



Rose Ramblings



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A Message From Our President: Sunshine, Smiles & Roses

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Six months ago I would never have thought that we wouldn't be having our regularly scheduled meetings in room 101, listening to some wonderful speakers on roses and their care. Well, it's true. It's been frustrating. It's been disappointing. But as the old saying goes, "It is, what it is" and we move on. When we begin to look at each day, we soon realize that there are many good things happening. Maybe it's that we have more time to spend evaluating our lives, our time and our roses. Should I fertilize? Should I spray? Should I clean out the unwanted growth which will produce no good blooms? Should I evaluate each plant, deciding whether to shovel prune or consider planting a new rose? Maybe it's that we can give thanks for each beautiful day that comes our way, for the fact that the sun shines on us again. I am reminded of what Joseph Addison said, "What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity." What a wonderful way to bring sunshine to friends, neighbors, relatives and others by sharing bouquets of our roses. I heard Ruth Tiffany say that she puts out buckets of roses for people to take when they pass by her yard. What a great idea, Ruth! Have you ever thought about going to downtown San Diego or the community in which you live and hand out bouquets to people who are living on the concrete? Let's begin to share our love of roses with those around us. Oh, to always be thinking about blessing others. We have a garden of flowers for a reason, not to keep but to share.

Anne Lamott, a great writer said,

"The garden is one of the two great metaphors for humanity.

The garden is about life and beauty and the impermanence of all living things.

The garden is about feeding your children, providing food for the tribe.

It's part of an urgent territorial drive that we can probably trace back to animals storing food.

It's a competitive display mechanism, like having a prize bull, this greed for the best tomatoes and English tea roses.

It's about winning; about providing society with superior things;

And about proving that you have taste, and good values, and you work hard.

And what a wonderful relief every so often, to know who the enemy is.

Because in the garden, the enemy is everything: the aphids, the weather, time.

And so to pour yourself into it, care so much, and see up close so much birth, and growth, and beauty, and danger, and triumph.

And then everything dies anyway, right?

But you just keep doing it."

Let's be positive and know that before long things will be back to some kind of normalcy. Maybe not as we have known it but a normalcy. Let's keep on bringing sunshine and love to those around us.

Update for SDRS Monthly Meetings and Programs

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

As part of the ongoing precautions around the COVID-19 pandemic, **the board of the San Diego Rose Society has elected to cancel the September 2020 monthly meeting in Balboa Park.** As of this date, Balboa Park has not forwarded any new information about a reopening date for the rooms that would be used for our meetings. The board considered alternative methods of facilitating meetings virtually or video recording our speakers at their homes, but these options were also voted down due to the challenges involved. We were, however, able to facilitate a 'virtual' SDRS board meeting on September 2nd using the Zoom application. It was very successful.

We will be communicating any new information about meetings and programs for the fall (October, November) as well as the December holiday party via this newsletter and postings on the SDRS website and Facebook page.

As you all know, we have not had a monthly meeting since February 2020. Our Little Rose Shows are normally scheduled for April, May, June, September and October. However, since we are not having a September monthly meeting, there will be no Little Rose Show this month.

These are extraordinary times and everyone is doing their part to stay safe and keep others from contracting this notorious virus. San Diego Rose Society is committed to preserving the safety of our members and visitors, and to that end we have had to adjust and make the changes discussed above.

The San Diego Rose Society Has NEW Website!

By Beth Van Boxtel, bethpaige@gmail.com

Our brand new website is up and running! We have a new URL and a new website featuring virtual garden tours, FAQs, information on future events as they become scheduled, how to donate and volunteer, membership info, and much more.

www.sandiegorosociety.com

Also, feel free to drop by our Facebook page to check out the latest videos and tips for summer gardening, as well as our latest virtual garden tours. And the Instagram page is full of rose blooms! Go check it out!

Balboa Park Rose Garden

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net and Sue Streeper, streepersue@gmail.com

In the June 2020 issue of *Rose Ramblings*, I posted an article on the closure of the Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden due to the COVID-19 outbreak. My husband and I visited the park at that time and it was sad to see the 'Park Closed' signs at the rose garden. The roses, however, were thriving although they were in need of a bit of deadheading.

Happily when my husband and I returned recently to the rose garden, the closure signs were gone and the garden was open to visitors. But it was expected that we wore masks and used appropriate social distancing. The weeds were making a concerted effort to take over some areas and the need for deadheading was more marked. But the roses continued to thrive heartily.



Photo taken May 9, 2020



Photos above and to the right taken August 5, 2020

Sue Streeper is an active member of the Rose Garden Corps (RGC) and there have been restrictions applied so that the RGC had not been allowed to maintain the garden. But finally they have been given permission to enter and work in the garden with restrictions. I asked Sue to give me an update to post here so everyone will be informed.

“The Rose Garden Corps (RGC) is a group of about 50 dedicated volunteers who have been doing the maintenance of the Balboa Park rose garden for many years. As soon as the COVID-19 pandemic hit San Diego, the RGC was denied entry to the garden and was unable to work there for about six months. Now, thanks to the support of the Balboa Park Conservancy, the volunteers have been allowed to tend the roses under strict rules: wearing masks, having temperatures taken, and distancing including no more than 20 volunteers at a time. Beginning August 19, the group was able to return to work. There is a lot of catch-up to do: deadheading, raking, and weeding. But, thanks to the dedicated city staff (our hard-working Rita and Sheila) and to the blessing of automatic watering, the roses look amazingly good, and we hear many compliments from the public passing through.”

So many thanks go to all of the members of the Rose Garden Corps who work tirelessly to maintain our city's beautiful rose garden, making it a landmark for all visitors. We are grateful that they have been allowed to return to the garden to keep it in its usual pristine condition.



Honoring Dick Streeper

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

So many of us who are members of the San Diego Rose Society have been touched over the years by our friend Dick Streeper. Sadly, Dick passed away in 2014 but his memory lives on in a unique rose garden he founded, with the cooperation of San Diego city officials. It is the Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden in Balboa Park, loved by our city and visited by people from all over the world.

Dick's dream for this large public rose garden began in 1969 when he worked with other rosarians and the Park and Recreation Board members. They chose a site and designed the planting patterns. In 1975 the garden was dedicated during the American Rose Society convention held in San Diego that year. There were 1200 plants of 83 varieties in the original planting. Now there are over 1700 plants!

After much effort by the Rose Garden Corps members and city officials, Dick will finally be memorialized at the rose garden with a beautiful bench and plaque acknowledging his dream and hard work to make the garden a reality. It was just installed on August 27, 2020 and we are so grateful to the Rose Garden Corps for their persistent efforts to make this bench a reality. Here are a few pictures. Dick was humble enough that he would not have requested this acknowledgement for himself. But he was so deserving. I hope everyone has a chance to go and to rest there for a while, giving thanks for our friend Dick Streeper and his wonderful vision for this rose garden.



A Walk in Our Garden – September

Horizon Roses

By Robert B. Martin Jr.
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I pause this month to address the question of how I consider which new roses to add to our garden. The answer is that there are lots of ways, including viewing catalogues and websites, attending auctions, visiting gardens and seeing roses at rose shows. Of all the ways, the most important is from my work with the annual publication, *Horizon Roses*.

In 1987, as a wannabe new rose exhibitor I became aware of and purchased a publication then called *The Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses*. Exhibitors, I had learned, enjoy sharing with each other their experiences of the newest roses in their gardens. And, on that principle, Bill McMahon of Bowling Green Kentucky, had started *The Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses* as a two-page mimeographed Tenarky District project in 1983 with the objective of providing candid reports on the exhibition potential of the newest exhibition roses. The publication drew interest not only from the district but from other areas of the country, and in a short time Bill took it national, recruiting a core of regional editors who in turn built a group of reporters spreading throughout the country. Bill continued to call his booklet *The Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses* but readers referred to it simply as *Horizon Roses* and, in 1994, Bill “caved in” to the “populist sentiments” and renamed it *Horizon Roses*.

In 1992, following my initial success as an exhibitor, I became a reporter for *The Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses*. Thereafter, in 1995 I was elevated to the position of Southwest Regional Reporter, a position I continue to hold to this day. Then in 2006, following Bill’s retirement, I became the National Editor at his request. The recent publication of *Horizon Roses 2020* is therefore the 15th edition produced under my supervision.

Now in its 38th year, *Horizon Roses* is an annual compilation of comments by the nation’s top rose exhibitors on the exhibition potential of the newest hybrid teas, floribundas, miniflora and miniature roses. For most exhibitors, it has long been considered the indispensable guide to buying new show roses.

Horizon Roses 2020 contains 1,368 reports by 133 reporters from 28 different states on the exhibition potential of 216 roses introduced in the last five years. The reports include 59 new roses not mentioned in prior issues. All comments are candid and reported in the words of the reporter. Supplementing the comments are individual color photographs of 200 roses, in line with the text. The reports are set forth alphabetically and include statistics of the show results of the reported varieties. In addition, information is provided on known sources for the reviewed varieties.

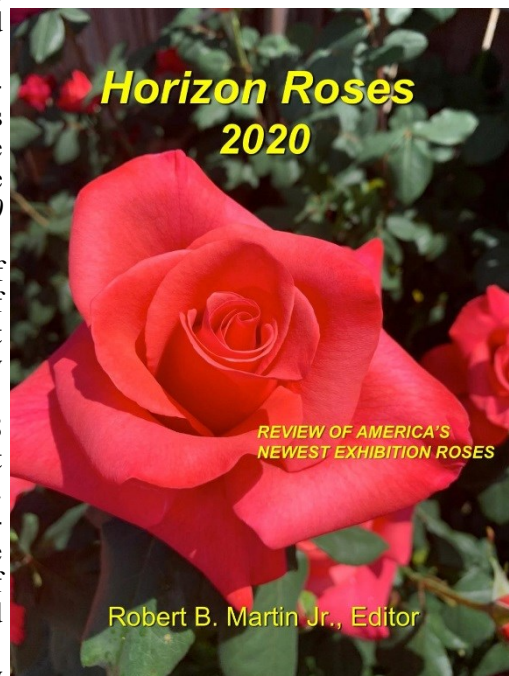
Horizon Roses 2020 is produced entirely by volunteers under my direction as National Editor and eight regional editors. The regional editors solicit and compile the comments from selected top exhibitors in their region and forward them for final compilation. The reporters include many in the San Diego Rose Society, not only me but Gary Bulman, Ken Huff, John & Barbara Lester, Sue Streeper and Kathy Strong. The reporters are from 28 different States, of which 17 are from Southern California.

Horizon Roses 2020 is available in electronic format for Kindle at a price of \$9.95. It can be ordered at Amazon.com here: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B08DM7TD94>

Those without a Kindle can download the free Kindle Reading App for iPad, iPhone, Android phone or whatever else they read on. Detail on that is here: <http://www.amazon.com/gp/feature.html?docId=1000493771>

Horizon Roses 2020 is also available in full-color paperback at a price of \$36.95. It can be ordered at Amazon.com here. https://www.amazon.com/dp/B08DBQG46M?ref_=pe_3052080_397514860

Horizon Roses 2020 is also available as a compressed PDF directly at \$9.95. For further information, feel free to contact me.



Set a Magical Fall Bloom Into Motion

By Rita Perwich, Master Gardener and Consulting Rosarian ritaperwich@gmail.com



Roses bloom in cycles. In San Diego we are fortunate as we have a very long growing season and many of our roses give us four and even five bloom cycles. We can initiate faster bloom cycles and better blooms when we prune and deadhead our roses.

The Bloom Cycle

Generally, roses bloom in 6 to 8 week cycles with some varieties requiring even less time between blooms. If you want your rose garden to be spectacular for a particular date, count back about 6 to 8 weeks, and cut your rose bushes. For even more accuracy keep a log of your roses and the period of weeks between rebloom for each variety. This is what rose exhibitors do in order to maximize the number and quality of blooms they have for an upcoming show.

Goals of Pruning

In San Diego, our winter pruning in January prompts our roses to produce their best quality and quantity of blooms. There are several reasons for this: first, pruning encourages our roses to be productive; second, when we prune to thicker stems we get bigger and better blooms; and third, pruning all our roses at the same time or within the space of a few weeks of each other prompts a synchronized and magical show-stopping spring display.

Goals of Deadheading

Deadheading our modern reblooming roses throughout the year encourages reflowering. The rose plant produces blooms not for our enjoyment but in an effort to reproduce itself sexually. Once a bloom is pollinated, seed-containing hips develop and hormones are released which inhibit the plant from re-blooming. Since we are growing roses for the enjoyment of their blooms, we want the plant to keep getting the message that it hasn't finished its work of seed development. This message is relayed every time we deadhead a spent bloom. Even if a hip does not develop, a spent bloom should be deadheaded to promote a tidier and more attractive rose garden and earlier and better blooms. Each time we remove a spent bloom we need to make a decision as to where to make the cut on the stem.

Where we Deadhead Depends on the Season and the Rose

In the spring and in cooler weather we generally deadhead established healthy roses at an outward facing bud eye at the second or third five-leaflet set of leaves. We should remove less foliage on newly planted and less vigorous bushes, deadheading them at the first outward facing five-leaflet set of leaves.

In summer when the weather heats up we adjust our cuts to maintain as much foliage as possible even on healthy vigorous plants. We cut blooms at the first outward facing five-leaflet leaf. We generally choose a five-leaflet set of leaves over a three-leaflet set of leaves as there will usually be a more robust bud in the leaf axil of a five-leaflet leaf. In addition, the lower thicker stem will support a better bloom or blooming cluster than if we cut at the higher up three-leaflet set of leaves. We use our good judgment and cut higher up a stem or even at an inward facing bud eye on struggling or newly planted roses. On the least healthy bushes maintain foliage and deadhead just the bloom.

Leaving the stems longer when we deadheaded through the hotter months was good for the plant, but by summer's end we notice smaller blooms, leggy stems, more twiggy growth and 'dog-legs' (multiple stem-on-stems). Your roses' cycles are no longer in unison with each other because of the longer and shorter intervals of the varieties' bloom cycles. You may be feeling that you need to take action to get some of that 'spring magic' back in the rose garden.

Fall Perk-Up

In San Diego, dedicated rosarians calendar the Labor Day weekend for quality garden time with their roses. We 'fall prune' our roses to shed their summer languor and help them become spectacular again. A stem that is thinner than the diameter of a pencil will not produce the bloom or cluster of blooms we want. So, we cut thin leggy stems down to thicker more substantial stems and we remove twiggy growth and 'dog-legs.' Our cuts are made at an outward facing bud eye at a five-leaflet leaf. We do not strip off the remaining leaves and we do not cut as much off the height of the bush as we did in the winter. Keep in mind that the farther down you cut each cane the longer it will take the bush to bloom. In very hot inland areas be more conservative and deadhead very lightly. New bushes planted this year and old garden roses that bloom only once a year should not be fall pruned.

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Other Fall Tasks

Clean-Up

Thoroughly clean up clippings and all fallen leaves and petals. This removes fungal spores and insect eggs.

Water

September is still very hot in San Diego. Keep your roses well watered especially during Santa Anas, and water-wash the leaves periodically.

Fertilizing

Mid-October is the last time this year that we will feed our roses. Always water your roses before and after you fertilize to avoid giving them leaf burn. Don't feed your roses during Santa Anas or when it is really hot.

Your reward for this Labor Day weekend's labor of love is a magical fall rose garden this October and November.



'Julia Child'



'Brass Band'



'Rainbow Sorbet'

What Fun Things Did YOU Do This Summer?

(Editor's Note: In addition to the usual articles submitted by some of our consulting rosarians with advice on what to do in the rose garden that month, I have asked those same folks to enhance their articles by sharing some fun activities in which they participated in this summer. We have all been restricted and stressed by the effects of the COVID-19 conditions and my purpose was to lighten the atmosphere for our readers. Hope it brings you all a smile!)

From Sue Streeper, strepersue@gmail.com

This summer brought lots of extreme heat and chilli thrips. I spent lots of time cutting off the distorted new growth and spraying alternately with Conserve and Hachi Hachi. One of the things I noticed about the chilli thrips was that the damage was fairly variety specific. Among the most affected were 'Preference', 'Burgundy Iceberg', 'Francis Meilland', and 'Secret'. I also pruned most of the garden to about 5 feet in mid-August, hoping for a nice bloom around the first of October.

My gardening was done daily for a couple of hours in the early morning before the heat set in. After I was confined to the house because of the temperature, I did a lot of reading. I read all six volumes of *Earth's Children*, the pre-historic fiction by Jean Auel. I also read *The Birth of the United States* by Jim Bishop which was a great review of the early days of our country. And I just finished Cokie Roberts' *Ladies of Liberty*, again an enlightening story of what the wives of the Founding Fathers contributed to our history. I really miss going to concerts and plays, volunteering in the library, and attending rose events. Thank heaven we have just been permitted to get back into the park rose garden after months of being away.

Fred Basset by Michael Martin



From Christine and Rand Allan, callan@san.rr.com (Residence on Mt. Soledad)

This summer has been like none other in our memory. As retired folks, we have not done many outings, but have a few to fondly recall. A year ago (reservations are made a year in advance) we booked a cottage on Crystal Pier this summer to celebrate Rand's retirement. When we found out they still were open and exercising precautions, we spent three days there as a staycation. The pier was closed to the public except for guests staying in the pier cottages, so that kept the social distancing easy. We caught some fish from the pier and were also treated to that incredible red tide that produced the bioluminescence at night which was spectacular to view from the pier. We also had some outings to a couple local wineries we belong to for a leisurely outdoor glass of wine. Our daughter and family are very strict about social distancing, so we have only seen them via Skype for the past six months. Rand has started building two raised vegetable gardens in our far backyard, which is a good project for him. He's also including fencing to keep out our dogs and some of our wildlife since we live on a canyon.

The roses are very thirsty these days (even on the coast) with our current heatwave, so we've increased our watering schedule to 15 minutes every other day. We've been trying to keep up on the dead-heading and removal of pests and diseased leaves through daily patrols of the rose garden. In September, we will do a fall "light prune" of our roses and resume fertilizing them hoping to prompt a couple more bloom cycles into November. Our fertilizing regimen will be the same as we did earlier in the year consisting of Magnum Grow, seaweed extract and fish emulsion mixed in a two gallon bucket of water applied around each rose bush. The rest will be left up to the weather!

We were pleased to have been invited back into the Balboa Park Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden in mid-August (with strict social distance guidelines) as weekly Rose Garden Corps volunteers as we have missed that activity this summer.

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Several of my regular weekly volunteer activities have been suspended for now, which we (Shaylee and I) look forward to resuming when current restrictions are lifted. Poor Shaylee doesn't understand why she isn't doing her therapy dog visits to hospitals, schools, and libraries (and the rose gardens in Balboa Park and Scripps Mercy Hospital).

We look forward to the time we can once again gather as a rose society.

From Rita Perwich, ritaperwich@gmail.com (Residence: Coronado)

Our editor, Elaine Ornelas, invited us to share what we did this summer. Her request takes me down memory lane to the first day of each grade in elementary school. So here I am many decades later with the same assignment. Well, my response for summer 2020 is very easy. I did not travel or go to any parties or get-togethers with friends. Instead, this was the summer when I had the time to scrutinize the “good, bad and the ugly” insects in my garden. The good insects got praised and thanked for their presence, the bad got squished. It may seem a little unfair. What makes one insect good and another bad? The answer I give the insects: it's all about the roses! Choose the action, choose the consequence: it is not ‘okay’ to chew or suck on rose buds and rose leaves.

Summer 2020 saw a big dent in the caterpillar population in my garden. At dawn and dusk each and every day this summer I scouted, patrolled and sleuthed in my garden. I spotted so many caterpillars: big and small, fat and thin, smooth and hairy, and they come in so many colors! I learned their ways and I learned where to look for them, and once caught they were dramatically dispatched *in flagrante delicto*. Sometimes I managed restraint and took a photo first.

This was also the summer that I purposely planted milkweed to nurture monarch caterpillars. I even made several emergency trips to the nursery to buy more milkweed to satisfy their voracious appetites. What makes a monarch caterpillar special? It's back to choices and consequences: these striped beauties don't chew and feed on roses. And I do love seeing monarch butterflies wafting and touching down on my roses. This summer I happily had the time to encounter and thank the robber flies, green flies, syrphid flies, lacewings, lady beetles, assassin bugs, soldier bugs and pirate bugs in my garden.

Thank you, Elaine, with your assignment I have spent this summer day remembering that my summer this year was not so different from many happy hours I spent as a child scouting around my garden in Salisbury, Rhodesia (now Harare, Zimbabwe.) I remember my fascination with all the butterflies, dragon flies and brightly colored beetles in the garden. You have helped me remember the “chongololas” (centipedes) that curled up when poked, the cool chameleons, the darting lizards that could never be caught, the silk worms I kept in a big shoe box and nurtured with fresh mulberry leaves and the frogs and tadpoles that seemed to magically appear overnight the year our swimming pool sprung a leak.

Slowing down this summer has helped me recall and reaffirm that a garden is a great place to make daily discoveries. Slowing down this summer has brought back some of the carefree moments of childhood.



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Bill and Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net (Residence: Clairemont/Bay Park)

Oh, what a summer it has been! We have all made some significant adjustments to our lives because of the COVID-19 outbreak. But just like our roses, we humans are persistent in our survival strategies. We just adapt....sharing and caring all along the way. The stay-at-home conditions have really been conducive for spending lots of quality time in our garden and what a pleasure that has been, walking among our treasures early in the morning and just before sunset, taking photographs and enjoying the fragrance of Old Garden Roses. We are truly blessed to have this hobby.

For the past several weeks we have experienced a significant rise in heat and humidity. This year, thankfully, we installed an automatic drip watering system with a timer. We have been watering three times weekly for about 30 minutes each. We have a 'ring around the roses' system, using small irrigation tubes with several emitters formed in rings around each rose. As part of the watering system we also have small soaker hoses scattered throughout the rose garden to keep the entire bed irrigated. We have several roses grafted on Fortuniana rootstock. This rootstock sends its roots horizontally for long distances so we are trying to irrigate the entire bed.

We gave our roses a feeding of fertilizer on August 1st. In hot weather, roses tend to slow their growing efforts and do not expect the extra feeding that we give during the spring and late fall. We also have been diligent in deadheading the blooms, and removing spindly and inward-facing stems to help with air circulation. We also try to retain as much foliage as possible on the bushes to provide shade, and to keep the photosynthesis process going.

During the Labor Day weekend we will begin our fall pruning during which we will lightly prune about 1/3 of our rose plants, also removing dead or disease canes, or spindly growth. This should encourage a productive bloom cycle for late October and November.

We have been fortunate to not have any problems with mites or chilli thrips...thank goodness! We have had some issues with blackspot and rust but have found that, this year, we have been able to hold down most of the problems with a rotating treatment of Neem oil, and the organic sprays Actinovate and Serenade at 10 day intervals.

One of the efforts we have made during these past few months is to touch bases with some of our fellow rosarians by making phone calls to be sure they are OK or to find out if they need any help. We have also been posting some of our rose photos on Facebook for folks to enjoy. And we had a Zoom SDRS board meeting in July which was an interesting experience that will take some getting used to.

For fun, Bill and I have done a couple of road trips in the county. On one of them we went to Boulevard traveling east on Hwy 8. There is a little candy store there that has been in operation since 1921. We bought a few chocolates and put them in our little icebox since the temperature was 90 degrees. We traveled back on historic highway 94....a very interesting road that comes very close to the US-Mexico border. We also drove up to Julian and through the Cuyamaca mountains just to get away and pick blackberries from which we made jam. We also visited a walk-through butterfly farm in Encinitas. I made some new recipes which my family enjoyed. And I continue to raise monarch butterflies from egg to butterfly, releasing them into the wild as part of my small effort to save them from their descending numbers. (see next page for article) Bill and I continue to grow own root rose cuttings and graft roses onto Fortuniana rootstock. We found we had to be creative and safe in our activities away from home. The key is adaptation!



Flights of Fancy: The Joy of Raising Monarch Butterflies

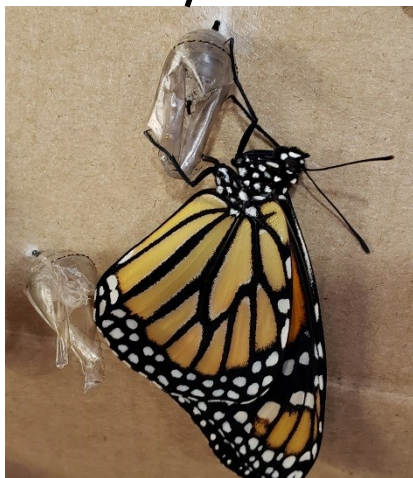
By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

Several years ago I became aware of the plight of the monarch butterflies and their declining population. Researchers agree that the decline is most likely because of the widespread decline of their primary food source, milkweed, due to the overuse of pesticides and herbicides, as well as the loss of winter habitat due to illegal logging in Mexico. Monarch butterflies use the milkweed for food and reproduction. So out of curiosity and an internal urge to help, I began to hatch the monarch's eggs and raise them to maturity then release them. Here are a few pictures of the fun!



Clockwise from upper left:

- ◆ Tiny eggs and newly-hatched caterpillar
- ◆ Early stage of caterpillar
- ◆ Several caterpillars of later stages
- ◆ 2 'J' forms of caterpillars before chrysalis
- ◆ Chrysalis one day before emerging
- ◆ Newly-emerged butterfly
- ◆ Butterfly ready to release (they are quite tame)
- ◆ **FREEDOM!**



The Not so Darling Caterpillar

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When my daughters were young, one of our favorite books to read together was Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. We fondly read and reread how hungry that caterpillar was, how much he ate and how big and fat he got. We thought he was so cute and darling...but that was long ago in the days before I became a gardener and grew roses. As a gardener, I encounter way too many real-life hungry and gluttonous caterpillars that grow big and fat on my roses. Better not to tell you the things I think and say to them but I will tell you they definitely do not include the words 'cute and darling.'

Know The Life Cycle

The life cycle of a moth or butterfly which are members of the *Lepidoptera* order consists of four stages of development: egg, caterpillar or larva, pupa or chrysalis and adult. The process of change from one form to another during growth is called metamorphosis. The female butterfly or moth lays her eggs on or near the plant the caterpillar will feed on. Depending on the species, the eggs are laid singly, in groups or in a pattern. Eggs are usually laid in warm weather and many species have several generations in a growing season. After the caterpillar or minute larva cuts through its eggshell, it feeds upon the plant. As it grows, its skin becomes tight so it stops feeding and molts. It resumes feeding until it outgrows its skin and molts again. The stages between moltings are called instars and the mature larva may look different from the first instar. The pupa is the third stage in the life cycle. It is the resting stage where it finally loses interest in eating and wanders away from the plant. Many species protect themselves by forming a cocoon or chrysalis but some pupate in leaf litter or just below the soil surface. When the adult emerges it flies off in search for a mate and the life cycle begins again. Butterfly and moth adults have similar anatomy but generally butterflies hold their wings vertically when at rest while moths hold their wings flat across their bodies. Butterflies usually fly during the day and moths usually fly at night.

Getting to Know the Pest

Caterpillars rank high up on my 'Dreaded Pest List.' Their only function is to continually eat and their chewing mouthparts can devour many times their weight. The worst of the bunch have gourmet tastes and burrow into the rose buds and riddle the blooms with holes. There are over 110,000 identified species of moths or butterflies. Caterpillars that feed on rose leaves, buds and blooms include the orange and rose tortrix, the tobacco and rose budworm, the tussock moth, the leafroller, the tent caterpillar and the omnivorous looper. Mating females lay eggs from late spring through to the fall on their preferred host plants. They are also drawn to the plants because of pheromones left by previous activity. Larvae are smooth or hairy and range in color from cream to tan to brown to green depending on the color of their host plant and also the species.

Look for Signs of Caterpillar Activity Daily

It is easy to spot holes in buds, damaged blooms and chewed and skeletonized leaves but the caterpillars can be hard to find. Sometimes you will see their black droppings (frass) deposited on foliage and this is a tipoff to search close by for actively feeding caterpillars. When I see a leaf folded over, two leaves 'silked' together or a leaf rolled up and tied with silk, I am always hopeful that I will find the hiding caterpillar. I have learned the hard way that caterpillars are very quick and nimble and slip easily away from gloved hands. So now my first step is to cut the folded, silked or rolled leaf off the plant. The second step is to open the leaf over a bucket so the wriggling caterpillar satisfyingly free-falls into the bucket. You can easily guess the third step. Cut out and dispose of damaged buds which may still harbor caterpillars. Look also for eggs which are usually laid on the underside of the leaves.

A Helping Hand for the Gardener

General predators of caterpillars include birds, assassin bugs, minute pirate bugs, damsel bugs, lacewings, predaceous ground beetles, parasitic wasps and spiders. We need to protect these beneficial predators as without them, caterpillar populations can explode. And remember they eat a lot!

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Pesticides

Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt) is a microbial insecticide which poses no threat to humans or pets. It also has the advantage of not multiplying or accumulating in the environment. There are different strains of Bt that attack specific kinds of insects. Choose the product that targets only caterpillars, *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* (Btk) (labeled Bt for Caterpillars and Worms.) The highly alkaline environment of the caterpillar's gut triggers the Btk bacterium to release a crystalline protein called an "endotoxin." This poisons the caterpillar's digestive system, dissolves holes in its gut and causes a general infection that kills the caterpillar. Btk is safe to use near bees and beneficial insects but to be effective caterpillars must feed on the treated leaves. Caterpillars that become ill or die after ingesting Btk are not dangerous to birds or other animals that feed on them. Btk is most effective on small, newly hatched caterpillars. Since it breaks down rapidly, repeat applications as specified on the label are critical. It will not get rid of caterpillars within the rose bud as Btk must be eaten by the insect to work. Fully-grown caterpillars may no longer be vulnerable to insecticide applications. The other non-chewing life stages of egg, pupa and adult are not affected by its application. Avoid the use of broad-spectrum insecticides to reduce the risk to beneficials. Spinosad is a microbial-based insecticide but it does have a negative impact on some beneficial insects and must only be used when there is no bee activity.



I love seeing monarch butterflies wafting through and landing gracefully on my roses so I purposely buy and grow milkweed for the monarch caterpillars (pictured right). This is definitely biased and perhaps a little unfair since I snip all other caterpillars in half. What makes a monarch caterpillar better than any other caterpillar? Here is the distinction: monarch caterpillars are smart enough to stick to milkweed. They don't chew up my roses' leaves or feed on my rose buds and blooms. That is a very endearing and intelligent quality, and together with the caterpillars' very attractive yellow and black stripes, it makes the caterpillars actually quite cute, and I will even venture to say, quite darling too.



Membership in Our Society

By Kirk Rummel, knlrummel@sbcglobal.net

In these troubled times when we cannot meet with friends to share our love of roses it seems appropriate to pause and reflect on our rose society and our relationship to it. So, as membership chairman, let me offer a few thoughts for your consideration.

First, some context. On size we are considered a medium-sized affiliate by the American Rose Society. We peak out at about 250 to 300 members throughout the year and have been at this level for quite a few years. This a healthy membership and in an age where many societies throughout the country (and the world) are suffering a decline in membership we have maintained this level with about 60 new members each year offsetting the drop off throughout the year. We remain the largest society in southern California and, formed in 1927, we are also the oldest.

Financially, we are healthy. Our annual fertilizer sales have allowed us to accumulate a solid basis for our programs while keeping our dues reasonable.

We would like to think that the sustained interest in membership is due to our good programs, members who share their knowledge, an award winning monthly newsletter, and folks who are above all, friendly.

So while we ride out this pandemic let us keep our interest in roses alive and wait for the time when we can meet again. Until then let us introduce four new members who have joined since the last *Rose Ramblings* and welcome:

Rominey Jacobs
Kate Bishov
Jan Swinton
Michele Warner

Welcome!

2020 Roses In Review: Due by September 26th

By Kathy Monge, PSWD RIR coordinator

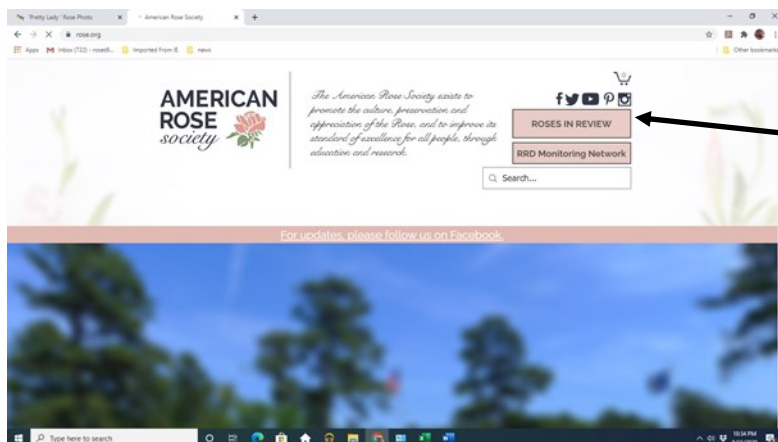
Back in the mid-70's there was a great comedy piece by Chevy Chase on his Weekend Update involving Professor Backwards. Chevy let us know that the professor had died today as bystanders ignored his pleas of "Pleh! Pleh!" Another year of "Pleh!" from me to get all of you wonderful rose gardeners to help rate the newer roses that you grow or even just to let us know that you do not grow any of these roses. Just like at the election polls, your vote does matter.

As I write this, we have had nationally and locally a far lower participation in this process for 2020. Too busy in the garden now that we are unable to travel? Too many rose shows and meetings? The dog ate my *American Rose* and I do not know the what the ARS web site is? No good excuses this year. You are home so let's get this done. Our Pacific Southwest District has the most diverse climate and the driest of any other district in the country. Growing fabulous roses for us presents immense challenges. We have 6 months or more of no rain. Couple this with the intense dry heat and winds. So yes, it does matter. The more input, the greater our voices can be heard in the permanent ratings for the *Selecting Roses* handbook.

Let me review what you need to know to do this:

1. The ARS web site is www.rose.org (Click this link to take you there)
2. There is a video to watch and show you how to do this to walk you through the entire rating process on this front page of the web site. Please watch this as I did and it is quite helpful OR
3. In the upper righthand corner is your entry to the site to start your journey

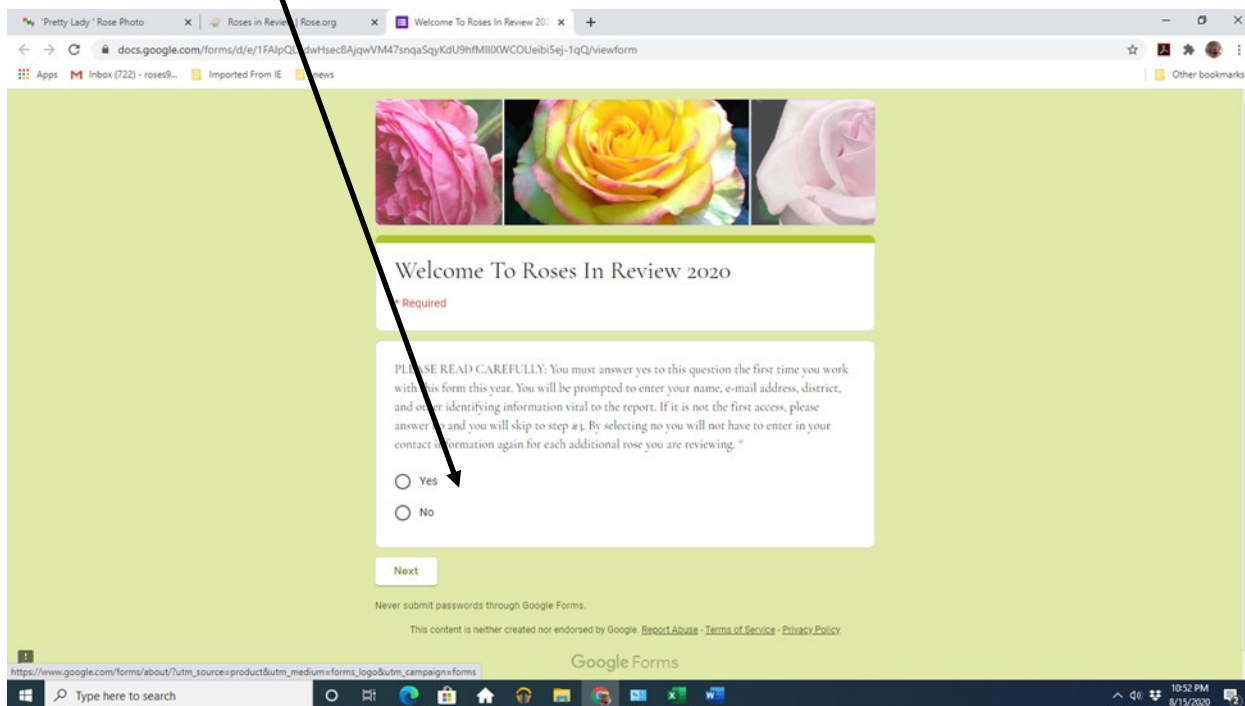
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4. After you have typed your email address, use your mouse to highlight (right click the mouse and drag over the area to copy) the email address and press the Ctrl and C keys. That will copy that information so you will not need to re-type it for each rose you are reviewing. (This works for those using Windows operating systems.) The next rose reviewed press Ctrl V to paste your email in.
5. We do not have a real winter so the Winter Hardy question should be the choice of “I do Not Know.”

Crucial step of Yes for first timers, No for return reviewer for **2020!**



6. Look at the list of roses before you review so you will know which part of the alphabet you need to choose from.
 7. Another option is to fill out the paper version and mail it to me. So far only 2 reviewers have opted for this. I really do not mind doing this.
 8. You do not have to wear a mask to do this.
- Here's my email address and you may ask me or send your review as an attachment: Roses92707@gmail.com

Thank you for helping us!

Gardeners of the Month: Colette and Stan Harper

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

At one of our SDRS monthly meetings, our friends and fellow SDRS members Colette and Stan Harper, won one of the roses offered at the raffle. It was 'Peggy Martin', a beautiful pink climbing rose with an very unique history (see separate article on page 18 of this issue). But as the rose grew large, Colette realized that she did not have the space for a large climber and asked us for advice. Bill and I suggested that they offer the rose in *Rose Ramblings* for a donation to the San Diego Rose Society. We could also take some cuttings and start new plants for other folks.

So, last month Bill and I had the privilege of visiting the Harpers at their home in the hills east of El Cajon, to take a look at the 'Peggy Martin' rose and perhaps gather some cuttings. Their property is actually both a beautiful home and a working ranch on 11 acres. The Harpers have lived on this property for over 40 years. It was originally the property of Stan's parents who raised avocados and citrus. Stan's mother, who is 95, still lives there.



As soon as we arrived we were greeted by their two very friendly dogs, Bear, an Australian Shepherd, and Azzi a Texas Heeler. Everywhere there were giant avocado trees and banana plants, both hanging full of fruit. When I say 'giant' avocado trees, I mean the trees were 15-20 feet in diameter and 70 years old! Stan and Colette took us on a tour of the property and there was livestock everywhere. Stan is growing four young pigs which were quite boisterous in their pen, but loved it when Stan washed them down because it was quite a warm day. He was so knowledgeable about raising them and within a few months he will have them

slaughtered for meat. There were also chickens all about, laying eggs. One of the highlights of our visit was seeing their two cows, which came down from the upper part of their enclosure when they realized that Colette has some food for them.



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Believe it or not the cows LOVE bananas, both the fruit and large tree trunks. Stan gave me some bananas to feed them.....what an experience! (pictured right) Both Stan and Colette are working, so it is an amazing feat that they are able to have the time to maintain this many animals. But they do an amazing job of it! Colette told me this is nothing compared to the days when their children were at home and heavily involved with their animals through the 4-H club.



Remarkably, in addition to their other tasks, they are also rose gardeners, maintaining around 50 rose plants! Their rose gardens are quite beautiful and the plants were thriving, even in the significant heat of August. They have quite a variety of roses, including tree roses, Austins, miniatures, hybrid teas and OGRs and all of them are in excellent health....no detectable black spot, no rust, no mildew or thrips. As much as possible, Colette follows the patterns of feeding and insecticide and pesticide management proposed by the San Diego Rose Society rosarians. It has definitely paid off for them.

We really enjoyed our visit with the Harpers, laughing, petting animals and enjoying their rose gardens and our time spent with them. What a nice couple! I am including some pictures of our visit. We hope that all of our members are able to visit with them at one of our San Diego Rose Society events, whenever we are able to come back together again. Thank you Colette and Stan for your time and the company.



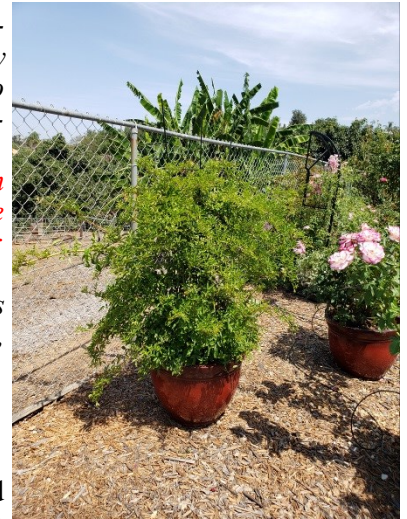
The Hurricane Rose: 'Peggy Martin'

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

As mentioned in the article about Colette and Stan Harper above, these rosarians acquired a 'Peggy Martin' rose at one of our SDRS raffles. Even though they would like to keep this beautiful pink climbing rose (pictured at right) they need to find it a new home because they do not have a spot for a climbing rose at their property at this time. It is currently in a pot and about five feet tall.

If anyone is interested in acquiring this beautiful it rose can be obtained from Stan and Colette. They are asking for at least a \$25 donation (which includes the beautiful red pot) to benefit the San Diego Rose Society. Please contact Colette at: 619-588-2389 or gws4u@cox.net.

The original rose from which all 'Peggy Martin' roses have been derived has an amazing story of survival. Here is an excerpt from an article in Southern Living, by Gene B. Bussell from September 2007.



Katrina took almost everything from Peggy Martin.

Her parents, Rosalie and Pivon Dupuy, fell victim to the storm. The hurricane roared over Plaquemines Parish, flooding everything in the Phoenix, Louisiana, home where Peggy and her husband, M.J., had raised their two sons. The saltwater poured over the levees and rose up over 20 feet, covering everything for more than two weeks.

Peggy's parents had purchased the 12 acres of land as a fishing camp back in the 1950s, but it eventually became home to this close-knit extended family. For a fisherman like Pivon and a gardener like Peggy, it was heaven. Ancient live oaks, draped in Spanish moss, spread their branches over the land like great arms protecting the earth. The air was perfumed by citrus groves nearby, and the warm waters were alive with fish, shrimp, and oysters.



Peggy Martin

And it was here that Peggy had planted a beautiful garden filled with old roses-- 450 of them. Their fragrance, she said, reminded her of her grandmother's garden, and she freely shared cuttings with friends and neighbors. Of all her beautiful roses, only one would survive Hurricane Katrina--and it would play a role in bringing back the gardens of the coast.

When the waters finally receded and Peggy and M.J. returned, their house was crushed. M.J.'s shrimpboat was gone. Where the garden had been, they found mud and blackened stems. But then Peggy spied something incredible--a bit of green growth coming back on a rose she had planted by the shed. She remembers that day so vividly: "When I realized it was still alive, I thought 'My God, how did this live through the storm? Did God do this for me because so much was gone?'"

That rose, the one Katrina couldn't take, is an 18-year-old thornless Rambler with long arching canes and showy pink flowers. It came to Peggy as a pass-along cutting from a friend who had received it the same way. That cutting came from a garden in New Orleans. Neither Peggy nor any other of the members of the New Orleans Old Garden Rose Society could ever pin down its name. Even so, she continued to pass it on to her friends.

It's a big rose that needs room to breathe, and after a few years, when it settles into your garden, it just can't quit blooming--heavily in the spring, sporadically during summer, and again in the fall. Its long canes root when they touch the ground, so it's powerful enough to hold back a slope--or encourage a gardener.

One of those friends who received the rose was Dr. Bill Welch, a rosarian and horticulturist at Texas A&M University. After Katrina, an idea struck him in the middle of the night. The 'Peggy Martin' rose, the one that outlasted the storm, could be used to raise money to restore gardens on the ravaged Gulf Coast. He took his idea to some friends at the Greater Houston Community Foundation, which now manages the fund.

Peggy takes comfort in knowing that her rose is helping bring back the beautiful gardens of her coast. Even more, she says, it's a fitting way to remember her parents, two "beautiful, sweet people" whose memory she'll cherish always.

Did You Know?

The Rose is the National Floral Emblem for the United States

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

In 1985, The United States Senate passed a resolution asking the president to declare the rose as the national floral emblem. On November 20th, 1986, then president Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation (Proclamation 5574) certifying the rose as the national flower in a ceremony at the White House Rose Garden.

(reference. www.nationalrosegarden.com/the-national-flower/)



The Restoration of the White House Rose Garden

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

Nearly 60 years after the last restoration, First Lady Melania Trump unveiled the restoration of the Rose Garden at the White House. The roses included in the newly restored garden are 'John F. Kennedy', 'Pope John Paul II' and 'Peace'. From the photo below it can be seen that the diamond-patterned boxwoods remain but ten crabapple trees, which were providing too much shade and root problems for the roses, were moved to another garden on the White House grounds. The garden features a large grass center and new limestone pathways. It's so nice to see our favorite flower honored in a renewed garden at the 'People's House'.



Balboa Park Rose Garden Super Bloom Event: October 18, 2020

By Beth Van Boxtel, bethpaige@gmail.com

Planned for October 18, 2020 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Free to the public

(Note: As the dynamics change with the COVID-19 epidemic, this event may need to be cancelled or postponed like so many other SDRS events. The membership will be informed.)

Come see the peak rose bloom at the Balboa Park Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden, where there are over 1700 roses. Tour on your own or take a guided tour with a rose garden expert. Meet at the San Diego Rose Society table and guided tours will be held every 30 minutes. There will be a short talk by a rose expert at 1 p.m., raffle prizes (no need to be present to win), and more details to be announced soon.



The San Diego Rose Society and
The Rose Garden Corps Present

SUPER BLOOM

BALBOA PARK ROSE GARDEN

2125 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101

SUNDAY OCT 18TH 2020
1pm-4pm | FREE

At the San Diego Rose Society table, there will be information about growing roses, information on how to volunteer with the Balboa Park Rose Garden Corps, and applications to join the San Diego Rose Society (for \$10 for the rest of 2020).

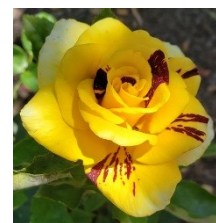
The Balboa Park Rose Garden is located at the east end of the Prado in Balboa Park accessed by a footbridge over Park Blvd. Parking in Balboa Park tends to fill up early so the earlier you arrive, the better. The Reuben H. Fleet lot and the Spanish Village lot are the closest. Additional parking lots are inside Balboa Park.

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The Beautiful Instability of ‘Alakazam’

By Elaine Ornelas, cornelas1949@att.net

We have a vigorous plant of ‘Alakazam’ a unique miniflora which, along with ‘Simsalabim’, is a sport of ‘Hocus Pocus’. Most of the blossoms are bright yellow with a dark maroon stripe, but frequently we have blooms that revert back to all yellow. But there are also interesting variations in between. Here are a few examples. It is considered a genetically ‘unstable’ rose because of these variations. Hope you enjoy the photos!



Nominees for 2021 San Diego Rose Society Board of Directors

Our Nominating Committee submitted nominees and the Board has approved them. The nominees are:

Office	2021 Candidate (s)
President	Debbie Magnuson
1st Vice President-Programs	Linda Clark & Kathy Hunyor
2nd Vice President-Membership	Kirk Rummel
Treasurer	Natalie Stout
Recording Secretary	Kathleen Hider
Corresponding Secretary	Elaine Ornelas
Past President	Ken Huff
Members at Large (3)	Christine & Rand Allan John Lester Melinda Bourg
Rose Garden Trust-5 years	Maria Mata

Interested members are welcome to volunteer for an office until the October SDRS meeting. The election will be held at the November SDRS Meeting.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers....

Please lift up your healing thoughts for the following folks in our rose family.

Virginia West (pictured at right) was diagnosed with cancer in June of this year. She has undergone extensive chemotherapy treatments and has responded well. She was in need of a bone marrow donor, and fortunately a donor has been identified for her. We will keep her in our thoughts and prayers as she moved forward on this journey.



Keep **Evelyn Alemanni** in your prayers as she continues her journey battling cancer. She says that treatments have caused her tumor to shrink and her tumor markers are decreasing, always good news!

We were sorry to hear of the passing of **Beth Van Boxtel's grandmother**. Here are Beth's words: 'Pray for my nana (grandma) as she starts her journey to heaven after suffering a stroke. Pray for my mom and extended family (she has 5 kids and many grandkids). I was so blessed by my nana and was so lucky to live near her for most of my childhood (she lived on Jupiter Street in Leucadia). She is so kind, sweet, gentle, giving, and had a great memory. She always remembered everything going on in my life when we spoke on the phone or FaceTime. I will miss her!' We also received notification from Beth that her mother has just been diagnosed with breast cancer so it has been a very challenging month for the Van Boxtel family. Please offer your prayers for them.



We also learned of the passing of **Rand Allan's mother, Barbara Allan**, on July 26, 2020. Here are the words from Christine Allan, Rand's loving wife: 'She was a kind mother in-law who treated me like a daughter. The photo is from her 90th birthday party. This grand celebration holds fond family memories.'

We also received notification that **Ethel Kiss**, SDRS member, passed away on May 12, 2020. Her favorite hobby was growing roses and she won awards at shows on both coasts. We send loving thoughts to her family.

And we especially send our protective thoughts and prayers to all of the **doctors, nurses and other caregivers** who are placing their lives at risk in caring for any of us who are stricken with the COVID-19 virus infection. Bless you all!

AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY TRIAL MEMBERSHIP

The American Rose Society is now offering a four-month trial membership for only \$10 to anyone who is interested in becoming a member of our organization. Most ARS members are home gardeners who enjoy growing roses and want to expand their knowledge of rose culture.

Four-Month Trial Members receive:

- Free advice from Consulting Rosarians. The ARS Consulting Rosarians program connects members with expert rosarians that provide free assistance with your rose questions.
- Free or reduced garden admissions, a \$25 value after just three uses. With the ARS [Reciprocal Garden Admission program](#), members enjoy free or reduced admission to and discounts at hundreds of gardens, conservatories and arboreta nationwide.
- Four issues of the online newsletter *Roses & You*, edited by Teresa Byington and full of helpful tips and tools of the rose growing trade.
- Two issues of *American Rose* magazine, \$16 value. The only magazine devoted exclusively to roses and rose culture, these bi-monthly, 84-page issues feature informative articles and beautiful color photography for beginners and experienced rose growers alike.
- Discounts of up to 30% at merchant partners. The [ARS Member Benefit Partner](#) program offers discounts at various merchants with new partners being added continuously.
- A four-month trial membership is valued at \$86 for only \$10!

Join Now!

You may [complete our online form](#) or call us at 1-800-637-6534.

List of Nurseries for Roses

Here is a list of nurseries which some of our rosarians commonly use to obtain roses.

Some of these are local and some are some distance from San Diego or are for on-line ordering only.

LOCAL:

Armstrong Garden Centers	www.armstronggarden.com
Walter Andersen	www.walterandersen.com
Kniffings	www.kniffingsnursery.com
El Plantio Nursery	www.elplantationnursery.com
Hunters	www.huntersnursery.com
Evergreen	www.evergreennursery.com

NOT LOCAL OR ON-LINE ORDERING ONLY:

K and M Roses	www.kandmroses.com
Regan Nursery	www.regannursery.com
Wisconsin Roses	www.wiroses.com
Palatine Roses	www.palatineroses.com
Angel Gardens	www.angelsgardens.com
Laguna Hills Nursery	www.lagunahillsnursery.com
Plant Depot	www.plantdepot.com
Rogue Valley Roses	www.roguevalleyroses.com
Green Thumb	www.greenthumb.com
Cool Roses	www.coolroses.com
Otto & Sons	www.ottoandsons-nursery.com
Heirloom Roses	www.heirloomroses.com
Burlington Roses	www.burlingtonroses.com
Antique Rose Emporium	www.antiqueroseemporium
Roses Unlimited	www.rosesunlimitedsc.com

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www.instagram.com/sandiegorosesociety or @sandiegorosesociety

Event Calendars and Web Sites

San Diego Rose Society Calendar of Events

2020

October 18, 2020, 1-4 p.m.: SDRS Super Bloom event at the Balboa Park Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden (status of this event pending opening of Balboa Park)

*Don't Worry!
Our rose society will fill up this empty space on our calendar soon with lots of fun-filled, informative activities as soon as this challenging time is over and we can all come back together safely.*

Local/Regional Rose Events

2020

Useful Websites and Links

San Diego Rose Society (www.sandiegorosesociety.com)

American Rose Society (www.rose.org)

American Rose Society Pacific Southwest District (www.pswdroses.org)

Help Me Find (roses) (www.helpmefind.com/rose)

Rose Show Results (<http://www.roseshow.com/results/>)

National Events

2020

Cancelled: August 26-30, 2020: ARS Spring National Convention & Rose Show; hosted by Pikes Peak Rose Society, Colorado Springs, CO; contact: Diana Kilmer originalsbydiana42@verizon.net

Other Local Gardening Events

2020

San Diego Floral Association Calendar <http://www.sdfloal.org/calendar.htm>

San Diego Botanic Garden Calendar <https://www.sdbgarden.org/events.htm>

New Process for Contacting Consulting Rosarians

By Elaine Ornelas, ornelas1949@att.net and Beth VanBoxtel, SDRS webmistress

The listing below for consulting rosarians is also listed on the San Diego Rose Society's website, including phone numbers and email addresses. Our website is a public domain and can be viewed by everyone and is intended to be that way so that the public can harvest useful information about growing roses. However the email address can be accessed by 'web crawlers' and can be used to receive spam emails and spam phone calls. Listing emails and phone numbers is not a good idea with today's data breaches. So our board has decided, at our webmistress' encouragement, to not post emails and phone numbers.

So the new procedure for contacting consulting rosarians is to use a generic contact email address, listed below. Once the user accesses this email the message goes directly to the webmistress who will forward the email on to the appropriate consulting rosarian. Hopefully this will prevent any adverse conditions which might have resulting from having the emails and phone numbers posted readily.

New SDRS email address: sandiegorosesociety@gmail.com

Consulting Rosarians for San Diego Rose Society		
Name	Area	County Location
Christine Allan	La Jolla	W
Steve Berry	San Diego	C
Frank Brines	San Diego	E
Gary Bulman	Escondido	N
Linda Clark	La Mesa	E
Frank Hastings	El Cajon	E
Ken Huff	Escondido	N
Bob Kolb	Sunset Cliffs	W
John Lester	Tierrasanta	C
Deborah Magnuson	Clairemont	W
Carl Mahanay	Imperial Beach	S
Dona Martin, Master Rosarian	Escondido	N
Bob Martin, Master Rosarian	Escondido	N
Soledad "Rita" Morris	San Diego	C
Elaine Ornelas	Clairemont	W
Bill Ornelas	Clairemont	W
Rita Perwich	Coronado	W
Jim Price	San Diego	C
Dwyn Robbie, Master Rosarian	Del Mar	W
Robert Russell	Crest	E
Sue Streeper, Master Rosarian	El Cajon	E
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