

The Ventura Rose

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VCRS March Meeting & Presentation

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Donna Martin, Exhibitor

Frequent Contributor to American Rose Magazine

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for refreshments
Rose Sharing & Celebration 7:00 p.m.
Guest Speaker Presentation 7:30 p.m.

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Musings from Elton MacPherson

Hello Fellow Rose Lovers,

Well, another year is in the history books and for the Ventura County Rose Society it was a very good year. We had some really terrific monthly speaker/presentations thanks to our Program Co-Chairs Karen Fitzpatrick and Elda Bielanski. I've seen the list of programs they have planned for this year and we're in for some more, maybe even better.

If you want to expand your involvement this year, we always have some extracurricular activities that you can participate in. For example, on

Saturday, January 9 we will be doing a rose workshop/outreach at Green Thumb Nursery on Victoria Avenue in Ventura. We will be in the bare-root rose area from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. to talk roses with customers who drop by. If you would like to participate, contact Dawn-Marie Johnson by e-mail at dawn-marie03@dslextrême.com and let her know how much time you can give. It's fun meeting and talking with other amateur rose growers. We can learn from them and they can learn from us.

On the Friday following our month meeting you can join

in with others and help deadhead and prune the rose garden at the Stagecoach Inn. Our Society has been maintaining this garden for several years. Kathy Ayers and Sue Rosecrans organize this work detail and we will announce the time and date at each meeting. Actually it's more fun than work.

In April we do another rose workshop/outreach at Otto & Sons Nursery. This is in conjunction with their "Rose Days" event. Once again Dawn-Marie Johnson and the Consulting Rosarians organize this. If you've never been to Otto & Sons Nursery, you will be amazed at the selection of over 1000

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*Coming in Feb.
Lots and Lots of
VCRS Photos,
News, More about
Chilean Thrips, and
Who Knows What
Else?*



Travel and germs have conspired to make this a short newsletter. Look for lots of photos and news in the February newsletter. And Stay Well in the New Year!

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Coming Soon

January 21:
Donna Martin, ARS Magazine

February 25:
Scott Klittich
Otto & Sons
New Roses & Rose Care

March 24:
Jolene Adams
Past President, ARS

April 28:
Tony Hepton
Master Gardener

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roses on hand. Hard to resist adding "just one more" to your garden.

Roz Thebaud, the fabulous and creative editor of this newsletter, is always looking for stories and pictures to fill the pages. Give it a try. Don't be too concerned with grammar and spelling. That's why we call her "editor."

We also plan a trip sometime during the year. Last year it was to Descanso Gardens. Lots of family, fun and roses. Where would you like to go this year? Let me know.

Our May meetings is a "Show and Tell." Last year we had so many members bring roses from their gardens that we could hardly fit them all in. This is actually a good thing and this year we will be prepared to move faster so no one gets left out.

We have several committees you can serve on if they interest you. Just contact the Chairperson and let them know you would like to volunteer. Also, in October we start the process of putting together the Board of Directors for 2017. Being on the Board does not require much time. We meet 3 or 4 times a year for about one hour just before our regular monthly meeting. It's good to have a mix of both veteran and new members.

So to all of you, have a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous and Rosy New Year!

See you at the next meeting on January 21.

Elton MacPherson
VCRS President

