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LEADERSHIP REMARKS

March is always a busy month for rose gardeners: planning, planting, pruning! Those of us who work behind the scenes on your FVRS Board also have full calendars this month: attending meetings, meeting deadlines and attending more meetings!



Two of your Board members, Michael Giddings and David Goggin, are organizing our presence at the Camas Plant & Garden Fair to be held Saturday, May 10, in downtown Camas. They are looking for FVRS members to help staff our booth at this event. A sign-up sheet will be available at the April and May meetings for YOU to volunteer a few hours at the booth – it's a fun event and a delight to be at this community fair with hundreds of other "plant-minded" people.

The 2025 Rose Show Committee is working hard to develop this year's Exhibitor show book. With so many options to creatively show roses and make the show an exciting experience for both exhibitors and visitors, discussions at committee meetings have been extensive. We anticipate the Exhibitor show book will be completed late April and on our website by early May. Please know your 2025 Rose Show Committee is being very careful and considerate in making the best use of FVRS resources.

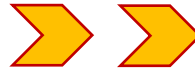
If you are interested in helping at either the Camas Plant & Garden Fair or with the 2025 Rose Show, be sure to let any Board member know. Your support of FVRS and its efforts to promote the love of the rose is very much appreciated!

--Submitted by Kathy Fry

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m. Arrangement Workshop
Elks Lodge, 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd.

Thursday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m.
General Membership Meeting
Parish Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church,
426 E. Fourth Plain Blvd.
PROGRAM: Presentation by Kim Erion
"Rehoming Margaret's Roses"



Friday, April 11 at 9:00 a.m.
Work Day in Community Rose Gardens
Start at Covington House Rose Garden then move to the
Esther Short Park Rose Garden *(time and energy levels permitting)*

Wednesday, April 30 at 2:00 p.m. Arrangement Workshop
Elks Lodge, 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd.

Thursday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. General Membership Meeting
Parish Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 426 E. Fourth Plain Blvd.
PROGRAM: (to be announced)

Saturday, May 10 at the Camas Plant & Garden Fair
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Downtown Camas, Washington *(see Page 3)*

Saturday, June 28 2025 ROSE SHOW
Public Hours: 1-4 p.m. Clark County Event Center *(see Pages 4 & 5)*

SNACK/REFRESHMENTS SCHEDULE

A - F February and June
G - J March and September
K - R April and October
S - Z May and November

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From the 2025 Rose Show Donation Committee

Just a note to ask those of our members who plan to support the rose show financially. If you could send your donation check during the month of April, it will allow us to get a better idea of where we stand in meeting our 2025 Rose Show budget. Receiving your donation early would be extremely helpful as we continue to plan the rose show.

Listed below are the levels of support and where to send your check. You could also bring your check to the April 3 General Membership meeting and give it to Treasurer Maggie Mikalatos. You will receive a receipt for your donation that can be used for income tax purposes.

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Thank you from Maggie Mikalatos, Julie Goggin, Sally Rossetto, Margaret Snitzler and the entire 2025 Rose Show Committee!

FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY

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Rose Show

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*"200 Years
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SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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We welcome first time exhibitors!

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*Roses Information: Contact Julie at 360-609-1749
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**Photography Information: Contact Kathy at 360-823-3155
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WORK DAY – Spring 2025

On Friday, March 7, the day after a very busy FVRS rose auction evening, 18 mostly tired folks met to prep the Esther Short Park Rose Garden and Covington House Rose Garden for the growing season.

Mulch was raked away to check rose canes, weeds were pulled, roses were pruned, and general clean up happened in the garden. Now we wait for the first bud to appear and bloom!

We love this time of year, especially when the rain takes a break and roses begin blooming in gardens all around Vancouver...what joy! We hope you are also getting excited for roses, roses, and more roses!

A big thank you to all who participated. And, if you missed this session, the **next workday will be Friday, April 11, at 9 a.m. at the Covington House Rose Garden.**

It's a wonderful opportunity to learn about rose care and to get to know fellow FVRS members. Be there!

--Submitted by Sally Rossetto

(photos by Kathy Fry)



Dan DeWeese, Mike Giddings, Sally Rossetto and Julie Goggin get started on the day's work in the rose garden at Esther Short Park.

Mike Giddings blows mulch out from rose plants, making it easier to prune each rose.



Gene Fults rakes up weeds and debris around the roses.

Parker's Landing Historical Park

Last year at the Camas/Washougal Garden Club, a group of members were asked to work on the rose garden at Parker's Landing Historical Park. This park is located off State Route 14 on the Columbia River, in Washougal, Washington. The garden contains a main rose arbor with several climbing roses and a few shrubs; and two smaller arbors also having climbing roses (total of 35 roses.)

The rose garden had not been properly maintained for quite some time. Our group went there in August of 2024, doing a summer prune and cleaning up the plants. They were shortened and secured to the arbors, then watered and fertilized. Part of the difficulty of properly maintaining these roses is there are general landscapes that come in and blow away all the leaves and topsoil. This has caused exposed roots, and lack of mulch.

This January, (see photos), we returned, did a hard prune on all the roses. They were cut back, de-leafed, and retied to the arbors. The roses were given a supplement of coffee grounds, Epsom salts and worm castings. Since it was raining, we were unable to give them a dormant spray – but any day now it might stop raining!

This rose garden was established as part of a centennial project in 1989. The garden was created with the help of the local PUD, Kiwanis club members, and local citizens. Three generations of the Van Vleet family resided in Parkersville, which was established by David C. Parker in 1844 – being the first American settler in Washington.



The park was added to the National Register of Historic Places and the Washington State Heritage Register in 1976. The Parkersville site/Parker's Landing Historical Park is a 3.88-acre public park, located off State Route 14 on the Columbia River in Washougal, Washington, owned by the Port of Camas-Washougal. The site

commemorates the Chinook- speaking Native Americans of the area and the settlement established. Related history: 2500 to 3000 years ago (Natives), 1792 (Broughton) and 1806 (Lewis & Clark) to 1844 (David C. Parker settlement), 1850 (Donation Land Claim), 1854 (Platting of Parkersville).

Submitted by Leslie Mowers, our newest Consulting Rosarian

AGRS™ Northwest Region Winners by JoAnn Brehm,
WSU Master Garden Test Rose Garden Committee Chair



Since 2013, the WSU Master Gardeners' Test Rose Garden (Demonstration Garden at 1620 S. Union Kennewick, Washington, in Kennewick's Grange Park behind the Mid-Columbia Library) has been planting roses annually that are evaluated for 2-3 years from six different U.S. geographical regions, each containing two test gardens, to determine an annual set of winners. To be granted an award, a rose variety must demonstrate superior performance in at least three of the six regions. **The WSU MG Test Rose Garden is one of two in the Northwest Region**, the other being the Portland International Rose Test Garden. The All America Rose Selection (AARS) was the prior national rose test program, which our garden also participated in.



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The goal of the AGRS is to provide objective and reliable information to the general public for roses that do well in specific areas and are easy to care for, disease-resistant, beautiful, and even fragrant. Characteristics that are evaluated include: vigor, foliage proportion, plant habit, flowering effect, rebloom habit, bloom form, aging quality of blooms, fragrance and hardiness.



'Firefly,' and Fragrance
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The 2025 AGRS™ winners in the **Northwest Region** are shown below. This is a record-breaking number with nine winning roses. All do well in our Tri-Cities area climate. You can look a name up for additional information on the characteristics of each rose and where to purchase them online or in local nurseries for spring planting.



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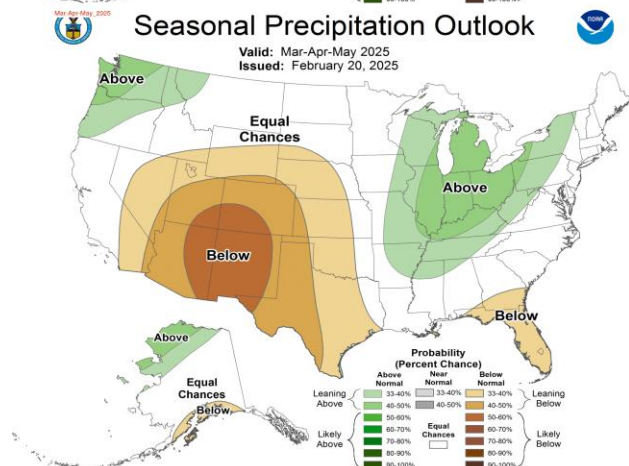
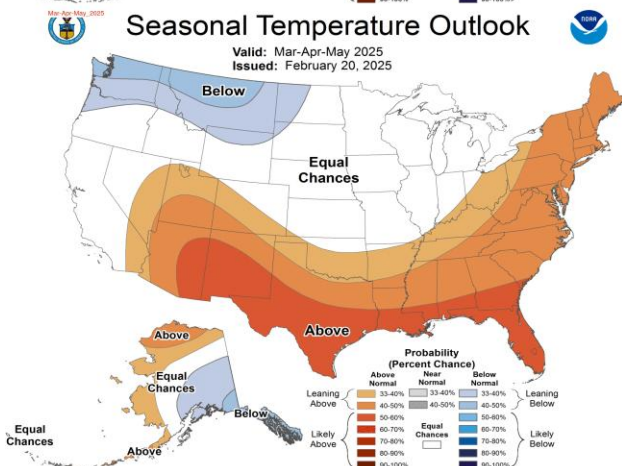
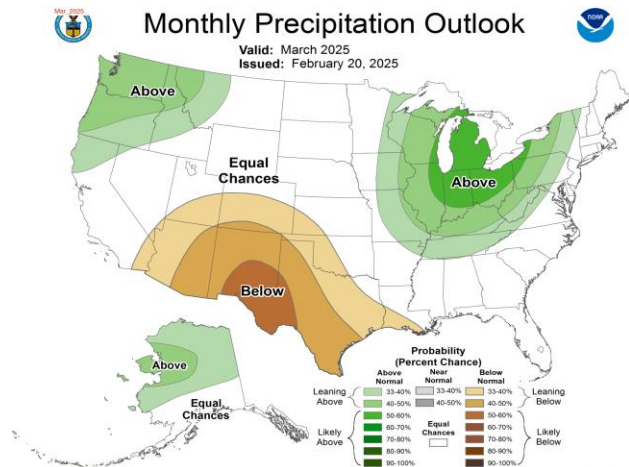
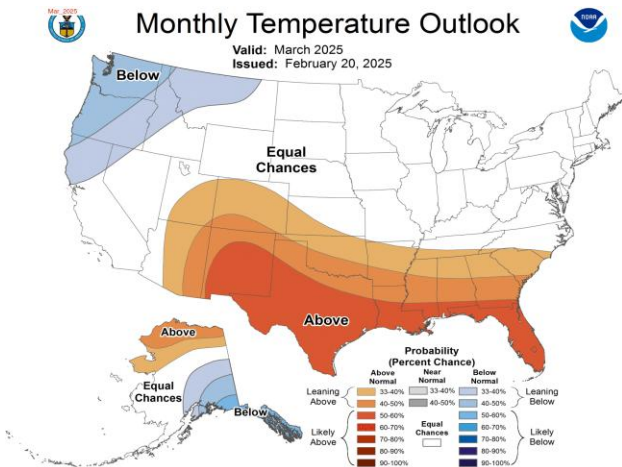


Weather Word

by Ryan Tilley, Meteorologist Supreme

The predicted weak La Nina is in full swing and the weather in February was what you would expect. We saw below normal temperatures and near normal precipitation that featured 3-5 inches of snow in the middle of the month. March will likely continue the trend, and I would not be surprised to see a little bit more at some point during the month.

By the time summer comes, the weak La Nina will be gone, and we will likely see another dry, hot summer. Good for great looking blooms, not so much for our water bills.





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AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 2025 WEBINAR LINE-UP

The American Rose Society offers numerous educational opportunities including monthly webinars on a variety of topics. Pat Shanley, Chair of the Webinar Committee, has put together an exciting line up with speakers from around the world. These webinars are provided free of charge for all American Rose Society members. There is a \$5 fee for all others interested in attending a webinar. Questions about registering for webinars should be directed to Tanya Cole at Tanya@rose.org or 318-938-5402, ext. 108.

UPCOMING WEBINARS:

- May 17, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “Coming Up Roses – The High Country Roses Story”
Speaker: Matt Douglas, Owner High Country Roses
- June 28, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “Rose Selection in Different Soil and Climate Conditions”
Speaker: Matthias Meilland, Sixth Generation Rose Breeder, House of Meilland
- July 26, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “An Update on Breeding Roses for Black Spot Resistance”
Speaker: Dr. David Zlesak, Professor of Horticulture, University of Wisconsin River Falls
- August 23, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “Rethinking Late Summer & Fall Rose Health Strategies”
Speaker: Dr. Mark Windham, Professor Emeritus of Plant Pathology, The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture
- September 27, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “Designing a Garden for Rose Collectors, The Normal Rules Don’t Apply!”
Speaker: Paul Zimmerman, Owner, Paul Zimmerman Roses Consulting and Design
- October 25, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: “What’s New with Jackson & Perkins”
Speaker: Wes Harvell, Rose Category Manager & Rosarian for Jackson Perkins Park Acquisitions, Inc.
- November 22, 2025 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Topic TBA
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