



# Rose Lore

## Mesa-East Valley Rose Society

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**Thursday  
January 10th, 7:00 p.m.**

**Monthly Meeting  
Paul Elsner Library  
Community Room, MCC**

### **"Spring Pruning, Planting & Rose Care Panel of Experts"**

Join us as we refresh our memories about what to do when: pruning various types of roses, how much to prune, removing leaves, when to fertilize and more!

Friends and family welcome.  
Refreshments will be served.

Bring your rose questions  
and concerns.  
See you there!

### **Top Exhibition Roses of the Desert By Robert B. Martin, Jr.**

In the accompanying graphic, I continue my annual summary of the top exhibition roses of the desert based on the results for the last six years. I use a six-year period because it takes longer in the desert for an exhibition rose to become established in the show results.

To recount the methodology of this study, I have compiled the show results for the past six years of all Arizona shows to record the royalty winners for hybrid teas, miniature and miniflora roses. I have also included the Las Vegas Valley show, the Desert Rose Society show in California and other shows in California and New Mexico in which Arizona or desert-area exhibitors have won. In every case, I included only roses grown by residents of Arizona and other desert areas in Las Vegas and California. In particular, I have noted the results of members of the Desert Rose Society in California, who have been making a mark in desert shows.

In tabulating points, I used the same system used for my annual compilation in the *American Rose* magazine. Six points are awarded to a Queen, five for King and four for Princess. An additional three points are awarded to roses on the Court of Honor, as well as any roses staged in the principal challenge classes of the District and National shows.

In the hybrid teas, 'Gemini', the No. 1 exhibition rose nationally, has increased its lead as the top exhibition rose in the desert. In 2007, 'Gemini' recorded three more Queens in desert shows, making seven in the last two years. 'Marilyn Monroe' has taken over the No. 2 position, moving ahead of its parent, 'St Patrick'. Both of these roses perform exceptionally well in the desert because of the high amount of chlorophyll in their petals.

'Veteran's Honor', now ranked No. 4, continues as the best red show rose in the desert. Another red rose that does well here is 'Black Magic', ranked No. 6, compared to a national ranking of No. 12. It is interesting to compare it with the dark red rose 'Dublin', ranked No. 10 nationally, but nowhere to be seen on desert show tables. Here, 'Dublin' burns on the edges and is about the size of a walnut, while 'Black Magic', as a florist rose, has a great deal of substance and loves the desert sunshine. A newer red rose, 'Let Freedom Ring', debuts on the list at No. 18 and also performs well in the desert.

'Hot Princess', the hot pink florist rose, continues to perform very well in

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the MEVRS!**

## President's Message by Dona Martin

What a busy Holiday Season we had, following our terrific 51st Annual Rose Show! Thanks to all the many helpers and exhibitors who made the **Rose and Arrangement Show** a success. And a special thanks to Marylou, her committee of workers, to all who helped set up on Friday and to break down the show on Saturday.

In December, many of us attended the **All Arizona Rose Societies Banquet and Rose Show**, which we hosted at MCC. We had a wonderful lunch and a memorable presentation from Clair Martin, Curator of the Huntington Museum Rose and Perennial Gardens. After awards were given for the rose show, special recognition was given to members from around the state for many years of service in the areas of education, promotion of AZ rose societies etc. The Paul Wright Consulting Rosarian Award was given to long time MEVRS member, **Mike Jepsen**, shown here with Nancy Medved of the Phoenix and Glendale societies.



Also at the All Arizona Banquet, Joe Salazar announced the annual Rose Bud Awards, given to relatively new members of each society who have "jumped in with both feet," taking on special responsibilities. The MEVRS Rose Bud recipient for 2007 is **Corinne Geertsen**. Corinne, whose one year anniversary in MEVRS was in December, volunteered to take over responsibility for our web-site last summer! Then, not only did she begin working on it, she produced an entirely new site, making it more up to date and interesting to better serve the viewers.

We greatly appreciate Mike and Corinne for all they do and for their spouses, **Cindy Jepsen** and **Jeff Geertsen**, who support them.

At the Mesa-East Valley Rose Society's Annual Christmas Banquet on December 5, 2008, Dona Martin, MEVRS President, presented the **American Rose Society Bronze Honor Medal** to this year's recipient, **Phyllis Henslin**. Each local society (chapter or affiliate), in good standing with the American Rose Society, may annually award the American Rose Society Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service to one of its members for outstanding and meritorious service at the Local Society level.

Phyllis was chosen as this year's honoree along with her husband, **Bill Henslin**. However, in checking with ARS, it was discovered that only Phyllis was listed as a member for the requisite three years. As most of you know, where we find Phyllis, we find Bill. So we honor Bill as her supporter for his "beyond the call" service and support to the Mesa-East Valley Rose Society. Our gift to Bill is to initiate his ARS membership for him!

Phyllis and Bill are among our most active members and can be always be found at the Rose Garden on Saturday pruning days, with the Deadheaders, helping new members, setting up and tearing down the rose show, auction and other events, cleaning up trophies and our storage room...anything that is needed! Phyllis has become an active ARS Consulting Rosarian and exhibitor, while Bill has been photographing our events and activities. Congratulations, Phyllis and Bill!

This year's entertainment for the Banquet was provided by a jazz quartet of four young men from MCC. They were fantastic and terrifically talented. They accompanied hors d'oeuvres and a marvelous dinner presented by **Salerno's Italian Restau-**



*Photos by Dona Martin and Lynn Twitchell*

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**rant.** We encourage you to dine at Salerno's, a family establishment that started forty years ago in the Chicago area, which is located at 3921 E. Guadalupe Road, Gilbert. They provided wonderful service for the dinner, as well as a gift certificate for our raffle.

The evening was concluded with a large and entertaining raffle and again, a consensus that we would like to return to Val Vista Lakes next year! We greatly appreciate **Lynn and Jack Twitchell**, society members and residents of Val Vista Lakes, who graciously sponsored our use of the facility. We appreciate the decorating and cleanup by volunteers **Donna and Dave Dibble, Pam Money Penny, Lee Williams, Alta Russell, Lynn and Jack Twitchell**. Balloons were donated by very new members, **Lynn and Jean Urry**.

And now it is **Spring Pruning** time in the MCC Garden. **Bill Henslin** will be sharpening tools in the Rose Garden on **January 12th**, the first Saturday of the pruning, with a possible repeat performance in

February. Please note there will be a charge for each pruner sharpened and all money goes back to the garden fund. Please come volunteer at least one Saturday during this time and bring a friend, relative or neighbor along to join in the fun! Even an hour is a much appreciated contribution, so don't be shy about coming. See you there!



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the desert, moving into the No. 5 slot, slightly better than its No. 7 national ranking. 'Signature', ranked No. 8 nationally, is No. 7 in the desert, where it can present exceptional size and form. It is, however, a fussy rose with tender foliage that cannot be recommended to the casual gardener.

As before, there are several florist roses on the list, including 'Hot Princess', the pure white, 'Crystalline', the orange-pink, 'Raphaella', and the orange blend, 'Exotica'. All have desert rankings above their national rankings.

Of note, 'Moonstone', the No. 2 exhibition hybrid tea nationally, is ranked only No. 10 in the desert, because it has too many petals to develop as it does in cooler areas. Its sister seedling, 'Cajun Moon', which has fewer petals and more consistent form in the desert, continues ahead of it as No. 8. 'Cajun Sunrise' is new to the list at No. 14 and has established itself as a fine sunshine rose.

Off the charts, there is absolutely nothing new on the horizon for the desert, reflecting the paucity of good new exhibition form hybrid teas introduced in recent years.

In the miniatures, 'Fairhope', continues as No. 1 in the desert, by a healthy margin, although nationally it has slipped to No. 2. 'Miss Flippins' and 'Dancing Flame' continue as Nos. 2 and 3, respectively, both considerably higher than their national ratings.

The extraordinary miniature, 'Bee's Knees', winner of the 2005 ARS Members' Choice Award, and now the No. 1 exhibition miniature rose nationally, continues to perform well on the desert show tables and is up another notch to No. 6. It is also a superb garden rose that I cannot recommend too highly.

**Top, Nancy Jean (#14),  
clockwise, Sam Trivitt (#9),  
Fairhope (#1), Dancing Flame  
(#3), Butter Cream (#5)**



Also rising fast is 'Arcanum', which recorded three desert Queens in 2007. It is up nine positions to No. 10 on the list. Heading in the opposite direction is 'Incognito', down four, and 'Behold', which has gone missing from the desert show tables and is down nine slots to No. 15.

There are now four minifloras on the list, as the desert states continues to lead the nation in recognizing a separate court for minifloras. The leading miniflora continues to be 'Conundrum', at No. 4, which is actually tied in points with my own creation 'Butter Cream', which is No. 5. For those curious, I break such ties by reference to the number of Queens recorded, and if tied there, by the number of Kings. 'Dr John Dickman', continues to do well on the desert show tables and has moved up four spots to No. 7.

New to the list this year is my own creation, 'Peter Cotton-tail'. A sister seedling to 'Butter Cream', that debuts at a lucky No. 13. Also new, at No. 14, is 'Nancy Jean'. The latter is registered as a miniature rose, though its size in the desert rivals the minifloras. Judges appear to have accepted this fact and to appreciate its excellent form and unusual tan color.

On the horizon, three more minifloras are approaching the list, including 'Class of '73', 'Foolish Pleasure' and 'Dr Troy Garrett'. The latter is a deep red that is showing considerable vigor and excellent form in our garden. Of note, the No. 3 miniflora nationally, 'Tiffany Lynn', is absent from the

Photos by Dona Martin, except Butter Cream basket and Let Freedom Ring

desert show tables. Here, it typically has the form of a cabbage and is a wild and rank grower.

Most of the roses on these lists are excellent garden specimens, especially for those who like cut blooms of the classic hybrid tea form. In nearly all cases, Dona and I continue to see a dramatic difference in roses grown on 'Fortuniana' understock and continue to recommend it highly.



Top, Hot Princess (#5), clockwise, Let Freedom Ring (#18), Cajun Moon (#10), Signature (#7), Black Magic (#6), left, miniflora Dr. John Dickman (#7)

### TOP EXHIBITION ROSES OF THE DESERT SIX YEAR SUMMARY (2002-2007)

#### Hybrid Teas/Grandifloras:

Rank/Name	Intro	Pts	Q	K	P
1 Gemini	1999	119	9	4	3
2 Marilyn Monroe	2001	80	6	1	3
3 St. Patrick	1996	73	0	6	4
4 Veteran's Honor	1999	64	2	2	3
5 Hot Princess	2000	63	3	3	0
6 Black Magic	1997	55	1	1	2
7 Signature	1996	52	2	0	4
8 Cajun Moon	2001	51	2	2	2
9 Crystalline	1986	44	2	1	3
10 Moonstone	1998	38	1	1	0
11 Silverado	1987	32	2	0	2
12 Touch of Class	1984	32	1	1	0
13 Brooks' Red	2000	26	1	1	0
14 Cajun Sunrise	2000	25	1	0	1
15 Rosie O'Donnell	1999	20	0	0	2
16 Raphaela	1994	18	1	0	0
17 Exotica	1999	17	1	1	0
18 Let Freedom Ring	2005	16	0	2	0
19 Big Time	2001	14	0	1	0
20 Dolly Parton	1984	14	0	1	0

#### Miniatures/Minifloras:

Rank/Name	Class	Intro	Pts	Q	K	P
1 Fairhope	Min	1989	132	9	9	6
2 Miss Flippins	Min	1997	93	5	2	5
3 Dancing Flame	Min	2001	83	7	3	2
4 Conundrum	MinFl	2002	65	9	1	0
5 Butter Cream	MinFl	2003	65	1	6	2
6 Bee's Knees	Min	1998	64	4	3	1
7 Dr John Dickman	MinFl	2002	51	3	3	3
8 Incognito	Min	1995	51	1	3	0
9 Sam Trivitt	Min	2000	50	0	4	0
10 Arcanum	Min	2000	41	3	2	1
11 Kristin	Min	1992	38	0	2	1
12 Glowing Amber	Min	1997	38	0	0	2
13 Peter Cottontail	MinFl	2004	31	1	1	2
14 Nancy Jean	Min	2004	29	1	1	0
15 Behold	Min	1997	28	1	1	2
16 Soroptimist Int'l	Min	1995	28	1	0	1
17 Irresistible	Min	1990	28	0	2	0
18 Hilde	Min	2001	26	0	1	0
19 Jilly Jewel	Min	1996	21	0	0	0
20 Marie Jeanette	Min	2003	19	1	0	1

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Queen	Cajun Moon	Martin, Bob & Dona
King	Gemini	Feurer, Ron
Princess	Signature	Martin, Bob & Dona
Court	Black Magic	Reynolds, Hal
Court	Crystalline	Reynolds, Hal
Court	Elizabeth Taylor	Trubisky, Leonard & Rose Ann
Court	Moonstone	Wilson, Mike & Luz
Court	Raphaela	Martin, Bob & Dona
Court	Rosie O'Donnell	Byrnes, Bob & Jeannine
Fl Bloom	Johnny Becnel	Reynolds, Hal
Fl Spray Queen	Hannah Gordon	Reynolds, Hal
Fl Spray King	Lavaglut	Henslin, Phyllis & Bill
Fl Spray Princess	Moondance	Reynolds, Hal
Poly Spray	Snow White	Reynolds, Hal
Modern Shrub Bloom	Be-Bop	Sheperd, Bill & Candy
Modern Shrub Spray	Paul Ecke Jr.	Reynolds, Hal
Climber	Night Owl	Sheperd, Bill & Candy
Dowager	Champney's Pink Cluster	Martin, Bob & Dona
Victorian	Francis Dubreuil	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Queen	Nancy Jean	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Mini King	Sam Trivitt	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Princess	Miss Flippins	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Mini Court	Caliente	Sheperd, Bill & Candy
Mini Court	Irresistible	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Court	Soroptimist International	Byrnes, Bob & Jeannine
Mini Spray	Green Ice	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Miniflora Queen	Class of '73	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora King	Dr Troy Garrett	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora Princess	Butter Cream	Feurer, Ron
Miniflora Court	Charismatic	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora Court	Dr John Dickman	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Miniflora Court	Peter Cottontail	Byrnes, Bob & Jeannine



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our website:  
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*Photos by Dona Martin: Paul Ecke Jr. spray, Behold Mini Oriental argmt by Marylou Coffman, Falstaff Shrub bowl, Mini argmt in shoe by Lynn Twitchell*

## Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> Glendale AZ West Valley Rose Society

### Horticulture

Queen	Gemini	Martin, Bob & Dona
King	Hot Princess	Martin, Bob & Dona
Princess	Signature	Martin, Bob & Dona
Prince	Cristin Cira	Martin, Bob & Dona
Court	Table Mountain	McClure, Judy
Court	Let Freedom Ring	Reynolds, Hal
Court	Hollywood Star	Martin, Bob & Dona
Court	Black Magic	Reynolds, Hal
Court	Sunstruck	Reynolds, Hal
Fl Bloom	Chihuly	Martin, Bob & Dona
Fl Spray	Hannah Gordon	Reynolds, Hal
Poly Spray	Lullaby	Martin, Bob & Dona
Classic Shrub	Darlow's Enigma	Reynolds, Hal
Modern Shrub	Falstaff	Martin, Bob & Dona
Climber Bloom	Fourth of July	Aguilar, Andy & Hodges, Bill
Climber Spray	Fourth of July	Reynolds, Hal
Dowager	Green Rose	Martin, Bob & Dona
Victorian	Monsieur Tillier	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Queen	Fairhope	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini King	Arcanum	Reynolds, Hal
Mini Princess	Miss Flippins	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Court	Sam Trivitt	Toth, Lauren
Mini Court	Incognito	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Mini Court	Soroptimist International	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Court	June Laver	Martin, Bob & Dona
Mini Court	Irresistible	Reynolds, Hal
Mini Court	Pierrine	Reynolds, Hal
Mini Spray	Sweet Chariot	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Miniflora Queen	Foolish Pleasure	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora King	Butter Cream	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora Princess	Dr Troy Garrett	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora Court	Seattle Sunrise	Jepsen, Mike & Cindy
Miniflora Court	Dr John Dickman	Sheperd, Bill & Candy
Miniflora Court	Nemesis	Martin, Bob & Dona
Miniflora Court	Whirlaway	Toth, Lauren



### Arrangements

Dashing Thru the Snow	Lauren Toth (Bride's Dream, Cajun Moon, Moonstone) ARS Silver Cert & Royalty Award
Fruitcake	Luz Wilson (Just Joey) ARS Gold Cert & Artist Award
Ice Fishing	Larry Bell (Veteran's Honor)
Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree	Bob Hinderleiter (Fabulous!)
Silent Night	Lauren Toth (St. Patrick) ARS Princess Award
Winter Wonderland	Larry Bell (White Success) Let Freedom Ring
Tinsel	Lauren Toth (Julia Child) ARS Bronze Cert & Oriental Award
The Grinch that Stole Christmas	Lauren Toth (Marilyn Monroe) ARS Duke Award
Tiny Tim	Lauren Toth (Sam Trivitt)
Santa's Elves	Clemence Newcomb (Winsome)
Good Things Come in Small Packages	Lauren Toth (Baby Boomer) ARS Mini Silver Cert & Mini Royalty Award
Snow Flakes	Lauren Toth (Irresistible)
Toy Soldiers	Judy Hudgeons (Miss Flippins) ARS Mini Gold Cert & Mini Artist Award
Winter Serenity	Clemence Newcomb (Green Ice) ARS Mini Bronze Cert & Mini Oriental Award
Father Time	Kreg Hill (Merlot) ARS Judge's Award

*Photos by Dona Martin: 4th of July, Table Mountain, Mons Tillier and Soaring Spirits*

## Consulting Rosarian's Corner by Steve Sheard

### A Rose Flowering Tree

I am not referring to a Tree Rose, also known as a Standard Rose. I am referring to growing a climbing rose into a large tree. I have a Chinese Elm tree that flowers with fragrant white roses.

But trees are a rose's worst enemy! So how do we accomplish this? We are told to keep our roses away from trees because the tree roots invade the rose bed and suck up all the nutrients and the tree's canopy does not allow the rose to get any sunshine.

To keep the tree roots from invading the rose bed you create a barrier to keep them out. To do this I dug a BIG hole about 18 inches from the trunk of my Chinese Elm. In this hole I sunk a 30 gallon trash can – yes it was a big hole! Before I put the trash can into the hole I cut the bottom out. I then filled the trash can with a 50 / 50 mix of native soil and mulch.

As I was digging down I found the tree's roots were in the top 12 to 18" of soil. The trash can was 36" deep so I felt that the rose should be well established before the tree figures out how to get under it. Make sure the top of the trash can does not get buried or the tree roots will go straight over the edge.

Selecting a rose took a little work on the internet, because I needed one that liked to climb a lot, could tolerate some shade and was fragrant. Not asking too much!! I settled on Madame Alfred Carrière, a noisette that likes to climb to 25 feet. I purchased it from David Austin Roses.

I would have like to include pictures but then the article would have had to wait until the spring. If you want to try something similar, this is the time to begin digging your hole and ordering the rose.

### Salt Burn

Do you have rose leaves that are brown around the edges? Have you had a rose come through the summer and then up and die? Do you use drip irrigation?

I can answer YES to all of these. I am a Consulting Rosarian who should have picture perfect roses, but not this year. The problem is Salt Burn.

We have had less than half of our normal rainfall with the result that the rose beds have a higher salt content because the drip irrigation does not wash the salts away.

The solution is to wash the salts down below the root zone. Ideally wait for the next rain storm and turn your hose on at the same time, providing extra water to wash the salts down. As this is unlikely to happen, turn on the hose and flood the rose bed with 1 to 2 inches of water. If you have a soil probe, you need to be able to go down 2 feet after watering. The water meter will read a little high for the month, but your roses will say thank you for rescuing them.

## \*\*5th Annual Rose Auction\*\*

February 16th at MCC

Join us again for the auction of  
over 100 roses of all types!

Donated by our favorite nurseries and  
wholesalers, as well as other rosarians,  
some are extremely rare, most are in  
high demand, a few a fun experiment  
at a great price.

Student Center Navajo Room will open at  
Noon, auctioneer Bob Martin will start  
at 1pm. Includes sale and raffle items, too!



Three bushes of hybrid musk rose 'Moonlight' are used here to climb into an old apple tree.



Images from [www.MooseysCountryGarden.com](http://www.MooseysCountryGarden.com)

## Basic Rose Terminology By Consulting Rosarian: Jolene Adams

When speaking about roses it makes it much easier if all of us use the same terminology. The following is a list of basic terms used to describe rose plant parts. It is a lot easier to understand what someone is talking about when they say "sepals" rather than "... you know, those little green things just under the flower ...".

- Anther - The upper portion of a stamen which contains the pollen sacs.
- Apical Meristem - Non-maturing cells located at the tips of shoots and roots which produce the plant hormone auxin.
- Auricle - The 'ear-like' projection found on the tip of the stipule.
- Auxin - a plant hormone that regulates the bloom cycle for rose buds.
- Axil - the angle on the upper side where the leaf and stem join.
- Axillary - A term applied to buds or branches occurring in the axil of a leaf. These buds begin to grow after pruning or deadheading.
- Bark - The outer layer of the stem of a rose.
- Bud - An embryonic shoot that may eventually produce either flowers or foliage.
- Bud Union - That area between the roots and the stems where the bud of the desired variety was grafted onto the rootstock.
- Bract - A leaf unlike the ordinary leaves which is usually smaller or of a different shape, growing from the peduncle just below the flower.
- Calyx - The first of a series of flower parts growing from the peduncle, composed of sepals, usually green and leaf-like.
- Cane - The stem of a rose, either the main stem (which then becomes the trunk) or lateral stems or branches.
- Carpel - An organ bearing ovules along its margins; part of a compound pistil.
- Compound Leaf - A leaf composed of two or more parts or leaflets. Rose leaves are pinnately compound.
- Corolla - The second of a series of flower parts growing from the peduncle, composed of petals.
- Double - Referring to how many petals the rose has - usually between 25 and 45.
- Filament - The stalk of the stamen which supports the anther.
- Floral Tube - A cup-like structure formed by the fusion of the basal parts of the sepals, petals and stamens. Don't call it a 'calyx tube.'
- Fruit - A ripe ovary containing seeds and any adjacent parts.
- Hip - The fruit of the rose which contains the seeds.
- Leaf - An organ arising laterally from superficial tissues of a shoot apex. It is usually flat and may be simple or compound.
- Leaf Scar - A mark left on the stem where the leaf detaches. There is a bud just above each leaf scar.
- Meristem - Tissue composed of cells that do not mature, but remain capable of further growth and division. Present in growing tips.
- Mixed Buds - Buds that produce both leaves and flowers; usual type of bud on roses; present in leaf axils.
- Ovary - The swollen basal portion of the pistil containing the ovules or seeds.
- Ovule - A structure containing the embryo sac, nucellus, integuments and stalk. After fertilization this develops into seeds.
- Peduncle - The main stem of a spray or of an individual flower.
- Pedicel - The stem of an individual flower in a spray.
- Perianth - The collective term for the calyx and corolla (sepals and petals) combined.
- Petal - One of the units of the corolla of the flower. Roses have from four to over 100 petals, depending on the variety.
- Petaloid - A transitional phase between petal and stamen. Petaloids are visible in single and semi-double roses as deformed looking petals in the center of the rose.
- Petiole - The stalk of the leaf.
- Petiolule - A subdivision of the petiole which connects the lateral leaflets to the petiole.
- Pistil - The central organ of the flower composed of one or more carpels and enclosing the ovules.
- Pith - The soft inner portion of a rose stem.
- Pollen - The granules within the pollen sacs containing genetic information used for sexual reproduction.
- Prickle - A spine-like superficial outgrowth of the stem. Roses have prickles, not 'thorns.'
- Roots - The underground parts of the rose used for support and to absorb water and nutrients.
- Rootstock - The cultivated roots of a rose which will be implanted with a bud from another variety (grafting).
- Semi-double - Referring to how many petals the rose has - usually 12 to 25.
- Sepal - One of the units of the calyx. These are the green coverings of a flower bud that open to reveal the petals of the rose. Roses usually have 5 sepals.
- Single - Referring to how many petals the rose has - usually four to eight.
- Spray - Several flowers buds which arise from one peduncle and develop into many flowers on short pedicels.
- Stamen - The organ of the flower producing pollen, composed of an anther and a filament.
- Stigma - The top of the pistil, the part that receives the pollen grains.
- Stipule - A leaf appendage that is usually present in roses on the petiole where it meets the stem.
- Style - The part of the pistil that connects the ovary and the stigma.
- Terminal - A term applied to buds occurring at the end of branches. The end or tip.
- Thorn - A branch of a plant that becomes woody, hard and pointed. Cactus plants have thorns, locust trees have thorns. Rose do NOT have thorns as the 'prickles' on a rose do not develop from 'branch' tissue.
- Trunk - The main stem of a rose, the cane that later produces all the side branches or lateral canes.
- Vegetative Bud - A bud that produces only leaves and never flowers. Roses do NOT have vegetative buds.

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Pacific Southwest District*

**February 9 – April 29, 2008**

**La Rose Impériale Exhibition**

Exhibit of 110 rare illustrated herbals and rose books  
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The Huntington Museum & Gardens, San Marino, CA

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**March 15, 2008 PSW District Arrangement  
Workshop**

Hosted by Fair Friends of Roses

Ventura County Fairgrounds, Ventura, CA

Ikebana Arrangements taught by Marylou Coffman  
and Helen Baird. Participants are to bring arrange-  
ment tools, low and high/tall Ikebana vases. Cost is  
\$20 per participant and includes lunch.

Info: Barbara Schneider 805-648-7322

[kleach@venturacountyfair.org](mailto:kleach@venturacountyfair.org)

**March 30, 2008 Great Rosarians of the World  
Lecture**

Honoring William Radler, hybridizer of the Knockout  
series of roses

The Huntington, San Marino, CA

Info: Clair Martin; [cmartin@huntington.org](mailto:cmartin@huntington.org)

<http://www.huntington.org>

**April 19 - 20, 2008 Pacific Southwest  
District Rose Show and Conference**

Hosted by the combined AZ Rose Societies

At Mesa Community College, Mesa, AZ

**May 30 - June 1, 2008**

**2008 ARS National All-Mini Convention and  
Rose Show**

Oklahoma City, OK

Info: Bert Wheeler, Chair, 405-282-2495

[berkat@worldnet.att.net](mailto:berkat@worldnet.att.net)

Jeanette Davis, [okjdavis@prodigy.net](mailto:okjdavis@prodigy.net)

**June 26 – 30, 2008**

**ARS Spring National Convention and Rose  
Show**

Four Points Sheraton, SE, Denver, CO

Info: Peg Williams, Chair, 303-691-2790

[pegwilliams22@comcast.net](mailto:pegwilliams22@comcast.net)

[www.2008arsdenver.com](http://www.2008arsdenver.com)

*Put these dates on your calendars  
and join us for  
special rose events!*

# Mesa—East Valley Rose Society

You or your recipient will receive our monthly 8-12 page newsletter, local nursery discounts and more. **Membership is \$20, due June 1 of each year.** This is for a single or family unit living at the same address. New members joining after September pay \$5 per quarter, from quarter joining through the following May, payable in full at month of joining. Please bring your completed application and payment (please make check payable to **MEVRS**) to a meeting or mail to:

**MEVRS/Membership, P.O. Box 40394, Mesa, AZ 85274-0394**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_\_ **\*Gift\*** \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes! I would also like to join the national organization with which we are affiliated, the American Rose Society, for which I will receive the bi-monthly *American Rose* magazine, the December *American Rose Annual*, the "Handbook For Selecting Roses" and more! I am including in my check an additional amount of \$49.00 (Seniors \$46.00) for a one year membership.**

**As a new member, you will also receive a FREE miniature rose from Nor'East Miniatures!**

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Meetings are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at  
**Mesa Community College:**  
**Paul Elsner Library Community Room**  
 1833 W. Southern Ave., Mesa, AZ  
**New Member Orientation at 6:30 pm**

### Calendar of Events

**January 10th - Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m. - "Spring Pruning, Planting and Rose Care Panel of Experts" - What to do when!**

**January 11-13: Phoenix Home & Garden Show - Volunteer help at the booth still needed. Call Jeanie Cochell at (602) 493-0238.**

**January 12, 19 and 26, February 2, 9, 16 and 23rd:  
 Spring Pruning at MCC - 9 a.m.**

**February 14th - Monthly Meeting**

**February 16th - Saturday, MEVRS 5th Annual Rose Auction, Silent Auction, Raffle and refreshments!** Don't forget to save room in your budget for this excellent selection. Opens at Noon, auction starts at 1:00 p.m., Navajo Room, Kirk Student Center. More details inside and list of available roses will follow!

**March 13th - Monthly Meeting**



*The Rose:  
 Our National  
 Floral Emblem*

*All articles for the newsletter must be submitted to the Editor by the 20th of each month.*

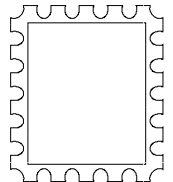
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