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COVER PHOTO AND BELOW:

ASIAN-INSPIRED TEAHOUSE & GARDEN

Our "Asian-Inspired" garden is a favorite for our visitors. We are encouraged to use the phrase "Asian-Inspired" in our garden's description, as it takes years of study to be able to design a true Japanese or Chinese garden. The garden was installed in the 1980s – a gift from the Durham family.

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ASIAN-INSPIRED TEAHOUSE & GARDEN

The garden features the beautifully-designed Teahouse with Chippendale woodwork, which is accessed by meandering paths and the bridge over a now-dry stream. We are using plants from the Asian countries through-out, especially those plants with origins in China and Japan.

Bamboo which has been growing willfully for many years sets the proper Asian tone for the garden, as well as provides easily available stakes for roses where they are needed throughout the gardens.

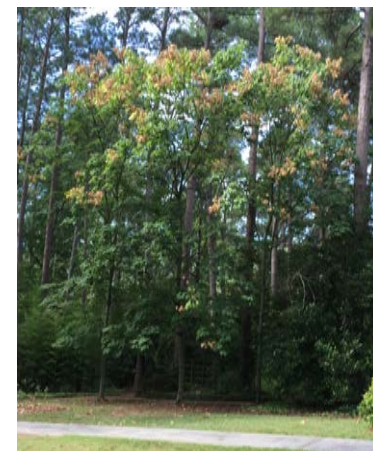
There are several species of Japanese Maples throughout the garden, including these bonsai-style trees in the first and second photo. They are thought to be the bright green variety 'Green Cascade'.

The photos at bottom right (clockwise) are Rugosa roses 'Dagmar Hastrup' and 'Hansa'; Mahonia with its interesting foliage which produces bright yellow plumes in early spring followed by powder-blue berries in clusters; Japanese Viburnum; one of several Mimosa trees with fernlike foliage and pink puffs of color; leaves of the Chinese Parasol, a tall tree with large tropical leaves, fragrant yellow-green blooms in summer and an interesting smooth trunk.

Other plants that provide year-round interest in foliage, flowers and berries include hostas, the azalea 'Koromo Shikibu', nandina (Heavenly Bamboo), aspidistra and ginger. There is a row of really old 'Red Tip Photinia' that has grown 20' high or so, putting out leaves only at the tip-top (shown in the first photo on page 2). We appreciate them for the height they have achieved.

The Asian garden was expanded in 2019 as part of the Great Garden Restoration Project, taking in two garden spots across the walk. One is the include a garden with a wishing well, and a small garden with a bronze bird sculpture. Too shady for roses, the area will feature shade tolerant plants of Asian origin. We would like to collect more hostas, hydrangeas, and low growing camellia of the Shishi group in this garden.





Above: Addition to Asian Garden with wishing well; planting area will be dedicated to shade tolerant plants of Asian origin. Center: Small circular garden with bronze bird sculpture. Far right: Chinese Parasol trees in bloom.



MASTER GARDENER TRAINING COURSE TO BE HELD AT THE AMERICAN ROSE CENTER

An educational program of the LSU AgCenter

Beginning the first week of February, 2021, the Louisiana State University AgCenter will hold Master Gardener Classes for up to 30 people. The 10-week classes and course instruction will take place at the American Rose Center, and are scheduled for Thursdays from 9am to 3pm. The course will be led by Mark Wilson, Extension Agent and MG Coordinator. He is also a member of the American Rose Center Committee.

Master Gardeners are members of the local community who take an active interest in their lawns, trees, shrubs, flowers and gardens. They are enthusiastic, willing to learn and help others, and able to communicate with diverse groups of people.

What really sets Master Gardeners apart from other home gardeners is their special training in horticulture. In exchange for their training, people who become Master Gardeners contribute time as volunteers, working through their local Master Gardener Program Coordinator to provide horticulture-related information to their communities.

Any Louisiana resident with an interest in horticulture and a desire to volunteer for community service may apply to the Master Gardener Training Program.

A volunteer in training must attend at least 80 percent of the prescribed hours of instruction. Once a trainee completes the instruction and examination phase, the individual gains the title of "Louisiana Master Gardener Apprentice." From that point, the Intern has a maximum of one year to complete a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer service. Upon meeting the volunteer requirements, the apprentice earns the title of certified "Louisiana Master Gardener."

BRINGING WATER & FOOD to our ROSES

AUTO WATERING: A major goal of the Master Plan of the Great Garden Restoration Project is the installation of a modern, low maintenance irrigation system. After much research, discussion and surveying, we chose a system that delivers water through a network of drip tubes and timers to deliver efficient, reliable, "precision irrigation". The product is Netafim, which was developed in the Negev desert in Israel for water-use efficiency and sustainability. Our new system will deliver water directly to rose roots and where it is needed throughout the grounds. As of this writing, the installation of the irrigation system is 85% complete.

AUTO FEEDING: We are installing the MixRite Water Driven Injector system made by DEMA Engineering Co. It uses water pressure as its power source. Rose food will be injected into the water line in a process called "fertigation". For those who want to check it out, our model is the TF5, 1-5% injector which can produce 1-22 gallons per minute through our new irrigation system.



ROSE VARIETIES for the SECOND CIRCLE

Help us tell the "History of the Rose in America". ARS members are invited to participate in the selection of the varieties for the SECOND CIRCLE. The criteria:

1. Roses must be in commerce.
2. Roses from these classes: hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda, polyantha, miniature, miniflora, and large flowered climbers (LCI).
3. Roses introduced in 20th Century, 1900-99.
4. Rose preservation is one of the goals of the gardens and the Great Garden Restoration Project; the roses in this garden should be deemed by you to be worthy of preservation.

Send your rose variety nominations to ARC Committee Member Carol Shockley - carol.shockley@conwaycorp.net

When the selection of varieties is complete, we should have a great collection of roses that have performed well for us through the years; roses we can recommend to the public. We look forward to learning your favorites.

Coming to your computer screen- Green Thumb -Saturday, September 26

From the American Rose Society/American Rose Center GREEN THUMB EDUCATIONAL SERIES
Nationwide Presentation Time: 12:00-2:00 EDT — 11:00-1:00 CDT — 10:00-12:00 MDT — 9:00-11:00 WDT

GO-TO-MEETING REGISTRATION LINK —

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2508319584363088398>



*Claude Graves;
Ninfa Gardens*



Claude Graves began his “restored gardens” series with a presentation about a restored garden originally created by the great English garden designer Gertrude Jekyll. He is continuing his series of great restored gardens in honor of our own Great Garden Restoration, America’s Rose Garden.

THE MOST ROMANTIC GARDEN IN THE WORLD!

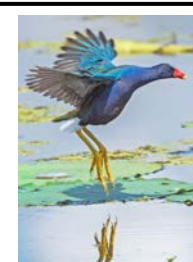
NINFA was so proclaimed the “Most Romantic Garden in the World” in 1992 by the New York Times. Ninfa is situated in the ruins of Ninfa, a once powerful town of the Roman Empire. Although only 45 miles from Rome, Ninfa is relatively unknown due to extremely limited public access.

Ninfa was owned by the Italian Caetani family from 1297 until 1977 when the last living heir transferred the estate to a private foundation. In the 1600s Francesco Caetani created a significant formal garden protected by the ancient walls. In the 1920s Prince Gelasio Caetani and his English born wife began a garden restoration to recreate a garden appropriate for the historic importance of the ancient ruins of Ninfa.

Join us as we virtually visit historic Ninfa Garden and learn the fascinating history of this amazing garden built in perfect harmony with that unique environment.

Claude Graves has been growing roses for over 50 years. He is the current Chairman of the American Rose Center Committee, a Master Consulting Rosarian, member and former treasurer of the Heritage Rose Foundation, three-time President of the Collin County Rose Society, twice President of the Dallas Rose Society and twice President of the Dallas Area Historical Rose Society.

Claude is currently the Rose Consultant to the Dallas Arboretum and is the Gardens Curator at the Chambersville Heritage Rose Garden and Anne Belovich Rambler Rose Collection in McKinney, Texas. He is a co-author of the EarthKind© Rose Manual and has been awarded the American Rose Society Silver Medal and Outstanding Consulting Rosarian Award by the ARS South Central District.



*Clockwise: White Egret; Photographer Marcus Constance,
Marilyn Wellan, White Ibis, Purple Gallinule*

WADING BIRDS THAT LIVE IN AND MIGRATE TO THE BAYOUS AND WETLANDS OF LOUISIANA

It is no wonder that the famous naturalist and painter of birds, John James Audubon came to Louisiana to study and paint birds. The bayous and wetlands of Louisiana and all of the Gulf Coast are not only home for many species of birds, but are also the destination for most wading birds that migrate to breeding grounds and nesting areas found in the waterways and wetlands. The Coast is a bird-watchers paradise.

Join us as we view the incredible photography of MARCUS CONSTANCE, a retired Louisiana Wildlife Agent and guide to Theodore Cross, nationally known entrepreneur, turned birder and bird photographer. After guiding Ted Cross through his annual two-week birding expeditions from 1990 to 2010, Marcus Constance himself became an outstanding photographer.

We are pleased to bring you his photographs, which he would be doing himself, except he is on another bird photography expedition. Marilyn Wellan will present the program on the photographer’s behalf.

Marilyn is a former President and Life Member of the American Rose Society, and an ARS Gold Honor Medal recipient. As a member of the American Rose Center Committee, she is leading the Great Garden Restoration Project as coordinator. As a central Louisiana resident, she is living with some of these magnificent birds and brought this photographer and his photographs to our attention.

Entrance to American Rose Center

Shanley-Delvecchio Rose Garden Gate Pavilion

Kimbrew-Walter Shelter

Klima Education & Visitor Center

Lion's Pavilion

Hardtner Chapel

McFarland Plaza

Don Morgan

MEMBERS' CHOICE GARDEN

future stair to SECOND CIRCLE

FIRST CIRCLE

future ramp entry to SECOND CIRCLE

Jon Corkern

SITE FOR SECOND CIRCLE



One hundred roses of the new variety ‘McFarland’ are planted in the semi-circular planting beds of McFarland Plaza, thanks to the generosity of STAR ROSES & PLANTS and the HOUSE OF MEILLAND who made this new variety available to us. It is growing very well for us, and appears to be a very healthy rose.

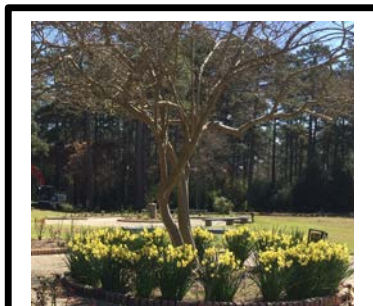
The Shreveport-Bossier Rose Society Garden fills in around the Shanley-Delvecchio Rose Garden Gate Pavilion. Two ‘Mary Nell’ hollies were planted at corners of the Pavilion. Also six ‘Needlepoint’ hollies were added at the end of the long pool-side walkways. Crape Myrtles and Sweet Bay Magnolias fill out the plantings near the four-point junction of the main walk.

The garden in the bottom right corner of the above photo is the MEMBERS' CHOICE GARDEN, where all of the ARS Members' Choice Award winners are displayed. We have planted four each of the winning varieties, beginning with the year 2004. The garden has room to expand as new winners are announced.

The tree in the center of this garden is the Crape Myrtle 'Near East', which provides great winter form and light pink blooms all summer long. It is underplanted with hundreds of daffodils that provide early spring garden color.

'Olivia Rose Austin', the 2019 Members' Choice Award winner graced the cover of the January-February issue of American Rose magazine. Named for a granddaughter of the late, great rose man, David Austin, 'Olivia Rose Austin' has achieved greatness again! The rose also won the Members' Choice Fragrance Award as well as the James Alexander Gamble Award for fragrance. For the first time ever – a trifecta – three wins in one year for one rose!

We look forward to the 2020 Members' Choice Award, which ARS members are choosing now, by their submission of Roses in Review reports. So far, winners have been shrubs, hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda, miniature and miniflora. Now Modern shrubs fall into three categories—English Style, Ground Cover and Landscape Shrub. Of the two shrub Members' Choice Award winners, one is English Style – 'Olivia Rose Austin'; the other is Landscape Style – 'Knock Out'.



Remembering Jack Walter

KIMBREW-WALTER SHELTER
'PENSIVE BOY' SCULPTURE

The Kimbrew-Walter Shelter was donated years ago by Jack Walter and his business partner, Kimbrew. The shelter is located in a prominent place in the garden, at the four-point junction of the main walkway at the entrance to the Core Garden. When the new walkway was laid to provide a path from the driveway to the Chapel, the path was made to go through the shelter making it even more important to the area. In spite of its age, it is a nice compliment to the other pavilions, and keeps well with the woodland theme of the gardens. It has weathered well; it now also serves as the entrance to the Tranquility section of the gardens.

Jack Walter was a prominent rosarian until his death last year. He was a rose nurseryman in northeast Texas. He was instrumental in the early ARC Hybridizers Test Garden and a key member of the ARS Hybridizers Association. The original ARS Library at the Administration building is named in memory of his wife: The Dorothy Walter Horticultural Library. In later years, he and his good friend Virginia Carpenter attended all national and district Rose Conventions, setting up tables to sell rose food, chemicals, pruners, gloves, those famous muck boots, and other merchandise. It was where we stocked up on needed supplies for rose care.

In 1979, Jack Walter and his family commissioned a bronze sculpture by Carol Crow, a nationally known Houston sculptor, to create a figure depicting a youth in a woodland setting. It was named 'Pensive Boy,' who "seems to be lost in thought in the



A family is captured admiring the azaleas in this photo of the Kimbrew-Walter Shelter.

woods and gardens." A weathered mossy stone from Colorado was used as a base for the sculpture. 'Pensive Boy' has been a charmer and a favorite of visitors; he has occupied several locations through the years, but is now permanently located in front of the Kimbrew-Walter Shelter.

Jack may best be remembered as "Mister Lincoln".

At many ARS conventions of the past, the most popular events were "Come As A Rose" costume parties. Tall and lanky, kind and gentle, Jack Walter was the perfect "Mister Lincoln"!

Jack Walter was a great rosarian, a great friend of the Rose, the Society, and the American Rose Center. We miss him.



AMERICA'S ROSE

GARDEN's

Great Garden Restoration Project

We hope you have been following the progress of the Great Garden Restoration in *American Rose* magazine, and on this editor's Facebook page.

PHASE I (2017-18)

We cleared the pines, installed a 4000+ foot deer fence, laid new concrete walkways through the core garden, consolidated the outlying gardens, created a Master Plan, added the Wellan Lawn Terrace & Stairs, added the Shanley-DelVecchio Pavilion, secured the garden design and raised over one-half million dollars toward our goal of \$1.4 Million.

PHASE II (2019)

Several satellite gardens were developed including the Peace Family of Roses Garden, the Members' Choice Garden, the Miniature-Miniflora Garden, the Angel of Hope Sculpture Garden, the Shreveport-Bossier Rose Society Garden. We engaged the building contractor and completed the installation of the FIRST CIRCLE. Additional funds raised in 2019 brings the project total raised to \$1.1 million. The America's Rose Garden Advisory Board was created and held their first meetings.

PHASE III (2020)

We are now engaged in the third phase of the Great Garden Restoration during which we will continue fund raising with a goal to complete the installation of the SECOND CIRCLE! We are happy to report that more than half of those funds have been raised for the Second Circle! After that, the Third and Fourth Circles will follow.

Projects completed and underway in Phase III include:

- Installation of total irrigation system underway.
- "Fertigation" system purchased and installed
- Landscaping of trees & shrubs has begun.
- New roses are planted in most gardens.
- The Deep South District Garden has been greatly expanded to include a planting of all ten of the 'Knock Out' roses series.
- New 'Never Forget Garden'
- Cleo Barnwell Garden of Pollinators & Rose Companions gets a new cottage fence.
- Labeling of all roses complete
- Labeling of trees & shrubs underway
- Open areas of Core Garden graded and seeded
- Air conditioning replaced and/or upgraded
- Electrical work on grounds and at wells
- Dead trees removed
- Gravel for back parking lot
- 'Gator' vehicle with sprayer purchased

- 45 gallon spray tank purchased
- Zero-turn mower purchased
- Chainsaws (2) purchased
- String trimmers (2) purchased
- Edgers (2) purchased
- Hand blower & backpack blowers purchased
- Trailer purchased
- Windsounds painted and restored
- Train Station & Restrooms painted
- Additions to Christmas lighting displays for Christmas in Roseland
- Charles Beaird Hall and Virginia Shehee Hall at Klima Rose Hall – getting new carpet, paint, kitchen equipment and additional design elements
- New flooring for the Hardtner Chapel

All of the above purchases and improvements represent the largest, most ambitious investment in the gardens at the American Rose Center in our near fifty-year history.

We have been able to accomplish these projects with a remarkably small garden staff, thanks to the leadership of ARS Executive Director Jon Corkern. He has provided unprecedented skill, ingenuity, energy and drive to the Restoration, balancing many major garden projects at the same time, all the while he is managing the affairs of the Society.

Garden Director Don Morgan has led his team with the same commitment to the goals of the Restoration – that is, to create the very best rose garden we possibly can, within budget, **without any expense to the Society.**

We want to especially thank ARS President Robert Martin for his belief in the value of the gardens to our members, and it's importance to the Rose itself. His dedication to the success of the Restoration has been unwavering; he is committed to seeing the project through to its completion.

America's Rose Garden is on the way toward being a great Botanical Garden, thanks to ARS leaders, members, societies and districts, to local support, and to the American Rose Center Maintenance Endowment Fund. Generous contributions to the endowments and wise investments through the years make the gardens possible; it will continue to sustain the gardens through the years ahead.

The American Rose Center Committee issued an "Expression of Appreciation" to the ARS Board of Directors for its "continuing support in meeting our goals to totally restore America's Rose Garden; to ultimately create a garden that will stand out among the great gardens of the nation."

We are more than halfway through the Restoration project, money-wise and according to goals accomplished. We must maintain the momentum gained and get the SECOND CIRCLE funded and installed, after which we believe the third and fourth circles will easily follow.

Let's Continue the Progress.

here's how you can help.

- \$100— 4" x 8" Engraved Brick (see brick order form, p.14)
- \$200— 8" x 8" Engraved Brick (for a larger message).
- \$500— Hug a Tree. Gift will be recognized on tree label and on Donor Wall.
- \$500— 30" Ceramic Planter for container-grown rose. Gift will be recognized on plant label and on Donor Wall.
- \$1,000— Teak Garden Bench, approximate cost, depending on size. Gift will be recognized on engraved marker and on Donor Wall.
- \$1,500— Engraved 18" x 18" Ceramic Tile in Klima Rose Hall/Whitaker Hall. Gift will be recognized on the tile and on Donor Wall.
- \$3,000— Rose Arbor in SECOND CIRCLE. Gift will be recognized on garden label and on Donor Wall.
- \$10,000+ Significant contribution to SECOND CIRCLE - Recognition on Donor Pedestal and on Donor Wall.

We are just \$60,000 short of being able to install the SECOND CIRCLE. Donations of *every* size are welcome and will be most appreciated. Pledges and gifts of stock and real estate property are welcome as well. We will probably accept your car when you wish to depart with it.

We will be happy to entertain any proposal for naming rights to gardens, parts of gardens, planting beds, groves of trees, walks, garden décor and works of art, so you can be creative with your gifting. All donations are recognized in *American Rose*.

For example, the Peace Family of Roses Garden could have a donor's name in the front of the garden's title. The same is true for the Members' Choice Garden, the Miniature-Miniflora Garden, the Wedding Ring Garden near the Hardtner Chapel, and others.



We will be happy to talk with you about options for giving to the Great Garden Restoration Project. We have come a long way, and we have just a short way to go to complete the SECOND CIRCLE. Please send an email to discuss your ideas for the Restoration Project to

Dr. Jim Hering rosehering@roadrunner.com,

Jon Corkern executivedirector@rose.org

Marilyn Wellan roseusa@suddenlink.net

Thank you!

INTEGRATED WEED MANAGEMENT – Our War on Weeds!

Garden Director Don Morgan has declared “war on weeds”. Operating with a small staff, there is little time for the seemingly perpetual task of pulling weeds. In declaring “war”, he has taken steps to reduce the time required to keep beds free of unsightly weeds, when if left to go to seed, only multiply in time.

PREVENTION SPOT TREATMENT CLEANLINESS

The answer has been a program of prevention, spot treatment, and *cleanliness*. Our main undesirables are nut sedge, errant Bermuda grass, and miscellaneous broadleaf weeds. Having identified the pests helped Don to devise a strategy.

There are a number of products for nut sedge, but we find that SedgeHammer is a miracle product for spot treatment. Six to twelve inch sedge is unsightly when left to deteriorate in the rose beds after treatment. The secret is to catch it early, soon after the nut sedge emerges so it is less noticeable while the product is doing its work.

Likewise, spot treatment of Bermuda and other grasses with Fusilade DX herbicide or the editor's favorite, Fertilome's “Over the Top” herbicide is very effective.

For most other broadleaf weeds, the pre-emergence product Snapshot, when applied to clean beds, effectively controls weed seeds from germinating for *up to 90 days*. Don applies with a handheld broadcast seeder to cover the beds evenly, after which they beds must be sprinkled or rained on within 3 days of application.

And finally, *cleanliness* is at the top our weed prevention program. As an example, the pretty little tropical weed Chamberbitter (mimosa weed) is a major pest in the south. In late summer to early fall, its seeds form on the backs of leaves, and if left to drop, will soon produce another fine crop of Chamberbitter. Pulled early, before the seeds drop, prevents more weeds from occurring. The same is true for those pretty little flowers forming on the tips of some weeds. If left to scatter, those seeds will keep you busy pulling weeds again in the next season.



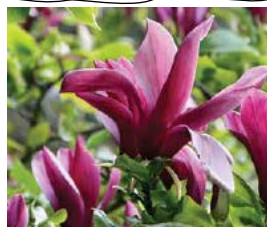
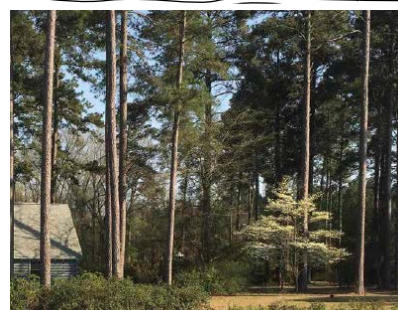
Tossing the weeds loaded with seeds onto the lawn or anywhere near the rose beds is like asking for more weeds in the future. We like to lay a tarpaulin on the ground while weeding the beds which will catch the seeds as well as the weeds being removed.

“TREES” IN SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER *AMERICAN ROSE*

Great Botanical Gardens are noted for—among other plants and garden features—their collections of trees. The Restoration story for the *AMERICAN ROSE* magazine September-October issue (pages 28-35) features some of the magnificent trees that can be seen on the grounds of America’s Rose Garden.

While our gardens will always feature roses, we are growing and displaying those roses in a setting that emphasizes the natural relationship of trees and other plants to the roses. I have said our trees are “backgrounds for our roses.” In the *American Rose* story, I call them “guardians of our roses” for the way they surround the open areas where the roses grow.

I believe trees are often taken for granted in a garden setting, where the colors of ornamentals call out for attention. Unless those trees rob the roses of sun, moisture and nutrients, they are valuable garden assets. We love our wide variety of trees that have been providing beautiful vistas, shade and shadows (so important to a Southern garden), and year-round interest for our visitors. So, take time to notice the trees, too.
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From top left, clockwise: *Magnolia grandiflora*, photo Jon Corkern; dogwood; dogwood in pines near Chapel; Tranquility lawn with shadows; crape myrtle, photo by Don Morgan; newly discovered Two-Winged Silverbell; Lily magnolia flower; *Magnolia grandiflora* flower. photos by Marilyn Wellan except as noted.

THE GARDENS ARE OPEN!

The gardens are conveniently located north of Interstate 20 at exit 5 on Jefferson Paige Road – just 5 miles from the state of Texas, and about 5 miles from the city limits of Shreveport, La. Watch for highway signage.

GARDEN SEASON

April through October

GARDEN DAYS & HOURS

during Garden Season

Monday-Saturday	9am-5pm
Sunday	1pm-5pm

GARDEN ADMISSION

We love that we are able to offer admission to the garden **by donation - \$5 minimum** is encouraged for adults. We will be able to continue this practice as long as we have generous guests. Guests must enter through the front entrance of Klima Rose Hall and check in at the gift shop.

HERING GIFT SHOP

The Jim and Anne Hering Gift Shop is open during garden hours. You will find lovely rose and garden-related items, stationary, textiles, home and garden décor, scents, children’s items, books, bottled water, light refreshments, and more.

Be sure to see beautiful hand-crafted items by rosarian Kathy Wyckoff, former First Lady of the American Rose Society.

REST ROOMS

Klima Rose Hall offers spacious restrooms, always in tip-top condition.

COVID RESPONSIBLE –

Please wear masks and maintain social distancing. We want our visitors to be safe out there.

2020 GARDEN EVENTS CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 14 FEBRUARY 15	AMERICAN ROSE CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING 10 AM GREEN THUMB HORTICULTURE SERIES: Connie Reeve: "A Year in the Life of a Rose"; Pruning Dem Hands-on Pruning in the Garden – the Annual Prun-
MARCH 14	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Create a Rose Note Card" 10AM
MARCH 28	HERITAGE ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Old Gardens of America's Rose Garden" 10AM – 3 PM.
APRIL 1 APRIL 4	GARDEN SEASON OPENS EAST EGG HUNT (rain date April 5)
APRIL 1	LADY BUG RELEASE (rain date April 5)
APRIL 4	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Secret Life of Roots" 10AM
APRIL 22	EARTH DAY
MAY 9	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "The Art of Deadheading Your Roses" 10AM
MAY 15	AMERICAN ROSE CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING 10AM Via "Go To Meeting" Video Conference
MAY 16	GREEN THUMB HORTICULTURE SERIES: 10AM Ron Killingsworth: "Growing, Collecting and Preserving Louisiana Iris"; plus Guided Tour of the Gardens.
JUNE 13	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Companion Plants for Roses" 10AM Masks and Social Distancing
JULY 11	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "The Science of Hybridizing Roses" 10AM Masks and Social Distancing
JULY 17 JULY 18	AMERICAN ROSE CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING 10 AM - VIRTUAL GREEN THUMB HORTICULTURE SERIES 10 AM - VIRTUAL Ron Killingsworth: "Growing, Collecting and Preserving Louisiana Iris"; Claude Graves: Restoring a Gertrude Jekyll Garden
AUGUST 8	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "You And Your Roses Can Survive the Heat" 10AM Masks and Social Distancing
AUGUST 27-27	ARS CONVENTION & MEETING OF MEMBERS - VIRTUAL
SEPTEMBER 12	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Create a Rose Note Card" 10AM Masks and Social Distancing
SEPTEMBER 13	BRIDAL FAIR – CANCELLED DUE TO COVID PANDEMIC
SEPTEMBER 25 SEPTEMBER 26	AMERICAN ROSE CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING 10 AM - VIRTUAL GREEN THUMB EDUCATIONAL SERIES 11 AM CDT - VIRTUAL Claude Graves "Ninfa, the Most Romantic Garden in the World" Marcus Constance, Marilyn Wellan "Wading Birds That Live In and Migrate To The Bayous and Wetlands of Louisiana"
OCTOBER 10	SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM "Learning About Rose Classifications" 10AM Masks and Social Distancing
OCTOBER 31	GARDEN SEASON CLOSES (except for special events)

NOVEMBER 14

SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY PROGRAM

“Using Social Media to Promote Your Society” 10AM **Masks and Social Distancing**

Christmas in Roseland – Covid-19 Pandemic permitting

NOVEMBER 19

CHRISTMAS IN ROSELAND MEDIA PREVIEW

NOVEMBER 19

CHRISTMAS CARDS TO THE COMMUNITY

NOVEMBER 19

VIP NIGHT

NOVEMBER 27 - 29

CHRISTMAS IN ROSELAND OPEN (Weekends)

DECEMBER 4 - 20

CHRISTMAS IN ROSELAND OPEN (Weekends)

DECEMBER 4 - 5

ROSELAND CHRISTMAS MARKET

DECEMBER 5

SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER ROSE SOCIETY RECEPTION

DECEMBER 6

ANGEL OF HOPE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL 6 PM

DECEMBER 11

CHRISTMAS IN ROSELAND ATTRACTIONS NIGHT

DECEMBER 21 - 23

CHRISTMAS IN ROSELAND OPEN ALL DAYS



THE AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY



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The American Rose Center Committee advises the staff of the American Rose Center on horticultural issues and planning for the Center. The Committee focuses on planning and implementation of actions to make the American Rose Center's gardens increasingly diverse, interesting and representative of rose culture within the limits of the Center's budget.



The American Rose Center Committee meets quarterly, and frequently via electronics.

AMERICA'S ROSE GARDEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Every Botanical Garden/Public Garden has STAKEHOLDERS. The stakeholders for the American Rose Center are 1) Members of the American Rose Society, and 2) Members of the Community of Shreveport and surrounding area. The AMERICA'S ROSE GARDEN ADVISORY BOARD was created in 2019 to represent the Community, to serve as "Ambassadors" for the Gardens, and to advise, propose, and seek support for the Gardens from area resources and organizations. ARS President Bob Martin is ex-officio member of the Board.

AMERICA'S ROSE GARDEN

The Garden's theme: "THE HISTORY OF THE ROSE IN AMERICA."
THE AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY sincerely appreciates the donation
of the original Restoration garden design by this friend of the gardens:



OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS IN ROSES – THESE GENEROUS SUPPORTERS:

ROSE GARDEN PARTICIPATION:

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OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION TO ALL

Help us build the Second Circle of the Great Garden Restoration Project

Your name / message permanently engraved on a brick in the garden
or on a porcelain tile in Klima Rose Hall.

Our commemorative Brick Pavers and Porcelain Tiles provide individuals, families and businesses, societies, districts and organizations an opportunity to be a part of the GREAT GARDEN RESTORATION PROJECT. Honor or recognize family members, friends and associates, or commemorate your special events. The bricks and pavers will provide permanent recognition of your gift in support of America's Rose Garden.

For credit card orders of BRICKS or PORCELAIN TILES, phone 318-938-5402 x 223, or email Carol Spiers carol@rose.org. Or mail this form with your check to:

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ENGRAVED BRICK 4 X 8 - \$100

Includes engraving up to 39 characters.
¾" lettering. 3 lines per brick; up to 13
Characters per line, including spaces.

ENGRAVED BRICK 8 X 8 - \$200

Includes engraving up to 52 characters;
¾" lettering. 4 lines per brick; up to 13
characters per line, including spaces.

(4TH Line for 8 X 8 Brick Only)

ENGRAVED PORCELAIN TILE IN KLIMA ROSE HALL 18 X 18 - \$1,500

Includes engraving up to 90 characters.
1" lettering. Up to 6 lines per tile. Up to
13 characters per line, including spaces.

Thank you for purchasing personalized bricks or pavers for installation at America's Rose Garden. Your gift will help in the Restoration, and will especially help us install the Second, Third and Fourth Circles of the new gardens.

If there are other areas of the garden you wish to contribute to, or if you are interested in learning about naming opportunities, please contact me at roseusa@suddenlink.org.

Marilyn Wellan

JEFFERSON PAIGE RD



AMERICA'S ROSE GARDEN

MAP OF THE GARDENS

TO PRINT & KEEP

We will soon be able to create a garden map for visitors to direct them through the gardens in an organized way, or guide them to a specific area of the gardens.

GARDEN GROUPS

ENTRANCE GARDENS

Sign Garden
Entrance Gate Gardens
Towers of Ramblers
Buckeye District Garden

KLIMA GARDENS

Gulf District Gdn of Austin Roses
Owings Ginkgo Allee at reflection pool
Lions Legacy Garden
Garden of Louisiana Trees & Shrubs
Shreveport-Bossier Rose Soc Gardens

HARDTNER CHAPEL GARDENS

Wedding Ring Garden
Mary Johnston Garden
Cong. Lindy Boggs Garden

WATCHWORKS GARDENS – CORE GARDEN

McFarland Plaza & Garden
Members' Choice Garden
Peace Family of Roses Gdn
Miniature-Miniflora Garden
The Four Circles

SUSTAINABILITY GARDENS

Ark-La-Tex Herb Soc. Gdn
Caroline Dorman Garden of La. Iris
Heritage Habitat Garden
Cleo Barnwell Pollinator Garden
Horticulturist Garden
Easy Care Roses Garden
Deep South Dist. Garden of
Knock Out Family of Roses
Muriel Hand Memorial Garden

ASIAN GARDENS

TRIAL GARDENS at WINDSOUNDS

TRANQUILITY GARDENS

Never Forget Garden
Angel of Hope Sculpture Garden
Labyrinth Garden
Berger Garden
Ann Harder Garden

CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY GARDEN & PLAYGROUND

AMERICA'S ROSE GARDEN

AMERICAN ROSE CENTER

THE HISTORY OF THE ROSE IN AMERICA

GREAT GARDEN RESTORATION PROJECT 2017-2022

ORIGINAL DESIGN GIFTED BY
JACKSON & PERCIVAL GARDEN DESIGN
DESIGNERS PAUL ZIMMERMAN & RICHARD BEALES
ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN & MAP BY WARD BRYANT

