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June, 2009


JUNE PROGRAM NEWS

Come out to the June Meeting and learn about **Birds in the Garden**. Our speaker will be Hank Wright, owner of A Wild Bird Oasis, located in Medford, NJ. Hank will discuss the impact of birds in the garden, will highlight local insect eating birds and will include some history and folklore on the birds.

The June Meeting will also feature an **Old Garden Roses Show and Tell**. All you OGR gardeners out there, we would like to see your roses! Bring sample OGRs, each in their own vase, and include an index card or label with the rose name, variety and your name. Other rose varieties will be featured at future meetings.

*The
 West Jersey Rose Society
 members appreciate the work of
 Dee Bosch for volunteering to coordinate
 refreshments for the next 3 months and to the
 following members for contributing tasty treats
 to our meeting buffet for :*

June
 Henry Weisl, Patti Minix, Iliana Okum,
 George Glasbrenner &
 Dee & Brenna Bosch



Membership dues were due by March 31st. Please mail in your renewal and continue to receive your newsletter and participate in Society activities. It helps our Society plan and budget for all expenses.

WJRS 2009 Membership Renewal Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please complete this form, cut it out and mail it with a check for \$15 to: NEW Membership Chair, Cindy Chandler, 329 Maple Avenue, Audobon, NJ 08016. Thanks!

Consulting Rosarian Report: June in the Rose Garden

By George and Elaine Reinas

June Roses

After having weeks of rain, we can be sure that our roses are well watered. In addition, we live atop a high-water topography that contributes moisture to the ground beneath.

We have kept watch day after day to see what progress our favorite rose bushes are making, but we are at the mercy of the weather; mostly very wet, cool and windy.

Garden Cleaning

We have prepared for June by getting out in the garden in March, April and May whenever the weather permitted. We pruned the bushes while molding them into the shape of a basket or tulip. We cleaned the garden of old leaves and debris that have blown in during the winter and spring months. We have been careful not to scratch the ground too deeply so as to harm the roots close to the surface. We use small tools that we have for houseplants to limit injury to the roots of the roses.

We have all persevered, and we expect to be rewarded during the month of June with beautiful roses.

Organic Fertilizer

We continue our fertilizing program. We sprinkle about a cup of an organic fertilizer such as **Rose-tone** in a circle along the drip line of the rose plant 8 -10 inches out. The larger shrubs and climbers will take more, 1½ - 2 cups would be fine. The miniatures will need less than a cup, maybe just a ½ cup depending upon the size of the plant. Even miniatures vary in size. An organic fertilizer can be applied once a month up to September. The **Espoma** people claim that **Rose-tone** is a complete plant food with all 15 essential nutrients. They said it is environmentally safe ... no sludges, hazardous or toxic ingredients. Most importantly it won't

burn and contains organic matter rich in vitamins and beneficial microbes to improve soil.

We used to make our own organic fertilizer but found it more trouble than it was worth. We now let **Espoma** and others do the work for us! Alaska Fish Emulsion is another natural fertilizer that will give your leaves a nice healthy color.

There are other fertilizers such as **Liquid Mills Magic** that can be applied according to the directions on the container. While these formulations add nutrients to the soil and roses, it is important not to go overboard and fertilize too much so that you end up with strange growth of the leaves. This strange growth is a result of over-fertilization and not **Rose Rosette** disease.

At this time, since there has been too much dampness and light rain over a period of weeks, we haven't had to water. We just add a mulch of triple-ground hardwood about 3 inches deep. We purchase this by the yard from Leonberg Nursery in Moorestown. It saves a lot of work in the long run. It helps cool down the roses from the summer heat, also.

Before we get too far along, we should consider adding some **Epsom Salts** (magnesium) that will aid in the forming of new basal breaks. This is a good time to encourage basal breaks. If we are successful, we will have a better garden for the next bloom.

Spray Program

We continue our regular spray program for most of the roses. The Knock Out roses and certain others such as 'Dortmund' can take a bye on

this one. We spray every two weeks alternating three different fungicides: **Mancozeb, Banner Max and Compass**. It is best to get started on a spray program before it is too late. We don't spray for insects as a rule. However, we do use a water wand in the mornings to disturb aphids and when it's really hot, spider mites.

Rose Midge

Those who have large gardens must be especially careful to locate a pesticide that will terminate the **Rose Midge**. This is one pest that cannot be ignored, or we will have no flowers. You will sense its presence when you see burnt blind ends on some of your rose stems. I would certainly investigate the **Bayer Advanced Garden Rose and Flower Insect Killer** and **Bayer Advanced Lawn Complete Insect Killer for Soil and Turf**.

Rose Show Information

As you know, the **WJRS Rose Show** will be held at the Moorestown Mall on Saturday, June 6th. There is something here for everyone's interest. For those who have never exhibited their roses before, this would be the opportunity to come with your best blooms and share their beauty with all of us. As you will see, when you walk into the show, the roses are arranged by color. To me that makes a much more beautiful arrangement than if the roses were arranged alphabetically.

The best thing I could say to someone new to exhibiting is to plan ahead. Take excellent care of your roses and finger prune in order to have the entry you want; i.e. remove side buds early on in order to have an exhibition bloom with no side buds for the show. If you see you have the makings of a spray, remove the largest central bud during the weeks that precede the show. If you wait until later, there will be dark scars; buds removed at the show rarely are visible. Large blooms should have a stem length 15 – 20 inches. Miniatures should be in the range of 4 – 8 inches.

It's important to read the show booklet ahead of time and figure out what you want to exhibit; then check off the roses in the booklet.

Exhibiting for the Beginner

Select how many tags you will need. Too many blooms can be more than a beginner needs.

Label several roses from the same bush and see which one looks best on the day of the show. There are cheap iridescent labels with a string running through them for sale in places like Office Maxx. Write the name of each rose on a tag and the class, if you don't think you will remember; i.e. Mr. Lincoln, ht (hybrid tea) or Europeana, fl (floribunda). You don't want to be disqualified by having the wrong name on the rose.

Water frequently if you possibly can during the week before the show. Use a hose or a watering can on the ground around the bush.

Write the information requested on the entry tag leaving the variety and class blank until you are sure of just what you are going to enter. Make sure you have your **Handbook for Selecting Roses** with you so you can look up the correct spelling of roses as well as their color in order to put them in the right class.

Cut your blooms a day or two or the night before the show. You want hybrid tea blooms that will be two-thirds to three-quarters open when being exhibited. Cut long stems on a slant. Cut the stems again under water and store in your refrigerator or cool, dark cellar. If you store in your refrigerator, make sure it is not frost-free. You can store roses in your refrigerator if you tie the blooms in plastic Baggies. In the case of minis, you can put them in your refrigerator in a low container and cover with plastic wrap held in place by a rubber band.

Groom your foliage after you cut your roses, if you can. The easiest way to clean the leaves is to gently rub them with a paper towel or soft cloth.

Groom your bloom the morning of the show. A hybrid tea should have a well-defined, high and

pointed center. If there is a small blemish that can be removed, do it with manicure scissors.

Place your rose in the vial provided you. Plastic wrap comes in handy here. You can put a small amount around the stem in the vial to keep it in position. It should not come above the vial.

Finish the entry tags supplying the variety and class of which you are certain. Fold up the bottom section of your tag and place in the groove in the vial stand.

For floribundas you groom essentially the same way. You can exhibit a specimen or a spray. They are judged on the overall form of the spray and the form of the florets.

Place your entry on the table with the number you have for your class. If you can't locate it, ask someone for help.

Good luck going for your first blue ribbon!

A shoe box or tackle box will come in handy for holding entry tags, soft rags, manicure scissors, tweezers, pen, pencil, pruners and **Handbook for Selecting Roses**.

Below are three of Frank Benardella's new rose introductions



Come Hither - Miniature Rose



Show Stopper – Mini-Flora Rose



BENcrazy - Miniature Rose

The West Jersey Rose Society
55th Annual Banquet

VENTURA'S Restaurant
Terrace Room
178 Route 73, Voorhees, NJ
856-767-7400

Beautiful Garden Location
Great Food, Good Friends
Door Prizes!

Wednesday, July 15, 2007

6:30 - 7:15 Cocktails and Registration
7:15 Dinner

\$32.00 per Person – same as last year!

Mail this portion with your check payable to:
West Jersey Rose Society

Mail to: June Hament 14 Sandpiper Drive
Voorhees, NJ 08043

Mu Menu Choices - please check your selection(s):

- _____ Stuffed Shrimp with Crabmeat
- _____ Chicken Limone with fresh Scallops & Asparagus
- _____ Filet Mignon Medallions with Mushrooms
- _____ Vegetarian Pasta or Eggplant **Plus** Antipasto, salad, carrot cake, coffee and tea

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Special Diet Request _____

Checks **must** be received by **Tuesday, June 30 !**



Visit a Rose Garden this June!

Listed below is a selection of rose gardens in NJ, PA, and DE. Additions to the list are welcome and encouraged. Information was obtained through websites and books listing gardens. Corrections are welcomed too.

If you do visit one of these gardens, send a paragraph or two describing the rose garden to Terry Palise at cpalise@verizon.net and we will share it with WJRS members in the next newsletter. Enjoy the roses!

Upcoming Events at Rose Gardens

Longwood Gardens

(www.longwoodgardens.org)
US 1, Kennett Square, PA 610.388.1000
Open May 23, 2009 – Sept 6, 2009: Mon, Tues, Wed, & Sun, 9 am – 6 pm, Thurs, Fri, & Sat, 9 am – 10 pm; Sept 7, 2009 – Nov 22, 2009: 9 am – 5 pm; Nov 26, 2009 – Jan 10, 2010: 9 am – 9 pm
Roses can be found scattered throughout the outdoor gardens and the indoor gardens.
Delchester Rose Society Rose Show – June 13, 2009.

Morris Arboretum (www.upenn.edu/arboretum)
100 E. Northwestern Ave., Philadelphia, PA 215.247.5777

Open Apr, May, Sept & Oct: Weekdays, 10 am – 4 pm, Weekends 10 am – 5 pm;
Jun – Aug: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, 10 am – 4 pm, Thurs 10 am – 8:30 pm, Weekends 10 am – 5 pm; Nov – Mar: Daily 10 am – 4 pm
The Morris Arboretum features a walled Rose Garden with companion plantings divided into four sections, each with a different color theme.
Philadelphia Rose Society Rose Show – June 7, 2009.
Moonlight & Roses – June 12, 2009

Rudolf W. van der Goot Rose Garden

(www.somersetcountyparks.org)
Colonial Park, East Millstone, NJ 732.873.2459
Open Daily Dawn – Dusk; Note: The garden will be closed for renovations from July 1, 2009 through October 15, 2009.
This large garden features 3,000 roses in 325 varieties.
35th Annual Rose Day - June 13, 2009, 10 am – 4 pm (lectures and workshops).

Wyck (www.wyck.org)

6026 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, PA 215.848.1690
Open Tues & Thurs Noon – 4 pm; Sat. 1 pm – 4 pm and by appointment.
Roses galore and some have been there since the 19th Century.
Wyck Old Rose Symposium – May 30, 2009 (Rose speakers, demonstrations and an ask the experts session).

Rose Gardens in New Jersey

Acorn Hall (www.acornhall.org)

68 Morris Ave, Morristown, NJ 973.267.3465
The gardens include thirty varieties of Victorian Roses.

Brookdale Park Rose Garden (www.essex-countynj.org)

Watchung Ave., Bloomfield, NJ 07003 973.268.3500
Open Dawn to 9pm
The Rose Garden began in 1959 when the North Jersey Rose Society donated 750 rose bushes. The Garden currently has over 100 different species.

Deep Cut Gardens – Horticultural Center

(www.monmouthcountyparks.com)
352 Red Hill Road, Middletown, NJ 732.671.6050
Open Dawn - Dusk
The large Parterre area features roses.

Historic Smithville Mansion

Smithville Road, Easthampton, NJ
609.261.0472
Mansion Grounds Open Weekdays, 8am – 5pm;
Park Open Daily, 8 am - Dusk
The Mansion has rose garden courtyards.

Jack D. Lissemore Rose Garden

Davis Johnson Park, 137 Engle Street, Tenafly,
NJ 201.569.7275
This is an award-winning rose garden.

Lambertus C. Bobbink Memorial Rose Garden

Thompson Park, Lincroft, NJ 732.842.4000
Open Daily, 8 am - Dusk

In addition to containing over 1500 roses, this garden serves as a trial site and demonstration garden for the All-American Rose Selections.

The Lewis W. Barton Arboretum at Medford Leas (www.medfordleas.org)

1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ
609.654.3000
Open Daily, 8:30 am to 8 pm; Check in at the Reception Desk in the Community Building
The 168-acre campus features an arboretum and nature preserve with roses planted in landscaped areas.

Wallbridge Rose Garden

Taylor Park, Millburn Ave., Milburn, NJ
973.564.7058
Open Daily, Dawn – Dusk

Rose Gardens in Pennsylvania

Andalusia (www.andalusiapa.org)
1237 State Road, Andalusia, PA 215.245.5479
Group tours by appointment only
Andalusia contains a beautiful rose garden.

Henry Schmieder Arboretum
(www.deval.edu/Arboretum)

Delaware Valley College, 700 East Butler Avenue (PA611 & US 202), Doylestown, PA
215.489.2283
Open Daily, Dawn - Dusk
Species, heirloom and modern roses can all be found at this Arboretum.

Scott Arboretum – Dean Bond Rose Garden

(www.scottarboretum.org)
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA
610.328.8025
Open Daily, Dawn – Dusk
The Rose Gardens contains over 200 varieties of roses.

Rose Gardens in DE

Goodstay Gardens

University of Delaware, 2600 Pennsylvania Ave, Wilmington, DE 302.573.4450
Open Daily, Dawn – Dusk
The Tudor style gardens surrounding the Goodstay Mansion include a rose garden.

Jasper Crane Rose Garden

North Park Drive & North Van Buren Street, Brandywine Park, Wilmington, DE
Open Daily, Dawn – Dusk
This rose garden won third place honors for garden design from the All-America Rose Selections in 2006.

Rockwood (www.rockwood.org)

Shipleigh Road & Washington Street Extension, Wilmington, DE 302.761.4340
Open Daily, 6 am – 10 pm
A walled garden with climbing roses can be found at this former estate.



Submitted by B. Bosch

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WJRS meets at 7:30 p.m. on the THIRD Wednesday of each month (except during the months of January and July) at:

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**Medford Lees Community Meeting Hall,
 1 Medford Lees, Route 70, Medford, NJ**

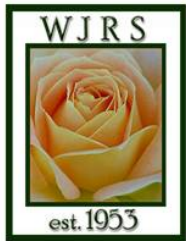
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2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June	06	West Jersey Rose Show— Moorestown Mall
June	07	Philadelphia Rose Show— Morris Arboretum, PA
June	17	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30 pm
June	18-24	2009 ARS Spring National Convention, Vancouver, BC
June	13	Del-Chester Rose Show— Longwood Gardens, PA
June	14	Reading Berks Rose Show Reading, PA
July		No Meeting
July	15	Annual Banquet—Ventura's
July	17-19	National Mini Rose Show, Camp Hill, PA
August	19	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30pm
September	11-13	Penn-Jersey District Convention—Clarion Hotel, Cherry Hill
September	16	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30 pm
October	21	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30 pm
November	11-15	2009 ARS Fall National Conference, Palm Springs, CA
November	18	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30 pm
December	16	Meeting Medford Leas 7:30 pm



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Rose Garden Visits
Bill Kozemchak & Tom Mayhew
Rose Gardens open Sunday May 31st.

Sorry for the late notice, but since the gardens are way ahead of schedule and we have no shows to enter or judge that weekend, we decided to open our gardens from 10 am - 6 pm on Sunday May 31st. Please bring your cameras. The gardens should be in full bloom. Please pass this along to others in your society. Also feel free to bring friends or relatives that may enjoy the rose gardens.