

Horticulture Judging School at the Tenarky Convention

The Tenarky District will host a judging school at the fall show and convention that is scheduled for September 24-26, 2010 in Memphis at the Hilton Hotel. The judging school will be held on **Sunday, September 26**. Presentations will begin at 8:30 am and continue through the morning. The presentations will cover most aspects of judging roses.

For those who wish to become apprentice judges, the written examination will be given at 1:00 pm followed by the practical examination that requires the candidates to judge a series of types and classes of roses that simulate an actual rose show. ARS requires that those taking the examination register ahead of time and pay a fee of \$10 for the privilege.

Some study materials will be sent ahead if the registration is received early enough. Of course, all candidates should purchase the judge's manual from ARS and study it thoroughly prior to the school. Those who wish to take the examination should notify the Tenarky Chairman of Horticulture Judges, as early as feasible, with an email to spruiell@comcast.net and/or send your registration fee to:

Joe Spruiell
9705 Tunbridge Lane
Knoxville, TN 37922

Alternatively, you may indicate that you plan to take the exam on the convention registration form.

Several of our current judges need to audit the school in order to maintain their status as judges. This will require attendance at the judging school presentations, but does not require that the examination be taken again if the judge's status is currently active. Judges in the Tenarky district can check to see when their active status expires by checking the list of Horticultural Judges on the Tenarky website (www.tenarky.org).

Anyone interested in knowing more about judging roses may audit the school, whether they are current judges or not. Auditing without taking the examination is free of charge.

Though not required, we would appreciate knowing if you plan to audit the school. Just mark the appropriate box on the Convention registration form or send an email to: spruiell@comcast.net.

A tentative schedule for the school is given below.

Schedule for Horticulture Judging School, September 26, 2010

8:30 am	Basics of Judging Roses (includes Hybrid Teas)	Joe Spruiell
9:20 am	Judging Sprays and Floribundas	Noah Wilson
9:55 am	Judging Miniatures and Minifloras	Robert Sutherland
10:30 am	Judging Species, OGRs, and Schrub Roses	Terry Lee

11:05 am	Judging Challenge Classes and the Court	Kent Campbell
11:40 am	End of Morning Session	
1:00 pm	Written Examination	
2:00 pm	Practical Examination	