



Award winning newsletter! National ARS Silver Medal 2004

Rose Lore

Mesa-East Valley Rose Society
 Affiliated with the American Rose Society

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www.roses4az-mevrs.org

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Thursday

May 11th, 6:00 p.m.**
 MCC Rose Garden, Veterans area

**Annual Installation of
 Officers and Board of Directors
 For 2006-2007**

**Pacific Southwest District
 Director, Bob Martin,
 will conduct the installation,
 which will be followed by
 open discussion on
 "How to get ready for
 Summer Rose Care"**

**Preceded by Potluck Dinner
 Please bring your contribution
 to serve 6-8 people!**

**A - F Main Dish
 G - O Salad/Side Dish
 P - Z Dessert/Fruit**

Friends and family welcome.
 Bring your rose questions and concerns.
 See you there!

****Special Early Start~Don't forget!**

Congratulations to incoming Officers and Board of Directors for 2006-2007!

- Dona Martin, President
- LeRoy Brady, 1st VP Programs
- Donna Dibble, 2nd VP Membership
- Alta Russell, Treasurer
- Stephanie Pietz, Recording Secretary
- (Pending)- Corresponding Secretary
- Steve Sheard, Past President
- Bruce Gannon, Director
- Evelyn Gannon, Director
- Cheryl Doan, Director
- Madge Thomas, Director
- Sam Presley, Director

Why You Need To Study This Issue By Dona Martin, Editor

What a great spring season we have had! Bob considers our blooms this year the best he has ever had anywhere! And that includes over 25 years of growing roses in California. The rose shows have been spectacular, due in part to the earlier warm weather and the later cool weather. Now there is LOTS of deadheading to do, as peak bloom has passed and we want our bushes to recycle before it gets too much hotter.

So why is this issue so important? The results are here of the two biggest shows of the year, the Scottsdale Rose Show and Pacific Southwest District Rose Show. Most of our members do not exhibit nor do they plan to. But the results reported here are meaningful to all rose growers.

The best roses win at the rose shows. They must be strong, healthy plants and the roses must have good form. A little "grooming" only goes so far. The varieties in these lists of winners are the cream of the crop. These are the best roses not only for the show tables, but for your dinner table! They are the best for your neighbors to enjoy as they stroll by. They are also the most worthy of your investment, in time, money, labor and care.

Study these results. Compare them with the roses you grow now. Would it be work planning for some changes in fall? How much more room do you have? These are the roses you need to consider. Ask us about them and we will tell you how they perform and where you can find them. It will be the best homework you can do this year!

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MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS

The following nurseries will give MEVRS members a 10% discount (unless otherwise indicated) on any rose-related purchase when you show your membership card. In some stores you must pay by cash or check only to receive the discount.

Be sure to get your annual Membership Card from the Membership Chairman.

A & P Nurseries

All three East Valley locations
(15% off all products, except
Advertised Specials.)

Pine needle much now in stock

****New Delivery May 6th**

**2601 E. Baseline Rd.
480-892-7939**

Baker's Nursery

3414 N. 40th St., Phx

Berridge Nursery

**4647 E. Camelback Rd., Phx
Potted roses always in stock!**

Gardener's World

3401 E. Baseline Rd., Phx

Harper's Nursery

**Three locations:
Mesa, Scottsdale and Phx**

Summer Winds Nursery

**3160 S. Country Club Dr., Mesa
480-892-1469**

**When you patronize
these businesses, please
remember to thank the
manager for supporting
the MEVRS!**

President's Message by Steve Sheard

I am finding it hard to write my closing President's message. Reflecting on the goals I set two years ago, I feel we have done quite well. I had wanted to grow our rose society and make it a benefit to every member; new membership is up and members are staying committed. I had want the meetings to be of a caliber that you would want to invite your friends to join us; I believe we did this. I had wanted the newsletter to be worthy of being passed onto neighbors should they ask about roses; Dona surely has excelled here and the *Rose Lore* won 2nd place at the National level. Most of all, I had wanted you to enjoy your roses more; we all did this.

I could not have achieved these goals without the dedication and involvement of the board members, as well as the tremendous involvement behind the scenes by many of you. Thank you all very much.

We have just completed yet another very successful Rose Garden Tour. A special thanks goes to all those who put their gardens on display; I know it takes a lot of preparation! The gardens all looked wonderful and our variety of landscapes allowed the public to relate and understand how they can fit roses into their own gardens. Thank you also to Phyllis, Cheryl and Dona for pulling it together. I estimated over 150 persons through my garden which is up from last year and I know Donna signed up several new members. Well done to all.

I believe the partnership we have with Mesa Community College is a major contributor to the strength of our society, as it provides members with the opportunity to be involved in the community through their hobby, their passion, of rose growing. I ask that you continue to provide support to the rose garden when required – like deadheading each month and pruning next fall and spring.

In closing, I ask that you provide Dona Martin and the new board the dedicated support you provided me and my board. By doing this, our society will continue to grow and become a magnet for those who did not know they could enjoy roses here in the desert.

Steve Sheard

Dues are due June 1st! Please be prompt!

ARS Pacific Southwest District Rose Show Results

April 14, 2006

Sponsored by the Rose Society of Glendale, AZ

Section A – PSWD Challenge Classes

Class 1 J. Horace McFarland Memorial District Trophy

Winner: Bob & Dona Martin

Five different hybrid teas: Cajun Moon, Hot Princess, Veterans' Honor, Cajun Sunrise, Crowd Pleaser

Class 2 Ralph S. Moore District Trophy

Winner: Bob & Dona Martin

Seven different miniatures: Miss Flippins, This is the Day, Behold, Erin Alonso, Irresistible, Bee's Knees, Dancing Flame

Class 3 Mesa Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Bob & Dona Martin

Four different colored hybrid teas:
Hot Princess, St Patrick, Marilyn Monroe, Cajun Moon

Class 4 Old Rose Hips and Thorns Trophy

Winner: Suzanne Horn

Rose introduced fifty or more years ago: Yolande d'Aragon

Class 5 Pacific Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Clifford Orent

Five different floribunda sprays:
By Appointment, Bedont, Ebb Tide, Irish Mist, Milan

Class 6 Invitational Rose Seminar District Trophy

Winner: Jeff Stage

Five different colored miniatures:
Kristin, Sam Trivitt, X-Rated, Baby Boomer, Miss Flippins

Class 7 Las Vegas Valley Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Terry Swartz

Hybrid Tea Stages of Bloom: Silverado

Class 8 All-America Rose Selections District Trophy (not awarded)

Three different AARS winning hybrid teas

Class 9 San Fernando Valley R.S. District Trophy

Winner: Terry & Chris Von Lehmden

Three single rose sprays: Sally Holmes

Class 10 Los Angeles Rose Society Challenge Bowl

Winner: Clifford Orent

Bouquet of Old Garden Roses:
Lisette de Beranger, Duchess of Sutherland, Prince Noir, Charles Lefebvre, President Dutailly, Pius IX

Class 11 Dee Bennett Memorial Trophy

Winner: Suzanne Horn

Bouquet of 12 miniatures (or mini-floras): Miss Flippins

Class 12 Santa Barbara Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Clifford Orent

Three different miniature sprays:
Heather Sproul, Incognito, Work of Art

Class 13 Herb Swim Memorial Trophy

Winner: Bob & Dona Martin

Three different hybrid teas: Crowd Pleaser, Hot Princess, Cajun Moon

Class 14 Grace Seward Challenge Cup Winner: none
Seven different Award of Excellence miniatures

Class 15 Phoenix Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Elizabeth Strong

Three floribunda sprays, same variety: Playgirl

Class 16 Albuquerque Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Suzanne Horn

Three different shrubs:
The Squire, Golden Celebration, Mary Magdalene

Class 17 Scottsdale Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Suzette Dollar

Bouquet of nine or more large-flowered stems:
Scepter'd Isle, Molineux, Jubilee Celebration, Lillian Austin

Class 18 El Paso Rose Society District Trophy

Winner: Suzanne Horn

English box miniature or mini-flora:
Miss Flippins, Fairhope, Breath of Spring

Class 19 Louis Desamero Challenge Bowl

Winner: Suzanne Horn

Eighteen miniature roses: Miss Flippins, Fairhope, Breath of Spring, June Laver, Behold, Glowing Amber

Class 20 Cal and Barb Hayes Challenge Class

Winner: none Nine different miniature roses

Rose Society of Glendale Challenge Classes

America The Beautiful
Hi-Lo

Rose Bowl Miniature

Rose Bowl Floribunda

Rose Bowl Shrub

Rose Bowl Hybrid Tea/GR

Frame Bouquet Miniature

Frame Bouquet Large

English Box Floribunda

English Box Shrub

English Box Hybrid Tea

(no winner)
Silverado, Scentsational
Jeff Stage

Memphis Magic
Suzanne Horn

Pinnacle
Suzanne Horn
Distant Drums

Linda Clark
Marilyn Monroe
Judy Singer

Dr John Dickman
Terry & Chris Von Lehmden
Gemini

Terry & Chris Von Lehmden
City of San Francisco
Bob & Dona Martin

Prospero
Terry Swartz
Hot Princess, Fantasy,
Gemini, St Patrick, Cajun
Moon - Bob & Dona Martin

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Rose Care for May 2006

By Dona Martin, ARS Consulting Rosarian

Irrigation: As temperatures go up, usually over 80 degrees during the day, you should be watering your roses at least twice per week. If you flood irrigate, once per week is adequate early in the month. On drip irrigation, water early in the month two to three times per week. By the end of the month or when temperatures are over 80 degrees, you should be drip irrigating three to four times per week, 3-4 gallons of water per irrigation for each plant. Windy conditions will dry out your bushes more than normal, especially young bushes. If you see dropping blooms or foliage, some damage has already been done! If you have good drainage, you cannot over water.

Fertilizing: A simple program is to use a good granular fertilizer, such as Organo Super Rose Food. Use 1 cup per large bush and ½ cup per small bush early in the month and half that rate if roses are grown in pots. At mid-month, consider an application of a good quick release fertilizer like MiracleGro or Magnum Grow, mixing 1 T. fertilizer to 1 gallon of water. Apply 1 gallon of mix to large rose, ½ gallon to small roses and ½ the rate if grown in pots. For a more complete program, consider weekly fertilization early in the month with MiracleGro or Magnum Grow, then mid-month to the end of the month with fish emulsion. Mix 1 T. to 1 gallon water and apply 1 gallon of mix to large roses; ½ gallon to small roses, ½ rate for potted roses. Always water before and after the fertilizer application.

Diseases: Continue to spray a good fungicide, such as Immunox, every 7 to 14 days at the labeled rate, to prevent powdery mildew from taking hold. If heavily mildewed, stronger products that give longer protection, such as Banner Maxx and Compass, are available at Rosemania.com. Be sure to spray the top and bottom side of the leaves and the soil in the bed.

Insects: Aphids and thrips are very active this month. Spray pesticides at the labeled rate as needed. Products like Bayer Rose and Flower Insect Killer with imidacloprid (Merit), Cygon 2E and Avid work great on aphids and thrips. To avoid spraying the beneficials, especially on smaller gardens, you can use a small hand spray bottle 1-2 times per week and just spray the buds. For best protection against aphids, we recommend Merit. For thrips you cannot beat Conserve SC. Watch carefully for spider mites on the underside of the lower leaves. We have already had lots of them! To keep spider mites under control, use a hard stream of water from a water wand every 3 to 4 days, spraying the underside of the leaves. Alternatively, begin using a miticide such as Avid, Kelthane or Floramite as soon as mites are noticed. Plants can be stripped of leaves by spider mites in a very few days. Spray for spider mites when you first start to

see evidence of them. Remember that Avid only kills the adults so you will need to repeat after three or four days to kill the newly hatched mites. Floramite will eliminate both the adult mites and the eggs so it is rare to have to repeat more often than 21 days.

We recommend the use of a "sticker-spreader" or surfactant product, such as Indicate 5, with all of the products mentioned above. Indicate 5 will enable the spray to more easily coat the entire upper and lower surfaces of the leaves, as it neutralizes the pH of the water.

If the nursery doesn't carry these products, check with Wilbur-Ellis in Tempe or Rosemania.com online.



The Rose Society of Tucson Hosts ARS Consulting Rosarian School & Seminar

Sunday, July 30, 2006
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 or 4:00 p.m.

The Windmill Inn of Tucson
4250 N. Campbell Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85718
(520) 577-0007 or (800) 547-4747
Room Rates - \$79
\$69 with AAA or AARP Discount

Directions from Interstate 10: Take Orange Grove Road exit and turn left onto Orange Grove Road heading east. Immediately after you go under the railroad at the light, turn right onto River Road. Proceed east on River Road approximately 6-1/2 miles to Campbell Avenue (you will pass Oracle Road and First Avenue). The Windmill Inn is in the St. Philips Plaza complex which is on the southeast corner of River Road and Campbell Avenue.

Schedule

10:00 – 10:20 a.m. Coffee and Rolls

Please sign in and pick up your badge and seminar packet.

10:20 – 10:25 a.m. Welcome & Introduction -

Judy Singer and Terry Swartz, Rose Society of Tucson

10:25 – 10:35 a.m. The ARS Consulting Rosarian

Program & Mission – Bert & Kay Grant, PSWD

District Consulting Rosarian Chairs

10:35 – 10:50 a.m. Pests and Diseases Unique to

This Area – Judy Singer

10:50 – 11:15 p.m. Chemical Safety – Kay Grant

11:15 – 11:45 p.m. Integrated Pest Management

– Bert Grant

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11:45 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch

12:45 – 1:35 p.m. Fertilizing & Soils – Dona Martin, Pacific Southwest District Newsletter Editor

1:35 – 2:30 p.m. The Right Rose for the Right Place – Bob Martin, Pacific Southwest District Director

2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Questions & Answers, Review – Bert & Kay Grant

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Consulting Rosarian Open Book Test – Bert & Kay Grant

(The test is optional – Those wishing to become CR's must take the test.)

DEADLINE FOR CR SEMINAR REGISTRATION IS JULY 24, 2006

\$25 per person, Includes Seminar,
Morning Refreshment and Lunch

Mail the lower portion of this form and a check payable to the Rose Society of Tucson to: Judy Singer, 1631 Calle Altivo, Tucson, AZ 85718. For more information contact Judy at:

jude@hot-roses.com or (520) 529-6020.

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Number of Persons _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Your Local Rose Society?

Would you like to take the CR test to become a Consulting Rosarian? Yes _____ No _____

I'm already a CR _____

If yes, please contact Bert and Kay Grant for eligibility requirements and an application:

BKGrant@bak.rr.com or (661) 599-0116.

COST OF TEST IS ADDITIONAL: If you plan to take the CR test please bring a check in the amount of \$10.00, payable to ARS, to the meeting on July 30th. To study for the test (which is advised), CR Manuals may be purchased directly from the ARS for \$10 or \$15. To order call (800) 637-6534 or purchase on-line at ARS.org.

Consulting Rosarian Corner

By Steve Sheard, Consulting Rosarian.

This month I am going to answer many of the questions I received on the Rose Tour.

Plant Labels

I purchased my stakes from Paw Paw Everlasting Labels. <http://www.everlastlabel.com/>

P.O. Box 93 - T, Paw Paw, MI 49079

You will find an advertisement in the American Rose Magazine. I use a Brother Label Maker and use the 1" wide White UV resistant tape.

Finding old and special Roses

I like the web site **Help me find**

<http://www.helpmefind.com/rose/index.php>

It is getting late in the year to plant roses in the valley. If you absolutely have to – buy a well established bush from one of the nurseries listed in our newsletter and make sure you keep it watered during the summer.

Clematis

These are a wonderful addition to the rose garden. The roots do not compete with the roses. YES, you need to provide a little more food – there is an extra plant! I like to inspect plants if possible before I buy them so I watch for clematis at Trader Joe's & Lowes. I DO NOT buy a plant just to have it. If it does not look healthy or strong, I leave it on the shelf. (I never used to be picky – but it is worth it).

Chalk Hill is a nursery that specializes in clematis and gets good reports. They sell larger, three year old plants and have an enormous selection. They are also helpful in answering your questions and recommending varieties that do especially well in hotter areas.

<http://www.chalkhillclematis.com/menu.html>



Clematis seen on the garden tour at the Ahwatukee home of **Larry & Pat Bell.**

Photo by Dona Martin

Horticulture Classes

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|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Queen of Show | Marilyn Monroe | Bill & Candy Sheperd |
| King of Show | Hot Princess | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Princess of Show | Cajun Moon | Elizabeth Strong |
| Court of Honor (6) | Black Magic, Signature | Bob & Dona Martin |
| | Touch of Class | Terry & Heidi Leavitt |
| | Cesar E. Chavez | Clifford Orent |
| | Crystalline | Terry & Chris Von Lehmden |
| | Brook's Red | Elizabeth Strong |
| Collection 3 HT | Marilyn Monroe | Bill/Candy Sheperd |
| Fully Open HT | Crystalline | Linda Clark |
| Hybrid Tea Spray | Gemini | Ardell Leivas |
| Best Floribunda | City of San Francisco | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Floribunda Spray | Our Lady of Guadalupe | Len & Rose Ann Trubisky |
| Collection 3 FL Sprays | Marmalade Skies | Robert Bowns |
| Polyantha Spray | Cecile Brunner | Clifford Orent |
| OGR Genesis Award | R. Longicuspis | Clifford Orent |
| OGR Dowager Queen | Yolande d'Aragon | Suzanne Horn |
| OGR Victorian Award | Robert Duncan | Clifford Orent |
| Collection 3 OGR's | Cardinal de Richelieu | Bob & Dona Martin |
| | Souvenir de Mme L'avocat | |
| Modern Shrub | Jacqueline du Pre | Terry Swartz |
| Modern Shrub Spray | Be-Bop | Bill & Candy Sheperd |
| Classic Shrub Spray | Darlow's Enigma | Clifford Orent |
| Best Climber | Fourth of July | Hal Reynolds |
| Climber Spray | Fourth of July | Terry & Chris Von Lehmden |

Miniatures & Mini-floras

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Mini Queen | Fairhope | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Mini King | Irresistible | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Mini Princess | Dancing Flame | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Mini Court of Honor (6) | Miss Flippins, Bee's Knees, | |
| Soroptimist International, | Arcanum | Bob & Dona Martin |
| | Hilde | George & Janey Schoneberger |
| | This is the Day | Linda Clark |
| Miniature Spray | Green Ice | Clifford Orent |
| Collection 3 Miniatures | Fairhope | Mike Jepsen |
| Miniature Single | My Sunshine | Sharyl Moen |
| Fully Open Miniature | Fairhope | Mike Jepsen |
| Decorative Miniature | Baby Grand | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Decorative Mini Spray | Lavender Spoon | Christina Ropeter |
| Mini-flora Queen | Equinox | Suzanne Horn |
| Mini-flora King | Solar Flair | Suzanne Horn |
| Mini-flora Princess | Dr John Dickman | Mike Jepsen |
| Mini-flora Court of Honor(5) | Charismatic, Aliena-Bob/Dona Martin | |
| | Conundrum | Jack/Judy McClure |
| | Pam Tillis | Mike & Luz Wilson |
| | Butter Cream | Suzanne Horn |
| Mini-flora Spray | Foolish Pleasure | Clifford Orent |
| Collection 3 Mini-floras-Butter Cream | | Suzanne Horn |
| Fully Open Mini-flora | Conundrum | Mike & Luz Wilson |
| Mini/Mf Cycle of Bloom | Fairhope | Bill/Candy Sheperd |
| Most Fragrant | Double Delight | Linda Clark |
| Seedling/Sport | Anne Morrow Lindbergh | Bob & Dona Martin |
| Best Judges' Entry | Behold | John & Lyn Vinson |

Arrangements

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|---|----------------------|
| ARS Challenge Class (Ruth Tiedeman Trophy) | |
| "Roses in the Desert" | Marcia Sanchez-Walsh |
| Gemini, Michele Meiland, Hot Princess, Steppin' Out, Regatta, | |

Mom's Rose, Prima Donna, Heartbeat 96, Elmhurst

PSWD Challenge Class (John & Dorothy Van Barneveld Trophy)
"Biosphere" St. Patrick Brenda Landers-Smith

PSWD Challenge Class (Fair Friends of Roses Miniature Trophy)
"Jubilee Trail" Sam Trivitt, Baby Boomer, Minnie Pearl, Caliente
Ronald Feurer

ARS Royalty Award
"Route 66" Double Delight, Opening Night Susan Diller

ARS Artist's Award
"Barbed Wire" Natasha Monet, Stainless Steel-Brenda Landers-Smith

ARS Duchess of Arrangements Award & ARS Gold Certificate
"Tombstone" First Prize Jim Anderson

ARS Duke of Arrangements
"Camelback Mountain" Kardinal Marcia Sanchez-Walsh

ARS Princess of Arrangements & ARS Silver Certificate
"Desert Blooms" Paulson's Pearl Barbara Schneider

ARS Oriental Award
"Summer Winds" Outta the Blue Marylou Coffman

ARS Keepsake Award
"Petrified Forest" Betty Boop, Playboy-Marcia Sanchez-Walsh
Golden Holstein

ARS Rose Craft Award
"Old Tucson" Kardinal Marcia Sanchez-Walsh

ARS Mini-royalty Award
"Sheriffs and Outlaws" Merlot, Sweet Diana Helen Baird

ARS Mini-artist's Award & ARS Mini-Gold Certificate
"Texas Canyon" Behold Collette Morton

ARS Mini-Bronze Certificate
"Peralta Mines" Cinderella Helen Baird

ARS Mini-oriental Award & ARS Mini-Silver Certificate
"Verde River" Baby Love, Ty Barbara Schneider

ARS Mini-keepsake Award
"Turquoise" Tiny Petals Collette Morton

ARS Mini-Rose Craft Award
"Tombstone Rose" Baby Boomer Marcia Sanchez-Walsh

ARS Court of Etiquette & ARS Bronze Certificate
"Saloons, Whiskey, and Gambling" Don Juan, Dr. K.C. Chan
Sherry Szabo

ARS Mini-Court of Etiquette
"Sunset at the Grand Canyon" Rita Sammons-M. Sanchez-Walsh

Novice Arrangement Award
"Lost Dutchman Mine" Diana Princess of Wales-Christina Ropeter
Marilyn Monroe

ARS Best Judges Entry Award
"Mt. Lemon Observatory" Limelight Kreg Hill

For lots of additional pictures of the District Convention and Show, visit the Mesa-East Valley website: www.roses4az-mevrs.org and the District website too!

www.pswdistrict.org/text/showresultsschedule/06showinfo/districtconventionawards.html



Top Rose Show Award: the J. Horace McFarland Trophy, won by Dona and Bob Martin, current PSW District Director. A new record was set by the Martins, being the first entrants to win the top three hybrid tea awards and the top miniature award (Ralph Moore) all at the same show.



"Doc" Richard Fields, left, and Kreg Hill and Bill Christensen, below left, win the coveted ARS Silver Medal, for service at local, district and national levels to the American Rose Society.



Outstanding Arrangement and Horticulture Judge awards go to Marylou Coffman and Nelson Mitchell, respectively. Celebrating above and receiving their plaques from District Judges Chairs, Bud Jones and Kreg Hill, on the right.

Kreg Hill is also our new incoming Director for the Pacific Southwest District, effective at the Fall National Convention in October.



Scottsdale Rose Society

Rose Show April 8, 2006

Challenge Classes

Scottsdale Challenge - Mons Tillier, Enfant de France, Souv de Mme l'Advocat, L'Ouche, Cardinal de Richelieu Bob & Dona Martin
Yellow Rose of Texas-St. Patrick (3) B&C Sheperd
Rose Bowl HT - Corina Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Rose Bowl FL - Pk Gruss an Aachen Bob/Dona Martin
Rose Bowl Mini - Sweet Melody Bob & Allison Bowns
American Box Lg. (9)-Nicole (3), Playgirl (6) Bill & Candy Sheperd
American Box Mini (9)-Bee's Knees (4), Aristocrat (3), Sam Trivitt (2) Bob & Dona Martin
English Box HT/CL - Fourth of July (6) Rose Ann & Len Trubisky
English Box FL/SH - Be-Bop (6) Bill & Candy Sheperd
English Box Mini - Miss Flippins (6) Bob & Dona Martin
Artist's Palette HT- Steppin' Out, Cajun Moon, Paradise, Veteran's Honor, St. Patrick Dotty Ouimette
Artist's Palette FL-Hot Cocoa, Bengal Tiger, Flirtations, Honey Bouquet, Honey Perfume-B&A Bowns
Frame HT-Ingrid Bergman Mary Van Vlack
Frame Bouquet - Fourth of July T&C Von Lehmden
Frame Mini Bouquet - Jeslyn, Scentsational, Breath of Spring Dotty Ouimette
Youth Class - Petite Perfection Jonathan Vorndran
End of Trail HT (collection) Bob & Jeannine Byrnes



Gemini

Horticulture

Queen of Show - Gemini Bill & Candy Sheperd
King of Show - Hot Princess Bob & Dona Martin
Princess of Show - Black Magic Bob & Dona Martin
Court of Honor - St. Patrick, Silverado B & C Sheperd
 Crowd Pleaser Bob & Dona Martin
 Color Magic Larry Bell
 Corina Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Col. 3 HT - Black Magic* Bob & Dona Martin
HT Spray - Dainty Bess Bill & Candy Sheperd
Fully Open HT - Brandy Dotty Ouimette
Most Fragrant HT - Fragrant Cloud George & Janey Schoneberger
Stages of Bloom HT-St. Patrick Bob & Allison Bowns
Best FL (Duke of Show)-Playboy B & C Sheperd
Best FL Spray (Duchess)-Marmalade Skies Bob & Allison Bowns
Stages of Bloom FL-Smooth Talk B & J Byrnes
Col. 3 FL Sprays-Marmalade Skies Bob & Allison Bowns
Fully Open FL - City of Carlsbad Bob and Dona Martin
Most Fragrant FL - Sheila's Perfume R & L Trubisky
Polyantha Spray - China Doll Bill & Candy Sheperd
Single (4-8 petals)(FL) - Playboy Mike & Luz Wilson
Single Spray (FL) Charlotte Anne Bob & Dona Martin
Shrub (trophy winner) Morning Has Broken Mike & Luz Wilson
Shrub Spray (runner-up) Be-Bop B & C Sheperd
Most Fragrant Shrub Tamora Bob & Dona Martin
Col. 3 Shrubs - Golden Celebration Bob & Dona Martin
Col. 3 Shrub Sprays-Flower Girl Bob & Dona Martin
OGR Dowager Queen-Comte de Chambord Bob & Dona Martin

OGR Victorian Award-Mme Isaac Pereire Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Most Fragrant OGR-Francis Dubreuil B & D Martin



3 Black Magic HTs

*Best Horticulture Entry – Col. 3 Black Magic – Bob & Dona Martin Sweepstakes – Bob & Dona Martin



Bee's Knees

Mini Queen Bee's Knees Bob & Dona Martin
Mini King Fairhope Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Mini Princess Miss Flippins Mike & Luz Wilson
Court of Honor
 Behold, Aristocrat Bob & Dona Martin
 Heartbreaker George & Janey Schoneberger
 Sam Trivitt Mike & Cindy Jepsen
 Odessa Mike & Luz Wilson
 Dancing Flame Jack & Judy McClure
Mini Spray (Prince) Salute* Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Col. 3 Minis Miss Flippins Bob & Dona Martin
Col.3 Mini Sprays Neon Cowboy Bob & Allison Bowns
Fully Open Mini Baby Chicks Esther Cohen
Mini Single Gizmo Bob & Dona Martin
Micro-Mini Elizabeth Ablor Mike & Cindy Jepsen
Micro-Mini Spray Tom Thumb Bob & Dona Martin
Decorative Mini Popcorn Mary Van Vlack



Conundrum

Mini-flora Queen Conundrum Mike & Luz Wilson
Mini-flora King Charismatic Bob & Dona Martin
Mini-flora Princess Peter Cottontail B & Dona Martin

Mini-flora Court - Kismet, Ferrin Larry Bell
 Luscious Lucy George & Janey Schoneberger
 Butter Cream Jack & Judy McClure
 Cachet Bob & Jeannine Byrnes
Mini-flora Prince Spray Cachet Bob & Jeannine Byrnes
Novice Class Mellow Yellow Gail Buch
Judges' Class International Herald Tribune Dordene Fields
***Best Miniature Horticulture Entry – Salute spray - Mike & Cindy Jepsen Miniature Sweepstakes – Mike & Luz Wilson**

Arrangements

"Release of the Doves"
 Mrs. B.R. Cant, Zephirine Drouhin Rose Ann Trubisky
 "Rose Charms" Gemini (Royalty Award) Helen Baird
 "Out of Thin Air" Scepter'd Isle, Julia Child, Molineux, Lilian Austin, Buff Beauty, Jubilee Celebration (Duchess of Arr.) Suzette Dollar
 "Vanishing Act"
 Angel Face, French Lace, Livin' Easy (Duke of Arrangements) Suzette Dollar
 "Witchcraft" Graham Thomas, R. banksiae lutea Jim Anderson
 "Water Illusions" Altissimo (Artist Award, Silver) Judy Hudgeons
 "Smoke & Mirrors" Gemini (Oriental Award, Gold) Marylou Coffman
 "Flying Carpet" Ink Spots, Olympiad Jim Anderson
 "Magic Bottle" Gemini Marylou Coffman
 "A Magical Evening" Ivory Fashion, Fabulous, French Lace (Court of Etiquette, Bronze) Marylou Coffman
 "Magic Wand" Rainbow's End (Mini-Artist, Mini Silver) Helen Baird
 "Magician" Spice Drop Marylou Coffman
 "Hocus Pocus" Hot Tamale Marylou Coffman
 "Illusions" Ruby Baby (Mini-Oriental, Mini Gold) Marylou Coffman
 "Chamber of Secrets" Cachet (Junior Royalty) Jonathan Vorndran
 "Abracadabra" Prospero (Novice Award) Mary Van Vlack
 "Rose Wizzard" Leonidas (Judge's Award) Larry Bell

Arrangement Sweepstakes – Marylou Coffman



Marylou takes home the Gold!

Photos by Dona Martin

Rose of the Month:

Cajun Sunrise

By Suzanne Horn, Glendale CA

Our Rose of the Month for March is a splendid exhibition rose that was destined for the trophy table from the day it was introduced, **Cajun Sunrise**. One of the finest new hybrid teas to come along in quite some time, Cajun Sunrise is a cross of two excellent show roses, Crystalline x Elegant Beauty. Bred in the United States in 2000 by celebrated Louisiana hybridizer Eddie Edwards, Cajun Sunrise was made available to the buying public in 2001 by Johnny Becnel Show Roses.

Since Eddie Edwards is known for hybridizing great exhibition roses, and since Johnny Becnel Show Roses caters to roses for exhibitors, this was a marriage made in heaven. Cajun Sunrise rapidly became one of the top show roses in the country without the benefit of a wide national availability that is offered to roses introduced by major distributors like Weeks and Jackson & Perkins. Since its introduction, Roseshow.com reports that Cajun Sunrise has been moving up in the Top 20 Exhibition Hybrid Tea List in the nation; and the 2004 Roses in Review put it in the Top 10 for big roses.

The most striking thing about Cajun Sunrise is its magnificent color. True to its name, this is the rose that will catch your eye upon entering the garden in the early morning, as the blooms really do reflect the colors of a beautiful sunrise. Cajun Sunrise is categorized by the American Rose Society as a pink blend (pb), which hardly does justice to the luscious blend of pink, yellow and creamy white it presents.

The color has been compared to that of the classic hybrid tea, Peace, with a generous blush of pink on the edges of the petals and a rich yellow at the base, fading to white. It is, however, a much better rose for exhibition than Peace. It is easy to grow, and re-blooms on a regular basis throughout the growing season, making it a great all-around garden rose. Furthermore, these roses have a vase life of four to five days, which makes them perfect for cutting for the home.

Its form is absolutely beautiful, presenting those classic, high centered, spiral blooms that exhibitors adore. The blooms, which generally have between 26 and 40 petals, are full of substance and can grow to as large as 4 or 5 inches across in cool weather. However, they tend to be smaller in the heat. The richly blended blooms, which are somewhat reminiscent of rainbow sherbet, are presented on strong, straight stems and are clothed in a plentiful array of slightly glossy, deep green foliage. The growth habit of the plant is medium-tall, vigorous and upright, and it averages a height of four to five feet. Although it only has a very mild fragrance, Cajun Sunrise

has many other wonderful attributes. For instance, it offers better than average disease resistance, which is a big plus in most gardens; and it is also relatively shade tolerant. I have moved one of my four bushes into an area that only gets about 3 hours of sun a day, and it is flourishing as much as the plants in full sun.

As indicated above, it is not likely that you will find Cajun Sunrise in your local garden center or nursery. However, despite its limited release, this rose has become one of the most sought after exhibition roses in commerce. Reference the picture of the beautiful Queen of Show from the 2004 Orange County Rose Society Show, exhibited by top Southern California exhibitor Gerry Youngewirth.

For those who will go the extra mile to find it--and you will most certainly have to mail order it--Cajun Sunrise will be well worth the effort. This outstanding hybrid tea is available from Almost Heaven Roses on its own roots, Wisconsin Roses on multiflora understock, and from Johnny Becnel Show Roses, K&M Nursery and Cool Roses on fortuniana understock. [*Fortuniana preferred in Arizona.*]

In conclusion, Cajun Sunrise is not only a great show rose, but is also an outstanding garden rose that is sure to reward you with breathtaking long-stemmed beauties throughout the growing season. So take my advice and add a little morning glory to your garden with the pride of Louisiana, Cajun Sunrise!

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Cajun Sunrise

Queen of Show

2004 Orange County Rose Show
Shown by Gerry & Gloria Youngewirth
Photo by Kitty Belendez

(Continued from page 6) PSWD Convention

The Rose Society of Glendale did a terrific job of planning and organizing the recent 2006 Pacific Southwest District Convention and Rose Show in Scottsdale. As one of the smaller rose societies in the state with about 40 members, Glendale's dedicated members achieved one of the best conventions in many years in an excellent facility.

The Mesa-East Valley Rose Society was very well represented in the horticulture and arrangement sections of the rose show and in the District awards. Our members can be seen in the many awards preceding this commentary.

The top American Rose Society honor that the District may award, the Silver Honor Medal, is reserved for only the most outstanding individuals who have provided meritorious service to the rose and its culture, for efforts expended in support of the American Rose Society and its objectives within the District. This year's award went to Kreg Hill and Bill Christensen of Albuquerque and Palm Desert for the incredible effort that they've expended throughout the District in promoting rose arranging. An additional Silver Honor Medal went to long time Valley Rosarian "Doc" Richard Fields for his many years of service in leadership, community and club service.

Marylou Coffman and Nelson Mitchell were honored as ARS Outstanding Judges this year, well deserved by each of them. Marylou has not been a judge for very long, but

has excelled in the Arrangements area, through her own extensive knowledge and talent, along with the enthusiasm and dedication needed to draw others into this expanding side of the exhibition floor. She has organized many well attended arrangement seminars and/or attended them throughout the District. Congratulations to Marylou!

And Nelson Mitchell. What can we say about Nelson?! As one of Arizona's most beloved rosarians, he is never to be seen without a smile and a big hug. He is the most reliable member and judge, always displaying a calm and elegant demeanor, peaceful and kind to all. We are thrilled by his receipt of being honored as this year's top Horticulture Judge.

It takes so much work to plan and organize a convention. Those members of MEVRS who assisted in the 2003 convention here in Mesa will remember the many ups and downs, the excitement and exhaustion, the friendships forged and sometimes even tested! But we grow stronger with these experiences and as we give to the service of the rose and to our fellow man, we receive much more in return. Please remember to thank again those members who assisted with the 2006 Convention when next you see them!

By Dona Martin, Editor



Marylou Coffman wins Oriental Award

Photo by Glenn Fiery

ARS National Convention Schedule

Join the **American Rose Society** and join us at these great events! Meet rosarians from around the country, see area gardens and attend educational seminars, so it's tax deductible!

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Yes! I would also like to join the national organization with which we are affiliated, the American Rose Society, for which I will receive the monthly *American Rose* magazine, the December *American Rose Annual*, the "Handbook For Selecting Roses" and more! I am including in my check an additional amount of \$37.00 for a one year membership.

****Please note! By joining the ARS through the local society, \$5.00 of the cost will come directly back to us. Thank you for your support!**

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New Member Orientation at 6:30 pm

Calendar of Events

Third Saturdays - 8 am Volunteer Care at MCC Rose Garden.

**May 11th - 6:00 pm Special time!! Annual Installation of Officers
and Potluck Dinner in the MCC Veteran's Garden**

June 8th - Monthly Meeting - Program to be announced

June 22nd - 25th ARS National Spring Convention, Seattle WA

July 13th - Monthly Meeting - Program to be announced

**Check out the updated articles and pictures on our website:
www.roses4az-mevrs.org**

Dues are due June 1st! Please be prompt!



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Our National
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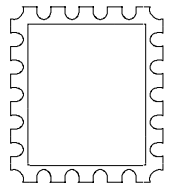
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