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



Preview of the 2015 Season

s we leave the bitter winter of 2014–15 behind, a new season in our gardens is set to begin. The SRS has exciting new educational programs and projects happening this year, and we hope all our members will join in and invite new members to expand their rosy horizons this season.

The beautiful Village of Southampton has only evolved to become even more beautiful in the past several years. As an historic village from the

17th century steeped in rich history, the focus of Southampton's beauty has been on its New England style architecture and its classic gardens. Southampton Village has a uniquely special feel as one strolls along Jobs Lane and Main Street, especially during the warm months. The SRS has contributed to that beauty with several public rose gardens. In 2015 we are focusing on our endowment fund. This fund pays for the maintenance of the five rose gardens SRS has created for the Southampton community. In addition to the spectacular garden at the Rogers Memorial Library, we have four others, next to Shippy's Restaurant, on Hampton Road near Citarella, alongside Little Red restaurant near Agawam Park, and the organic garden at the Southampton Cultural Center. To replenish the endowment fund and secure the future of the gardens, we will be holding several events to be listed on our calendar of events for the 2015 season.

This year's workshops, Fundamentals of Rose Gardening, are dedicated to making us better rose growers and showers, right here where we live and garden. Please come and sharpen your skills to further beautify your garden.

Also this year, Southampton will be celebrating its 375th Anniversary and the SRS will be a part of the festivities. Stay tuned for details.

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In Appreciation



s you may know, over the winter Lynch's Garden Center, an institution in the Southampton gardening community for 80 years, was sold so that longtime proprietor Jerry Lynch could retire.

The SRS would like to express our deepest gratitude to Mr. Lynch for his generous support of our organization over the years. He has been very kind to us in so many ways, and we extend our sincere thanks to him. Lynch's donated all of the roses initially planted in our spectacular rose garden at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton—truly a great gift. Lynch's was instrumental in the creation of that lovely garden that is open for the entire community to enjoy. Jerry, we cannot thank you enough, and we wish you a happy retirement!

Lynch's Garden Center continues on. The new owners, the Fowler family, who have deep roots in the wholesale nursery business in Southampton, have expressed their intention to have the garden center remain the same place we have known and loved for so many years, and so far that has been the case. The familiar staff faces remain in place, and the garden center looks the same and they expect to continue to carry their fine selection of plants, gardening supplies, and gifts.

The SRS thanks Lynch's—and Jerry—for their many contributions to the community and the SRS's part in it.

The SRS would like to welcome Jim Berkrot as First Vice President.

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The SRS is now on social media. Follow us on twitter at southamptonrose.org--and coming soon to facebook. Please send your rose photos to our social media maven, Catherine Townsend, at Catherine@lovedetective.com.

We want your ideas, too. If you have ideas for information you'd like to see in Dune Rose, send them to Anne Halpin (ahalpinwhite@yahoo.com).

One project we are launching this year is to gather information on resources for rose gardeners. If any members have found particular books, magazines, websites or other information sources to be especially helpful in their rose education, please let us know. Please send your information to Anne Halpin at ahalpinwhite@yahoo. com or, if you don't like email, call and leave her a message at (631)728-7716. Please include a comment on how that information source has proven helpful, enlightening, or just plain inspiring. We will share the information we gather.

Our first workshop is Pruning and Planting, with Peter Bertrand, on Saturday. April 18, 10 AM, at The Rose Garden at Rogers Memorial Library.

Fall Into Spring

ur thanks to Peter Bertrand for leading our last workshop of the season last fall: Preparing the Garden for Winter, and our first workshop of the 2015 season: Pruning and Planting. Pruning is likely to be especially important this year after the rough winter we have had. Peter is a master rose grower, and his workshops are always full of the kind of information only an experienced gardener can provide. He is a fount of knowledge about growing roses, and about growing them here in Southampton. You are sure to learn something you didn't know before. So join Peter on April 18 at 10AM in the SRS garden at Rogers Memorial Library.

Here are a few spring-related tips from Peter's 2014 Pruning and Planting workshop:

First of all, pick the right roses for the right spot, and remember that roses need at least six hours of sun a day in order to grow to their full potential. Visit southamptonrose.org and come to our Fundamentals of Rose Gardening workshops to learn how to grow and show the roses of your dreams.

Know your soil pH—have your soil tested and amend it as needed.

For roses to thrive, being consistent is the most important thing.

Do NOT overwater. Roses will not thrive in soggy soil.





Top left: Last fall members learned from Peter Betrand how to prepare their rose gardens for winter. And what a winter it turned out to be.

Top right: Peter demonstrates where to prune at last year's workshop.

Bottom: Come to this year's Pruning and Planting workshop to learn the best planting techniques from our expert, Peter Bertrand.



Announcing the Southampton 375th Anniversary Rose



Autumn Damask. Photo courtesy of Michael Shoup.

his year Southampton celebrates its 375th birthday and the SRS will be helping the town to celebrate with magnificent roses. We will be presenting a gift of antique rose plants to the Southampton Historical Museum. The SRS will be donating—and planting—six plants of Autumn Damask on the Historical Society grounds in spring.

This rose was personally recommended to us by Michael Shoup, our friend and the proprietor of the Antique Rose Emporium, www.weareroses.com (and the guest speaker at our annual luncheon/lecture in 2013). We thank him for taking time to recommend this rose to us, and for sharing his beautiful photo of it. There were no roses growing in America in 1640, when Southampton was founded (roses were only known in China then), but this rose is an early one, and was known prior to

1819. It is a wonderfully fragrant pink, full flower. Here's what the Antique Rose Emporium's website has to say about it:

"This is quite probably the plant that writers in antiquity described as the Four Seasons Rose of Paestum. It is the only one of the Old European roses to repeat its bloom, and some rosarians have suggested that it is a species hybrid with R. chinensis, created where the far edges of their ranges touch. Its garden value is undeniable, with richly fragrant flowers occurring in abundance on a compact, hardy shrub in spring, followed by scattered blossoms through the summer and fall. Light pink and double, this ruffled rose contains a good measure of Damask scent, possibly the finest perfume in the rose world."

Please stop by the Historical Museum to see the 375th Anniversary Rose!

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Introducing American Garden Rose Selections

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ost of us are used to seeing the All America Rose Selections (AARS) designation given to roses that have performed well in that organization's test gardens across the United States. AARS was the body that oversaw the trials and tabulated the results. But AARS fell victim to the economic upheavals of the great recession and ceased to exist.

In 2012 a new organization, American Garden Rose Selections (AGRS) was created as a partnership between the American Rose Society and the rose industry to run a new system of rose trials adapted to the needs of today's rose gardeners. The goal of AGRS is to create a trial protocol that will rate roses of recent vintage for their ease of care (disease resistance being key, along with hardiness and vigor), for fragrance, and for attractiveness. AGRS selections will be rated for thriving with low maintenance, which is defined as conserving water (watering during spells of dry weather rather than needing automatic daily irrigation), moderate fertilization, cultivating as lightly as is necessary, and avoiding synthetic chemical sprays except for conditions that jeopardize the plant. The motto is: do no harm. AGRS will include in its evaluation regionality—many roses are best suited to particular parts of the country, and regional suitability will be recognized.

One of the current 12 test gardens for AGRS is in our area, at the Queens Botanical Garden.

The AGRS Executive and Advisory Board are composed of recognized experts in the field, and at least two of them—Coordinator Pat Shanley (one of our rose show judges last year and incoming ARS President) and Michael Shoup (chairman of the AGRS Breeders Committee and our guest speaker at 2013's annual lecture/luncheon) are greatly respected and appreciated friends of the SRS.

The first three AGRS award winners have been announced for 2016 (when they will hit the market). They are:

Thomas Affleck, from Michael Shoup's Pioneer Rose program at Antique Rose Emporium, is tough, adaptable, and disease resistant, and is a Regional Choice award winner suited to the Northeast (also the South Central and Northwest regions). The double, deep cerise pink flowers are moderately fragrant and recur. The tall, bushy plants can reach six feet and can be planted as a hedge.

Look-A-Likes Phloxy Baby, a shrub rose registered as a polyantha, has deep pink flowers with a white eye, produced in clusters of 50 or more on 5 ½ foot plants, repeats well, and can be planted as a hedge. It is judged not to be best suited to the Northeast, but may well be worth a try in our coastal climate.

Dee-Lish, a Meidilland rose from France, won its award for its intoxicating fragrance, which has been described as heavy damask with overtones of citrus. This hybrid tea was bred for sustainability and has shown disease resistance in trials in many locations.







Left to right: Thomas Affleck, photo courtesy of Michael Shoup; Look-Alikes Phloxy Baby, photo courtesy of AGRS; Dee-Lish, photo courtesy of AGRS

American Rose Convention September 10–13, Syracuse NY

BY ROSEMARIE MURPHY, ARS FALL NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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

Here is a partial list of the speakers at this convention:

- Steve Hutton, President/CEO, STAR Roses and Plants/ Conard-Pyle, West Grove, PA
- Michael Marriott, Senior Rosarian, David Austin Roses, Albrighton, England
- Alain Meilland, Meilland International, Cannet des Maures, France
- Thomas Proll, Lead Breeder, Kordes Roses, Sparrieshoop, Germany
- Will Radler, Chief Tinkerer, Rose Innovations, Greenfield, WI
- Dr. Dave Byrne, Texas A&M AgriLife Research horticulturist, and Rose Rosette Disease Research Project Director, College Station, TX

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

2015 Events Calendar

SOUTHAMPTON ROSE SOCIETY EVENTS

Saturday, April 18, 10AM

Pruning and Planting Session (Fundamentals of Rose Gardening—A Workshop Series)

Guest Speaker: Peter Bertrand
Location: SRS Rose Garden
Rogers Memorial Library

91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton, NY 11968

Friday, May 8, 4-4:45PM

Amy Timmins Children's Mini-Rose Program

Guest Speaker: Peter Bertrand Location: Rogers Memorial Library 91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton, NY 11968

Saturday, May 23, 10 AM-12PM Photography Lecture/Workshop

Guest Speaker: Dency Kane Location: Bridge Gardens 36 Mitchell Lane Bridgehampton, NY 11932

Saturday, June 6, 10AM Secrets of Growing a "Queen of Show" Hybrid Tea (Fundamentals of Rose Gardening—A Workshop Series)

Guest Speaker: Peter Bertrand Location: Bridge Gardens 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton, NY 11932

Saturday, June 20, 7AM-4PM 39th Annual Rose Show

Location: Rogers Memorial Library 91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton, NY 11968

Saturday, June 20 Village of Southampton 375th Anniversary Celebration

Events occurring throughout the day at various locations

Saturday, June 27, 10:30AM-3:30 PM Garden Tour

Southampton Gardens.

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Saturday, July 4, 10AM

Southampton Fourth of July ParadeLocation: Village of Southampton, beginning

at the train station

Sunday, September 20, 4PM Members Garden Party

Location: Garden of Carole Guest Rain Date is September 27

Friday, October 2, Annual Members Meeting

Location: Home of Miriam Goldberg

Saturday, October 3, 12PM Annual Luncheon & Lecture

Guest Speaker: TBD

Location: The Meadow Club

555 First Neck Lane, Southampton, NY 11968

HORTICULTURAL ALLIANCE OF THE HAMPTONS LECTURES

Lectures are monthly, Sundays at 2:00 PM, in the Bridgehampton Community House

April 12, The Sensory Appeal of Native Plants

Speaker: Gregg Tepper

May 3, Native Plants for a New American Cottage Garden

Speaker: Thomas Rainier

June 14, Year-Round Appeal— Plants with Pizzazz All Year Long

Speaker: Andy Brand

September 13, The High Line: Lessons for Our Gardens

Speaker: Roxanne Zimmer

October 18, Rock Garden Plants— At Their Homes and Yours

Speaker: Anne Spiegel

November 8, City Parks: Public Places, Private Thoughts

Speaker: Catie Marron

December 13, Unusual Geophytes and Cyclamen

Speaker: John Lonsdale, PhD

BRIDGE GARDENS EVENTS (GARDEN RELATED)

36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton (631) 537-7440 To make a reservation or for more information, call them at (631) 283-3195 ext. 19 or email events@peconiclandtrust.org

April 4, 12-5 PM, Season opening

April 11, 8:30-11AM, Community Garden Orientation

April 11, 11:30–1 PM, From Cleanup to First Sowings: Getting the Garden Started

April 12, Watercolor Class with Lois Bender

April 28, Volunteer Orientation and Training

April 26, Watercolor Class with Lois Bender

AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY, EVENTS OF INTEREST

June 11–14, ARS Spring National Convention and National Mini Rose Show

Columbus, OH

September 10–13, ARS National Convention, Syracuse, NY

Pat Shanley (one of our rose show judges last year) will be sworn in as the new ARS president.

See www.newyorkroses.com for more information in the coming months, or contact Ann and Joe Gibson (ambuhse@ yahoo.com) or Rosemarie Murphy (rmenterprises1105@ gmail.com) with any questions you have.

ARS is creating a website that will provide details of the convention with its seminars, displays, etc.

OTHER UPCOMING SHOWS:

June 14, Long Island Rose Society June 20, Manhattan Rose Society

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