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Rosebuds

Next Meeting
August 13—2 p.m.
Warren County
Extension Office
Nashville Road
Program: M. Hext
Refreshments: Gibsons

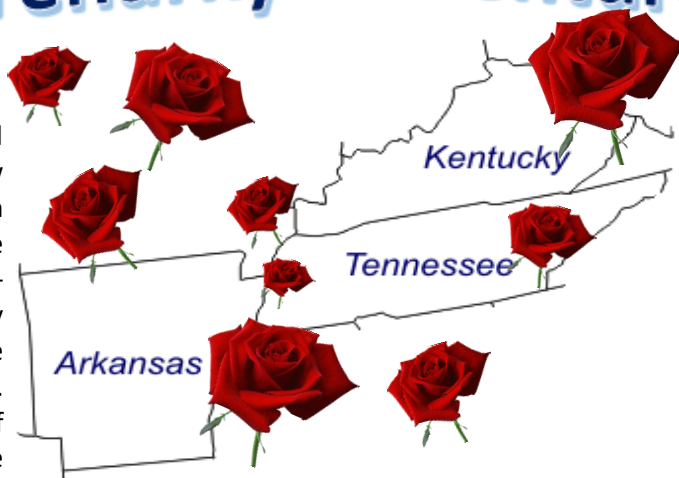
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Tenarky Fall Convention and Rose Show—September 29-October 1

Just in case you haven't read your summer issue of *KATnips*—the Tenarky District quarterly newsletter—here is more information about the 2017 Tenarky Fall Convention and Rose Show being held in Bowling Green at the Sloan Convention. The event is hosted by the Louisville Rose Society and they chose to hold it to save attendees some travel time. In my years as a member of BGRS, this is the first time we have had a district show

Tenarky Adventures



here, so I hope that everyone will make plans to attend the convention and bring a few roses to exhibit. We are expecting rosarians from several states to be here and the LRS committee has planned a fun weekend with speakers, rose seminar, banquet, garden tour at the Jacobs' garden and, of course, the rose show!

The rose show on Saturday will have several special classes this year. In horticulture, the Tenarky District is eligible to award the ARS National Trophy, the M.S. Hershey Bowl, which rotates among the 18 ARS Districts. The schedule will also include the J. Horace McFarland, Ralph Moore, and a National Arrangement Award, which is also

a rotating trophy—The Ruth Tiedeman Class. Also featured is the first Sam Jones Arrangement Challenge Class. The show will include photography as well.

Friday night will have a "Sip and Snack" event with wine and cheese among other treats. Saturday is the rose show, then in the afternoon, Christian Bedard from Weeks Roses will speak. The Saturday evening banquet will also feature great speakers—Diane Sommers from Wisconsin who is running for ARS Vice President in 2018 and Gary Rankin and Monica

Valentovic from Marshall University in West Virginia. This couple always has a great presentation featuring new rose products on the market. Awards will also be presented following the speakers. Sunday morning, Nancy Jones will hold a short devotional followed by a garden tour at the home of Bob and Ann Jacobs.

The LRS members will need some help setting up the show on Friday and tearing down on Saturday afternoon, so please email me (mhext@outlook.com) if you can help even for a short time.

This a great opportunity to attend a district show, especially for new members!!!

Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show

September. 29—October 1, 2017

Hosted by Louisville rose Society

Holiday Inn University Plaza—Bowling Green, KY

- Friday, September 29: Sip & Snack
- Saturday, September 30: Rose Show, Rose Seminar, Awards Banquet
- Sunday, October 1: Devotional, Rose Garden Tour
- Registration, Event Schedule & Rose Show & Photography Schedule at www.tenarky.org



President's Corner by Bob Jacobs, Master Rosarian

A few words from your president:

Yes, it has been a challenge this past month with Japanese Beetles and the hot, dry days to keep our roses blooming good. Hopefully, you have remained faithful with spraying, watering and dead heading. Oh, did I mention ... weeding?

Seriously, I am looking forward to talking and sharing our rose growing hobby with all our members on Sunday, August 13 at the Warren County Co-Op Extension at 2 pm.

If you are a member of the American Rose Society (and I hope all of you are) there is Roses In Review in the July/August issue. Everyone needs to complete the review even if you just have one or two of the roses listed in your garden. This can be done on the computer or complete and mail in the Rating Evaluation Sheet. If you have questions, give me a call. We have completed ours.

The public rose garden is looking good as there are automatic sprinklers to keep the roses watered. I had two members show up to help with pulling weeds and dead heading last week.

Remember to register for the Tenarky Convention and Rose Show being held right here in Bowling Green September 29 thru Oct 1. The rose show is being hosted by the Louisville Rose Society. Bring roses to exhibit.

Mary Ann will have our program "It's not Greek, it's a Rose Show." We have a few items of business to discuss at our meeting in regard to time and place to meet the following months of the year. And where to hold our Christmas Party.

Lynda & Jake Gibson will provide refreshments. It is helpful if you could RSVP to them. I sincerely hope to see all 22 members and bring a guest that might be interested in growing roses.

One other thing. I plan to cut back my rose bushes around August 15 to prepare for the rose show on September 30. Keep up the routine of watering, spraying and fertilizing. After the first of September, discontinue the use of slow release granular fertilizer.

Pruning for Fall Rose Shows by Mary Ann Hext, CR



If you are planning to attend any of the fall rose shows or just want to have gorgeous fall roses for special events, August is the time to start thinking about when to prune. Even if you don't plan to attend the ARS National Convention in Gettysburg, PA, September 8-10, we have several rose shows then that are within driving distance the following weeks: IL-IN District Rose Show in Kokomo, Kentucky State Fair Rose Show and Tenarky District Convention and Rose Show here in Bowling Green, Nashville Rose Society show, and Memphis & Dixie Rose Society show. Dates for these shows are on page 4.

Pruning roses is not an exact science as there are too many variables such as temperature, rainfall, amount of sun, the variety of rose, and where to cut. But with all these rose shows, you are bound to have roses for at least one or two of them. Trying to time blooms for a specific date depends on temperature, weather conditions and partly just luck.

Some exhibitors suggest pruning half of the bush one week and then the rest the next week, but this has not seemed to work well for me. Some exhibitors have more than one bush of their favorite exhibition roses and are able to prune the bushes a week apart so they will have roses for each show. I have two or three of some of my favorite roses, so I normally use this method. The experts tell us that the average bloom cycle for our hybrid teas, grandifloras, and floribundas is 42-54 days. Some can even tell you which roses are at the high or low end of this range of days. Our minis and minifloras have a shorter cycle which is normally 35 to 42 days. I have a few roses with single petals and they repeat a little quicker than this. It seems the more petals the rose has, the more days it takes to repeat bloom. Also, the further down the cut on the stem, the longer it will take to re-bloom. OGR's just need to have their tips pruned as they don't require severe pruning to promote blooms.

With our district rose show being held right here in Bowling Green, everyone should plan to attend and exhibit roses if possible. I believe this is the first time that it has been here and will give our members to attend and/or exhibit a district show without a long distance to travel. So plan now as we are approaching the time when you should determine which fall rose shows you will attend and exhibit and mark your calendars for the best prune dates.

Help Wanted: Rose Evaluators Needed Now!

It's Roses in Review Time!

This Roses in Review (RIR) marks the 91st time that the members of the American Rose Society have evaluated new rose introductions. The ultimate value of this procedure is realized only when we have a broad base of participation. We need your contribution, whether you grow only one plant of one variety on the list or many of them. We need input from "garden" rosarians as well as exhibitors, and from **new** rosarians as well as seasoned veterans. We also welcome reports from those who are not yet ARS members, so please pass along this

website address to your rose-growing friends. The complete results of this survey will be included in the January/February 2018 issue of *American Rose* and will help determine the ratings in the *ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses*. For these results to be meaningful, **we need everyone to participate** So, please - take a few minutes of your time to evaluate your new roses. **Only evaluate roses you grow from the cultivar list.**

Instructions are on the ARS website and the survey may be printed out and mailed to Jeff Garrett, our district RIR Coordinator; or you may submit your evaluations online at [this](#)

[link](#). The deadline for participating is September 26, 2017.

Please note that while participation in RIR is a voluntary activity for many rosarians, Consulting Rosarians are now required to participate as one of their CR activities.

Our district evaluation report is compiled by Jeff Garrett and the results are posted on the Tenarky website for review of rosarians in our area of the country.

Please take time to participate in the survey as your input benefits all roses growers! [Click here to visit the official RIR website.](#)

August Rose Tips from Noah Wilson, Holston Rose Society

Things I will be doing to my roses in August:

1. I will check my rain gauge regularly and, if God does not send an inch of rain per week, I will water to make the inch they need.
2. I will spray regularly with my regular fungicide to keep black spot under control. I spray either early A.M. as soon as the dew dries or late P.M. in time for it to dry before evening.
3. Roses are a lot like small children, they like to be fed regularly and prefer a small amount regularly than a lot every several weeks. I like Easy Feed once a month plus my regular feeding with BloomKote every 3 months.
4. I will deadhead all old blooms, and keep any dead or bad canes pruned out.
5. If I see evidence of spider mites I will use a miticide like Floramite®SC or Avid®0.15EC. If I had only a few roses, (a dozen or so) I would just water wand them off with a strong spray of water under the lower leaves. I will not spray the entire bush under the leaves to control spider mites, only the bottom foot or so as the mites start at the bottom of the bush and move upwards as they eat.
6. It is always good to keep the old leaves removed from the bottom of the plant to allow better air circulation and sunlight. This helps with getting those new canes to come on for the future life of our plant.
7. As always, I will gladly share my roses with others to help brighten their day, and hopefully they will get hooked on growing roses as a hobby as I did.

MONTHLY IN-CLUB COMPETITION—JUNE - NOVEMBER

The competition shall consist of **ONE entry in each** of the following classes: One bloom per stem, except for sprays. Groom and fill in tags as if entering a regular rose show. Judges will comment on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice. The top scorer in horticulture and arrangements will be recognized at the December meeting.

- **Class 1—1 Single Bloom Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora**
- **Class 2—Single Bloom Miniature**
- **Class 3—1 Single Bloom Floribunda**
- **Class 4—1 Floribunda or Miniature Spray**
- **Class 5—Specimen, Any Other Type**
- **Class 6—Rose in a Bowl—any type of rose at any state**
- **Class 7—Arrangements—Traditional (choice of style—large or small roses)**



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IMPORTANT DATES - 2017

- **September 8-10: ARS National Rose Show & Convention in Gettysburg, PA**
- **September 26: II-IN District Rose Show & Convention in Kokomo, IN**
- **September 29-30 & October 1: Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show in Bowling Green hosted by LRS**
- **October 7-8: NRS Rose Show, Ellington Ag Center**
- **October 8: Memphis & Dixie Rose Show, Memphis Botanical Garden**

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