



Rosarian Reminder

Tulsa Rose Society

April 2016

April Meeting - Sunday, April 10, 2016
2:00 PM At the Tulsa Garden Center
Growing Roses in Containers

A SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS!

A HUGE NOTE OF THANKS GO TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE OUR WORKSHOP/SCHOOL ON THE 5TH OF MARCH A WONDERFUL SUCCESS. Many thanks to Dennis Voss who helped secure the fabulous facilities at Tulsa Community College and arranged all the tables we needed for potted roses and refreshments. Also thanks to Weeks Roses, Star Roses and David Austin Roses for their donations and support of this event with wonderful rose varieties. Tulsa Rose Society will be forever grateful for your generous support. Thanks to the potting crew: Don Johnson, Butch Neumeier and grandson Joe, Gordon Beck and Mark Stelljes who gave of their time and energy to get all the roses potted up in time for the workshop. Another thank you to John Carter for working with the Wyndham Hotel to get the great prices on room rates for out of town attendees and secure the Governors' Suite for our guest speaker, Don Myers. John also made arrangements for the Hospitality Room at a fantastic rate! John and Judy also took care of the refreshments for the Hospitality Room and made sure we had refreshments during the workshop. Judy was also in charge of registration and Dennis Voss made the arrangements with Schlotzkys for the box lunch that was outstanding. Another big note of thanks to Liz Enochs who organized our gift bags to give to each registrant. A thank you also to Cracker Barrel for donating the sacks we needed for registrants. Last but not least were all those who helped in many areas on Friday and Saturday. If I leave anyone out I apologize. Those that gave their time in support were Kathy Vaughn, Mary Horigan, Tegan's daughter, Norma Hedrick Whitehead, who also provided food for the hospitality room as well as Liz Enochs and all those mentioned above!

Thank you all so much on behalf of all the TRS membership. We, as an organization, would not exist without members to step up and give their time to promote the love of roses and the friendship we enjoy with each other!

We also want to congratulate Liz Enochs, Barbara Gardner and Karen Gardner for becoming Consulting Rosarians.

Sincerely, Brenda Johnson

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Looking Ahead

April 8-9th SpringFest at Tulsa Garden Center 9 AM - 6 PM
April 10 - April Meeting topic at left
May 8 - Preparing for show.

Refreshments - April-

Dianne Nail and Judith Carter snacks, Butch Drinks

If you would like to help with refreshments let Judy Carter know.

Growing Roses in Containers

Two of our members who are also Master Gardeners will give our program on April 10th. Liz Enochs has been growing roses in containers successfully for years. She brings a lot of Roses to the Awards table. Dianne Nail will help solve the problem of keeping the containers watered by demonstrating how to install a drip irrigation system. This type of watering system is inexpensive and relatively easy to install by the homeowner. As usual we will have a door prize or two, refreshments and this meeting is the last chance for you to bid on the large round stained glass piece made and donated by Lester Stowell, one of our members.



Rose Society Executive Board Meeting March 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Gordon Beck in the Tulsa Garden Center New Volunteer Room. Present were Don Johnson, Mark Stelljes, Brenda Johnson, John Carter, Judy Carter, Mary Horrigan, Butch Neumeier, Tegan Crum, and Liz Enochs.

Minutes from the February Executive Board and the February Regular Meeting were approved as published with Judy Carter motioning the approval and Norma Whitehead seconding it. Motion passed.

Office and Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report

Judy Carter gave the financial report. Current assets for the Tulsa Rose Society are \$10,534.65, and report was filed for audit.

Membership Report

Mary Horrigan reported that the free membership was selected from the interested attendees at the Info Fair, and that person will be contacted. No other new memberships have been recorded.

Publicity

An article about the Winter Workshop was in the newspaper along with an announcement on NPR.

Show Committee

Butch Neumeier worked on assignments for the May rose show. Position clerks and placement runners are needed.

Old Business

Info Fair was successful and good contacts were made. Many people stopped for information or had questions.

Spring Workshop

Judy Carter will handle the registration table. Sixty roses will be available for silent auction with a minimum bid. Logistics for the hospitality room, set up on Friday at TCC, and agenda on Saturday were planned.

Spring Fest

10x10 tent has been rented for the event. Excess roses from the workshop will be available for purchase.

New Business

The Broken Arrow Rose Show will be on May 21, the same day as the Tulsa Rose Show. TRS anticipates that the Broken Arrow Rose Show will want to borrow vases again. Brenda Johnson motioned to sell 300 vases along with their boxes to the Bring Back the Roses Show for \$300. Don Johnson seconded.

The next general meeting will be March 13. The next Executive Board Meeting will be April 7.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Liz Enochs, Secretary

(Minutes for the March 13th meeting are on Page 7.)

What to do in April

- Water is always a must. Some areas have received nice rainfall but other areas, like my garden, have had less and are beginning to dry out. Check your soil and see that it is moist. Especially check newly planted roses and area where you used a planting mix with a lot of peat in it. Peat is slow to absorb water.
- Start your disease prevention process. This generally means spraying. Keep in mind that you have a lot of new foliage developing at this time. Even if your spraying is to last 14 days remember it is only on the foliage that was there when you sprayed. You may have a lot of new foliage in only a week.
- You should have your pruning completed now but it is not too late to start. If you have dead canes cut them back to the ground or bud union. If you are not sure how a particular type of rose should be pruned check the ARS website or many online resources or books available. You can also call one of our Consulting Rosarians.
- Your roses are going to be hungry and need a good feeding to get them started off. This is a good time to use natural/organic feeding material. The Mills Magic we ordered can be applied around the base of each bush. Pull back the mulch and spread it evenly around the bush according to the directions. Stir it into the surface of the soil slightly and replace your mulch. You should have watered before feeding (basic rule of fertilizing). Water again after replacing the mulch.
- You may need to add mulch to your beds. Your mulch will naturally break down and add valuable nutrients to your soil so you need to keep replenishing it to maintain a 3 to 4 inch level. This will help preserve the moisture and protect the roots from the extreme temperatures and make weed control easier.
- Take time to smell the roses. Yes many do not have any fragrance but take the time to walk through the garden and check the condition and look for problems while they are small.

Who We Are

The *Rosarian Reminder* is published monthly by the Tulsa Rose Society. Submit information and articles to John Carter, Editor at 1825 W. Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8509 or via email at editor@tulsarosesociety.org or call 918-355-8020. Newsletters are mailed or emailed to Tulsa Rose Society members. Memberships are \$20 for individuals or families. Membership benefits include the newsletter, group purchases of roses and rose care products and support from an active organization.

Your Club Officers for 2016 are:

Gordon Beck - President
 Carol Puckett - 1st Vice President - Programs
 Mary Horrigan - 2nd Vice President - Membership
 Liz Enochs - Secretary
 Judith Carter - Treasurer
 Dr. Don Johnson - Immediate Past President

Consulting Rosarians:

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 John Carter (North Broken Arrow) 918-355-8020
 Liz Enochs (South Tulsa) 918-664-5301
 Norma Whitehead (North Broken Arrow) - 918-286-8244
 Butch Neumeier (Claremore) 918-342-2885
 Mark Stelljes (Bixby/So Tulsa/BA) 918-232-0244

Meetings are normally held at the Tulsa Garden Center at 2 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Monthly business meeting is the first Thursday of every month at the Tulsa Garden Center at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome. Visit our website at www.tulsarosesociety.org.

Looking at the calendar!

- April 8 - 9 - SpringFest at TGC
 April 10 - Growing in Containers
 May 8 - Regular Meeting - Ask the Rosarian and guidelines for preparing for the show
 May 20 - noon - 4 TGC show setup
 May 21 - 7 AM - 10 AM - Show Entries
 May 21 - 10:30 - 12:30 - Judging of show
 May 21 - 1 PM - 3 PM - Show open to the public
 All programs subject to change

Growing Roses In Containers

With the exception of large climbers, most roses can be grown successfully in containers. It is important that the container be large enough to provide ample space for the roots; also to have good drainage, good soil and a location with adequate light and air circulation. The container may be plastic or clay. Plastic fares better in cold climates where freezing may actually crack clay containers. Clay containers do provide a cooler condition for the roots during hot weather. If choosing plastic, it is better to obtain the lighter terra-cotta color rather than the darker plastics, as they heat up faster. When met with these requirements one can grow miniatures right through roses that can attain a height and spread of up to five feet.

It is important that bush roses and small shrub roses be placed in containers no less than 15 inches in diameter. They will do well there for about two years and then will need transplanting. Roses in containers tend to deplete the soil of its nutrients more rapidly than if they were in the ground. Often they will also outgrow their containers and need a larger home. In this case one can provide the rose with a container one or two sizes up from the previous one.

To prepare a container for the rose to be planted in, place a layer about one inch deep of gravel or other medium sized rocks in the bottom of the container. This serves as drainage and prevents the soil from becoming too compressed at the bottom. Next, to prepare the soil, combine one third good quality commercial potting soil, one third well- aged garden compost (if this is not available then substitute more of the potting soil) and one third well-composted mushroom or steer manure. You may wish to add an extra cup of perlite to the mix to enhance drainage. It is beneficial to the rose to add one cup of bone meal to the soil. To increase the nutrient level, fishmeal and blood meal may be added. Roses are heavy feeders, as they need fertile conditions to produce many blooms over the growing season.

Fill the container about two-thirds full with the soil mix. Place the rose, with its roots spread out comfortably, over the slightly mounded soil. Then fill in around the rose with the remaining earth. Press down gently and firmly around the protruding canes. The soil surface should be level with the bud union (where the rose is grafted onto the rootstock). If the rose seems too deep in the container or the soil level is well below the brim of the pot, repeat the planting procedure. The soil will compress somewhat with time and the entire contents will sink somewhat in the container. It is advisable to fill the container right to the top. Water so that the contents are well saturated. Containers dry out more quickly than soil in the ground; it is important to water container roses often, especially during long periods of drought and heat. A quick spot-check for dryness will determine whether a rose needs to be watered. Scratch about an inch down into the soil. If it is totally dry the rose is in need of fluid.

For health it is necessary to place the rose in a situation where it receives some moving air. Space containers about two feet apart. This will reduce the incidence of fungus-related rose diseases. A rose should also have a full day of sun, or at least seven hours. Roses can spend their lifetime in this situation, excepting those places where the temperatures can drop dramatically over the winter months. It is advisable to move roses to a sheltered site or temporarily indoors. Finally, in spring offer roses in containers a tablespoon of Epsom salts sprinkled around the base of the plant. This provides the necessary magnesium for healthy foliage. Also a kick-start of a fish emulsion feed in spring to get them off to a healthy start.

(By Andrea Grant)



Photos From the Workshop



Looking for New Roses? Check these out!

Modern Easy Care Roses - Older

- *Eutin - Kordes 1940
- *Valentine - Swim 1951
- *My Girl - Easy Elegance Series Ping Lim 2008
- *All the Rage - Easy Elegance 2008 Ping Lim
- Sunrise Sunset - Easy Elegance 2004 Ping Lim
- Carefree Celebration - Radler 2008
- Home Run - Carruth 2004
- *Cinco de Mayo - Carruth 2007
- Flamenco Rosita - formerly 'Ivor's Rose' Beales 2006
- Westerland - Kordes 1976
- *Vincent Godsiff - Bermuda Mystery Rose
- First Kiss - Warriner 1991
- White Meidiland - Meilland 1987
- Mardi Gras - Zary 2007
- *Paloma Blanca - Buck 1985
- Carefree Beauty - Buck - 1979
- Grand Amore - Kordes 1968 formerly "My Valentine"
- Lady Elsie May - shrub Noack 2001
- Our Lady of Guadalupe - flor. Zary 2000

Other Recommended Roses

- 'Lafter' - yellow hybrid tea by Brownell
- 'Moonlight' yellow blend LCI Kordes 2006
- 'Carefree Sunshine' - yellow shrub by Radler 2001
- 'Freckles' - pink shrub by Buck 1976
- 'Sunsprite' - yellow floribunda by Kordes 1973
- 'Julia Child' - yellow floribunda by Carruth 2005
- 'R. roxburgii' - pink Species Rose
- 'Bailey Red' - red found rose
- 'Red Cascade' - red climbing mini by Moore'
- 'Kashmir' - Red shrub Easy Elegance Series
- 'Darlow's Enigma' - white HMsK
- 'Iceberg' Kordes

Modern Easy Care Roses - Recent Introductions

- 'Miracle on the Hudson' - Ripptoe
- 'Desmond Tutu' - Kordes
- 'Fiji' - Kordes
- 'Frances Meilland' - Meilland
- *'Tahitian Treasure' - Radler 2014
- *'Savannah' - Kordes 2014
- *'Beverly' - Kordes 2008
- 'Traviata' - Meilland 1998
- *'The McCartney Rose' - Meilland 1995
- *'Mother of Pearl' - Meilland 2007
- 'Wedding Bells' - Kordes
- 'Sunny Sky' - Kordes
- 'Plum Perfect' - Kordes
- *'Fire Opal Kolorscape' - Kordes
- 'Kardinal Kolorscape' - Kordes
- 'Take it Easy' - Kordes
- *'Lemon Fizz Kolorscape' - Kordes
- 'Sweet Drift' - Drift Series
- 'Peach Drift' - Drift Series
- 'Lone Star' - Kordes
- 'Thomas Affleck' - AGRS Winner - Shoup 2005

These Lists were compiled by Dr. Johnson for the benefit of our members and persons interested in growing roses in the Tulsa Area.



TRS General Meeting March 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order in the lower level of the Tulsa Garden Center at 2:04 p.m. by President Gordon Beck. He welcomed a large group of 84 guests and members to hear the presentation by Dennis Voss on *Waking Up Your Roses*. Topics covered were site selection, pruning, soil, mulch, fertilizer—everything you need to wake up your roses for the spring. Numerous door prizes were awarded. Members and guests were notified about a special silent auction for a large stained glass of roses that will be open for bidding through the April meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 for refreshments.

Liz Enochs, Secretary

Following taken from the San Antonio Rose and edited for Tulsa area.

THE INTERNET AND WEB SITES

The use of the internet is becoming more and more useful and beneficial in our daily lives. There is certainly a veritable mountain of information that is only partially tapped into. Many folks are becoming more comfortable with online shopping/browsing and online buying. And, the internet companies are certainly taking advantage of that. It is becoming a whole new industry on its own. Following are some web sites you may want to visit and browse.

Austin Roses	www.davidaustinroses.com	English Roses
Chamblee Roses	www.chambleeroses.com	Own Root Roses
Cool Roses	www.coolroses.com	Fortuniana Rootstock
Heirloom Roses	www.heirloomroses.com	Own Root Roses
For Love of Roses	www.forloveofroses.com	Own Root Roses
Lady Bug Brand	www.ladybugbrand.com	Bagged organic products
Mills Roses	www.kandmroses.com	Fortuniana Rootstock
Rosemania	www.rosemania.com	Own Root Mini; Budded large
Southwood	www.southwoodgardencenter.com/	Roses and supplies
Stringer Nursery	www.stringernursery.com/	Roses and supplies
Roses Inc, Greencountry	www.rosesinc.com/	Roses and Supplies
Great Resource	www.helpmefind.com	Click on Roses



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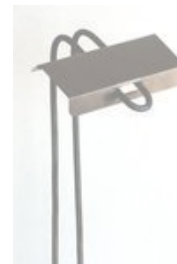
The following will be available at our meetings.

For Sale:

Stainless Steel Plant markers:

20" \$2.00 15" \$1.75 10" \$1.50

Keep these in mind for birthday and holiday gifts!



Roses available for sale prices \$15.00 or 2 for \$25.00

Mother of Pearl

Sunshine Daydream

Hot Cocoa

De Lish

Phloxy Baby

Apricot Candy

Peace

Happy Go Lucky

Good As Gold

Pretty Lady

Neil Diamond

Koko Loko

Claire Austin

Roses are available from Dr. Johnson and will be at the SpringFest booth on April 8th and 9th.