

Ring Around The Roses



FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY
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May 2026

LEADERSHIP REMARKS

As the rain and cooler weather settle back into the Pacific Northwest, I am sure most of us are closely watching our roses. With just five weeks until the 2026 Rose Show on May 30—*A Rosy Affair*—we are all hoping for more sunny weather for those buds to bloom. Staying busy otherwise helps. What do they say about a watched pot?

The Camas Plant & Garden Fair on May 9 has a group of us making plans (*see page 4*) for the FVRS booth, and the 2026 Rose Show Committee is in full swing preparing for the show (*see page 5*). We will have a number of new activities at the rose show this year (e.g., a Garden Market!) and publicity is in full swing getting the word out (*help distribute flyers!...see page 6*). This year should be the best ever!

Did someone say ice cream? (*see page 7*)

--Submitted by Kathy Fry, President

MARK YOUR CALENDER

Sunday, May 3, 11 a.m. **Class on Rose Floral Arranging**
 Taught by FVRS floral arrangers, this class will be held at Tsugawa Nursery
 410 E. Scott Avenue in Woodland. YOU MUST CALL TO SIGN UP FOR
 THIS CLASS AT 360-225-8750 OR SIGN UP AT THE NURSERY IN WOODLAND

Tuesday, May 5, 9:30 a.m. **Workday at Community Gardens**
 We'll start at Esther Short Park Rose Garden to do weeding and
 garden cleanup then move on to Covington House Rose Garden

Wednesday May 6, 2 p.m. **Arrangement Workshop**
 Judy Heath residence at 5418 NW Franklin Street in Vancouver
 Focus will be on getting ready for the 2026 Rose Show on May 30

Thursday, May 7, 7 p.m. **General Membership Meeting** (see page 7)
 Parish Hall at St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 426 E. Fourth Plain Blvd. in Vancouver
PROGRAM: Getting Ready for the Rose Show
 and Ice Cream Social. Focus areas on
 Grooming Roses by Margaret Snitzler
 Arrangements by Julie Goggin and Mary Benson
 Photography by Kathy Fry

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

Saturday May 9, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Camas Plant & Garden Fair** (see page 4)



2026 ROSE SHOW

SATURDAY, MAY 30

CLARK COUNTY EVENT CENTER AT THE
 FAIRGROUNDS

FRIDAY, MAY 29 – SETUP

SATURDAY, MAY 30 – SHOW

Horticultural and Arrangement Entries	7:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Photography Entries	7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
Hospitality	8:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Photography Judging	9:00 a.m.
Judging/Clerk Instruction.....	10:30 a.m.
Horticulture and Arrangement Judging.....	11:00 a.m.
Luncheon.....	12:30 p.m.
Public Show Hours.....	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Award/Trophy Ceremony.....	3:00 p.m.
Removal of Arrangements and Tags.....	4:00 p.m.
Show Breakdown.....	4:30 p.m.

Late Pruning and Rose Care Seminar at Tsugawa Nursery

On Saturday April 18, Consulting Rosarian Member-at-Large Leslie Mowers, President Kathy Fry and First Vice-President Carol Adams presented a program at Tsugawa Nursery in Woodland. Topics discussed were late pruning, tools and safety. Participants asked questions about pests and disease control.

The presentation was part of a three-day 45th Anniversary Celebration at Tsugawa Nursery where they featured daily programs and classes -- all free to the public!

--Submitted by Kathy Fry



Camas Plant & Garden Fair Saturday, May 9 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Fort Vancouver Rose Society will participate again at the Camas Plant & Garden Fair! In addition to handouts on rose care and about the Society, our booth (corner of Dallas St. and 4th Avenue) will also include sales of greeting cards featuring photos from the 2025 Rose Show and floral-themed tote bags (*including the possibility of t-shirts*).

Proceeds of sales will be dedicated to the 2026 Rose Show to be held May 30 at the Clark County Event Center.

--Submitted by Michael Giddings

FVRS Booth at the Camas Plant & Garden Fair in 2024. These folks are sure having a good time!



27th Annual
CAMAS PLANT & GARDEN FAIR
SATURDAY, MAY 9 9AM - 4PM

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Plant & Garden Experts Available
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A special thank you to our local Scouts for helping with our customer plant hauling needs. Tips gladly accepted!

JUST IN TIME FOR MOTHER'S DAY!

downtown Camas association



2026 Rose Show Update

It was Louis Rossetto who suggested the rose show theme “*A Rosy Affair*” for the 2026 Rose Show; and when he explained his rationale, we were struck by what he said: “It’s such a pleasant experience with rose friends gathering and preparing their rose exhibits. Amongst the buckets of roses, grooming tables, boxes of vases, the donut and coffee table, the exhibit tables, at lunch and finally at the presentation of trophies, everyone has a chance to meet, greet and enjoy.”

Our annual rose show really is “*A Rosy Affair*” where all of us from Fort Vancouver Rose Society can celebrate roses with each other, our rose friends from across the district and with all the public who attend the show.

The 2026 Rose Show Committee has been working to wrap up show details involving the venue, trophies/awards, properties and transport, set-up, hospitality and lunch, exhibitor and visitor books; publicity; donations; calligraphy and recording and so many other little details.

May 30th is coming at us quickly. **ALL WE NEED NOW IS YOU AND YOUR ROSES TO MAKE THIS 2026 ROSE SHOW INDEED ...**



***--Submitted by Julie Goggin and Sally Rossetto
2026 Rose Show Co-Chairs***

***NOTE: Sally Rossetto may be calling you to
volunteer for set-up or another task.
She will have all of the details.***



**FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY
PRESENTS 71ST ANNUAL**

ROSE SHOW



**SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2026
1 P.M. TO 4 P.M.
Clark County Event Center at the Fairgrounds
17402 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield**

**ROSE CARE
INFORMATION**

**ADMISSION AND PARKING FREE
NO EXHIBITOR FEE**

**VISIT THE
GARDEN MARKET**

**All Rose Exhibitors and Rose Photographers
are Welcomed to Enter!**

We welcome first time exhibitors!

Enter roses between 7 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.
via Event Center Back Loading Gate – Vases will be provided

USPS mail 5x7 photos to arrive by May 27
or enter on May 30 by 8 a.m.



Rose Exhibit Information:

Contact Julie at 360-609-1749
or Sally at 360-573-8033

Photography Exhibit Information:

Contact Kathy at 360-823-3155

Email fortvancouverrosesociety@gmail.com

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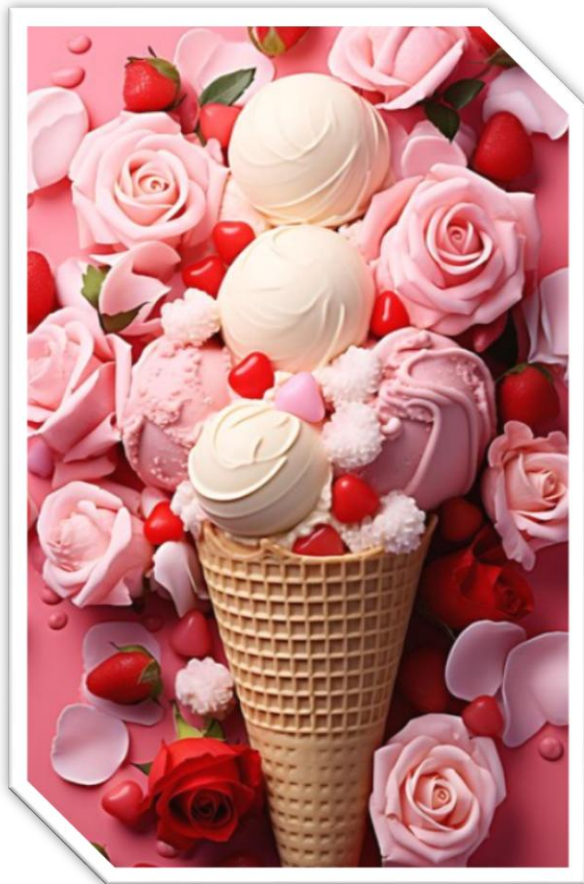


17-MAR-2026

DID SOMEONE SAY ICE CREAM?

Our May 7 General Membership Meeting will feature: ***Getting Ready for the Rose Show and an Ice Cream Social.*** After we take care of meeting business, a round table visit will be available.

Margaret Snitzler will present tips on grooming, Julie Goggin and Mary Benson will present tips on arrangements, and Kathy Fry will take questions about photography exhibits. Also, each presentation will review how to complete entry tags.



The Ice Cream Social will have plenty of toppings provided by your FVRS Board. And, who doesn't love a good cookie with your ice cream? ***Bring your favorite!***

This will be a great chance to visit with other members. At my house, we have a saying, ***"Feed them and they will come."***

See you there!

--Submitted by Kathy Fry

FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY

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FORT VANCOUVER ROSE SOCIETY 2026 FVRS MEMBERSHIP FORM

\$ _____ **ANNUAL Fort Vancouver Rose Society DUES at \$25 (per household)**

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

NOTE: *The Fort Vancouver Rose Society is affiliated with the American Rose Society. The American Rose Society exists to promote the culture, preservation and appreciation of the Rose, and to improve its standard of excellence for all people, through education and research.*

If you wish to join the American Rose Society, please go directly to the ARS website: www.rose.org.

\$ _____ **FVRS MEMBERSHIP NAME TAG at \$12 each**

If you would like to order a FVRS name tag, please check below. If you are a Consulting Rosarian or Master Rosarian, check the applicable box and the designation will be included on your name tag.

_____ Yes, I would like a FVRS NAME TAG
(tag will reflect name provided above)

I am a Consulting Rosarian I am a Master Rosarian

\$ _____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

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