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Rosebuds

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Meeting:
November 11—2pm
WCEO

Business Meeting

Program:
Winterizing Roses

Refreshments:
Ben & Pauline Matus

ARS National Convention and Rose Show in San Diego by Mary Ann Hext, CR

On Wednesday, October, 24, we took our dogs, Annie and Lindy, for another boarding experience at Greystone and drove to the airport to fly to San Diego for my last ARS Board of Directors meeting as our Tenarky District Director. The three years in this position have flown by and have kept me very very busy with rose events, activities, meetings, local society visits, district and national conventions, ARS committee work, and lots of traveling, but I have enjoyed the experience and made many many new rose friends from across the country.

You all will be glad to know that BGRS will not be hosting the winter workshop in February which means you will not have to help soak and wrap the 250 roses for the district fundraiser!!!

I have now attended eight ARS rose shows and conventions and have entered a few roses and got ribbons on all of them, even one mini gold certificate. All of the conventions have been so much fun with beautiful rose shows, garden tours and great speakers. If you ever have the opportunity to attend a national show, you should go! It is so nice to meet rosarians from other parts of the country and see the different varieties of roses they grow and to see some of the same roses we grown and how they vary according to the location they are grown. Next fall you will have the opportunity to attend the 2019 ARS National Miniature Conference and Rose Show in Nashville which



is hosted by the Tipton County Rose Friends, a society in the Tenarky District. Save the date as it will be the first national in our district in many years.

The San Diego Rose Society was the host for the 2018 Fall Show and convention and they did a fabulous job! On Wednesday night, I attended the ARS Finance Committee meeting and then my final Board meeting was on Thursday. I will be including information from it in the next issue of our district newsletter. On Friday, Gary and I took the train to downtown San Diego to visit the harbor. We spent several hours at the Maritime Museum touring the world's oldest active sailing ship, the ship the America's

Cup is named for, A US and a Soviet submarine, a galleon which has been used in several pirate movies and commercials, along with PCF Swift boat, a steam ferry, and several others. We took a harbor cruise on a Pilot boat built in 1914. We got back to the convention center in time to attend a photography seminar and a fiesta welcome event.

Saturday was the rose show which was amazing! I judged in the photog-

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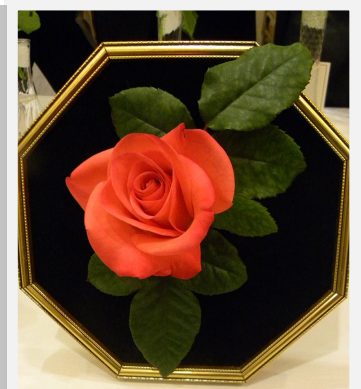
ARS National Convention *(continued from p. 1)*

raphy show and there were over 150 entries. The size of the blooms on roses grown in California made the blooms in my rose garden look like miniatures. I did take a dried arrangement in my carry-on luggage but was required to check it, so when I arrived in San Diego it had some “unfixable” damage and I got a red dot on it. I hope to attend future national rose shows and enter again when I don’t have to be there three days before the show!

I heard several excellent speakers on Saturday including Connie Hilker, who will be the new ARS Chair of the Rose Preservation Committee. Some of you heard her speak at our 2017 Tenarky Winter Workshop. I also attended the ARS members meeting. Saturday evening was a fiesta dinner celebrating ARS President Pat Shanley’s term. We were able to sit at the table with John and Kaye Rodgers from the Tennessee Rose Society who were horticulture judges at the rose show, along with several new rose friends from across the country.

On Sunday, I attended the ARS Patron’s Breakfast, the Consulting Rosarian Meeting with the new ARS CR chairs, and the Save the Roses auction. I also attended a meeting for horticulture and arrangement judges and met our new national chairs. The evening banquet included an excellent speaker followed by the installation of the 2018-2021 ARS President, Bob Martin, and Vice President, Diane Sommers along with the District and Regional Directors. We sat with Marty Reich and Gerry Miller from the Nashville Rose Society and several California rosarians.

Monday, we toured rose gardens of the convention chairs. They were both spectacular with each having over 800 roses. Again the large blooms were amazing. A ‘Tammy Clemmons’ bush was taller than me. Both of these gardens only had a small patch of grass as every inch of the yards was planted with roses. On Sunday afternoon, we went to the President’s reception at the home of our new ARS President Bob Martin and his wife, Dona, who live about 45 minutes north of San Diego. Some of you met them when they attended our 2017 winter workshop. They also have over 800 roses of all types in their garden and it was beautiful. They had a taco wagon and we ate some great Mexican food and visited with over 250 other rosarians from across the US. We got home just before midnight on Tuesday evening and I am still catching up on emails and laundry. Our dogs were very happy to see us especially since they were recently boarded for the 16 days while we were in the UK and a week for this trip. Below are some photos I took.



- A old rose bush ‘Fame!’ that has become a real “tree rose”.
- Crescendo’ cycle of bloom.
- A miniflora bush of ‘Butter Cream’ taller than me.
- ‘Ring of Fire’ was very popular at the show.



President's Corner by Bob Jacobs, Master Rosarian

Hello Rosarians!

The Fall Season is here and it has been a welcome with warm days and cooler nights. This has given our roses a nice spurt of growth and beautiful blooms.

Now our work begins as we prepare for winter. I am listing ways I like to winterize.

- Clean the rose beds of leaves and debris.
- I will hold off cutting back until after two nights of temperatures down around 25 degrees. My hybrid teas are 5 foot tall so I like to cut them back to 2 ft. or so.
- Pull off any leaves then continue around the garden pulling off leaves on all bushes except the climbers.
- Check the PH in different areas of your rose gardens to be sure the soil is 6.5 to 7.
- Then clean beds again, spray with Mancozeb to rid soil of any lingering disease. Or, some rosarians will use a dormant spray.
- Mound the soil up around the bud union and add additional soil or mulch to your beds.
- For roses that are in pots, I move the pots to a protected area up next to the house or garage. Wrap plastic bag around the pot and cover with a cone. Make sure there is an air vent in the top. We can have hot sunny days in the winter and you do not want to smother the plant.

IMPORTANT: Come to our meeting Sunday, November 11 at 2 p.m. with any questions about your garden. Bring friends that have roses. Share your roses in our in-club-competition. Have them clean and in a bud vase or pop bottle ready to place on the table. Ann and I will help with placing on the table.

Our nominating committee will present a slate of officers for next year. Nominations can be made from members at the meeting prior to voting. Plans for the Christmas Party in December will be announced. We will have a couple door prizes. Refreshments by Pauline and Ben Matus.

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- Class 5—Specimen, Any Other Type
- Class 6—Rose in a Bowl—any type of rose at any state
- Class 7—Arrangements—*Modern (choice of style—large or small roses)*



SAVE THE DATE!

BGRS Annual Christmas Lunch
December 8 at 11:30 a.m.
Home of Kathy Dodson
Details at November Meeting



YOU CAN ENJOY
photos from all the 2018 Tenarky
Rose Shows on November 18 at
WWW.TENARKY.ORG
Click on the Rose Show Photos
button near bottom of nav bar.



Care for Fall Roses from Heirloom Roses

High temperatures may have induced a brief period of summer dormancy, especially in hotter parts of the country, but once the weather starts to cool, many roses put on a fantastic show well into fall. The change in weather often brings wind and rainy conditions; the reappearance of diseases like black spot and powdery mildew provide a reminder that next year's success depends on putting the roses to bed for the winter.

10 Steps to a Healthier Spring

1. **Stop deadheading** 8 to 10 weeks before the first frost. This will harden off roses, allowing tender new growth time to toughen prior to potentially damaging cold weather. If your roses have hips, allow them to develop naturally. You'll be rewarded with seasonal interest.
2. **Stop transplanting and fertilizing** prior to the onset of cold weather to prevent the rose from pushing new growth.
3. **Rake up and destroy** all leaves at the base of roses. Do not compost, as this could spread pathogens. Many fungal diseases that affect roses overwinter on the rose or as litter on the ground. Removing this material will reduce problems the following spring.
4. **Clip off diseased leaves** from the bush. Pulling leaves off can create small tears along the stem and provide an entry point for disease.
5. **Prune off failed buds** (called balling) that did not open due to rainy conditions. This will help to prevent botrytis dieback.
6. **Review all roses** for crossed or thin canes that can whip against each other, causing stem wounds from thorns. Remove as needed.
7. **Prune off overgrowth** on climbing roses and tie securely to structures to prevent top-heavy canes from breaking in the wind. Top off taller hybrid teas or shrub roses at 4 to 5 feet to reduce wind throw risk. In colder climates, the combination of rocking in the wind with freeze/thaw cycles can uproot the rose from the ground.
8. **Apply compost or mulch** around the base of roses. Mulching provides valuable nutrients, as well as an insulating layer that will protect roses during cold snaps. A 2- to 3- inch layer is sufficient in most areas.
9. **Mound compost around the base** of roses in extremely cold zones. In spring, spread the mulch out into the bed, away from the base of the plant.
10. **Cut tall roses to 4-5 feet** and then thin to reduce wind damage.

Pruning is about more than just looks. Proper pruning improves the health of your rose bush, prevents disease, and encourages better flowering. There are different pruning strategies for different times of the year, but overall the goal is always the same: to keep the bush vigorous and open, allowing better air circulation through the center of the plant.

In the fall, prune to prevent wind breakage, whipping, and scarring by long canes. Observe your roses on a windy day to gauge potential problem areas. As a general rule, you should prune out all canes thinner than a pencil in diameter on Hybrid Teas, Shrub Roses, and Climbers. These thin canes tend to whip around in the wind and will scar their neighbors. You should also remove any errant, crossing branches for the same reason.

Pruning long canes will prevent the possibility of the roots being loosened as a result of strong winds or freeze/thaw cycles. Wind also pulls moisture out of plants, so reducing the overall volume is helpful. Shorten all canes to chest height as a winter protection measure. Prune all large Climbers back to where they can be securely tied to their support structure.

Prune late enough in the growing season so that pruning will not stimulate new, tender growth that would be damaged by an early freeze. Be careful not to over-prune in the fall. A general guideline is to reduce the overall height of the plant by 1/3 and thin the center out slightly to accommodate stronger wind gusts.

Editor's Note: Read the full article and see photos for fall pruning at Heirloom Roses by clicking [here](#) for the link.



BGRS Members Have Winners at Fall District Shows

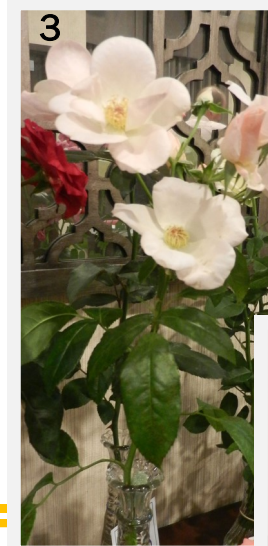
Nashville Rose Society Rose Show—September 22-23

- Best English Box—Larry & Connie Baird 'Crystalline', 'Pope John Paul II'
- Miniature Queen—Larry & Connie Baird 'Memphis King'
- Miniature King—Larry & Connie Baird 'Sweet Home Alabama'
- Miniature Court—Larry & Connie Baird 'Pierrine', 'Fairhope'
- Miniflora Court—Larry & Connie Baird 'Louisville Lady'
- HT Court—Bob Jacobs 'All My Loving'
- Best Climber—Bob Jacobs 'Awakening'
- Best Single Mini (Mini Duke)—Bob Jacobs 'Sunglow'
- ARS Court of Etiquette Award—Connie Baird
- ARS Oriental Award & Silver Certificate—Connie Baird



Louisville Rose Society Rose Show—September 29

- Best Rose in a Frame HT—Dan Wernigk 'Touch of Class'
- Hybrid Tea Queen—Larry Baird 'St. Patrick'
- Hybrid Tea Princess—Larry Baird 'Ring of Fire'
- Hybrid Tea Court—Larry Baird 'Gemini' & 'Desperado'
- Best Climber—Bob Jacobs 'Fourth of July'
- Best Hybrid Tea Spray—Dan Wernigk 'Duftjuwel'
- Best Floribunda Spray—Bob Jacobs 'Showbiz'
- Best Miniature English Box—Larry Baird 'Tiffany Lynn' & 'Renegade'
- Best Miniature Rose in a Frame—Larry Baird 'Cooper'
- Miniature King—Larry Baird 'Fairhope'
- Miniature Court—Larry Baird 'Arcanum' & 'Bees Knees'
- Miniflora Court—Larry Baird 'Jerry Lynn'
- ARS Oriental Award & Silver Certificate—Ann Jacobs
- ARS Duke Award and Gold Certificate—Larry Baird
- ARS Miniature Artist Award & Miniature Gold Certificate—Connie Baird
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Tenarky District Rose Show—October 13

- (1) Modern Shrub Queen—Bob Jacobs 'Sally Holmes'
- Dowager Queen—Mary Ann Hext 'Souv de la Malmaison'
- Best Miniature Spray—Mary Ann Hext 'Joy'
- Best Miniature Stages of Bloom—Bob Jacobs 'Sweet Revenge'
- Floribunda Spray Queen—Bob Jacobs 'Showbiz'
- (2) Sam Jones Memorial Challenge Arrangement Award—Larry Baird
- ARS Oriental Award & Bronze Certificate—Connie Baird
- (3) ARS Court of Etiquette Award—Connie Baird
- ARS Duke Award & Silver Certificate—Mary Ann Hext
- ARS Mini Royalty Award—Connie Baird
- ARS Mini Artist & Mini Bronze Certificate—Mary Ann Hext
- ARS Mini Oriental Award & Mini Silver Certificate—Mary Ann Hext
- (4) ARS Mini Duchess Award & Mini Gold Certificate—Mary Ann Hext

Tenarky District Rose Photography Show October 13

- Best Open Bloom & Princess—Bob Jacobs 'Playboy'
- Best Climber Bloom—Bob Jacobs 'Fourth of July'
- Best Macro—Bob Jacobs 'Playboy'

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The ARS is offering a four-month trial membership for existing local society, non-ARS members. The \$5 fee offsets processing and mailing costs. ARS does not make money on this offer. Four-Month Trial Members receive:

- Free advice from Consulting Rosarians.
- Free or reduced garden admissions, a \$25 value after just 3 uses.
- Free online access to four quarterly bulletins, a \$45 value.
- 2 issues of American Rose magazine, \$16 value.
- Discounts of up to 30% at merchant partners.
- A four-month trial membership is valued at \$86 for only \$10!

Visit www.ars.org for more information and to take advantage of this offer.



Larry Baird	November 11
Osei Thomas	November 16
Dan Wernigk	November 12
Cindy Wernigk	November 30

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IMPORTANT DATES

- February 15-17, 2019: Tenarky Winter Workshop, Franklin, TN
- May 18, 2019: BGRS Rose Show

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