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Rosobuds

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Meeting: February 5
Alive Center: 6:30
p.m.
Host: B.&A. Jacobs

Program:
Buying Roses
Favorite Roses

TENARKY District Winter Workshop - article by M. Hext

Since I became a member of BGRS a few years ago, one of the highlights of my "rose experiences" has been attending the Tenarky Winter Workshop each February in Bowling Green. This workshop has earned a reputation for being one of the best in the country with excellent speakers, programs, and workshops thanks to the Campbells. (Kent was the previous Tenarky district director)

Each year I have met new Rosarians, acquired much new knowledge about growing and showing roses, enjoyed an excellent dinner, and always come home with some new bare-root roses purchased at great prices from the annual rose auction. Last year I completed the Consulting

Rosarian school held on Sunday and became a new CR. This class provides excellent information for growing roses and you can attend even if you are not sitting for the CR exam.

Now that Tenarky has a new district director, the Winter Workshop has been moved to Franklin, Tennessee, which is just a little more than an hour's drive from Bowling Green. Sam Jones, our new Tenarky Director, is continuing the tradition of this being an outstanding workshop for Rosarians.

Information for the workshop and the registration form are included as attachments with this newsletter. These documents along with speaker photos and the rose auction list can also be found on the Tenarky District

website at: www.tenarky.org. So mark your calendars today to attend the 2010 Tenarky Winter Workshop in Franklin February 19-21.



REMINDER

Please plan to pay your 2010 dues at the February meeting or send to our treasurer, Ben Matus, by February 15 in order to be included in the 2010 BGRS Yearbook which will be distributed at the March meeting. Ask a friend to join with you!!!

President's Corner by Bob Jacobs

Hello Bowling Green Rosarians,

As I sit here Saturday, Jan 9th with the cold temperatures we are having, I'm wondering if I have winterized my roses enough. Who would have thought back in November we would have this kind of cold weather. All we can do now is wait and hope for the best.

I want to remind you of the Tenarky Winter Workshop February 19 through 21st. I would like to see a good number of Bowling Green members attend. For those of you looking for new roses, this will be a good chance to buy some at the Saturday night Rose Auction. You will

also have an opportunity to meet Rosarians from other Societies. The program and speakers look very good. Let us support our District.

The Executive Board has met and come up with some ideas for programs at our meetings. If any of you have an idea about a program you want, please let me know. As you are talking with people, inquire if they are interested in growing roses, and if so, invite them to our meetings.

Last year we were invited to attend a Hot Rods Baseball Game as a group, however, it was late in the season and we did not find a time to go. I've been contacted already this year and feel it would be a fun evening for us, and we will have our Rose Society mentioned on the screen and announced at the game. This will be a good way to let folks know we are a working group in Bowling Green. I will be letting you know of a date soon.

I look forward to seeing you at our first meeting in 2010 at the Alive Center, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Come to the meeting with your favorite rose in mind. We will take a moment to discuss each favorite rose to critique it so you will understand what you can expect from that rose.

Practice Creating Arrangements in Winter Months by Mary Ann Hext

With the cold weather we had in January and more to come in February, this is a good time to practice making arrangement for the spring rose shows.

Connie Baird, from the Nashville Rose Society, advised us at one of the workshops she presented to BGRS members a few years ago, that she uses artificial flowers to practice making arrangements in various styles when she does not have fresh roses available to use.

I have found this advice very helpful especially when I have a new container that I think might work with a theme. I go to one of the dollar discount stores and purchase a variety of inexpensive roses of several colors and sizes along with filler flowers and greenery to use in creating arrangements for the various categories we find in the rose show schedules. I also found some almost realistic artificial roses at Trees and Trends and made a traditional ar-

rangement that looked very nice and I was able to use as a centerpiece.

Just being able to keep in practice, and try colors, angles, and proportions in various containers with the artificial flowers will keep you in practice and give you ideas for when the "real roses" are available in a few months. So arrangers, follow Connie's advice and experiment with new ideas!

News from our Members

Please keep these members in your prayers:

- Claire Campbell who is recovering from a recent hospital visit
- Richard Hudson, who is doing well following surgery
- Howard Snyder who is a nursing home in Greenville following hip replacement
- Georgia Snyder who is recovering with bruises from a fall
- Mary Ann Hext who is recovering with a broken bone and bruises from a fall

Highlights of Executive Board Meeting

- Dates for meetings were reviewed. Members will be asked to sign up for refreshments and to present a program or make recommendations for possible programs.
- Rose show plans were discussed and some jobs were assigned; others will be determined later. A powerpoint presentation of BGRS highlights and roses will be created to run during the rose show for the public to view as a recruitment tool.
- A seminar open to the public on growing roses is being planned for a late March or early April date.
- Details for the in-club competitions were discussed and will be put in the newsletter and website.
- A hands-on workshop on how to groom roses is being planned for a Saturday in May.
- A schedule for working at the public rose garden will be made.
- A \$25 contribution in memory of Deedie Hooks will be sent to the ARS.
- Approved a donation of \$25 to the ARS general fund upon the death of a member

Why do Women Love Valentine's Day Roses?

It's simple: Valentines Day roses symbolize love and beauty. For most women, receiving a dozen Valentines roses says "I love you" in no uncertain terms. No other gift sends a romantic message quite like a bouquet of fresh cut Valentine's Day roses.

While red roses are the most common choice when it comes to Valentines Day roses, these flowers do come in a wide array of colors - each endowed with a specific meaning. So before you rush off to order some Valentine's Day roses for your sweetie, it might be a good idea to find out exactly what messages these symbolic flowers will convey upon their arrival:

- Red Valentines Roses: Symbolize romantic love.
 Red Valentines Day roses make the perfect gift for a girlfriend or wife. Just make sure you don't give red Valentines roses to a friend - you don't want to be sending the wrong message!
- Purple Valentine's Day Roses: These Valentines roses signify that the giver has fallen in love with the recipient at first sight.
- Coral/Orange Valentines Day roses: Valentine's Day roses that signal desire.
- Yellow Valentines roses: Valentines Day roses for happiness and friendship.
- Pink/Peach Valentine's Day roses: Valentines roses to express gratitude and appreciation. Light pink Valentine's Day roses connote feelings of sympathy.
- White Valentines Day roses: For Valentines Day roses expressing reverence and humility.

What Good Rosarians Will be Doing in February by Kent Campbell

Mid-South are still locked in winter. It is a time of rest and planning for rose people - very much like December.

Let's review the list: clean and sharpen tools, survey your beds for empty spaces, either already existing or "going to be's" when you shovel prune bushes that have been disappointments. Check your supply of fertilizer and chemicals and prepare a "to order" list. Finally, consult and get reacquainted with your "wish list" of roses.

It has been suggested that as you attend rose shows, ours and others in our area, to take special note of roses on the table that appeal to you. They have been grown in our area and

February is a time that we in the should do well for you. This is not always true of roses pictured in catalogues, or written about in magazines. One exception here is a little booklet named Horizon Roses. Juries of reporters from all sections of the country evaluate the latest roses in terms of their area. Growers from the Mid-South and Midwest, are among the reporting group. You can find ordering information for this booklet in the ad section of *The* American Rose. Anyway, all of this boils down to having a good idea of what you would like to get for the coming season.

> It also may be a good idea to ask others in our society what newer roses have been good, and also less than good, for them. I had a music

professor one time that preached that one should make the music they enjoy a matter of choice, not of chance. That little "rule of thumb" would, it seems to me, would be significant in rose bush selection!

Plans for our 50th anniversary rose show are well underway. I have written the show schedule and will be sending it to others in the society as well as experts I admire, for their perusal and comments. I have also begun acquiring very outstanding judges before they are committed elsewhere!

If I were proposing a toast with you at this point, it would be "Rest and Dream for Now, the Work is About to Come!"

Ann Jacob's Favorite Rose by M. Hext

Q. What is your favorite rose? A. My favorite is New Dawn.

Q. What type of rose is it?

A. A climber.

Q. Why is it your favorite:?

- A. Because of the blooms which cover our arch; they are so beautiful and also fragrant.
- Q. How long have you grown this rose?
- A. Since 2001
- Q. Why did you start growing this rose?
- A. I fell in love with this bush when I toured the American Rose Garden in Shreveport back in 2001 and knew I had to have it in our garden. Then I found the sport, Awakening, 1935, that is a light pink, while visiting Roses Unlimited in Laurens, South Carolina, and talking with Pat Henry.

Q. What else can you tell me about this rose?

A. It grows fast and can be shaped well over a trellis. It is a repeat blooming rose, however, the first bloom in May is the best. I have one bush on each side of the archway trellis. The two bushes covered the large archway in the second year. Now I cut back to keep the arch shape. When I bought Awakening, again I bought two bushes and put them on each side of an archway. It is also a repeat blooming rose and covered the archway in beautiful bloom the second year.

My Favorite Rose



Moderately Fragrant

New Dawn - Large-Flowered Climber (introduced in 1930)

- Pink blend, medium sized, double flowers with nice form produced in profusion on a great plant
- May be grown as a shrub.
- Zones 5-10 Height: 12-18 feet
- In 1997 'New Dawn' was voted the most popular rose in the world at the 11th World Convention of Rose Societies. www.heirloomrosescom

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We're on the Web!! www.bowlinggreenrosesociety.org



Kathy Dodson will be taking orders for products from Beaty Fertilizer at the February meeting for delivery at the Tenarky District Meeting. The order fors will be available at the meeting and will be e-mailed when she receives the price list.

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TENARKY
Mid-Winter Weekend

Franklin, Tennessee February 19-21, 2010

(information is attached and at www.tenarky.org)

IMPORTANT DATES - 2010

- ★ February 19-21: Tenarky Winter Workshop Nashville
- * April 27-May 2: ARS Spring National Convention Shreveport, LA
- ★ May 22: BGRS Rose Show
- * August 20-22: ARS Fall Miniature RS & Conference Milwaukee, WI
- ★ October 7-11: ARS Fall National Convention and Rose Show Atlanta, GA



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