



The Rose Gazette

Northeast Louisiana Rose Society Monroe, Louisiana



Affiliate of the American Rose Society

April 2017

2017 Membership Dues

2017 membership dues for NE Louisiana Rose Society are now due. See last page of the Newsletter for details. If you have not paid your dues yet, please do so at once. Cost is only \$10 per person.

May Meeting

Our next meeting will be May 21, 2017 2:00 p.m. at Sue Robinson's home in Monroe.

REMEMBER MEETING TIME IS 2:00 PM!

American Rose Center in Shreveport update

On February 17 – 18 and March 8 – 9, 2017 a total refresh of the Gulf District Garden at the American Rose Center occurred with the planting of 184 bare root roses from David Austin Roses. These photos were taken on April 27, 2017 with many of the roses already in bloom.



Marilyn Wellan recently presented to the ARS Board of Directors meeting in California a proposal for the Gardens of the American Rose Center to be replanned, replanted, and consolidated. This was unanimously approved and will be a five-year project from 2017 – 2022. The current gardens will be condensed to allow for re-focusing. Companion plants will also be included.

Tree removal in the ARC Gardens will commence soon. This will not be costing money – we will be receiving funds for the trees.

Donations from the ARS Gulf District and Gulf District members of around \$5000 has been received for the David Austin Garden project with an emphasis on tree removal. Those funds will now be used for deer fencing.

Gulf District Rose Show

On April 22, 2017, the Gulf District held its rose show at Kees Park in Pineville, Louisiana.

Hybrid Teas & Grandifloras		
	Variety	Exhibited by
Queen	'Moonstone'	Diane & Steve Rountree
King	'Grand Dame'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Princess	'Crescendo'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Randy Scott'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Sunny Sundays'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Veterans Honor'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Let Freedom Ring'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Denali'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Louise Estes'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Royal Court	'Pamela Ann'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
HT or Gr Open Bloom	'The McCartney Rose'	Marilyn Wellan
HT or Gr Spray	'Gold Medal'	Diane & Steve Rountree



'Moonstone'
Queen of the Show

Miniatures - Minifloras		
Min Queen	'Memphis King'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Min King	'Bees Knees'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Min Princess	'Kristin'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Court	'Incognito'	BJ Abshire
Min or MinFI Open	'Arizona Sunset'	Karen & Greg Constant
Min or MinFI Spray	'Ambiance'	Karen & Greg Constant
Miniflora Queen	'Charismatic'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Miniflora King	'Nancy Jean'	Karen & Greg Constant
Miniflora Princess	'Tiffany Lynn'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Court	'Camden'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Court	'Conundrum'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett
Court	'Leading Lady'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett



Queen, King, Princess
and Royal Court

Shrubs & Climbers		
Classic Shrub	'Prosperity'	Susan Burke
Modern Shrub	'The Dark Lady'	Karen & Greg Constant
Best Large Shrub	'Don Juan'	Clyde & Marie Bartlett

Old Garden Roses		
Dowager	'Souv de la Malmaison'	Marilyn Wellan
Victorian	'Enchantress'	Marilyn Wellan

Floribundas & Polyanthas		
Floribunda Spray	'Eutin'	Kelly Texada
Polyantha Spray	'La Marne'	Billie Flynn

Special Classes		
Seedling	'Elle' x 'Fragrant Plum'	Steve Roussell
Most Fragrant	'Gertrude Jekyll'	Billie Flynn
Novice Standard Rose	'Grateful Heart'	Marguerite McNeely
Novice Spray	'Martha Vineyard'	Marguerite McNeely

Collection of Blooms
Exhibited by
Ken and Wanda Kelley



Gulf District Challenge Classes

J. Horace McFarland Challenge <i>Exhibiting 5 different Hybrid Teas</i>	'Randy Scott', 'Denali', 'Sunny Sundays', 'Gemini', 'Let Freedom Ring'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Claudius A Mayo Challenge <i>Exhibiting 3 different OGRs</i>	'Old Blush', 'Green Rose', 'Mutabilis'	Billie Flynn
Griffith Buck Challenge <i>Exhibiting 3 shrub roses</i>	'The Pilgrim', 'Polonaise', 'English Garden'	Karen & Greg Constant
Gulf District Rose of the Year <i>Exhibiting a Gulf District Rose</i>	'Cinco de Mayo'	Billie Flynn
Pete Haring Challenge <i>Exhibiting best photograph</i>	'Veilchenblau' a spray	Ken Kelley
Judy Mayo Memorial Challenge <i>A Traditional Arrangement</i>	'Tammy Clemons'	Julie Engert

Challenge and Collection Classes

Cycle of Bloom with Hybrid Teas	'Veterans' Honor'	Clyde and Marie Bartlett
Matched Pair of Hybrid Teas	'Gold Medal'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Rose in a Bowl with a Hybrid Tea	'Beverly'	Sue Burke
English Box with Hybrid Teas	'Moonstone'	Diane & Steve Rountree
Rose in a Frame with a Hybrid Tea	'Louise Estes'	Clyde and Marie Bartlett
Artist's Palette with Hybrid Teas	'Blake Hedrick', 'Moonstone', 'Falling in Love', 'Temptation', 'Marilyn Wellan'	Tina and Floyd Hebert
Artist's Palette with Floribunda, OGR or Shrub	'Karoo', 'Fabulous', 'Sexy Remy', 'Lavaglut' 'Julia Child',	Clyde and Marie Bartlett
Rose in a Frame with OGR or Shrub	'Lillian Austin'	Greg & Karen Constant
English Box with OGR or Shrub	'Abraham Darby', 'Charles Darwin' and 'The Prince'	Greg & Karen Constant
Collection of Shrubs &/or Climbers	'The Pilgrim', 'Tamora', 'English Garden', 'Polonaise', 'Lady Emma Hamilton', 'White Meidiland', 'Sophy's Rose', 'Molineux', and 'Charles Darwin'	Karen & Greg Constant
Collection of Old Garden Roses	'Souv de la Malmaison', 'Green Rose', 'Crepuscule', 'Old Blush', 'Louis Philippe'	Billie Flynn
Collection of Blooms	'Francis Meilland', 'Smokin' Hot, 'Heritage Pink', 'Artistry', 'Joy', 'Drop Dead Red', 'Summer Sun'	Ken Kelley
Min/Miniflora English Box	'Memphis King'	Marie and Clyde Bartlett
Min/Miniflora Cycle of Bloom	'Nancy Jean'	Karen & Greg Constant
Min/Miniflora Matched Pair	'Louisville Lady'	Marie and Clyde Bartlett
Min/Miniflora Rose in a Bowl	'Be My Baby'	BJ Abshire
Min/Miniflora Rose Basket	'Nancy Jean', 'Blue Suede Shoes' and 'Ambiance'	Karen & Greg Constant

Horticulture Judges Challenge

Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora	'Louise Estes'	Linda Aguzin
Shrub	'Lady of Shalott'	Linda Aguzin
Rose in a Bowl	'Sunny Sundays'	Linda Aguzin

"Celebrate with Roses" Arrangement Awards

Award	Exhibitor
ARS Gold Medal Certificate	Julie Engert
ARS Silver Medal Certificate	Julie Engert
ARS Artist Award Rosette	Julie Engert
ARS Oriental Award Rosette	Billie Flynn
Princess Arrangement Rosette	Susan Hathorn
Court of Etiquette Certificate	Susan Hathorn
ARS Mini Gold Medal Certificate	Julie Engert
ARS Mini Artist Award Rosette	Julie Engert
Best Novice Arrangement	Diane Rountree

Arrangement Judges Challenge

Award	Exhibitor
Best Standard Arrangement	Marilyn Wellan
Best Miniature Arrangement	BJ Abshire
Best Table Design	Marilyn Wellan

Texas Bound and Down / BloomDango

On April 27 – 29, 2017, Gulf District Members traveled to Texas to tour nurseries and gardens that was organized by Dr. Allen Owings. First stop for many were the re-freshed Gulf District Gardens at ARC in Shreveport to enjoy some of the blooms on the David Austin roses. Next stop was Tyler, Texas and visits to Chamblee's Nursery or Breedlove's Nursery then Blue Moon Nursery.

Day 2 started with a tour of the Rose Gardens of Farmer's Branch (www.farmersbranchtx.gov) with a guided tour by Pam Smith the City Park Landscape Manager. The first of the gardens visited was the Earth Kind Rose and Display Garden with over 400 different roses. Included were David Austin roses, modern roses, old garden roses, species roses, and some noisettes imported from France.



A short distance from the Earth Kind Rose garden was the Jeff Fuller Rose Garden which is a test garden for several national rose growers for the evaluation of new roses. The American Garden Rose Selections program (AGRS) has selected the garden as one of its test sites. Following a short walk through the bird sanctuary is the Ruthan Rogers Rose Garden that is located in the Historical Park which has a collection of Old Garden Roses. There are several historical buildings that have been relocated to this park including a 1885 Queen Anne Victorian Cottage.

Next stop was the Earth Kind Landscape Trials at Myers Park in McKinney, Texas with a guided tour by Dr. Steve George, Texas A&M University Professor. These test gardens were planted in conjunction with the Collin County Master Gardener Program and are used to test perennial plants without usage of fertilizer, pesticides and only minimum irrigation (which is reclaimed rain water from onsite). Also included on the property were muscadine grapes, shrub trials, crape myrtle evaluation, ornamental grasses, and vegetable garden demonstration.



Earth Kind Gardens view which is laid out like a wind mill.

Dr. Allen Owings with one of the group's favorite plants – Henry Duelberg Sage



Day 3 was visit to the Chambersville Tree Farm’s BloomDango (www.bloomdango.com). There are over 300 varieties of rambler roses located on the property with some not found anywhere else in the USA. These incredible roses climb on tower trellises to some 12-15 feet with canes cascading over the top and almost touching the ground. No photo can do proper justice to these magnificent roses. We were given a guided tour of the property by Master Rosarian Claude Graves and Dean Oswald (owner of Chambersville Tree Farm). Saturday’s event included 3 guest speakers including Brent Pemberton (Professor at Texas A&M University), Claude Graves, and Dr. Allen Owings (Professor and Research Coordinator at LSU AgCenter in Hammond). This is a once a year event and one that should be on everyone’s “To Do” list.



Officers	
Adele Ransom	President
Gayle Baldree	Vice President Prog / Chair
Becky Bourgeois	Treasurer
Ken & Wanda Kelley	Bulletin Editor

Dates to Remember	
May 21 2:00 pm	NELA Rose Society meeting at Sue Robinson's home
June 11 2:00 pm	NELA Rose Society meeting at King & Kari Scott's home
June 17	20 th Anniversary Celebration at Black Bayou Lake Wildlife Refuge
July 16 2:00 pm	NELA Rose Society meeting at Lu Jones's home
August	No meeting scheduled this month

Consulting Rosarians	
Frank & Flora Hover	
Adele Ransom	
John & Diane Smith	

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA ROSE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please come and join us. We meet on the third Sunday of each month. The location/date and time of the meeting is announced in the Newsletter each month.

Name _____

Spouse's Name (if Joining) _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Are you an ARS MEMBER? _____ Yes _____ No

Annual dues are \$10 Per Person: