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NEXT EVENT!

MANHATTAN ROSE SOCIETY 11TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION & GARDEN TOUR Saturday July 23, 2011

You are cordially invited to join us for a garden tour on Long Island and then to celebrate Manhattan Rose Society's 11th Birthday at Stone Cottage, the home of Pat Shanley. **We will meet at 10:30 at Eisenhower Park, Merrick and Stewart Avenues, East Meadow, NY, 516-572-0348, 516- 572-0200. Cathy Guzzardo, Immediate Past President of the Long Island Rose Society will lead the tour of the display & test gardens located there.**

**From Eisenhower Park will we continue on to
Martin Viette Nurseries,
6050 Northern Blvd, East Norwich, NY 11732
Tel: 516-922-5530**

The Birthday Celebration will be 1pm - 4pm at Stone Cottage, the home at Pat Shanley, in Glen Cove.

**\$50.00 Members/Guests with bus transportation
\$25.00 Members/Guests- Without bus transportation
*Directions will be provided to all those not using the bus.***

RSVP to 516 458-9148 by July 20th, pshanley@aol.com.
Checks should be made payable to Manhattan Rose Society
Mail to Pat Shanley PO Box 442, Locust Valley, NY 11560
You can also register online at www.manhattanrosesociety.org

For those members taking transportation:

The first pick up will be at 8:30am at The Horticultural Society of NY, 148 West 37th St., NY, NY. The second stop will be Roosevelt Island, The Good Sheppard Church, Main St., Roosevelt Island. The van will wait for 10 minutes at each stop and will then leave, so please be on time.

EISENHOWER PARK

Merrick and Stewart Avenues, East Meadow, NY 516-572-0348, 516- 572-0200

A 930-ACRE OASIS OF OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION in the heart of Nassau County, Eisenhower Park is one of the largest public spaces in the New York metropolitan area – larger, in fact, than Central Park. The park offers a full range of athletic and family activities, including one of the finest swimming facilities in the U.S., a major golf facility, dozens of athletic fields and courts, picnic areas, summertime entertainment, playgrounds, fitness trails and more. In 1944, Nassau County Park at Salisbury was established as part of County Executive J. Russell Sprague's vision to create a park that "one day will be to Nassau County what Central Park is today to New York City." The park was officially dedicated in October of 1949. The park was rededicated on October 13, 1969, as the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Park at a ceremony attended by the 34th President's grandson, Dwight D. Eisenhower II, and his wife, Julie Nixon Eisenhower. **In its 2010 "Best of L.I." survey, the *Long Island Press* named [Eisenhower Park](#) among its top three parks on Long Island.**

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Manhattan Rose Society proudly presents

DINNER WITH DR. WANG GUOLIANG!

Wednesday, October 19, 2011, 6:00pm

Opia

130 East 57th St., New York, NY

\$60.00 per person, Members & Guests

3 Course dinner and Program Presentation

RSVP by October 15, 2011

Reserve early - Space is limited

Dr. Wang will present a power point program on:

"The Ancient Roses in Chinese Song Dynasty (1000 years ago)".

Please join us for this very special evening.

There will be a cash bar

You can register online for this event at www.manhattanrosesociety.org

MEET DR. WANG GUOLIANG

Dr. Wang Guoliang is currently a professor at the Forestry Academy of Jiangsu Province, China. He began his research over 30 years ago and has concentrated on roses of Chinese origin. His research has centered on the wild roses of China and also on the ancient horticultural varieties.

He has worked with Dr. Yoshihira Ueda of the University of Chiba, Japan on “diversity and utilization of roses”, placing emphasis on roses of Chinese origin. This research was conducted utilizing genetic analysis.

Dr. Wang has traveled extensively in China in search of rare roses and he has shared this research in his recently published article, “Rare Chinese Rose Species and Ancient Cultivars” appears in “Mystery Roses From Around the World” a new publication of The Heritage Rose Foundation. It is a wonderful article detailing his research and is available from HRF. The photography in the book is outstanding!

He is currently completing a work on *Ancient Roses in China*, and it is tentatively scheduled to be published in Chinese in the fall of 2011.

MANHATTAN ROSE SOCIETY 2011 EVENTS

Friday, September 9, 2011

Roses & More!! - - A Sunset Spanish Dinner

6:30pm

Hosted by Carole Kennedy

Dinner will include wine. The dinner is limited to 10 people, so reserve your place early!

Location: 531 Main Street, Apt. 712, New York, NY 10044 (on Roosevelt Island)

Reservations & prepayment required: \$60 per person, Members & Guests Welcome, details on page 7.

Saturday, December 3, 2011 - Annual Holiday Cocktail Party -

Held at Stone Cottage, the home of Pat Shanley, Glen Cove, NY.

6pm - 10pm

This event is a fund raiser for The Great Rosarians of the World 2012 event!

President's Message

The Great Rosarians of the World Event East - honoring **Ruth Knopf** - took place June 9 - 12, 2011, in New York City. It was a wonderful event and a complete success. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all those who worked so hard to make GROW 11 as great as it was. The committees did an outstanding job of organizing this event and it would not have been possible without them. Many thanks also to the Manhattan Rose Society Board of Directors for their support.

Many thanks to all of our sponsors: **The Conard-Pyle Company, Star® Roses, The Queens Botanical Garden, The Beaty Fertilizer Company, The New York Botanical Garden, US Limousine Company.** Thank you also to all of the GROW Patrons. We so appreciate your support.

The event began on Friday, June 10th with a Brunch in honor of the American Rose Society Executive Director, **Jeffrey Ware**. The Brunch was hosted by **Ambassador Faith Whittlesey**. A group of 30 prominent figures in the rose world attended and the subject of the discussion was "The American Rose Society and the Rose Industry: The Enduring Partnership in the 21st Century". It was sponsored by **The Beaty Fertilizer Company**. It was an informative and productive discussion that we hope will lead to resuming this partnership in the near future.

The 6th Annual New York Metropolitan Rose Council Dinner, sponsored by **The Conard-Pyle Company® Star Roses**, took place that evening. Over 60 rose dignitaries attended as we honored **Ruth Knopf**, 2011 Great Rosarian. We presented the Great Rosarian International Friend of the Rose Award to **Robert E. Edberg, III**, editor of the multi volume "The Encyclopedia of Antique Roses", and The Great Rosarians of the World™ Rose Garden Hall of Fame Award to the **Columbus Park of Roses, Columbus, OH, Quarry Hill Botanical Garden, Glen Ellen, CA. and The Antique Rose Emporium Gardens, Independence and San Antonio, TX.**

On Saturday, **Queens Botanical Garden** hosted the GROW™ Lecture Series. The day began with a panel discussion on "**The Sustainable Rose Garden in the 21st Century**" with **Bill Radler**, Hybridizer of the "Knock Out" Family of Roses; **Karl McKoy**, Curator of the Rose Garden at Queens Botanical Garden; **Peter Kukielski**, Rockefeller Curator of the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden; **Clair G. Martin, III**, Shannon Curator of Rose & Perennial Gardens at the Huntington Botanical Garden, San Marino, CA; **Michael Shoup** owner of The Antique Rose Emporium, Independence & San Antonio, TX; **Bill McNamara**, Curator of Quarry Hill Botanical Garden, Glen Ellen, CA; and **George Meiling** of The Columbus Park of Roses. It was a wonderful, informative and productive discussion. The afternoon was dedicated to our Honoree, **Ruth Knopf** as she presented her lecture. **Mike Shoup** introduced her and **Bill Radler** presented her with the award. The day ended with a Wine & Cheese Reception in the beautiful Queens Rose Garden with "Jazz & Roses" music by Parlor Entertainment, a NYC based jazz trio.

On Sunday, **The New York Botanical Garden** hosted a Book Signing for *The Sustainable Rose Garden - A Reader in Rose Culture* with the editors, **Pat Shanley, Peter Kukielski, and Gene Waering**, and authors **Jeff Wyckoff, ARS President** and **Bill Radler**. It was followed by a tour of the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden with **Peter Kukielski**.

All in all it was a wonderful weekend of roses and another successful Great Rosarians of the World™ event! Plans for next year are underway and we will share them with you as soon as they are finalized.

Host Committees

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Pat Shanley

Gene Waering

On October 19, 2011, we will bring you Dr. Wang Guoliang from China. He will be visiting us while on tour of the US. Dr. Wang is one of the foremost authorities on rare and ancient rose cultivars from China. He has done extensive research spanning over 30 years and is responsible for discovering many of the cultivars known today. He will present "**The Ancient Roses in Chinese Song Dynasty (1000 years ago)**". It is a part of his research results spanning 30 years, that has never published openly and will tell of the history of Ancient Roses in China. There are approximately 100 varieties still in existence.

This will be our Annual Dinner Meeting and it will be held at Opia. Details are on page 2. I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to learn about the roses that play so large a part in the roses that are being bred today.

Lastly our Annual Garden Tour and Manhattan Rose Society Birthday Celebration will take place on Saturday, July 23, 2011. I hope you will be able to join us. Come help us celebrate our continued success. This is a party for you!!! Details of the event are on page 1.

As always I encourage you to stay with us as a member. You are all so important and all we do and plan is with you in mind. In addition I encourage you to join the American Rose Society. If you are not a member, you are missing out on a wealth of information about roses. If you are a member, thank you and please remember to renew when the time comes. ARS will send you a renewal notice and you can renew your membership online. You can also choose automatic renewal with your credit card. So both MRS and ARS membership can be renewed online. MRS renewals at www.manhattanrosesociety.org and ARS renewals at www.ars.org.

I have declared my candidacy for ARS Vice President in the 2012 Triennial election. The Vice President automatically becomes the next President of ARS. The actual election will take place beginning with the arrival of the May/June **2012** issue of *American Rose* magazine, which is the magazine of ARS that you receive with your ARS membership. The vote will be all electronic and the voting procedure will be announced in the magazine beginning with the January/February issue. You must be an ARS member to vote. Just belonging to MRS will not entitle you to vote in the election. So now, hopefully, you have more than one reason to join ARS!!

See you on July 23rd!

Pat Shanley

**MANHATTAN ROSE SOCIETY NOW
ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS
ONLINE!!!**

You can now register and pay for any MRS event by going to our website, www.manhattanrosesociety.org. From the home page click on "Upcoming Events" Any event requiring a fee will have this link:

<http://www.nycharities.org/events/EventLevels.aspx?ETID=3339>
(Please note that online payment is processed through "NYCharities.org". "NYCharities.org", NOT "Manhattan Rose Society", will appear on your credit card statement.)

**WE ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING REGISTRATION
FOR ALL EVENTS!
MEMBERSHIP CAN ALSO BE PAID ONLINE**

Roses & More!! – a series of small fund raising dinners/events,

hosted by Manhattan Rose Society members – with proceeds going to:

The 2011 Great Rosarians of the World™ Lecture Series-East Coast! We will be having a series of small private dinners/events, including wine, to be hosted by members of the society in their homes. The evening will be limited to 8-10 people and will be \$60 - \$75 per person. The proceeds from the dinner will go to **The Great Rosarians of the World Lecture Series™**. We thought that it would be a very enjoyable way to come together and enjoy each other's company, share our love of roses and good food, with the reward of knowing we are helping to promote this great event.

If you are interested in hosting a dinner/event, please contact Pat Shanley, pshanley@aol.com, 516-801-6563. We would be most grateful.

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Our First Roses & More 2011 Event was "A Sunset Evening of Wine & Roses!" - Hosted by Ann Kugel in her fabulous terrace garden on the 14th Floor!! We enjoyed a gourmet dinner with wine and watched the setting sun and the lights come on in the skyscrapers surrounding us. It was truly a magical evening and the food and wine were outstanding! Thank you, Ann!!!

Our Second 2011 Event will be “A Sunset Spanish Dinner”



Roosevelt Island Rose Garden - “Sally Holmes”

Friday, September 9, 2011 – 6:30pm

Views of the NYC Skyline will enchant you as you enjoy a fabulous dinner and the camaraderie of friends, at the home of Carole Kennedy. Situated on Roosevelt Island, Carole is known for her wonderful dinner parties and for being a warm and gracious hostess. The theme of this dinner will be a Spanish Dinner. Dinner will include wine. The dinner is limited to 10 people, so reserve your place early!

Location: 531 Main Street, Apt. 712, New York, NY 10044 (on Roosevelt Island)

Reservations & prepayment required: - \$60 per person – Members & Guests Welcome

RSVP by August 15, 2011, 212-355-1082 carolekennedy8@gmail.com, Send checks payable to: Manhattan Rose Society, PO Box 442, Locust Valley, NY 11560. You can also register online at www.manhattanrosesociety.org

POESY

My Neighbor’s Roses

*“The roses red upon my neighbor’s vine,
Are owned by him, but they are also mine,
His was the cost, and his the labor, too,
But mine and his their loveliness to view.*

*They bloom for me, and are for me as fair
As for the man who gives them all his care.
Thus I am rich, because a good man grew
A rose-clad vine for all his neighbors’ view”*

Colonel Abe Gruber

**MANHATTAN ROSE SOCIETY THANKS OUR SPONSORS FOR THE
2011 GREAT ROSARIANS OF THE WORLD™ LECTURE SERIES –
EAST COAST**

**The Conard-Pyle Company, Star® Roses, – Primary sponsor of the 6th Annual
New York Metropolitan Rose Council Dinner www.conard-pyle.com**



**The Queens Botanical Garden – Principal Host 2011 GROW Lecture Series and
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**The Beaty Fertilizer Company - Sponsor of the Brunch in Honor of Jeffrey Ware,
Executive Director, American Rose Society, www.millsmix.com**

**The New York Botanical Garden – “The Sustainable Rose Garden - A Reader in
Rose Culture” - Book signing www.nybg.org**

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News & Notes:

**Get Well Wishes - to Pat Henry can be sent to RosesUnLMT@aol.com or Roses Unlimited
Nurseries, 363 North Deerwood Rd., Laurens, SC 29360**

The 2011 ARS Miniature National Conference and Rose Show was held in Syracuse,
NY, June 24-26th. It was an outstanding event. The Syracuse Rose Society also celebrated
their 100th Birthday at this event. Congratulations to them on a job well done!!

**The ARS New York District Awards were given out at the Awards Banquet.
Congratulations to:**

Outstanding Consulting Rosarian - awarded to **James Wagner** of the Syracuse Rose Society

Outstanding Judge - awarded to **George Styn** of The Western New York Rose Society

Silver Honor Medal - awarded to **Louis Arce** - our own Manhattan Rose Society and Long
Island Rose Society member



Now available!! Order from Pat Shanley, pshanley@aol.com for \$34.95 + \$4.00 shipping & handling. This is a book that you will enjoy on your first reading and go back to time and again over the coming years. There is something there for everyone interested in roses, novice or expert, and we are quite proud of it. We hope that you will enjoy it, too and would welcome your comments.

Checks should be made payable to Manhattan Rose Society & mailed to: PO Box 442, Locust Valley, NY 11560

Myths About Transplanting Roses

By Joel Mattox, Consulting Rosarian

Sometimes, a rose just needs to be moved. Could be it needs a new home with more light or water, more room, or better drainage. Could be someone wants it more than the current owner, or that its space is needed for a new variety. Sometimes both the plant and the gardener are moving to new homes. Sometimes a rose just would look better in the garden in a different spot.

Myth #1: You shouldn't transplant roses during the growing season

Do you have to wait until winter to make the move? Not necessarily. Of course, the easiest time to transplant roses is during dormancy, and if that time works for your schedule that is the best time for both you and the plant. Weather is cooler and damper then, making the job more enjoyable for you and less stressful on the plant. After the annual pruning the plant is smaller and much easier to move around. And dormant plants don't go into transplant shock since they aren't growing or transpiring at this time so the demands on their roots are minimal.

However, if you find that your schedule demands a rose be moved during the growing season, it can be done and it need not be traumatic. With the proper preparation, roses can be moved any time of the year with great success. I've even transplanted roses in the August heat and they've come through just fine.

The Secret of Transplanting During the Growing Season: Water - Roses can get through almost anything if they have the right amount of water. Think about the rose before and after transplanting; the major difference is the amount of roots. Transplanting almost always involves loss of roots, since the roots of an established rose go much farther than any reasonable amount of soil that can be moved around. And roots are the way water gets into the plant. So after transplanting, the plant can't take up water as quickly as it did before.

Water Corollary 1: Hyper-water the day before transplanting - Get as much water as possible into the plant beforehand by watering deeply the day before transplanting. Why the day before? So the soil won't be mud during the job. Over-watering is not possible in this case; get as much water in the plant as you possibly can. You'll want all the cells of the rose to be as full of water as possible when you transplant so the demands on the roots are minimized for a while

afterward. If the rose starts the transplant odyssey already wilting, its chances are grim; water well and wait for another day.

Water Corollary 2: Take as big a root ball as you can possibly manage - Take as much root and top structure as physically possible to the new location. Our roses can get very big in Northern California and with a heavy root ball, man-handling the plant around can be pretty heavy work. If you can get a helper and/or a wheelbarrow the job will be much easier and you will have a bigger, more robust plant at the new location. If you must reduce the size of the plant to physically move it, favor keeping the root ball over the top structure.

Myth #2: You must severely prune before transplanting during the growing season

The theory behind that myth is that the smaller root ball wouldn't be able to support the large top structure, so whack the top back right away. However, remember all that a plant eats is the sugars produced by the leaves; the work the plant put into making its top structure was an investment in future food production. Why not let the plant itself decide how much of its top it can support? Removing more top structure than necessary shortchanges the plant. Therefore, you should actually transplant as much of the top structure as you can physically manage. Thereafter, the plant will tell you if it is having trouble supporting its top structure by wilting from the tips. That is a sign to increase watering immediately; any material that doesn't recover and withers should be removed at that time; prune any dried cane tips to a leaf bud, and remove any dead leaves. When this process is done, the new top structure is in balance with the new root ball. Thus, to give the rose its best chance for vigor in its new location, you may need to lightly prune after transplanting.

Water Corollary 3: Minimize time out of the ground - Prepare the new home well in advance of digging out the rose, so that the plant and root ball don't spend time exposed to the hot dry air. You'll want every drop of moisture that's in the plant to stay there. Optimally the rose should go straight from the old location into the new hole immediately. If this is not possible (and I urge you to make every effort to make it possible) then make sure the rose is kept in a cool, shady place until it is planted. Make sure the roots do not get exposed to the hot sun at any time. If the plant will be out of the ground more than a few minutes, cover the roots with a damp piece of burlap.

Water Corollary 4: Hold off on the fertilizer until after new growth starts - Fertilizers get into the roots in a water solution by osmosis. However, osmosis can work both ways; it's possible to get the soil to suck water out of the roots if fertilization is too concentrated. Rather than risk this, wait until the new growth starts to restart fertilization, and when you fertilize do so with a light touch until next year.

Water Corollary 5: Water excessively until the end of the growing season - Roses need a lot of water at any time. Right after being transplanted they need much more than normal. If you see any wilting, water heavily right away, no matter how much water you just gave the plant. When you start to see new growth, it means that the rose is beginning to become settled in, and the high-risk phase is over. At this point the rose still needs more water than normal if you want to support its current size with the smaller root structure it now has. Next season's pruning will balance the top structure with the transplanted roots, and your hot-season transplant will then be just another stunning rose in your collection.

General Outline for Growth Season Rose Transplanting:

Preparation

- Plan the new location

- Prepare the new hole/bed
- Arrange for some help and a wheelbarrow/transport for transplanting day
- Hyper-water the plant day before (Water Corollary 1)

Transplanting Day

- Dig the rose with as big a root ball as you can manage (Water Corollary 2)
- If the plant is physically too big to move, remove some top growth
- Plant the rose in the new bed immediately and water copiously (Water Corollary 3)

Recovery (until new growth starts)

- Continue hyper-watering
- Hold off any fertilizing (Water Corollary 4)
- Remove any withered/dead tips or leaves

Rest of Season

- Fertilize lightly
- Water more heavily than normal (Water Corollary 5)
- Continue removing any withered/dead tips or leaves
- Resume regular care after end of growing season

Myth #3: You can't reuse the space where you just removed a rose for another rose

Actually, any soil that will grow one rose well will grow another well. A good sandy loam with sufficient nutrients and organic material can grow a series of roses in the same location year after year. If the space provided a good home for a rose before, then it will again.

Having said that, do consider whether the needs of the incoming rose for space and sun are the same as the rose it's replacing. For example, a tight spot with full afternoon sun that was just perfect for a light pink little Floribunda might not be the best place for a dark red climbing Hybrid Tea whose dark petal tips may burn in our hot summer afternoons.

Also remember that the space was being used by a hungry rose, and that you're planning on putting another one in. So, after removing the original plant, check the soil in the hole and see whether it needs some amendments such as organic material. Soil tests are a great idea as you now have complete access to the actual soil your new rose will use. Think about the situation, though, before you add any large amount of fertilizer to the soil; the rose you'll be putting in will have a smaller root ball than it's used to and will be very sensitive to any fertilizer-induced osmosis. (See Water Corollary 4 above.) If fertilization is called for by a soil test, be careful to mix it well in the soil and be extra careful to water well.

Best of luck for a successful experience, rather than .myth-adventures, with your next rose transplanting!

Editor's note: Reprinted from the July/August 2011 issue of The Charlotte Rosebud., newsletter of the Charlotte Rose Society, Editor, Doug L'Hommedieu; Co-Editor Doug Whitt. This article has received the American Rose Society Award of Merit.

ROSE MUSINGS - August in the Rose Garden

By Pat Shanley

Ever notice how the most beautiful blooms occur when the weather is delightfully warm in the daytime and cool in the evening? (June!) When there is adequate rainfall and you only need to supplement it a bit? (June!) Ever wonder why the English Rose Gardens are so beautiful? How

do they grow those fabulous blooms with all of their cool, wet weather? They very rarely have to put up with our August conditions.

The month of August is surely a test for rose gardeners. Every possible element for decimating our wonderful rose bushes becomes present now. The inevitable drought, the extreme heat and humidity...all create the precise conditions for a pest ridden, bloomless garden. However now is not the time to throw up your hands and give up our quest for beautiful blooms. This is the time to stick to good gardening practices and here are some suggestions for assuring that your roses will survive and bloom again.

- **“Water! Water! Water!”** We hear this time and again, but I cannot emphasize how very important and true this is. For years I did not have an irrigation system. Try as I might, with a garden hose, I was never able to give enough water to my rose garden and my roses suffered. Roses need the minimum of 1-2 inches of water per week. A well-watered garden is less stressed by the heat and more able to ward off disease. Be aware, however, that you should not wet the leaves and canes of your bushes unless they will have time to dry before evening. A good rule of thumb is to not water overhead in the late afternoon. Wet leaves make an ideal breeding ground for fungi diseases. This holds true whether you are growing your roses in the garden or in containers. The system I finally installed is a drip irrigation system, which allows for thorough watering of the root system only. Keep in mind that over watering is just as harmful as under watering. The old saying “Roses do not like wet feet” is also very true.
- **Dead Heading** – In addition to making your garden look considerably better, there is a practical reason for deadheading. Dead blossoms are a prime location for diseases. Removal of the spent bloom will also encourage repeat blooming in everblooming varieties such as Hybrid teas, Floribundas, Grandifloras and shrub roses. The exception to this is once-blooming roses that produce beautiful hips in the fall. If you deadhead those bushes you will sacrifice the hips.
- **Summer Pruning** - Most rosarians agree that cutting your beautiful blooms for display in your home is a form of summer pruning. You should, however be aware that all diseased and dead wood should continue to be removed through out the growing season. I know that in my own garden, by the time August arrives, there may be some rose bushes with the classic “bare knees” syndrome. If the bush is looking very sickly I prune it back to a point that looks very much like a spring pruning, with about one third of the plant removed. I find that as the weather becomes less severe, the bush rejuvenates and will more than likely produce a lovely fall bloom. For roses that are once blooming, other than removing dead and diseased wood, do not prune them back. They will bloom next year on the wood they produce this year, so if you prune them back now, they will not bloom next year.
- **Keeping the Beds Clean** - It is important to clean up all diseased leaves that have fallen onto the beds.
 - Black spot is spread easily by overhead watering or rain that splashes from the diseased leaves in the beds, back up into the bush. **I make it a practice to remove the leaves from my rose bushes from ground level to about 6-8 inches up. This helps to prevent/control black spot as it limits the leaves that will be exposed to splash back from rainfall.** Although it is a tedious task, this combined with keeping the beds clean is probably the single most effective way to minimize the amount of fungi diseases your bushes will suffer from, in a no spray garden, like mine. Once again if you are growing roses in

containers, the same rules apply. In addition, I encourage you to plant disease resistant varieties.

- **Weeding** - It's important to keep weeds to a minimum. Weeds compete directly for nutrition from whatever they are growing next to. They also make a fine home for diseases and insects, so remove them as much as possible.

The bonus you reap from keeping up with taking good care of your garden is that it will look great and you will be giving your roses a fighting chance. If all of the above suggestions appear daunting in the extreme heat and humidity, take heart, September will be here soon enough. With it, and your hard work, will come the rich fall bloom of a well-kept rose garden.

Finally, August is the last time that you should apply fertilizer to the rose beds or containers. Fertilizer applied after August will promote new growth that may not have a chance to harden off before the cold weather arrives.

Speaking of fertilizer, I used **Mills Magic Rose Mix, Worm castings and Mills Easy Fead, all from The Beaty Fertilizer Company** this season, in my garden and in all of my container plantings, and the results were outstanding. I will certainly plan to use these products again next year.

Disease Resistance - Most of you know that I do not spray any chemicals in my garden at all. This is the first season in my new home and garden. Some of the roses that I planted, which are touted to be disease resistant, have not been clean and subject to black spot. I would imagine that the roses I purchased were grown in an environment that included chemical spraying for disease prevention.

When I stopped spraying my last garden, it took approximately 3 years for the garden to acclimate to a no spray regimen, renew its immune system and develop its own disease resistance. It will be interesting to see if the same holds true for this garden and the disease prone bushes. I plan on giving these plants the 3 year period to see if they will adjust and be as clean as they are supposed to be.

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ARS offering a 4- Month Trial Membership for Just \$5.00!!

- All existing NON-ARS members of a Local Society, such as the Manhattan Rose Society, will be offered a **4-month Trial Membership to the American Rose Society for just \$5.00!** This \$86 dollar value includes 2 issues of *American Rose* magazine, the award winning full color publication full of cutting edge information on every aspect of roses; an ARS membership card; the Reciprocal Garden Guide (**Your ARS membership card is your ticket to free or reduced admission to over 200 Botanical gardens nationwide through the Reciprocal Garden Program!**); and discounts with ARS Partners, which offer you a savings on merchandise from these vendors (see the ARS website for a listing www.ars.org).

This is a fabulous offer and we invite you to try out a membership in the American Rose Society at this bargain price. To join, simply fill out the form below, include your check payable to ARS and mail to: **American Rose Society, PO Box 30,000, Shreveport, LA 71130-0030**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE # _____ CELL PHONE # _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ LOCAL SOCIETY
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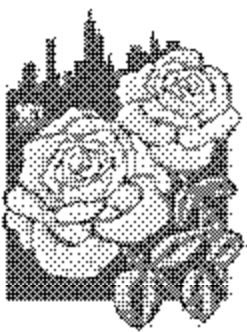
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