



# Rose Herald

## President's Message...



It is refreshing to experience the moderation of temperatures in the Tri-Cities during the past several days. Our gardens readily recognize the cooler days and nights with more prolific, better colored and larger sized blooms.

These colors reward dedicated gardeners for hard work during prior weeks of very hot weather. I marvel at how quickly the roses have responded to even a few degrees drop in average temperature. I don't think that the temperature has moderated for much more than a week, but the garden is really blooming much better now than during those record-breaking hot days. Unfortunately for us, the forecast is for near-record high triple-digit temperatures by August 11, so the noted improvements in the garden will likely be short lived.

Both scheduled events this month were cancelled. We did NOT meet on the fourth Monday of the month since we planned a Saturday trip to the rose garden in Manito Park in Spokane, WA. (Photo above and on the right.)

Due to the poor air quality from the many fires burning in the state, our trip to Spokane was also cancelled.

Manito Park is an attractive 90 acre park centrally located on the South Hill of Spokane. The crown jewel of Manito Park is the Rose Hill Garden. Staged atop a gentle hill inside the park, it is packed with nearly a thousand roses of all types, colors and sizes. In 2007, this Rose Hill garden was named the number one garden in the nation by the All-America Rose Selections (AARS) committee, and has received numerous other awards recognizing the meticulous maintenance of the rose garden.

It was my hope that we could take this opportunity to visit one of the premier rose gardens in the Pacific Northwest. It provides many photo opportunities and offers several other garden attractions within Manito Park.

Remember that our September meeting will be returning to the normal fourth Monday, September 28, at the Sandberg Event Center in West Richland. This will be our Fall Rose Display. We'll provide more details in our September newsletter. And put October 26 on your calendars as well. This is our year-ending banquet, which is always quite enjoyable.

Enjoy your roses!

Harlow Young

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\*\*2015 Rose Show Photos!  
<http://tinyurl.com/2015RoseShowTCRS>  
Our Thanks to Janet Bryant!

**August Meeting Cancellation**  
*Cancelled Due to  
Fire Restrictions  
And Recommendations*

Manito Park, Spokane, WA

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TCRS Minutes, July 27, 2015 By Helen Newman, Secretary Pro Tem

President Harlow Young called the meeting to order after giving us time to look at the roses in his garden. Minutes from the June meeting were approved as printed in the July Rose Herald.

Treasurer Bob Louie reported that our treasury for 2015 is running a slight surplus due to free work by Consulting Rosarians in local gardens, and for which the grateful owners made voluntary contributions to the Tri-City Rose Society. Therefore he is thinking about recommending a 2016 budget that will run a slight deficit. Obviously, that point of view could change before Bob submits an actual budget and can't be done every year. He urged everyone who had not done so to turn in bills for 2015.

Harlow began the program by describing how he chooses which roses he buys. He likes striped and dual colored roses, and he looks up everything he can find about their exhibition and garden performance before buying. His yard is outstanding with color and variety.

His special demonstration was about labeling roses. His goals are to keep labels readable, and reuse old plant stakes and name plates. He had several kinds of labelers available.

First he loosens old labels with paint thinner or solvent. Next, he scrapes with a knife or box cutter. Then he uses sandpaper. After that, he straightens and flattens the old name plate and gives a final rub-down with solvent. Finally, he is ready to affix a new label.

Even brand new stakes have to be processed with rubbing alcohol to take off oxidation so the labels will adhere better.

In Harlow's garden there was a bird made from railroad spikes welded together. It was painted red, white and blue and was more or less in the shape of a road runner bird. The contest was to name the bird. Jerry Bookwalter named it "Beep Beep" and won a \$20 gift certificate to Job's Nursery. Next, Harlow had soil enhancement sample packets that were given as door prizes to Norma Boswell, Richard Kerkof and Marlyn Miles.

Refreshments – huge pieces of pie of many varieties – were served. This delightful evening was attended by approximately 25 people and enjoyed by all.

To Visit Later— Manito Park—Spokane, WA



The plan for the August meeting was to visit the beautiful Manito Park rose garden in Spokane. Circumstances well beyond our control began the week before that scheduled trip. By the end of the week the fires and smoke had traffic rerouted and advisories were given for people to stay indoors. Maybe we will have another chance to visit this beautiful park in the future.

September 28, 2015 Meeting information will be in the September issue of the Rose Herald.

OCTOBER BANQUET From Joann Saylor, Chair

PLACE: Sandberg Event Center, 331 S 41st Ave, West Richland, WA 99353
DATE: October 26, 2015
TIME: Food service begins at 6:30 pm.
PRICE: \$25, includes tax and gratuity

Please sign up at the September meeting or call Joann Saylor any time before October 16, 2015 at 509-994-4462.

MENU: Mango pork tenderloin
Scalloped potatoes
Salads
Dinner rolls
Coffee, ice tea, ice water
Desserts

The October Banquet – the last meeting of our rose year – is a joyful time for us to relax, have fun and just enjoy each other's company.

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## 2015 PNW District Photo Contest – September 13 Deadline

### PNW District Conference—Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, WA

Bring It On, TCRS Members!

Names of all TCRS members who participate in the District Photo Contest will be placed in a special drawing which will be presented at the October Banquet!

What could be easier? We have some of the most beautiful roses in the District— Let's show them off!

- ⇒ Take photos of roses— anywhere— with a natural garden backdrop or one created in your home. They **do not** have to be grown by you!
- ⇒ Amateur classes for new photographers.
- ⇒ Edit as allowed (contest rule info below.)
- ⇒ Enter in the appropriate class (on right.)
- ⇒ Email your entries to Harlow Young at [three-grandkids@charter.net](mailto:three-grandkids@charter.net) by midnight, September 13, 2015.

For a complete list of contest rules-email Harlow [threegrandkids@charter.net](mailto:threegrandkids@charter.net) or Jo Angelos [angelosfolk@gmail.com](mailto:angelosfolk@gmail.com)



1. **One bloom** - any variety, exhibition stage, no side buds. Roses designated as "single" in its petal count whose exhibition form is best in the open form should be entered in Class 5.
2. **One spray, HT or GR** - two or more blooms.
3. **One spray, FL or POL** - two or more blooms.
4. **One spray, Miniature or Miniflora** - two or more blooms.
5. **One open bloom - any variety**, stamens must show.
6. **One bloom or spray** - of a Shrub (other than HT, GR, Min, MinFI or POL.)
7. **One bloom or spray** - of an OGR or Climber.
8. **Multiple Blooms (a collection)** - a minimum of three blooms, one bloom per stem, one or more varieties, at typical exhibition stage for the variety, arranged in any way you wish.
9. **Abstract or Impressionism** - A non-objective design, form, or content of a rose, rose plant, or any portion thereof which evokes a sense of originality or a different way of imagining or viewing the subject. For this class only, you may creatively enhance your photo by coloring, cropping, etc.
10. **Everything Else** - Any rose photo that doesn't fit into any of the other classes. It could be an image of roses with people, animals, or other plants, or of a rose society activity or rose garden. It could be an arrangement, or one or more rose bushes that constitute a single unit. You should name the rose(s) in the photo if appropriate, and, if the photo includes a society activity or people, identify the Society, the activity, and the people in the photo (unless it's a crowd scene). Since the winning photo may be published on the District website or other District publication, it's a good idea to have the permission of anyone who could be recognized in the picture.

MORE  
District News

PNWD Fall Conference October 30-November 1  
Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, WA

"Rose society members who are not aware of the Fall Conference do not realize what an educational, fun weekend they are missing," says Judy Health in our PNW District Newsletter.

Check out the dates, speakers and fit it into your schedule!

Staying at the Heathman? We have a special rate for our rooms. Ask for the Pacific Northwest District or The American Rose Society rate, and you'll be set. We are already very excited for the Fall Conference, which is scheduled for the weekend of October 30-November 1. You will be excited to learn that we have confirmed several wonderful speakers on varied topics. (Continued on page 5)



## August Rose Garden By Norma Boswell, Master Rosarian



Roses are burning! It's frustrating to think of blue skies and bright yellow sunshine as enemies in the Mid-Columbia Basin. (After all, the Tri-Cities logo touts fun in the sun on our three rivers.) The sobering fact is that **triple digit heat means negative energy production**. Roses close their stomata (leaf pores) to conserve vital moisture. During hot weather stress, they "shut down" and do their best to just stay alive. When temperatures drop, successful photosynthesis resumes in those that don't die.

Do you know the term **planticide**? Planticide can be defined as killing plants. One gardener confessed the joy of murdering a certain hollyhock, and I've been digging out beautiful but invasive garden club plants like *Arum Italicum* for many years. Unless you have plenty of space, don't be lured by its gorgeous variegated leaves and spikes of green berries that turn red. Its underground runners will overpower miniature roses.



Temperature dropped briefly into the 80s on August 21. I seized the opportunity to scratch granular fertilizer into the soil, especially where pale leaves, and leaves with wedges of yellow and brown, showed a need for nitrogen. **Step 1 – water soil. Step 2 – scratch granules into soil. Step 3 – water again.**

Don't worry about bugs when roses have stopped putting on new growth. Aphids, thrips and other thugs will be back during the September growth spurt. **If you notice suspicious webbing between leaves. spray forcefully and often under those leaves to dislodge tiny, invisible spider mites. You'll refresh dusty plants in the bargain.**

**Water is the key to survival.** Water deeply three times a week in Tri-Cities' triple digit heat. **Check the moisture level 12 inches down beyond the drip line to be sure. We want roots to go deep and make strong anchors.**

### Of Marbles and Roses

By The Rose Whisperer – AKA Harlow Young



In mid-July, my family (daughter, two granddaughters, a best friend, and our grandson's fiancé) went to the Oregon coast for a few days of vacation on the beach at Lincoln City. Linda and I were "commissioned" to bring games for everyone to play in the evenings. One of the games we took was a family favorite we call (for lack of a better name) "marbles." It is a board game, a homemade version of the games "Pachesi" or "Aggravation" in which marbles are used as each player's markers, with some kicked-up rules using a deck of playing cards rather than dice to determine how each player moves their pieces around the

board. It's quite fun, even more so with four very active and loud teenage girls and three adults participating, and me being the only guy among the group of seven! To add another level of interest, I suggested that we not play the game with marbles, but with some small objects that each individual found while walking the beach or purchased in the many shops of downtown Lincoln City. The pieces they selected could not duplicate what another player chose.

I was really surprised at the interest everyone showed and the game pieces they selected. There were small sea shells (different colors selected by two players), small shark's teeth, small arrowheads, smashed pennies (from the mechanical smashers that make souvenirs of pennies), heart-shaped souvenirs and my "pieces." What were my "pieces"? Rose hips, of course!



Of Marbles and Roses, *continued*

The condo we rented was in the Taft historic district of Lincoln City. The part of 51st Street on which our condo was located is lined with 'Rosa rugosa' bushes. They had been planted there long ago as hedges to catch the blowing sand from the beach, and to serve as a flowery feature of the landscape. 'R. rugosa' is known to tolerate the salty breezes from the ocean water. These particular bushes were not just tolerating their environment, but thriving there. By July, there was an abundance of orange-red hips among the flowers. It will probably not surprise you that I took some pictures of these rugosas, both blooms and hips.



When I saw these hips, I immediately thought, "Aha, I know what my game pieces will be, and no one else in the family will select these." Sure enough, they didn't; but the girls knew immediately where I found them, since they had passed them several times on their frequent trips to and from the beach.

I took photos of roses in other parts of town, too, particularly in an urban garden named "The Connie Hansen Garden." This is a garden conservatory named after its creator. Visitors are welcome to take a descriptive self-guided tour by following the varied paths among hundreds of varieties of Ms. Hansen's particular love, rhododendrons.

Mixed in are many other flowering perennials, including roses. I found only two different rose bushes in bloom: a single white and a stunning single red, moss-like bush (see photos). They are not identified by name, and the caretakers had no records, so they are anonymous but beautiful. If any of our readers knows the names of either or both of these roses, please email them to me. One other large cluster of roses was fronting an undeveloped lot about a block away from our condo. I don't know for sure, but I think it might be several plants of 'Pink



Grootendorst,' a sport of a hybrid, one of whose parents was 'R. rugosa.'

Back to our marbles game. We played with our unique pieces (notice the playing pieces in their starting positions with the rose hips in the lower right quadrant and the close-up insert.)



Sadly, my rose hips did not bring me any luck. The smashed pennies won the game the first day and the shark's teeth the second. Bummer! I think, however, that happy family memories were created that will last a long time!



Don't forget to register for the OCTOBER BANQUET

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**before** October 16, 2015 at 509-994-4462. (Additional information on page 2.)

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**Sept 28**  
7:00 PM  
*'Display of Fall*  
*Gardens'*  
Bring YOUR  
garden colors &  
a Friend!

**Oct 26**  
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Fall Banquet  
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