

# Ring Around The Roses



**FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY  
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON**

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***Affiliated Member of the American Rose Society***

**Est. July 1953**

## **April 2024**

## **Leadership Remarks**

**Big “doings” going on!** The next couple of months will be **remarkably** busy...and June will be **crazy** busy with the Rose Show!

Want to learn more about being an **ARS Consulting Rosarian**? Our April General Membership meeting will be filled with detailed information on everything you wanted to know about applying to be a Consulting Rosarian. Look forward, too, to a number of announcements that will be of special interest to all the membership.



**Pete Mikalatos and David  
Goggin place bids at the  
2023 Silent Auction**

May's meeting will feature a **Silent Auction** to benefit the 2024 Rose Show and an **Ice Cream Social** (sponsored by the FVRS Board). Both of these activities were well received last year. Carol Adams is still looking for donations for the silent auction and help to set up. Contact her (see page 3) to donate and/or to tell her you'll help with setting up the auction.

Along with planning for the April and May meetings, FVRS is joining with Portland Rose Society in a **community outreach** effort in Vancouver and Camas. Information tables will be located at area nurseries and a location in Camas. FVRS will also have a booth at the Downtown Camas Plant & Garden Fair on May 11. These information tables and especially our booth at the Camas fair are marvelous opportunities to promote Fort Vancouver Rose Society and recruit new members. The Camas fair is an all-day event (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) **and volunteers to person the table are needed.** See any board member (see list of Board members in this newsletter) to sign up and participate with other FVRS members in this effort!

**--submitted by Kathy Fry, Editor**

# Consulting Rosarian Panel

A panel of Consulting Rosarians will be featured at our April 4 General Membership meeting to tell us about becoming a Consulting Rosarian. Here is a list of some of the necessary application requirements:

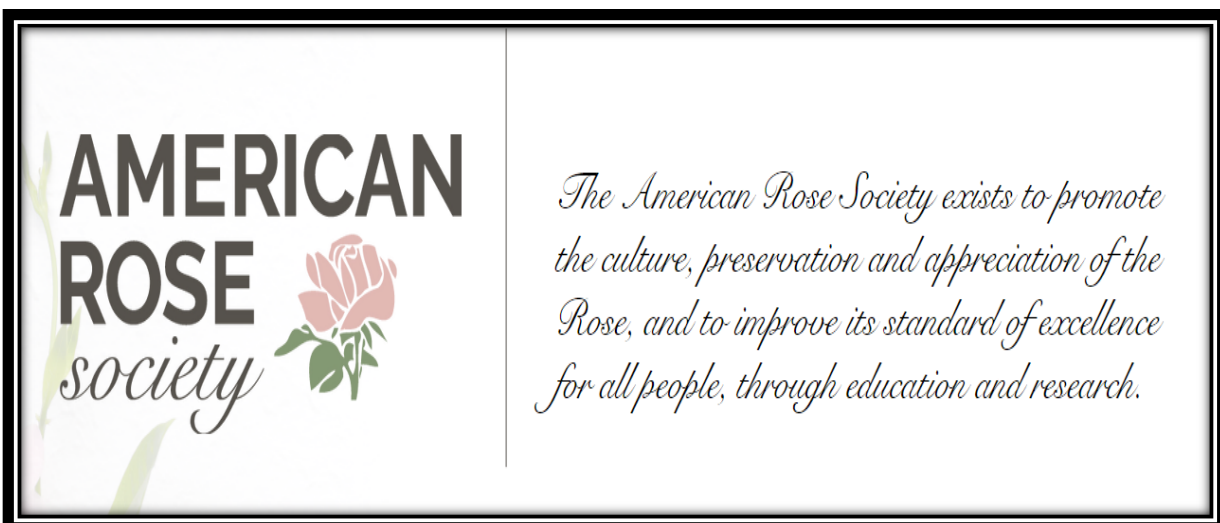


1. Membership in the American Rose Society for 2 years
2. At least 5 years of experience growing roses.
3. Successfully complete a Consulting Rosarian school.
4. Active member of a local rose society.
5. Be at least 18 years of age.
6. Send a completed CR candidate form to your district CR chair 30 days before CR school.
7. Accrue 4 continuing education credits every 4 years.
8. Other requirements based on CR form and District.

Come, see, hear and get your questions answered at our April 4 meeting. It will be the perfect time to ask the **Consulting Rosarians** questions you may have regarding soil preparation for planting, pruning, when to fertilize and what and when to spray for pests. There's always sometime new to learn!

Also in April, FVRS leadership will share announcements regarding the addition of a juried **Photography section** to our 2024 Rose Show and how FVRS is joining social media via **Facebook**. Be sure you get to the April meeting to hear all the exciting news!

**--submitted by Jim Swenson and Mary Benson**





FVRS is planning another Silent Auction for the May 2 General Membership meeting. Last year's auction was a great success all because of YOU! And, like last year, all proceeds will go toward the 2024 Rose Show.

As you do your spring cleaning and home organizing, please put aside items you think will be a good fit for our Silent Auction. Items need not be rose related...just anything that is in "like new" condition. And, if you know anyone with a small business, ask them if they could donate an item for the auction from their business. Tell them it's a good way to promote their business!

Have questions or would like me to look at the items you'd like to donate, please call, text or email me (contact info below). Thank you for all your support. I'm looking forward to another successful Silent Auction on May 2.

**Carol Adams**  
**805-404-2011**  
**c.adams9@yahoo.com**

*p.s. We are also looking for more items for the monthly General Membership meeting raffle. Please contact Carol Adams or bring your raffle donations to the meeting.*





# JEWELRY ART

From Carol Adams:

I am creating two, one-of-a-kind jewelry art pieces from unwanted jewelry for our Silent Auction on May 2. The photo below is an example of art jewelry I made with my Mom's jewelry after she passed away five years ago. This piece won me first place for best use of recycled materials at the 2022 Clark County Fair. More importantly, I created it with love and it's a beautiful remembrance of Mom.

Here's where you come in. To complete the two jewelry art pieces for this year's Silent Auction, I need your help. If you have a few pieces of **unwanted jewelry** to donate toward this endeavor, please bring them to me at the next General Membership meeting on Thursday, April 4. I've already collected several pieces from FVRS Board members and am now reaching out to the entire FVRS membership to contribute to this project.

Once I have your donated jewelry, I'll get busy and complete the two art works. The ones I'm creating for the Silent Auction are flower themed.

Please call, text or email me if you have any questions and thank you for your donations. I think these two jewelry art pieces will be beautiful additions to the Silent Auction!

**Carol Adams**

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**NOTE:** If you have a collection of jewelry from a mother, grandmother, beloved family member, etc., and would like a jewelry art piece made especially for you similar to what is pictured, please let me know. I will work with you to create an artful memory.



FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY

Presents 69<sup>th</sup> Annual



# Rose Show

## *Spotlight on Roses*

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

First Evangelical Church  
(GYMNASIUM)

4120 NE St. Johns Road, Vancouver

**FREE TO THE PUBLIC**

*All Rose Growers and Rose Photographers  
are Welcomed to Enter*

Vases will be provided

*\*Enter roses between 7 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.*

*Novice Assistance 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.*

*\*\*Mail 5x7 photos by June 27 or enter by 8 a.m.*

\*Roses Information: Contact Julie or Margaret at 360-609-1749

\*\*Photography Information: Contact Kathy at 360-823-3155

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**Fort Vancouver Rose Society**  
**Member of the American Rose Society**  
**Pacific Northwest District**

We are seeking support for one of the largest rose shows in the country! Each year the Fort Vancouver Rose Society (FVRS) hosts a free rose show for our community. The cost to put on the show this year is estimated to be \$8500.

The purpose of the society is to encourage interest in and cultivation of the rose and to spread the love of the rose to our community. Our annual rose show is one of the primary ways to accomplish this. Please consider supporting our 2024 show at one of the following donation levels:

<b>Level 1 – Hybrid Tea</b>	<b>\$500 and over</b>
<b>Level 2 - Floribunda</b>	<b>\$250 to \$499</b>
<b>Level 3 – Climber</b>	<b>\$100 to \$249</b>
<b>Level 4 – Miniature</b>	<b>\$50 to \$99</b>

As an acknowledgment and thank you for your donation, our donors are listed in the show program and in a display that attendees see as they enter the show, Donors are also mentioned in our newsletter. (Remaining anonymous is an option.)

Here are some things to know about our rose show:

- It provides a venue for rose growers across the Pacific Northwest to share their roses with the public.
- It is open to the public with no admission or participation fees.
- Roses are judged by ARS (American Rose Society) certified judges.
- In each category, winners are recognized with ribbons. The top winners receive special recognition.
- Education and awareness concerning roses are two key parts of the show.
- Knowledgeable members and judges are on hand to answer questions from those attending.
- The show is the second largest in the Pacific Northwest and one of the largest in the U.S.

More about FVRS and what the accomplishments of its members through many volunteer hours:

- Maintain the Esther Short Rose Garden and the Covington Rose Garden, both free to the public.
- Conduct free seminars on rose cultivation and care at local nurseries.
- Offer free consultations to persons who are seeking advice on growing and identifying roses.
- Hold monthly meetings that promote the rose and provide information on the care of roses.
- Give presentations to local organizations who desire to know more about roses.
- Plan, prepare and present the annual rose show.
- Maintain a web site ([www.fortvancouverrosesociety.org](http://www.fortvancouverrosesociety.org)) making information available to all who are interested in roses.

**Thank you for considering support of the 2024 FVRS Rose Show.**  
**The FVRS is a state and federal non-profit: 501c Tax Exempt EIN: 58-1783636**

**Please send your donation made payable to:**  
**Fort Vancouver Rose Society**  
**6400 NE Highway 99, Suite G, #457**  
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Should you have questions or need more information, please contact Maggie Mikalatos, FVRS Treasurer, at [maggie.mikalatos@gmail.com](mailto:maggie.mikalatos@gmail.com).

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## A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words

For the past two Rose Shows, we have had a photo display as a delightful, colorful part of the show.

This year, I am pleased to announce our show will include a **juried**

**Photography section** in addition to the Horticulture and Artistic Design (Arrangements) sections. Our many talented FVRS photographers will have opportunity to truly show off their talents. I will be announcing our esteemed judges in the near future.

General instructions will be posted as soon as approval is obtained from the District. They will be published in our 2024 Rose Show Exhibitor show book which will be posted on our website soon. The photo classes will include exhibition blooms, arrangements, and gardens.

*--Submitted by Kathy Fry*



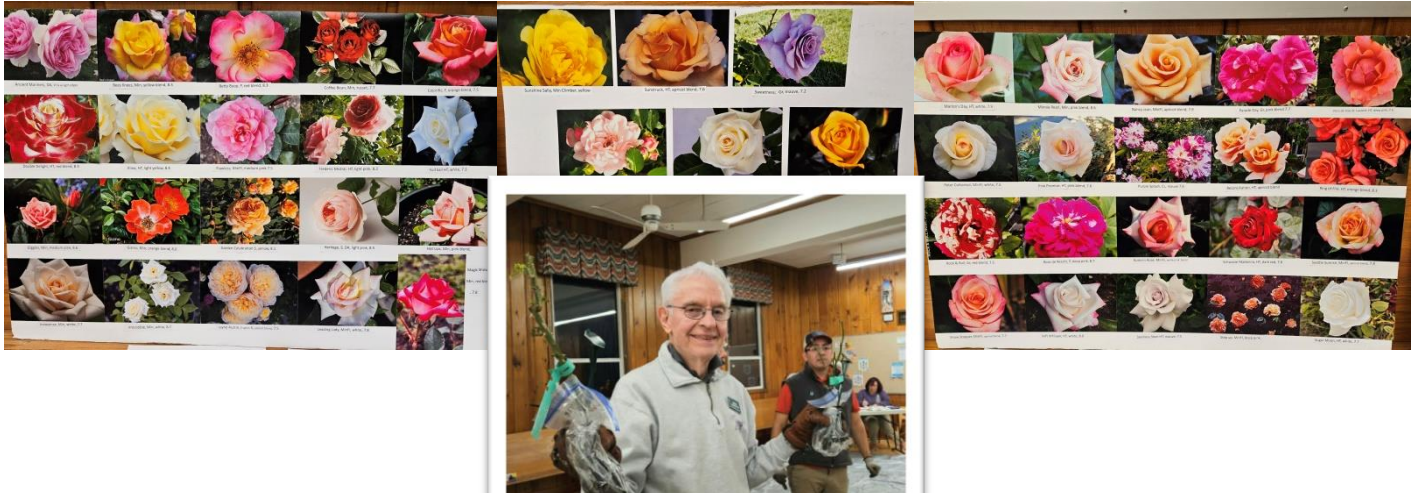


Wild and Wacky... but, Oh so Successful!

## 2024 ROSE AUCTION

March 7, 2024

Parish Hall at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Vancouver



Louis Rossetto, Samson Ramirez (both in photo), Jim Swenson and Pete Mikalatos presented the roses for bidding.

**59 DONATED ROSES (and one barberry plant)**

**22 SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS**

**\$2,303.53 TOTAL RAISED toward 2024 Rose Show**

### *Spotlight on Roses*

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Serving as both meeting facilitator and our auctioneer *extraordinaire*, Sally Rossetto (in photo on far right) explained the Fort Vancouver Rose Society auction at St. Luke's on March 7 was one of several major fundraisers for our annual rose show, which this year is on Saturday, June 29.

The show is a beautiful community event, showcasing gorgeous roses for all to enjoy. Each FVRS member is encouraged to participate. Trophies and awards won at the show highlight the talented rose growers of our region.

A huge, hardy, heartfelt THANK YOU to EVERYONE who planned, donated, assisted, bid—who participated in anyway--in this year's soooooo successful auction!



*Submitted by Jan DeWeese*



# ROSE AUCTION ACTION



Phyllis Pegg helped at the Pot 'o Gold table.



Carol Adams takes Pot 'o Gold 50/50 Drawing bids from Mike Giddings and Bob Britt.



The table to sign up for bidding numbers and the drawing was very busy!



Joseph Ziemba ponders a number for the Pot 'o Gold

Louis Rossetto and Frank Hecker sign up for their bidding numbers from Margaret Snitzler



Just some of the 59 roses donated by very generous folks!





# MORE ROSE AUCTION ACTION



Fiona Neumann looks over the rose labels.

Wendy Tilley of [Harlane Garden Tags](#), donated labels for all the auctioned roses. She also sold additional labels before and after the auction, donating a portion of her proceeds. The engraved labels were attached to 10.5 inch durable, flexible stakes. The labels enhanced the value of each auctioned rose. Wendy's participation in the auction and donations are remarkable gifts to FVRS!

Participants in the March 6 Arrangement Workshop brought their gorgeous arrangements to display at the auction. These lovely arrangements add so much to

the enjoyment of everyone. Thank you, arrangers!



Jen Jacobus with her



Carl and Carolyn Finch are ready for auction action!

Gene Fults was mighty pleased to see Therese Dieringer's cinnamon rolls at the refreshment table.



Samson Ramirez worked in the "holding" pen for sold roses.



Pete Mikalatos holds the last sold plant - a barberry - for Fiona Neumann to tag while Louis Rossetto holds the last rose sold for Wendy Tilley to tag.



# SPRING 2024 PRUNING AND CLEAN UP AT ESTHER SHORT PARK AND COVINGTON HOUSE



**Marsha Louis learns from  
Consulting Rosarian Jim Swenson**

Spring pruning and clean up **on Friday, March 8**, saw a chilly start to the year's care of Vancouver's community park roses.

Thirteen FVRS volunteers and three members of the public enjoyed the crisp, spring morning while working on nearly 100 roses at the Esther Short Park Rose Garden. Later, nine of the thirteen also worked at the Covington House Rose Garden off Main Street.

**Consulting Rosarians Jim Swenson, Julie Goggin and Louis Rossetto** shared pruning instruction and overall rose care advice with

three very nice folks from the community who arrived to help and learn:

**Carol Harbaugh and Roy & Marsha Louis**

While working alongside of us, the three experts also generously shared their expertise with the FVRS volunteers. They were so patient with all of our questions!

**Bob Britt, Dan & Jan DeWeese, Gene Fults, Mike & Cheryl Giddings, Julie Goggin, Maureen McGoldrick, Dee Pigman, Samson Ramirez, Louis Rossetto, and Jim & Detra Swenson**

Now that we've "opened" both community rose gardens, keeping the roses deadheaded and beds clean (free of weeds!) will be everyone's job. Please consider helping at the next workday... watch for the date on our website ([www.fortvancouverrosesociety.org](http://www.fortvancouverrosesociety.org)) and in our newsletter!

*--Submitted by Jan DeWeese*





**Detra Swenson, emptying what must have felt like her 100<sup>th</sup> bucket load into the dumpster!**



**Samson Ramirez tackled this "very-much-in-need-of-pruning" rose.**



**Mike and Cheryl Giddings worked both sides of the fenced garden. Cleaning up spent tree leaves kept Cheryl very busy!**



**After working in the Esther Short Park Rose Garden, Dee Pigman and Gene Fults joined, Bob Britt, Dan and Jan DeWeese, Samson Ramirez, Louis Rossetto, and Jim & Detra Swenson at the Covington House Rose Garden.**





## Margaret is Rehoming Her Roses

As many of us know, Margaret Snitzler is planning a move to Springwood Landing in Vancouver. Rather than leave all her beloved roses in her yard to unknown fates, she wants her beautiful roses to go to a new home where they will be cared for and appreciated.

To this end, Margaret is offering her roses for an adoption fee of \$10 each plus a donation to the Society. You will have to dig them up and move them yourself. I am sure there are some that are no longer in circulation.

If you are interested, call Margaret at 360-695-0456. She monitors her calls so state your name and why you are calling. If she does not pick up, leave a message and she will get back to you.

Montana / miniature



Wild Blue Yonder/ Hybrid Tea



Living Easy / Floribunda



Escapade / Floribunda



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*--Submitted by Kathy Fry*

# MARGARET WANTS YOU TO ADOPT HER ROSES!

Hybrid Tea	Floribunda	Miniature	Miniature
Barbara Streisand	Amber Queen	Amy Grant	Santa Claus
Crescendo	Angel Face	Anytime	Simplex
Dick Clark	Betty Boop	Baby Boomer	Step Up
Dublin	Blushing Princess	Be My Baby	Spring's A Comin
Elin	Chihuly	Cal Poly	Starina
Elizabeth Taylor	City of London	Chelsea Belle	Sweet Caroline
Falling in Love	Colorific	Cricket	Tennessee
Folklore	Drop Dead Red	Dancing Flame	Whimsical
Forgotten Dream	Escapade	Deep Velvet	You're the One
Gold Metal	Fragrant Wave	Easter Morning	
Helen Naude	Gene Boener	Fancy Pants	<b>Other</b>
Jane Pauley	Hannah Gordon	Ghost Zapper	Heavenly Pink
Let Freedom Ring	Julia Child	Giggles	Heritage
Liebisgauben (Love Magic)	Lava Glut	Gizmo	Rose de Rescht
Lloyd Center Supreme	Living Easy	Hoot Owl	
Maggie Barry	Liverpool Echo	Incognito	
Maid of Honour	Playboy	Irresistible	
Marilyn Monroe	Scentimental	Jean Kenneally	
Moonstone	Sexy Reny	Jelly Jewel	
Over the Moon	Shelia's Perfume	Lady in Red	
Parole	White Licorice	Lights of Broadway	
Peter Frankenfeld		Little Artist	
Polar Star		Luis Desamar	
Randy Scott		Lipstick and Lace	
Rina Hugo		Linville	
Ring of Fire		Mary Marshall	
Royal Amethyst		Merlot	
Savoy Hotel		Millie Walters	
Sedona		Minnie Pearl	
Sheer Bliss		Miss Flippins	
Signature		Montana	
Silverado		Party Girl	
Sugar Moon		Pierrine	
Touch of class		Ralph Moore	
Wild Blue Yonder		Rise and Shine	
Wimi		Ruby Ruby	





**PORTLAND ROSE SOCIETY  
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IS NOW AVAILABLE**

**\$19 for Regular 20 lb. 15-10-10 Fertilizer Bag**

**\$23 for Organic 20 lb. 5-4-4 Fertilizer Bag**

**The sale of PRS fertilizer is fundraiser for the Portland Rose Society and a good way to support a neighbor society. There are three options to purchase your fertilizer:**

- 1. Purchase fertilizer at a local nursery but know the cost will likely be over \$30.**
- 2. Pick up your fertilizer **April 15 or May 21** at Oaks Park in Portland before PRS meetings (third Mondays at 7:30 p.m.). There is a drive-through area where you can pay for your fertilizer, and someone will load it into your vehicle.**
- 3. Contact Katherine Johnson of the Portland Rose Society at 503-289-4894 and arrange to pick up your fertilizer at her residence in north Portland.**

*--submitted by Sally Rossetto*

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR WITH THESE EVENTS**

**APRIL 3, Wednesday - Arrangement Workshop - 2 p.m.**

*at Kathy Fry's – 13108 NE 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Vancouver 98684*

**APRIL 4, Thursday - General Membership Meeting - 7p.m.**

*at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 426 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver 98663*

**APRIL 6, Saturday - Community Outreach with PRS - 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

*at Yard 'n Garden Land, 1501 NE 102<sup>nd</sup> Street, Vancouver 98686*

**APRIL 13, Saturday - Community Outreach with PRS - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

*at Dennis' 7 Dees Garden Center, 10006 SE Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver 98664*

**APRIL 14, Sunday - Community Outreach with PRS - 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.**

*at JB's Taphouse & Grill, 2011 SE 192<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, #100, Camas 98607*

**MAY 4, Saturday - Community Outreach with PRS - 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

*at Cascade Greenhouse, 6005 NE 139<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver 98686*

**MAY 11, Saturday - Community Outreach – 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

*at Downtown Camas Plant & Garden Fair*

### **SNACK/REFRESHMENTS SCHEDULE**

**A - F February and June**

**G - J March and September**

**K - R April and October**

**S - Z May and November**



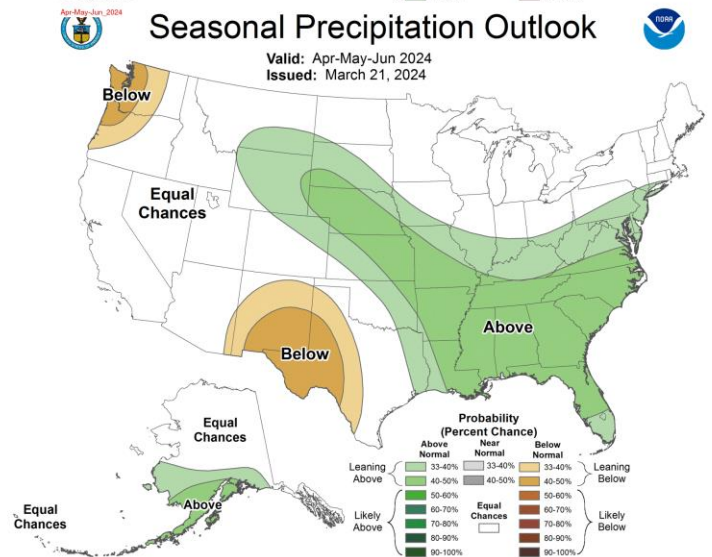
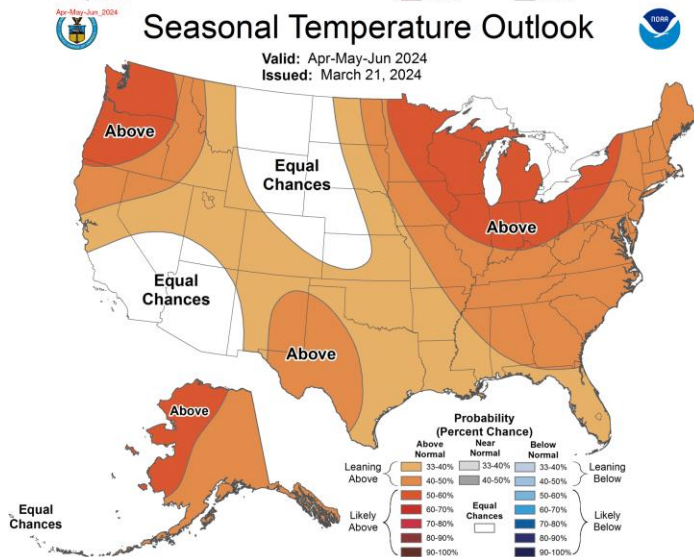
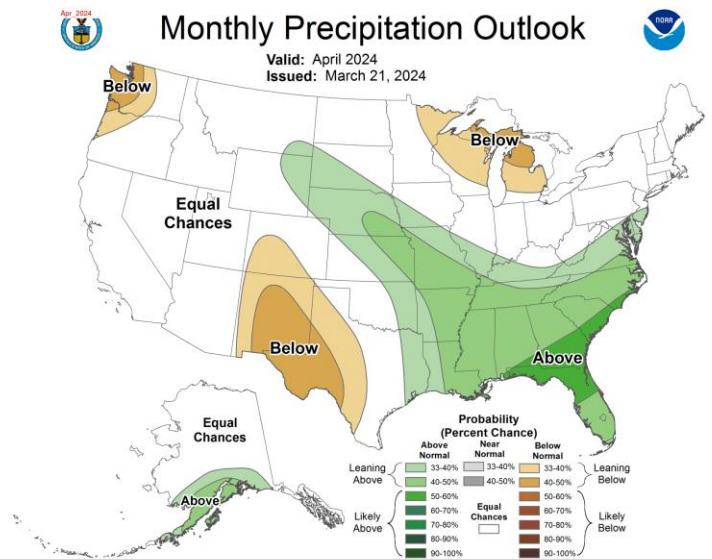
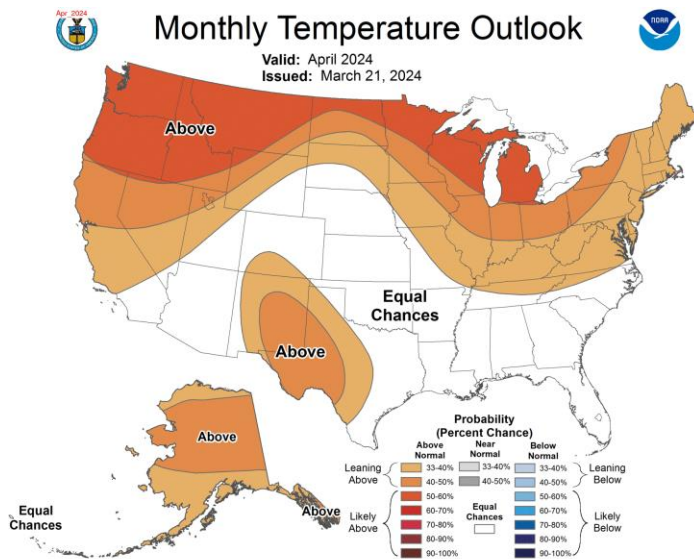


# Weather Word

by Ryan Tilley, Meteorologist Supreme

Well, March came in as a lion (at least at my house) and went as a lamb, appropriately for Easter. I can remember in Atlanta, Easter was on April 12 and there was snow, wind, and 19-degree temperatures that not only ruined my roses but every suburban garden as well. No thank you.

Anyway, El Nino is rapidly decreasing, and ocean temperatures will be near normal into the summer when La Nina could start forming due to colder than normal temperatures are present in some areas of the Pacific Basin. By fall, the outlook is for La Nina begin in earnest. But for now, the rest of spring looks quite warm with drier than normal rainfall likely as a large-scale upper-level ridge begins to settle in over the U.S. and rather dry, which will be welcomed after a month of damp, cloudy weather. And, after a decade of above normal summer temperatures, who can argue with a hot summer outlook with scant rain across the PNW.



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