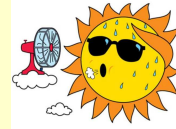


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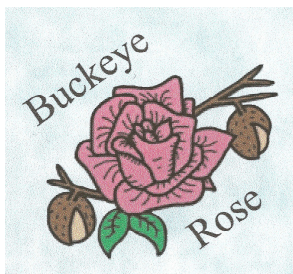


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THIS SUMMER DAY

BY BARBARA CROOKER

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That sprinkler is at it again,
hissing and spitting its arc
of silver, and the parched
lawn is tickled green. The air
hums with the busy traffic
of butterflies and bees,
who navigate without lane
markers, stop signs, directional
signals. One of my friends
says we're now in the shady
side of the garden, having moved
past pollination, fruition,
and all that bee-buzzed jazz,
into our autumn days. But I say wait.
It's still summer, and the breeze is full
of sweetness spilled from a million petals;
it wraps around your arms, lifts the hair
from the back of your neck.
The salvia, coreopsis, roses
have set the borders on fire,
and the peaches waiting to be picked
are heavy with juice. We are still ripening
into our bodies, still in the act of becoming.
Rejoice in the day's long sugar.
Praise that big fat tomato of a sun.

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Source: <https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/this-summer-day>

DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S ARTICLE

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We have all made it through the first half of the year that wasn't. 2020 has certainly brought unexpected events. We all awaken daily to face new shrill doomsday predictions, warnings and government directives. Rose growers have a wonderful antidote for all that negative.

When walking into our rose gardens, the world spins on it's axis just a little more slowly as our focus is directed to fungi, insects and weeds. What a blessing we share in our escape from the harshness of "the world".

Meanwhile, it appears we are facing the last half of the year through the same prism as the first half. Chris Brogan and Jim Hering are recommending we have a "virtual" fall meeting. I was hopeful for an in person meeting but have decided it is really up to all of us.

By now, you should have received an email from me asking you to express your preference for the fall meeting in September. I sent a questionnaire offering the following:

In Person meeting at All Occasions in Waldo September 12th

In Person Christmas party at a location to be announced in mid December

Virtual/Computer meeting on September 12th

One of our highlights at the fall event is the awarding of the Buckeye District's Silver Medal Award. If you haven't replied to the questionnaire, please send me an email with your preference. Thanks for participating.

This is your last call to complete Roses in Review for 2020. The due date was September 26th however perhaps the website may still be open for your input. Here is the URL for the website.

<https://www.rose.org/roses-in-review>

On to other things, Consulting Rosarian virtual classes were held over the spring and summer and the CR virtual test was held at the end of July. I think this model may be the future of all continuing education requirements for ARS recertification programs. If you need more information, please let me know and I'll direct you to the next class.

In regard to consulting rosarian activities, we have a need for someone to volunteer to become Buckeye District CR Chairperson. The person who was initially appointed has had a change in her availability so please consider assuming the role of this important position. Bill and Anita Solarz have said they will happily help a new Chairperson get up to speed.

The American Rose Society Board of Directors meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 27th. If you have any issues you would like raised at the meeting or if you have any questions, please let me know by mid-August so I can represent you at the meeting.

On a sad note, Arthur J. Sparks passed away peacefully the night of June 9th at the age of 93.

Art was a member of the Columbus Rose Club and has a long list of rose significant credits to his years of loving roses and our rose family.

I feel as if we have all been “disconnected” from our rose growing fellowship this year. I’m reminded of the campfire analogy of embers that fall too far from the fire eventually are extinguished. I can’t help but feel our active participant list may suffer from this year. But I’m hopeful that once we can return to our life, we will repair the damage and perhaps grow stronger.

Have a wonderful summer.

Steve

Roses of The Wild West Convention Cancellation

Dear Rose Society Members & Friends,

With a sad and heavy heart I am notifying all of our rose society members of the cancellation of the ARS 2020 Convention.

On July 11, 2020 the Pikes Peak Rose Society board and members held a meeting at the home of Diana & Walt Kilmer for their patio was large enough to keep our social distancing and we all wore our masks.

This meeting was held to discuss why we should cancel the ARS 2020 Convention and Rose show. After a short discussion all those present voted 100% to cancel the convention that was due to convene on August 26th thru 30th, 2020.

Please be advised that if you had registered for the convention you will be getting a refund check from the PPRS-2020 convention fund within the next 15 days.

Thanking you for you support of our convention.

Regards, Diana Kilmer

The Buckeye District Web Site

Now you can keep up to date with rose shows, societies and other activities in the Buckeye District through the Buckeye District web site at <http://buckeyeroses.org/> Plus you can download current and previous editions of *The Buckeye Rose Bulletin*.

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**Welcome to the Buckeye District
American Rose Society**

Hi everyone,

We are amateur rose growers who enjoy selecting, planting tending and displaying roses.

Our members are active in local rose societies in communities across Ohio.

We are dedicated to helping you learn about roses, their selection and care

rose care 101.....

Healthy Soil

by Edward Zasadzinski

Every living organism needs to be fed, be you a human, plant, bug or fungus. Everything that eats also excretes. What happens to all that excrement? Here come the MICROBES.

To start off, let's define the word microbes. A microbe, also called a micro-organism, is a generic term to refer to a wide range of microscopic life which includes things like fungi, bacteria, protozoa, virus, and algae.

These microorganisms digest organic matter, and in the process they provide nutrients to plants, and improve the structure of the soil. A rose lover's job is to increase the number of microbes in the soil, and to provide the food they need to be productive. When this is done properly, plants grow well and the soil is improved. We are just beginning to understand that microorganisms are very important to healthy soil.

Do you realize that a tablespoon of good healthy soil has more microbes than there are people on this earth? We also have to recognize there are good and bad microorganisms. There are many different kinds of microbes. The kind of microbes present at any time depends very much on soil conditions such as moisture, pH chemicals present, temperature and, available food. Even the kinds of plants growing in the soil will have an effect on the types of microbes present.

The microbial community in the ground is as important as the one in our guts. Studies in human health reveal the way we think about microbes. The National Institutes of Health's Human Microbiome Project, tells us that we should think of ourselves as a "superorganism," a residence for microbes. This project set out to develop "a twenty-first century pharmacopoeia" that includes members of the human micro biota and the chemical messengers they produce. The drugs of the future we ingest will be full of friendly germs and the food they like to eat.

Just as we have unwillingly destroyed vital microbes in the human gut through over use of antibiotics and highly processed foods, we have recklessly devastated soil microbes essential to plant health through overuse of certain chemical fertilizers, fungicides, herbicides, pesticides, failure to add sufficient organic matter, and heavy tillage.

This leads to a lecture I've heard by Gabe Brown a farmer from North Dakota who farms 5,000 acres. His topic: "Building a Healthy Soil." He showed slides of the land and soil when he bought the farm in 1993. It was the color of sand. He said good healthy soil should look like dark cottage cheese. He then described his research into good soil and how he changed his farming procedures. Gabe began by telling what condition the soil was before the plow. How lush the prairies were, how animals grazed the grasses.

His plan for change included: 1. no tillage, 2. armor the soil, 3. diversity, 4. leaving plant roots in the soil---promotes mycorrhizae fungi, 5. back to the basics of nature.

Today, Gabe Brown buys no synthetic fertilizer, no herbicides, no insecticides, no fungicides and does not irrigate because he has healthy living soil.

Next time you are in the box stores or Drug Mart you will be over whelmed with the number of chemicals designed to kill everything or anything around you.

Gabe Brown cites a study where the scientists found for every one bad pest there are about 17,000 good or indifferent pests. Yet, here we are trying to kill the one pest but, we lose many good ones.

He believes in soil carbon. Soil carbon is the key driver for the nutritional status of plants---and therefore the mineral density in animals and people. Soil carbon is the key driver for soil moisture holding capacity.

After listening to him, all I can say is: You can't compete with success. So, what does all of this have to do with growing roses? In all of the books and papers that I have read the main microbe we want in our gardens is MYCORRHIZA FUNGI.

While visiting in Washington, Mo we were listening to the news when the newscaster said, "Fungus and Roses when we return." That got my attention. A local nursery was conducting an experiment with mycorrhizae. We visited this nursery and found they were potting roses with a potting mix inoculated with mycorrhizae. They had 800 roses inoculated and 800 roses were not. Twelve weeks later the inoculated roses were observed to be stronger, have more extensive root systems and had a 20 percent increase in growth over the control group.

I wrote about this and was printed in the November 1997 issue of the American Rose Magazine. Bill Robertson of Sierra Madre, Ca. wrote a more comprehensive article about these fungi. Since then many scientists have conducted in depth studies into this amazing world.

This is the latest I was able to glean from all the studies. Filaments of Mycirrhizae attach themselves to a host plant, They feed on the stored sugars in the host plants root system. In return, the filaments capture the nutrients which are collected by the hydrogen ions in water. These nutrients feed the various cells that need those nutrients to develop and grow. This is a function of soil pH and why you need to test your pH. A pH too high or too low will not capture many of the trace elements for proper plant growth.

The importance of the filaments is that they are covered by a sticky substance called glomalin which is the start of soil formation called aggregate. Almost 30 to 40 percent of the glomalin molecule is carbon. This accounts to more than one third of the world's soil carbon. NOTE; If your soil is dark and crumbly, with lots of earth worms, you're in great shape.

This is what mycrohizae can do for you. 1. Improve aggregate stability, 2. Build soil carbon, 3.improve water use efficiency, and 4. Improve efficiency of N. P. and sulfur.

Why inoculate? 1. reduce chemical use, 2. reduce tillage, 3. reduce or eliminate synthetic fertilizers, and 4. saving plant cover.

Some facts about soil temperatures: 1. at 140 degrees F. soil bacteria dies, 2. at 130 degrees F. there is 100 % moisture loss, and 3. at 70 degrees F. there is 100% moisture for plants.

There are a lot of products in the market place claiming to contain microbes. Here we have to be careful. How do you know the microbes are alive and viable? Left in a hot truck or on a loading dock they might be dead from heat exposure. I don't know how to advise you.

I have to replace our sewer line to the road, right through a rose bed. Digging up some rose plants I discovered many roots near the surface of the soil, telling me not to scratch the soil near the drip line. Disturbing these roots may kill off the fungi living there. But, the plant requires air and water in the soil. I will now cultivate outside the drip line and pull weeds under the roses. I will quit using synthetic fertilizers. This coming June I will broadcast alfalfa meal in the rose beds to feed the microbes .On top of this I will apply mulch to keep the soil cool, to block weeds and to feed the microbes. Have you noticed the soil right under your mulch is darker than that found a little deeper? That's the microbes working for you.

This means that our thoughts for working the soil have to be modified. Here is a fact revealed in a few studies in different countries. They found in one test, mycorrhizae filaments attached to tomatoes in row of tomato plants. One plant had a disease. These scientists found that the filaments of the diseased plant sent a hormone to adjacent plants. Those plants then set up growth pattern to resist the disease. How about that, good living soil fights diseases. Just like good living cells in our bodies fight disease. Here is the natural way to reduce bad pathogens.

APPLICATION:

Microbes can make nutrients and minerals available to plants, produce hormones that spur growth, stimulate the plant immune system and trigger or dampen stress responses. In general a more diverse soil microbiome results in fewer plant diseases and higher yields.

Up to 30% of the carbon fixed by plants is excreted from the roots as so called exudates--including sugars, amino acids, flavonoids, aliphatic acids, and fatty acid---that attract and feed beneficial microbial species while repelling and killing harmful ones.

What's a rose lover to do? Study microbes and use fewer chemicals.

'The Rose Society of Ashtabula County' invites you to join us and learn more about our national flower---the ROSE.

We meet at the First Congregational Church of Christ at 41 E. Jefferson St. on the second Tuesday of the month at 6 pm. Pray fully, the covid19 will allow us to meet.

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Edward Zasadzinski

Buckeye Judges' Corner



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A.J. SPARKS – The Buckeye District mourns the passing of an outstanding rosarian, a champion of the miniature rose, a talented exhibitor, an excellent judge and a friend to all rosarians, Arthur J. Sparks. After serving in the U.S. Navy in WWII A.J. developed a passion for roses, especially miniatures, and served as a leader in the Central Ohio Rose Society, the Columbus Rose Club and the Buckeye District, receiving the Outstanding Consulting Rosarian Award, the Outstanding Judge Award and the Buckeye District Silver Honor Medal. “A.J. Mini-Rose” is sorely missed by all who knew him.

THE HERING GARDEN – As I pulled the winter protection mulch away from our roses in late March and early April, it appeared that most of the plants had survived the winter and were in satisfactory shape. Spring pruning was completed by mid-April and new growth was evident. When we had the hard frost in late April, the tips of the new growth were damaged, but I was optimistic that almost all of the bushes would survive. The mid-May frost, however, proved to be a killer; we ended up losing more than 80 of our approximately 600 plants; and those that did survive were severely stunted. The bright side of the disaster, as it turned out, was that because of Covid-19 we were spared being depressed over not having good show roses for the June shows.

Our dear friend, Paul Klinefelter, who with his wife Shirley spends winters in Florida, developed a progressive neurologic disorder last November which necessitated placement in a nursing home in Sarasota. Paul and Shirley do not plan to return to central Ohio to live and will be selling their home in Waldo. Shirley asked me to dig up Paul’s roses in mid-April, and this was accomplished by Dave Starner (Garden Club of Marion president) and me. Most of Paul’s roses found homes either in the Hering garden, the Starner garden or the Marion General Hospital Memorial Rose Garden.

Now that mid-summer has arrived our roses are making a very nice come-back. The heat and lack of rain, however, have provided a perfect environment for spider mites, and they are thriving. Most summers I don’t need to use the water-wand to knock off the mites, but I do this year and, because of Covid-19, I have plenty of spare time to do it (plus Avid and Floramite).

BARLOW-SHUPE NATIONAL ARRANGEMENT TROPHY – The ARS National Arrangement Committee and the National Prizes and Awards Committee have recommended that an annual national trophy in honor of Gary Barlow and Lew Shupe be established and awarded at national rose shows (spring or fall) for the best large flowered Far-Eastern arrangement (formerly known as Oriental), either traditional or free-style, and it has been approved by the ARS Board of Directors. The cost of the trophy (the design of which has been supervised by Gary) and the necessary maintenance fund is \$1000. I am suggesting that the Buckeye District and its members consider donations to help underwrite this tribute to our world-class Buckeye arrangers and teachers.

ROSES IN REVIEW (RIR) – The July/August issue of *American Rose* has the list of roses to be evaluated this summer as well as the instructions for submitting a report on-line. Anne and I have submitted our report, as have John and Sue Dickman, and I hope that you will take the time (we all have more free time this summer) to submit your report if you haven't already done so.

VIRTUAL ON-LINE ROSE ACTIVITIES – In June the Cleveland Rose Society conducted a virtual rose show which was set up and conducted by Doug Wickert on-line. There were 17 sections with multiple classes in each section, just like a regular rose show, and there were 144 entries. Each entry had a frontal view and a top (overhead) view. Anne and I judged the show (on-line) along with Corky and Jeff. The entire process went very smoothly (from my viewpoint) due to Doug's effort and technical expertise. Other local societies should consider conducting a virtual rose show, and Doug (dwickert78@gmail.com) has volunteered to give technical advice. You can view the CRS virtual rose show at www.facebook.com/ClevelandRoseSociety.

ARS Vice President Diane Sommers is encouraging districts and local societies to try virtual society meetings. On page 93 of the July/August issue of *American Rose* Lucy Medvec, ARS Development and Membership Director, has an article "Host Your Own Virtual Meeting or Presentation" which gives a brief explanation of the process. ARS has purchased GoToMeeting licenses so that virtual meetings or presentations will be free for districts and local societies. Contact Lucy (lucy@rose.org) for more information and scheduling. You can also get information from Diane (dmsommers21@gmail.com) and from the ARS web-site (www.rose.org) under the "Resources" tab.

MAINTAINING JUDGING ACCREDITATION – As I stated in the last issue of the *Bulletin*, President Bob Martin and National Hort. Judging Chairman Brue Monroe have granted an extra year for completion of the judging seminar requirement due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In other words, no one will have to fulfill the requirement until 2021. See the enclosed "Buckeye Judges' Roster" for the year you are due. Perhaps we will be able to have a virtual judging seminar this year.

BUCKEYE DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE AND ROSE SHOW – Because of the pandemic it seems likely that the fall conference will be cancelled. The final decision has not been made yet, but if it is cancelled, we could have a virtual conference and/or a virtual rose show. If you are scheduled to judge the district show, I will contact you as soon as a decision is made.

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The Journey From Vegetable to Roses to Winning at the Show

by Chris Brogan

I have actively grown stuff since I was about 20, following in Dad's footsteps and I am now 72. Started with vegetables in a village in England called Stockingford, Warwickshire near my birthplace-Nuneaton (look it up!). The move from mates to marriage and my first house prompted the vegetable plot. I also joined the local Allotment Association, which just happened to be a relatively rich association, owning many acres of land divided into allotments, 2 clubs (like pubs but you had to be a member), dance hall, decent size sports fields plus a fabulous crown green bowling green. I remember my first game of bowls. After the rolling the cheese and then lining up the bowls and trying to get close. One older gentleman commented caustically: "you'll need a sheep dog to round them up."

A sort of reverse snob blue-collar working-class community. I quickly became an Officer in the Association (Secretary and keeper of the fertilizer shed) and helped with the newsletter. The local library, specifically the farming section, became my go to section. Amazing what farmers know about crops and particularly what works and how to spot signs of problems. We held vegetable plot competitions each year with wickedly competitive members resorting to obtaining the odd cabbage plant from the market and placing it strategically in the row where one of their plants had failed. Also carefully digging up the potatoes and leaving them attached to the roots, taking them home to wash then replacing them on the surface to give the perfect plant image to the judges. Members would stay up all night to prevent any perceived vandalism. Plots were magnificent on judging day with perfect rows of beans, cabbages, Brussels, root crops, and the most prized: the onion. Shed in the middle to hold your tools and large compost heap at the end, usually cow manure from local farm. Also, we held a flower & vegetable show in the dance hall once a year followed by an auction on stage to sell off the show produce and raise money for following year's prizes. The dahlia and chrysanthemum the flower of choice. In the evening we held a dance with live band featuring ballroom and old-time dance music. Yes, I could dance The Waltz, Quickstep, Slow Foxtrot and The Military 2-Step. The place was packed from auction until midnight complete with stinging eyes and smelly clothes from the smoke. What a community that was back in the late 70's.

Fast forward to 1981 and our arrival in the States. Marisha & I plus 2 bread snatchers (Louise and Natalie – 7 & 5 respectively). We quickly moved into what seemed to us a mansion compared to our tiny house in the Stockingford community. And Marisha's goal was to get the kids settled and in school quickly. I started at GE Evendale only a few days after arriving in Cincinnati Ohio and things slowly settled down thanks to my wife organizing everything else. Incidentally it took 2 years of foreign office negotiations by GE to get me accepted. I joined the local men's only Cincinnati Rose Society (CRS) in the 90's much for the same reason I joined the Stockingford Allotment Association: To learn and make friends with people who love to grow things. Boy did I learn a lot from those rose growers including Dr Pottschmidt, Dr Engel, Jerry Dolph and Ben Browning, etc. Ben persuaded me to also join the GCRA to meet the ladies so to speak! A whole different vibe but also a great group of my kind of people and obviously a form of therapy from the mad mad world of Engineering. I followed Pottschmidt as President of the GCRA and entered the world of rose shows, starting with the volunteering, organization, and administration side. I started to enter shows lightly around 2005 and often did okay winning blue ribbons but never on the trophy table. So how do you get up there? The short answer is it's not easy. Many of you reading this will know that the

top table winners are usually the same winners from the year before and generally have been winners for many years prior to that. So, what is the difference between us and them?

Okay lets list a few of the obvious difference between Queen of Show exhibitors and not.

1. Grow hundreds of roses with multiple choices of known variety candidates: If you get the ARS magazine you know what roses I am talking about.
2. Do what it takes to look after the above from a watering, pesticide, pruning, mulching, and winterizing perspective.
3. Get good soil anyway you can.
4. Pay attention to the pre-show detail, includes Chrysal, pruning techniques etc. (read Bob Martin's articles)

I realize after reading the above you are saying: I cannot afford hundreds of roses and I do not have the room anyway. Also, I am way too busy to look after the roses as above! And lastly the soil is what I have, and I do not have the time or energy to replace it. So, what do I do to get on the top table you ask?

- a) Do the best you can with the above 4. The only way I know to do better is rely on a measure of luck, buy varieties on the list of show winners, and **FERTILIZE**.

FERTILIZE: The one common denominator amongst the best exhibitors is Mills Easy Feed (liquid), Mills Magic Mix (granular) and Alfalfa combined tea. Trust me, add these and plants will change. Another show winning habit amongst the best is feed often particularly prior to shows. The tea thing requires an old trash bin, pillowcase, and extraction pump (12 volts from Tractor Supply and hose). Fill the pillowcase about 1/3 full of alfalfa pellets, fill trash bin with water, adding your own magic additives e.g. seaweed concentrate, golden medallion omega-grow into the water and let the "teabag" soak for approximately 48 hours. If anyone knows how to make tea, that would be me, right? Using the pump, apply about a gallon per plant 4 weeks and 2 weeks prior to show. Stand back for super green aggressive growth.

Warning: the reason the above works is because its organically excessive. To apply inorganics (e.g. 10-10-10) excessively will burn plants and ruin the soil.

Chris Brogan – GCRA President, Master Rosarian



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Award-Winning Roses

Brindabella Purple Prince

[Suntory Flowers' Brindabella Purple Rose](#) recently earned the 2021 Local Artist award bestowed by American Rose Trials for Sustainability (A.R.T.S.). This award is given to entrants showing great winter hardiness and with the most disease and pest resistance under low-input conditions during the regional testing.



Brindabella Purple Prince won in the region of the country spanning from the Northern Midwest and Northeast, and has also performed very well in Southern trials. This cultivar is one of six cultivars in the Brindabella series of tough shrub roses. The plants grow to 4-ft. tall when established and produce fragrant double flowers. With these attributes and hardiness to Zone 4, Brindabella Purple Prince is great for home gardens and commercial landscapes alike.

Star Roses Captures Four A.R.T.S Awards

[Star Roses and Plants](#) had four entrants receive Sustainability Awards from the A.R.T.S. program.



Cherry Frost

Knock Out White

Cherry Frost is a climbing rose with beautiful clusters of small red blooms. Knock Out White is an excellent shrub rose with pure white blooms.



Knock Out Coral



Canyon Road

Knock Out Coral is a shrub rose with a unique coral color and performs well in hot, humid climates. Canyon Road is a floribunda type with striking brick-red blooms.

ColorChoice Winner

Proven Winners ColorChoice Oso Easy Double Pink received multiple awards recently.



Oso Easy Double Pink received the 2021 Award of Excellence from the American Rose Society. Oso Easy Double Pink was also honored with the top award in the No Spray Division. This truly pink landscape rose also received Local Artist awards in two regions of the A.R.T.S. trial program.

North America's 10 Most Beautiful Public Rose Gardens

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Nature offers a soothing refuge at any time, but especially now. A stroll through a public rose garden, surrounded by the brilliant colors and heady fragrance of 4,000 roses all in one place, will banish worry, at least for a while. Consider it aromatherapy of the highest order. Breathe deep.

A few years back, [USA Today's 10Best](#) chose 20 of the most beautiful public rose gardens across the U.S. and Canada, then put it to a reader vote to winnow it down to a top 10. It's well worth revisiting that list now because the Bay Area boasts two of those stunning sites.

The [San Jose Municipal Rose Garden](#), founded in 1927 and dubbed America's Best Rose Garden by All American Rose Selection, offers more than 4,000 rose plants in 189 different varieties. There's a fountain, rose-studded arbors and grassy paths to guide you through.

Planted 10 years later on a steep, terraced hillside, the [Berkeley Rose Garden](#) boasts 3,000 rose bushes representing 200 varieties, a rose-covered pergola and incredible views of San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Other entries on the list include the fragrant International Rose Test Garden in Portland, Oregon, and Butchart Garden Rose Arbor in Victoria, B.C., as well as a Florida garden launched by the Ringlings of circus fame.

Here's the top 10:

- John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art Rose Garden, Sarasota, Florida
- San Jose Municipal Rose Garden, San Jose
- International Rose Test Garden, Portland, Oregon
- Longmont Memorial Rose Garden, Longmont, Colorado
- Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden, New York City
- Berkeley Rose Garden, Berkeley
- Butchart Garden Rose Arbor, Victoria, B.C.
- The Park of Roses, Columbus, Ohio
- Jardin Botanique, Montreal
- Elizabeth Park, Hartford, Connecticut

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Our History

Founded in 1892, the American Rose Society is the oldest single plant horticultural society in America. The ARS is an educational, nonprofit organization dedicated exclusively to the cultivation and enjoyment of roses. ARS supports its members by providing educational programs, resourceful publications, and continuing research. We have more than 300 affiliated rose societies in our national network.

Most ARS members are home gardeners like you who enjoy growing roses and want to expand their knowledge of rose culture. Many members also enjoy the thrill of exhibiting their roses in competition with other rose-lovers or participating in photography contests and other rose-related activities. The American Rose Society has developed standards and guidelines for judging these competitions. We also publish a schedule of the various workshops, seminars, garden events and rose shows across the United States. The Society publishes an award-winning bi-monthly magazine, *American Rose*, which is devoted exclusively to roses and rose culture.

ARS is headquartered on the grounds of the beautiful American Rose Center near Shreveport, Louisiana. The American Rose Center features more than 20,000 rose bushes that comprise nearly 400 cultivars of modern and old garden roses.

ARS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors and operated by the staff under the direction of our Executive Director and Executive Committee. All donations are tax deductible, as allowed by law.

Mission Statement

The American Rose Society exists to promote the culture and appreciation of the rose, through education and research, to members, to local rose societies and their members, and to the public.

Vision Statement

The rose is America's national Floral Emblem. We aspire to be the nation's best source for information, research and education about the rose for our members and for the general public. We will share this information through a website, a national network of Consulting Rosarians, and rose shows and non-competitive rose exhibitions open to the general public.

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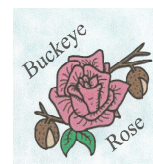


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As of publication date the **Fall Conference and Rose Show** is still scheduled for September 12, 2020. However, it might get cancel due to COVID-19



Visit the Buckeye District web site for rose shows
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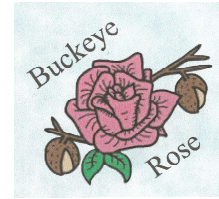
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