



*American Rose Society Fall 2010
National Rose Show & Convention
GRITS: Great Roses In The South*

Conference Schedule

Thursday, Oct 7

- 1-6pm Vendor set-up
3pm **ARS Board Finance committee meeting**
5pm Refrigerated truck available
5-8pm **REGISTRATION/INFORMATION open**
7pm **Early Birds Dinner** at Summits Wayside Tavern. Convention fun begins Thursday night at a local tavern. Broad dinner menu, Belgian ales, nationwide microbrewery offerings with full bar. Children are welcome and won't be bored in their game room. Transportation not provided, but e-mail wendy.tilley@comcast.net to ask for transportation or to offer to help transport conventioners wanting to join the local fun. Dinner coupons available \$10; beer tasting is \$19.00 for 8 local brew pours.

Friday, Oct 8

- 8am-8pm **REGISTRATION/INFORMATION open**
8am-8pm Refrigerated truck available
9am-6pm Rose Show set-up
9am-6pm **Vendors open, Children's activity area, ARS shop, Quilt display**
9am-6pm **ARS Board Meeting**
9am-4pm **Atlanta Highlights Bus Tour:** MLK Center, Carter Center, Fernbank Rose Garden, The Varsity
9am-2pm **"Pick Your Passion" - Quilters** – visit three quilt shops around Marietta. **Photographers** – visit a garden to take photos, return to hotel for critique session. **Newsletter editors** – open discussions of how to produce good newsletters. **Rose Lawn** –visit the garden and tour a Victorian house.
2pm Speaker: **Connie Vierbicky:** "Austin Power, Roses of International Intrigue"
3pm Speaker: **Pat Henry:** "Exciting Roses from Around the World"
4pm Speaker: **Dr. Robert J. Burns:** "Eudora Welty's Roses, a Legacy of Southern Roses"
5pm **First-Timers' Reception**
5:30-7:30pm **Welcome Reception** on the Terrace followed by dinner on your own.

Saturday, Oct 9

- 4am-10am **Rose Show preparation** areas open
6-9:30am **Rose Show entries** accepted
7am-5pm **REGISTRATION/INFORMATION open**
8:30-9:30am **Judges' Breakfast**
9-10am **Clerks coffee & instructions**
9am-5pm **ARS shop, Quilt display, and Vendors open**
9-10am **Marietta Trolley Tour**
10am-1pm **Rose Show judging**
10:30am-3pm **Bus Tour:** Georgia Aquarium, World of Coke
9am-12n **Children's Morning Out**
1-5pm **Rose Show open**
1-5pm **Children's activity area**
1:30pm Speaker: **Dr. Mark Windham:** "Developing Roses Resistant to Foliar Diseases"
2:30pm Speaker: **Tom Carruth:** "Outstanding Roses Hybridized by Tom Carruth"
3:30pm Panel: **Baxter Williams** et al: "How to Grow Your Society Membership"
5:30-10pm **Southern Spirits in the Garden party,** Atlanta Botanical Garden

Sunday, Oct 10

- 8-9:30am **REGISTRATION/INFORMATION open**
8-9am **ARS Committee meetings**
8-9am **Rose Hybridizers Association meeting**
8-9am **Deep South District Breakfast/Meeting**

9:15am-4pm **Bus Tour: private gardens**
10am-5pm **Vendors open**
10am-4pm **Rose Show open to public**
4-5pm **REGISTRATION/INFORMATION open**
4pm-5pm **Patrons' Party – An Ice Cream Social**
5pm-6pm **ARS membership meeting**
6:30-7:30pm **Cash Bar**
7:30-10pm **Awards Banquet**

Monday, Oct 11

9am-4pm **Arrangements Workshop: Modern Designs**
9am-4pm **Bus Tour: Civil War History of the Marietta area.**

Hotel

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