corral"	Debra Bagley
		Judge's Cert.	



McFarland Award, Mary Fulgham & Randy Keen



Queen, Crescendo, David & Marion Koch



King, Black Magic, Keen/Fulgham



Princess, Marlon's Day, Keen/Fulgham



Modern Rose Bouquet, James & Debbie Laperouse

South Central District Show Arrangements





(Photos courtesy of Allen Owings and Don Johnson)

*You're
Invited*

2020
Gulf District
Mid-Winter Workshop

February 7-8, 2020

Clarion Inn

1500 W Highway 30, Gonzales, LA



Friday Events with Hors d'oeuvres
Free Rose Arrangement Workshop with registration
Guest Speaker – Donna Edwards (First Lady of Louisiana)

Saturday Speakers with lunch served:
Kristopher Kelley – Southern Soils
Dr. Alan Henn – Mississippi State University
Dr. Ron Strahan – Louisiana State University
Stephen Scanniello – President Heritage Rose Foundation
Ping Lim - #1 Hybridizer in United States

Clarion Inn:

A block of rooms have been reserved for this event. King or 2 Double Beds - \$92 plus tax per night. This offer expires on January 2, 2020. Reserve by contacting the hotel at:

<http://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/KE47R0>

Or by calling 225-647-8000 and use code **"American Rose Society 2020"**

2020
Gulf District
Mid-Winter Workshop

February 7-8, 2020
Clarion Inn
1500 W Highway 30, Gonzales, LA



Name of Registrant: _____

Name of Guest _____

Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone _____

Local Rose Society
(if applicable) _____

Email address for
confirmation: _____

- Rose Arrangement Workshop (included in Friday registration)
- \$40 Saturday only Workshop and lunch
- \$70 Friday Hors d'oeuvres / Saturday Workshop – lunch

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ARS NEWS

Order your 2020 Wall Calendar



Beautiful rose photos taken by American Rose Society Members are highlighted in the NEW 2020 American Rose Society Calendar. Now you can enjoy colorful roses throughout the year - every month features five unique photos! Heavier paper stock. Sales of this calendar benefit the American Rose Society, promoting the growth and appreciation of America's National Floral emblem

The calendars are shrink-wrapped and sell for \$15 + shipping. To order, call 318-938-5402 or visit www.rose.org.

The recipient of the 2019 ARS Member's Choice Award is 'South Africa.' The award honors a rose with one of the highest garden rating scores in *Roses in Review* as selected by its national coordinators. It is featured on the cover of the 2020 **Handbook for Selecting Roses**, which was distributed to all ARS members with the September/October issue of the bi-monthly **American Rose Magazine**.



South Africa, grown in Bob Martin's garden

Upcoming ARS Convention

June 17-22, 2020 ARS National Conference and Rose Show Colorado Springs, Colorado
September TBA, 2021 ARS National Conference and Rose Show Milwaukee, Wisconsin

2019 Biltmore International Rose Trials

The Coral Knock Out® Rose (RADral) was awarded the George and Edith Vanderbilt Award for the most outstanding rose of the 2019 Biltmore International Rose Trials.

The 7th Annual Biltmore International Rose Trials were held the weekend of September 28, 2019 in the historic walled garden at Biltmore.

Since 2013, Biltmore's Rose Garden has been home to the trials in which nearly 200 varieties from growers and breeders worldwide have been planted and cared for by Biltmore's expert horticulturalists. A permanent jury of rose experts judged the plantings four times a year during the trial's two and a half years for a total of ten times.



The Coral Knock Out® Rose was also awarded the Chauncey Beadle Award for the most outstanding shrub rose. This rose was bred by William Radler and is available from Star Roses & Plants.

The Coral Knock Out® Rose (RADral)



Sweet Hips (KAPswehp) also received two awards. The William Cecil Award for Best General Impression and the Lord Burleigh Award for Most Disease Resistant Rose of the Trials. Sweet Hips was bred by Jay Kapac and is available from Weeks Roses.

SKU 69586 Rosa 'Sweet Hips' Rosa rugosa KAPswehp



Cupids Kisses® (WEKtriscala) received the Gilded Age Award for Best Climbing Rose. It was bred by Christian Bedard and is available from Weeks Roses.

Cupids Kisses® (WEKtriscala)



The Edith Wharton Award for best Floribunda went to Bliss Parfuma® (KORmarzau). It was bred by Kordes Roses in Germany and is available from Star Roses & Plants.

Bliss Parfuma® (KORmarzau)



The Pauline Merrill Award for best Hybrid Tea went to Moonlight Romantica® (MEllkaquinz). It was bred by Meilland in France and is available from Star Roses & Plants

Moonlight Romantica® (MEllkaquinz)

We want to congratulate all the winners from this year's trials and also to thank all who entered for being a part of our trials.

Paul Zimmerman
Coordinator Biltmore International Rose Trials

About Biltmore

Located in Asheville, N.C., Biltmore was the vision of George W. Vanderbilt. Designed by Richard Morris Hunt, America's largest home is a 250-room French Renaissance chateau, exhibiting the Vanderbilt family's original collection of furnishings, art and antiques. Biltmore Estate encompasses more than 8,000 acres including renowned gardens designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, the father of American landscape architecture. Today, Biltmore includes Antler Hill Village, which features the award-winning Winery and Antler Hill Farm; four-star The Inn on Biltmore Estate; the Village Hotel on Biltmore Estate; Equestrian Center; numerous restaurants; event and meeting venues; and Biltmore For Your Home, the company's licensed products division. To learn more about Biltmore, go to www.biltmore.com or call 877-BILTMORE.

Here are some additional links to articles and information about this year's trials.

[The Garden Diary](#)

[Gaga's Garden](#)

[RoseChat Podcast](#)

[Nursery Management Magazine](#)

Rose Hips

We all know that roses make spectacular arrangements. But did you know that in the winter you can also enjoy your roses by using rose hips to make arrangements? Now, being in the South, we often enjoy some very nice blooms through Thanksgiving and Christmas if a cold front does not dip deep into the coastal area of the district. But many of your roses will be on the way to dormancy, an essential life cycle of the rose. We do not fertilize from September so as to not have new tender growth on a bush that would get frost damage. But leaving some of the blooms on the bush will help signal dormancy to the bush whereby the rose bush goes into sort of a hibernation state.

Don't deadhead; let the blooms go to seed. The formation of seeds in the calyx (hips) below the spent bloom sends a chemical signal to the rest of the plant that the reproduction process needs to stop. The leaves on some rose cultivars will turn yellow, reddish or burgundy before they fall off the bush. Let the bush distinguish itself with rose hips. The hips will begin as green and as fall progresses the mature rose hips can be red, orange, deep yellow or burgundy. Rose hips can be round, oval or elongated. Some hips can be small, in clusters or simply a large hip. Single or semi-bloom rose bushes will produce more and showy hips than hybrid teas.

In addition to being ornamental, rose hips also attract wildlife. Many birds consume the seeds. Many people make jellies or teas with rose hips.

You will find the species roses such as the Rugosa roses (*Rosa Rugosa*) such as 'Alba,' and 'Bayse's Purple Rose' produce great hips.



Old Garden roses such as Bourbons, Chinas, and Hybrid Musk are among those that also produce profuse hips. 'Old Blush,' 'Ballerina,' and 'Penelope' are some that have showy hips.



Ballerina

Old Blush

Landscape and shrub roses that produce nice hips include 'Carefree Beauty, and 'Knock Out.'



Carefree Beauty



Knock Out

Some climbers that have noteworthy hips include 'Dortmund,' 'Fourth of July,' and 'White New Dawn.'



Dortmund



Fourth of July

Take a look as you walk through your garden, I bet you will see find rose hips in all sizes. Clip a few of these rose hips to make a nice arrangement for you home.



Gift Ideas for the Gardener

Finding a gift for the gardener should be easy. But you don't know where to begin. There is always a new tool a gardener may want to try. Or an item of garden décor to bring whimsy to a corner of the garden could be the gift. Of course, you could be practical and give pruners, pots, fertilizer or drip irrigation kits.



The Hori Hori knife is an essential garden tool. Use it to dig, weed, cut and best it is stainless steel and does not rust.



How about if they like to propagate their own roses? Here a neat little gizmo that makes newspaper pots. I saw these little pots made up and they are quite sturdy. These are available from www.gardeners.com for about \$20.



Watering potted plants in the summer is a big chore. This drip system makes it super easy. All you need to add is a garden hose timer.



Give them a cool looking hat. Be sure it has a wide brim. It should shield the face and back of the neck.



Gardeners love birds! What a better gift than the Hummzinger feeder. It is the best.



Pocket snips have tiny blades that are good for working on miniature roses. These are great for those who have small hands



How about an ARS 2020 calendar? The photographs are beautiful. A gift membership in ARS? Go to www.rose.org for

both of these.



I bet you don't think of getting a hand truck even for yourself. This is excellent to haul large pots or heavy gardening supplies in and out of the garage or shed. Plus this hand truck folds down for easy storage.



Mobile Tool Storage unit. A great gift for you! Place your commonly used tools in this cart. You won't have to worry a tool stayed on a bed. www.gardeners.com



To keep the dirt outside, how about a boot/shoe scraper? This will be really appreciated by all. Keep the mess outside!

FROM YOUR EDITOR...

**ARTICLES OR PHOTOS SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE WINTER ISSUE
IS JANUARY 31.**

**PLEASE CONSIDER SENDING ME ARTICLES, IDEAS, PHOTOS (ESPECIALLY
PHOTOS!) AND ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU HAVE TO MAKE THE NEWSLETTER
BETTER. I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

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South Central District Patron Program

We are very fortunate to have a program of this nature to assist local societies within our district to host events. Rosarians and societies joining the patron program allow the district to provide startup money to local societies to host District Convention and rose show, district judging schools, consulting rosarian schools and assisting with the purchase of trophies for the district rose show.

I would like to say a big THANK YOU for the individuals, families and societies that have joined the patron program

I encourage you to become a patron if you have not done so. You will receive a very nice pin and your contribution is eligible for a tax deduction.
Individuals \$25 Family \$40 Societies \$ 50

Dale Dardeau, Deputy Director

