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President's Letter



Jim Berkrot

Dear Members,

Summer is here! Our most important event of the year happens on Friday, July 6th at one of the finest estates in Southampton-Linden, whose owners, Mr. and Mrs. Jürgen Friedrich, are most generously hosting our 2018 gala in their lovely garden. The food and drink will be superb, the bossa nova music will swing and the silent auction will be even bigger and better than last year. If you have gift certificates or items you think would be appropriate to donate for the auction, please email president@southamptonrose.org right away. Your donation is tax deductible.

It will surely be an evening to remember, and what better way to celebrate July 4th weekend? If you haven't yet secured your ticket, there's still time—but not much! This year junior tickets are available for \$150 for guests ages 21 to 30. I look forward to seeing you there!

We are still looking for Rose Garden Angels to underwrite the maintenance of the four "off campus" rose gardens which SRS has donated to beautify the Village of Southampton. I am delighted to report that all of the gardens are underwritten for 2018. In addition, our first two angels for 2019 are on board! Our sincere thanks to Cynthia Brodsky and Laura Devinney for their generous sponsorship!

We have had four events so far this year. Our season opened on April 21st, with Peter Bertrand's always enlightening Pruning and Planting Workshop in the SRS garden at Rogers Memorial Library. On May 11th the Children's Mini Rose and Art Workshop was held at the Library, again conducted by Peter, with Program Co-Chair Carol Kroupa also on hand.

On June 9th Helga Dawn hosted a pre-rose show workshop at her home in Southampton. A large and enthusiastic group attended, and we all learned a great deal. We are most grateful to Helga for generously sharing her vast knowledge—and her beautiful garden—with us.

Our 42nd annual Rose Show took place June 16th in the Morris Room downstairs at the Library. Sincere thanks to our judges, Louis Arce and Lois Fowkes, to co-chairs Diane Vahradian and Maureen O'Leary, and to everyone who helped out. Congratulations to all the winners! See pages 4–5 for photos and a list of winners as available at press time.

I hope to see all of you at our 2018 gala on Friday, July 6th! It's going to be a great night in a most beautiful place. Don't miss it!

Jim

JIM BERKROT, President, Southampton Rose Society

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Roses, Rosé, and Cocktails 2018

Last year's cocktail party was wonderful. This year's should be even better. It's happening at one of the best estates in Southampton. Don't you want to be there?

Here are some photos from last year's soiree, at the lovely garden of Kim White and Kurt Wolfgruber. It was an entirely delightful evening. Please join us for this year's party!



TOP. Guests with Kim White and Greg D'Elia; Peter Bertrand with Carol Kroupa and friend
MIDDLE. Guests at the cocktail party **BOTTOM.** Suzanne and Bill Murphy; guests in the tent

Preparing for the Rose Show with Helga Dawn



Our deepest thanks to Helga Dawn for so generously hosting the pre-show workshop and for sharing her knowledge and the kind of pre-show advice that can only come from a rosarian with a lifetime of hands-on experience in the garden and at the rose show. The workshop began in Helga's garden, where she showed us how to prepare for the show well in advance. We learned how to disbud other flowers on the stem of a rose that shows potential as a show candidate as a single stem, to produce a larger flower for the show. If your goal is to show a spray, Helga advises removing the center bud in the spray – if left intact it will bloom first and ruin the spray for the show.

To be entered in the show, your rose must be correctly identified. You cannot show a rose that is misnamed, misclassified or misplaced. We learned on what basis and how many points may be awarded to a rose. Helga recommends joining the American Rose Society—they are a valuable resource. In addition to *American Rose* magazine, ARS members receive each year the new edition of the *Handbook for Selecting Roses* in which roses are rated on a scale of 1 to 10. The higher your rose is rated, the better the chance you will be able to grow a show-worthy specimen, perhaps even an award winner!

Huguette Hersch discussed shrub roses, which she loves for their fragrance and likes to show. The stems of many are covered with tiny thorns, and Huguette removes them with her fingers (they come off easily) so she can handle the rose to prepare it for the show.

- To select a rose for the show, choose one with a long, straight stem. To prepare it, remove very tiny leaves and outer petals that are damaged. Shine the leaves by gently rubbing with your fingertips. You can moisten a paper towel with a bit of milk and use that, then rub leaves with your fingers. Past SRS President Harvey Feinstein uses peds to shine rose leaves before the show. To hold the rose upright in its display bottle (bottles are provided at the show), wrap a wedge of plastic wrap around the stem. If your rose is not fully open, gently use a pencil or your fingers to spread the petals a bit.
- When your rose is in the bottle, fill out its official tag and attach it to the bottle. Fold up the bottom to hide your name from the judges. If you're new to the show, don't worry—knowledgeable assistants are on hand at the show to help you! 🌹



Photos from Helga Dawn's workshop

The 2018 Rose Show

June 16th was a delightful sunny day for our 42nd annual rose show. Despite the cold weather we had in March, which delayed the roses in many gardens, this year's show proved to be spectacular, with so many absolutely beautiful roses! The tables were full, and the judges were busy. Thanks to everyone who participated. If you did not show a rose this year, please consider entering next year; it's lots of fun, you will meet other rose lovers at the show, and it's so exciting when you win a ribbon or trophy! We thank the rose show co-chairs, Diane Vahradian and Maureen O'Leary, our judges, Louis Arce and Lois Fowkes, Helga Dawn, for her most valuable workshop before the show, and everyone who helped at the show and participated.



Entries at the Rose Show

SECTION 1: SPECIAL SPECIMEN CLASSES

TROPHY	ROSE NAME	WINNER
CLASS 1: <i>Queen of Show</i>	Hot Princess	John Doherty
<i>King of Show</i>	Elizabeth Taylor	John Doherty
<i>Princess of Show</i>	Tropicana	John Doherty
CLASS 2: <i>Hybrid Tea Spray</i>	Pretty Lady rose	Alixandra Baker
CLASS 3: No Trophy		
CLASS 4: <i>Floribunda</i>	Leonardo da Vinci	Jack Pearson
CLASS 5: <i>Floribunda Spray</i>	Cinco de Mayo	John Doherty
CLASS 6: <i>Large Spray/Climber Trophy</i>	Purple Splash	Jack Pearson
CLASS 7: <i>Old Garden Rose</i>	Ettienne	Jack Pearson
<i>Dowerager Trophy</i>	Madame Hardy Damask	Lyn Hamer
<i>Victorian Rose Trophy</i>	Rose de Rescht	Lyn Hamer
CLASS 8: <i>Classic Shrub Trophy</i>	William Baffin	Nancy Rollins
CLASS 9: MODERN SHRUBS		
<i>Charles A. Belensky Memorial Trophy</i>	LD Braithwaite	Michael Staples
Specimen Classes		
<i>Queen of Shrub</i>	Lady of Shalott Climbing	Jack Pearson
<i>King of Shrub</i>	Graham Thomas	Jack Pearson
<i>Princess of Combined Shrub Trophy</i>	White Meidiland	Jack Pearson
<i>Best Show Perpetual Trophy</i>	Purple Splash	Jack Pearson
<i>Sweepstakes Trophy</i>		Jack Pearson

SECTION 2: SPECIAL SPECIMEN CLASSES

CLASS 1: <i>Fragrant Rose Trophy</i>	Seattle Hermione	Frances Fontaine
CLASS 2: <i>N1: Hybrid Tea</i>	David Austen shrub	Frances Fontaine
<i>Floribunda Spray</i>	Seattle Hermione	William O'Leary
	Iceberg	



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT. Judges Lois Fowkes and Louis Arce; a well-formed rose; show co-chair Diane Vahradian and SRS President Jim Berkrot

<i>Any Other Rose, Characteristic Showman's Trophy</i>	Alnwick Castle	Tom Zacharis
CLASS 3: Junior Class	Iceberg	William O'Leary
CLASS 4: Rose in a Bowl	Iceberg	William O'Leary
CLASS 5: OPEN ROSE CLASS	LD Braithwaite	Michael Staples
<i>Eleanore Riess Memorial Trophy</i>	Opening Night	John Doherty

SECTION 3: COLLECTION CLASS

CLASS 3: Harvey Feinstein Trophy	Honey Sweet	Jack Pearson
CLASS 6: Louise Schoen Trophy	Gertrude Jekyll	Huguette Hersch
CLASS 7: Joan Simonds Trophy	Abraham Darby	John Doherty
CLASS 8: Pauline Gerli Sulliamn Trophy	Elana	John Doherty
CLASS 9: Mr & Mrs Martin Richards Trophy	Cary Grant	John Doherty
CLASS 10: Dorothy Nigro Trophy	Apricot Candy	Jack Pearson
	Liebszhuber	John Doherty
	Veterans Honor	
	Red Eden	
	Leonardo da Vinci	
	Hot Princess	
	Secret Lady	
	Elizabeth Taylor	

SECTION 4: ARRANGEMENT CLASS

CLASS 2: TRADITIONAL ARRANGEMENT	Arrangement	Jack Pearson
CLASS 3: Arrangement		Elise Bennett

2018 Spring Workshops

PRUNING AND PLANTING WORKSHOP



Thanks again to Peter Bertrand for sharing his knowledge with us. There is always something new to learn! Here are a few valuable takeaways from the many Peter shared with us:

- Prune your roses when the forsythias bloom. This year spring came later than usual, but forsythias are a reliable guide.
- You can't kill a rose by pruning! There is a saying that pruning is the kindest cut for a rose.
- The goal of pruning is to open the center of the plant, to help it dry out after rain or watering. Water is the biggest carrier of disease for roses.
- Wood that looks dark brown in spring will dry out and die in summer—prune it off.
- Looking for new roses for your garden? Peter recommends any rose rated 8 and above in the *ARS Handbook for Selecting Roses*. 🌿



THE CHILDREN'S MINI ROSE AND ART PROGRAM

Program Co-Chair Carol Kroupa explains: This program for 5 to 10 year old children demonstrates our Southampton Rose Society's purpose to promote educational projects. The original program was created by former President Adeline Christie during 2007 and has continued every year. Peter Bertrand, Chairman of our SRS Education Committee, presents a hands-on demonstration for the children including planting, feeding and watering a Mini Rose. The Children also have the opportunity color beautiful Rose and Flower sketches provided by Nancy Rollins. In addition to the Committee, the workshop includes Liz Kearns and daughters, Grace and Juliette, who help out. Each child takes home a Mini Rose and their art work. Refreshments are served. The response of the children and parents continues to be a favorite!



This year's Mini Rose and Art Program on May 11th at the Rogers Library had a small but enthusiastic group in attendance. All the children enjoyed a hands-on experience of planting their very own miniature rose in a pot, just in time for Mother's Day, with Peter's expert guidance. It was a fun and rewarding session for all. Our thanks to Peter for sharing his knowledge with the next generation of rose lovers! 🌿

2018 Events Calendar

Southampton Rose Society Events

Dates and times are not yet completely finalized for all 2018 events, but we are planning the following events. Please attend as many as you can!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4 at 10 AM **Southampton Fourth of July Parade**

Location: Southampton Village
Railroad Plaza to Agawam Park

FRIDAY, JULY 6 from 5:30 PM to 8 PM **Annual Cocktail Party Fundraiser**

Location: A beautiful garden in
Southampton's Estate section

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 at 4 PM **Annual Members Garden Party**

Location: A member's beautiful garden

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 **Annual Members Meeting** **and Luncheon/Lecture**

11 AM Members Meeting

12 PM Luncheon/Lecture

Location: The Meadow Club
555 First Neck Lane
Southampton, NY 11968

LONG ISLAND ROSE SOCIETY EVENTS

Meetings are held at the Old Bethpage/Plainview Library, 996 Old Country Road, Plainview on the second Friday of each month from March to December, at 7 pm. Meetings are downstairs. Membership is \$25 per household, per year. Members receive monthly newsletters with information on gardening tips, upcoming meetings, garden tours, garden parties and rose shows. Their president is Louis Arce, who has kindly served as a judge for the SRS rose show on numerous occasions. The Long Island Rose Show is held each June at Planting Fields Arboretum. For more information, visit their website: www.longislandroses.org.

Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons (HAH) Monthly Lectures

All lectures start at 2pm in the main hall of the Bridgehampton Community House. Free for members, \$10 per person for nonmembers.

SEPTEMBER 9

Lynden Miller—*The Designer's Eye*

OCTOBER 14

Anne Haines—*Fragrant Plants*

NOVEMBER 11

Jane Garmey—*A Sense of Place: An Inside Look at a Wide Variety of Private Gardens in Connecticut and the Hudson Valley*

DECEMBER 9

Donald W. Hyatt—*Chasing the Bloom in the Southern Appalachians*
www.donaldhyatt.com



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