

# THE ROSE BINE

Newsletter of the Greater Gwinnett Rose Society

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## From the President

It has been a wonderful rose-filled autumn. The roses have been beautiful despite all the dry hot



weather. I offer many thanks to all of our members and their volunteer efforts. Our rose show went off very successfully this past Saturday. Despite the fact that we had to set up the morning of the show our members showed up

in force and had the entire show ready in an hour. That's an all time record. Although the number of bloom was less than usual the quality was good and we had a great turnout of the public.

Hopefully we will have some new members from the people that attended. As chairman of the judges, I have received many positive comments and notes from the judges regarding the show. Bobbie Reed and Julie Morris deserve our gratitude for all their hard work as show chairs. We do have lots of minis left over from the sale. We will be bringing the bushes to the November meeting so they will hopefully find good homes before winter. I also appreciate all the help from the members who volunteered at Lilburn Days.

The Memphis Nationals were a fun time. The show was outstanding and the programs and tours quite informative. Linda Bohne, Bobbie Reed, Don Schwarz and I were in attendance. Linda Bohne won her first arrangement award taking first place in the novice standard arrangement division. Atlanta is making a bid for the National show in 2010. Our society will be a cosponsor of this event. It is a tremendous undertaking and you

will be hearing much more about the planning as our committees are formed.

Don Schwarz has graciously volunteered to serve as chair of our nominating committee to set forth a slate of officers for 2006. If you are interested in serving our society please let Don know. He will hopefully have the slate filled so we can have elections at the November meeting.

I am off tomorrow for the District meeting Augusta. It is my last show of the year and I am ready for a break. I will update everyone on the events of the business meeting at our November meeting.

Susan

## *Dates to Remember*

**November 1: GGRS monthly meeting, 7 pm  
Gwinnett County Justice Center**

**December – No regular meeting. Holiday party date and place to be announced soon.**

**January 3: GGRS monthly meeting, 7 pm  
Gwinnett County Justice Center**

**January 20 – 21: DSD MidWinter Meeting  
Lake City Florida**

## November Meeting Update

Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center

Our guest speaker for the November program will be Gary Buie, who is a GGRS member. He will be showing pictures he and his wife took while visiting the Heritage Rose Garden in San Jose, CA.

There will be a special raffle during the meeting. Some great prizes will be given to the winners. These prizes could make a good Christmas gift or stocking stuffer too.

This will be the last meeting for this year before the holidays. So come join us for fellowship and some fun.



*Mark your calendar*

**January 3, 2006**  
**7:00 – 9:00 pm**  
**Gwinnett Justice and Administration**  
**Center**

*Guest speaker: Bill Patterson*  
**Roses Unlimited – Laurens, SC**



**Kim Borland's winning entry of a spray of Rio Samba for the John Griner Memorial Award**

## Another Great Rose Show!

By Bobbie Reed

Each year in October, Greater Gwinnett Rose Society gets to co-host a rose show with the Northeast Georgia Rose Society. This year, the show was in Athens at the State Botanical Garden on October 15. And once again, it was great! A rose show takes a lot of work, but it's worth it.



*Queen of Show*  
*Moonstone*

A loyal team of volunteers showed up early (5:30 a.m.) on Saturday to set up tables, fill vases, and do all those jobs, big and small, that make a show work. The first exhibitors arrived around 7 a.m. Volunteers continued to staff the show, and were there on Sunday to help with takedown. Special thanks to Al Coleman, Wallace & Evelyn Beggs, Bill Belknap, Linda Bohne, Kim Borland, Susan Clingenpeel, Edna Griner, Nancy Miller, Karen Radde, Don Schwarz, Sonia & Mikhail Shames, Diane & Jenny Snyder, Louise Stafford, Rani & Adolf Von Wurttemberg, and all our other faithful volunteers!

Over the morning, 23 exhibitors/teams brought many beautiful roses. Exhibitors included NGRS and GGRS members, as well as folks from north, west, and south of Atlanta, and as far away as North and South Carolina. There were 355 horticulture entries, and an additional 19 rose arrangements. That represents over 600 roses in one room. Wow! Plus there were all the extra roses that were turned into lovely bouquets for sale.

Of course, we're all winners when we get to see that many beautiful roses, but some folks actually won awards. A beautiful *Moonstone*

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bloom contributed by Cindy Dale of Peachtree City won Queen of Show. A fabulous *Soroptimist International* exhibited by Skip & Pat Shealy of Aiken, SC, won Mini Queen. And a glorious *Dr. John Dickman* exhibited by Judy & Bob Arthofer of Oakridge, NC, won Mini-Flora Queen. The Dowager Queen was an *Old Blush* spray, brought by Diane Snyder, and the Victorian Rose was *Souvenir de St. Anne's*, from Bobbie Reed & Don Schwarz. *Rio Samba*, from the garden of Kim Borland, won the new John Griner Small Gardens Challenge. Among the beautiful arrangements were Judy Arthofer's miniature line-mass design, which won the Mary Coleman Trophy, and Mary Alice Phinney's "Mad Tea Party," which won the ARS Mini Gold Medal Certificate. Several other GGRS members were represented on the head table as well, including Susan Clingenpeel, Louise Stafford, Wallace Beggs, Gwen Hirsch, and Karen Radde. Rani Von Wurttemberg won her first blue ribbons at this show in horticulture, and entered her first arrangement. All the winners are listed on the next page. Congratulations!

We still have a lot of miniature roses that we weren't able to sell at the show. We'll have them at the November meeting – so don't forget to bring money! Or call 770-979-4237 for early selections.

The roses were beautiful, it's always nice to win awards, but we have rose shows so we can share our love of roses with the public. And the public turned out! We had hundreds of visitors over the course of the show. We talked roses with many of them, encouraged them to grow roses, and sold them roses and raffle tickets. And we renewed our own enthusiasm for roses. Let's do it again next year in Gwinnett!



**Two arrangements from the show**

## Helpful Hints for the Rose Garden

We are entering the slow-stage of our rose growing calendar and I have to say I do not mind at all. As the roses get ready to go into dormancy, I have strong desires to do a little hibernating myself!

If you have been spraying regularly, don't stop. We can have some warm humid days in November and December and black spot, powdery mildew and botrytis would just love to find a place to overwinter.

Last winter I lost 10% of my roses. This year I will make sure they are well watered, all winter. I will build a small cage around each of the roses on fortuniana root stock and fill the cage with pine straw. I think the wood chip mulch I use in the beds will be too heavy and could hold too much moisture.

After we get a heavy frost and the roses really have started going dormant, trim back the tall canes, especially of hybrid teas. If we get a heavy wind or even ice or snow, these canes can cause the entire bush to uproot.

Now kick back and take a rest. The catalogs will be filling up the mailbox soon!

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## GGRS Officers and Rose Help Line

The following GGRS officers and Consulting Rosarians (CR) are available to assist you with your rose questions.

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**The Greater Gwinnett Rose Society**, which is affiliated with the American Rose Society, meets at the Gwinnett County Justice and Administration Center, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, on the first Tuesday of most months. Membership is open to anyone interested in growing roses. Annual dues are \$15 for one person or \$20 for two people at the same address. Membership benefits include the newsletter; meetings with informative speakers and programs; and conversations with some really nice rose-growing people! Contact any officer for more information, or come to a meeting.

**Renewal:** All memberships are now due in January. If there is an error in your mailing address, please notify **Don Schwarz**; 3388 Lennox Ct.; Lawrenceville, GA 30044

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### Additional Rose Resources

**American Rose Society**, PO Box 30,000, Shreveport, LA 71130, phone 318-938-5402. Annual dues are \$37 or \$34 for those 65 or older; a three-year membership is \$100. Associate membership for the spouse of a regular member is \$10. Membership benefits include the *American Rose Magazine*, the *American Rose Annual*, and the *Handbook for Selecting Roses*. **For a limited time, new members may join at a reduced rate of \$32 per year, and will also receive a free rose from Nor'East Roses.**



The **American Rose Society** also publishes four specialty quarterly bulletins: *Rose Exhibitors' Forum*, *OGR & Shrub Gazette*, *Mini News*, and *Rose Arranger's Bulletin* (\$15 for REF, \$10 each for the other three), to help you explore the world of roses. Website:

[www.ars.org](http://www.ars.org)

The **DSD Bulletin** is the 2003 Gold Medal-winning quarterly publication of the Deep South District of the ARS. Subscriptions are \$10 per year, or \$25 for 3 years. Mailing address: Jim & Kay Harrell, 121 Shore Rush Circle, St. Simons Island, GA 31522.

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## Dues

If you have not already done so – please remember to pay your dues. Dues are \$15 for one person, or \$20 for two or more persons at the same address. Elevated dues levels are always welcome.

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact the GGRS treasurer, Don Schwarz, 3388 Lennox Court, Lawrenceville, GA 30044, 770-979-4237, [berdks@mindspring.com](mailto:berdks@mindspring.com).

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