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“WHAT IS EATING MY ROSES? An introduction
to creatures that damage roses”

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The seventh meeting of the Tidewater Rose Society's Seventy-fifth year will be held at the Norfolk Botanical Garden, Sunday at 2:30 p.m., October 17, 2010, in the Holly Room of Baker Hall. Liz Mangino will give a power point presentation on “WHAT IS EATING MY ROSES? An introduction to creatures that damage roses”.

COUNTRY STORE NEWS: The country store will be open at the October meeting. We will have puners, saws, gloves, etc. I will have a list of the bare-root roses that Gardens In A Flowerpot will have available for TRS members for \$14.00 plus tax in February 2011. We will call you when they come in and you may pick them up at Gardens In A Flowerpot. I will be taking orders for Mills Magic, Mills Easy Feed, Fish Emulsion, 20-20-20 and some new products. We will have door prizes at this meeting. Come and bring a friend.

George

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK: I would like to extend my true appreciation to the members of our society that volunteered their time to help make sure that the rose show last month was a success: Peggy Scott, Eve Price, Howard and Sara Jones, George and Pat Wilson, Cathy Daley, Marti Youmans, Lydia Simpson, Margie Tully, Glenn and Marian Millard, Don Snipes, Happy Anderson, Hugh Cox, Bunny Fenn, Mark Satterfield, Bo Saks, Nancy Sutcliffe, Meiko Ishibashi, Liz Mangino, Edgardo Eugenio, Sunni Burns, Barbara Cooper-Pabis. Each of you played an important part for our show. Thank you again.

At the October meeting, the Chairman of the Nominating committee for the nomination of officers and the executive board will announce their candidate's names, plus nominations from the floor during the business meeting will be accepted. Officers and executive board nominees will be voted on at the November meeting by all members.

We are coming to the end of the 2010 meetings and we will need to have an audit of the TRS bank accounts before our February 2011 meeting. I would like an audit committee of three members to audit the accounts during the November meeting and make the audit report to the Executive Board at the February 2011 meeting.

Our program chairman, Liz Mangino, will be presenting an American Rose Society Power Point program concerning insects that invade our rose gardens. This should be a program for everyone that would like to be able to identify and evaluate garden pests and what action should be taken: To spray or not to spray, that is the question. What kind of damage can one expect? So, bring your questions, notepads and join us for an excellent program on caring for your roses. (Psst: We have the power point projector working now).

I hope to see you at the meeting.

Mike

Lime and Sulfur Spray – Great Way to Knock Down Fungus On Your Roses

By Paul Zimmerman

(This is from Paul's 9 August 2010 blog at www.finegardening.com)

In a previous *blog post* we talked about overhead watering as a possible way to prevent disease. In this post I'd like to talk about what to do if it shows up.

Roses, like most plants, do get fungus sometimes. The theory in the past has been to spray them regularly with all kinds of chemicals designed to help prevent them from getting black spot, mildew, etc. Personally I don't believe in that. Garden Roses are by nature more disease resistant than most roses and frankly, I don't like putting that many chemicals in the environment when they might not even be needed.

Instead I've come up with a simple way to knock down a disease outbreak if it should appear amongst your roses. It involves Lime & Sulfur Spray. You should be able to get it at any good garden center.

Sulfur is a natural eradicate. What do I mean by that? Simply that it kills any fungus after it has taken hold in the garden and does so almost instantly. It's one of the ingredients used in the old "Bordeaux Mixture" used to spray vineyards in France.

HERE IS HOW YOU USE IT: Wait for a cloudy day or do it early in the morning before the sun hits the roses. The reason is the combination of sun and lime/sulfur will burn leaves.

Spray the lime/sulfur on the roses at a mixture of 1 TBS per gallon of water. Don't use a spreader/sticker or anything else with it. Just the lime/sulfur and water. I like using a hose end sprayer so I can really soak the plants well.

Wait 15 minutes then wash it all off with clean water from the hose.

That's it! The lime/sulfur will quickly kill off any fungal spores in the garden and knock down an impending infection. I've been doing this for years and years with great results. The only downside is sulfur does smell a bit but it soon goes away.

So, instead of constantly spraying roses with chemicals spare yourself some work, and money, by simply treating any outbreak as it occurs. It's better for your roses, the environment and yourself.

The Life Of a Rosarian

By Steve Jones, 25769 Miguel Court, Valencia, Ca. 91355 (sevrose@aol.com)

(This article courtesy of Steve Jones and American Rose - Magazine of the American Rose Society)

The Birthing Stage is probably triggered by the memory of the roses your mother or grandmother grew and their sweet fragrance (or sharp thorns). Few rosarians are fortunate enough to be born into a wealthy rose culture with a “Silver Spoon” in their yard.

The Terrible Twos Stage, when you move into your first home and plant the first of many roses to come. You purchase a reference book by Ortho and buy the roses with the prettiest pictures, the most fragrance and your favorite colors, if you can find them.

The Adolescent Stage, in which you attend your first rose show and/or your first rose society meeting. It is not uncommon to join the ARS first, as most ARS members do not belong to local societies. You usually find out about the meetings through a friend, neighbor, an article in American Rose or a local publication. A total feeling of inadequacy around other rosarians marks this stage.

The Teen Stage. You become adventurous and start answering questions on your own, but not without reservation. At this stage, it is common to develop an interest in exhibiting. You are thrilled at winning your first novice trophy. For some rosarians, this is the stage when they reach the crossroads of their young careers, to exhibit, remain a general gardener, to arrange roses or to specialize in old garden roses, hybrid teas, minis, etc.

In the *Graduation Day Stage*, the cold reality of being a rosarian hits you. You now have to compete against the big boys and girls at the shows. You replace the first roses you planted with exhibition-quality roses. Color and fragrance don't matter anymore. You begin a spraying program, so those roses that you wouldn't purchase before because of their lack of disease resistance are now creeping into your yard because they have great form. You also start buying all the newest roses so you can get the top roses first, especially anything described by the magical words, “exhibition potential.”

The Young Adult Stage. Your exhibiting is hitting top stride. Your simple yard is a miniature jungle. You have lots of roses in pots, and you are proficient at spraying, budding and taking cuttings. You establish “connection” to get bud-wood of the hottest roses. Your knowledge grows and your society sends in the paperwork for your nomination for Consulting Rosarian. You even attend Judges School, even though you'd rather exhibit.

In the *Midlife Crisis Stage*, you start to slow down. Your “jungle” is almost too much to handle without help, especially since you are out of town exhibiting or judging a lot. The exhibiting starts to decrease and your judging increases. You start to thin out your jungle and stop purchasing all of the newest roses without a recommendation from a top exhibitor. You leave most of the newest “potential exhibition” roses for the more ambitious rosarians. This is usually the starting period for people to talk you into serving as an officer at your local or district level. You start to slack off from spraying every three to seven days to once every two weeks or longer.

The Retirement Stage. The exhibiting slows to a crawl. You rarely buy any new roses unless they have won queens. You have served in more than one office at the local or district levels, and you contemplate running for national offices. You judge almost every show and may have served as Judges Chairperson. You are the expert Consulting Rosarian. You seem to know it all. You may have won the Outstanding Judge or Consulting Award or, better yet, the Silver Medal from your district. This stage seems to run concurrently with your retirement from work (your other job).

In the *Emeritus Stage*, your rose garden may shrink to the same size as in the Terrible Twos Stage. You rarely buy any roses; more often, people give them to you. Exhibiting is almost nonexistent. Everyone comes to you with their questions because you have seen and know it all. You are a respected member of the rose world, and you judge as much as you possibly can. You teach new members and discuss with pride your life in roses, and if you could do it all over again, you wouldn't change a thing.

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2010 TRS Appointments & Responsibilities

Program Chairman.....	Elizabeth Mangino (1 st VP)
Membership Chairman.....	Donald Snipes (2 nd VP)
Rose Show Co-Chairman.....	Peggy Scott/Eveline Price
Newsletter Editor.....	Michael Price
Hospitality Chairman.....	Cathy Daley
June Picnic Chairman.....	Sara Jones
January Banquet Chairman.....	Nancy Sutcliffe
Country Store.....	George Wilson
Consulting Rosarian Chairman.....	George Wilson
Property Manager.....	George Wilson
Parliamentarian.....	Patricia Wilson

COLONIAL DISTRICT FALL MEETING/ROSE SHOW

Last month we held our TRS Rose Show which included the Colonial District Fall Meeting/Rose Show. Participation in the fall meeting and rose show was small. A proposal was made for the next Colonial District Fall Meeting/Rose Show to be held in West Virginia to be hosted by the Charleston Rose Society and/or Huntington Rose Society. I would like to know if any of our members would participate in a show next September in West Virginia. You may contact Mike Price by phone, e-mail or at the meeting on Sunday.

Even though the meeting and rose show were small, we all had a good time. A special thank you to Rick Brown and Donna Smoot for presenting lectures Saturday morning and afternoon, Dr. Monica Valentovic and Dr. Gary Rankin for their outstanding Saturday night lecture and to the judges: Nita Bowen, Clif Jeter, John Fleek, Diana Fleek, Lynn Hunt, William Blank, Donna Smoot, Jim Diggs, Joy Long and Joe Mirilovich.

SHOW RESULTS

Hybrid Tea: Queen, King, Princes-----	John and Cherylynn Smith
Mini: Queen, King, Princess-----	Dr. Monica Valentovic and Dr. Gary Rankin
Miniflora: Queen-----	Andrew Hearne
King-----	Dr. Monica Valentovic and Dr. Gary Rankin
Princess-----	John and Cherylynn Smith
Floribunda Bloom-----	Howard & Sara Jones

Floribunda Spray-----Eveline & Michael Price
L.L. Lilly Memorial Trophy-----Peggy Scott
J. Benjamin Williams Miniflora Rose Challenge-----Howard & Sara Jones
(For all of the show results go to www.roseshow.com)

GARDEN CLUB OF VIRGINIA SHOW RESULTS
(www.gcvirginia.org for all results)

Congratulations to Howard and Sara Jones. Queen, King, Princess – Hybrid Teas; Queen, King, Princess – Minis; Queen, Princess – Miniflora; Hybrid Tea English Box; Best Mini Spray; Triad; Hi-Lo; Cycle of Bloom – Miniflora.

Eveline and Michael Price: King – Miniflora; Mini/Miniflora- Open Bloom, Cycle of Bloom Hybrid Tea; Diversity Class.

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Tidewater Rose Society
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The membership year for the Tidewater Rose Society begins January 1 and ends December 31. Please remit by 15 January.

Please print following information

Date: _____

Name (Mr. & Mrs., Mr., Mrs., Miss, Ms.) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Member ARS _____ Yes I would like to join ARS _____

Tidewater Rose Society Membership: \$15.00 individual/Family.

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