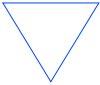


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Tenarky
Midwinter
Workshop

February 23-24,
2007

Bowling Green,
Kentucky

Tenarky Fall Convention
Fall 2007
Chattanooga, TN

Silver and Moore

It was a memorable district convention for Jeff and Cindy Garrett. The highlight

was receiving the district's highest award, the Silver Honor Medal at the Saturday evening banquet. The recognition was well deserved based on their many contributions to rose growers at the local and district level.

Their service to the district has been consistent and effective, serving in the local society in numerous leadership rolls, including President and Newsletter editor.

Jeff has compiled Tenarky's Roses in Review for 14 years and has served as the regional editor for Horizon Roses. (The RIR report can be downloaded from the district website, and Horizon roses can be ordered at <http://www.roseshow.com>).

Their faces are fixtures at district events as participants and presenters. They are

extremely knowledgeable and share their rose wisdom with novice and expert growers who want to learn to grow better roses.

Previous awards for them include a joint bronze medal from the Tri-State society, and Jeff's 1998 Outstanding Consulting Rosarian distinction. Cindy earned the



Jeff and Cindy Garrett of Soddy Daisy, Tennessee, members of the Tri-State Rose Society, were the recipients of the 2006 Tenarky Silver Honor Medal. Photo Claire Campbell.

Outstanding Consulting Rosarian Award in 2003.

In addition to the recognition as Silver Honor Awardees, Jeff and Cindy won four district trophies at the show, including the ARS Ralph Moore award, the Roy and Florence Graff award, the Charles Dawson memorial award, and the Dr. H. R. Rumble Memorial award.

You can learn more by visiting their society's website at <http://www.chattanoogarose.org>.



One of the Garretts' four district trophies was the Charles Dawson Memorial.

The Devastating Effects of Smoking Bans

What do Flagstaff, Arizona, Anchorage, Alaska, Lexington, Kentucky, and Fayetteville, Arkansas, have in common? Their residents and visitors are enjoying easier indoor breathing courtesy of city-wide indoor smoking bans.

Citizens in restaurants, shopping malls, bowling alleys, and hair salons are breathing cleaner, fresher air indoors these days. Gone are the days of leaving a bowling alley smelling like an ashtray, or exiting a restaurant and realizing your expensive steak had a subtle but distinct tobacco flavor.

Even the choice of requesting smoking or non-smoking seating at public places has gone the way of the dinosaur in these towns. Debates have raged between smokers' rights and the health of citizens. For the time being, the pendulum is swinging against the smokers.

With cleaner air, better tasting food, and less eye and nose irritation, these smoking bans are in the best interests of our society, right? But is there a hidden cost to ourselves and society by preventing smokers from lighting up indoors?

Recently, a survey by Americans Concerned for a Healthy Environment (A.C.H.E.) have found that while individuals have reaped the benefits of cleaner indoor air because of smoking bans, these bans are beginning to take an unforeseen toll on the environment. And it may be devastating.

How is this possible? With indoor smoking bans enacted in many localities, smokers have been forced to light up outdoors, exhaling their carcinogenic second-hand smoke to the great outdoors. In days gone by, smokers would restrict their exhaled benzene, toluene, nicotine, lead, nickel, cadmium, and acetone to their indoor surroundings. While many are breathing easier

indoors, many things outdoors are paying a heavy price.

Recently, an A.C.H.E. inspection in Fayetteville, Arkansas, uncovered several environmental consequences resulting from smokers taking their cigarettes outdoors. First, park animals are developing asthma at an alarming rate. The



Overtuning smoking bans will greatly improve the health of our roses.

national average incident rate of asthma occurring in non-domesticated squirrels is approximately 1 in 200,000. However, the rate of asthma in squirrels in cities which have enacted smoking bans is now 1 in 5, and dropping! Second, sewers and flower beds are being inundated by cigarette ashes and butts which formerly were extinguished in ash trays and ended up harmlessly in landfills. These toxins are working their way into our soil and groundwater. The health consequences could be catastrophic!

Third, and perhaps most importantly, trees, bushes, and flowers have developed symptoms consistent with second-hand smoke inhalation.

One rose grower in Lexington, Kentucky, (who asked to remain anonymous to avoid retribution by the local

government and tobacco interests) noted that his fragrant roses are still fragrant...but in a very unpleasant way.

"I grow only roses that are fragrant, because, after all, what good is a rose if you can't smell it? Last fall, I noticed that my Double Delight wasn't smelling just right, so I asked my wife to take a sniff. She said, 'What have you been doing, feeding that thing cigarette butts? It smells like an ashtray, not a rose!' And sure enough, it smelled like second hand smoke and not a wonderful rose. You'll notice that I live right between two restaurants. Two years ago, all the smokers had to go outside, and my Double Delights have been breathing that second hand smoke ever since," he told the *Tenarky Tattler*.

The health of his roses has deteriorated noticeably. The smell is no longer pleasant, but "like sticking your nose in an ashtray." There is a yellowish-brown discoloration that is showing up at the fringes of the rose petals and leaves, and many of the bushes are susceptible to disease and even untimely death.

This Kentucky rose grower has enlisted the help of a local personal injury attorney and is contemplating legal action against the offending restaurants and the local government.

What can we as rose growers do to protect our national flower? First, in those cities which do not have smoking bans in place, lobby your aldermen, city councils, and elected officials to keep smoking safe, legal, and **indoors**. Next, for those towns that already have smoking bans in place, work with A.C.H.E. who will provide legal and legislative advice on how to overturn these devastating bans. You can find their number in the yellow pages.

The choice is clear—the health of the general population or our roses. If you're a rose lover, I urge you to do everything in your power to move smoking back inside, where it really belongs.

From the Director

Everything about the district convention at Knoxville was just superb; the facilities, the welcome reception, the rose show, the programs, the banquet, the garden tour, the judges' seminar, and the overall mix of rose enthusiasts who attended. Although she was listed officially as "Show Chairperson," Rhonda Spruiell was proclaimed by all the locals involved as "THE" individual who "got it all done." Rhonda told me that over fifty (I think she said fifty-four) individuals participated in some positive way toward bringing the event to its fine fruition. Although she and husband Joe were obviously very busy with the convention operations, they found the time to partake of the rose show, and their names appear quite frequently on the winners list! Thanks, Knoxville for a great experience!

Special mention should be made of a program presented by University of Tennessee Professor of Entomology, Dr. Mark Windham, about the work being done by U.T. to rate the effectiveness of numerous rose cultivars being

proclaimed by their hybridizers as disease resistant. U.T. maintains three large trial gardens in various areas of the state for this work. Dr. Windham's program



Kent Campbell with Noah Wilson and Ted Mills in Knoxville.

was brilliant indeed!

I also want to thank the district officers for the special three years they have given Tenarky. We are losing a few of them: George, Glenda, David, and Linda. These individuals will be sorely missed for their contributions and faithfulness, but their offices are being filled by other faithful members of Tenarky, Bob Jacobs, Sam Jones, Barbara Olive, Connie Baird, and Kathy Dodson. We are grateful to be keeping Robert, Peggy, Jimmy,

and Jeff. All of our work will go forward.

Congratulations to all the prize winners. Jeff and Cindy Garrett continue the distinguished list of very special contributing rosarians who have been awarded the Silver Medal by their Tenarky District colleagues. Other honors will be presented in February.

In conclusion, I must say that I was gratified by the attendance at Knoxville. Most all societies in Tenarky were represented by at least a few attendees. I feel strongly that, if at all possible, we should

support each other's shows, district meetings, and so forth. I don't think anyone left Knoxville dissatisfied with any aspect of the event. Looking for a rose show with strong competition, outstanding prizes, and complete publicity? Try your hand at a district show!

Claire and I are off to Dallas for the National meeting next week. The Board of Directors will be undergoing a huge change!

Bylaws

At the ARS fall convention held in Dallas, the board of directors

voted to pass our bylaws without change. You can find a copy of

the updated bylaws on our district website, www.tenarky.org.

District Show Results

District Challenge Classes	Class	Exhibitor(s)	Varieties
	ARS J. Horace McFarland Award	John Skinner	Cajun Sunrise, Louise Estes, MuLan, White Success, Veterans' Honor
	ARS Ralph Moore Award	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Bee's Knees, Breath of Spring, Chattooga, Fairhope, Miss Pearl, Pierrine, X-Rated
	Mack and Maybeth Blackburn District Award	John Skinner	Cajun Moon, Louise Estes, Lynette, White Success
	Roy and Florence Graff District Award	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Let Freedom Ring, Louise Estes, St. Patrick, White Success
	Charles Dawson Memorial Award	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Let Freedom Ring, Uncle Joe, Veterans' Honor
	Lester Smith District Challenge Award	John Skinner	Louise Estes
	Dr. H. R. Rumble Memorial Award	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Fairhope, Marie Jeanette, Memphis Queen, Pierrine, X-Rated

Horticulture	Class	Exhibitor(s)	Varieties
	Queen of Show	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Louise Estes
	King	Bill Chappell	Moonstone
	Princess	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	White Masterpiece
	Court of Honor	John Skinner	Veterans' Honor
	Court of Honor	John Skinner	Cajun Sunrise
	Court of Honor	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Crystalline
	Miniature Queen of Show	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Soroptimist International
	King	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Best of '04
	Princess	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Michel Cholet
	Court of Honor	John and Kay Rogers	Miss Flippins
	Court of Honor	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Fairhope
	Court of Honor	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Bee's Knees
	Miniflora Queen of Show	Bill Chappell	Class of '73
	King	Don and Sara Jo Gill	Whirlaway
	Princess	Bill Chappell	Foolish Pleasure
	Court of Honor	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Regina Lee
	Court of Honor	Jimmy and Evelyn Moser	Tiffany Lite
	Court of Honor	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Butter Cream
	English Box	Bill Chappell	Veterans' Honor, Moonstone, St. Patrick
	Cycle of Bloom	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Hollywood
	Judges' Challenge	Rick Robertson	King Kong
	HT or Gr Spray	Sam Jones	Gemini
	HT in a Bowl	Martin Skinner	First Federal Renaissance
	Mini English Box	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Butter Cream, Michel Cholet, Chelsea Belle
	Mini English Box (Same Variety)	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Miss Flippins
	Mini in a Bowl	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Cachet
	Three Open Miniatures	Kent and Claire Campbell	Merlot, Giggles, Autumn Splendor
	Floribunda Bloom	Bill Chappell	Frankie
	Floribunda Spray	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Julia Child
	Polyantha Spray	Mary Jane and Peggy Utz	The Fairy
	Climber Bloom	Mary Jane and Peggy Utz	Fourth of July
	Climber Spray	Mary Jane and Peggy Utz	Clair Matin
	Dowager Queen	John and Kay Rogers	The Green Rose
	Classic Shrub	Mary Jane and Peggy Utz	Dortmund
	Modern Shrub	Mary Hext	Pink Knockout
	Best Novice	Katherine Brennan	America
	Fully Open HT	Jeff and Cindy Garrett	Hot Princess
	Miniature Single	Barbara Olive	Grace Seward
	Miniature Spray	Joe and Rhonda Spruiell	Pierrine
	Miniflora Spray	Larry and Connie Baird	Cachet

Photos by Claire Campbell

District Convention Photos



John Rogers guides visitors through his garden in a post-convention tour.



Sara Jo Gill's winning arrangement, "My Love is Like a Red, Red Rose."



Louise Estes, Queen of Show shown by Jimmy and Evelyn Moser.



The winning J. Horace McFarland Award entry.



John Skinner was loaded with great roses, earning him three district challenge class trophies.



The winning Ralph Moore Challenge Class entry.

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John and Kay Rogers' garden put on a beautiful display for the fall convention attendees. Photo Claire Campbell.

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