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## **Dates to Remember**

**October 19, 2010** The regular monthly meeting of the Huntington Rose Society will take place beginning at 7:30 PM at 1202 Central Christian Church. The topic will be *Old Garden Roses* presented by Dick Hanlon. Dick grows great OGRs, so you won't want to miss his program. Refreshments will be provided by Monica.

**November 16, 2010** It's not too early to be thinking about our Annual Year-End Rose Society Banquet. This year the banquet will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 beginning at **6:30 P.M.** The banquet will take place at the Central Christian Church, 1202 Fifth Avenue. In addition to the pot luck dinner, new officers for 2010 will be installed. More details will be available next month.

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## **☞ 2011 ROSE SOCIETY DUES ☞**

It is time to renew your membership for 2011. Membership dues remain at \$8 for an individual and \$12 for a family membership. Please send your dues to: Monica Valentovic, Treasurer, 109 Cedar Court, Lavalette, WV 25535. Dues can also be paid at the October meeting or at the annual banquet on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Society is also seeking additional donors to help defray the yearly costs incurred by the Society. The levels of donation are denoted as: Queen, King, Princess and Prince levels. Donations at the Prince (\$1-25); Princess (\$26-50), King (\$51-99) and Queen (\$100 or more) levels will be acknowledged in our newsletter. Remember that our rose society is a 501 C-3 non-profit organization and any donations are tax deductible.

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## President's message

And what is as lovely as a rose after the rain? Your own personal reminder of all the gifts of sun-soil-water, lifting beaded petals, soaking up all the bounty the skies will offer.

I love fall days, the gentler warmth, the turning of leaves, cool nights, all the reminders of the abundance that surrounds us. Such a beautiful time to be with you.

I hope you are all enjoying time in the garden as much as I am. All the minis are making the most of the last month of warm weather, blooming like crazy, creating one last dazzling display. As much as we hate to admit it, this is likely the last hurrah for the season. Soon it will be time to put those beauties to bed to protect them and let them store up energy to bloom again next spring.



I love seeing roses everyday, even though they don't bloom throughout the year. But – you're in luck! We have a way to get you through those winter days and summer busy times, when you just can't get to a garden – the HRS Show calendars are coming! A mock-up will be exhibited at the October meeting for your perusal.

For our program this month, we have the privilege of welcoming Dick Hanlon to speak about those wonderful 'grandes dames', Old Garden Roses. These girls may have been around the block a few times, but their form, fragrance, and color make them new and beautiful each time I see them. I hope you will be able to join us and hear this interesting presentation.

Wishing you joy with the roses,

Beverly

## **Colonial District Fall Meeting and Rose Show**

The 2010 Colonial District Meeting and Rose Show was hosted by the Tidewater Rose Society and held at the Hilton Norfolk Airport on September 24 - 26, 2010. Peggy Scott and Eveline Price were in charge of organizing the meeting and show.

Activities began on Friday evening with rose fun, entertainment and games. Unfortunately, Monica and I didn't arrive until around 10 pm, so we missed all the Friday night fun. But we did see Marti Youmans and Janice Sellers working hard to get the staging area for rose arrangements ready for the next day.

Saturday morning began around 6:00 am with the opening of the prep area for the exhibitors. When we arrived, Lynda and Steve Grass were already working on their roses. The prep room was soon full of exhibitors from around the district, all working hard to get their entries to placement before the 10:00 am cutoff. But once the rush was over and the prep room was cleaned up, a seminar entitled "What the Judges are Looking For" was presented by horticultural judges Rick Brown and Bruce Monroe. It was nice to pick up a few fist hand tips from this judging team! While the seminar was going on, John and Diana Fleek and Donna Smoot were part of

the judges involved with judging the rose show. Once the first seminar was over, everyone headed out to lunch while the judging of the show was being completed.

Around 1:00 p.m., the show opened to the public with Donna Smoot presenting a great seminar on "Single Roses" at 2:00 p.m. I think everyone found a few singles that they wanted to get (including me!). Trophies were distributed late in the afternoon with the exception of the Queens and District Challenge Classes that were awarded at the banquet. A partial list of the winners is provided below from the RoseShow.com website. The traveling National Ruth Tiedeman Memorial Rose Arrangement Trophy was won by Marti Youmans. After the trophies were distributed, everyone scattered to watch football, take a nap or just talk in small groups until the Social Hour started at 6:00 p.m. followed by the banquet. Activities after dinner included presentation of the Queen and District Challenge Trophies, announcement of the 2010 Colonial District Silver Honor Medal recipient and Outstanding Judge, a short talk by Monica and me about things we have learned during our time growing roses, announcement of the silent auction winners and a lively raffle drawing. The 2010 Silver Honor Medal recipient was Meredith Yeago and the

Outstanding Judge was Lynn Hunt. No Outstanding Consulting Rosarian for 2010 had been selected at this time.

Sunday morning started with a breakfast buffet followed by the business meeting. It was announced that 41 people registered for the meeting, with seven folks attending from West Virginia. Plans were discussed for the 2011 Colonial District PreSpring meeting which will again be in Staunton, VA, while a site, possibly Charleston, WV is being explored for the 2011 Fall meeting and show. District Director John Fleek adjourned the meeting and wished everyone a safe trip home.

**NATIONAL ROSE SHOW  
WINNERS FROM HUNTINGTON  
AND CHARLESTON ROSE  
SOCIETIES**

Congratulations to Steve and Lynda Grass as well as John and Diana Fleek for winning trophies at the national ARS rose show held in Marietta, GA. Steve and Lynda had two roses on the mini court. These roses were Irresistible and Chelsea Belle. The Grasses also won the best fully open miniature with Pina Colada.

Other members of the Huntington and Charleston Rose Societies were very successful at the National Rose Show.

John and Diana Fleek won a special category called "Tin Cup". The Tin Cup award is for a collection of miniature or minifloras. The Fleeks judged the Garden Club of Virginia Show prior to the National. The roses they won the Tin Cup Award with were dry wrapped and kept cool while they travelled to Virginia to judge a show and then go the National. Congratulations to the Grasses and Fleeks for their victories!!

**ROSE SHOW 2011**

At the October business meeting the membership needs to discuss the 2011 rose show. The Charleston Rose Society is considering hosting the Colonial District Fall Rose Show in September 2011. It would be difficult to have our show also in September as many of individuals are members of both societies and will be busy with preparing for the District meeting.

At the September meeting we discussed a June show at the mall. Unfortunately, the Mall is already booked for the month of June. Please come to the October meeting so we can discuss: 1) whether the society wants to explore a June 12<sup>th</sup> rose show at another location; 2) schedule a September rose show or 3) not have a rose show in 2011.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The nominating committee is chaired this year by Bill Dolen. Bill is working on getting a slate of officers for 2010. The names of the candidates will be read at the November meeting and voted upon at the banquet. The officers will then be installed at the Banquet on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**COLONIAL DISTRICT ROSE SHOW  
RESULTS NORFOLK, VA**

**DISTRICT CHALLENGE CLASSES**

*J Horace McFarland Memorial  
District Trophy*

John & Cherylynn Smith  
'Affirm', 'Dublin', 'Gemini', 'Pop  
Warner', 'Snuffy', 'Veteran's Honor'

*Ralph S. Moore District Trophy*

Gary & Monica Rankin  
'Breath of Spring', 'Hot Tamale',  
'Irresistible', 'Linville', 'Magic  
Show', 'Marie Jeanette', 'Pierrine'

*Colonial District Members Trophy (4  
HT)*

John & Cherylynn Smith  
'Randy Scott'

*L. L. Lilly Memorial Trophy (4 mini  
sprays)*

Peggy Scott  
'American Rose Centennial',  
'Giggles', 'Kristin', 'Mobile Jubilee'

*Charlie Bell Hi-Lo Memorial Trophy*

John & Cherylynn Smith  
'Gemini', 'Soroptimist International'

*Denver Ray District Memorial  
Trophy (3 HT, incl 1 Double  
Delight)*

John & Cherylynn Smith  
'Double Delight', 'Let Freedom  
Ring', 'Pop Warner'

*Wheeler McFadden, Jr. Memorial  
Trophy (HT in frame)*

John & Cherylynn Smith  
'Signature'

*J. Benjamin Williams Miniflora Rose  
Challenge (5 miniflora)*

Sara & Howard Jones  
'Butter Cream', 'Foolish Pleasure',  
'Louisville Lady', 'Peter Cottontail',  
'Robin Alonso'

*Griffith Buck District Trophy (3  
shrub sprays)*

Annie Fleming  
'Red Knock Out'. 'Sunny Knock Out'

**Horticulture:**

<b>Queen</b>	<b>Gemini</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>King</b>	<b>Affirm</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>Princess</b>	<b>Dublin</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>Court</b>	<b>Randy Scott</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>Court</b>	<b>Moonstone</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>Fl Bloom</b>	<b>Sheila's Perfume</b>	<b>Jones, Howard &amp; Sara</b>
<b>Fl Bloom - Singles</b>	<b>Betty Boop</b>	<b>Grass, Lynda &amp; Steven</b>
<b>Fl Spray</b>	<b>Lavaglut</b>	<b>Price, Mike &amp; Eve</b>
<b>Poly Spray</b>	<b>Snow White</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Classic Shrub</b>	<b>Pink Grootendorst</b>	<b>Monroe, M/M Bruce</b>
<b>Modern Shrub</b>	<b>Fair Bianca</b>	<b>Klassy, Diana</b>
<b>Dowager</b>	<b>Souv de la Malmaison</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Victorian</b>	<b>Precious Dream</b>	<b>Monroe, M/M Bruce</b>
<b>Mini Queen</b>	<b>Joy</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Mini King</b>	<b>Renegade</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Mini Princess</b>	<b>Mobile Jubilee</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Mini Court</b>	<b>Breath of Spring</b>	<b>Hearne, Andrew</b>
<b>Mini Spray</b>	<b>Soroptimist</b>	<b>Grass, Lynda &amp; Steven</b>
	<b>International</b>	
<b>Miniflora Queen</b>	<b>Shawn Sease</b>	<b>Hearne, Andrew</b>
<b>Miniflora King</b>	<b>Shameless</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>
<b>Miniflora Princess</b>	<b>Butter Cream</b>	<b>Smith, John &amp; Cherylynn</b>
<b>Miniflora Court</b>	<b>Abby's Angel</b>	<b>Rankin, Gary &amp; Monica</b>

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