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Greetings fellow rosarians,

I have just returned from the all-Rose Societies Picnic in DFW. Members of the Collin County, Dallas, Fort Worth and the Dallas Historical Rose Societies, gathered at the City of Farmers Branch Pavilion. Hot dogs and hamburgers were cooked by the President of the Dallas Historical Rose Society while sides were brought by other attendees. It was a lovely afternoon (unusual for a June day in Texas) of renewing friendships.

You have the opportunity to renew friendships across the South Central District, if you attend the SCD Convention and Rose Show in October. The Houston Rose Society, this year's host, has been working diligently to bring you a great experience. I am encouraging you to come join the fun. Details can be found in this newsletter. Reserve the date and make plans to exhibit and enjoy your fellow rosarians' comradery.

Speaking about conventions, while I was unable to attend the ARS National Convention in Shreveport, the reports I am hearing are very favorable. Most commented on how good the food was, the number of entries in the rose show and the how proud everyone was of the American Rose Center gardens. I've not seen a list of the rose show winners; however, congratulations to the winners and those who participated in a National Show. I hope you will consider attending the next National Convention in Rhode Island, September, 2024. I plan to attend because it is a lot of fun!

By now, as a member of the ARS, you have received an emailed invitation to the ARS Membership Meeting on June 12. I urge you to attend as there are major topics of interest to you.

The first is an introduction of a new ARS Executive Director. You might ask what does the Executive Director do and why should I care? It is an important job as the ED executes the ARS BOD decisions, manages the staff, the gardens, American Rose Center activities, prepares budgets and more. Rachel Driskell has been named the incoming Executive Director, to share a few bits of information, she most recently held the position of Educator / Management and Outreach Texas Historic Commission in Marshall, Texas where she was responsible for Nonprofit planning, developing, and implementing programs for cultural institutions, governmental agencies, community organizations, and the general public. Rachel managed staff and volunteer recruitment, training, and scheduling for site programs building strong and positive relationships with community collaborators for current and potential future programming opportunities including artists, teachers, performers, donors, vendors, and cultural organizations. She oversaw a full range of interpretive, educational, and outreach programs and events based on the interpretive master plan intended to promote the site's history, increase site awareness and visitation. Rachel created print materials, and website/social media posts to promote programs and special events as well as communicated with the public and organizations to encourage and promote interest in programs and projects. This is information straight from her resume. I think you will want to hear what she has to say!

The second announcement is Membership Dues. Membership dues have not been adjusted in 15 years. At the May ARS BOD meeting, the Directors reviewed and accepted a proposal concerning restructuring ARS membership dues. It effects each and everyone of us. Please keep an open mind as you hear about it.

Some more good news... Jackson and Perkins is initiating a new program whose aim is to introduce amateur breeders roses. Paul Zimmerman, J & P consultant, will lead the program for J & P. I am happy to report Jim Herbison, an excellent rosarian, has been chosen to participate in the program. J & P will ship no more than 20 roses per season for evaluation and potential introduction. Jim is a very active and prolific hybridizer, growing more than 1,500 of his own hybrids, primarily hybrid teas, at his peach farm in Denton, TX. If you haven't visited Jim's garden, you should!

Finally, I wish recognize the sudden passing of Kathy Harris. Kathy was our Director of Arrangements. I have appointed Don and Brenda Johnson as Co-directors to fulfill Kathy's term of office. Kathy was my friend for more than 20 years. I will miss her very much.

Warmest regards,

Debra

Some 2023 New Rose Introductions



True Perfume

Shrub, pink blend

Hybridizer: Ping Lim

Fragrant, ruffled petals and a prolific bloomer on a low-growing, healthy bush, grows vigorously on its own roots. Low maintenance with perfume great for a fragrant garden. ARC Best Shrub Award for 2022



Top Cream ('Meiroguste')

Hybrid Tea, white

Hybridizer: House of Meilland

The large, old-fashioned blooms of this special rose are extremely fragrant with notes of earthy pear. Its abundant petals are creamy-white with an occasional light pink blush. It exhibits excellent disease resistance and is a wonderful rose for cut floral arrangements.



Buttercream Drift

Groundcover, light yellow

Hybridizer: House of Meilland

Buttercream Drift® has light yellow flowers with cuplike petals that make a cheerful addition to gardens of all shapes and styles.

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2023 AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY
SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT CONVENTION
BAYOU CITY ROSES



Hosted by The Houston Rose Society
October 27 – 28, 2023

Location: Bellaire Community Center

7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire TX 77401

Featuring: Pre-Show Dinner, Friday evening
Mary Fulgham and Randy Keen home

District Rose Show, Speakers

Award and Recognition Luncheon

South Central District Meeting

Come Home To America's Rose Garden, an ARS Convention

By Mary Fulgham

This year's ARS convention was held at the American Rose Center in Shreveport and was attended by 280 registrants. The number was so large that the last day tour and rooms at the main hotel were cut off at 175, so that a number of us stayed at an alternate hotel and went home a day early. It did not keep us from having a wonderful time connecting with old friends and making new ones!

The show was entered by some 40 exhibitors from all across the country. Most impressive to me were those from California and other far away places. Roses were dry wrapped and/ or transported by unusual means in areas where they had already bloomed out. Meanwhile Dr. Satish Prabhu had only his OGRs in bloom, so he brought a table full of them, creating an oasis of fragrance in the prep area. My memory is that Cindy and (?) Dale won queen and king with Ring of Fire and Marilyn Monroe, but there were awards everywhere to reward the efforts of those who brought blooms and it was a great pleasure to see such a show again.

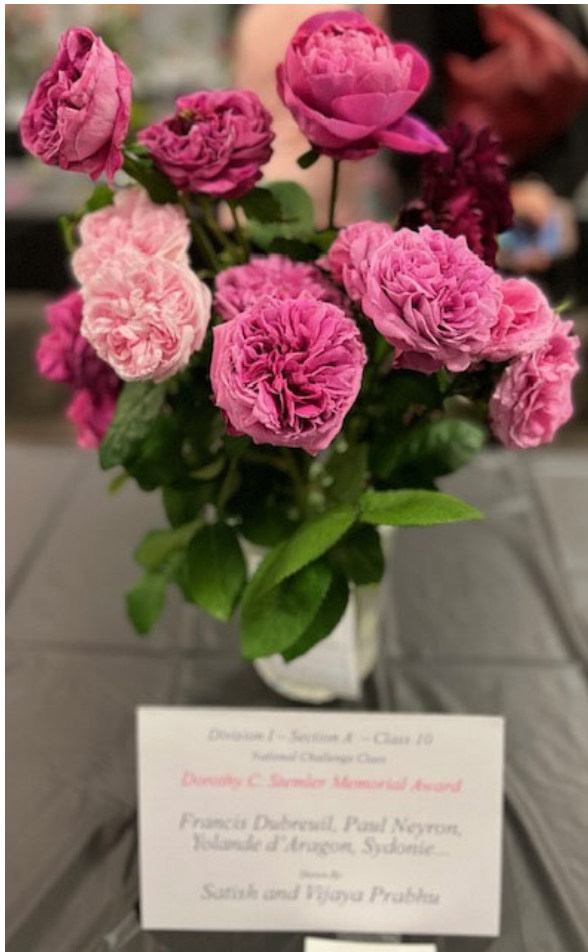
Later in the morning our own Gaye Hammond gave a great talk about the latest information on rose rosette disease. At lunch the logistical difficulties of feeding 280 people showed up, unfortunately coinciding with the arrival of extreme heat which was magnified by the clear plastic tent covering. A panel discussion by hybridizers following lunch was a highlight for me although the heat made it hard to sit still. A dinner dance rounded out the evening. The food was very good throughout the event, and the heat was solved the next day by moving the afternoon events indoors from lunch onward.

The next morning started with garden photography tips by Pam Powers, followed by a lecture by Claude Graves and Anita Clevenger on the Anne Belovich ramblers. These had been moved to the Chambersville Tree Farm in Selena, Texas but now that property has been sold, and Graves and others are working to save as many as possible through cuttings and with the help of ARS (donations needed). Next, we had a garden tour with highlights by Pat Shanley and John Corkern.

The lunch included presentation of the Klima award to Dr. Mark Windham, who gave a lecture on the future of ARS that I hope will become available to all. After lunch we heard "Rose Garden Chronicles" by Stephen Scaniello, and then a presentation on the current state of rose disease research by Dr David Byrne. In the evening we had a lovely awards banquet at the convention center near the main hotel. This was preceded by an entertaining auction of hard-to-find roses by John Bagnasco which raised money for the ARS.

President Diane Sommers honored the many hard-working volunteers who put together the convention as well as helping ARS in other ways. Suzanne Horne received the Blake Hedrick award as well as another presidential award. International Rose Trial Awards were also announced. Best HT is "Femme Fatale" by Andrew Barocco which also got the best fragrance award, introduced by Antique Rose Emporium. Best Grandiflora is "Sitting Pretty" by William Radler, which received 4 awards including best disease resistance and best overall, introduced by Star. Best floribunda is "Pink Brick House" by Jim Sproul, introduced by Spring Meadow. Best ground cover is "Oso Easy Peasy" by David Zlesak, introduced by Spring Meadow. Best climber is "True Devotion" by Ping Lim, introduced by Altman.

We had a wonderful time. My only regret is that we had so much to do that I did not get to spend enough time just visiting with old friends like our silver honor medalist Robin Hough who flew in from North Carolina. Next time!



Winning trophy by the Parbhu's



National Trophy for those who live more than 200 miles away

Sunset Horizon at the
ARC Garden



Madison Grace by Tommy Hebert
Floribunda Court of Honor



Ramblers were much discussed

Putting Two Inches of Water on Your Roses by Hand

By Donald Burger

Many times I have heard it said that roses need between one or two inches of rain each week. It's relatively easy to add an inch or two of water to your roses if you have a watering system. But what if it hasn't rained in a week and you hand water your roses? How long do you have to water a rose so that it gets the equivalent of one or two inches of rain? To answer that question you need to review some simple formulas.

The first thing you have to do is calculate the surface area you will be watering. Measure how far out your foliage extends from the main trunk of your rose. This is the drip line. From the trunk to the edge of the foliage is the radius of the rose's drip line. We will now employ the formula $\pi \times r^2$ to determine the number of square inches we will need to water. Multiply 3.1415 (π) times the radius squared ($r \times r$) to get the square inches of the area outlined by the drip line.

A gallon of water has 231 cubic inches. All we have to do is divide the area of our rose bush by 231 to determine the number of gallons required to put out one cubic inch of water on that particular rose. That number will vary with the size (radius) of the rose. I have prepared a chart to make it simple. The chart speaks of the diameter of the rose's drip line, but we have to square the radius to make the formula work.

Diameter of the rose's drip line	Square inches of area (πr^2)	Gallons for one inch of water over area	Gallons for two inches of water over area
12	113	0.5	1
18	255	1	2
24	452	2	4
36	1018	4.4	9
48	1809	8	16

Most miniature roses have a diameter of twelve inches. Small floribundas have a diameter of eighteen inches and larger floribundas go to twenty-four inches of diameter. Hybrid tea roses often have diameters of thirty-six inches and OGRs are easily forty-eight inches in diameter.

The last thing you have to determine is how many seconds it takes you to put a gallon of water on a rose using your water pressure and the particular spray nozzle of your choice at the end of your hose.

Get a container like a five gallon bucket or mop pail. Using an empty one gallon milk or water jug, fill up the jug with water. Pour that gallon into the pail and mark the level. Dump out the water and turn on your hose. Count out how many seconds (one Mississippi, two Mississippi, etc.) it takes to fill the pail to the one gallon mark. If it takes ten seconds, plan on watering each rose ten seconds to get one gallon of water or twenty seconds to get two gallons. Use my chart to determine how many gallons your particular roses need and you are ready to water.

American Rose Trials for Sustainability Winners from Star Roses and Plants

Star Roses and Plants recently won three awards from The American Rose Trials for Sustainability® (A.R.T.S.) program. A.R.T.S. identifies the most sustainable, hardy, pest-resistant, and beautiful rose cultivars for use in American landscapes and gardens.

Brick House Pink

A very compact floribunda with fluorescent pink flowers that bloom continuously from spring through frost. It thrives in both containers and the landscape.



Veranda White

A compact, bushy rose with pure white blooms. This variety works well in containers.

Bright & Shiny

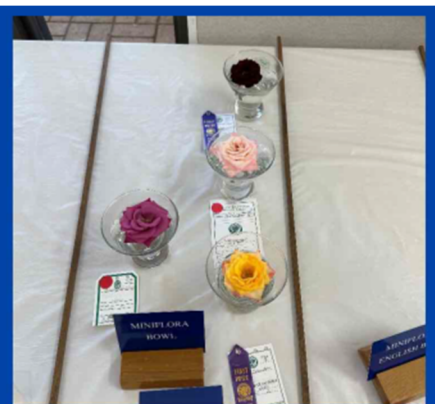
This floribunda rose produces blooms in a bright, cheerful color of apricot-orange mixed with yellow that finish light pink. The foliage is dark green and glossy, which provides an excellent contrast to the bright blooms.



San Antonio Rose Show

By Meg Ware

San Antonio's spring rose show left our seasoned members on a high instead of the usual down time after all our work. We had challenged our members to bring even one rose to the show since with no losers we can't have winners. And did they come through! Not that they produced buckets of blooms, but they brought their 2 or 5 roses or photos. And in attending they caught the excitement of the competition. Half of our clerks were novices and they bubbled with all they learned listening to the comment of the judges. We caught their enthusiasm listening to them and answering their questions. We had about our usual 330+ blooms, but we served 34 box lunches to our helpers and judges. Moreover, we had so many aiding in breakdown we had to find jobs for them. And these younger members are so full of ideas for bringing us into the more modern world. What an fun year we are going to have!



Father Greg Ross and Ester Ortiz were instrumental in providing photos for this publication, Thank You!



A page from the San Antonio Rose Society Newsletter Rose Show Edition

SCD Horticultural Judges

By Meg Ware

2023 saw a record number of our rosarians make the decision to retire from judging. The years of experience amassed by these masters will take a while to replace. It is appropriate that we recognize their service and thank them for their dedication to promoting our national flower. Please offer them a warm thank you when you see them.

These emeritus judges are Don and Paula Adlong from Conway, Arkansas; Ed Bradley from San Antonio, Texas; Clyde and Becky Davis from Orange, Texas; Dale Dardeau from West Orange, Texas; and Tommy Hebert from Beaumont, Texas.

Dale Dardeau Receives his Emeritus Judge Certificate





SCD Patron Program

The Patron Program is an integral part of the South Central District. The money generated from local members and local rose societies allows activities all over the district to 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!

Mail dues to the District Treasurer, JoAnn Bradley, 8108 Quebec Drive, San Antonio, TX, 78239.

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Kathy Harris

By Ilene Cook

It is with great sadness that I share the passing of our long-time member and friend Kathy Harris.



Kathy passed away May 15, 2023. Her death has come as a shock to many of us and her official obituary is below. But here are a few highlights of Kathy's many contributions to the Dallas Rose Society.

Kathy joined the DRS in the early 2000's. She quickly became a very well-respected member of the DRS and began to serve on the board beginning in 2005.

At the National ARS Convention in 2006 held here in Dallas she became a CR and was nominated and served as President of the DRS in 2008 and 2009.

Kathy was awarded the Bronze Medal in 2010 and has been the Dallas Rose Society editor for almost a decade.

She received the Silver Medal at the last SCD convention in 2022, for her work as the SCD Arrangement Chair and her leadership in creating guidelines on how to judge a virtual rose show.

Kathy loved all things roses and was also a past President of the Dallas Area Historical Rose Society and a very active member of both the Daylily Society and Iris Society.

Kathy leaves behind her husband Darrell and their two sons.

Condolences may be sent directly to Darrell at their home:

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or to the guest book at the North Dallas Funeral Home:

<https://my.gather.app/remember/katherine-harris>

Kathy will be missed for her kindness, quiet levelheaded leadership, and friendship.

KATHERINE HARRIS OBITUARY

Katherine Ann Harris of Dallas Texas, passed away on Monday May 15, 2023 at the age of 72. She will be deeply missed by her loving family, her devoted friends, and all the wonderful individuals who knew and loved her.

Please show your support by adding your name and stories to Katherine's Guestbook. <https://my.gather.app/remember/katherine-harris>

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JUNE IS NATIONAL ROSE MONTH

Shreveport, LA – June is National Rose month and what better way to spread the joy of roses than with the American Rose Society. Headquartered in Shreveport, Louisiana, the American Rose Society is a national non-profit organization founded in 1892 dedicated exclusively to the culture, appreciation and preservation of the rose. Our members put on rose shows, educational seminars, maintain public gardens, support research of the newest and disease resistant varieties of roses, provide arrangements and flowers for hundreds of local events and do all they can to share the enjoyment of the rose.



Roses have a long and colorful history. They have been used to symbolize love, beauty, war and peace. They are the subject of art, music, literature and poetry. On Nov. 20, 1986, President Ronald Reagan signed a resolution making the rose the national floral emblem at a ceremony in the White House (<https://rose.org/the-national-floral-emblem>)

The Rose is the National Floral Emblem and there are so many ways to enjoy roses:

1. Plant a rose bush! Need help? Go to www.rose.org to learn more.
2. Take roses to nursing homes, hospitals, banks and your local library. You'll brighten someone's day! Encourage your local library to have a rose book display.
3. Give roses to show your love or friendship. Roses are a favorite gift to receive.
4. Give a gift of a rosebush for a longer-lasting gift. There are so many different kinds of roses to choose from with an endless variety of colors, including stripes.
5. Visit a botanical garden or a rose garden. You might find inspiration to start your own rose garden or plant a community garden!
6. Take photos of your roses and share with friends in cards, notes and letters. Share with the ARS on our many social media platforms and be sure to tag us, #roses, #nationalfloralembem:
www.facebook.com/RoseSociety, twitter.com/AmericanRoseSoc,
www.instagram.com/AmericanRoseSociety

During the month of June, we are offering a special Membership Preview for free! Scan the code here and sign up to see some of the publications members of the ARS enjoy. You will then receive a special discount on a one-year membership to the American Rose Society.



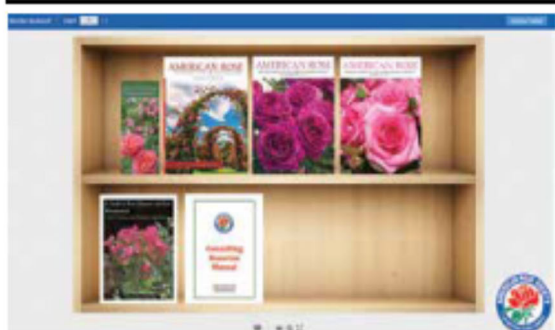
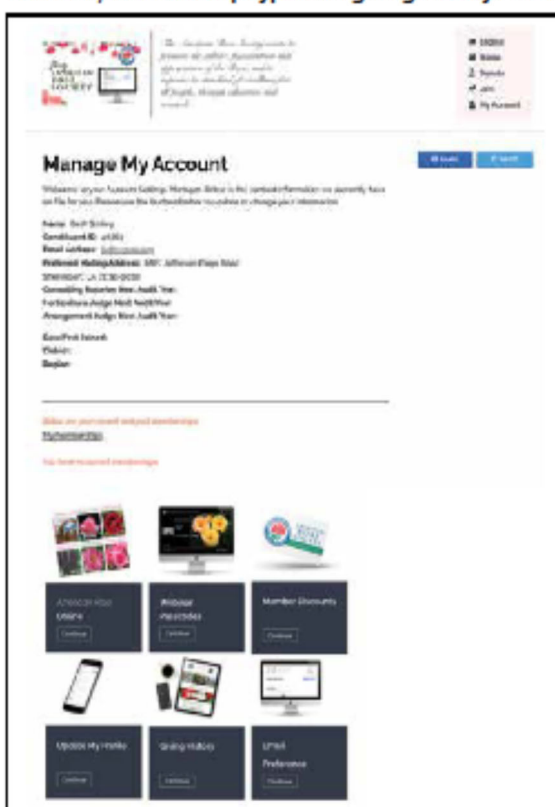
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The American Rose Society is a non-profit, educational organization working to promote the beauty, culture and preservation of the rose. Their headquarters home, the American Rose Center – America's Rose Garden, features more than 7,000 rose bushes – this translates into more than 400 different types of roses in one place. The grounds also include various sculptures and water features, as well as a playground and picnic area. The American Rose Center, located at 8877 Jefferson Paige Road in Shreveport, LA, is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., April 1 through October 31, closing for federal holidays.



MY ARS Member Portal

WE ARE BUSY ADDING NEW MEMBER BENEFITS to make your ARS membership even more valuable to you. We added a new member portal that can be easily found on the home page of WWW.ROSE.ORG where you can see all your information. What kind of information can be found there? Currently, your name, address, constituent ID (member number), email address, membership type and giving history. You can also see your CR



Audit Year, Horticulture Audit Year, and Arrangement Audit Year. And now you can see a digital copy of *American Rose*! Just log in to see our "Bookshelf" with the current issues, January/February 2023, March/April 2023 and May/June 2023 *American Rose*, 2022 *American Rose Annual* and the 2023 *Handbook for Selecting Roses*. There will be even more publications added in the near future.

To sign up today, follow these directions:

1. Go to www.rose.org
2. Click "Login" on the top right corner of the website. You will then be redirected to a Login page. Once there do not login, instead look right underneath and you will see a link that says, "New User Registration", click on it.
3. Then you will be redirected to a page that will ask basic information so we can link your account when we receive it. One piece of advice when you're on this page, the password must be 12 characters.
4. After you complete the registration click submit. Once your information is submitted, it will take two-to-three business days to confirm and approve your registration. After it is approved, you will receive an email welcoming you to the portal. Then you can sign in and you will now have access to your portal!

As we make improvements to the website and add new technology features, we hope to use this portal as the hub for ARS members to easily access these new improvements. If you have any issues signing up, please contact our Membership Department at 318-938-5402 ext. 103 and they will be happy to help you complete the registration process.

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If you are not a patron and would like to receive electronic issues of the newsletter the fee is \$5.00 annually. Information on the SCD Patron Program and the payment form are on the next page.

FROM YOUR EDITOR...

**ARTICLES OR PHOTOS SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE SUMMER ISSUE
IS JULY 30, 2023**

**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 THE ROSE SOCIETIES AND 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 a 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

**SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT PATRON PROGRAM
AND
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