



ROSARIAN REMINDER

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This Month's Meeting:

Tulsa Garden Center
2435 S Peoria
Tulsa, OK
June 12, 2011
The Magnificent Miniflora
Roses
Jack Dickson

Refreshments:

Mary Rowe & Butch Neumeier

Events to Come

**Regular meetings are held at the
Tulsa Garden Center the second Sunday
of each month at 2:00 PM**

Business Meetings are open to all members. Date and time will be announced at the regular meetings.

Looking forward to 2011:

June 12 - Miniature and Miniflora Roses - Jack Dickson

July 10 - Picnic - location to be announced

Aug 14 - Landscaping with Roses

Sept 11 - Rose Photography

October 9 - David Austin Roses

Visit the Tulsa Rose Society website for the full year of meeting dates after the calendar is established.

From our President

Our Spring Rose Show was small, but we had more blooms and better quality than we had expected after all the cold weather, dry snow fall (blizzard), lack of rain, and our infamous Oklahoma winds. I think all of us who attended, worked on the show, and judges were happy to have the number of entries that we had in this show.

Don and Brenda Johnson did a great job as co-chairmen for the event this year. They also had great entries, did an extraordinary amount of work on the rose show as well as on their own garden, and as always were extremely helpful to the rest of us who were working the show and entering it. Also we want to thank those of you who worked the show, helped us clerk, tallied the ribbons, and helped tear it down at the end of the day. We also need to thank our judges who traveled here from Oklahoma City and Arkansas to help support us by bringing entries and also helped us clerk the show. We had a number of arrangements which speaks very well for this rose society. Finally, we must thank TCC and Dennis Voss for giving us a place to show our roses this year a week earlier than we could have had a show at the Tulsa Garden Center.

Please consider putting a rose or two in our next show. You will learn by doing, and I think you will enjoy it. This can be a somewhat addictive hobby, but it is so much fun!

Our next board meeting will be held immediately following our regular meeting on Sunday, June 12, 2011. We met after the April meeting at the Panera Bread located at 71st street and Lewis. We all ordered a small meal and the meeting lasted only about an hour including the meal. We are trying this format to accommodate a couple of our board members who can't attend a weekday morning meeting at the garden center. All of our members are welcome to attend the board meeting.

Tony Graham and Don and Brenda Johnson graciously opened their gardens for a small garden tour on Mother's Day. I enjoyed visiting both gardens. Tony had a plaque which said something to the effect that while searching for his mother's garden, he found his own. That is the case with many of us. I also like the one from the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. which ends by saying: "One is nearer God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth."

Happy gardening!
Rose M. Rusnam, TRS Pres.

Tulsa Rose Society Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, May 4, 2011

President Rose Rusman called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. at the Tulsa Garden Center. Those present were Rose Rusman, John Carter, Judy Carter, Don Johnson, and Tony Graham. The minutes were not available from the previous month.

The Treasurer reported \$7,804.58 in the checking account and the report was filed for audit. Judy reported that the total proceeds from our SpringFest event was \$678.31 after expenses. Also, total proceeds from our March Bingo event was \$807.12, giving us total fundraising income of \$1,485.43. Donations were approved in April to Tulsa Garden Center of \$75 for our booth at SpringFest and \$200 for our affiliate's participation in the Bernsen Grant 100 year study. Judy also stated that we had a returned check for \$64 from our rose sale at EcoFest at TCC. Rose and Dennis will follow up on this matter.

Committee Reports: Membership: Judy reported that we have two new members: Linda McCartney and Peggy Tsai, both from our SpringFest event. Butch Neumeier is home recovering from knee surgery and Rose will take Butch a get-well-soon card. **Programs:** Don Johnson discussed upcoming programs. We have no speaker for our June meeting at this time. July will be our picnic and Butch will host if he feels well following his surgery. **Newsletter:** John can always use new articles. **Door Prizes:** none will be given at our May garden tour. **Show:** Properties: Don will rent a moving truck to transport our show properties to TCC this month. Norma Whitehead and the Carters have purchased and marked all show awards and Brenda will review these along with the room layout. Judges have been invited and Brenda will arrange for lunch on judging day.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Since a quorum was not present today, the discussion of the June picnic was tabled until the next meeting. Judy stated that she had received a letter from Maureen Turner of the Tulsa Dept. of Public Works thanking our society for their volunteer work in the Rose Garden. John will print this in our next newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Carter, Acting Secretary

Where are the Members?

Editorial from John Carter, Editor Rosarian Reminder

The Tulsa Rose Society has 60 memberships at this time. Many of them are family memberships which mean that there are two or more individuals so we have at least 80 persons that can call themselves members of the Tulsa Rose Society.

Our annual rose show was held May 21st. The only members that were seen visiting the show were those that are our regular workers who helped with the conduction of the show or were exhibitors. We all are not exhibitors but the rose show is part of our educational effort to the membership and community. We enjoy the beauty of the rose and enjoy them in our garden as our membership indicates. Yes, visiting a rose show does not necessarily teach us to care for our roses or grow better roses but it will expose us to the varieties of roses that can be grown in our area. If we need to replace or add a rose to our garden, knowing what can be grown and what it looks like is a great help in our making a good selection.

A similar learning experience could have been enjoyed during our May meeting when we visited a couple of our member's gardens instead of meeting at the Tulsa Garden Center. We gain ideas as to how we can lay out and build a rose garden in our yard. Tony Graham had not opened his yard in the past. He demonstrated that it was not necessary to have a large back yard to have a beautiful rose garden with a lot of color. Most of us have been to the Johnson's before but you will always find new roses and expansion of the existing growing areas.

We had fewer than ten families at each of these events. This is a very small percentage of the total membership. Where were our members? Why did they not attend or participate in these events? Our next meeting will be held at the Tulsa Garden Center. Jack Dickson, one of our members from Oklahoma City, will be talking about Minifloras. Jack is a hybridizer and is a top exhibitor. He will share his experience in growing minifloras. The miniflora is larger than a miniature but smaller than a hybrid tea or floribunda. If you are limited on space or want to get more varieties in a limited space maybe you should grow minifloras. Are you going to be there? Your input to the types of programs we offer is always appreciated. The Society exists for the benefit of the members so we appreciate your input.



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Thanks to Brenda Johnson for recording the show winners.

Horticulture

SECTION 1

Large Challenge Class--class 1--three HT--Don and Brenda Johnson--Bugatti, Black Magic, St. Patrick

Large Challenge Class--class 5--Hi-Low--Don and Brenda Johnson--Nancy Jean, Marilyn Monroe

Large Challenge Class-- class 7--President's Choice--Don Johnson--Austin English Rose

Large Challenge Class--class 9--Large English Box--Don and Brenda Johnson--Artic Circle, Marlon's Day

Large Challenge Class--class 10--Rose In A Bowl--Don and Paula Adlong--White Linen

Large Challenge Class--class 11--Rose In A Frame--Tony Graham--Veteran's Honor

Large Challenge Class--class 12--Hybridizer's Challenge--Don and Brenda Johnson--Hot Princess x Gemini

SECTION 2

Miniature Challenge Class--class 17--Miniature English Box--Dr Troy Garrett--Bees knees, Fair Hope, Hilde,
Tooth of Time, Pierrine, Figurine

Miniature Challenge Class--class 18--Miniature Rose In an Artist Palette--Dr. Troy Garrett--Bees Knees,
Klassy Lady, Pina Colada, Roxy, Nancy Jean

Miniature Challenge Class--class 19--Miniature Rose In a Bowl--Dennis & Renee' Niklas--Nancy Jean

Miniature Challenge Class--class 20--Rose In A Frame--Liz Enoch--Soroptimist International

SECTION 3

Miniflora Challenge Class--class 26--Miniflora Rose in a Bowl--Dennis & Renee' Niklas--Dr. Troy Garrett

SECTION 5

Judges Challenge Class--class 32--Stan Horton--Nancy Jean

SECTION 7 HT & Grandiflora

Queen of Show--Don and Brenda Johnson--Hot Princess

King of Show--Don & Brenda Johnson--Moonstone

Princess--Don & Paula Adlong--White Linen

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Artic Circle--Don & Brenda Johnson

Black Magic--Don & Brenda Johnson

Cajun Sunrise--Don & Brenda Johnson

Denali--Don & Paula Adlong
Let Freedom Ring--Don & Brenda Johnson
Louise Estes--Don & Paula Adlong
Perfectly Red--Don & Paula Adlong
Fully Open HT. Don & Paula Adlong--Cesar E. Chavez
Class 39--Floribunda Spray--Dennis & Renee' Niklas--Day Breaker
Class 40--Climbers--Don & Brenda Johnson--Purple Splash
Class 41--Floribundas--Don & Brenda Johnson-- Pinnacle
Class 42--HT Spray--Don & Brenda Johnson--Dainty Bess
Class 43 Polyantha Spray--Don & Brenda Johnson--Wing Ding
Class 45--Fragrance Award--Dennis & Renee' Niklas--Princess Dawn

SECTION 8

OGR'S--class 47--Dowager Queen--Green Rose--Don & Brenda Johnson
OGR'S class-48--Victorian Award--Frau Karl Druschki
OGR'S & SHRUBS--BOUQUET-- class 49--Don & Brenda Johnson
SHRUBS--CLASS 50--David Austin Rose Bouquet--Don & Brenda Johnson
Classic Shrubs--Linda Campbell--Don & Brenda Johnson
Modern Shrub--Tradescant--Don & Brenda Johnson
Genesis or Species--Rosa Gallica--Don & Brenda Johnson

SECTION 9

Class 54--Miniature Roses--Odessa--Dr.Troy Garrett
Queen of Miniature Roses-- Klassy Lady--Dr.Troy Garrett
King of Miniatures--Memphis Bell--Dennis & Renee' Niklas
Princess--Mother's Love--Dennis and Renee' Niklas

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Aydan Renee--Dr Troy Garrett
Bee's Knees--Dr.Troy Garrett
Dancing Flame--Dr. Troy Garrett
Hot Tamale--Dennis & Renee' Niklas
Magic Show--Dennis & Renee' Niklas
Memphis Queen--Dennis & Renee' Niklas
Sweet Caroline--Dennis & Renee' Niklas
Class 55--Miniature Rose Spray--Incognito

Class 56--Miniature Fully Open--Liz Enoch--Jean Kenneally

SECTION 10

Class 59--Miniflora Queen--Louisville Lady--Don & Brenda Johnson

Miniflora King--Dr. John Dickman--Don & Brenda Johnson

Miniflora Princess-- Memphis King--Don & Brenda Johnson

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Powerhouse--Dennis & Renee Niklas

Regina Lee--Dr. Trroy Garrett

Shameless--Dennis & Renee Niklas

Lady Eowyn--Dennis & Renee' Niklas

Memphis Blues--Dennis & Renee Niklas

Dr. Troy Garrett--Dr. Troy Garrett

Blue Suede Shoes--Dr. Troy Garrett

Class 60--miniflora sprays--Charismatic--Dennis & Renee Niklas

Class 51--miniflora fully open--Daddy Frank--Dennis & Renee Niklas

Class 63--mini or miniflora spray --Simple Splendor--Dennis & Renee' Niklas

Arrangement Winners

Traditional Design--"BOK Center"--Line Mass--*Let Freedom Ring*--Royalty and Gold--Brenda Johnson

Design in the Oriental Manner--"Swan Lake"--*Moonstone & Marlon's Day*--Bronze Award--Paul Leggett

Design in the Oriental Manner--"Philbrook Art Museum"--*4th of July*--Liz Enoch--Oriental Award & Silver Certificate

Miniature Rose Arrangement--"Philtower Building"--*Scamp*--Liz Enoch--Mini Royalty

Miniature Modern--"Brookside"--*Kristen*--Liz Enoch--Mini Artist & Silver Miniature Certificate

Special Miniature Class--"Oklahoma Botanical Garden"--*Jean Kenneally*--Liz Enoch--Mini Princes & Bronze Mini Certificate

Special Miniature Class--"Woodward Park"--*Soroptimist International*--Liz Enoch--Mini Duchess Award & Miniature Gold Certificate

June Meeting

The June meeting subject will be " THE MAGNIFICANT MINIFLORAS. Jack Dixon, an expert on minifloras and an amateur hybridizer from OKC, will present our program. We will need all the miniflora blooms that members can bring in order to make the talk more interesting, so bring a few along. Don

Spring Show Summary

We had a beautiful spring rose show at Tulsa Community College. We especially want to thank Dennis Voss for making arrangements at TCC and having the tables set up and ready to go. I also want to thank Dennis Voss, Tony Graham, Earl Chilcoat & Wayne Parker for getting all the show equipment and awards out of storage. Huge thanks to Norma H. Whitehead, Judy and John Carter for getting the awards labeled and ready for the Head Table of Winners. Many thanks goes to John Carter for printing up the show schedule and having it ready and on line as well. Those that helped with set up were Jan Edwards and her mother Helen Reicher, Mary Rowe, Rose Rusnam, Norma H. Whitehead, Earl Chilcoat, Dennis Voss, Wayne Parker, Don Johnson, Brenda Johnson, Dennis & Renee' Niklas. Thank you to all of you that helped make our small show an excellent show with quality blooms. Don & Paula Adlong even pitched in and helped us enter our roses for this show as well as Norma Whitehead. Congratulations to Tony Graham for entering his first rose show and winning Best Rose In a Frame with Veteran's Honor. There were many good entries in this class but Tony won with a huge Veterans Honor that was stunning! Brenda & Don



Norma Whitehead and Brenda Johnson clerking for the arrangement judging.



Raymond Hicks and Carolyn Hayward judging the show.

For Sale:

1/2 gal Easy feed \$20

1 gal. Easy Feed \$30

1 gal fish Emulsion \$20

Call John - 918-355-8020

This is the text of a letter that was received for the two weekends that we spent in the Tulsa Rose Garden helping the Parks Department prepare the garden for the spring growth. We will try to help again this fall to get the garden ready for Wine & Roses event that will be held in September.

"On behalf of the City of Tulsa and the Tulsa Parks maintenance group, we'd like to say thank you very much for your donation of time to help beautify the park system. Your assistance in pruning is invaluable as labor is always the shortage we are challenged with.

We appreciate all the help and expertise that you provide us with and without your generous gift of time the garden could not be the wonderful place that it is!

Your partnership and thoughtfulness in helping us maintain the gardens are extraordinary and we are honored that you have chosen to spend some of your precious time with us.

Thanks again for all the wonderful things you do here in Tulsa and everywhere you travel.

Maureen Turner & crew , City of Tulsa

**Tulsa Rose Society Executive Board Meeting
Sunday, April 10, 2011**

The Tulsa Rose Society Board met on April 10, 2011, at the Panera Bread at 71st and Lewis. The meeting was called to order at 4:46 p.m. by President Rose Rusnam. Present were Dennis Voss, Judy Carter, Toney Graham, Don & Brenda Johnson. Minutes from the last meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Judy Carter reported a balance of \$7,280.90 in checking and reported on the donation to the South Central District. She noted that fertilizer sales had been completed. Rose sales at the Tulsa Garden Center SpringFest were very successful.

There was then a discussion of the Spring Rose Show with set up starting at 1:00 p.m. Friday afternoon.

New business: A motion was made by Butch and seconded by Jean to donate \$275 to the Tulsa Garden Center, \$200 for the architectural study and \$75 donation for our SpringFest booth. Motion passed.

Dr. Johnson then announced that our May speaker has canceled. Alternatives are being explored. There may be a Rose Garden tour to substitute for the speaker. It was also noted that the July meeting would be the traditional summer picnic.

The next Board meeting will be Wed., May 4th, at the Tulsa Garden Center at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dennis A. Voss

**Tulsa Rose Society Meeting
Sunday, April 10, 2011**

President Rose Rusnam called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. on April 10, 2011. Rose introduced Mike Blake, who provided information regarding a proposed architectural study of the existing Tulsa Garden Center building, which is, of course, on the Historical Register and approximately 100 years old. The time has arrived to do a new architectural study and prepare the building for another 100 years of use. Mr. Blake made an appeal for a donation for the architectural study.

Ms. Rusnam discussed the just completed SpringFest and thanked the volunteers who helped out. Judy Carter gave a financial report. She also noted that fertilizer sales are now complete. Brenda Johnson reminded everyone of the Tulsa Rose Show to be held May 21st at the Tulsa Garden Center. She noted that help would be needed both to operate the show and for set up on the Friday afternoon before. She also noted that a new class, Section 12, had been added for Tulsa Rose Society members only with no outside competitors allowed. It is hoped to encourage those who do not often compete in the Rose Show to enter more roses. She also noted that show schedules are available at this meeting and also online.

President Rusnam then introduced the speaker, Dr. Johnson, who spoke about chemicals in the garden and safety related matters. After completion of Dr. Johnson's very interesting and informative speech, Rose reminded everyone that our next general meeting would be Sunday afternoon, May 8th – Mother's Day. The meeting was then adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dennis A. Voss



Portion of Tony Graham ' s yard



Joann Edwards - Johnson' s garden



Right - Johnson ' s yard is also "for the birds ". Top right -
statuary adds focal points and interest to the overall landscape of
a garden. Lots of color can come from companion plantings.
Foxgloves are growing in the background.

Things to Do in June

This schedule can be repeated the next couple of months,

1. Spray on a regular basis. Our recent rains and now warmer temperatures will help blackspot get started. Alternate the products used for blackspot to be more effective. Watch for those insects that can destroy your blooms. You may only need to mist the buds if thrips are your only problem. Orthene is a good product for treating your buds for insects.
2. Feed your roses - probably a liquid treat will give them a boost so they will come through for you. Check your plants to see that they have a healthy color. Fish emulsion is a good treat to them.
3. The roses are blooming so it is time to start your deadheading. Taking off the spent blooms will keep the cycle going so you will have bloom all summer.
4. Have your own rain gauge so you know what falls in your yard. Don't trust the weather man. Check your soil conditions occasionally. Roses need water!
5. Check your mulch levels. Keep at least 3 inches around your roses to retain the moisture and discourage weeds from growing.
6. Check for broken canes from the recent strong winds which have passed through. Look for plants that may have been rocked by the wind. They may need to be staked to prevent further damage and give the root base a chance to heal.



Miniflora court

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Your Club officers for 2011 are:

Rose Rusman - President
 Don Johnson - First Vice President - Programs
 Debra Massey - Second Vice President - Membership
 Dennis Voss - Secretary
 Judith Carter - Treasurer
 Ed (Butch) Neumeier - Immediate Past President

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 Butch Neumeier (Claremore) 342-2885
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Meetings are normally held at the Tulsa Garden Center at 2 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Monthly business meeting is the first Wednesday of every month at the Tulsa Garden center at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome. Visit our website at www.tulsarosesociety.org.



Our Show Honored Anna Staggs

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