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August 13
2 p.m. WCEO

Program:
Roses and
Companion Flowers
By Osei Thomas
Natalie Carmolli
(virtual)
Refreshments:
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TENARKY Fall Convention/Rose Show By Mary Bates, Publicity Chair

As the September 16th date for the 2023 TENARKY District Rose Show draws closer, excitement is building. Everyone is working hard to make this an enjoyable event for all TENARKY members and all those who just love roses. TENARKY District Director and Rose Show Chairman, Lori Emery declared, "We would like to invite everyone to attend this exciting rose show. There will be roses from all parts of the TENARKY (Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky) District and surrounding states. Everyone is looking forward to seeing the beautiful roses. Each rose will be



labeled so you can select your favorite rose to add to your garden. The rose show will be open from 1:00-5:00 and there is no admission." "Our Rose Show will honor Dr. Mark Windham for his love of the rose and many years of dedicated service to all the TENARKY Rose societies. The entire rose industry has benefitted from Dr. Windham's rose research in the fight against rose rosette. We are all so appreciative of Dr. Windham," concluded Lori. 2023 TENARKY District Convention Chair, Kathy Brennan, stated, "Everyone is so happy to be together for the joyous occasion of celebrating 77 years of honoring the rose thanks to Mrs. JE Darr, Knoxville. Tennessee was very active in the early beginnings of the American Rose Society and especially Knoxville. We hope everyone will attend and see the beautiful roses. We are so fortunate to have our Rose Show at the University of Tennessee Agriculture Campus in the Biotech Building at 2505 EJ Chapman Drive. Many thanks to James Newburn, Interim Director of the UT Gardens, for his Sponsorship on the UT Agricultural Campus for this District Event. There is no football game this weekend so parking will not be a problem," Kathy continued. "Paul Zim-

merman (photo right) will be our special guest during the rose show from 1:00-3:00 and will be available for everyone to meet and greet and will have copies of his book, Everyday Roses to sign for us. Paul has years of experience growing roses to share with us and has a refreshing philosophy regarding growing roses. Paul has stated that he started Paul Zimmerman Roses Consulting and Design around one simple message that roses are nothing more than flowering shrubs and that is how you should use and treat them. His goal is to make roses less intimidating. Is that not a refreshing approach to growing roses?" continued Kathy. This ex-



citing venue is perfect for inviting everyone to enjoy a bit of Tennessee hospitality and see one of the most exciting rose shows that will be open to the public at no charge after rose show judging has been completed on Saturday September 16.

Also, this is an opportune time to visit the UT Gardens-The State Botanical Garden of Tennessee at 2518 Jacob Drive. The UT Gardens function as an outdoor laboratory to evaluate the performance and landscape use of every type of plant, from trees and shrubs to annuals and

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President's Corner by Osei Thomas, CR

It's August, another long hot month. Remember to water when needed. Stay cool. Bring some roses for the monthly competition. September we shall finally see the Thomas Flower Gardens. Can't wait to show it off. The house I don't think will be done, but come check it out before the irrigation gets installed. It's lovely and breathtaking. See you soon. Osei

Roses in Review Deadline to Report—September 26!

Your help is needed to evaluate new roses! Please participate in Roses in Review 2023. Go to www.rose.org and click on pink box in the upper right hand corner labeled Roses in Review 2023 to begin! The process for 2023 remains similar to last year. You can download the instructions. Please read the directions carefully to learn how the system works.

The online survey at www.rose.org will close at 5:00 PM (PST), September 26, 2023. Any paper forms submitted must also be in the hands of your district coordinator by that date. We urge you to use the online system - it's easy and it saves from having to transcribe written forms. Please take the time to report on all the varieties you grow on the **Roses in Review** survey list.

Below you will find links to:

Download the <u>instructions</u> Begin <u>reviewing roses</u>

A broad base of participation is needed to make this project worthwhile. We need your evaluations, whether you grow one of the varieties on the survey list, or dozens of them. We welcome evaluations from you whether you are new rose-grower, a "garden" rose-grower or a seasoned veteran grower, whether you grow roses for your landscape and garden, or if you also grow them to exhibit or arrange.

Results of the survey will be included in the January/February 2024 issue of *American Rose* magazine and will determine ratings in the **ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses** as well. For these results to be meaningful, we need everyone to participate. Please take a few minutes of your time to evaluate your new roses.



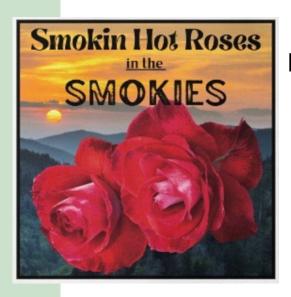
July Garden Tour
Osei's Garden
&
Strutting Rooster
Farm
September 9
Details TBA
at August
Meeting

August in My Rose Garden by Mary Ann Hext, Master Rosarian



For August, I will be doing the following:

- Taking photos for the fall shows
- Continue picking off Japanese beetles which are starting to dwindle.
- Cut back bushes for the upcoming fall rose shows. Some have already been cut for mid-September shows; and
 I will continue for the LRS and NRS shows that follow.
- Continue to water, water, fertilize, and spray to keep bushes in good condition to produce nice blooms for the fall. I will apply BloomKote in between my regular two-week nitrogen applications for the shows.
- Keep a watch out for spider mites which can be a huge problem with the hot dry weather. I normally spray them off with a strong burst of water from my water wand unless they get really bad and then I use Avid.
- Complete my RIR report.



2023 Tenarky District
Fall Convention & Rose Show
September 15-17, 2023
UT Ag Campus
Knoxville, TN
Hosted by Tennessee Rose Society
Assisted by Holston Rose Society

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perennials. The gardens feature a children's garden, formal rose garden, a sustainable kitchen garden, perennial borders, a beautiful Hosta collection as well as annual beds, huge old growth trees and seasonal displays. Within the UT Gardens, visitors will find the Beall Family Rose Garden which was completed in 2009. There is a collection

of over 120 roses including hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda, miniature, shrub and climbing roses. There are two waterfalls (photo right) supported with twenty tons of Tennessee sandstone cascading down to koi ponds and a beautiful 22-foot gazebo.

Join us for our Banquet Saturday night at Calhouns on the River, (photo below) enjoy the beautiful view and hear Paul speak about "Designing a Garden Around Roses"

We hope everyone will mark their calendars for this special event and come see the beautiful roses that are grown in our are





MONTHLY IN-CLUB COMPETITION JUNE - NOVEMBER

The competition shall consist of **ONE entry per member 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 award and comment on 1^{st} - 3^{rd} place. One point is given for each class entered. Three points will be given for 1^{st} place, two for 2^{nd} place, and one for 3^{rd} place. The top scorer will be recognized at the December meeting.

Class 1—Single Bloom Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora exhibition form

Class 2—Single Bloom Miniature/Miniflora exhibition form

Class 3—Floribunda single bloom or spray

Class 4—Shrub single bloom or spray (includes DA shrubs)

Class 5—1 Specimen, Any Other Type

Class 6—Rose in a Bowl any type of rose

6a-Exhibition bloom

6b-Open bloom

Class 7—Arrangements (large or small designs)

August: Traditional Mass September: Modern Transparency October: Eastern Asian any style November: Modern Underwater



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No birthdays August and September



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IMPORTANT DATES 2023

- September 15-17: Tenarky District Fall Convention/Rose Show: hosted by TRS at UT Ag Campus in Knoxville, TN
- September 20: Cardinal Council Flower Show at Houchens Center
- September 30: LRS Rose Show at Sutherland Hardware in Louisville, KY
- October 14-15: NRS Rose Show at Cheekwood in Nashville, TN

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 September 17–24, 2024: ARS National Convention/Rose Show in Warwick, RI

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