

50th Birthday Rose Show a Great Success by Mary A. Hext, Consulting Rosarian

According to rose show cochairmen, Kent Campbell and Bob Jacobs, the 2010 BGRS Rose Show was a huge success. There was a large number of entries in numerous categories, outstanding arrangements, and the show was well attended by the public.

This year's event celebrated the 50th birthday of the Bowling Green Rose Society which was organized by a group of men and women holding the first meeting in November of 1960. A delicious birthday cake decorated with roses was enjoyed by the participants and the judges.



BGRS Rose Show Dinner

The annual "after the rose show dinner" was held May 24 at Mariah's Restaurant. Winners and workers

were recognized for their contributions to a successful show.

Tom Seibert, Southeastern Regional Manager for Weeks Roses, was the guest speaker.



BGRS Members ARS Winners Miniflora Court Queen – Mr. Lenard – Kent & Claire Campbell

Division I – Challenge Classes

Class 5 – Twins –Marlon's Day & Spring's A Comin'—Bob Jacobs Class 8 – English Box – Moonstone – Bob Jacobs

- Class 10 Spray Trio Sexy Rexy Brenda Coffey
 - Division II Modified Alphabetical Show
- Section D HT/GR Spray Spice Twice Ricky Lockhart
- Section F Fl Bloom Brass Band Bob Jacobs
- Section G a Fl Spray Brass Band Bob Jacobs
- Section L b Modern Shrub Graham Thomas Kathy Dodson

Section M – HT/GR in Bowl – Louise Estes – Kent & Claire Campbell Section X – 20 – Fragrant Wave – Joanna Thomas

Division III – Artistic Rose Designs Theme: 50th Birthday Party

- Class 1 A Traditional Mass Moonstone ARS Royalty Award Kathy Dodson
- Class 4 A Modern Abstract Design Veterans Honor & Let Freedom Ring – Silver— Certificate – Kathy Dodson
- Class 5 A Design in the Oriental Manner Moonstone ARS Oriental Award – Kathy Dodson
- Class 7 A Modern Collage Design Dr. John Dickman Mini Silver Certificate – Mary Ann Hext

Other Arrangement Placements

- Class 3 A Modern Parallel Design 2nd Mary Ann Hext
- Class 4 A Modern Abstract Design 2nd Mary Ann Hext
- Class 4 A Modern Abstract Design 3nd Vi Hudson
- Class 8 A Design in the Oriental Manner Nageire 2nd Joanna Thomas
- Class 9 A Modern Reflective Design 3rd Mary Ann Hext, Honorable Mention – Vi Hudson
- Class 10 A Traditional Line Mass Design 2nd Norma Cruz
- Class 12 Novice Entries 2nd Felicea Waldrop
 - Congratulations to all BGRS members.

From the President by Bob Jacobs, Consulting Rosarian

Hello Friends

I would like to thank all our members who worked so hard to make our Rose Show a great success. I know it takes a lot of time and effort to put on a show. And a show in the Spring is very stressful as we never know what the weather will be.

I want to congratulate all who entered their roses and arrangements. It is exciting to see the ribbon and trophy winners awarded to our members, and to the area rose society members that traveled miles to bring their roses to exhibit.

I have received many good comments from visitors on how nice the show was, and some have shown interest in coming to our meeting on June 4. While I will be out-of-town, I'm sure a good many of you will be at the meeting to give them a big welcome.

Please remember one of our long time members, Darien Kirby, in your thoughts and prayers as she has been diagnosed with cancer. Treatments will begin soon.



Rose show co-chairs: Bob Jacobs & Kent Campbell *Photo: M. Hext*

Some Thoughts On the Importance of Shows by Dr. Kent Campbell, MR

At the risk of having you feel that you are tired of hearing me "preach this sermon", I do want to remind you of just a few facts. First, I will digress just to say that from my viewpoint and all reports coming in, our show was glorious. My main concern is that you, one and all, had fun and enjoyed, with pride, the results of your hard work.

That being said, here are some facts. Kentucky once had six societies. Now there are three, Bowling Green, Capitol City and Louisville. We lost Hopkinsville, Lexington, and Northern Kentucky. Tennessee once had twelve societies. Having lost East Tennessee, Greene County, Knoxville, Columbia, Murfreesboro, and Jackson, they are now down to six: Chattanooga (Tri-State), Tennessee (Knoxville), Holston, Cookeville, Nashville, Dixie, and Memphis.

In nearly every one of these losses, the society decided they did not want to do a show. One or two years later, they did not exist. It is noteworthy that the Orchid Society, Day Lily Society, and Iris Society all began having a show when they were formed!

The show is a powerful aspect of our existence. This year several visitors to our show expressed interest in the society. We much continue this activity!

BGRS Public Garden Report by Ann Jacobs, Consulting Rosarian

Bob and I went down to the public rose garden Mother's Day weekend and cut spent blooms, pulled crab grass, loosened the soil, and spread a little alfalfa meal around each bush. The garden looks good and has continuous bloom. A couple of mothers were there with their daughters taking pictures of the roses and of each other with the roses as a background. It was nice to see the people enjoying the rose garden.

public.



Put a note on the dash or sun visor of your vehicle to remind you to stop by the garden. Pull a weed or two, pick up paper etc. that has blown in. We need the help of everyone to maintain the garden and keep it beautiful for the



Photos: Bob Jacobs, May 2010

June 2010

June Maintenance by Dr. Kent Campbell, Master Rosarian

The work we do with roses during the summer is basically for fall. Spray, feed, dead head, and water as needed during our dry months. I usually do a heavy feeding in July chemical and/or organic fertilizer.

Our major problem will be Japanese Beetles and Cucumber Beetles. I do not like to spray Sevin because it kills bees. Misting the tops of the roses, buds and blossoms, with Talstar daily helps. Spider mites begin to appear in hot dry weather. There

are miticides available, most very expensive, but I strongly believe in a hard spray of water under the lower leaves. Once they come, you must work on them for about two weeks the eggs will continue to hatch and new eggs are being laid quickly after a batch.

The old axiom is, "If you have beautiful roses in the spring, it is because of God. If you have beautiful roses in the fall, it is because of you!"

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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 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , and 3^{rd} 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—Arrangements (Modern Freestyle (large or small roses)

Brenda Coffey's Favorite Rose by M. Hext, CR

Q.What is your favorite rose?

- A. At this point Rainbow Sorbet.
- Q. What type of rose is it?
- A. It is a floribunda.

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Q. Why is it your favorite:?

- A. The bush always has lots of blooms and the blooms change colors throughout their life cycle -- making a beautiful sight outside.
- Q. How long have you grown this rose?

- A. It was one of my first 6 varieties that I planted in 2007.
- Q. Why did you start growing this rose?
- A. Kathy Dodson suggested it.
- Q. What else can you tell me about this rose?
- A. I have been very pleased with it. The bush looks healthy and seems to weather disease and insects fairly well since I am a novice at rose care.-- it must be fairly hardy since I haven't killed it vet!

SPIDER MITES

Oh, those awful words again! Yes, spider mites often over-winter in your rose garden. If you had them last year, you will have them again this year. They like the warmth of brick walls and driveways. They like miniature roses because of their closeness to the ground and their dense foliage. A rose bush can be defoliated in just a few days. Check your foliage often. If it begins to look like it is losing its color and turning a little gray, look on the bottom sides of the leaf. Does it resemble salt and pepper? Does it have a trashy look? Rub the bottom side of the leaf on a piece of white paper. Do you see orange streaks? If any of these symptoms are present, your roses are infected with spider mites. "Do not pass go, do not collect \$200." Do go to the nearest water faucet, connect a water hose, connect something that will give you a high-pressure water spray, and spray the undersides of the leaves NOW! Do this every other day for a week to interrupt their life cycle. They have to be on the plant to reproduce. Water is the safest and friendliest to the environment and to you. And if you get a little wet while doing it, you probably needed cooling off anyway. Spider Mites are sure to come when you spray insecticides that kill everything.

The Rosette (Houston RS), May 2010.

My Favorite Rose



Photo: www.rose.org

2010 Rose Show

BGRS Members ARS Winners at Roses Show



Miniflora Court - Queen Mr. Lenard Kent & Claire Campbell



Spray Trio – Sexy Rexy Brenda Coffey



Twins Marlon's Day & Spring's A Comin' Bob Jacobs



Best Junior Fragrant Wave Joanna Thomas



HT/GR in Bowl – Louise Estes Kent & Claire Campbell



English Box - Moonstone - Bob Jacobs



Fl Bloom & FL Spray Brass Band Bob Jacobs



Modern Shrub Graham Thomas Kathy Dodson



GR Spray – Spice Twice Ricky Lockhart

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Arrangements Theme - 50th Birthday Party



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



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Table Arrangement Workshop June 12th 8:30 till 2:00

Education Building at Ward Agriculture Center (Wilson County Fairgrounds) Instructors: Jeff and Jennifer Harvey, ARS Arrangement and Horticulture Judges

Registration fee is \$12 which includes lunch from Lil Paul's BBQ. Please bring our own pruners and other arrangement tools and any container that you would like to try. We will provide flowers, and extra containers.

For more information contact jeff@dirtdawgnursery.com or 615-268-7089

IMPORTANT DATES - 2010

- ¥ June 12: Table Arrangement Workshop Wilson Co., TN
- August 20-22: ARS Fall Miniature Rose Show
 & Conference Milwaukee, WI
- September 11 Arrangement Workshop -Cheekwood
- ✤ September 18-19 Louisville Rose Show
- Cottober 7-11: ARS Fall National Convention and Rose Show - Atlanta, GA

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