

Dune Rose



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

Letter from the Board

Dear Members,

As we begin a new season of roses and activities, the Board of the Southampton Rose Society welcomes you to a new decade. The Rose is the official flower of the United States and New York State and is now the official flower of the Village of Southampton. We invite all of you, and your family and friends, to join us at many of this year's events.



We open the 2020 season with Peter Bertrand's always enlightening Pruning and Planting Session at the SRS garden, the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton Village on Saturday, April 14th at 10 am. Whether you grow roses or just appreciate them, you will enjoy this session.

Also on the SRS calendar this spring is the Children's Mini Rose & Art Program, on Friday, May 8th at 4 pm, at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton. Children have fun planting their very own miniature rose in a pot to take home, and to color pictures of roses—parents, grandparents, siblings and friends are invited to participate, too! Please register at the library for this enjoyable program.

Our 44th annual Rose Show takes place Saturday, June 20th, in the Morris Room at the Rogers Library, from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. A new award category is being added to the annual Rose Show this year—see page 3 for details! Instructions for the Rose Show will be sent to SRS members via email and regular mail prior to the event.

This year's annual Fundraiser Party to support the maintenance of the five SRS gardens in our beautiful village will take place July 17th from 6:00 to 8:30 pm, generously hosted by Carole and Fred Guest at their lovely garden on Wickapogue Road. The event theme is "Coming Up Roses." Don't miss your chance to enjoy festive food and drink, a silent auction, live music and a chance to visit with friends old and new. See page 2 for information on how to order tickets.

Sincerely,

The SRS Board

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2020 Party Fundraiser

**Buy your tickets early for this year's Fundraiser,
FRIDAY, JULY 17TH, 6:00 TO 8:30 PM.**

We invite you to celebrate "Coming Up Roses" in the magnificent garden of Carole and Fred Guest in Southampton.

**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:

Southampton Rose Society
P.O. Box 1022
Southampton, NY 11969

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Check (written to Southampton Rose Society)

Or

By sending credit card info (card#, expiration date (mo/yr) and billing zip code) to:

Southampton Rose Society
P.O. Box 1022
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Or

By accessing the SRS Website:
www.southamptonrosesociety.org
and paying via Paypal



Get Ready for the Rose Show!

**The 44th annual SRS Rose Show
takes place on SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH**

(see the Events Calendar on page 7 for details).

Last year the Rose was named the official flower of Southampton Village. In honor of the Village recognition we have added a new award category to our annual Rose Show—Best Village Rose! The category will be open to any Village resident, whether or not they are a member of the SRS. A beautiful special award is being designed, which the recipient will get to keep.

Show rules will be mailed and emailed to members.

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 don't know the name or classification of your rose, SRS volunteers will 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. 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, except for the Best Village Rose category. 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 for an individual 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. 🌹

Rose Care Calendar

Information is from Harvey Feinstein's *Rose Care Calendar*, Peter Betrand'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

(from Peter's workshops)

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

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.

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 control 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.

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From the Archives

EDITOR'S NOTE: This history continues from where we left off last year. It comes from an article in an earlier issue of Dune Rose, entitled The First Ten Years: The Formative Years 1976–1985. Last year we left off when the 1977 season finished with an extremely informative talk by our society's first Consulting Rosarian, David Dawn.

This year [1977] also marked the beginning of a very popular Annual Tour of Distinguished Rose Gardens of Southampton. Each garden perfectly groomed and at the height of its beauty in June offered its own special charm. Our gracious hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunnington, Mr. and Mrs. Allan K. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Simonds, Mr. H. Allan Silcox and Mrs. James F. Stathakos. The year was also notable because of our greater participation in ARS conventions at the state and national levels. We were represented at both the NYS Convention in Schenectady and at the National Convention in Shreveport, Louisiana. At Schenectady, we formally extended an invitation to all of the ARS clubs in New York State to attend the 1979 NYS Convention here in Southampton. In 1978, David Dawn conducted three Workshops in his gardens, discussing pruning, disease identification and treatment, and winterization.

On September 25, 1976 we held our first rose show, which was an outstanding success. Held on Main Street in Southampton Village at the Suffolk County Savings

and Loan Association Bank building (courtesy of Mr. George Semerjian), it was chaired by Lois Scancarello Fowkes, with Robert Welch and Mrs. Jane Cohen in charge of Staging. The blue ribbon winner for Queen of Show was Maureen Oser Matthews. We were proud of the excellent quality of the roses exhibited and pleased to find the show to be so popular in our community. Our second Rose Show was held on September 24, 1977 at the Charles Deer Gallery on Oak Street. Mrs. Lois Scancarello Fowkes was Chairman with Mayor Peter Majowski as Honorary Chairman.

Mr. Robert Welsh and Mr. Roger Lovett were in charge of Staging and the winner of Queen of Show was Mrs. Dorothy Nigro with 'Peace.' Mrs. Ninna Murray was Chairman in 1978 at the First Presbyterian Church, which was the show location through 1985. Winner of Queen was Dorothy Nigro with 'Royal Highness' and winner of Mini Queen was Ann Lingwood with 'Rise 'n' Shine.' Mrs. Madelle Semerjian was Chairman in 1979 and the winner of Queen of Show was Mrs. Helga Dawn with 'Red Devil.' Chairmen: 1980, 1981 no records; 1982 Chairman, Mrs. Maureen Oser Matthews; 1983, Mrs. Pauline Sullivan; 1984-1985, Mrs. Helga Dawn. All the shows were September shows in this period. Unfortunately, there are no other records of other early Rose Shows in our archives. If any of you readers have records of past shows, please give copies to the SRS Archives so that we will have a complete record.

The first publications of the SRS were two Annuals edited by Mrs. Lois Scancarello Fowkes. The 1977 Annual won an ARS Award for an outstanding article. The Dune Rose, named and edited by Dorothy Nigro with an artistic design by Diane Vahradian, was first issued in April 1978 and continued monthly through October. It was continuously published in this period to 1985. At a later date it was discontinued (details to be discussed in a future article). Membership declined and "the glue holding the society together" was again published with many changes and creative improvements in subsequent issues, which will be discussed in future articles of the SRS history. 🌹



For Love of Roses

The Language of Roses (from the June 2010 issue of Dune Rose, in an article by Lillian E. Walsh "A Rose Arrangers Outlook: For The Love of Roses")



THE LANGUAGE OF ROSES

Our love of roses is rooted in several thousand years of admiration, cultivation and hybridization. Fossil records show roses existed 30 million years ago in Europe, Asia, and North America. While these predecessors to today's roses were less showy and floriferous, they were equally as appreciated in many cultures.

In 600 BC, the Greek poet Sappho wrote in a poem "Ode to the Rose" that this flower was considered the "Queen of Flowers." This sentiment has been expressed many times over the centuries. However, few cultures reveled in the admiration of roses as the Romans. In Roman homes, petals were used to carpet the floors, to fill bathwater, to drop as confetti at parties, and to eat. A rose hanging from the ceiling of a civic meeting symbolized secrecy and the content of the meeting was kept confidential outside of the walls. Hence, the term: Sub Rosa or "under the rose."

Flowers and flower color have long been used to express one's feelings or sentiments. Red roses, for example, express LOVE and Respect. Other sentiments can be conveyed by other flower colors. The following list from the All-American Rose Sections website provides a list of sentiments associated with various rose colors.

- Red Love and Respect
- Deep Pink Gratitude and Appreciation
- Light Pink Admiration and Sympathy
- White Reverence and Humility
- Yellow Joy and Gladness
- Orange Enthusiasm and Desire

- Red/Yellow Gaiety and Joviality
- Pale Blend Sociability and Friendship
- Coral Desire
- Lavender Love at First Sight
- A single red rose means I LOVE YOU
- A single rose in any color expresses simplicity and gratitude
- Red and white roses together signify unity

My thought is that the gift of a rose, whatever its color or type, is a true act of LOVE. Happiness is growing the symbol of love and beauty. 🌹

TOP 10 ROSES FOR THE NEW YORK DISTRICT

As reported in American Rose, the magazine of the American Rose Society, these are the Top 10 roses for the New York District (to which the SRS belongs):

- Mother of Pearl** (light pink grandiflora)
- Jadis aka Fragrant Memory** (medium pink double hybrid tea)
- Maria Stern** (orange blend hybrid tea)
- South Africa** (deep yellow double grandiflora, ARS Members Choice winner)
- Dick Clark** (red blend grandiflora, All America Rose Selection, ARS Members Choice winner)
- Purple Splash** (mauve large-flowered climber)
- Hansa** (medium red double hybrid rugosa)
- Europeana** (dark red floribunda, All America Rose Selection)
- At Last** (apricot blend double floribunda)
- Vodacom aka Plum Perfect** (very double mauve floribunda)

2020 Events Calendar

Southampton Rose Society Events

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 at 10 AM
Pruning and Planting Workshop

Location: SRS Rose Garden
Rogers Memorial Library
Southampton

FRIDAY, MAY 8 at 4 PM
Children's Mini Rose and Art Workshop

Location: Morris Room
Rogers Memorial Library
Southampton

Must pre-register at the Children's Room

SATURDAY, JUNE 20
44th Annual Rose Show

7:30–9:30 AM: Set up

1–4 PM: Rose Show

Location: Morris Room
Rogers Memorial Library
Southampton

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

Location: Southampton Village
Railroad Plaza to Agawam Park

FRIDAY, JULY 17 6:00–8:30PM
Annual Cocktail Party Fundraiser

Location: The garden of Carole and Fred Guest

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 from 4:00–6:00 PM
Annual Members Garden Party

Location: The home of Alixandra and
Stuart Baker

ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

To be determined

Long Island Rose Society Events

FRIDAY, APRIL 10 at 7 PM

Program 3: Consulting Rosarians will give tips on growing healthy roses that perform their best. We will also give tips on rose exhibiting for beginners.

Location: Plainview Library

FRIDAY, MAY 8 at 7 PM

Program: Marion Romeo will demonstrate rose arranging and what arrangement judges look for. She will explain how members can exhibit rose arrangements at our June show.

JUNE 7

Annual Rose Show

Floor opens from 7 am to 10 am for exhibitors to enter their roses. Doors open to the public at 1 pm.

Location: Planting Fields Arboretum

Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons Sunday Monthly Lectures

2 PM

Location: Bridgehampton Community House
All lectures are free to members, \$10 for not-yet members. Memberships start at \$45.

Please join us!

APRIL 5

Tony Avent

*My Favorite 100 . . . Perennials I Wouldn't
Garden Without*

MAY 3

Lois Sheinfeld

Outstanding Trees for the Home Garden

JUNE 14

Bill Cullina

*What do you Mean I'm Not a Perennial? Native
Shrubs & Small Trees for Perennial Companionship*

There are no lectures in July and August



ROSE CARE CALENDAR, *continued from page 4*

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! 🌹