



# Rosarian Reminder

Tulsa Rose Society

September 2018

## TULSA ROSE SOCIETY MEETING SUNDAY September 9, 2018 2 p.m.

### **Program: "Companion Plants"**

We are pleased to welcome Barry Fugatt , Director of Horticulture at the Tulsa Garden Center to present our program.

**We will meet in the Historical Society building for this meeting.**

**October 14th meeting:** Join us to learn about "Butterfly Gardening" from John Kahre, TCC Professor of Horticulture (retired).

**November 11th meeting:** Come and hear an update from Jen Olsen of Ok. State University Horticulture Dept. on OSU's examination and study of Rose Rosette disease this year. Election of officers will take place.

**December 9th meeting:** We are pleased to announce that Diane Nail has offered her home for our annual holiday party.

### ***We Need Your Help!***

It is time for the Society to select **officers for the coming year.** If you would like to serve in some capacity contact Don & Brenda Johnson and let them know. If you have ideas, comments, information that you would like to share regarding our meetings and programs you can also share that information with them and they will pass it on to the board. You can reach Don & Brenda at 918-227-1954.

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#### **Looking Ahead**

Sept. 9 - TRS meeting at TGC-Hist. Society  
Oct. 14 - Regular mtg at TGC  
Nov. 11 - Reg. mtg at TGC

#### **Refreshments -**

If you would like to help with refreshments for any of the next 3 meetings let Judy Carter know. Ph: 918-355-8020





## September Rose Care

1. **Water** - Nothing new here. Water is important all 12 months of the year. We have had some nice rains in some areas but others are dry. Check your rose beds regularly and give them a good soaking watering a couple times a week instead of a little every day.
2. **Feeding** - It is time for fall weather to start making an appearance and with the cooler weather our roses will grow more. It is about time to stop feeding but with the rose show still 6 weeks away they will still need some nourishment to get them ready for the show. We want to stop feeding in time for the roses to go dormant before the first freeze. Organics are good to feed this time of the year.
3. **Spraying** - We need to continue our spraying program until we get our first freeze. With dew on the roses in the morning and a warm afternoon it is an ideal environment for funguses to grow. Watch for insects and treat as needed. Remember there are good bugs eating the bad bugs. Your spray will kill the good bugs as fast as the bad bugs.
4. **Spider mites** - Those little critters are around and will do significant damage if not treated. The simple solution is to simply wash them off the roses with a water wand with good pressure. This process must be repeated for at least 3 days in a row to break their cycle. If you are going to use chemicals you must use a miticide, not an insecticide.
5. **Mulch** - you need to be maintaining and possibly building up your mulch to be ready for winter protection. The mulch will save you on your water bill and help keep the weeds and grass from growing in your beds.

**Deadheading and Pruning.** It is only 6 weeks until the South Central District show. Your miniatures will take about 30 days to bloom. Your hybrid teas will need the most pruning while your shrub roses will probably only need a good deadheading. Be sure to open up the center of your bush so good air circulation is maintained. Remove any small and blind shoots that can not result in a good bloom stalk.

## Who We Are

The *Rosarian Reminder* is published monthly by the Tulsa Rose Society. Submit information and articles to Judy Carter, Editor at 1825 W. Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8509 or via email at [editor@tulsarosesociety.org](mailto: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 2018 are:

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

### Consulting Rosarians:

Don & Brenda Johnson (Sapulpa) 918-227-1954  
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 Norma Whitehead (North Broken Arrow) - 918-286-8244  
 Butch Neumeier (Claremore) 918-342-2885

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).

## Looking at the calendar!

September 9 - Regular meetings resume  
 September 15 - Weeding in Tulsa Rose Garden.  
 October 13 - Ft. Smith Show  
 October 14 - Regular meeting & Report of Nominating Committee for 2019 officers  
 October 19-21 - SCD Rose Show, Dallas, Tx  
 October 27 - Conway, Ark Show  
 November 11 - Regular meeting & Election of 2019 Officers  
 December 9 - Special holiday meeting at Diane Nail's home

**Tulsa Rose Society - Executive Board Meeting**  
**June 7, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. on June 7, 2018, by Gordon Beck in the Tulsa Garden Center Volunteer Room. Present were Gordon Beck, Don Johnson, Brenda Johnson, Sammy Stevens, Dale Isgrigg, Butch Neumeier, Judy Carter and Liz Enochs.

**Committee Reports:**

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the May Board and General meetings were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dianne Nail reported current assets of \$10,039.28.

**Hospitality:** The next meeting is this Sunday, June 7, and Eric Rebek, OSU professor, is the speaker. The society will provide ice cream for a social and members are encouraged to bring their favorite toppings.

The Board discussed not meeting in July or August. (This has been a pattern that we have followed in past years.) Dale Isgrigg moved and Judy Carter seconded the motion to have the next general meeting in September and not to meet in July or August. The motion was approved.

**Nominating Committee:** Brenda Johnson is beginning to compile the potential board nominees for 2019. Election will be held in November, but the month for installation can be chosen by the Board. IF the Christmas Party is held at Mary Horrighan's home again, she has stated that she prefers installation in January. Dianne Nail moved and Don Johnson seconded the motion to have the installation of officers in January. The motion was approved.

**New Business:**

Program ideas will be sought by Dennis Voss from members to insure member interest.

Because of upcoming surgery, Liz Enochs will be turning over secretarial responsibilities to Judy Carter beginning in September for at least two months.

Gordon announced that he had received the membership confirmation from ARS for our society.

**Old Business:**

Gordon reported that he had only one name tag left to deliver to a member.

The Broken Arrow Rose Show was a success and many attendees talked with our TRS folks at their table.

Gordon reported that Mary Horrigan had completed the 2017 audit and everything is in order.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Liz Enochs, Secretary



## **Tulsa Rose Society - General Meeting June 10, 2018**

President Gordon Beck called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m. in the auditorium of Tulsa Garden Center. Twenty-six members and guests were present.

Gordon reminded ARS members to vote online for the new Vice-president by July 27th.

Brenda Johnson reminded members that to be in contention for any award or to become a Consulting Rosarian or Horticulture or Arrangement Judge, that you need to be a member of ARS. She also reminded members that a new slate of officers is needed for the November election and encouraged everyone interested to let her know.

Members were reminded that there would not be general meetings in July or August.

Gordon introduced Dr. Eric Rebek of OSU who spoke on "Biological Control for Roses". Dr. Rebek passed out electronic sensors to everyone so they could choose answers to questions he posed. Everyone voted anonymously and the answers were displayed as percentages on the projected screen, totally engaging his audience. He talked about beneficial insects and the 4 P's: predators, parasitoids, pathogens and pollinators. After his talk, he answered questions from attendees.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m. for ice cream and toppings.

Liz Enochs, Secretary

### ***Member News***

We hope all of you have had a good summer and have enjoyed the cooler, wetter weather in August. Some of our members will be having surgeries soon -- Butch Neumeier will have a pacemaker installed on Sept. 5th and Liz Enochs will have shoulder surgery on Sept. 17th. We were also sorry to hear that Mary Horrigan's brother is undergoing cancer treatment. We hope all others are doing well, but if some are 'under the weather', we wish you a speedy recovery. Have a great fall season with lots of bloom!

### ***Roses in Review - Due by September 26, 2018***

In the July/August edition of the American Rose Magazine the forms for submitting your Roses in Review for 2018 appear. You can also submit your information from the ARS website [rose.org](http://rose.org). Consulting Rosarians are required to submit the form every year. Even if you do not grow any of the roses listed, you should still submit the form.





## ***Preparing Your Roses for Fall and Winter***

All plants go through some period of dormancy as part of their growing cycle. This cycle is often triggered by temperature change. Roses normally go into a dormancy stage when temperatures fall below 26 degrees on a regular basis. Here in Northeast Oklahoma these conditions do not occur on a regular basis so we can do some things to encourage our roses to experience dormancy.

1. Stop deadheading and removing spent blooms. Roses, as most plants, have a natural reproductive cycle. Leaving the blooms on the rose will allow some roses to produce hips which contain seeds internally. These seeds can be used to grow a new rose bush. When the rose bush senses that it has produced hips it is content to start its dormancy cycle. Continuing to cut the blooms will encourage the bush to continue to create blooms hoping to create a hip and therefore continue its existence.
2. Stop fertilizing. Feeding your roses with “quick” acting fertilizer that promotes further growth. If the rose is producing new growth at the time of a “hard” freeze that new growth will be killed and the rose will suffer some shock from the event. It is alright to use an organic food that will break down during the winter and be available next spring. Applying super phosphate to promote root health is appropriate if you feel it is needed to give your roses a boost. It is also a time to apply sulfur or gypsum to help change the pH of your soil if that is needed. It only takes a small amount and results cannot be measured for several months.
3. Continue spraying until your area has a couple of hard freezes. Do not prune your bushes but do clean them up. Remove any diseased foliage, broken canes, crossed canes rubbing each other and extra tall canes that will catch the wind and rock the bush. Cleanup leaves around the base of the bush.
4. Build up your mulch to help hold in the moisture during the winter and to protect the root zone from extreme freezing. Most “own root” roses will winter well. This includes the miniature and Miniflora roses. Grafted roses should have the bud union protected for the first several years as they mature. This can be something simple like piling mulch around the bud union. It is often helpful to put some type of collar around the base of the rose to prevent the mulch or insulation material from being washed or blown away. These collars can be made of folded newsprint. Insulating material can be leaves, grass clippings, fine mulch or even soil.
5. Be sure to water and check the moisture content of the rose bed during the winter.



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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!

