



Rose Herald

President's Message

As I write this, the outside thermometer is showing 95 degrees, but is forecast to reach at least 104 by the end of today. It's hot, and has been hot for almost two weeks. I spent some time this morning deadheading my rose garden, which has really been affected by this string of very hot days. The effects are evidenced by fewer and smaller blooms on the bushes, and the blooms that appear are sometimes burned by the afternoon heat. But don't let that keep you from joining the rest of the group at my home this month! We'll have a good time, regardless. We can't control the weather. We can only do our best to keep the rose roots moist and cool, and hope that they survive until fall when the heat abates.

In retrospect, we had a good (well, maybe a GREAT) meeting in June in the rose garden of The Timbers Apartments. I was very appreciative that the owners were there to greet us and give us some details about the development of the garden. I know that the staff of The Timbers is very proud of the roses in their complex, and are appreciative of the services that we, as a Rose Society, have provided this year. We received a very generous gift from them for our consulting services.

This month, our meeting will be in my garden, at 3218 W. 2nd Avenue in Kennewick. Directions and additional information about this meeting are on page 2.

As the Director for the Pacific Northwest District Rose Society photo contest, let me encourage you to be taking photos and getting them ready to submit to the contest. It's not difficult, and is quite fun and rewarding. If you'd like more detail on how to submit the photos, please let me know. I'll be happy to assist you. As contest Director, it is my responsibility to print and frame the winners of each entry class for the silent auction of the Fall Conference of the PNW District in November. I can use any old picture frames that you might have that are big enough to hold an 8" x 10" photo with a mat. So I need frames with single pane glass that are about 10 x 13 to 11 x 14 inches. If you have some of these that you'd like to donate, bring them to the July meeting. I'll be most appreciative. And, I need pieces of single pane window glass that I can cut to fit these sizes of frames. So bring that, too, if you can. If you have questions on this, please contact me.

I hope to see ALL of you at my home this month.
Harlow Young

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**2015 Rose Show Photos!
<http://tinyurl.com/2015RoseShowTCRS>

Next Meeting

July 27, 2015—7:00 PM

Home of Harlow and
Linda Young

3218 W 2nd Ave

Kennewick, WA

(Driving directions on page 2)

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TCRS Minutes, May 18, 2015

By Kathy Weber, Secretary



Fourteen rose society members and guests gathered in the lovely shaded gardens at The Timbers Apartments in Richland on a warm night and dined on box meals provided by Helen Newman. President Harlow Young opened the meeting with greetings and introductions of Greg and Dannie McLaughlin, who are owners of the apartment complex. They graciously welcomed us and shared the history of the 168 rose plantings within the garden, and the many interesting and whimsical chain saw sculptures hewn from pine trees which had been planted too close to the apartment buildings. There were many types of roses available for viewing: Grandifloras, Floribundas, Shrubs, Minis and Hybrid Teas. Harlow showed us a small rose bed he called the “briar patch” (which we decided is probably ‘Double Knockout’) around a three-tiered water fountain which had entrapped him in late April and early May pruning.

The minutes of the May 18 meeting were approved as printed in the *Rose Herald*. A treasurer’s report was not available. Jim Campbell opened a discussion and critique of the rose show. Some of the issues discussed were: earlier access to set up the show, lack of tables for showing, having enough help to put on the show, placing of the roses in a timely manner and runners to do the job, writing a show schedule with fewer classes, and the option of other locations in Richland for future shows. Ann Roberts suggested a poll be taken to determine people who would be interested in helping with a show next year – not just those who want to come and look at roses, but those who are willing to do the necessary work.

Harlow suggested we contact Joann Saylor to plan the menu and coordinate the October end-of-year banquet to be held at the Sandberg Event Center. There was unanimous approval. Following the business meeting and food, members continued their walk in the garden until dusk. Our next meeting will be at the home of Harlow and Linda Young in Kennewick on July 27 at 7:00 PM.

Next Meeting July 27, 2015

Harlow & Linda Young, Kennewick WA

Linda and I hope to see you in our garden on July 27, 2015 at 7:00 PM. We live at 3218 W. 2nd Avenue in Kennewick.

The easiest direction to get to our home is to go to Skippers restaurant on Kennewick Avenue (which is on the corner of Kennewick Avenue and Johnson Street) and turn south on Johnson Street to the next intersection which is Second Avenue. Our home is on the corner of Johnson Street and Second Avenue. Ours is the long gray house with the huge Norway Maple tree in the front yard. If you need further direction, please contact me and I’ll be happy to provide it for you. I have been working hard to get everything in order for your visit, and may not be completely finished by then, particularly if the hot afternoons continue. Come anyway. Linda and I are looking forward to this meeting. We have a “name the yard bird” contest and a great prize for the winning entry! We’ll have snacks (cookies or something like that) and cool drinks (sodas, water, etc.), and you can roam at your leisure among the roses and other plants. It’s a rather eclectic, ever changing collection. And, if you’re interested (and time allows), I’ll illustrate, by way of example, how I refurbish old weathered garden markers to accept new labels.

July Rose Garden By Norma Boswell, Master Rosarian



Two weeks of record-breaking 100+ degree heat have taken a toll on rose bushes. Heat damage includes dark brown to black sunburned leaves and crispy tan petals, smaller and shorter blooms, and reduced petal count. I notice five-petaled blooms on bushes whose blossoms are normally "double" or "fully double." Garden plants are unhappy in scalding heat.

Because I didn't finish planting before sun became a temporary enemy, I'm moving new rose starts into larger pots. Other rose growers are in the same boat, so I'll share two container planting tips (DOs and DON'Ts).

DO fill the entire pot with "planting medium." DON'T put a three-inch layer of rocks, gravel or any other thing (besides an unbleached coffee filter) at the bottom of the pot. Rocks interrupt drainage and cause water to pool, which in turn causes roots to rot. Soaked rose roots ("wet feet" day after day) can easily kill a new rose.

DO fill the pot with a soilless mix. DONT use garden soil – it contains living organisms, including pathogens and insects that can overwhelm tiny plants. **Worthwhile ingredients in a soilless mix** are long-fiber and short-fiber sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber (from coconut husks), perlite, pumice, forest bark, worm castings, time-release fertilizer, and polymers. **Polymers** are acrylics that can hold many, many times their weight in water and last indefinitely until broken down. **Time-release fertilizer** can last 4-6 months, depending on soil temperature and frequency of watering. It keeps plants flourishing while we're on vacation or unable to be in the garden.

Speaking of watering, how often should we water roses in pots compared to roses in the ground, and how much water should we give? In-ground watering depends on several conditions. If soil is **sandy**, it has big pores, accepts water easily, and drains fast. **Clay** soil has small pores, accepts water slowly, and drains slowly. (There are often mixtures of sandy and clay soil in the same garden). Before temperatures skyrocketed above 100 degrees, our county extension agent recommended watering about a half hour twice a week. **Infrequent long-session watering trains roots to go deep** (protected from both heat and cold). **Constant high heat requires extra water**. It makes sense to walk the garden in early morning or late evening to notice evidence of wilting.

Roses in pots are easy to check. Mulch should not be covering soil in a pot, so test with either a **moisture stick** or **finger**. You may need a **shovel** to test around a rose in the ground. Dig down six inches (past the drip line) and find out how much moisture is actually there.

Roses that are "croppers" (blooms come all at the same time) need pruning and fertilizing after each crop. The pink floribunda 'Sexy Remy' is a cropper. Many roses "stagger" their blooms. They offer several blooms at irregular short intervals. This work-horse habit usually makes them colorful enough to earn their keep, and also gives us leeway about when to prune and fertilize. **Almost every bush appreciates a new supply of nitrogen fertilizer after it blooms**. I'm using what I have opened from past years, including Soil Moist (3% nitrogen encapsulated in 22% cross-linked polyacrylamide...the label says to put it deep into soil right up against the roots), Organic Pacific Gro Crab Meal (crab shell contains nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, calcium and beneficial micro and macro nutrients found in sea water), Wilco (5.2% nitrogen), and alfalfa meal (3% nitrogen boosted by triacontanol, a plant alcohol).

"Special needs" applications, such as **sulfur** to lower pH, or **lime** to raise pH, will begin to work only if they are scratched into the soil. **Aged compost can be applied any time and is highly beneficial**.



I've noticed leaf damage by **leaf cutter bees** and **root weevils**. **Leaf cutters** are essential to alfalfa growers in the Mid-Columbia Basin and should be graciously allowed to take their precisely-curved leaf portions. This stolen greenery is used to line small tubular nests, where they deposit eggs and leave some aphids for the bee larvae to eat as they hatch and grow. On the other hand, **root weevils** really raise my temper; they chew irregular notches on the edges of leaves, ruining the appearance of several minis and sapping a certain amount of strength from the plants. Weevils hide in mulch or gravel, or under rocks, and sneak out at night. I used to take a flashlight outside and squash the little monsters, but that pursuit has become too demanding of time and energy.



Dozens of half-size, shiny, smooth-shelled **strawberry root weevils** have been roaming boldly on my linoleum floors since late June. It has been 20 years since I grew strawberries. You see, there are always mysteries to solve.

About Town

By *The Rose Whisperer* – AKA Harlow Young



One of my favorite in-season pastimes is to roam about the Tri-Cities looking at how people are decorating their yards with roses. One home on West Skagit Avenue in Kennewick has impressed me for the past couple of years. I have driven by many times and taken photos of their roses. In early May of this year I was privileged to talk to the home owner about his roses.



The fence bordering their lot has alternating bushes of ‘Social Climber’ and ‘Scent From Above.’ You’ll probably recognize these as climbing roses, but he is using them as tall bushes to enclose their yard. This spring these bushes were in full bloom, and they were absolutely beautiful! I enjoyed not only their beauty but their fragrance as well. All of these climbing roses were ordered several years ago from Jackson Perkins, and are now grown to maturity. They are not tethered to any trellis, but are allowed to grow up and to arch over the fence and intertwine to some degree, providing blends of pink and yellow. These varieties were chosen because of their size, color and fragrance. The home owner is very happy with the way they have grown. Over the years, he has planted additional bushes of Hybrid Tea, Grandiflora and Floribunda varieties in the front to provide color accents under these climbers.

In the front yard, they also have a rose feature that graces their parking area containing a HUGE ‘Baby Boomer’ display. I don’t think I have seen larger bushes of this variety. When they are in full spring bloom, they provide a beautiful pink accent to the front of the house. Among them is a larger bush of an unknown pink David Austin rose.



The home owner is a rosarian at heart. He loves his roses. I appreciate the fact that he gave me permission to take as many photos as I wanted. I am providing some of them here for you to enjoy also.

"Rivers of Roses" - 2015 PNW District & 67th Annual Rose Show Results May 30, 2015

Gretchen & Mike Humphrey (Tigard, OR) won the following awards. We congratulate them on their stellar showing!



L to R: PNW1, PNW3, PNW 13 and Queen of Show

Category / Awards	Rose(s)
PNW 1 The J. Horace McFarland District Trophy	'Grande Amore', 'Gemini' (x2), 'Firefighter', 'Olympiad', 'Savoy Hotel'
PNW 3 Judges' Trophy	'Grande Amore', 'Veterans' Honor', 'Solitaire'
PNW 11 Ralph Moore District Trophy	'Glowing Amber', 'Hot Tamale', 'Giggles', 'Baby Boomer', 'Irresistible', 'Ruby Baby'
PNW 13 The Vic Snitzler Memorial Trophy	'Magic Show', 'Giggles', 'Butter Cream'
Best in Show, Best Shrub Rose, ARS Certificate	'Sparrieshoop'
Queen of Show (1st Place), ARS Gold Medal	'Grand Amore' (right)
Prince of Show (4th Place)	'Asso di Cuori'
Duke of Show (6th Place)	'Marilyn Monroe'
Queen of Miniatures, ARS Gold Medal	'Bee's Knees'
King of Miniatures, ARS Silver Medal	'Luis Desamero'
Victorian Rose - OGR's, Post-1867, ARS Certificate	
Best Old Fashioned Rose	'Rose de Rescht' (right)
Best Portland Rose	
Best Miniature Spray, ARS Certificate	'Breath of Spring'
Miniature Rose Portrait	'Joy'



L to R: Prince, Duke, Mini-Queen and Mini-King of Show

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PNW 4 The Dr. Paul and Carrie Miller Memorial Trophy	‘Opening Night’
PNW 10 The Helene Schoen Memorial Trophy	‘Fame!’, ‘Crowd Pleaser’, ‘Opening Night’
King of Show (2nd Place), ARS Silver Medal	‘Crowd Pleaser’ (below)

L to R: PNW4 and PNW 10

Jim Linman
Portland, OR



Jim Campbell
West Richland, WA

PNW 2 The Al Schamel Memorial Trophy	‘Marilyn Monroe’ (right, middle)
PNW 7 The Seattle Rose Society Floribunda Trophy	‘Europeana’, ‘Singin’ In the Rain’, ‘Sexy REXY’ (below, far right)
Duchess of Show (5th Place)	‘Marilyn Monroe’ (below, far left)
Best Climbing Rose (Spray) ARS Certificate	‘Handel’ (below, middle)
Best David Austin Rose, ARS Certificate	‘L.D. Braithwaite’ (below)



2015 PNW District & 67th Annual TCRS Rose Show Results, continued

Mary Ann & Tom Kelley
Richland, WA

Princess of Show (3rd Place), ARS Bronze Medal	‘Sugar Moon’ (below, left)
Best Grandiflora Spray, ARS Certificate	‘Melodee Parfumee’ (below, middle left)
Floating Rose	‘Mt. Hood’ (below, middle right)
Floribunda Collection	‘Pumpkin Patch’, ‘Ketchup and Mustard’, ‘Betty Boop’ (below, far right)



Dowager Queen, ARS Certificate	‘Queen of Bourbons’ (right column top to bottom)	Mike Peterson Renton, WA
Country Rose Bouquet Challenge	‘Linda Campbell’	
Old Rose Bouquet Challenge	‘Queen of Bourbons’	

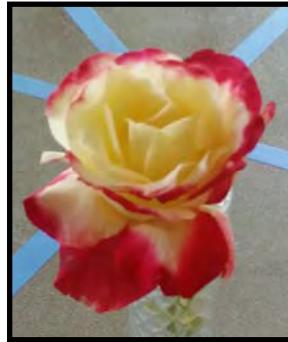


Margaret Snitzler Vancouver, WA	Best Single Miniature, ARS Certificate	‘Little Artist’
	Best Open Bloom Mini, ARS Certificate	‘Tennessee’
	Miniature Bloom Sequence	‘Pierrine’



L to R: Single Miniature, Open Bloom Miniature, Miniature Bloom Sequence

2015 PNW District & 67th Annual TCRS Rose Show Results, continued



Princess of Miniatures, ARS Bronze Medal (above left)	‘Ruby Baby’	Warren Skelton Caldwell, ID
Most Fragrant Rose Challenge (above middle left)	‘Fragrant Cloud’	

Jordan Tuck Pasco, WA	Best Junior Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora (above middle right)	‘Cherry Parfait’
	Best Junior Floribunda (above far right)	‘Angel Face’
	Best Junior Miniature /Miniflora Bloom	‘Autumn Splendor’



Best Hybrid Tea Spray, ARS Certificate	‘Black Magic’ (left to right, above)	Jolene Angelos Kennewick, WA
Miniature English Box	‘Iced Raspberry’, ‘Denver’s Dream’, ‘Rainbow’s End’, ‘Chelsea Belle’, ‘Picotee’, ‘Hot Tamale’	
Miniature Artist’s Palette	‘Innocence’, ‘Iced Raspberry’, ‘Hot Tamale’, ‘Rainbow’s End’, ‘Heather Sproul’	
Hybrid Tea Bloom Sequence	‘Voodoo’	



Bob Louie
Kennewick, WA

Best Floribunda Spray, ARS Certificate
‘Nicole’ (left)

Barbara Cyrus
Portland, OR

Best Polyantha Spray, ARS Certificate
‘China Doll’ (right)



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Harlow Young
Kennewick, WA
One Spray - Photography
'Green Snake' (right)



Best Fully Open Hybrid Tea Bloom, ARS Certificate
'Gemini' (right)
Patrice Moore
Walla Walla, WA



Richard Kerkof
Pasco, WA
Mini Floating Rose
'Tracey Wickham' (left)



Category	Name of Arrangement & Roses Used
Best Traditional Arrangement Using Miniature / Miniflora Roses; ARS Gold Medal; ARS Mini-Royalty Ribbon (above L to R)	Class 16 Desert Sunset: 'Oso Happy Petit Pink'
Best Arrangement in the Oriental Manner Using Miniature / Miniflora Roses; ARS Silver Medal; ARS Mini-Oriental Ribbon	Class 20 White Bluffs: 'Green Ice'
Best Modern Creative Arrangement Using Miniature / Miniflora Roses	Class 18 Manhattan Project: 'Green Ice'
Best Judge's Entry, ARS Best Judge's Entry	Class 15 Tumbling Tumble Weeds: 'Halo Today'



Best Traditional Arrangement
Class 1 Three Rivers: 'Rock & Roll', 'Marilyn Monroe', 'Gemini', 'National Trust', 'Polarstern', 'Sunset Celebration'



Reign McEwen



Dorothy Campbell
West Richland, WA

Jolene Angelos
Kennewick, WA

Best Rosecrafts using Dried Roses, ARS Rosecraft Certificate
Class 22 Hot Summer Days: 'Boule de Neige'

Functional Tray Using Standard Size Roses
Class 9 Wine and Roses: 'Ink Spots', 'Always and Forever', 'Deep Secret' (above left)

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