

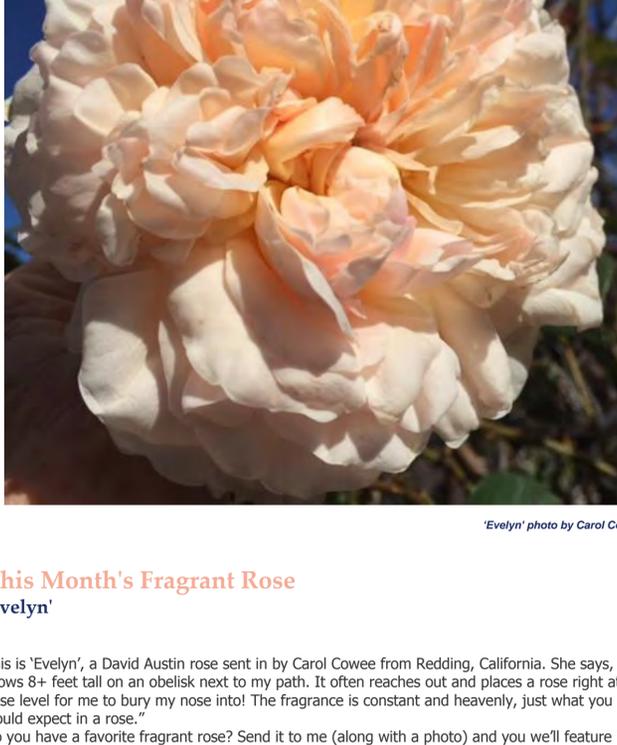


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Well, what a difference a month makes in the garden! Here in the Deep South our first flush of blooms is now a memory, the garden has been deadheaded and we are applying another round of fertilizer. Both of which will encourage a new round of fragrant roses. For some reading this, your first flush of blooms is just now bursting forth. Some of you will cut and prep blooms for an upcoming rose show, some will simply cut blooms to bring indoors or maybe share with a co-worker or friend. However you decide to share them, please do. Everyone knows somebody that needs a rose.

Chris VanCleave, Editor



'Evelyn' photo by Carol Cowee

This Month's Fragrant Rose

'Evelyn'

This is 'Evelyn', a David Austin rose sent in by Carol Cowee from Redding, California. She says, "It grows 8+ feet tall on an obelisk next to my path. It often reaches out and places a rose right at nose level for me to bury my nose into! The fragrance is constant and heavenly, just what you would expect in a rose."

Do you have a favorite fragrant rose? Send it to me (along with a photo) and you will feature it in an upcoming issue. E-mail your submission to Chris@RedneckRosarian.com



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Rose Garden Check Up | Our Sense of Smell

Dr. Barry McCasland on the Rose Chat Podcast



Have you ever felt the sting of a sunburn? It's no fun and we all try to avoid it if we can. On this broadcast of the Rose Garden Check Up, Dr. McCasland talks about the impact that fragrance has on our memories and shares with us the primary reason he grows roses and encourages us all to put our nose in a rose every chance we get. This series of podcasts is dedicated to health and wellness issues related to gardeners. Dr. McCasland is a board certified physician, avid rose gardener and wants you to get the most out of your health and your roses.

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Can I get you a Bourbon?

Mirjana Toyn

Rest assured that despite my leading title I am not trying to drive you to liquor, but rather want to interest you in a popular class of 19th century roses. Originating on the volcanic Île de Bourbon (now known as Réunion) in the Indian Ocean, these beauties started as the love children of damask and china roses planted in hedgerows in the early 1800s. Some of these hips were sent to the French royal gardener, who produced a seedling named 'Rosier de L'Île de Bourbon'. Fragrant and blooming in flushes, a whole new class of roses was born.

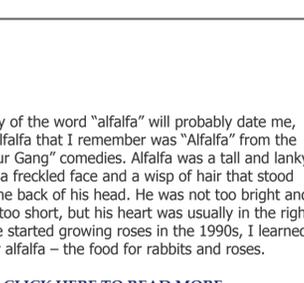


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The Value of Alfalfa

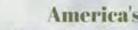
Gary Rankin



THE VALUE OF ALFALFA

My first memory of the word "alfalfa" will probably date me, since the first alfalfa that I remember was "Alfalfa" from the "Spanky and Our Gang" comedies. Alfalfa was a tall and lanky youngster with a freckled face and a wisp of hair that stood straight up at the back of his head. He was not too bright and his pants were too short, but his heart was usually in the right place. When we started growing roses in the 1990s, I learned about the other alfalfa – the food for rabbits and roses.

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For me, growing roses has become a passion. My membership in the American Rose Society has helped me create the rose garden of my dreams in my own back yard.

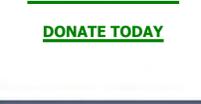
I also enjoy the camaraderie and support of a network of rose growers who are eager to share, learn and grow together.

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