



ORLANDO AREA HISTORICAL ROSE SOCIETY

Newsletter - March 2011

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2011 Doors open 2:00 pm, program starts at 2:30 pm

**What's in a name? that which we call a rose
By any other name would smell as sweet.**

- Shakespeare, *Romeo and Juliet*

It's time to get back into the garden. We want to hear about your rose garden. What kind of garden do you have? What are your favorite roses? We'll also be providing a rundown of roses to be sold at the rose sale. Do you have any questions or thoughts about this upcoming rose season? Let us hear from you.

Come and enjoy this month's meeting where society rosarians will be sharing rosy information about many of the Old Garden Roses that will be offered for sale at the plant sale on the weekend of March 19 and 20.

Orlando Area Historical Rose Society meets at City of Orlando's Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando, FL 32803-1537, programs info: 407-647-1219, Doors open 2:00 pm, program starts at 2:30 pm. Free admission for first time visitors. Free parking.



What are we as a society emphasizing as our most treasured and valued roses? The question remains that we are not a society of just Antique Roses. The ARS defines antique roses as roses grown before the first hybrid tea rose, *La France* that was introduced in 1867. So, when we started Orlando Area Historical Rose Society we purposefully did not name the society The Antique Rose Society so our focus could entail so many more varieties of roses. We look for roses that have stood the test of time.



Increasingly without a home are the very beautiful hybrid teas and floribunda introduced in the 1920's, 1930's, 1940's, 1950's. Too young to be "old" roses, too old for many current-day rosarians, these wonderful cultivars need an interest group of their own. (Brent Dickerson, author of *The Old Rose Advisor*)

Many rosarians are enjoying roses like *Cascade*, *Belinda's Dream* and *Carefree Beauty*, which have parentage of old roses. Many of our favorite roses like *Tausendschon* (1914), *Cornelia* (1925), *Cecile Brunner*, (1894), and *Rosette Delizy*, (1922), are not, by definition, antique roses. However, we would really shortchange our gardens not to choose old roses that have been known as workhorses in the garden. Old roses, even the middle-aged roses, will be here today, yesterday, and tomorrow.

The most import rose in Rosedom, is *Old Blush*, introduced from China in 1793, because all of the repeat flowering modern roses descend from Old Blush. Many modern rose hybridizers are working diligently to find a "new" rose that will bloom profusely, have a wonderful fragrance and be easy to grow, just like the old roses. In the meantime just enjoy the variety of these wonderful old bloomers!

Elaine Ellman, Ed,D, ARS Consulting Rosarian



St Patrick - Rose Art by John Mattia



A GARDEN JOURNAL

Betty Sneeringer

The habit of keeping a garden journal can bring many rewards. For me, journaling is almost as much fun as gardening itself and I treasure my journal book.

There are many reasons for keeping a journal: to make a record of facts that are good to be remembered, and who among us can remember them all unless we write them down. The writings can help you keep track of individual plants and the garden as a whole. "Where did I sow those poppy seeds?" It's a good place to corral your lists - a list of what you did each month, a list of planting dates and bloom times, list of tools to buy, etc.

And how can we journal without mentioning all the joys of nature - the birds, butterflies, the frogs, squirrels, sunshine, and rain etc. Document your dreams and plans for the future. This makes at least some of them more apt to happen. When you write them down you can return to them time after time. It can make you remember what worked and the mistakes you never want to make again. Like gardening, journaling can be therapeutic. It is a place to "share" all your joys and loves and it can be a good outlet for creativity.



What type of journal should you choose? It can be anything from a small blank book to a computer with many choices in-between. You might want to determine, before you purchase anything, what kind of journaling you want to do. I knew better than to commit to a day by day journal book. My first one is a small blank book with a pretty cover which I wrote in at my leisure. I dated some pages but mostly kept an account of my activities and feelings about my garden. The second, a spiral bound with partly structured pages - a "fill in the blanks" type. The third and one I am using now is spiral bound with larger mostly blank pages but is divided by the seasons. I am doing it in a scrapbook/journal manner. When spring comes I will need a new one and it will be a loose leaf binder. This will afford many more options as I can insert extra pages and envelopes.



There is no right or wrong way to journal. You just need to make it your own. Find a way to make it work for you. If it becomes like dreaded homework the purpose has been defeated!

I would predict that each of you would journal similar to the way you garden. If you garden in straight, measured rows, all neat and all business, you might do your writing in deliberate straight lines, all neat and all business! If you garden in hodge-podge may be the same, with doodles While I don't always achieve garden I am a "decorator" garden and journal needs to be am not pleased! That's one journaling is not for me. I the book visible. "Out of sight - out of mind" happens!



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Through the years I have noticed so many gardening quotes, many from famous people like Longfellow, Thomas Jefferson, Emerson and others. How do we still have what they said about gardening? Many kept a journal or they included their thoughts in other writings.

Journals are great keepsakes to be handed down through the generations. So, let me encourage you to document your thoughts about gardening and the daily dramas that play out in your garden. Who knows, many years from now someone may learn from your written confessions of failures and be inspired by your successes in your horticulture brag book!



Everyone raved over the Dill Bread I brought to the February 2011 OAHRS meeting. Several said to have it published in the next newsletter so, here it is -----

- compliments of Colette Cadwell -

DILLY CASSEROLE BREAD

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| 1 pkg dry yeast | 1 T. butter |
| ½ c. warm (not hot) water | 1 t. dill (fine threads) |
| ½ t. sugar | 1 t. salt |
| 1 c. cottage cheese, room temperature | ¼ t. soda |
| 2 T. sugar | 1 egg, slightly beaten |
| 1 T. instant minced onion | 2 ½ c. all-purpose flour |

1. Dissolve sugar and yeast in warm water.
2. In mixing bowl: combine cottage cheese, sugar, onion, butter, dill, salt, soda, egg and yeast.
3. Add flour gradually and beat well. Cover bowl with plastic wrap.
4. Let rise until doubled.
5. Stir down and turn into a well-greased casserole dish (large).
6. Let rise 30-40 minutes.
7. Bake at 350 degrees F Time: 40-50 minutes until golden brown.
8. Remove from casserole. Optional: brush with butter and sprinkle with salt.



For the monthly OAHRS meetings:

Bouquets and single specimens of roses and flowers for the hospitality tables are always welcome. Please place a note near the container as to the names of the roses and flowers. We're often amazed to see what our members have growing in their gardens.

Donations for the raffle tables are always much appreciated. Take a look in your garage, closets or around your house to see if there is something you may want to contribute to the table or perhaps an item from the Leu Gardens Gift Shop. Roses, garden plants and gift certificates are always nice too and when you win this time, perhaps next month you will donate something for another member or guest to win?



TIMELY TIPS

Give your rose bushes an extra treat by digging in banana peels around the base of the plant. The roses get a boost from the potassium.

Fertilize roses every four to six weeks during the growing season, beginning in early spring.

In early spring when leaves are forming on the bushes, sprinkle a couple of teaspoons of Epsom salts at the base of each rosebush, scratch the salt in a little, and water well.

Plant roses in a sunny location: The more sun the better, but they need at least six hours each day of direct sun in the morning or afternoon.

Benefiting from air circulation, roses do best with a little room to breathe.



Make plans to attend Leu Gardens' Spring Plant Sale on the weekend of March 19 and 20. Orlando Area Historical Rose Society will have a booth that we could use your help in. It truly is a fantastic event for every gardener. We look forward to seeing you there and helping your rose society shine. Remember to bring your wagons!

We need your help sign up now!!

This important event is our big fundraiser of the year and **we need you to volunteer to help with the plant sale on Saturday and Sunday.** Not only will you help the society, but you will also have a fun time and get to know other OAHRS members as well as meet new friends from other plant societies too.

Sure sounds like a great way to spend time *in the Garden*. You will have the chance to see and buy garden accessories, as well as many types of plants, and take home some beautiful additions for your garden. There will also be entertainment and great food vendors ... (I recommend the root beer ice cream float!)

If we all pull together we will present a successful rose sale to the gardening public. And maybe even sign up some new members too!

If you have not already signed up to help, please contact Charlie or Bobbie Lang at the March meeting or e-mail Bobbie at bclang2@aol.com or call 407-423-2444. The sale is from 8AM to 5PM on Saturday, March 19 and from 9AM to 5PM on Sunday, March 20. We need a few more people in some of the time slots on both Saturday and Sunday.



We plan on having plant descriptions available and color photos posted to assist both sellers and buyers. **Roses available will be:** *Alister Stella Gray ~ Archduke Charles ~ Cecile Brunner ~ CL Clotilde Soupert ~ CL Cramoisi Superieur ~ CL Old Blush ~ CL Souvenir de Malmaison ~ Cramoisi Superieur ~ Green Rose ~ La Marne ~ Lady Hillingdon ~ Louis Philippe ~ Monsieur Tillier ~ Mrs B R Cant ~ Mrs Dudley Cross ~ Old Blush ~ Safrano ~ The Fairy.*

***Life is like a rose . . . More exquisite and precious,
When shared with others.***

- Jane Oechsle Lauer



Let's Talk About Fertilizer

By: Fermin Rodriguez

Although gardeners generally refer to fertilizer as "plant food," in effect, it really is not. Fertilizer is a combination of different chemical elements that plants absorb, primarily through their roots in the presence of moisture, transport to their leaves, and there, through photosynthesis, miraculously transform them into simple sugars and starches that are the real plant food. But let's not worry about semantics, call it what you wish so long as you understand the principles involved.

Like all plants, roses require nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium as their primary "food," along with secondary nutrients such as calcium, magnesium and sulfur. Additionally, they need minor elements, which consists of iron, zinc, copper, manganese, boron, chlorine, and molybdenum. All of these nutrients can be provided by either organic fertilizers (such as manures, fish meals, etc.) or by chemical fertilizers (such as nitrate of potash, ammonium phosphate, etc.). Roses are not particular about where their nutrients come from — they cannot discern the difference between organic and inorganic. The important thing is to feed them. Now let's look at what these elements do.

Nitrogen is a component of all proteins and helps to control the rate and quantity of growth in a rose bush. It is required in relatively large quantities and when adequately available, the bush will produce a normal amount of stems and leaves. If there is too much nitrogen, the bush will develop excessive vegetative growth at the expense of fewer flowers and will become more susceptible to diseases and insect pests. Not enough nitrogen will cause your rose bush to severely under perform. Nitrogen, while abundantly available as a gas in the air we breathe, is only available to roses in the form of nitrates. Other forms of nitrogen, such as ammonium, or nitrites, must be converted to the nitrate form before the plant can utilize them. This conversion is constantly taking place in the soil due to the action of microorganisms.

Phosphorous aids in the development of root systems, sturdy stems and flower formation. It is also needed for the production of sugars, which are essential to keep the rose bush growing well. Deficiencies of phosphorus will be manifested by stunted growth and possibly a purplish edging on the leaves. Because phosphorous moves slowly through the soil, it is usually applied as super- phosphate or bone meal at planting time; however, most commercial fertilizers contain this element.

Potassium, available to your plants in the form of the oxide (K₂O), generally referred to as potash, is a chemical that aids in the production of sugars, starches and cellulose and consequently helps in the formation of strong stems. Roses deficient in potash may be stunted, weak or have brown edges on the leaves.

Whenever you buy fertilizer, the law requires that the percentage of these three elements be clearly stated on the label. The first of the numbers is always nitrogen, the second one is always phosphorus and the third is always potash. For example, Gro-Mor's 12-6-8 contains 12% nitrogen, 6% phosphorus and 8% potash; Peter's 20-20-20 contains 20% of each of the nutrients; a formulation listed as 0-10-10 has no nitrogen, 10% phosphorus and 10% potash, etc.

Calcium, magnesium and sulfur are called secondary nutrients solely because they are required by the roses in smaller amounts than the primary nutrients. However, this does

not mean that they are less important since a deficiency of any of them will cause you much grief. Calcium enhances the production and growth of all of the plant cells, including the root system. Magnesium is a component of chlorophyll, the substance that makes leaves green, and is necessary for photosynthesis to occur. Sulfur contributes to all of the plant proteins, without which your rose bush will decline.

Lastly, the seven minor elements are required in even smaller amounts than the primary and secondary nutrients, but deficiencies thereof may cause problems for your roses. This is especially true with a lack of iron, because this will cause the leaves to become a yellowish color although the veins will remain a darker green, a condition known as chlorosis. Often, there may be enough iron in the soil but it cannot be absorbed by the plant due to either a high or a low pH or because it is chemically tied up by other elements. This is one reason why it is so important to check your soil's pH. Keeping it in the range of 6.2 to 6.8 will insure that all of the plant nutrients will be available to your roses. Although iron chlorosis is quite common, deficiencies of the other minor elements are generally quite rare because these chemicals are not as sensitive to soil conditions as is iron.

Although the minor elements are very necessary to the health of your roses, too much of any of them can be as detrimental as a deficiency. This is especially true of chlorine, which in high amounts can be toxic to your roses. Consequently, avoid any fertilizers that contain more than 2% chlorine.

Now that we have seen what the roses require in the way of nutrients, let us look at how we can best provide them. Basically, you can separate the fertilizers into two main categories: organic and inorganic. Generally, the dry organic fertilizers will be slower acting because they must first be acted upon by microorganisms in the soil to convert them into nutrients, which are then absorbed by the bushes. By their very nature, however, they contribute to the organic content of the soil and tend to improve its structure. In our sandy Florida soil, they tremendously aid in the production of loam. Additionally, if you use too much, it won't do much harm because time is required for them to break down and they break down very gradually.

On the other hand, inorganic fertilizers have a specific amount of nutrients, which are provided immediately and without harm, if used according to directions. If, however, you use them exclusively without adding organic materials to the soil, the soil will gradually deteriorate and in time cause poor plant growth. This is why I prefer to use a combination of both organics and inorganics. In mid-January, after pruning, I apply liberal amounts of dehydrated manures, alfalfa meal, cotton seed meal, fish meal and Milorganite — this is the so-called "mid-winter smorgasbord." This is then followed by bimonthly applications of a half-cup of Gro-Mor Rose Fertilizer.

In the past, I have experimented with the use of the time-release fertilizers, such as Osmocote and Rose Grow and to be perfectly honest, have had very satisfactory results. If you want the simplest way to fertilize your roses, this may be it. This is especially true if you don't exhibit and grow your roses just for your own personal use. However, I always wonder as time progresses, whether the fertilizer is still there, releasing slowly, or has it all been used up and I don't know it. For this reason, I really don't like the time-release idea. If you use this method and intend to exhibit, you better supplement it with additional liquid fertilizer applied weekly, starting about five weeks before the shows. Regardless of what type of fertilizing program you follow, be consistent. Apply the fertilizer on a regular basis, being sure to water your bushes very well the day before you apply the plant food and then watering it in thoroughly after applying it. If your program doesn't work as well as you think it should be, the first thing to do is to check the pH of the soil. This can be done through the Cooperative Extension Service for a very nominal charge. If the pH is off and you correct it according to their recommendations and you still experience problems, then the only thing left to do is to have a complete soil

analysis. The information obtained from such an analysis will give you the necessary information to rectify your problems.

One final thought — the best fertilization program will only work as well as the quality of the soil in which you plant your roses. Plant your roses in well-prepared beds and maintain the pH at between 6.2 and 6.8. You will be rewarded for your efforts many times over!

(About the Author: Fermin Rodriguez is an ARS Horticultural Judge and ARS Master Rosarian. He has been growing roses for over 40 years and currently has just under a hundred roses of all types. He is a Past President of the Tampa Rose Society.) Permission was obtained to publish this article in the OAHRS newsletter.



OAHRS ROSE GARDEN

AT THE SANFORD STUDENT MUSEUM

The historical rose garden began with one rose planted by a Seminole county teacher who wanted to increase awareness in the community about the historical aspects of old garden roses. Students can “hold a piece of history in their hands”! Soon more roses were planted and the Orlando Area Historical Rose Society adopted the garden as a community project. Society members, students, and master gardeners work to maintain the garden

*"I do not know how anyone can live without
some small place of enchantment to turn to."*

Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings

The workday in the OAHRS Rose Garden at the museum for March will be held on **Saturday, MAR 26** from 9:00 am to noon. For details or driving directions, contact Tom Burke, ARS Consulting Rosarian, 407-721-9852, tjburke@cfl.rr.com

This is a great opportunity for YOU for a free hands-on training experience for pruning and grooming your roses! We look forward to having you join in, as well as having fun and helping at the rose garden!



ENJOY THESE FUN AND EDUCATIONAL EVENTS!

- April 3** **OAHRS Monthly Meeting** – Florida Butterfly Gardening
with Master Gardener Eileen Tongson from Orange County
Cooperative Extension Service
- April 16** Bradenton Sarasota Rose Society Rose Festival - Phillippi Estates
contact Ron Mallory at rmallory@verizon.net ~see flyer in this newsletter~
- April 16** Gainesville Rose Society Rose Show - Kanapaha Botanical Gardens
contact Ralph Stream at streamj@gmail.com
- April 16** Central Florida Rose Society Rose Show - Leu Gardens
contact Marty Pawlikowski at pawlrose@cfl.rr.com
- April 24** Easter Sunday
- May 8** Mother's Day
- May 30** Memorial Day
- June 2-5** American Rose Society Spring 2011 National Rose Show and Convention,
Winston-Salem NC <http://www.wsrs.us/National.php>
- June 19** Father's Day
- June 24-26** American Rose Society 2011 National Miniature Rose Show and
Conference, Syracuse NY <http://www.syracuserosesociety.org/>
- November 11–13** Deep South District Convention & Rose Show "Salute to Veterans"
Wyndham Westshore, Tampa, FL Barb Castelli at Barb@DCD.com

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Rose Companions

Article by CenLa Rose Society member Nancy Juneau

Roses Love Garlic and Plant Companions

My gardening style fits best in the cottage garden. I love roses but I also love vegetables, herbs, annuals and perennials, bulbs and on and on. When I started gardening I didn't really have a style or a plan. So everything looked hodge-podge but I thought it looked pretty. Then I added an extension to my garden. I decided that I would try to design the layout planning what I would plant and where. My roses are the backbone of my garden. Now I needed to find suitable companion plants not only for their aesthetics but also making sure their growing conditions are the same and can contribute to the health of the roses. I wanted to find plants that can ward off bad pests but attract good bugs.

So I started reading. One excellent book I found was "Jackson & Perkins Rose Companions, Growing Annuals, Perennials, Bulbs, Shrubs and Vines with Roses" by Stephen Scanniello. Scanniello covers all types of roses, different climates and temperatures, color, texture and style of gardening.

Scanniello says when choosing suitable companion plants consider: aesthetics, growing conditions and plant health. Companion plants and roses should look good together and have the same growing conditions.

Texture, color and form are all important to the aesthetics of companion plants. Red roses combine well with blue flowers such as salvia, Russian sage and lavender. Plants with tall spires complement roses such as lavender, salvia, and catmint. Companion plants can extend the



'Peggy Martin', 'Duchesse De Brabant', and daylilies are the backdrop for the Juneau's vegetable garden
May 2010

flowering season by providing color between spring and fall blooms. Good companions can hide bottoms of roses that become leggy and sparse. They act as living mulches, suppressing weeds and shading the soil keeping the roses' roots cool.

Rose companions should enjoy the same growing conditions. Roses do best in sun and well drained soil. There are many annuals, perennials, bulbs, shrubs and vines that do well with roses and their growing conditions.

Good companions should enhance one another's growth and protect each other from harm by discouraging pests without the use of chemicals since they have natural substances in their leaves, flowers or roots that repel pests. Roses really do love garlic. Allium is a Latin word for garlic. Vegetable alliums are chives, garlic, leeks, onions and shallots. All are excellent protective companions. The ornamental alliums are more decorative to plant with roses and will also provide protection from mildew and black spot as well as aphids.

Herbs and other aromatic plants

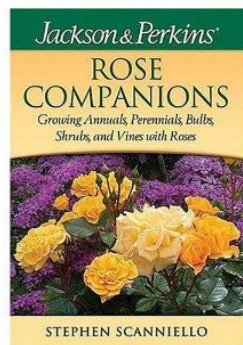
make wonderful rose companions. Scented geraniums, rue, feverfew, parsley, and thyme are said to help ward off Japanese beetles and aphids. Other companions that ward off pests and do well with roses are asters, chrysanthemums, cosmos, coreopsis, nasturtiums, French and African marigolds.

Good companion herbs such as tansy, dill, fennel, catnip and marigold are a few that attract beneficial insects that are predators of pest insects. The more invasive of these herbs like tansy, yarrow, goldenrod and mints can be kept under control by planting them in bottomless pots, to keep the plants from spreading.

Plant your rose companions at least one foot away from your roses so they do not disturb their roots.

My garden is always a work in progress. I've tried many of these companions, some have worked out well, others not so well. Just try a few at first. Your roses might like some good neighbors.

Check out this interesting and informative article written by Central Louisiana Rose Society member Nancy Juneau which was published in the society's newsletter, Rosebud, March 2011, Billie Flynn, editor.



FOR YOUR HOME LIBRARY

Jackson & Perkins Rose Companions: Growing Annuals, Perennials, Bulbs, Shrubs and Vines with Roses

In association with Jackson & Perkins, *Rose Companions* is the first book devoted expressly to the exciting variety of plants that can be grown with roses in the garden. No longer must roses be considered appropriate only for the rose garden. Instead, today's roses offer an impressive array of characteristics that make them ideal plants for many landscape uses, including form, color, and fragrance. And the number of plants that make perfect partners for roses is astounding, including: Perennials Annuals Bulbs Shrubs Vines

Rose Companions will give gardeners of all levels the information they need to create a beautiful landscape, whether they already have an established garden and want to add roses and other plants to it, or if they are growing roses and want to enhance them with companion plants, or if they are starting from scratch and have always dreamed of a garden lush with flowers-including roses.

Stephen Scanniello is best known as the gardener who transformed the Cranford Rose Garden of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden into one of the world's most acclaimed rose gardens. President of the Heritage Rose Foundation and a member of the American Rose Society, he is a judge for the international rose trials in Europe and the United States. Scanniello has written three books on roses, including "A Year of Roses", recipient of the American Horticultural Society's Annual Book Award. He lives and gardens in New Jersey.

Some reviews:

- The author's rose experience gives the knowledgeable Rosarian broader understanding and the novice rich new territory to discover. Roses become assets for gardens rather than specimens separated from the whole. If I had this book when I began my rose adventures it would have been a constant source of help and inspiration.
- This is an excellent guide to integrating roses into a garden with other plants instead of keeping them in a separate location in a bare, mulched rose bed. Well written text and good pictures.



AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY'S

CHILDREN'S ESSAY CONTEST

Contact: Lisa Butler, Associate Editor, lisa@ars-hq.org. Rules: All children ages 12 and younger may take part in the contest. They may use their own rose-related theme or choose one of the following:

- Why the Rose is America's National Flower
- Why Roses Are the Symbol of Love, Friendship, Beauty and Peace
- Why I Love Roses
- Why My Parents or Grandparents Love Roses
- A fictional story about roses

Entries may be accompanied by a drawing or painting. Essays should be no more than 400 words. **Deadline for submitting entries is June 30, 2011.**

Entries must be accompanied by a separate page containing the following information: child's name, age, school grade, parent's name, address and parent's phone number or email address for notification of winners. Entries should be mailed to: American Rose Society, Children's Essay Contest, PO Box 30000, Shreveport, LA 71130.

ROSE OF THE MONTH



Share Your Favorite Rose ...

Have it published in the OAHRS newsletter.

Perhaps an "older" old garden variety, long forgotten, that you feel other members would enjoy growing in their garden. Perhaps it's a new introduction that others may not be familiar with ...one that you've found that does well in your garden.

Let us hear from you! Share your love of these special roses with other members. Please email a short article and photo (if available) of Your Favorite Rose to the OAHRS Newsletter Editor: Roses4Friends@aol.com .

2011 SWEETWATER OAKS GARDEN CLUB'S 6th Annual GARDEN FAIR

Sunday March 13, 2011 10am-4pm



The ***Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club*** will host the **Sixth Annual Garden Fair and Floral Design Exhibit** at Sweetwater Square, 900, Fox Valley Drive in Longwood, from 10 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., on **Sunday, March 13, 2011**. Located in the heart of the community, Sweetwater Square is the perfect venue for this family event. Admission and parking are free.

The vendors will have an array of plants, shrubs, trees, orchids, yard art and all types of garden-related merchandise. The children will find plenty of activities especially for them. Visitors will have an opportunity to learn directly from the experts at the Speakers' Corner and the educational booths. The food court and open-air café will provide a perfect spot to meet friends and neighbors for a snack or luncheon. The Floral Design Exhibit is always a delight to see.

The Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club is an educational, and community service organization. As a member of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and a 501(c) (3) non-profit corporation, the Club has sponsored numerous community service projects for the past 36 years.

The proceeds from the 2011 Garden Fair will support scholarships to deserving students at the University of Florida, who are studying for agricultural, conservation, environmental or ecological degrees. Over the past five years these agriculture related scholarships have totaled more than \$12,000. The Wekiva Youth Camp Scholarships are awarded to deserving children to attend the Florida Federation's Camp located in Wekiva Springs State Park. The Club has contributed to many local beautification projects, such as Habitat for Humanity and the Gardens of Hospice of the Comforter.

Each year the fair provides a perfect venue for over fifty small businesses to display and sell their plants, and all types of garden related merchandise. Your support of this community event will help us to continue our commitment to the community and to the deserving students we aid with our scholarship funds.

Marjorie Abbas, Chairman, for more information call 407-880-8758 or 407-880-8758



~Coreopsis~ Florida State Wildflower

Florida Wildflower & Garden Festival

Recipient of the Florida Secretary of State's Award for Outstanding Special Event

March 26, 2011 9:00 am-4:00 pm

West Indiana Ave., Downtown DeLand ([Get Directions](#))

Free Parking and Admission

Family-friendly programs, demonstrations, wildflower and general gardening vendors and more! The festival will feature vendors who provide information, wildflower and gardening-themed products, and arts and crafts related to general gardening, native plant gardening, gardening for birds, butterflies and wildlife, habitat creation, home improvement, environmental conservation, recycling and "Green" living.





Rose Festival



The Bradenton-Sarasota Rose Society and The Sarasota County Parks & Recreation Department are pleased to present a FREE Festival of Roses for the Sarasota Community.

Date: Saturday April 16, 2011

Time: 10 AM to 4 PM

Location: The Sarasota County Parks & Recreation Department
Phillippi Estate Mansion
5500 South Tamiami Trail at Constitution Ave.
(Just north of Clark Road on Tamiami Trail)

Information: Vince Celeste, B-SRS Vice President, 941-358-6991

Events:

- **Old Garden Rose Tour** featuring over 70 Old Garden Roses
- **Rose Displays** given by Rose Society Members illustrating roses best grown in our area
- **Classes** on rose selection, culture and care
 - “It’s fun growing roses in Florida” Selecting Roses & Rose Care
 - “Easy care rose growing using the Old Garden Roses of the Phillippi Estate”
- **Sale of Roses** (Both cut flowers and rose bushes will be available for sale)





A Standard Flower Show - The Orlando Garden Club, Inc.

Friday and Saturday, April 22 - 23, 2011

Loch Haven Park

710 East Rollins Street, Orlando, Florida 32803-1220

open to members only following the April 22 meeting

open to the public on Saturday, April 23, 2011, 10 am to 2 pm

(As this is Easter weekend this could be a fun event for everyone especially out-of-town visitors to attend.)

Competition in the Horticulture Division is open to all amateur gardeners. Competition in the Design Division is open to all amateur designers and Student Judges. Competition in the Special Exhibits Division is open to organizations, amateur or professional growers, public gardens, etc., in so far as the exhibits inform and instruct the public on the goals and objectives of the National Garden Club.

The show will include 8 design classes in addition to horticulture. The design classes include a traditional design, a creative design, two sets of miniature designs, a set of small designs and three classes of table design.

Registration for Design Entries and Special Exhibits must be made by April 8, 2011.

All Horticulture Entries must be registered by April 15, 2011.

Design Entries: Claire Viverito (407-426-8579);

Horticulture Entries: Joanne Mulinare (407-628-0946);

Special Exhibits: Martha Graveley (407-977-9975).

Horticulture and Design entries and Special Exhibits may be placed on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, between 8 am and 1 pm. Cut specimens by reservation and final touches to design entries may be placed on Thursday, April 21, 2011, between 8 am and 11 am.

ROSES IN THE CITY: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow.

A Conference for the 25th Anniversary of the Heritage Rose Foundation

We are pleased to announce that HRF is sponsoring a conference to be held in Lyon, France on **Monday, June 20, 2011**, with pre-conference events scheduled for Sunday, **June 19**, and individual post-conference events scheduled for **Tuesday, June 21**. Etienne Bouret and Fabien Ducher have worked very hard to make this a memorable event. We hope you can attend.

The conference will take place at the beautiful Chateau de Lacroix-Laval located in the countryside outside of Lyon. This historic chateau is home to beautiful gardens including a rose garden featuring roses from Lyon.

Our list of distinguished speakers includes:

Etienne Bouret, HRF Director for Public Relations, Europe

Pierrick Eberhard, Author of "Lyon Rose "

Daniel Boulens, Director of Parks & Gardens of the City of Lyon

Stephane Crozat, Ethnobotanist & Garden Historian

Gregg Lowery, Owner of Vintage Gardens

Mike Shoup, Owner of The Antique Rose Emporium

Stephen Scanniello, President of the Heritage Rose Foundation

There will be simultaneous translation of all presentations.

Following the lectures there will be an auction of rare roses, old books, nursery catalogs, and rose related ephemera.

Seats are limited, so register early [here](#) -

http://www.heritage-rose-foundation.org/onlinecommerce/onlinecommerce.htm#register_online

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