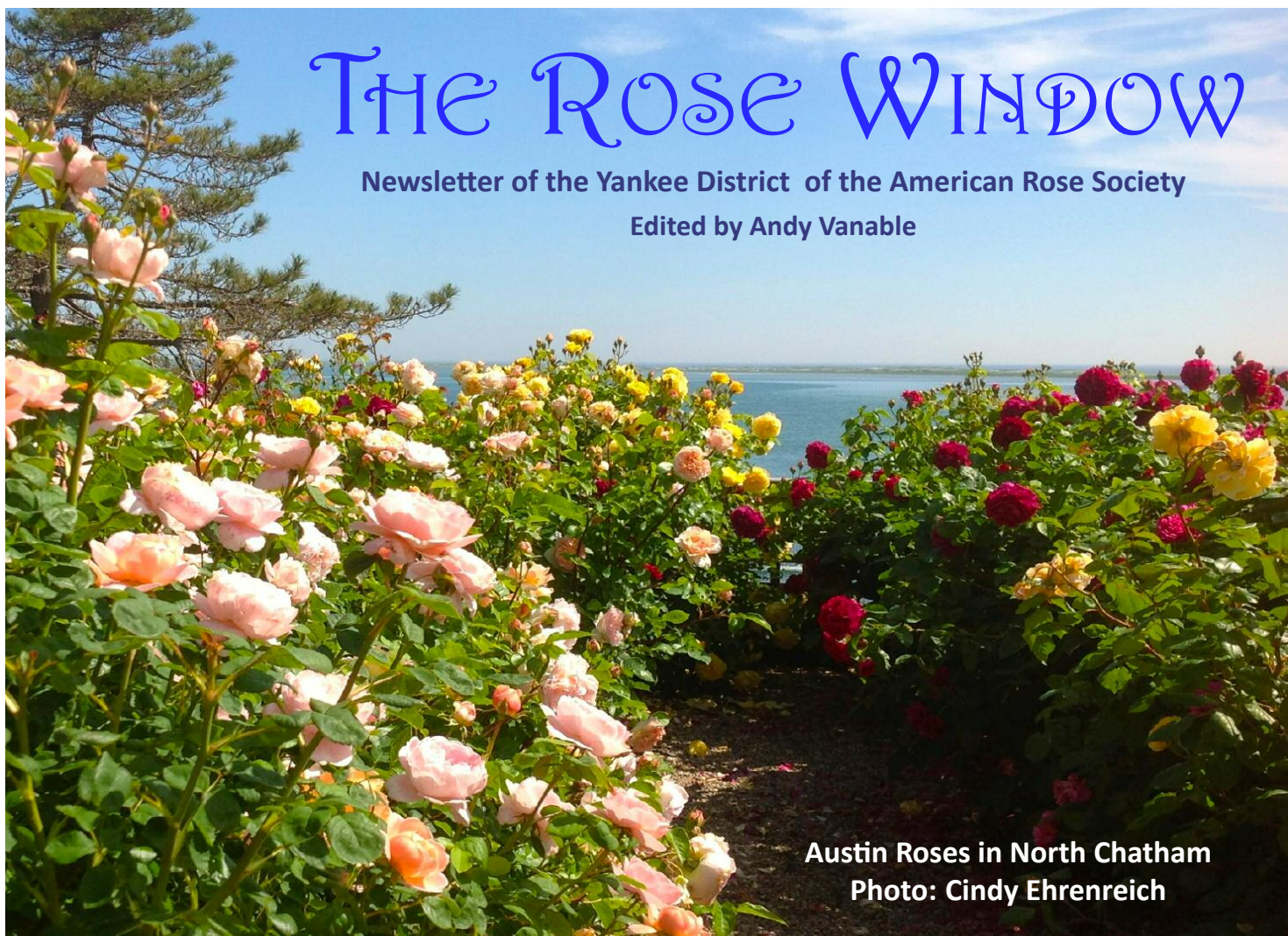


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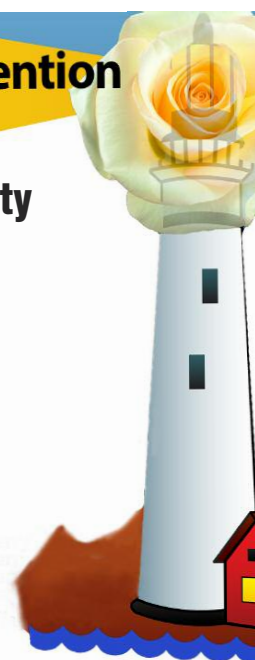


**2015 Yankee District Rose Convention
March 20-22 * Brewster, MA**

Hosted by The Lower Cape Rose Society

You are invited to attend The Annual Spring Rose Convention of the Yankee District on March 20-22, 2015. The convention will be held at the beautiful Ocean Edge Resort in Brewster, Massachusetts (Cape Cod). The Nickerson Mansion was built in 1890 and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The plated Saturday dinner will be held in the Mansion Ballroom, Cape Cod's largest luxury ballroom.

Please make reservations by February 18th directly with the Ocean Edge Resort (1-800-343-6074), and mention the Yankee District for the special rate of \$120.00. The hotel is on Route 6A (Main Street) in Brewster. See pages 10-13 for more information or visit <http://arsyankee.org/>.



Congratulations to
The New England Rose Society
for Celebrating
Their 75 Anniversary in 2015.

**You are invited to the NERS
Floral Workshop, with Instructor
Nancy Redington at the Methuen Senior Center
Saturday, August 15, 2015**

**and the NERS Founders Day Luncheon
Tewksbury Country Club
Guest Speaker — Peggy Martin
Saturday, November 21, 2015**

More Information Available in the Spring
www.rosepetals.org

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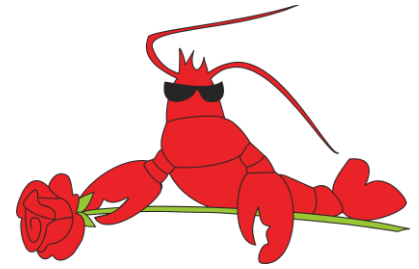
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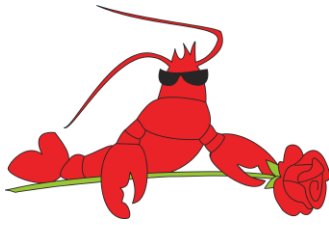
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From the District Director Craig Dorschel

It's January, freezing cold and getting colder, and snowing lightly, so it's obviously time to be writing about roses.

Speaking only for myself, the prospects for the 2014 growing season did not appear too favorable given a late spring and extensive winter damage. Fooled me. There were only a couple of actual casualties, and nearly everything came back stronger than they had been the past few years. December just past was mild, but with more than a half winter to go, who knows what will happen? Just don't give up on a rose even if you have to prune down to ground level, as long as the bud union is underground.

I am really looking forward to our District Convention, this year March 20 through 22. We will once again be gathering at the Ocean Edge Resort in Brewster, Cape Cod, Massachusetts. The resort is built around a mansion on a bluff overlooking Cape Cod Bay, and has very nice rooms for much less than one would pay in season. Convention Chairs, Audrey and Oz Osborn, have lined up a great list of speakers, and we can expect the usual raffles (last year's was HUGE) and the rose auction, which I guarantee will be more organized than last time. And, of course, there will be a hospitality room. Look for details elsewhere in the newsletter.

This year is an election year in the American Rose Society. We will elect District and Regional Directors, and the Vice President, who will automatically become President in 2018. Dave Long and I are running for reelection to our present positions as Region 0 and Yankee District Directors. I am also proud and happy to report that both declared candidates for Vice

President, Sam Jones and Bob Martin, will be coming to our convention. Sam is currently District Director for the Tenarky District and a member of the ARS Executive Committee. Bob is past District Director for the Pacific Southwest District and is perhaps best known as "Mr. Rose Show." They both have much to offer the ARS. Your informed vote is vital for determining the future of the ARS, and at the convention you will have the opportunity to learn their visions for the ARS, and express your own ideas and concerns. Lest you think your vote is unimportant, a recent election was decided by a mere three votes!

So, by coming to the convention, you will hear great speakers, obtain credits if you are a CR, win goodies in the raffle, buy roses at great prices, meet the candidates, and have a great time in an idyllic, Cape Cod Setting. What a bargain! See you there.

This year's national conventions are in the East and easily accessible by car. The spring convention will be in Columbus, Ohio, June 11-14, just a week before the first show in our district. So, if there is an early bloom this year, Columbus will be an exhibiting opportunity. For the first time, this convention will combine the usual spring program with the national mini program, so there will be a lot of challenge classes. Columbus is either a very long day's drive or, more practically, a day and a half from New England.

The fall convention will be really special. It is being held in Syracuse, New York from September 10-13. The New York District is the sponsor, but individuals from the Penn-Jersey and Yankee Districts have been asked to fill some of the key roles, (including yours truly, who was asked to be chairman of the rose show). Since this

convention is taking place at the times when the three districts have often held their district rose shows, the national show will be a tri-district show for the district trophies as well. The convention will climax with the inauguration of the ARS officers and directors, including Pat Shanley as President. There is no better way to experience the American Rose Society for what it is, (a gathering of people with a passion for roses), than to attend a national convention, and I hope you will do so if it is all within your means. And, did I say that Syracuse is a much shorter drive than Columbus?

This year is a special year for the New England Rose Society. Founded in 1940, the NERS is celebrating its 75th anniversary. President Teresa Mosher has planned a special series of programs, including a gala Founders' Day celebration in October.

I note with sadness the passing of Herma Altman in 2014. Herma was a member of the Rhode Island Rose Society, a Consulting Rosarian, a Horticulture Judge, and a notable exhibitor of hybrid teas. She will be missed. I am pleased that the district made a donation to the ARS in Herma's memory.

Finally, thanks to the district officers and committee chairs for their efforts and commitment. Thanks, too, to the leadership of the local rose societies, some of which have faced significant challenges. And, of course, thanks to everyone who made a contribution to the ARS Annual Fund or to one of the Endowment Trusts. Your generous support has helped keep the ARS "in the black" for several years running.

Yours in roses,
Craig



Secretary's Report, Fall 2014 Audrey Osborn

The meeting was called to order by the District Director, Craig Dorschel, at 12:30 p.m. We had our meeting during lunch after the District Rose Show. Craig thanked all the exhibitors who helped make the rose show a success, and he hopes to get more exhibitors in the future.

- Discussed the allocation of funds for the Regional Director and the District Director for travel expenses (both haven't taken any money to date).
- \$600 and \$300 were proposed for next year as travel expenses.

- The 2014 Yankee District Convention, hosted by the New England Rose Society, announced a \$1,300 net profit. It was also mentioned they hosted a successful and educational hands-on arrangement school.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRIZES AND AWARDS/NOMINATIONS (John Mattia) — District elections will be held in March for Secretary and Treasurer. Prizes & Awards position is term-limited. John Mattia currently holds the position, and is the

Secretary's Report Spring 2014 – continued

Regional Chairman of Prizes and Awards. Elections to be held in March for Region Director, District Director, and Vice President of the ARS. Vice Presidential Candidates for the American Rose Society are: Bob Martin and Sam Jones.

ARRANGEMENT JUDGES (Craig Dorschel) — Craig reports that he is now an Accredited Arrangement Judge of the American Rose Society.

CONSULTING ROSARIANS (Dave Long) — Marty Parsons has become a CR Emeritus and Lee Forsythe is a new Consulting Rosarian. Carol Ann Rogers and Cynthia Fraser are now Master Rosarians.

NEWSLETTER (Andy Venable) — Second newsletter published in 2014, Andy is looking for articles to use in the newsletter.

WEBSITE: (Patsy Cunningham) ListServes must abide by national rules. Yahoo doesn't accept email addresses that continue to bounce.

ROSES IN REVIEW: (Oz Osborn) — Oz encourages all members to report electronically — only two paper reviews were submitted last year. He cautions everyone to be sure to check off in the appropriate spot if you do not grow any of the roses that are in the review. This helps insure you get credit for submitting your review.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 Yankee District Spring Convention will be hosted by the Rhode Island Rose Society, and it will be held the first weekend in April.

- Pat Shanley reported that the American Rose Society can now be accessed at rose.org. Pat states that sixty percent of new members come through the website, and feels that by using rose.org it will be easier for people to find the ARS. Exhibitors are important to the American Rose Society.
- 1,000 of the 8,000 ARS members exhibit, and the exhibitors are the people who do the majority of the work.

- A sub committee was formed to find out why there is a decline in the participation in rose shows. Photography contests, horticulture, arrangements, along with creating new marketing ideas, (such as Rose Chat with Chris Van Cleave on Saturday mornings).
- Pat said there are two excellent candidates for the office of Vice President of the ARS running in 2015 — Bob Martin, from the Pacific Southwest District and Sam Jones from the Tenarky District.
- Pat reiterated that the ARS will not share email lists with the candidates. The candidates will promote themselves in *The American Rose* through ads. Members' privacy will be protected. Pat states that the ARS needs "new blood" on the board.
- Pat Shanley spoke about hosting national conventions. Profits will be split 60%/hosting society 40%/ARS for national conventions. Pat mentioned that using an inclusive registration fee was an incentive for participation. There would be no responsibility for unsold hotel rooms, and a hotel/event planner would be used by the hosting society and the ARS. This idea of hosting a national event was tabled for the present time.
- The 2015 Combined ARS Spring and Miniature Convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio on June 11-14.
- Rose Marie Murphy (New York District) mentioned there will be a Combined District Show in Syracuse, New York on September 10-13 as part of the ARS Fall National Convention. This will be hosted by the New York, Penn-Jersey, and Yankee Districts. Participants in the Convention will have \$10 returned to their district. Volunteers will also have \$10 going back to their district. Pat Shanley's installation will be held on Saturday night.
- The Mini National was a very good event this summer, hosted by the Penn-Jersey District.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

District Treasury Report – 2014

Steve Rogers, Treasurer

We had a beginning balance of **\$7,512.46**. Net income during the period was \$1,576.91 (Spring Convention Net Proceeds: \$1400.91, Fall Convention: \$176.00). Expenses for the period were \$2,742.51: (Memorial: \$50.00, Spring Convention Miscellaneous Expenses: \$52.23, Spring Convention Refundable Advance — 2015: \$500.00; District Awards & Committee expenses: \$425.17; Fall District Convention & Rose Show (2014): \$1,016.71; Web Site: \$98.40, Regional Director Attendance, ARS Convention: \$600.00. We have an ending balance of **\$6,346.86**.

Lower than forecasted Spring Convention revenue is mainly due to a significant change in attendance from an average of 90 to 60 at recent conventions. Aligning Spring Convention expenses to take into account this material demographic change is recommended. We believe the new level of attendance to be the expectation near term; therefore, projected average revenue from Spring Conventions should be adjusted to \$1,800 for budgeting purposes. Additionally, for future Fall events, (and we certainly should continue to have them) we should include coincident revenue streams (e.g., blind auction, and/or small registration fee, and/or any other suggestions) to make these events self sufficient financially. Implementing these and/or any others recommended by the board and accepted by the membership will ensure that the ARS/YD remains financially viability into the foreseeable future.

In Memoriam



John A. Waterman

December 22, 1939 - January 14th, 2015



Herma Vita (Fine) Altman

February 12, 1947 - July 26, 2014

2015 Yankee District Rose Convention

Our Distinguished Speakers



Richard Anthony

"Top Rated Miniature and Miniflora Roses"

Richard Anthony is a practicing CPA with a passion for roses. On December 30, 2012, he transported 1,400 roses from his Ohio home to Brighton, Tennessee, and opened a new business named "For Love of Roses, LLC." For Love of Roses is a one-stop shopping, e-commerce, miniature and miniflora rose nursery. Richard currently grows about 1,200 exhibition miniature and miniflora roses in his garden in containers.



Richard is an accomplished exhibitor, who has won 107 Queens of Shows, including five National and nine District queens throughout his thirteen years of exhibiting roses. He is also an Accredited ARS Horticultural Judge and a Certified ARS Consulting Rosarian. He is a three-term member of the ARS Miniature and Miniflora National Committee.

Richard is an amateur hybridizer with nine miniature roses registered to date. He is an avid writer about roses, and has given presentations at twelve ARS district meetings, seven national conventions, and numerous local rose societies. Richard has also made a pledge to do everything within his capabilities to show others the benefits of belonging to the American Rose Society, including the gift of a free rose from For Love of Roses to new members. Program counts for one CRU Credit for active CRs.

Rafiq and Suni Bolar

"Rose Hybridizing 101"

Rafiq and Suni Bolar have been growing roses for several years. They have been exhibiting roses at national, district, and local rose shows for years. They have won the National Rosedale Challenge Trophy in 2012 and the AOE National Challenge Trophy in 2011, 2012, and 2014. They also have won numerous Penn-Jersey District trophies and more than twenty queens. Suni and Rafiq have been hybridizing roses for five years. They grow over 1,000 roses in their garden in Hillsborough, New Jersey, which include many of their own hybrid roses. Their focus in their hybridizing is to create disease-resistant varieties with exhibition form. Yearly, Rafiq and Suni plant around 3,000 seeds created through their hybridizing program. Their hybrid roses will soon be available own root and on fortuniana rootstock through James Mills and K & M Roses. Program counts for one CRU Credit for active CRs.



Sam Jones

"The American Rose Society in China – 2013"

Dr. Sam Jones, ARS Tenarky District Director, is a candidate for ARS Vice President in the 2015 election. He currently serves as a member of the ARS Executive Committee, and is a Past Chair of the ARS Prizes and Awards Committee. Sam and his wife, Nancy, were the Co-Editors of the 2009 *American Rose Annual*. His articles about rose growing and the enjoyment of roses have been published in *The American Rose*, *ARS and You*, along with many district and local rose societies. Many of these have received awards for excellence during his four-year tenure as District Director.

Sam and Nancy are both ARS Master Rosarians, and grow more



than 200 roses in their Nashville, Tennessee garden. Sam is both an Arrangement and a Horticulture Judge for the American Rose Society, and professionally, he is a retired family counselor, and a United Methodist Minister. He and Nancy have three daughters and ten grandchildren. Information about Sam's candidacy for the ARS Vice Presidency can be found at <http://www.samgrowsroses.com/>. Program counts for one CRU Credit for active CRs.

Bob Martin

"Tools (for roses) You Never Knew You Needed"

Bob Martin has been growing roses for more than 40 years. He and his wife, Dona, live in Escondido, California, where they have a rose garden of more than 400 roses of all types. He is an ARS Master Rosarian, an Accredited Horticulture Judge, and an Accredited Arrangement Judge. Bob is well known as a humorous effective speaker and rose evangelist, having spoken at twenty-one ARS National Conventions, at thirteen of the eighteen ARS Districts, and at numerous rose societies and garden clubs throughout the United States.

Bob is a prolific writer, having authored more than 600 published articles on roses. He is editor of the ARS Quarterly Publication, *Rose Exhibitor's Forum*, and the National Editor of *Horizon Roses*. He has also authored the book, *Showing Good Roses*, and maintains the website, www.roseshow.com, which features the results of rose shows throughout the United States.

Bob was honored for his lifetime contribution to rose education as the 2009 recipient of the ARS Kilma Medal. In 2007, he received the Guy Blake Hedrick, Jr. Award for lifetime achievement in exhibiting roses. Bob is the Western Director of the Rose Hybridizers Association, and currently has eleven hybrid roses registered.

Bob is a candidate for ARS Vice President in the 2015 election, and information about his candidacy can be found at www.bobmartinarsvp.com. Program counts for one CRU Credit for active CRs.

Chris VanCleave

"Social Media and Roses"

For Chris VanCleave, aka "The Redneck Rosarian," growing roses has become a passion. Chris is an active member of the Birmingham Rose Society, and recently, served two consecutive terms as its president. He is the recipient of the Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service to a Local Society from the Birmingham Rose Society. Chris is a Certified Consulting Rosarian, and, nationally, serves on both the Marketing and Membership Committees for the ARS. His writings appear at www.about.com, and in his popular blog, www.redneckrosarian.com, where Chris chronicles his gardening adventures, and explores his intrinsic mixture of life, faith, and gardening. In 2011, he created Rose Chat Radio, an online radio program that draws more than 340,000 weekly listeners.

Recently, Chris was appointed Chairman of the Helena Beautification Board, which is charged with beautifying the historic community just outside of Birmingham. He, and his wife of 29 years tend a rose garden of more than 150 roses in Helena, Alabama. Program counts for one CRU Credit for active CRs.



2015 Yankee District Rose Convention

March 20-22 * Brewster, MA

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CONVENTION SCHEDULE

FRIDAY — MARCH 20, 2015

Hotel check-in after 3:00 p.m. (unless other arrangements have been made with hotel.)

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. — Registration for Convention

6:00 - 10:00 p.m. — Dinner — Ocean Edge has offered a Friday night buffet for the Yankee District in one of the rooms in the mansion. Since almost everyone will have had a long journey to the Cape, and sometimes finding a restaurant to accommodate large groups can be a challenge, we have decided to eat together here in the hotel. Don't miss this great opportunity to relax and enjoy each other's company, without the rush that often occurs at restaurants on the Cape on a Friday evening. The Ocean Edge will be serving: Italian Wedding Soup, Classic Caesar Salad, Cherry Tomato, Basil, Fresh Mozzarella Salad, Porcini Mushroom & Ricotta Ravioli, Sauce Rose, Chicken Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce, Herb Rice & Toasted Orzo Pilaf, Seasonal Vegetable Ratouille, Freshly-Baked Focaccia, Miniature Cookies & Biscotti, Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee & Tazo Tea \$30.00/person

8:00 - 12:00 p.m. — Hospitality Room

SATURDAY — MARCH 21, 2015

8:00 - 9:00 Registration for Convention

9:00 - 9:15 - **WELCOME: JOLENE ADAMS**, ARS President

9:15 - 10:00 A.M. — **CHRIS VANCLEAVE** "Social Media & Roses" (One CRU Credit) — Breaking new ground for rosarians and local rose societies. Chris' presentation will be an interactive session which will look at creative ways to increase membership through social media outlets. The presentation will be thought provoking and fun. "I want to encourage all attendees to bring their smart phones, iPads, tablets, etc. to the session . . . I hope Y'all are ready for this redneck from Alabama?"

10:00 - 10:20 a.m. - Coffee Break, Door Prizes in Vendor Room

10:30 - 11:15 — **SAM JONES**: "The American Rose Society in China — 2013" (One CRU Credit) — Hosted by the Chinese Rose Society, Dr. Sam Jones, Tenarky District Director and his wife, Nancy, toured rose and botanical gardens across China in 2013. They were among a twelve-member deligation representing the American Rose Society. Assisted by China's National Park



Services, American hybridizers, garden directors, industry leaders, the delegation consulted with scientific and horticultural researchers and garden directors in five major cities across China. In the future, the ARS will be playing a major role in the planning of a museum and park dedicated to roses of the world near Beijing, the site of the Regional Convention of the World Federation of Rose Societies in 2016.

11:15 - 11:30 a.m. — Break in vendor room

11:30 - a.m. - 12:15 p.m. — **SUNI and RAFIQ BOLAR: “Hybridizing 101”** (One CRU Credit) — The presentation Suni and Rafiq will present will help both amateur and experienced hybridizers alike. Their presentation covers the year-long processes they use in their New Jersey garden to create new hybrid roses. The presentation includes the steps involved in creating hybrid roses such as: the collection and storage of pollen, making the crosses in the spring, harvesting and storing rose hips, shelling the hips to extract the seeds, storage and planting of the seeds, testing new seedlings both indoors and outdoors, and the final selection process. Their presentation covers most of aspects of hybridizing new roses.

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. — Lunch

1:45 - 2:30 p.m. — **BOB MARTIN: “Tools (for roses) You Never Knew You Needed”** (One CRU Credit) — A program describing tools needed for growing good roses, along with the unusual tools discovered through experimentation and proved through Bob’s personal experience. Bob’s presentation is a Power Point presentation with all of the tools illustrated, as well as some humor included as solid educational content.

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. — Break in Vendor Room

2:45 - 3:30 — **RICHARD ANTHONY: “Top Rated Miniature and Miniflora Roses”** (One CRU Credit) — Richard’s presentation will include slides of most of the new roses that Richard’s company, For Love of Roses, will be carrying in 2015 (which includes a few of his own as well).

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. — **RAFFLE**

6:00 - 6:30 p.m. — **Meet & Greet** - Bar Open

6:30 p.m. — **DINNER** — The two ARS vice-presidential candidates will present their qualifications for the office, their visions, and plans for the future of the American Rose Society. Presentation of the **YANKEE DISTRICT AWARDS**
Followed by **THE ROSE AUCTION!!!**

Hospitality Room Opens Following the Rose Auction

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2015

9:30 a.m. — **YANKEE DISTRICT BUSINESS MEETING**



2015 Yankee District Rose Convention

March 20-22 * Brewster, MA

Registration and Hotel

Hosted by the Lower Cape Rose Society

Hotel Information

You are invited to attend The Annual Spring Rose Convention of the Yankee District. The convention will be held at the beautiful Ocean Edge Resort in Brewster, Massachusetts (Cape Cod), located on Rte 6A (Main Street) in Brewster. The hotel's Nickerson Mansion was built in 1890 and is listed in the National Register of Historic places.

The plated Saturday night banquet will be held in the Mansion Ballroom, Cape Cod's largest luxury ballroom. Please make reservations by February 18 directly with the hotel 800-343-6074 and mention the Yankee District for the special rate of \$120.00+ per night.

Registration and Meals

Deli Lunch Buffet - (included with registration) Tomato Basil Bisque, Parmesan Crouton Boston Lettuce with Grilled Zucchini and Bell Peppers (Balsamic Vinaigrette) Bruschetta Pasta Salad, Cavatelli Pasta tossed with tomatoes, Fresh herbs, Olives, Deli Sliced Turkey, Ham, Roast Beef, and Genoa Salami, Deli Sliced American, Swiss, Cheddar, and Provolone Cheeses, Dill Pickle Spears, Lettuce Leaves, Tomatoes and Sweet Onion, Mayonnaise, Dijon Mustard, and Hummus Selection of Pita, Soft Lavasch, and Assorted Artisan Rolls, Cape Cod Potato Chips, Seasonal Cupcakes. Includes Starbuck's Coffee and Tazo Tea Service with assorted Coca Cola Soft Drinks

Plated Dinner - \$35

Radicchio and Arugula Salad, Balsamic Onions, Roasted Beets, Goat Cheese Maple Vinaigrette ,
Choice of (Indicate choice(s) and number of each on form below):

Pan Roasted Chicken Breast Mushroom Thyme Jus, Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Baby Zucchini
Seared Salmon Orange Rosemary Beurre Blanc, Basmati Rice and Dill Buttered Baby Carrots
Baked Tomato and Mushroom Napoleon , Vine Ripe Tomatoes, Portabella Mushrooms, Spinach, Roasted

Onions, Rosemary Scented Cauliflower Puree, Chive Oil

Dessert New York Style Cheesecake with Fruit Compote Accompanied by Assorted Fresh Rolls and Freshly Brewed Starbuck's Coffee and Assorted Tazo Teas

Registration Form: Clip and Return

REGISTRATION FEE: Includes Speakers, Lunch Buffet, Door Prizes, Meeting Rooms, Coffee Break.

The convention registration (\$70) must be received by February 28, 2015*.

Registration (includes Saturday lunch)	\$70 *	
Optional Friday night Italian buffet	\$30	
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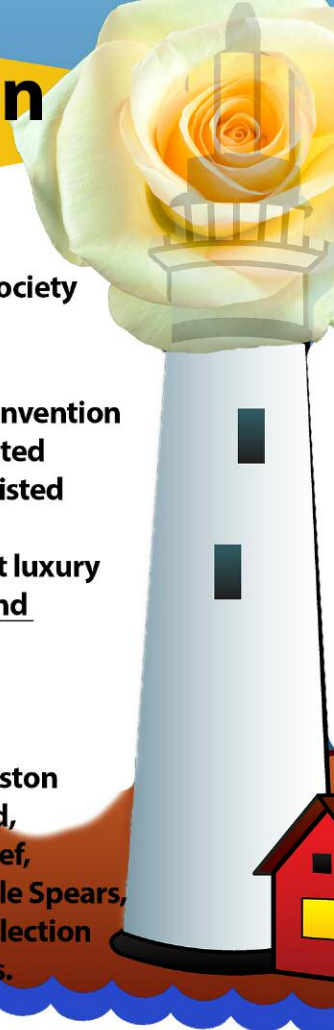
Name(s): _____ (as you would like them to appear on your name tag.)

Email: _____ Society Affiliation: _____

Please make check payable to LCRS Convention

Mail check to: Audrey Osborn, 12 Scotch Pine Farm, East Harwich, MA 02645

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Sports in Your Garden

Dave Ciak



'Dottie Dear'
Miniflora 2014 - Dave Ciak

No, this does not refer to baseball, football, soccer or even wrestling taking place in the garden. It refers to nature's way of creating a new rose variety without the need of pollination. The newly created variety is called a "sport." Most rose sports involve a change of color, but there can be a change to size of the bloom or its petal count. Sports occur more often than you may believe.

In the Connecticut Rose Society three color sports have been registered:

'Autograph' — Hybrid Tea, John Mattia, 2000, Light Pink. A striped sport of the pink hybrid tea, 'Signature.'

'Dottie Dear' — Miniflora, David Ciak, 2014, White. A white (pale apricot) sport of the coral pink miniflora, 'Ruffian.'

'Irene's Awakening' — Floribunda, Andy Vanable, 2009, Medium Yellow. A medium yellow semi-double sport of the peach colored, full-petalled floribunda, 'Heaven on Earth.'

In the Yankee District there is another well-known color sport:

'Autumn Sunset' - Large Flower Climber, Mike Lowe, 1988, Apricot Blend. A unique golden apricot sport of the copper colored Westerland.

As an example of a size change sport:

'Lo and Behold' — Miniflora, Luis Desamero 2009, Deep Yellow. This is a deep yellow sport of the miniature rose, 'Behold.'



'Autograph'
Photo: John Mattia



'Signature'
Photo: John Mattia

Sports in Your Garden – continued

When I spotted that 'Ruffian' had sported in my garden I took and rooted cuttings of the sport. I grew them in the garden for two years to ensure that they were stable (meaning that they did not revert back to the original plant, a frequent problem with newly-discovered sports). After I was sure of the stability, I registered the sport with the ARS. Registration is a simple process done via the ARS website at no cost. However, because the new rose is a sport you must submit a photo of the bloom as proof. Registration does several things: it protects your discovery, allows you to exhibit the rose, and, best of all, you get to name it. 'Dottie Dear' is named for my wife of 50 years.

Some sports get picked up by commercial growers and are sold to the general public, such as 'Autumn Sunset' and 'Lo and Behold.' If you are lucky enough to have this happen, you can expect royalty payments. If not, enjoy something special only in your garden, or better yet, give cuttings or plants to your family and friends.



'Irene's Awakening' Photo: Andy Venable



R. palustris Photo: Andy Venable

Some time ago, Steve Scanniello made a presentation to the Connecticut Rose Society describing his efforts to re-introduce the roses with historic significance to New York City by planting surviving varieties throughout Manhattan. In the course of his talk, he recounted how Alexander Hamilton's wife, Elizabeth, had included roses in the landscaping of their estate, The Grange, in Upper

Roses in Early America Alex Bugaëff

Reprinted from *The Connecticut Rose*

Dave Long, editor

Harlem. That got me to thinking – we know that roses go back long before that in the rest of the world, but what about in the New World?

As a student of early American history and author of two books on our nation's founding, I was well aware of Hamilton, his wife, Elizabeth, and The Grange, but I did not know about their incorporation of roses into their landscape. So, I did a little research. Here is what I learned.

Roses have been grown in North America for longer than most of us imagine. When the Jamestown settlers

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first landed on a Virginia beach, the Native Americans were already beautifying their villages with roses. Captain John Smith reported seeing roses all around the Powhatan camps in his journal. He did not report the varieties, their origins or whether they were used for medicinal or culinary purposes (perhaps he did not know), but going back at least to 1606 seems like heritage enough.

The Pilgrims planted roses at Plymouth Plantation starting in 1621. Their first governor, John Carver, reported in his journal that they planted “reds, whites and damasks.” He did not say where they got the plants and there is no mention of roses on the bill of lading for the Mayflower. We can only surmise that, knowing what we know about the Powhatan roses, the Pilgrims might have gotten them from the surrounding Native American tribes.

In 1699, on his return voyage from London, William Penn, founder of the Pennsylvania colony, brought “18 rose bushes.” In addition to growing them on his property, he must have propagated them, because, starting in 1731 he used them in lieu of cash for payments of rent on land parcels he was occupying. So, we know that roses were held in high value in the colonies. Being something of a botanist, Penn also made reference to them for their “beauty and medicinal properties” in his *Book of Physicks*.

Benjamin Franklin, the earliest of the six major Founding Fathers (I call them “The Super Six”) was renowned in the western world as a ground breaking scientist. He proved that lightning is electricity. He invented batteries, the wood stove and bifocal glasses. You would think that he might have dabbled in the most popular plant of the day — the rose. He did not. At least, there is no evidence of it in his writings or records.

Neither did another of the Super Six — James Madison. But, we can forgive him since he was fragile and sickly his whole life, despite having outlived all the rest, to the age of 85. Nonetheless, with an estate of hundreds of acres in which he took great pride, it is



R. moschata Pierre-Joseph Redouté

hard to imagine that he did not have them, especially since his friends did, (especially Thomas Jefferson).

We know Thomas Jefferson to have been a plantsman, botanist, farmer, and landscape designer. His papers are replete with references to his growing of Gallicas, “Sweetbriars” (likely what we know as Eglantines), and wild roses of unnamed varieties.

Jefferson placed an order with the William Prince Nursery of Flushing Landing, New York in 1791, as follows: “Two ‘Roses of the Month’ (!!! Yes, the merchants of the day conducted marketing campaigns very much like ours!) — ‘Old Blush,’ two China roses, and two Musks, *R. moschata*.” Not only do his papers contain the original of this order, but also the receipt, signed by him.

In a November 1, 1816 journal entry, Jefferson reported his planting of roses at his getaway retreat, Poplar Forest, thus: “. . . (I) planted large roses of diff. kinds in the oval bed in the N. front, dwarf roses in the N.E. oval . . .” There is no doubt that Jefferson was an avid rose grower, if not rosarian.

Nor can there be doubt about John Adams’ affinity for roses. While there is no mention in his or Abigail’s

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papers of his growing roses on his various personal properties, we know that he ordered the first planting of roses on White House grounds in 1800. So, despite claims that Ellen Wilson established the White House Rose Garden in 1913, or that maybe Edith Roosevelt did in 1902, it turns out that John Adams beat them to it by at least 100 years.

Was Steve Scanniello correct when he reported that Eliza Hamilton planted roses at The Grange? He sure was. From his papers, we know that Alexander Hamilton was captivated by landscaping. In planning for the construction of The Grange, Alexander sought direction from agricultural expert, Richard Peters, from Thomas Jefferson himself, and from Dr. David Hosack, a professor of botany at Columbia College and founder of the botanical garden there.

Alexander visited the botanical garden frequently and got advice from Hosack on his landscape plan. This culminated in Alexander's specific directions for Eliza's installation that included the front rotunda: ". . . the space should be planted with wild roses . . ." He didn't specify the varieties, leaving that to Eliza, but we know from the pride he showed in the finished estate in 1802 that she chose and positioned them wisely.

That leaves the last of my Super Six, George Washington. As with other aspects of his life, he is credited with much, but some must be assessed with what they call in the Navy "a weather eye."

The history books report that Washington bred

roses. The most prominent reference is to the 'Mary Washington' — a double, repeating white/near white/white blend Noisette, that he is said to have named after his mother. Here's the problem: George died in 1799; the Noisette is reported to have been first hybridized in 1810 (by John Champney of South Carolina). Did Washington create a rose of another class that history now assigns to him as a Noisette? Or, has a myth "grown" up around Washington's obvious love of roses as a simple gardener? You be the judge. In any event, 'Mary Washington' can still be bought as a direct descendant of that original plant with those same qualities, whoever bred it.

Our beloved genus *rosa*, has been around a long time, longer in other parts of the world than in ours, but the history of the rose on our continent goes back plenty far — back into the dim recesses of Native American history, perhaps before Europeans arrived. We may never know whether the rose made its way over the Bering Straits with the earliest peoples, or if it first came from the East over the Atlantic. But, we do know that those who populated the New World treasured it from the beginning for its beauty, its medicinal and culinary qualities, and its toughness. And, we are indebted to them for it.

Alex Bugaeff is a member of the Connecticut Rose Society and the author of Pilgrims To Patriots, A Grandfather Tells The Story, and American Amazons: Colonial Women Who Changed History, both available from Amazon in print and ebook formats.



'Blush Noisette'
Wikimedia Commons



What's in the Blue Plastic Garbage Bag?

Audrey & Oz Osborn

We have been propagating roses under lights for quite a few years, using Rootone® and a very light soilless mix. Success rate has varied. Some years are better than others, and we found it kind of a hit-or-miss process with no rhyme or reason for success or failure. In the past, we took a soft wood cutting, scratched the bottom of the cane, dipped it in water, then Rootone®, and placed it a hole in the container of potting soil that we made with a pencil. We put the cutting in its new home, keeping it moist for weeks. If the cutting did not turn brown or black within two-three weeks, it usually was a good sign. It was time-consuming to keep them moist, and took up space where something else could have been growing.

This year, we decided to try a new approach to adding roses to our garden. After reading an article online, we found a new method which seems to be working, although we don't know what the success rate will be. We made many cuttings (about 6"-8") at the end of the growing season, (which on the Cape is late October — early November). We removed all of the leaves, identified each group with plastic labels and



either a china marker or an oil based



Sharpie®, and wrapped all the cuttings in damp newspaper, (about four or five pages thick). We secured the paper with a rubber band, and put ten different groups of cuttings into a garbage bag and put them on a shelf in our closet. This is what a few look like two months later:



What's in the plastic garbage bag? – continued

Of course the multiflora looks the best, and these we hope to use for budding later this summer.



The pictures show what different roses currently look like. Notice the calluses on the bottom of the cutting from where the roots will grow. In a few more months they should

be potted up and growing under the lights. Hopefully, by the time of the March convention we should know whether this method works or not?



Arranging and Arrangement Judging Craig Dorschel

Having received my arrangement judging accreditation last year, I became District Arrangement Judging Chairman by default. Sorry, if that sounds underhanded, but until we have at least one more Accredited Arrangement Judge, I'm "stuck."

I will be happy to work with the societies in preparing arrangement schedules for the rose shows, and I hope that all will be including arrangements. In particular, I can help with wording and assure that classes will meet the requirements for ARS awards.

We had a very successful arranging workshop in conjunction with the March, 2014 Convention, with as many participants as would fit in the room. Our instructor, Nancy Redington, was very impressed with the work she saw. This year, Nancy is coming back for another workshop on August 15, organized by the New England Rose Society as part of its 75th Anniversary Celebration. More details will be forthcoming.

Nancy is also writing the schedule and organizing the judging for the Syracuse National Show in September. She has expressed the hope that there would be strong

participation by Yankee District members, and I second that. Please do not be intimidated by the word "National." Nancy and I will ensure that there will be a Novice Class that will be comfortable for Yankee District participants. I suggested that traditional style would probably be best, but if anyone has other ideas, please let me know as soon as possible.

Speaking of styles . . .

"IN THE ORIENTAL MANNER"
OR, NONE DARE CALL IT IKEBANA

Arrangement classes in rose shows typically represent one of three basic styles of arranging: Traditional, Modern, and In the Oriental Manner. The first two are self-explanatory, but "In the Oriental Manner" can raise questions.

The arrangement judging guidelines say the following: "ARS Arrangements in the Oriental Manner are based on Ikebana, the Japanese art of flower arranging. . . These arrangements in ARS shows are classified as "In the Oriental Manner" and therefore do

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not necessarily follow the strict rules of formal Ikebana.”

Helpful? Let’s have a quick introduction to Ikebana.

The word “ikebana” means “arranged or living flowers,” depending on how the Japanese characters are interpreted. Its origins go back centuries, at least to the arrival of Buddhism in Japan. By 1542, Ikenobo Senno had written descriptions of the Rikka style, a highly-structured formal arrangement. The Ikenobo School, the oldest school of Ikebana, originated at roughly that time, and continues today.

As opposed to the highly stylized, Rikka, alternative styles were called Nageire-bana, or “tossed in flowers,” generally made in tall cylindrical containers with the stems resting on the lip of the container. A similar, even simpler style (Chabana) was developed in conjunction with the tea ceremony. Nageire arrangements were popular in the 1600s.

In the 18th Century the Shoka (Ikenobo) or Seika (other schools) style came into being. Shoka (“fresh flowers”) can be thought of as a much simplified form of the Rikka style. This may also be a place to note that some of the confusion experienced by beginners relates to the fact that the various schools use different Japanese words to describe an object or concept. Once again, the same characters can be read as Seika or Shoka.

In 1895, Unshin Ohara founded the Ohara School. Ohara’s innovation was the Moribana (“mass or heap of flowers”) style. Moribana is the familiar style in which a pin holder (Kenzan) is used to place the plant material in a wide, shallow container (Suiban), with the water showing.

As time passed, the Nageire and Moribana styles became quite formalized, and many practitioners broke away from this formality to create “free style” arrangements, which, while lacking rules, are still

grounded in the technique and aesthetic of the traditional styles. Among the pioneers of free style Ikebana was Sofu Teshigahara, who founded the Sogetsu School in 1929. Sogetsu emphasizes individual expression, but only after the student has a thorough grounding in the variations of Moribana and Nageire.

There are a very large number of Ikebana schools, but Ikenobo, Ohara, and Sogetsu are most often encountered in America. These are the three schools represented in the Boston chapter of Ikebana International.

So where does that leave us for rose shows?

Most often, the schedule will specify either “an arrangement in the oriental manner in a low container with water showing” (which suggests, but does not require, Moribana) or “an arrangement in the oriental manner in a tall container” (suggesting, but not requiring Nageire). The design should reflect the restraint in use of plant material, and typically have an asymmetric balance. The roses must dominate, of course. The easiest way to achieve this, is, in fact to learn a few of the basic principals of Ikebana.

Both Moribana and Nageire designs have as a foundation three basic lines (or branches). These are often “greens,” though Sogetsu recommends using one of the flowers for the shortest line. The lengths of the lines are related to the size of the container, and they are placed as specified locations and angles. (Some may chafe at this formalism, but think of this as a recipe for making a beautiful arrangement). Then additional flowers and “helper” plant material are added to complete the design.

Here are two examples of Moribana made by a relative beginner (that would be me) in a Sogetsu class. These were photographed before the instructor made a few improvements. The first is the “basic upright” form:

Arrangement and Arrangement Judging – continued

(No, those aren't roses. They're daisy mums. This was November.)

The second is the "basic slanting" form. BTW when I reassembled these at home, I swapped the mums and the carnations and improved both arrangements. For anyone keeping score, both of these are in the "in reverse" or right hand forms.

It can be difficult to see in photographs, but the placement of the three principal lines and the flowers form scalene (unequal sided) triangles, and no two stems are the same length. The leftmost flower makes the third branch in each case



The basic Moribana forms are the first lessons in Ikebana, and can be easily learned.

The same principals apply to Nageire, but there are tricks for fixing the branches and flowers in the desired location for which some instruction is helpful. The container also needs to be heavy to avoid the risk of

tipping over. Here's my first attempt (in December) of a basic slanting Nageire after reassembly at home and again probably not as the instructor would have it, but you get the idea:

Try to ignore all the surrounding "stuff." The mum at the low angle on the right is the third branch. Now imagine these with summer foliage and roses.

I hope this has piqued your interest. There are books that illustrate the constructions of Moribana and Nageire designs, and workshops and classes are an even better way to learn.

Have fun.



How to Retain Rose Society Members

Darrell G.H. Schramm

Reprinted from

North Bay Rosarian

Richard Affleck, editor

Much is said, written, and occasionally acted upon to gain new members to our local rose societies. But, what do we do to retain our members? One would hope that when an unfamiliar visitor shows up at a rose meeting he or she is made to feel welcome and is engaged in conversation, not left sitting alone. The same applies to our familiar members. In short, do not take them for granted.

To ignore your members is to invite your members to ignore you — by drifting away and perhaps eventually leaving the rose society altogether. The following suggestions are addressed not only to individual members but also to the president, the board members, and the newsletter editor. It's a reminder to myself as well.

One indirect way to ignore — and bore — your members is to present the same programs year after year. For instance, unless you do indeed have new members, DO NOT year in and year out schedule a rose pruning demonstration each January or February. Think *new*. Think *different*.

When a member gives a Consulting Rosarian address to the society, do more than applaud. At an appropriate time, acknowledge the address in person.

When the president or other board member has gone out of his or her way to visit and survey possible gardens or other venues for an excursion, thank that person for the time and effort made.

When a member provides rose plants or bouquets for an event, thank that individual in person and in the newsletter.

When an especially good speaker has given a presentation, compliment him or her not only in person but also in the newsletter.

When a member of your own club or society is the special speaker, do not take it for granted but acknowledge the effort (if not the quality). And, if no remuneration is forthcoming, you might also send a thank you note.

When a society member earns an award for a rose show or photo contest or a Certificate of Merit or any other accolade, acknowledge it in the newsletter. And, when you see the person, congratulate her or him.

When one of the membership contributes an article to the local newsletter, make a point of acknowledging that you've read it. You don't have to like it, but do not hesitate to ask questions about it or to involve the writer in a discussion of the topic itself. Writing can be a lonely business.

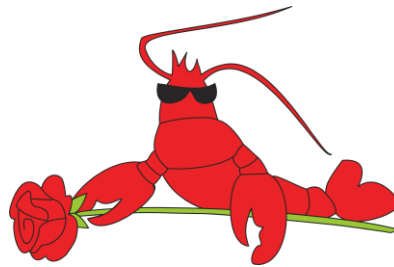
By the same token, acknowledge the work of your newsletter editor.

After a rose show or a fundraising event, acknowledge the efforts of all those involved, both in person and in the newsletter.

Remember, editors, writers, and behind-the-scenes workers in our local societies are not paid for their

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time, effort, or expertise. Those who work to keep the society functioning can burn out, feel discouraged or even ignored. Members who are taken for granted (Oh, he always contributes an article; Oh, she'll always provide refreshments, etc.) may drift away. Acknowledge expertise, effort, enthusiasm, devotion. Let your members know you appreciate them. Let them know you know!



American Rose Society Convention September 10 to 13, 2015 Syracuse New York

All Yankee District members are invited to join us for the Fall Convention for the American Rose Society, being held September 10 to 13, 2015 in Syracuse, New York. The committee is planning many great programs, a national rose show, vendors, tours and the opportunity to meet rosarians from across the country. Saturday night, September 12, 2015 will be the installation of the new officers including our new President, Pat Shanley. The newly elected Vice President, Regional Directors, and District Directors will also be installed.

A partial list of the speakers at this convention is as follows:

- STEVE HUTTON, President/CEO, STAR Roses and Plants/Conard-Pyle, West Grove, Pennsylvania
- MICHAEL MARRIOTT, Senior Rosarian, David Austin Roses, Albrighton, England
- ALAIN MEILLAND, Meilland International, Cannet des Maures, France

- THOMAS PROLL, Lead Breeder, Kordes Roses, Sparrieshoop, Germany
- WILL RADLER, Chief Tinkerer, Rose Innovations, Greenfield, Wisconsin
- DR. DAVE BYRNE, Texas A&M AgriLife Research horticulturist, and Rose Rosette Disease Research Project Director, College Station, Texas

This is a great opportunity to enter your roses and photographs in the rose show. You can win national awards and trophies. We will have vendors selling their products, raffles, and a silent auction. For further information, please check our website, www.newyorkroses.org, which will go live around February 15, 2015. We will be updating the website to include speakers, sponsors, vendors, etc. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Rosemarie Murphy (570) 977-2253 or rmenterprises1105@gmail.com. Join us for the convention we have a lot planned to make your attendance memorable.

News from Around the District

John Mattia Announced as the Recipient of the 2015 Guy Blake Hedrick Jr. Award for Excellence in Exhibiting

CONGRATULATIONS to Connecticut Rose Society Founder Member, Yankee District Member, and top exhibitor, John Mattia, for being selected as the recipient of the 2015 Guy Blake Hedrick Jr. Award for excellence in exhibiting. Established in memory of the late, Guy Blake Hedrick Jr., to recognize outstanding rose exhibitors who display the highest levels of excellence, integrity, and respect for the ideals of showing roses, the Guy Blake Hedrick Jr. Award is intended as a lifelong achievement award for an exhibitor who has been a successful national, district and local exhibitor, and is also a model in sharing his/her knowledge in growing championship roses. Award recipients are members of the ARS, and demonstrate acts of worthy recognition including:

- Sustained success in showing roses at the national, district, and local levels for a decade or longer by an individual or team who has consistently exhibited rose show entries of the highest caliber with integrity and spirit for the ideals of the ARS.
- Sustained lifetime achievement by an individual in devoting and focusing his or her educational

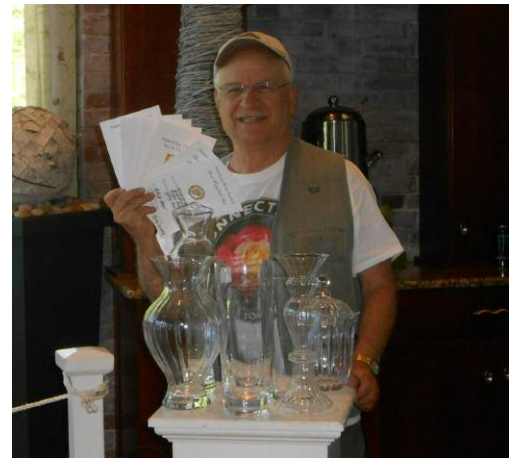


Photo: Marci Martin

John Mattia and a clean sweep of the court, Connecticut Rose Society Rose Show - 2014

talents and expertise to promoting the art of exhibition of the rose.

- Significant and sustained acts of achievement by an individual in organizing and overseeing the conduct of successful rose shows at all levels.

JOHN'S AWARDS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL INCLUDE:

McFARLAND TROPHY and KIRKLAND TROPHY winner, National ARS Rose Show, Indianapolis, Fall 1995, QUEEN and PRINCESS among five of nine Court roses.

KING and PRINCESS among three of six Court roses, National ARS Rose Show, St. Louis, Fall 1996.

NICHOLSON TROPHY, National ARS Rose Show, Minneapolis, Spring 1997, QUEEN, KING, among five of nine Court roses.

HERSHEY TROPHY, National ARS Rose Show, Charlotte, Fall 1998.

ROSEDALE BOWL, (ARS National Traveling Trophy), Montreal, 2000.

WARWICK URN, KING OF SHOW, ARS Rose Show, Philadelphia, 2002.



ARS Bronze Medal Recipient for Outstanding Service to a Local Society – 2014

The highest honor that can be bestowed by a local society upon one of its members is the Bronze Award. At the New England Rose Society Founders Day 2014, Barbara Leduc received the Bronze Award for Outstanding Service to the New England Rose Society. Congratulations, Barbara.

Photo: Chu Jung



*New England Rose Society
Barbara Leduc, with NERS
President, Teresa Mosher*

*A Lifetime Achievement Award to the
New England Rose Society
was awarded to Marlene Norton,
with NERS President, Teresa Mosher*

NERS Lifetime Achievement Award



Photo: Craig Dorschel



Connecticut Rose Society Upcoming Program Information

Connecticut Rose Society is on the Move!

We have a great lineup of programs and speakers coming up for you. Be sure to check this listing, the CRS web site www.ctrose.org, or your monthly email notices for the location of each month's meeting. Our meeting location may change, but we will always welcome you at 1:30 p.m. with great refreshments, expert Consulting Rosarians to answer questions, and plenty of friendly rosy chat to warm up the winter months. Hope to see you every month!

Sunday, March 1 — 1:30 p.m.

Wethersfield Library, 515 Silas Deane Highway
Wethersfield, Connecticut

25 Fabulous Roses with guest speaker, Mike Chute

Mike will showcase twenty-five exceptional roses including new introductions as well as a few old favorites. From soaring climbers to petite floribundas, he features long stemmed beauties, lush sprays and attractive landscape roses — the best roses he has ever grown. "Twenty-five Fabulous Roses" describes every variety in detail, explaining why each is a great garden rose, and how to grow it successfully. Mike invites you to challenge his choices and describe your favorites, sure to provoke a lively discussion.

Mike and Angie Chute will sign copies of their new book, *Rose Gardening Season by Season: A Journal for Passionate Gardeners*, as well as copies of their *Roses for New England: A Guide to Sustainable Rose Gardening*.

Mike and Angie Chute are co-owners of RoseSolutions, a landscape consulting company specializing in roses. They are both American Rose Society Master Rosarians and University of Rhode Island Master Gardeners. Mike is an Accredited ARS Horticultural Judge. They served as Guest Editors of the 2008 *American Rose Society Annual*, authored the chapter "Roses" in the *University of Rhode Island Sustainable Gardening Manual*, and were co-founders and past presidents of the Rhode Island Rose Society. Mike and Angie will be speaking at the Boston Flower & Garden Show on March 13th this year. Visit them at www.rosesolutions.net

(Plus one more chance to order some beautiful David Austin roses at the special CRS Member price of \$18!)

DIRECTIONS TO THE WETHERSFIELD LIBRARY: The Wethersfield Public Library, 515 Silas Deane Highway, is located at the intersection of Church Street and the Silas Deane Highway (Route 99) in a white brick building (which also contains the Town Hall). Parking is behind the building off Church Street.

VIA I-91 SOUTH: Take Exit 28, Routes 5/15 South. From Routes 5/15, take the exit for Route 99, and turn right onto Route 99, Silas Deane Highway. At the fourth traffic light, turn right onto Church Street.

VIA I-91 NORTH: Take Exit 26 Marsh Street. Turn left at the end of the ramp and follow Marsh Street which will become Church Street. At the first traffic light go straight across the Silas Deane Highway and turn left into the parking lot.

VIA ROUTE 2: Take the exit for Route 3 Putnam Bridge. At the third traffic light after you cross over I-91 turn right onto Route 99, Silas Deane Highway. At the third traffic light turn left onto Church Street.

Friday - Sunday, March 20-22

Yankee District Convention
Ocean Edge Resort, Brewster, Massachusetts

Sunday, April 12 — 1:30 p.m.

Galleria Design Center, 234 Middle Street
Middletown, Connecticut

Fabulous Rose Auction — Best Ever!

Thanks to Marci Martin, Weeks Roses has donated 34 roses to CRS for our Auction! Roses include two brand new 2015 introductions, 'Above All,' a continuously-blooming climber with great winter hardiness inherited from 'mom' 'Westerland,' and 'Top of the World,' a climbing mini that



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reaches eight feet and is perfect for smaller gardens. 'Anna's Promise,' the first in a series inspired by 'Downton Abbey,' will be here, and this is the only place in the world you will be able to buy the original 'Dottie Dear,' a brand new rose discovered by CRS member, Dave Ciak, and named for his wife, Dottie! The Auction will be a rousing good time, when you might find a real bargain!

Contributions of roses for the Auction are welcome. If you have roses you would like to contribute to the Auction, please notify Sandy Long sandlong@comcast.net or 860-434-5522 in advance, although roses will still be accepted at the last minute if you bring them on the day of the Auction.

Consulting Rosarians will review opening the garden, spring pruning, planting techniques, watering, fertilizing, and all good rose culture practices. CRS Members: At this meeting, you must pick up the David Austin roses you have ordered and pre-paid.

GALLERIA DESIGN CENTER.COM at 234 Middle Street, Middletown, Connecticut is easy to access and has plenty of parking:

FROM I-91 SOUTH: take Exit 20 for Middle Street toward Country Club Road; turn right onto Middle Street.

Sunday, May 3 — 1:30 p.m.

Welles Turner Memorial Library

2407 Main Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut

Rose Garden Irrigation Methods
and Water Conservation

Becky Martorelli and Dave Candler will give a Power Point presentation of all methods of watering and retaining soil moisture, as well as visually illustrating different types of soil structure and how to amend it. Both Becky and Dave currently use several methods of irrigation in their own gardens and have tested many others. They will give a hands-on demonstration of assembling one watering system and provide a handout of where all the different DIY irrigation systems can be purchased. (one CR credit will likely be given.)

DIRECTIONS TO GLASTONBURY LIBRARY: Parking (free) is available on Main Street and in the rear parking lot.

VIA I-91: EXIT 25, Route 3 PUTNAM BRIDGE, Glastonbury. Cross the Putnam Bridge and take the exit labeled MAIN

STREET (It has no number.) At the end of the exit ramp, turn LEFT onto GLASTONBURY BOULEVARD At the next stop light, turn RIGHT onto MAIN STREET. Go approximately ONE MILE. The library is on the RIGHT, immediately following the TD Bank Building.

VIA I-84: Take EXIT 55, Route 2. Take Route 2 to EXIT 8, HEBRON AVENUE From Route 2 East, turn RIGHT onto HEBRON AVENUE From Route 2 West, turn RIGHT onto OAK STREET and then LEFT onto HEBRON AVENUE. Follow Hebron Avenue until it ends at Main Street Turn RIGHT onto MAIN STREET The library is immediately on the LEFT.

Sunday, June 7 — 1:30 p.m.

Woodland Gardens, 168 Woodland Street
Manchester, Connecticut

Summertime Rose Garden Care
and Exhibiting in the Rose Show

Consulting Rosarians will give hands-on demonstrations of planting, pruning and caring for your roses now that summer is here. Award-winning exhibitors will demonstrate how to groom and present your roses for rose show exhibiting, so that you, too, can win awards.

Sunday, June 21

34TH ANNUAL CONNECTICUT ROSE SHOW

Bring your best blooms!

Stay tuned for location and hours

Thursday - Sunday, September 10 - 13

American Rose Society Fall Convention
and Rose Show, Syracuse, New York

Combined Penn-Jersey, New York
and Yankee District Shows

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New England Rose Society Upcoming Program Information



Saturday, January 17 — 12:00 p.m.

After Holiday Luncheon
Sam's Bistro, Reading, Massachusetts

Saturday, February 21 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Representative from BioSafe

Saturday, March 14 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Representative from Tick Tubes

Wednesday - Sunday — March 11-15

Boston Flower Show
Seaport World Trade Center

Friday - Sunday, March 20-22

Yankee District Convention
Ocean Edge Resort, Brewster, Massachusetts

Saturday, April 18 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Representative from Coast of Maine

Saturday, May 16 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Voting for 2016 Board and Talk on
Entering Roses in a Rose Show

Saturday, June 27 — 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Tower Hill Botanic Gardens
Rose questions answered

Sunday, June 28

Tower Hill Botanic Gardens
ROSE SHOW
7:30 a.m. -9:30 a.m. — Enter your Roses
10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. — Judging
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. — Open to the Public

Saturday, July 18, 12:00 p.m.

Visit Member's Garden
George and Paula Doorakian's garden
Bedford, Massachusetts

Saturday, August 15

Floral Workshop, with Instructor
Nancy Redington at Methuen Senior

Thursday - Sunday, September 10 - 13, 2015

American Rose Society Fall Convention
and Rose Show
Syracuse, New York

Combined Penn-Jersey, New York
and Yankee District Shows
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Saturday, September 19 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Representative from Pleasant View
Proven Winners — Companion Planting

Saturday, October 17

12:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

FOUNDERS DAY LUNCHEON

*** 75TH ANNIVERSARY ***

Tewksbury Country Club

Guest Speaker — Peggy Martin

Saturday, November 21 — 10:00 a.m.

Meeting
Installation of Officers
and Holiday Arrangements

*All Meetings held at:

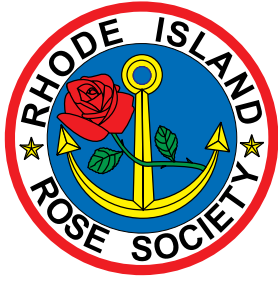
Methuen Senior Center

77 Lowell Street Methuen, MA 01844

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your Rose questions during "Ask the Experts."

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Rhode Island Rose Society Upcoming Program Information

Saturday, February 14, 2015

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Roger Williams Park Botanical Center
Floral Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island

Consulting Rosarian Roundtable — four or five tables (each CR covering a specific topic). Members will visit each table in ten to fifteen minute intervals. There will also be a brief business meeting and more information on the upcoming, June Rose Show.

Thursday - Sunday, February 19-22, 2015

2015 Rhode Island Spring Flower & Garden Show

Rhode Island Convention Center
Providence, Rhode Island

Saturday, March 14, 2015

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting

Champlain Room at the Weaver Library
41 Grove Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island

Annual Meeting and presentation by Jo-Ann Bouley, who presented the wonderful talk on clematis at last year's Annual Meeting. We will also be serving cake to celebrate the RIRS's Birthday.

Friday - Sunday, March 20-22, 2015

Yankee District Convention

Ocean Edge Resort, Brewster, Massachusetts

Saturday, April 11, 2015

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Roger Williams Park Victorian Rose Garden
Elmwood Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island

Demonstrations on pruning, planting, climbers, general garden maintenance. Plus bring tools to do garden maintenance.

Saturday, May 9, 2015

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Roger Williams Park Botanical Center
Floral Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island

Preparations for the June Rose Show — flower selection and grooming, filling out tag, arrangements, etc. Pick up your schedules for the show.

Saturday, June 15, 2014

Seventeenth Annual

Rhode Island Rose Society

Rose Show

North Kingstown Community Center
30 Beach Street, Wickford, Rhode Island

Thursday - Sunday, September 10 to 13, 2015

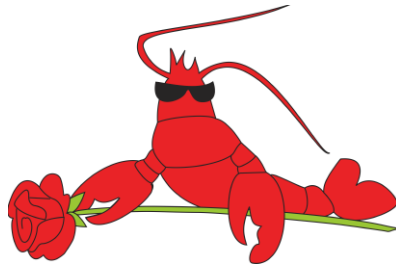
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Yankee District Lobsterfest & Rose Show – September 6, 2014

J. Horace McFarland Memorial Trophy

Jon Heino

'Elle,' 'Touch of Class,' 'Rina Hugo'
'Maggie Barry,' 'Pink Promise'

Ralph S. Moore District Award

Craig Dorschel

'Irresistible,' 'Child's Play,' 'Erin Alonso'
'Ty,' 'Sweet Revenge,' 'Bees Knees,'
'Oxbow'

Yankee Rosarian Trophy

Audrey & Oz Osborn

'Scepter'd Isle,' 'Tess of the d'Ubervilles'
'Glamis Castle'

Yankee District Ben Williams

Memorial Trophy

Dorothy & David Ciak

'Eternity,' 'Dr. Troy Garret,' 'Tiffany Lynn'
'Cooper,' 'Whirlaway'

Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Queen

Audrey & Oz Osborn

'Pope John Paul II'

Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora King

Cindy & Irwin Ehrenreich

'Cherry Parfait'

Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Princess

Craig Dorschel

'Peter Frankenfeld'

One Floribunda Bloom

Craig Dorschel

'Scentimental'

One Floribunda Spray

Audrey & Oz Osborn

'Julia Child'

One Polyantha Spray

Craig Dorschel

'Verdun'

One Bloom or Spray

Large Flower Climber

Cindy & Irwin Ehrenreich

'Cloud 10'

Classic Shrub Bloom or Spray

Jacquiline Knight

'Linda Campbell'

Modern Shrub Bloom or Spray

Craig Dorschel

'Golden Wings'

Victorian Award

Craig Dorschel

'Rose de Rescht'

Miniature Queen

Dave Candler

'Memphis King'

Miniature King

Craig Dorschel

'Rosy Dawn'

Miniature Princess

Dave Candler

'Memphis Belle'

Miniature Spray

Dave Candler

'Jean Kennelly'

Miniflora Queen

Dorothy & David Ciak

'Charasmatic'

Miniflora King

Dorothy & David Ciak

'Equinox'

Miniflora Princess

Dorothy & David Ciak

'Butter Cream'

Miniflora Open Bloom

Craig Dorschel

'Black Jade'

Bowl — Large Roses

Audrey & Oz Osborn

'Rainbow Sorbet'

Bowl — Miniature Roses

Cindy & Irwin Ehrenreich

'Grandmaw's Girl'

Bowl — Miniflora Roses

Cindy & Irwin Ehrenreich

'Abby's Angel'

Box — Large Roses

Audrey & Oz Osborn

'Julia Child'

Yankee District Lobsterfest & Rose Show



Yankee District Lobsterfest & Rose Show



Queen – 'Pope John Paul II'
Exhibited by
Audrey & Oz Osborn



Miniature Spray – 'Jean Kennelly'
Exhibited by Dave Candler



Ralph S. Moore District Award
'Irresistible,' 'Child's Play,' 'Erin Alonso' 'Ty,' 'Sweet Revenge'
'Bees Knees,' 'Oxbow'
Exhibited by Craig Dorschel

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Miniflora Princess
'Butter Cream'
Exhibited by
Dorothy & David Ciak

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Bowl — Large Roses
'Rainbow Sorbet'
Exhibited by Audrey & Oz Osborn



One Floribunda Bloom
'Sentimental'
Exhibited by Craig Dorschel

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Yankee District Lobsterfest & Rose Show



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Modern Shrub Bloom or Spray
'Golden Wings'
Exhibited by Craig Dorschel



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MiniFlora Queen
Dorothy & David Ciak
'Charasmatic'



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Yankee District Ben Williams Memorial Trophy
'Eternity,' 'Dr. Troy Garret,' 'Tiffany Lynn' 'Cooper'
'Whirlaway', Exhibited by Dorothy & David Ciak



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Yankee Rosarian Trophy
'Scepter'd Isle'
'Tess of the d'Ubervilles'
'Glamis Castle'
Exhibited by
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Call for Nominations for Miniature and Miniflora Rose Hall of Fame

DR. JIM HERING, CHAIRMAN

ARS Miniature/Miniflora Rose Committee

The ARS Miniature and Miniflora Rose Hall of Fame honors miniature and miniflora roses that have stood the test of time in commerce for at least twenty years. Now is your opportunity to participate in this process by sending in your nomination(s), (five or less). A short list of the most popular miniature and miniflora roses that are twenty years or older can be found at the end of this article. Criteria for the Hall of Fame can be summarized as follows:

1. The variety must have been introduced at least twenty years prior to the year the award is given. Introduction date will be verified by the latest edition of *Modern Roses*.
2. There can be multiple winners in any year.
3. Varieties for consideration are solicited from the general membership through an

announcement in the *American Rose* magazine, on the ARS website, in the *Miniature Rose Bulletin*, and in district and local bulletins. Nominations are to be sent by April 1, 2015 to:

Dr. Jim Hering
1050 Kingwood Drive
Marion, OH 43302
rosehering@roadrunner.com

4. The Chairman of the Miniature/Miniflora Rose Committee will prepare the tabulations for selection by the full committee by ballot.
5. Formal announcement of the winner(s) will take place at the ARS National Miniature Rose Conference.

Previous Miniature and Miniflora Hall of Fame Winners

ELECTED IN 1999

'Starina', 1964, Meiland
'Beauty Secret', 1972, Moore
'Magic Carousel', 1972, Moore
'Rise 'n' Shine', 1977, Moore
'Party Girl', 1979, Saville

ELECTED IN 2000

'Cinderella', 1953, de Vink
'Mary Marshall', 1970, Moore

ELECTED IN 2001

'Green Ice', 1971, Moore
'Jeanne Lajoie', 1976, Sima

ELECTED IN 2002

'Cupcake', 1981, Spies

ELECTED IN 2003

'Snow Bride', 1982, Jolly
'Little Jackie', 1982, Saville

ELECTED IN 2004

'Minnie Pearl', 1982, Saville
'Red Cascade', 1976, Moore

ELECTED IN 2005

'Jean Kenneally', 1986, Bennett

ELECTED IN 2006

'Giggles', 1987, King
'Black Jade', 1985, Benardella

ELECTED IN 2007

'Pierine', 1988, M. Williams

ELECTED IN 2008

'Irresistible', 1989, Bennett
'Fairhope', 1989, Pete & Kay Taylor

ELECTED IN 2009

'Gourmet Popcorn', 1986, Desamero
'Luis Desamero', 1988, Bennett
'Tiffany Lynn', 1985, N. Jolly

ELECTED IN 2010

'Chelsea Belle', 1991, P. & K. Taylor
'Grace Seward', 1991, Bennett
'Fancy Pants', 1986, King

ELECTED IN 2011

'Kristin', 1992, Benardella
'Olympic Gold', 1983, N. Jolly

ELECTED IN 2012

'Hot Tamale', 1993, Zary
'X-Rated', 1993, Bennett

ELECTED IN 2013

'My Sunshine', 1986, Bennett
'Peggy "T"', 1988, King
'Winsome', 1984, Saville

ELECTED IN 2014

'Soroptimist International', 1995, Benardella
'Incognito', 1995, Bridges

Brief List of Eligible Miniature and Miniflora Roses

'Acey Deucy'	'Elfinglo'	'Lavender Spoon'	'Peaches 'n' Cream'	'Stars 'n' Stripes'
'Ain't Misbehavin'	'Ember'	'Lights of Broadway'	'Poker Chip'	'Summer Sunset'
'Apricot Twist'	'Figurine'	'Linville'	'Popcorn'	'Suzy'
'Baby Grand'	'For You Dad'	'Little Mermaid'	'Pucker Up'	'Sweet Chariot'
'Baby Katie'	'Gail'	'Little Sister'	'Purple Dawn'	'Sweet Revenge'
'Cal Poly'	'Halo Fire'	'Millie Walters'	'Red Minimo'	'Teddy Bear'
'Connie'	'Halo Today'	'Mobile Jubilee'	'Roller Coaster'	'Tennessee'
'Crazy Dottie'	'Holy Toledo'	'Mother's Love'	'Ruby Pendant'	'Toy Clown'
'Cuddles'	'Jennifer'	'Old Glory'	'Si'	'Vista'
'Dee Bennett'	'June Laver'	'Over the Rainbow'	'Simplex'	'Wistful'
'Dreamcatcher'	'Lavender Delight'	'Pacesetter'	'Something for Judy'	

Some Miniature and Miniflora Roses Eligible for the First Time in 2015

'Amber Sunset'	'Cherry Hi'	'Haleakala'	'Love 'Ya Dad'	'Showdown'
'Angelica Renae'	'Darby O'Gill'	'Hearts A' Fire'	'Mary Louise'	'Silk 'n' Satin'
'Angel's Blush'	'Dark Mirage'	'Heavenly Vision'	'Morning Song'	'Silverhill'
'Annie R. Mitchell'	'Diamond Anniversary'	'Here's Ian'	'Oh My Stars'	'So in Love'
'Autumn Sunblaze'	'Diamond Doll'	'High Life'	'Old Country Charm'	'Solar Flare'
'Baby Secret'	'Dreamcoat'	'Honky Tonk'	'Orange Sunset'	'Street Wise'
'Behold'	'Fall Splendor'	'Innocence'	'P.J.'s Pride'	'Tangerine Twist'
'Bingo Queen'	'Father Christmas'	'Jeanette'	'Purple Haze'	'Trick or Treat'
'Bridal Sunblaze'	'Finest Hour'	'Ju Ju'	'Rita Applegate'	'Umberlgo'
'Bright Lights'	'Flora Bama'	'Lemon Meringue'	'River City Jubilee'	'Voyager'
'Caesar's Rose'	'Glowing Amber'	'Lost in Paradise'	'Salmon Sunblaze'	'Wishful Thinking'
'Charlie Brown'	'Glowing Petals'		'Seattle Scentsation'	

Rose Reclassification

The rose 'Weldrell 0383' ['The Mandrell Family', yb, Wells, 2008] has been reclassified from miniflora (MinFl) to miniature (M).





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