

Next meeting of the Lower Cape Rose Society –January 16th 2010 10AM
The Trials & Tribulations of being The Rose Man

Harwich Community Center, 100 Oak Street, Harwich, Massachusetts. **Snacks A - L**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Honey...I'm home! January's meeting will find me returning as President of the Lower Cape Rose Society. Yankee District history will state that my wife Audrey and I co-founded the LCRS and that I served as President during the first four years beginning in 1997. Since that time the position of Presidency has been ably filled by Mary Finan, Audrey, Greg Davis, Irwin Ehrenreich and Bill Dillon. A great deal has happened during these past thirteen years. If David Letterman came to the Cape, he would list "Tonight's Top Ten" LCRS accomplishments, but in no special order.... Christmas Parties, Guest Speakers, Discounted Rose Orders, Bus Rides, Fund Raising, Plant Sale, Annual Rose Shows, LCRS Calendars, "Project" Roses, Yankee District Fall Conventions (Lobster-fest!) Members' Garden Tours, Planting and Maintaining 400+ Roses, Annual Restaurant Luncheons, ARS Bronze Honor Medals Recipients, and the Dedication of The Millie and Tip O'Neill Rose Garden. Okay, there were over ten and I could have added even more. The point being that we've had a good run. But let's not kid ourselves...the Rose Society has been going downhill the last few years and it will not be easy to turn things around. To make matters worse, there is no way in Harwich that I can do it by myself. I will need rose lovers and rose growers who will be active members with me. Many of these type of people have been in our Society for years and I hope that they stay for years to come. Other people are ready to step up and help, if only they are asked. Well, right now I'm asking for your help, for you are the critical individuals who can really make a difference. Finally we must find new members who are not only interested in rose growing, but will also be willing to share in the work and responsibility of the Society's activities. There should be no more of the accepted attitude that "10% of club members always do 90% of the work"; if we are to succeed again as a group we must believe that "90% of our members will do 90% of the work". You will be expected to do your share, on a volunteer basis as we progress during the year, or on a request basis for a helping hand as needs arise. Personal e-mails will be sent and telephone calls will be made asking for a helping hand. Don't put unnecessary pressure on yourself by explaining that once again you had to leave town to take care of your sickly step-third-cousin once-removed. If I have been too direct, I apologize. I do not want to scare anybody away or have you feel that you are on a sinking ship. There are a lot of good people in the LCRS, with a wide range of skills and a willingness to help. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the meetings as each event unfolds. It is always a good idea to surround yourself with good people, and I am starting with a tremendous set of officers, Greg Davis-Vice President, Julie Gammon-Secretary and Diane Goers-Treasurer. Audrey has been the Editor of the monthly newsletter, The Rose Beacon, for ten of the thirteen years of the LCRS. She has agreed to serve in that position again, as well as becoming the Membership Chair, which will facilitate communications with Treasurer Diane. The Hospitality ladies, Juelle Buckwold and Ann Marie Girardi, deserve special recognition for being so dependable while making a difficult job seem easy. Greg Davis will be chairing the rose show and will be expecting your help to turn a seemingly overwhelming undertaking into a success. Finally, John Halvorson has agreed to take the Millie and Tip O'Neill Rose Garden under his command. I'm not exactly sure what his plans are, but we are very lucky to have such a rose collection at our fingertips, and I know that we will make it a positive reflection on our Society.

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FEBRUARY 21, 2010

You are invited to the Lower Cape Rose Society's annual luncheon. This year it will be held at ALBERTO'S RISTORANTE, 360 Main Street, Hyannis Beginning at 12 noon. Below are the meal choices. The cost is \$25.00. Please send your check made payable to LCRS to:

Audrey Osborn, 12 Scotch Pine Farm, East Harwich, MA 02645.

Cheese and Fruit Platter

FIRST COURSE

House Salad

SECOND COURSE

Chicken Parmigiana - a breaded cutlet of chicken topped with tomato sauce and melted cheese

Scrod - fresh baked scrod with seasoned breadcrumbs, white wine, and lemon

Pork tenderloin - grilled pork tender finished with a dried cherry, port wine sauce

THIRD COURSE

Chocolate Mousse

Coffee or Tea

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

MEAL CHOICE:

CHICKEN SCROD PORK

LOWER CAPE ROSE SOCIETY SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES 2010**Members are expected to become involved!**

<u>JANUARY 16TH</u>	10AM Harwich Community Center. The Rose Man will talk about how he got into the rose business, the ups and downs of running a nursery, and show slides of the rose gardens that were built along the way
<u>FEBRUARY 21st</u>	12 NOON Alberto's Ristorante (luncheon)
<u>MARCH 20ST</u>	10 AM Harwich Community Center TBA
<u>MARCH 27 & 28TH</u>	Yankee District Convention – Taunton, MA
<u>APRIL 17TH</u>	10AM Harwich Community Center Pruning - waking up the roses! Chili contest
<u>MAY 15th</u>	10 AM Growing and Showing roses
<u>May22nd</u>	Plant Sale
<u>June 26TH</u>	ROSE SHOW! Details to follow!!
<u>Tuesdays Garden Tours</u>	Garden tour – sign up at January meeting
<u>Thursdays are Rose Days !!</u>	6PM Harwich Community Center. Help keep the roses looking great! (deadhead, weed) WE NEED ALL MEMBERS TO HELP!!
<u>JULY 17th</u>	Solve the problems in your rose garden
<u>AUGUST 21st</u>	Potluck Picnic Place to be announced
<u>September 10TH</u>	Yankee District Arrangement Seminar - Yarmouth Port
<u>September 11th</u>	Yankee District Rose Show followed by Lobster Fest. Bass Hole Beach (Gray's Beach) Yarmouth Port
<u>September 18th</u>	10 AM - Six Pack Rose Show
<u>October 16th</u>	10 AM program TBA
<u>November 20th</u>	10 AM Winter Protection, putting the rose garden to bed,
<u>December 11th</u>	11 AM set-up 12 Noon - Christmas Party, Luncheon/Yankee Swap

**Dues are due! Please send your \$20 check, made payable to the LCRS to
Audrey Osborn, our new membership chair.**

LOWER CAPE ROSE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2009
**Newsletter will be sent via email - if you do not furnish an email address, you
may pick up a newsletter at the monthly meeting.**

NAME:

ADDRESS:

STATE: ZIP:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

**SEND TO: Audrey Osborn
 12 Scotch Pine
 East Harwich, MA 02645**

POINTS TO PONDER BETWEEN NOW AND THEN

Would you have a garden tour in your yard?

Would you join the group on a trip?

Have you heard a speaker that perhaps that group would enjoy? Share the info

Join the American Rose Society!!

Divide some perennials for our plant sale – please help support the club!!

Volunteer to help at the rose show - see Greg Davis

Yankee District Convention last weekend in March - More info to follow!

Lobster Fest - September 11, 2010 Bass Hole, Yarmouth Port, MA