



Rose leaves

The Newsletter of the
Greater Rochester
Rose Society
July 2011

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Next Meeting: Sunday July 10th. 2:00pm

"Rose Culture for Summer, Fall, and into Winter"

Presented by Gene Noto at the
Wayside Garden Center

**124 Pittsford/Palmyra Rd. (Rt.31)
Macedon NY. 14502**

There will be free pruner sharpening for those attending.

President's Message – July 2011:

I'd like to thank Paul & Sylvia Rosenfeld for sharing your home and your roses with the members of GRRS at the June meeting. Viewing the roses was such a treat for the senses. Thanks also for the photography tips and the demo of a safe way to move the large plants around. Gene Noto has arranged a special meeting for GRRS at the Wayside Garden Center on Sunday, July 10th. It will be a good review of caring for our roses, and also an opportunity to visit the Garden Center.

I'd like to welcome Tabatha Taylor and Bob and Trudie Brown as new members in our rose society. We look forward to meeting you. The annual GRRS picnic will be held August at Peter & Marion DelGiorno's home. While there, I'd like to discuss ideas for the 2012 program year. We could also talk about ways our club could function to meet member's needs. Any ideas are welcome. There are several offices which need to be filled such as the president of GRRS. I'd like to appoint a small group to propose

nominations for next year. Please be willing to volunteer your time. And as always, take time to smell the roses.

Pat.

Minutes of the June Meeting:

The meeting was held on its rain date (June 16th.) at the home of Paul Rosenfeld. Although rain threatened to disrupt what was essentially an outdoor affair, the clouds dispersed at about 7:30 to provide those with cameras with some excellent backlight effects. Paul's collection of predominantly "Austin" roses were in their usual pristine condition, in large tubs along each side of his driveway, and Paul was in good form describing each rose and answering questions from the group. A wonderful array of refreshments was provided by Marion DelGiorno, Gail Kaiser and Patti Drumright. We thank Paul and Sylvia for their hospitality. There were 10 people present and the meeting ended at approximately 9:30.

Terence Brooks, secretary.

Change in the July meeting:

It is our custom to have the GRRS meetings the first Tuesday of the month, but there are times that it would behoove us to have a change of date. Usually we do not have meetings in July because of the 4th of July weekend so close. However, this year we are privileged to be able to share our hobby at the Wayside Nursery in Macedon, perhaps with the public – who knows, maybe obtaining new members.

We will be meeting on Sunday, July 10, 2011 at 2 PM at the nursery. I will be giving a program on **"Rose Culture for Summer, Fall, and into Winter"**.

Trish Gannon is having this advertised with her regular programs at the nursery, and should be well attended. *As in the past, Terry Brooks will be available to sharpen pruners for free. Hopefully this will be an incentive for persons, also from the public, to attend!*

Directions: From Rt. 490 East (towards Victor & the Thruway), exit at the Bushnell Basin Exit, Rt. 31. going east. Ayrult Rd. begins on the left at the first light, about 0.2 miles. Continue on rt. 31 for about 2.5 miles. The nursery is on the right, just pass Pernell Rd.

Hoping to see all our members in attendance for a great afternoon of camaraderie and roses.

Gene

Rose Ramblings

By Dolores Sibb

The National Mini Rose Convention is over and now the Syracuse Rose Society can relax for the next few weeks. (Then they have to worry about organizing the New York State Fair.) It was a wonderful event celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Society. Congratulations to Dave Stever and Pat Pohl...Chairpersons of the event. They organized and executed a great convention. If you didn't go...you missed seeing

beautiful roses brought in by top exhibitors throughout the country. Gene Noto, Carole Basener and I had a great time. I like the fact that the convention was so close to home.....only an hour and a half drive. I was in a newly remodeled room at the Sheraton Hotel and enjoyed a relaxing three day weekend while I was there.

I got to see many of the friends that Ron and I met at other National Conventions. Most of the exhibitors came with huge coolers packed full of roses. The registration list showed Rosarians coming from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Connecticut, New Jersey, Toronto, Massachusetts, Virginia, Maine, and South Carolina. Even those who traveled by air from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Georgia, California, and Florida- some of them brought their roses 'dry wrapped' and were able to win ribbons and trophies with their beautiful entries.

As NPA Chairman of Awards, Trophies and Certificates, I had to help with 'setting up' the Court of Honor. While organizing the trophies on the tables at the last minute was rather hectic, the Court of Honor, with its identical crystal rose keepsake trophies, looked beautiful. My roses never made it there, but two of my Green Ice entries won blue ribbons and were at least in contention for the Court of Honor.

I also got to present the Silver Medal Award to Louis Arce from the Southampton Rose Society. Other prestigious certificates and awards that were presented at the Saturday night banquet were: **Consulting Rosarian Award** to Jim Wagner from Syracuse; the **Outstanding Judges' Award** to George Styn from Buffalo; and **Bronze Medals** to Joe and Ann Gibson, our neighbors from Syracuse Rose Society.

The New York District **J Horace McFarland Perpetual Trophy** and Keepsake crystal vase were awarded to Dave and Mary Ann Rink for their entries of *Folklore*, *A.M. Lindberg*, *Brooks' Red*, *Keepsake*, *Moonstone*, and *Lee Ann Rimes*. Muriel Prianti won the **Buck Rose Perpetual Trophy** and a Keepsake rose vase with her three identical *Jude the Obscure* shrub roses. The beautiful crystal keepsake candlesticks for the **Twin Tower Remembrance** entry went to the Rinks again...for their identical white *Moonstone* blooms. No one entered the **Ralph Moore District** competition. (We needed you there, Ted).

I don't know how many horticulture entries were at the show...but the tables seemed to be all full. The ballroom also had numerous artistic arrangements surrounding the walls. Never have I ever seen so many outstanding and creative presentations in a mini show. Wow! Lillian Walsh, Artistic Judges Chairman, was certainly impressed with the 'quantity and quality' of entries in the Arrangement section of the show.

And in closing, many thanks to the anonymous donor who did a 'Special Tribute to Ron'. on the inside cover of the program for the banquet.....it said:

"The ribbons and certificates for the Mini National Show were donated in memory of Ron Sibs, NYD Co-Chairman of Horticulture Judges. His booming voice will be missed on the show floor. "

The Syracuse Rose Society and I would like to thank this 'Special Rosarian' for your remembrance of Ron, and your kind generosity to the rose convention.

Fondly, Dolores Sibs