

## 2012 Yankee District Convention Schedule

March 23 – 25, 2012

### Friday, March 23

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm ARS Judging Seminar  
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Convention Registration  
8:00 pm Hospitality Suite Open

### Saturday, March 24

8:00 - 9:15 am Convention Registration, Vendors  
9:15 – 9:30 am Welcome  
9:30 - 10:20 am Jerry Amoroso – *New Roses for 2012*  
10:20 – 10:45 am Coffee Break, Vendors  
10:45 – 11:35 am Harry Eudenbach – *Estate Gardeners of Newport*, book signing  
12:00 – 1:30 pm Luncheon  
1:30 – 2:20 pm Heather Faubert – *Winter Moths* (one CR Credit)  
2:20 – 2:45 pm Break for vendors and raffle tickets  
2:45 – 3:30 pm ARS Master Rosarians - *Sustainable Rose Challenge* (one CR Credit)  
3:30 pm Super Rose and Garden Raffle  
  
5:45 pm – 6:45 pm Social Hour – Cash Bar  
6:45 pm – 10:00 pm Awards Dinner  
Speaker: Claire Laberge  
*The Rose Garden at the Montreal Botanical Garden*  
Yankee District Awards  
Rose Auction  
10:00 pm Hospitality Suite Open

### Sunday, March 25

9:30 am Annual Yankee District Meeting  
11:00 am Check out time

### ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

**Claire Laberge**, our after-dinner speaker, has been the horticulturist in charge of *La Roseaie*, the Rose Garden at the Montreal Botanical Garden, for the past 22 years. She supervises the care and maintenance of 1,000 different varieties totalling over 10,000 roses. Her program describes how Integrated Pest Management has changed the environment of the rose garden followed by a brief overview of the stunning MBG Rose garden. She will include details about the MBG's award-winning Species Rose Collection.

**Jerry Amoroso** is the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Regional Sales Manager for Weeks Roses. His program will describe the hot new roses for 2012 plus a sneak peek into what's coming in 2013!

**Harry Eudenbach** holds a Bachelor of Science in Plant Science with a concentration in Landscape Design and is also a licensed Arborist. Presently, he is the head gardener on a private Newport estate. His program will focus on Newport's Estate Gardeners whose expertise played a crucial role in the development and maintenance of some of the finest gardens and grounds in America. Harry will sign copies of his book, *Estate Gardeners of Newport, A Horticultural Legacy*, after his program.

**Heather Faubert** has been a plant scientist at the University of Rhode Island for 30 years. She is currently the director of the URI Plant Protection Clinic. Her program discusses winter moths and the damage they cause and concentrates on biological control. Eligible for one CR credit.

**ARS Consulting Rosarian Panel:** Four ARS Master Rosarians discuss the challenges of sustainable rose gardening as an alternative to using chemical pesticides. Each panelist will present a personal list of sustainable varieties. Questions and comments from the audience will be encouraged. Eligible for one CR credit.