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# Rosebuds

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Meeting: February 5

WCEO

1:30 pm (New Time!)

Program: Ron Daniels

Refreshments:

B&P Matus

## TENARKY District Winter Workshop by Mary A. Hext, CR

**B**GRS is the host for the annual Tenarky District Winter Workshop will be held February 19-21 at the Holiday Inn/Convention Center in Bowling Green.

The workshop will have a horticulture judges audit on Friday afternoon, a welcome supper and program on Friday night. Saturday will include five rose education workshops, a rose photography show, and evening banquet. An ARS Consulting Rosarian School will be Sunday morning. ARS President Pat Shanley will also be attending our workshop.

We are fortunate to have a variety of excellent speakers for our seminars.

■ Chris Van-Cleave "The Red-neck Rosarian" from Rose Chat Radio who will



speak about "Social Media and Rose" He is an active member of the Birmingham Rose Society, a Consulting Rosarian, Bronze Honor Medal recipient and serves on the ARS Marketing and Membership Committees. Chris has written several garden articles and is co-host of the popular [Rose Chat Radio Online Podcast](#).

■ Carol Shockley, a member of the Central Arkansas Rose Society, returns for her fifth presentation sharing her photos and passion for exciting new roses for 2016. From Conway, AR, she has been growing roses for many years. She is a Bronze and Silver Honor Medal Recipient and Outstanding Consulting Rosarian.



■ Dr. Mark Windham, Professor and Distinguished Chair in Ornamental Pathology at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, is part of a team of scientists that has received funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Specialty Crops Initiative to combat Rose Rosette disease. He will provide us with the latest research findings.



■ Curtis Aumiller is from Camp Hill, PA, and has been judging rose photography for over eight years. He is both a horticulturist (con. p. 2)



## Beaty Fertilizer Orders by Mary Ann Hext

For the past few years, we have been able to order fertilizer for our roses from Beaty Fertilizer at a special rate given to rose society members; and we can do this again for 2016.

As the Tenarky Winter Workshop is being held in Bowling Green, Clayton will bring our orders to the convention center for pickup which will save us shipping costs.

An order form is on the Tenarky Website at [www.tenarky.org](http://www.tenarky.org) and is

also attached with this newsletter. This year you will need to send your order directly to Cathy or email it to her. Instructions are on the order form. You will need to send her your order by February 12. The orders may be picked up on Saturday and you will pay for your products at that time.

Several of our members use these products and can advise you on them. If you need help with the form, just let me know or bring it to the meeting on February 5 and I will help you then.

## REMINDER



Please plan to pay your BGRS 2016 dues at the February meeting or send to our treasurer, Ann Jacobs, by February 5 in order to be included on the 2016 membership list which will be distributed by email and at the March meeting. Bring a friend with you!!!

# TENARKY District Winter Workshop *(continued from p. 1)*

and arrangement judge for the American Rose Society and has given presentations around the country about judging and taking rose photos. Curtis current serves as the ARS National Chair of Photography and the ARS Penn-Jersey District Chair of Arrangement Judges. He has been awarded the Penn-Jersey District 2012 Outstanding Consulting Rosarian and the ARS Silver Honor Medal from the Penn-Jersey District in 2013.

■ Steve Hutton, currently president of Star Roses and Plants/Conard-Pyle, is a third generation nurseryman. At age 12 he had his first paying job in the industry—following a number of nonpaying jobs—selling pansies he and his brothers grew to the garden center Star Roses had at the time. He worked after school

and many summers at the nursery during high school and college.



Since returning to the nursery full-time in 1978, he has held positions as head of the License Department, Vice President of Production, and President and CEO of the Company, his current position. Hutton currently serves as a director on a number of boards. He lives, works and gardens in the beautiful countryside of Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Since BGRS is the host for the winter workshop, help will be needed in several areas. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!!!!

All information is on the Tenarky website at [www.teharky.org](http://www.teharky.org)



## From the President *by Ben Matus*



Happy New Year to all and welcome to winter. Pauline and I just came home from breakfast and the car thermometer says it's 14° F outside. Wasn't that long ago that it was + 50° and the roses were putting on new growth. Oh well, we'll have to wait to see how rough this winter is on them.

I'm looking forward to this coming year for BGRS with some trepidation. As Dirty Harry said, "a man's got to know his limitations" and I know mine. You were warned that I am a world class procrastinator (I have medals to prove it). I fear for our little group under my leadership.

We need new, younger blood. Membership is our most urgent issue. As Kathy Dodson has done so many times, we need to bring a friend to our meetings. We need to share our love of roses with folks that show any interest and invite them to come be with us for an afternoon or evening.

At our executive committee meeting it was agreed that continuing to meet in the afternoon was probably suicidal if we had any hope at all of attracting some younger people. We'll discuss that at our next meeting and decide together, our direction for the future.

There are some bright spots on the horizon. Dr. Martin Stone of the horticulture department at WKU is the new director of Baker Arboretum. He has invited us to come for a tour. There is a possibility of some younger, more able bodied help with the public rose garden. And, the Rose Show committee (Bob, Kathy & Mary Ann) is making good progress on plans for this year's show.

One final thought. If you can, please plan to attend the Tenarky mid-winter workshop. Mary Ann has some excellent speakers and workshops lined up. I'm sure we can all learn something and it's certain there will be a lot of good company to enjoy. I may be stealing Mary Ann's thunder, but ARS President, Pat Shanley has announced her intention to attend.

See you all on February 5 at 1:30 PM at the UK Ag. Ext. office.

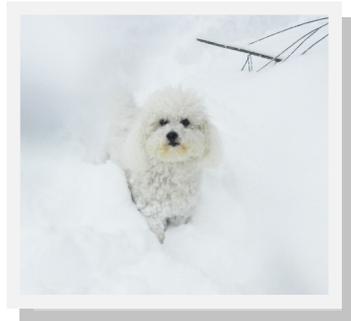
Some of the roses to be auctioned: "Falling in Love", 'Gentle Giant', 'St. Patrick', 'Moonstone', and 'Marilyn Monroe'.

# Snow Can Be a Good Thing for Rose Bushes *by Mary Ann Hext, CR*

Last week we had over 12 inches of snow in Warren County and the drifts at our house in were much deeper. Our temperatures were below freezing for about four days; and when I took the dogs out Sunday morning about 5:30 a.m., it was two degrees. However, my rose bushes seemed snug under their layers of mulch, hay, and a blanket of snow. Now that the temperatures are higher and the snow has melted, the roses seem no worse for the unusual weather.

We have all heard that snow is a great insulator. When it covers our rose bushes and other plants, it is actually protecting them, and the moisture from the snow also provides some hydration. Snow around the mounds of mulch and hay helps to protect the base of our roses bushes from the wind and the freezing temperatures. When the snow melts, the roots and base of the plant get even more moisture.

So when we have extremely cold temperatures, snow is a good thing!. A layer of snow actually protects and benefits our roses and other plants—and it is pretty to look at for a day or so!



Annie behind a rose cover (left) and going down the potty path (above). Rose (below) has no winter protection except this snow.



**BGRS  
Christmas  
Dinner  
12/3/15**

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'Valentine's Day'  
a climbing miniflora  
Bred by Tom Carruth

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Kathy Dodson—January 26  
Brenda Coffee—January 29  
Maxine Logsdon—February 12



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### IMPORTANT DATES - 2016

- Feb. 19-21 Tenarky Winter Workshop & CR School, Bowling Green, KY
- March 3-6: Nashville Lawn & Garden Show
- March 18-20: Louisville Home & Garden Show
- May 23-24: Nashville Rose Show
- May 21: BGRS Rose Show
- June 11-14: ARS Miniature Conference & Rose Show, Columbus, OH
- Sept. 10-13: ARS National Convention & Rose Show, Syracuse, NY