

**TULSA ROSE SOCIETY MEETING**  
**SUNDAY February 12, 2017 2 p.m.**

***Garden Smarter***

Gardening for most of us is a hobby or form of leisure activity. It should not become a burden or so much work that we no longer enjoy our garden. Of course what is hard work for one person can be a release of mental stress for another. We all must find our own place and pleasure in the garden.

To be smarter with our gardening we need to learn the proper techniques and timing to do the "work". You have heard the term "Work Smarter, not Harder". That will apply to our garden activities.

At this time of the year most of the gardening is or should be in the planning stages rather than physical activities. Our plants are mostly dormant and getting a little confused over the 50 degree swings in temperature we have seen. Most of us are anxious to get back in the garden and start the process that will give us a beautiful garden. So how do we:

***Get Our Roses off to a Good New Year***

Our February meeting will cover the topics related to the care our garden (roses) needs to get a good start on the new year. Most of us are experienced and have done this for years. However some of our members have limited experience. Our Consulting Rosarians will lead the discussion. Everyone is free to ask questions. If you are one of the experienced gardeners you might share how have been successful in getting your garden started. Each of our gardens are slightly different in the amount of sunlight it gets, the air circulation, the water system and pH of the soil.

Some of the questions to be answered:

- When do I start pruning?
- Do I prune all my Roses the same?
- How do I know what kind of Rose I have?
- What do you mean by improving air circulation?
- When do I fertilize?
- What do I fertilize with? How about manure?
- When do I start spraying? What do I spray?
- Are there "Good" bugs?

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**Looking Ahead**

- Feb 12 - Pruning & tool sharpening
- Mar. 12 - Bingo
- April 9 - New Roses

**Refreshments -**

If you would like to help with refreshments for any of the future meetings let Judy Carter know.



### Things to Do in February

- Water? Water has always been first on my list of things to do to keep your roses going. January has been wetter than normal in some areas. Everyone does not get the same amount of rain and snow so you should check your garden.
- Soil samples - If you have not taken soil tests yet you should do so soon so you will have time to plan and take any corrective action that may be needed. pH problems are not corrected quickly.
- If you prepared a new bed you should be turning the planting mix every few weeks (if it is not frozen or buried under the snow). If you still need to prepare a new bed or rebuild an existing one you should be working on it when ever we have some nice weather.
- You should plan your fertilization program for the year and place your order for any Mills products from the TRS group purchase program.
- Check the temperature of the area you are storing your chemicals, especially during the extremely low temperatures we are having. It is not often we have seen wind chill temperatures below zero and single digit temperatures for several days.
- Check your roses for damage. If you have damaged canes go ahead and cut them off so only a clean cut is exposed to the insects and elements. If you have any limbs or debris that has fallen on your rose bushes, be sure to remove it. Check around your rose bed for anything that is not right and take the time to fix it.
- If you have not removed any unwanted roses now is the time to do it. If you plan to replant another bush in that location be sure to remove all of the roots and soil to leave a clean and disease free planting location. Go ahead and fill the hole with your planting mix and water it down very well. You should probably turn it up every week or so and give it another good watering so it will be ready for planting.
- Do a little homework. Review how the past year went and what worked and what did not work. If

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#### Your Club Officers for 2016 are:

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

#### Consulting Rosarians:

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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](http://www.tulsarosesociety.org).

your prevention methods did not stop the black spot and insects, try to figure out why and plan a better process to try this year. Review the available products and application methods to see if a different product would best fit your garden. You should also review your feeding program. Did your program develop and maintain strong and healthy canes and foliage? If not was your pH too low or too high? That will prevent your fertilizers from being used by the bush.

- Have questions? Need HELP? Your consulting Rosarians are here to help you! If you get "online" help make sure you are getting information for our area.

**BINGO FOR ROSES IN MARCH!**



## Rose Executive Board Meeting January 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by President Gordon Beck in the Tulsa Garden Center New Volunteer Room. Present were Gordon Beck, Don Johnson, Brenda Johnson, Bev Forester, Mary Horrigan, John Carter, Sammy Stevens, Sheila Gist, Butch Neumeier, and Liz Enochs.

### Office and Committee Reports

#### *Financial Report*

John Carter gave the financial report. Current assets for the Tulsa Rose Society are \$10,760.93.

Purchase of insurance for 2017 is projected to be \$200.00. Patron donation to ARS has been raised to \$200.00. Brenda Johnson motioned and Sammy Stevens seconded that the Tulsa Rose Society pay for the insurance through ARS. Approval was 100%. Don Johnson moved for the Tulsa Rose Society to donate \$200.00 to the ARS as a Patron, Sheila Gist seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Storage facility rental has been raised. Broken Arrow would like to pay for part of the storage to store their vases. Questions of liability for theft were brought up and decision to let Broken Arrow rent part of our storage will be discussed later. Sammy Stevens suggested that John Carter be compensated for his efforts with the fertilizer orders. Sammy Stevens motioned and Mary Horrigan seconded that some type of compensation be given for the work that John Carter does. Motion passed. Decision about the form and amount of compensation will be decided at the next meeting. John Carter moved and Butch Neumeier seconded to approve the 2017 budget. The budget will be brought up for a vote at the January general meeting.

#### *Membership*

Brenda Johnson thanked Mary Horrigan for getting 12 new members at the end of the year.

#### *Hospitality*

A decorated sheet cake will be brought to the January general meeting to celebrate 125 years of the American Rose Society.

#### *Publicity*

Mary will continue to send postcards to members to remind them of the upcoming meetings.

#### *Nominating Committee*

Brenda Johnson will install the officers at the January meeting.

### Old Business

The March general meeting will be bingo. Don Johnson has arranged for donations of approximately 50 roses. There will be two sessions of bingo and cards for each session will be \$5.00 per card.

Finger foods will be brought by members.

Mike Shoup, owner of Antique Rose Emporium, will be contacted about coming as a speaker and a time frame that works for him.

Sammy Stevens reported on the new Facebook page, "Tulsa Rose Society Friends." Sammy has posted pictures from the Christmas Party on the website. TRS members can contact Sammy Stevens to get an invite to the Facebook page.

Information Fair is February 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Tulsa Garden Center. People are needed to work the shifts, and a signup sheet will be at the general meeting to recruit people. Information Fair can be used to pro-



mote bingo in March. A prize of a free membership will be given through a drawing.

TRS decided not to do Ecofest at TCC this spring. TRS will participate in Spring Fest if the society can have an information table at no cost.

Don Johnson talked about the Arrangement School that the South Central District will hold on March 25 in Texas. Several noted arrangers will be presenting at the workshop.

### **New Business**

Bev Forester gave information about the Keep Broken Arrow Beautiful program. The city project has extended the area to the south end of Main Street. Bev would like to have some volunteers from TRS to help with the rose festival which will be on Saturday, May 6. She said a booth could be rented for TRS to sell items and the cost would be a small percentage of the sales. She also said that a program at the festival could be given by a member of TRS. Bev also asked for a TRS member to be a judge at the festival, and Butch Neumeier volunteered.

Sammy Stevens motioned to give a free membership to Laura Chalus, the executive director of the Tulsa Garden Center and the speaker at the January meeting, as a thank you. Butch Neumeier seconded. Motion passed.

Mary Horrigan submitted a form that she would like to have filled out each time TRS has a raffle to accurately track the money. Board approved the form.

Butch Neumeier motioned for the board to adjourn, John Carter seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Liz Enochs, Secretary

### **Tulsa Rose Society General Meeting January 8, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. in the auditorium of the Tulsa Garden Center by President Gordon Beck. 27 members and guests were present.

Brenda Johnson announced to the audience that the American Rose Society was celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> year, and in honor of the occasion a large rose decorated sheet cake would be served to all at the end of the meeting.

Brenda presented the Bronze Honor Medal to Liz Enochs for her service to the Tulsa Rose Society.

Brenda also installed the newly elected officers of the Tulsa Rose Society: Gordon Beck as president, Dennis Voss as first vice president, Mary Horrigan as second vice president, Liz Enochs as secretary, and John Carter as treasurer.

John Carter presented the 2017 budget to the society, and Gordon Beck asked for approval of the budget as outlined. Don Johnson motioned to accept the budget, Butch Neumeier seconded. The society approved the proposed budget as written.

Laura Chalus, the Executive Director of the Tulsa Garden Center, gave a presentation on the Past, Present and Future of the Tulsa Rose Garden. She was aided by Heather Michaelson-Hale, the lead gardener at the Tulsa Rose Garden, and answered questions about the future of the rose garden. Don Johnson, past president of the Tulsa Rose Society, will actually be a part of the Tulsa Rose Garden Committee that helps with decisions on the Rose Garden. Available at the meeting for members to view was a scrapbook of pictures and articles about the Tulsa Garden Center Rose Garden, material that members had never seen before.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:42 for refreshments.

Minutes submitted by Liz Enochs, Secretary



## ***Dormant Oil Spraying***

Oil sprays have been used since the late 1800's for the control of various insect pests of fruit and shade trees. As early as 1880, kerosene-soap emulsions were used for control of aphids and other soft-bodied insects. By 1923 the successful use of a 2% light lubricating oil against the San Jose scale was reported. Since then more highly refined oils with most of the sulfur compounds removed have been developed and field tested with more effective results.

The winter season is the time to apply dormant oil sprays to plants, for the control of insects and disease. Covering the dormant stems of a plant with a highly refined oil such as Lilly Miller Spray Oil suffocates overwintering insect eggs and fungal spores. Before you spray make sure to clean up the fallen leaves around your plants and remove any leftover fruit that may be still hanging on your trees. Roses can also benefit from the use of horticultural oil sprays in the control of black spot, powdery mildew and rust. Powdery mildew can be effectively controlled by using a mixture of 2 Tsp. of Baking Soda with 2 Tbs. of Horticultural Oil in 1 Gallon of Water.

More recently summer oil spray rates have been developed for growing-season applications. Control of mites and scale on citrus, and powdery mildew on roses are two of the most common applications. Be sure and read the label on your dormant oil for warnings of phytotoxicity on selected plants. Ferns are particularly sensitive to oil applications and conifers can be burned by an improper application. Spraying on hot or humid days can also cause adverse reactions especially if the plants are under water stress.

Horticultural Oil sprays are one of the weapons that Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practitioners use in the control of harmful insects and diseases. Other IPM strategies include natural biological controls, such as lacewings for aphids or *Creptolaemus montrouzieri* for mealybugs; cultural controls such as the proper timing of soil cultivation and debris cleanup; the health maintenance of plants including the proper amounts and timing of irrigation and fertilizers; and when necessary the application of botanical pesticides on target pests at the proper time and dosage. All of these strategies help minimize damage to the environment, maximize pest control and can reduce the cost of pest control.

(Information taken from: <http://www.berkeleyhort.com/how-to/horticultural-oils/>)

## ***Member Shirts***

The business that has embroidered our shirts for the past couple of years has been sold and the cost of the shirts will go up significantly under the new owners. Orders can be taken at the February meeting under the existing prices. That will be our last chance at a reasonable price. If you want a shirt sign up at the February meeting or contact Brenda Johnson before the meeting to give her the information. Shirts are \$20 each.

## ***Arrangement Judging School Farmers Branch, Texas Saturday, March 25, 2017***

Training on Saturday. This will be presented by the top designers from around the nation. You will learn to be a better designer by learning what the Judges are looking for when they are judging.

Testing to become a judge will be on Sunday, March 26th. There are additional requirements to become a certified judge. See the Johnsons for details.

## Member news

The following is a note we received from our member Tegan Crum. Tegan has moved out of the area and working in a new line of work for her. She was a huge help with our spring show and her efforts will be missed. She was also a great idea person and had a number of ideas that helped our club while she was here. We wish her our best and she is always welcome back!

Hello, all-

I just wanted to write and tell everyone that we are doing great down here in Wilburton, OK. I greatly miss spending time out at Butch's garden working and talking to getting advice on all sorts of life problems. I have several people here at the college that absolutely love the roses I bring to them. Kiera is doing great. She is now in basketball and tries to play the saxophone; she has made friends all over. We both get honked at and waved to when we ride our bikes around town. When it's warm she rides to school and then goes to the library afterwards. Kiera and myself were both baptized on Christmas day and enjoy my uncle's church a great deal. Life is good and we are both doing well. I am happy to say I am passing all my classes with being in the top 5 students. I had the highest score in 2 classes. I am very happy being a police officer and look forward to what God has in store for our life.

May God bless all of you and I miss you a great deal. Hopefully I will be able to get up that way to a meeting soon.

Tegan and Kiera Crum

## New Members

We were treated to a very informative program about the Tulsa Rose Garden by Laura Chalus and Heather Michaelson-Hale at our January meeting. There were 30 members and guests in attendance. Laura and Heather both joined our group as well as Eileen Engleston-Stearns and Karen Nelson. It was great to see many of our members in attendance and they paid their dues and for their name tags. We have close to 50 members now.



The photo on the left is of our President, Gordon Beck with Laura Chalus, Executive Director of the Tulsa Garden Center (center) and Heather Michaelson-Hale, Head Gardener at Woodward Park which includes the Tulsa Rose Garden. Laura and Heather are new members.

We were informed that a lot of work has gone into getting the Tulsa Rose Garden free of Rosette and more work will go into it before bringing new plantings so they will not become infected. Jen Olsen of Oklahoma State University has done extensive research and spent a lot of time in the Tulsa Rose Garden in documenting the dreaded disease. Ms. Olsen will be our speaker in November.

**Happy 100th Birthday to our Honorary Member**

**Bessie Salyer!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Tulsa Rose Society

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2017 Fertilizer Order

Compare these prices to Rosmania prices.

Product	Size	Cost	Qty Ordered	Amount
Mills Magic Rose Mix	10# drum	\$ 16.00		
NKP 6-5-1 20	20 # bag	\$ 23.00		
	40 # bag	\$ 45.00		
	40# Drum	\$ 57.00		
Mills EasyFeed Liq	1/2 gal	\$ 16.00		
NKP 14-6-4 1 Gal	1 Gal	\$ 28.00		
	2.5 Gal	\$ 67.00		
Bloomkote	20# Drum	\$ 44.00		
NKP 16-18-14	40# Drum	\$ 80.00		
	50# Bag	\$ 83.00		
Rose Starter Fert (11-40-6)	20 # bag	\$ 22.00		
<b>New - 14-14-14Polymer Coated</b>				
<b>Slow Release</b>	50 # bag	\$ 77.50		
Beaty's 100% Worm Castings	20 # bag	\$ 17.00		
Liquid Seaweed	1 Gal	\$ 27.00		
Fish Emulsion	1 Gal	\$ 18.00		
Total Due at Delivery				

Please complete order form and Return to John Carter, 1825 W  
Lincoln St Broken Arrow, OK 74012 Orders Due Feb. 12, 2017

It is time to look at your fertilizer needs for this coming summer. The prices have stayed almost the same. We just get this one chance per year so think about the type of fertilizer program you plan to use this summer and order the appropriate type. Visit their website to learn specifics about the products:

<https://www.millsmix.com/fertilizers-supplements.html>

Compare their prices to our prices. You can also order Mills products from Rosemania.

<http://rosemania.com/page6.html>

This is not a fundraiser for TRS. We just charge the expected cost.



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The following will be available at our meetings.

For Sale:

Stainless Steel Plant markers:

20" \$2.00 15" \$1.75

Keep these in mind for birthday and holiday gifts!



### New Name Tags

Our President has located a local source for new name tags for our membership. This will be a plastic name tag with a magnetic clasp on the back. It will have a rose on it and your name. Overall size is about 2"x3". The cost will be \$8 and an example is shown at the right.

If you have paid for your name tag it will be available at our February meeting.

