

# GARDEN NOTES 2014

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## 2013 Charles W. Carl, Jr. Honorary Award

While our past annual fundraiser was a time to celebrate and party to the sounds of the “Golden Oldies” it was also the time when we bestowed our Charles W. Carl Jr. Honorary Award. Each year the Rose Garden Restoration Committee recognizes the one person, business or organization that has given extraordinary service to the Central Park Rose Garden. This year the award went to CHA, Inc. a long standing corporate supporter. In addition to their financial support, many CHA employees have supported RGRC President Matt Cuevas with their time, talent and expertise on many rose garden projects, including printing and graphic artwork, computer services and assistance in the design and manufacture of our informational garden kiosk. Brian Marx, Director of Information Services at CHA and a regular attendee of our annual fundraiser, accepted the award. The award this year was a framed photo of the garden entrance in full bloom and displayed our beautiful wrought iron inspired Information Kiosk. We are indebted to Brian, Amy Brockman, former CHA employees Eileen Digoacchino, Robin Styles-Lopez and so many others that have helped us succeed in making the rose garden such a beautiful place.



## What's New in the Garden

### Rose Garden Restoration Committee Launches New Website



Last year with the help of our friends at Newkey Media Solutions, we launched a newly redesigned Rose Garden Restoration Committee website:

[www.schenectadyrose.com](http://www.schenectadyrose.com). We hope the website gives the online visitor a bit more visual interest, while providing the background story of the history of the garden, the involvement of RGRC, what we have accomplished and how anyone can continue to help us. If you have not visited our website, stroll on over, you are always welcome to visit!

### Frigid Winter of 2014

People may be wondering if the extreme cold of this past December and January will have an effect on the rose garden. In an article published in the Daily Gazette, February 1, 2014, our master rosarian Dave Gade was quoted that he is hopeful that the healthy condition of our rose bushes should help them pull through what he believes is the worst winter in 15 years.



### Golden Oldies Rocks the Night Away

It was a trip down memory lane listening to melodies of the Golden Oldies on a beautiful Friday evening, June 21, 2013. Our 18th annual fundraiser began with great raffle prizes, River Stone Manor served up the best classic diner food you could have imagined and provided us a trip back to the malt shop of our youth. The tables were cleverly set with roses and 45rpm records thanks to Larry D'Alessandris and the great folks at Felthousen Florists. So it was just another great fun filled event until “**Elvis had to leave the house**”, but not before our guests took a few snapshots with the King, as seen in this photo.



**Save the Date: Saturday, June 21, 2014 - 11 am to 2 pm**

In the Central Park Rose Garden

Our **19th Annual Garden Party**, will be a on old fashioned  
“**Picnic in the Park**”