



NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTHAMPTON ROSE SOCIETY—AN AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY AFFILIATE

President's Letter



Dear Members.

Although it is still cold in NYC and Southampton, there are some nascent signs of spring. The days are getting longer and when the sun shines, it feels warmer. Thus, it is time to turn our attention to prepping our now dormant rose bushes for the awakening of their gorgeous summer blooms, which will beautify our village. The Southampton Rose Society (SRS) is hard at work to ensure that our rose blooms are majestic and abundant.

The preparation for the roses requires labor intensive attention to detail such as fertilization, pruning, spraying to ward off diseases and insects, and the appropriate amount of water, which must be finely tuned (as my dear friend David Dawn used to say, Roses like water but not wet roots!) all of which can be quite costly. At the risk of being repetitive, the funds for the village rose care are all privately funded by the Southampton Rose Society rather than being maintained with municipal monies. As a consequence, we are dependent upon the largesse of citizens to help the SRS maintain the Village roses for all to enjoy. The Village would certainly not be as lovely if the many, extensive public rose gardens at the Rogers Memorial Library, in front of the Cultural Center, adjacent to Town and Country Real Estate, Shippy's and Little Red did not exist. Please bear in mind each time you behold the magnificent rose bushes throughout our village, that the SRS is reliant on your financial support to keep our roses alive and well.

Furthermore, it is my great hope that in addition to the maintenance of our existing rose gardens, the SRS will have the capability to fund further expansion of rose gardens in the Village. I know that this is possible with your backing.

Looking toward the summer season, there are many fun and festive events that the SRS will host. Please mark your calendar accordingly so you do not miss the following dates:

- **APRIL 20:** Pruning and Planting workshop at the Rogers Memorial Library Garden, led by Peter Bertrand
- MAY 10: Children's Mini Rose and Art Workshop
- JUNE 15: 43rd Annual SRS Rose Show
- JULY 4: Southampton Village Fourth of July Parade
- JULY 12: COCKTAIL PARTY FUNDRAISER
- **SEPTEMBER 8:** Annual Members Garden Party
- OCTOBER 5: Members Meeting and Luncheon/Lecture

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New Donor Categories for Support of the SRS Public Rose Gardens

We are most grateful to the generous members and friends who have donated to the upkeep of the 5 gardens the SRS created and maintains to beautify our village. Due to objections from the Village Architectural Review Board we have not been able to place signs in each of the gardens to recognize the donors. However, instead we have created different donation categories and we are creating posts to thank our generous donors in the gazebo of our flagship garden, the David Dawn Memorial Rose Garden at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton Village.

The new donor categories are as follows:

SEED: \$1,000BUD: \$2,500BLOOM: \$5,000

• MAJESTIC ROSE: \$10,000

2019 COCKTAIL PARTY FUNDRAISER!

Buy your tickets early for this year's Cocktail Party Fundraiser, Friday, July 12^{th} . We invite you to celebrate a rose extravaganza evening in the glorious garden of Juergen and Anke Friedrich at the LINDEN in Southampton.

Buy your tickets early! All tickets purchased before June 8th will be discounted by 10%.

SINGLE TICKET: \$300
TICKETS FOR 2: \$550
TICKETS FOR 4: \$1,000
TICKETS FOR 6: \$1,500

• JUNIOR TICKETS (up to age 30): Single ticket \$125; Tickets for 2: \$175

Responses or requests for tickets should be sent to:

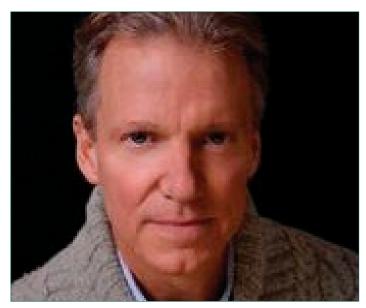
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Payment can be made in the following ways:

- Check (written to Southampton Rose Society)
- Or by sending credit card info (card #, expiration date (mo/yr) and billing zip code) to above address



Luncheon/Lecture Preview



Marshall Watson

y popular demand, our annual Luncheon/Lecture at the Meadow Club returns! The event will take place on Saturday, October 5th. Be sure to reserve your tickets early.

Our speaker this year is noted designer Marshall Watson, and his presentation is sure to be fascinating. Marshall has been an interior designer for 30 years, heading his firm, Marshall Watson Interiors. You have undoubtedly read some of the many columns he has written for the Southampton Press over the years. Based in New York, he works internationally and also has a beautiful home and garden in East Hampton. Mr. Watson is known for creating classic, lightfilled and elegant interiors with a modern sensibility. His work has won many awards, including *Traditional Home*'s Designer of the Year award, and recognition on the *Luxe* Gold List many times. His work has graced the covers of many publications including *Architectural Digest, House Beautiful, Veranda, Cottages & Gardens* and *Traditional Home*.

Marshall comes from a family of gardeners. His parents were avid gardeners—his mother and aunt both served as president of the Westport Garden Club in Kansas City (member of the Garden Club of America), and his father, an award winning rosarian in Kansas City, had 200 rose bushes, clipped privet hedges, immaculate lawns and a vegetable garden. Marshall came to his work by a circuitous route. While getting his degree at Stanford, he was influenced by the greats of international design—Mies van der Rohe, Le Corbusier,

Eero Saarinen. Then he moved into theatrical design, and acting, becoming a successful character actor on As The World Turns. Eventually he found his way into interior design and architecture – for some projects he has designed both the exterior and interior of the home, as well as the landscape. He also admires the work of the great landscape architects – Russell Page, Frederick Law Olmstead and Andre Le Notre.

Though all of Mr. Watson's projects are different, a common thread runs through them—responding to the timeless instead of the immediate, always underscored by a sense of elegance. He approaches his work and uses his training, his talents, and all the knowledge he has gained over his lifetime, to become a conduit for other people's aspirations, to create for his clients the environment of their dreams. All of his designs highlight the best qualities of their architectural settings and natural surroundings and draw light through the home. Windows are carefully placed to frame views, and in designing a landscape he plans what will be seen from the windows inside the home.

Marshall and his two brothers have all become passionate about the land. One of his brothers is a California winemaker with 80 acres of vineyards. His other brother, the professional golfer Tom Watson, now designs golf courses, including the famous Cassique course in South Carolina. When Marshall and his husband, Paul, built their home on a piece of land overlooking Gardiners Bay, Marshall designed a landscape of garden rooms. There's a vegetable garden, too, and a gazebo with an ocean view. When Hurricane Sandy destroyed some of their trees, Marshall made a path of sliced logs from the trees and used them to surround a reflecting pool. Mr. Watson believes strongly that every garden needs a foreground, middle ground and background, and that, in the words of Russell Page, "The ocean is never as beautiful as when it is framed."

His presentation for us, on his own garden and the gardens of his clients and famous designers he's worked with, as well as interiors he's designed to bring the outdoors in and the indoors out, will be enlightening and inspiring. There will be lots of pictures to see! Please be sure to join us!

Watch for information on how to reserve your tickets on our website, www.southamptonrose.org, and via email.

Get Ready for the Rose Show



he 43rd annual SRS Rose Show takes place on Saturday, June 15th, in the Morris Room of the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton Village (downstairs). Here is some advice, and encouragement, with thanks to SRS President Emeritus Harvey Feinstein.

Exhibit your roses! If you are a first-timer . . . take a chance on winning some ribbons or even a trophy. If you love gardening as we do, we are happy to welcome you. Entering the annual Rose Show may seem daunting, but experienced members of the SRS will be there to help you. The Southampton Rose Show is open to everyone, including novices, and you may exhibit as many, or as few, roses as you like.

It's important to know the name of your rose and its classification (for example, "hybrid tea," "grandiflora," or "shrub rose." If you know the name of your rose but you don't know its classification, you may check its category in an *American Rose Society Handbook for*

Selecting Roses, which will be available at the show. If you don't know the name or classification of your rose, SRS volunteers will also be at the event to help you the morning of the show.

Go to the exhibitors' preparation area (the Morris Room kitchen downstairs at the library) to groom your roses and arrange them in bottles. SRS volunteers will be there to help advise. Have your roses tagged with your name, the rose name, etc. Tags are available on the day of the show. If you would like tags in advance, email Diane Vahradian at divah63@yahoo.com. Attach the tag with an elastic band to the neck of the bottle. A Rose Show official will check them and place them on the show tables for you . . . and that's it! It is not uncommon for a novice to win a trophy!!!

- ↑ ALL ROSES MUST BE ENTERED AND

 PLACED and ready for judging by 9:30 am.
- Entrants can come to the Library as early as 7:30 am to prepare your roses for the show.

Viewing to the public and exhibitors begins at 1:00pm. IF YOU WIN A TROPHY OR RIBBON, please plan to collect your roses and awards promptly at 4:00pm and not before. You are responsible for engraving trophies at your expense if you are a winner. Non-members cannot take the trophy home. If you do not plan to engrave a trophy with your name, then do not take the trophy home. Any ribbons you win are free for all of you to take home. A winner's trophy must be returned to the SRS no later than May 2020 to be awarded to a new winner next year.

Membership in the SRS is \$60, and may be purchased the day of the show, or online.

The show is governed by the standard rules, regulations and guidelines of The American Rose Society (ARS).

All entries are to be grown outdoors by the exhibitor. Only members in good standing of the Southampton Rose Society may take possession of trophies.

GOOD LUCK! 💘

Dune Rose

From the Archives



From a past issue of Dune Rose, here is a look back at the beginnings of the SRS, excerpted from an article by Dorothy Nigro, SRS founding President, titled The First Ten Years: The Formative Years 1976–1985. (with thanks to Carol Kroupa for her research in the archives!)

he SRS Presidents in this decade were Dorothy Nigro (1976, 77, 78), Lois Scancarello Fowkes (1979), Maureen Oser Matthews (1980, 81), Madelle Semerjian (1982, 83), Pauline Sullivan (1984, 85).

The SRS was an offshoot of the Peconic Rose Society (no longer in existence) when a few members decided to form a new society. First, Lois Scancarello and Jane Cohen met with Peter Haring, New York District Director of the ARS in May 1976. He gave them forms and information about starting a new rose society in Southampton. At his suggestion, a chapter society should be formed with all the members also required to be members of the ARS. We were the first chapter society in New York State.

In June. Ninna and Alan Murray had a cocktail gathering of "rose friends" at their home on South Main Street to discuss the formation of a new society. Jane Simonds suggested naming it The Southampton Rose Society, which was acceptable to all. Alkione Stathakos donated stationery (from Tiffany's), a P.O. Box was rented and an ad hoc committee was formed to find a founding president.

Lois Scancarello called me and asked if she and a small group of women could meet with we at my home. Needless to say, when they asked me to be the founding president of the Southampton Rose Society, I questioned

their choice because, although I grew flowers and some roses, I was hardly an expert rosarian. They replied, "You'll learn all about roses later! We don't need you for your horticultural skills, but for your organizational skills." Well, after having served on many committees and acting as chairman for many projects, I agreed that I had a lot of practice in organizing things.

So we started the SRS and as they promised, my horticultural skills in rose growing developed at a fast pace due to the great help of Peter Haring, who was later the president of the ARS in 1996, having moved from Long Island to Louisiana. He helped with programming and after many lectures by guest speakers and workshops by our Consulting Rosarian David Dawn, we learned to grow beautiful roses. The promise that was made in my living room came true. I went on, as many members have since then, to become excited about exhibiting roses, winning blue ribbons and trophies and bringing home the Sweepstakes Award.

The first ten years were characterized by the establishment of a framework of By-Laws, printed in book form, spearheaded by Elenora Johnson; the creation of a fundraising Annual Tour of Distinguished Gardens led by Robert Welsh and Roger Lovett; the organization of annual Rose Shows, and the creation of the *Dune Rose*.

Our purpose, as defined at our first general meeting in July, was to emphasize the formation of an educational program based on sound horticultural principles with strict adherence to the standards set by the American Rose Society. With Peter Haring, NYS District Director of the SRS, as our keynote speaker in August, we began a series of very informative lectures. We had such distinguished speakers as Ed Ward, ARS Penn-Jersey Director and Dr. Maynard Lemrow, President of the Suffolk Rose Society and General Chairman of the ARS Judging School.

It was in 1977 that we acquired a handsome SRS banner, decorated by a seagull holding a single pink rose on a field of yellow. It was displayed at meetings and taken to conventions. The programming continued at its high state of excellence. Starting with a workshop at Peter Haring's garden in Stony Brook and continuing with club panel discussions with guest speakers Stuart and Beth Dobson, Peter Haring (NYS District Director) and Vincent Gioia (Regional Director), we finished the season with an extremely informative talk by our society's first Consulting Rosarian, David Dawn.

Rose Care Calendar

Information from Harvey Feinstein's Rose Care Calendar, Peter Bertrand's Pruning and Planting workshops, and Sarah Owens' organic care calendar for the garden at the Southampton Cultural Center.

A BASIC GUIDE TO ROSE CARE:

For roses to thrive:

- Being consistent is the most important thing
- Know your soil pH—have it tested
- Don't overwater!
- Pick the right roses for the right spot they need at least 6 hours of sun a day

MARCH: When the forsythias bloom it's time to prune!

Prune roses. Prune away dead or diseased canes, crossing canes and weak canes. On hybrid teas, remove any growth thinner than a pencil. Don't be afraid of pruning too much.

Keep outward facing immature canes. The center of the bush should be open to discourage disease and promote air circulation.

Granular feed each bush with 10-12-10, or an organic equivalent, and sprinkle a handful of Epsom salts around each bush.

Don't stomp on damp soil—it compacts the roots. Remove any old leaves remaining from last year. Mulch with compost or aged horse manure. Spray twice a month with Spectracide.

APRIL

Apply Preen to prevent weeds. Finger-prune any bud eyes, to encourage stronger stems. Remove any stems too weak to support a rose. Spray deer repellent weekly to discourage deer (rain washes it off, so reapply). Milorganite sprinkled around plants can also repel deer.

Spray plants with Spectracide.

MAY

Feed with all-purpose water-soluble fertilizer, 20-20-20 or an organic such as Rose Tone. Spray for spider mites. Feed with fish emulsion according to package directions. Apply Neem to ontrol pests if needed. Continue to disbud to strengthen the roses you want to exhibit. As the rose show approaches, label the likely candidates to exhibit.

Water, water, water as needed.

JUNE

Label the roses you hope to exhibit in this year's rose show. And water, water, water.

Get prepared for deer invasion and spray with Liquid Fence or another repellent, according to package directions. Fertilize with RoseTone if you garden organically. Weed and deadhead as needed.

JULY/AUGUST

Deadhead repeat-blooming roses.

Now is the time to make sure your roses are sufficiently watered. If you have an automatic sprinkler system check to see that the timer is properly set. Do not water at night, as this is a certain invitation for fungus and black spot. Time watering so that the leaves will dry by nightfall.

In our humid summers you want the sun to dry off your leaves, so the best time for watering is early morning. And this holds true if you are watering overhead with a hose.

The second item that will keep your roses blooming all season is to deadhead any blossoms that have faded. You can cut them away right at the top where they have bloomed, or remove the stem and the faded rose by counting down to a five-leaf axial. This is where the next stem and rose will form. Cut at an angle 1 inch above the 5-leaf axial. You will notice your bush also has stems with 6 leaves and sometimes fewer, BUT it's at the 5-leaf stem that the next rose will be born.

Your third job now is to feed organics with a summer snack of Rose Tone. If you remember, you fed your roses in March or April. Well, they are hungry again and this feeding will keep them happy through the growing season. You can also give them a sip of fish emulsion or fish-seaweed fertilizer (according to package directions) or add a little more mulch of dehydrated horse manure . . . take your pick.

Keep up with your spraying routine, for other bugs and rose diseases. Whether you use organic or nonorganic products, follow the package directions for application. Japanese beetles can infest your garden whether you spray or not. July is their season. But take heart—they should be gone by July 31st.

HAPPY GARDENING! 🛰

Dune Rose

2019 Events Calendar

Southampton Rose Society Events

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 at 10 AM Pruning and Planting workshop

Location: David Dawn Memorial Garden at Rogers Memorial Library, Southampton

FRIDAY, MAY 10 at 4 PM Children's Mini Rose and Art Workshop

Location: Morris Room, Rogers Memorial Library Must pre-register at the Children's Room

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 43rd Annual Rose Show 7:30–9:30 AM Set up

1–4 PM Rose Show

Location: Morris Room, Rogers Memorial Library

THURSDAY, JULY 4 at 10 AM Southampton Fourth of July Parade

Location: Southampton Village
Railroad Plaza to Agawam Park

FRIDAY, JULY 12 from 5:30 PM to 8 PM Annual Cocktail Party Fundraiser:

A rose extravaganza in the glorious garden of Anke and Juergen Friedrich

Location: The Linden estate

in Southampton's Estate Section

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 Annual Members Garden Party

Location: To be determined

SATURDAY. OCTOBER 5

Members Meeting and Luncheon/Lecture

11 AM Members Meeting

12 PM Luncheon/Lecture

Speaker: Marshall Watson,

Marshall Watson Interiors,

New York, NY

Location: The Meadow Club

555 First Neck Lane

Southampton, NY 11968

Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons (HAH) Monthly Lectures

Events take place Sundays at 2 pm at the Bridgehampton Community House. Lectures are free to members, \$10 for not-yet-members.

APRIL 7

Margie Ruddick—Wild By Design: Promoting Life in the Designed Landscape

MAY 5

Jerry Fritz—New & Exciting Perennials

JUNE 9

Karen Bussolini—Gardening with Kids: Opening Eyes and Doors

There are no lectures in July and August

SEPTEMBER 8

Lee Buttala—Twenty Heirloom Varieties, Their Stories and Why They Belong in Your Garden

OCTOBER 20

Renee March—Groundcover Plants: Beyond Pachysandra

NY District ARS Events of Interest

JUNE 9. 2019:

Long Island Rose Society Rose Show

Lowuis Arce at LouisArce101@msn.com

AUGUST 21-SEPTEMBER 2, 2019

New York State Fair Rose Show

https://nysfair.ny.gov/competitions/how-to-enter/

SEPTEMBER 6-8. 2019

NY /District Convention & Rose Show

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The cocktail party last year was a great success and will be again this year. Anke and Juergen Friedrich, who generously allowed the SRS to hold our cocktail party at their magnificent estate, the LINDEN, in 2018, have graciously and generously agreed to host the cocktail party again. It will be a rose extravaganza in their glorious garden! I can assure you that the Friedrichs' grounds and rose garden are a feast for the eyes, so buy tickets early and do not miss this! See page 2 for details.

Looking farther ahead, another date for your calendar is the October 5th luncheon at the Meadow Club, which will feature an illustrated lecture by Marshall Watson. He is a noted designer, a great raconteur and an exceptionally talented man. See page 3 to learn more about him – it is sure to be a delightful and enlightening event. This, too, should not be missed!

The SRS could not survive without your financial support. On behalf of the SRS and the Village residents, I wish to express much gratitude for your past and future generosity. Remember to stop and smell the roses that are here because of you!

KIM WHITE
PRESIDENT, Southampton Rose Society