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Hi Rose Rustler Friends,

Since this is my last Message from the Chair, I thought I would share pictures of some of my favorite TRR meetings and activities over the years. So many roses have been shared and so many friends were made with several passing away and now caring for God's garden. Also, I wanted to let you know that Rosa 'Ray Ponton' should be available at Antique Rose Emporium in the fall.

It's been my pleasure serving on the board the last 13 years. Let's keep the spirit of the Texas Rose Rustlers going! Happy Summer!



Rosa 'Ray Ponton'











2018 Fall-Schulenburg



2018 Peaceable Kingdom: Libbie Winston and Liz Druitt



2018 Peaceable Kingdom: celebration of Liz Druitt's birthday



VINTAGE CORNER

An Enchanted Day at Enchanted Gardens with Mike Shoup By Denise Riccobono Spring 2009

I've never understood how anyone could wish the winter away here in the Houston area...the respite from the heat of summer has always soothed my transplanted Yankee soul for the few months that it lasts. Not that the "soothing" part has completely disappeared, but I'm starting to understand (and gradually feel a bit more Texan) with every Spring that I experience as a gardener and rose lover in our area of this wonderful state.

Speaking of Spring, I hope all of you were a bit more timely than I was in the Valentine's Day trimming of your roses and are starting to enjoy the benefits of that timeliness of gorgeous flushes of blooms. Mike Shoup of the Antique Rose Emporium had some wonderful advice for us all when he made his visit to the Enchanted Gardens on February 28th. For those of you who missed it, the word of the day regarding pruning was "ruthless", giving us all another reason to love these beautiful shrubs that he calls "the ultimate garden plants." By "ruthless", he meant that we are allowed to just have at it with our loppers and clip away without regard to bud eyes and all the other specifics of the more finicky modern, grafted roses. That has to feel good to those of you have gradually accumulated hundreds of roses in your garden (and you know who you are). To make his point, he told us that they complete the spring pruning of the multitude of roses at the Antique Rose Emporium in just a couple of days. Imagine that! I was so inspired by his words that, when I finally got around to my (late) pruning task, I was determined to be completely ruthless and then step back in satisfaction in record time. So, here's my confession...I couldn't do it (of course, I only have 30 odd roses in my garden). I started out fine and then gradually went back to the motherly method, offering encouraging words as I pruned, that I guess I'll continue with until my rose obsession gets even more out of control. Still, I hope the rest of you will find his advice liberating and be more successful in following it.

Another suggestion he gave that, at first sounded like he was being facetious, was to "tickle" your roses occasionally as you pass them by or work on or near them (it would probably be best to wear some good rose gloves while following this advice). This stimulates the bush to work a little harder to do what we want it to do, i.e., grow strong and healthy and provide us with lots of its own special blooms. Unintentionally, I had been following this advice all along. Who can resist caressing a beautiful rose in one's garden almost mindlessly when strolling past or as a little thank you for the beautiful flower or lovely, full foliage? Or am I just taking my rooted children a little too seriously.

"A good mulch covers a multitude of sins."

Spring Symposium

Photos and article by Nancy Boller

The Anne Belovich Rambler Garden at Chambersville Tree Farm is an impressive collection of more than 300 rare, once-blooming ramblers. Claude Graves, curator of the Chambersville rose gardens, kindly gave us a tour of the stunning roses on their tower supports. During the tour Claude pointed out that they did little to stop insects or disease other than removing plants with Rose Rosette Disease (RRD). Claude encouraged our group to take as many cuttings as we wanted but to leave limbs with the flowers since they bloom only once. He also told us that Chambersville Tree Farm has been sold, and the garden was being transferred to the American Rose Society rose gardens, located on a 118-acre wooded tract near Shreveport, Louisiana. It would be nice to go back to this incredible garden for more cuttings before the end of December 2022 when the tree farm changes ownership. I wish to give thanks to Sherrie Ely and the Dallas Area Historical Rose Society for hosting the lunch and meeting. I also give many thanks to Pam Smith for the feast she served Saturday evening at her home for our group.





Clockwise from left: Kathy taking some cuttings, Kathy and Lise, Claude Graves and Shery Ely, Pam Smith









Board Elections

It's time for the Board elections. Below is a list of positions. Some of the Board members will be stepping down and others will be running for a new position. Please consider joining the Board. The following people are currently running:

Chairperson & Communications Chairman - Elisabeth Castro Secretary - Kathy Huizinga Program Chair - Robert Trevino Hospitality Chair - Nancy Boller Newletter Editor - Steve Spears Treasurer - Open

Term of Office

Officers will be elected at the Summer Meeting of even-numbered years, and shall serve for two full years beginning on the first day of August following the election.

Please make sure you exercise your vote at the Summer Meeting. Nominations for office shall be permitted from the floor during the meeting. Those members nominating candidates shall check with their candidates prior to nominating them and shall determine their willingness to serve.

We hope to see you at our Summer Meeting.

SAVE THE DATE



Chasing a Dream

Learn about rose hybridizing from expert Steve Roussell located in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Steve is a member of the Southwest Louisiana Rose Society, Houston Rose Society, and three other local societies, as well as the ARS and Rose Hybridizers Association. He and his wife Carmen have been growing roses for approximately 44 years. Steve started hybridizing in 2010 and successfully turned his rose growing hobby into a profession! He is interested in creating big roses with fragrance, vigor, disease resistance and either good garden rose or show rose form.

Several years ago, Steve is quoted as saying "I want my roses to create a name for themselves". Three different nurseries are currently selling four roses hybridized by Steve. Those roses are named Clovie, Vibrant Vonnie, Liz's Charm, and American Maid.

Last September, Steve shared his knowledge about rose hybridizing at the ARS National Convention in Milwaukee and has also presented at other rose society meetings across Louisiana and Texas.

Please join us in person at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 1819 Heights Blvd., Houston, TX; 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm on Thursday, July 14, 2022. If you cannot join us in person, you can also join from the comfort of your home using a computer, tablet, or smartphone with Go To Meeting by clicking the link below:

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Texas Rose Rustlers Summer Meeting

The Texas Rose Rustlers Summer Meeting will take place at Green Meadows Event Center; 9655 FM 50, across from the Antique Rose Emporium in Brenham, TX on July 16, 2022. We will be meeting at our usual 10:00 a.m.

We will have two speakers,

1) Walter Wilkins, Chief Docent at the John Fairey Garden & Conservation Foundation. You can explore more about this garden at: <u>ifgarden.org</u>

and

2) Mike Shoup of the Antique Rose Emporium; 10000 FM 50, Independence, TX will also speak to us about A.R.E.'s new rose introductions.

We are having a "Pot Luck Luncheon" so, please bring a dish or dessert or drinks.

Also, don't forget to bring your "Lotto plants."

P. Allen Smith: "The best gardeners are those with a long history in the garden and soil on their hands."



Texas Rose Rustlers MembershipForm

Dear Texas Rose Rustler friends.

Membership in TRR runs from July through June of the following year.

Your membership supports the organization by providing speakers and venues and include the following:

- 1. Old Texas Rose newsletter published four times a year
- 2. Three events per year, including:

- · Spring Symposium
- Summer Rookie Rustle
- Fall Cutting Exchange

Membership Dues are \$15 per household for one year. Please include this renewal form with your personal check or money order.

Please make your personal check or money order payable to Texas Rose Rustlers and mail to:

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Rose Websites

Texas Rose Rustlers: www.texasroserustlers.com

Rose File: www.rosefile.com (Rose ID)

Help Me Find: www.helpmefind.com (Rose ID)

American Rose Society: www.rose.org (Rose information)
UCI IPM website: http://ipm.ucanr.edu (Pest information)

Baldo Villegas Bugs and Roses: www.sactorose.org (Rose and pest information)

This is your newsletter. I'm always looking for articles on your garden, your favorite rose, how you became interested in roses, photos of your garden, etc. Please send them to me at steves223@yahoo.com.

Texas Rose Rustler Board Members