

2017 Tenarky Winter Workshop Another Great Weekend!!

Great weather, great speakers, great roses, and great rose friends made the Tenarky Winter Workshop (TWW) another huge success. We had an enjoyable weekend for the 87 people who attended. Our society hosted the event and we have received many compliments and notes of appreciation for another great event. The workshop was hosted by our society and was successful due to the work of our members. Even though we are a small society, we always work together to have wonderful rose shows and the success of the winter workshop is another example of our efforts.

We were delighted to have ARS Vice President Bob Martin and his wife, Dona, attend. Bob made a presentation Saturday, was our banquet speaker, and taught the Chemical Safety portion of our CR School on Sunday. Carol Shockley gave a presentation about new roses from hybridizers. David Clemons spoke about "Thoroughbred Roses" sharing why he has named some of his roses, and how he became a hybridizer. Most of



you are familiar with his roses which have won many awards. In the afternoon, we heard a very interesting speaker, Connie HIlker, from Hartwood Roses. Her topic was about Old Garden Roses and she shared her expertise in this area giving a history of many roses. Clayton Beaty spoke about new products his company has available for rosarians. Mark Windham gave us an update on the research during 2016 on Rose Rosette Disease. Several people from our district volunteered to do some testing for one of the projects during 2017. Many attendees complimented us for having such excellent speakers with a wide range of information for the different aspects of our rose hobby.

At the Saturday evening banquet, Bob Martin shared some entertained us with humorous quotes from Yogi Berra that related to his exhibition experiences over the years. Glenn Fuqua from the Memphis & Dixie Rose Society was awarded the Outstanding Arrangement Judge Certificate, Linda Jansing from the Louisville Rose Society was awarded the Outstanding Horticulture Certificate, and Kathy Brennan received the Master Rosarian Certificate. Congratulations to these welldeserving Tenarky rosarians.



Bo b and Ann Jacobs were selected as "Best Gentleman and Lady Fashionistas"

Spring in the Rose Garden by Bob Jacobs, ARS Consulting Rosarian

Spring is coming ... and aren't we all excited!!!

As I walked out in the yard today, I see Ann planting pansies. My mini roses have nice new growth and tulips are coming up. I am anxious to start working in my rose garden, But STOP, do not get in a hurry. I feel we might be getting more cold nights that will nip new growth if uncovered too soon. Remember the April freeze about three years ago. I do not plan to start working with my roses until about April 10. An old school of thought is to watch for the yellow Forsythia to bloom.

Have a great year growing and enjoying your roses!



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Our CR School on Sunday was well attended. Congratulations to Roland Butler from the Tri-State Rose Society of Chattanooga who became our newest Consulting Rosarian. We also had 18 CRs who audited and 12 who attended for educational purposes.

Following our the Friday night buffet, there was a Rosy Fashion Show with participants from rosarians across the district. After casting ballots, the "Tenarky Gentleman and Lady Rose Fashionista" were BGRS members Ann and Bob Jacobs. Photos of all "human roses" can be seen on the Tenarky District Facebook page.

The second TWW Rose Photography Show had approximately 75 entries with Tennessee Rose Society members Steve Franklin winning Queen, and Kathy Brennan winning King and Princess.. The rose show fundraiser was also very successful with over 200 roses being sold.

A special thanks to the BGRS members and rosarians across the District who helped make this year's winter work-

BGRS Members in the Rosy Fashion Show & Game—photos by Bob Jacobs



Ann Jacobs was voted best "Lady Rose Fashionista" in the Rosy Fashion Show



Connie Baird in the Rosy Fashion Show





Can you guess this BGRS "Human Rose"

BGRS Members Gary Hext as 'George Burn's –runner up and Larry Baird as 'Dolly Parton'—1st place were voted "Best Human Roses"

Barbara McFarlen from the Huntsville Twickenham Rose Society guessed the most "Human Roses" correctly All winners and participants received rosy shopping bags!

President's Corner by Bob Jacobs, Master Rosarian

This has been a very strange winter, but let us not get ahead of ourselves trying to rush the Spring work. It will soon be time to get into our gardens. I will start cutting back my rose bushes around the first of April.

We need to meet at the public rose garden around the first of April to get the ground and bushes in shape. We have five new rose bushes to plant which will replace some that we had to dig out last Summer and Fall.

I was very pleased to see so many of our members attend the Tenarky Workshop. The speakers were good and gave us a lot of information. We need to give our thanks and appreciation to Mary Ann for all the work she has done over the past year to but the weekend together.

The next big thing is our Rose Show on May 20. It takes everyone to host a show. I have been told by members of neighboring societies that our show is a great little show and they look forward to coming to exhibit each year.

ROSE TERMS from Rose Culture Almanac

TERMINAL FLUSH is another phrase used to describe the first flush of growth after pruning, be-cause the first flush occurs mostly nearer the tips of the canes and laterals. The bush sends its energy and growth resources to work at points of the bush where the pruning cuts were made. There can be some new growth activity near the bud union, but most of the new basal breaks can be expected to occur between the first and second flush. At that time, root suckers seem to break also. Another characteristic of the first terminal flush that can occur are short stems. Day-light hours are still short, and if the weather has also been cool, which would include overnight temperatures, then first flush stems can be expected to be on the short side.

PREVENTIVE SPRAYING begins as soon as new growth begins to appear and must continue weekly for as long as there is foliage on the bush. A weekly spray routine begun now will keep bushes healthy all year. Spraying is an easy habit to get into when bushes are newly pruned and the new foliage is just beginning, but a week missed will leave foliage unprotected and exposed to fungus spores. The best program is one of preventive spraying to give protection to healthy foliage, rather than wait for disease to appear and then begin to spray to try to cure it. That takes a lot longer and leaf loss is a lot greater.



MARCH ROSE TIPS by Noah Wilson, Holston Rose Society

So far this winter has been a very mild winter and I have seen no winter damage to any roses. I will proceed with caution as we could have cold which damages roses attempting to send new growth out.

- 1. I will spray once more, maybe twice with lime sulfur.
- 2. I will move slowly with spring pruning and then not prune as low as I would have due to possible extreme cold coming and doing damage to my roses.
- 3. I will plant my new roses as they arrive using plenty of organic materials in the new holes, making my holes about 20 inches across and 16 inches deep. If a new bed, I will add perlite to loosen the soil, along with my compost, organic materials. If my soil is heavy clay I will use Gypsum (soil softener) to help loosen it.
- 4. I will check my fertilizer supply and get some in for the season upcoming. I will also get my spray materials for the new year.
- 5. I will clean and sharpen any pruning shears as needed to assure spring pruning goes well and leaves my roses ready to start a new season of blooms.
- 6. I will be ready to speak to garden clubs on how to grow roses easily and have beautiful blooms all season long with ease. My garden will be open for viewing at any time for the public and I will encourage others to start growing roses for pleasure and sharing.
- 7. I will now wait for late spring to come and start enjoying the fruit of my labor, which is a bountiful supply of beautiful roses, sharing them with everyone.

Five Stars to Simply Mulch!

We appreciate the folks at Simply Mulch as they accepted deliveries of Roses from Certified and Weeks Roses. We were allowed to use their business to prepare and store the bare root roses to sell at our Tenarky Mid-winter Workshop. So let's all support Simply Mulch this spring as we prepare our gardens. They have already invited us to come back next February. We gave them three rose bushes as a thank you and they plan to put them along their driveway. They were delighted to get them and look forward to having roses in bloom this year. —Bob Jacobs



Kathy Dodson	January 26
Brenda Coffey	January 29
Maxine Logsdon	February 12
Lynda Gibson	March 10

ARS Trial Membership Available



The ARS is offering a four-month trial mem-

bership 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 <u>www.ars.org</u> for more information and to take advantage of this offer.

Roses for Sale! Left from the Tenarky Winter Workshop Potted by S&W Nursery \$10 each

Playboy—12 available Scentimental—7 available Climbing America—6 available Showbiz—9 available Contact Mary Ann for information!



BGRS Rose Show May 20

- Our rose show schedule will be available soon.
- Make plans now to enter. There are categories for novice exhibitors in horticulture and arrangements.
- Please purchase or sell an ad to help with expenses. Contact Ann Jacobs for information.
- Mark your calendars to help with the rose show set up on Friday afternoon, May 19.
- Volunteers are needed to help with the many rose show jobs. Contact Bob Jacobs or Kathy Dodson to help.
- If you would like to clerk at the show, contact Kathy Dodson.
- Save large cans for roses to take to the nursing home.

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Ask a friend to join!!

2017 IMPORTANT DATES

- April 20-23: ARS National Miniature Rose Conference in Arcadia, CA
- May 20, 2017: BGRS Rose Show
- May 27: Huntsville-Twickenham Rose Show
- September 8-10: ARS National Rose Show & Convention in Gettysburg, PA
- September 29-30: Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show in Bowling Green hosted by LRS



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