



Rose Reflections...

Produced for members of Sacramento & Sierra Foothill Rose Societies

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*"Life belongs to the living, and he who lives must be prepared for changes" —
[Johann Wolfgang von Goethe](#).*

Coming CHANGES:

Sierra Foothills RS is Trialing a **new Time for the General Monthly** meetings. The three "trial" meetings will be in early 2026. The meetings are scheduled for the **first TUESDAY in February, March, and April, from 12:30 to 3:30 pm**. The Board decided to try meeting during the day in response to many requests. We hope that the members will enjoy this time slot. There should not be a conflict with either the Sacramento Rose Society or Gold Country Rose Society general meetings.

Sacramento Rose Society is considering holding their general meetings in another location due to the possibility of significant rent increase. Their 2025 rose show was held in another location. What will 2026 bring? See the latest chapter about rent in Kay Jelten's president's message.

Sierra Foothills RS webmaster has had to step down due to health issues. The Board is looking for someone to take this on. [See page 16 for info.](#)

Some of you may already know that my run as editor of the Rose Reflections newsletter for Sacramento and Sierra Foothills Rose Societies will end this year. Ann Marie Becker has agreed to step up to do the newsletter starting in January 2026. Many of you have already enjoyed her monthly article about members.

By Charlotte Owendyk

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SFhRS PROGRAM INFO—SEPT 7TH



"Miniature and Miniflora Roses,"

Presented by **Suzanne Horn**
Thursday, September 4th, 7:00pm
At Maidu Community Center, Roseville

You won't want to miss our first meeting after our Summer break! We are excited to have **Suzanne Horn**, a many-times award winning rose exhibitor from So. California! Suzanne is a popular, dynamic speaker who will capture the magic of growing *minis* and *minifloras* for us! She knows all the ins and outs and will answer all your questions!

You won't want to miss seeing your Rose friends, old and new! Baldo is back and we'll have the **usual laughs, treats, and good times!**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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Raffle Rick WANTS

Donation Items!

**Plants, Pots,
Tools, other
garden stuff**

SAVE THE DATE
SFhRS ROSE SHOW
OCTOBER 18TH
GREEN ACRES, ROSEVILLE

SFhRS PROGRAM INFO—SEPT 7TH (CONTINUED)

"Miniature and Miniflora Roses," Presented by Suzanne Horn

Thursday, September 4th, 7:00pm At Maidu Community Center, Roseville

Suzanne lives and grows roses in Glendale and ALL her roses are in pots! You will also hear how you, too, can be successful growing award-winning roses in pots! Not only is she a fantastic exhibitor since 2000, she is also a Consulting Rosarian, ARS Accredited Horticultural Judge, Master Rosarian, and has been named "Outstanding Consulting Rosarian" for the Pacific Southwest District.

Suzanne is a prolific writer and had quarterly articles in the American Rose magazine during the 2019 to 2021 presidential term of the late Bob Martin. She has been awarded over 80 ARS Award of Merits for her articles, and she has taken the editor position of "New Horizon Roses" which compiles reports of the newest roses from the top rose growers across the country.

When it comes to growing roses in containers, Suzanne is one of the top experts. Ask her to share her special mixture of soils and amendments to add to her pots! If you have a difficult growing site, with hard, rocky ground, or if you have an abundance of voles, gophers or moles, you may want to try this option! Growing in containers also allows you to evaluate the rose before planting in the ground, or just to be able to cluster or move rose roses around!

We are so honored to have Suzanne Horn here to speak to our society. We are doing this in conjunction with the Mother Lode Rose Society of Jackson where Suzanne will speak on Friday afternoon before she returns to Southern California. She will be speaking on "Growing Roses in Containers" at 1:30 at the Amador Senior Center, Jackson. You are invited!

Let's give her a grand Sierra Foothill's Rose Society welcome!

By Linda Knowles, Director

SRS PROGRAM INFO—SEPT 14TH

Come hear Green Acres' 'Garden Guru' Greg Gayton

Greg Gayton gets around. As head "Garden Guru" at Green Acres Nursery & Supply, he regularly visits the family-owned chain's seven local nurseries – plus its new additions in Texas.

His travels plus decades of professional nursery experience have greatly broadened his exposure to new plants. He's constantly discovering more wonderful additions to Sacramento-area gardens.

A key to garden success: Combining the right plants in the right places. As a garden matchmaker, Greg puts together perfect companions. Learn how at the September meeting of the Sacramento Rose Society when Greg shares his expertise on "Companion Planting for Roses." Greg will bring along examples of beautiful easy-to-grow perennials and groundcovers that could complement hybrid teas, grandifloras and other shrubs.

As a special bonus, our own Charlotte Owendyk (a generous companion planting expert) will assist Greg in his presentation with her own experience and plant picks. Besides discussing companion planting, Greg will answer garden questions, too – and not limited to roses.

Set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Shepard Garden and Arts Center, this is our welcome back meeting after a summer off. The Little Rose Show returns, too, with entries from 6:30 to 7 p.m. Bring some flowers to enter!

As always, our meetings are open free to the public and Greg should be a popular speaker with guests. It's an opportunity to introduce friends and family to new aspects of gardening – and roses!

Shepard Center is located at 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, in McKinley Park. See you soon!



**Greg Gayton, our favorite
Gardener's Aid.**

ARRANGEMENT WORKSHOP

Learn How to Make a Modern Design

Saturday, 9/27/2025 from 9:30 am to 2 pm

Technical instruction will be taught by Cherry Hoover, award winning Rose Arrangement Judge and National Garden Club Flower Design Judge.

The container, floral foam, roses and greenery to make YOUR modern design is included in the cost of the workshop.

Consider this as Practice for the upcoming October 18th rose show at Green Acres Roseville.

Lunch will be a "Build your own Salad." Just bring salad fixings for a salad bar potluck. Workshop and lunch will be at Barbara Patman's home. Her address is listed below.

The cost is only \$20!

Limited to 25 participants so sign up early. Prepaid reservations only.



Make your \$20 check payable to Sierra Foothills Rose Society. Mail the check to:

Barbara Patman 1885 Ridgeview Dr Roseville, CA 95661

Questions contact either:

Cherry Hoover 916 765-1907 or hoovercherry1@gmail.com

Barbara Patman 209-814-9558 or bpatman@att.net

Summer Pruning? Winter Pruning? What's The Difference?

By Kay Jelten, Consulting Rosarian (photos by Kay Jelten)

Summer is almost over and I'm looking ahead to the next big rose show, which will be on October 18th in Roseville, hosted by Sierra Foothills Rose Society. I want to have some roses worth their fertilizer to compete with Baldo! With too many other fun things to do this summer, I admit I fell way behind on caring for my roses, especially deadheading.

I was asked **"What's the difference among deadheading, summer pruning and winter pruning?"** Deadheading means removing spent blooms to prevent the plant from forming seed hips and encourages more rapid re-blooming. Some roses, if not deadheaded, stop creating new blooms and pour all their energy into making loads of seed hips instead. With deadheading you can keep the blooms coming from spring all the way through to late fall. Some roses that benefit from this are Playboy (Floribunda), almost all of the English roses (Austin roses), Julia Child and Doris Day, gorgeous yellow floribundas, and many of our favorite hybrid tea roses such as Veterans' Honor, Gold Medal, and Firefighter, just to name a few.

There are a few ways to do this procedure. The simplest way to deadhead on most roses can be done using your thumb and fingers to pinch off the finished bloom. On some roses the blooms snap off easily right below the bloom where the wide part narrows to the stem. Others have tougher stems, stronger than my fingers, requiring a pair of bloom snips or lightweight pruning shears to quickly cut off the spent bloom.

I carry a small bucket to catch the clippings. Deadheading this way is fast and keeps more leaves on the plant, which may help it tolerate hot, dry summer heat. It is beneficial to deadhead newly planted, young roses this way for their first year, to let them keep as many leaves as possible for making energy to support strong root growth and plant development. The drawback? This method leaves a lot of short stems sticking up on the plant, so doesn't have eye appeal for some people.

Another way to deadhead is what some of us call "Spring, or Summer pruning." This method removes more stem and leaves below the faded bloom. This is the method used when we want a rose to produce show quality blooms on strong sturdy stems or for roses we want to cut for the display vase. It's used on established roses where the removal of some extra foliage won't hurt the plant.

The stems that support blooms, on most roses, have leaflet sets containing three leaves for the first one or two sets of leaves immediately below the bloom. The next sets of leaflets, as you go farther down the stem, contain five leaves. If you look at the stem where the leaflet bract attaches to the stem, you should see a little green bump, or maybe even the next bloom stem just starting to grow out from there. Using clean, sharp pruning shears, cut off the spent bloom about ½ inch just above this point.

Also look at the direction the leaflet is pointing as you prune – where it is pointing is the direction the new flower bud will grow. As you prune, you can choose the direction you want the stem to grow. Toss your prunings in a bucket to dispose of when you're done.



Playboy, scant blooms because it was not deadheaded, so set loads of hips!



Doris Day (FI) Look at those hips! Time to summer prune this rose to bring on the fall roses.

WHAT MAKES WINTER PRUNING DIFFERENT

Winter pruning is done when the plant is in its least active growth period or dormant. Here we decide what size we want a rose bush to be, often cutting canes back by about 1/3 to 1/2 of their height, removing any dead, diseased or non-productive canes.

We also remove the canes growing into or across (criss-crossing) the interior of the bush, and remove small spindly canes. Doing all of this shapes the plant for good air circulation, which will reduce diseases, and promotes strong new growth in the direction we prefer as the plant begins growing again in late winter/early spring.

Especially for Hybrid Tea and Floribunda roses, by thinning out a few extra canes, we encourage the plant to put all its energy into the canes left, and develop some strong new canes that will support beautiful flowers.

When we are done with this pruning, we also pull off any old leaves/leaflets left on the canes and discard them in our green waste bucket. We also rake up all the fallen leaves and debris, to remove fungal disease spores and insect eggs hiding there.

To learn and practice how to winter prune, plan to attend the pruning workshops that will be offered in January.



Cut the stem below the leaflet with 3 leaves. Cut ½ inch above the leaflet with 5 leaves for summer trimming.

Meet Me in the Rose Garden

By Ann Marie Becker

It was a cool morning in May when I visited Debbie Arrington's home and garden. The summer heat teased but was kept at bay, providing a pleasant day to chat and stroll through her garden. Many may know Debbie as the Co-creator for the Sacramento Digs Gardening blog, a Master

Rosarian and her numerous positions with the Sacramento Rose Society (SRS) such as the current Vice and past President, Board member, and Rose Show Chair to name a few, but my curiosity was peaked with how she gained the gardening knowledge and expertise she possesses today.

The Arrington home resides on a quiet street in the Pocket, a short distance from the canal. Approaching the home, I had no trouble determining her house as the front yard featured a plethora of roses in full bloom. I walked past 'Marilyn Monroe' (her recent Queen at the Sacramento Rose Show in April), 'Tamara,' 'Rainbow Sunblaze,' 'You're the One,' 'Gemini,' 'Sweet Gesture,' 'Vavoom' and 'Honey Perfume.'

Rambo, a friendly German Shepherd, greeted me at the door along with Debbie and her husband, Jack. Horse portraits of past champions and racing memorabilia are displayed throughout their home, showcasing their love and passion for horses and racing. We made our way to the back patio, sitting under a glorious canopy of trees. Debbie tells how the patio is her "sweet spot" with her garden surrounding her, providing a great way to get away from everything. I totally agree as I overlooked the lush foliage and the two of us delved into what makes Debbie the expert gardener she is today.

Debbie is a Southern California girl at heart. Her paternal grandparents owned a five-acre subsistence farm in what was then Dairy Valley (now Cerritos) and she spent many days on the farm. Her grandfather cared for "theme" gardens such as California natives, tropics, succulents and a formal garden containing 140 roses. Their church gratefully displayed the blooms at the church services. Her grandfather passed while Debbie was in high school and she lovingly cared for the gardens in his absence. 'Dainty Bess' was one of her favorites.

While Debbie was a teenager, Title IX had just passed, providing Debbie the opportunity to participate in bas-

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ketball, soccer, and field hockey. Horse racing was also a passion which was fitting as they resided near Los Alamitos Race Course. Long Beach State beckoned and Debbie pursued a degree in Journalism where she met her husband Jack, a fellow Journalism major. They co-founded the Union, a student run newspaper. These were the exciting days of La Raza, Black Student Union and Kwanzaa.

In 1978, Debbie went on to work at the Long Beach Press-Telegram, reporting on hard news, rising to the position of Managing Editor for the satellite locations, and later Lifestyle and Food editor at the main paper. Jack worked for the Barstow Desert Dispatch and eventually the Orange County Register. He later became Sports Information Director at Orange Coast College.

In 1980, Debbie planted five roses at her Long Beach home – 'Double Delight,' 'Charlotte Armstrong,' 'Dainty Bess,' 'Chrysler Imperial,' and 'Queen Elizabeth.' Shortly thereafter those five had multiplied to 50 roses. Two years later, a friend suggested she enter her roses into the Orange County Fair. She submitted five roses and to her surprise she won three blue ribbons and was invited to join the Rambling Gardeners Garden Club. Over the years, she would win an amazing total of 200 blue ribbons at the Orange County Fair, and one Best of Show.

The Sacramento Bee recruited Debbie in late 1998, where she had the opportunity to write "happy" stories and spread good news. She worked in Sports, covering a wide variety of events and personalities.

Debbie's passion for roses continued in Sacramento and in 2000 she attended her first Sacramento Rose Society meeting. The illustrious Ernie Magill greeted her and helped at her first show, proclaiming she was "very informed for a Novice" as she won Best Novice! Little did Ernie know Debbie was no "Novice"!

In 2008, with the Bee downsizing, she fittingly became the editor/writer for the Home and Garden Section. After the Sacramento Bee experienced additional lay-offs, Debbie created the daily blog Sacramento Digs Gardening in June 2018 with her Bee colleague Kathy Morrison.

Today the blog has 3,000 subscribers and touts "All gardening is local". The blog features articles on fruits and vegetables, weekly recipes and garden checklists. In 2023, Debbie officially retired from the Sacramento News and Review and now can focus solely on the Sacramento Digs Gardening and her rose garden.

We next strolled through the garden, immediately approaching her test plants. Debbie tests plants from Proven Winners, Must Have Perennials, Burpee and other hybridizers/distributors.

Currently she is testing six new miniature heucheras (coral bells); six hellebores (Lenten roses) with exotic variegated leaves; three gazanias; two sedums; and two fountain grasses.

We then meandered through lush garden beds which consist of 140 roses in the ground and 30 additional potted roses. The rose 'Jolene Adams' nestles under an angels' trumpet tree, and 'Lady Banks' climbs to the top of a persimmon tree. A white peach tree is nearby along with climbing 'Dr. Huey.' Additional roses on her side yard are 'Bewitched,' 'Frieda Kahlo,' 'Dark Night' and 'Mother of Pearl,' with many from the old City Cemetery.

Returning to the patio we continued our discussion on numerous topics from her blog, her days in Southern CA, newspaper reporting and of course gardening, roses, and recipes. I could have stayed all afternoon but my chores beckoned. Reminiscing today about my time in her garden, I visualize the lush rose and perennial beds nestled under verdant canopies of leaves with a soft gentle breeze rustling throughout. I was blessed with a lovely afternoon.

Editor: Debbie Arrington as you learned in the above article is all about gardening. Debbie created the daily blog Sacramento Digs Gardening in June 2018 with her Sacramento Bee colleague Kathy Morrison. It is a top source of garden information for Sacramento-area gardeners with some delicious recipes. I highly recommend signing up for the daily newsletter. Below is the link to the site.

<https://californialocal.com/localnews/ally/show/22-sacramento-digs-gardening/overview/>



"From COVID to **MAGICAL!**

A Visit to The Garden of Member Debra Bray,"

~By Linda Knowles

Not knowing what to expect, Charlotte Owendyk and I drove to Debbie's house in South Sacrament for lunch and garden tour. Oh My Goodness! We got to the corner and instantly knew this was it! Plants are spilling over raised edging and along the driveway! This is definitely a gardener's garden!

We wound our way through paths and arbors, remarking on the roses and a million other plants and flowers, feeling like we had found the Secret Garden! Debbie showed us her favorites and the wonderful labels for everything. I think we spent 30 minutes in the front garden alone! We were duly impressed with her gardening skills. But, this was only the beginning!

Debbie led us through her lovely home, which has been lovingly extended and remodeled. But wait! The smallish back garden was a special treat. Arbors, roses and shade plants, such as coleus, vines, and other partial shade plants are spilling over built-up curving beds, creating paths that lead you around to all the climbing roses! Debbie is definitely a fan of climbing roses spilling over arbors and camouflaging fences. After being overwhelmed by the beauty and multitudes of all the plants, we realized that Debbie is an expert in knowing which plants go where and the care and culture of every plant she buys. And, oh, by the way, she propagates many of her own plants!



Debbi's hospitality knows no bounds! We were treated to a gorgeous table with her vintage tableware and flowers. The lunch was a "create your own" Cobb salad—which I love! As we dined, we had the lovely view of the back garden.

The most surprising part—if not shocking—is that the garden is less than 5 years old! When COVID hit and she had much more time at home, Debbie decided to transform her garden from easy-care lawn and shrubs to roses and all the other plants she loves! It's not as if she has nothing else to do! She has family obligations and a business to run, but, like many of us, her garden is her Zen and happy place. Her vision paid off and she now loves working in her now magical garden! You are free to invite yourself to the MAGIC!

BEFORE, see next two pages for the magic transformation.





Before and Today



Above, the first year the garden was planted. Below, the garden in July 2025.



WEEDS—THE BANE OF A GARDENER'S EXISTENCE

~ *Charlotte Owendyk, Master Rosarian*

Weeds are widely successful due to a combination of factors including prolific seed production, efficient dispersal mechanisms, ability to tolerate diverse conditions, and rapid growth. They are also highly adaptable to disturbed environments and often can reproduce from fragments of roots, stems, or leaves.

There are millions of dormant weed seeds buried in garden beds. More seeds enter your garden daily, whether carried by wind or by birds and other animals. All it takes for a weed to germinate is light. So, if you disturb the soil or weed seeds land on your soil light exposure will encourage seeds to sprout.

Mulch can be a major weed prevention tool, since it will prevent light reaching most seeds located in the top-most part of the soil. In addition to suppressing weeds, mulch helps retain soil moisture, regulates soil temperature and improves soil health. As the mulch decomposes into the basic nutritional building blocks the plants need to grow. Mulch is a definite ALL AROUND winner for gardeners!

Lastly, the gardener with due diligence is key in keeping most weeds at bay. To achieve success requires the elimination of weeds before or shortly after they sprout. Do not let weeds flower and set seeds. Prevent the number of weeds from increasing by eliminating weeds before they flower. **Less seeds equals less weeds!**

The last few years, I have decided I needed a little help in managing the weeds in my garden. I have used Preen Extended (6 month coverage) I use it in the spring after pruning, weeding and after I put down mulch. Preen must be applied before the weeds germinate!

Preen directions require you to eliminate existing weeds, mulch with 3" inch layer, apply Preen on a dry garden, and then water in the Preen to activate.

Preen, a pre-emergent herbicide, should not be used on newly seeded areas or where seeds are about to be sown. It's also not recommended for lawns, vegetable gardens, or near water sources like water gardens, due to its potential impact on aquatic life. Additionally, it's not suitable for edible plants, including herbs and fruit trees.

Preen doesn't kill weeds, it acts on seeds. It stops weeds before they even sprout. Use as directed and you can use it with confidence around bedding transplants or mature plants. Preen weed preventers create an invisible weed-fighting barrier beneath the soil surface that keeps weed seeds from sprouting and forming roots. No roots, no weeds, no weeding.

The active ingredient in Preen is trifluralin, a pre-emergent herbicide. The pre-emergent part means that it prevents seeds from germinating. However, it will prevent both weed seeds and desirable seeds from sprouting, so make sure to apply it after any direct-sown veggies (like beans or lettuce) or hand sown flowers such as zinnias or cosmos have sprouted and become established.

Yes, it is possible to apply too much Preen, and doing so can negatively impact your plants. While Preen is generally safe when used as directed, exceeding the recommended application rate or using it improperly can lead to issues like plant damage, discoloration, or reduced effectiveness.

Here's why and how:

Plant Damage: Applying too much Preen can harm plants, especially if the granules come into direct contact with foliage or roots. Too much Preen may affect the growth of plants like annuals more so than woody plants.

Wasted Product: Applying more Preen than needed is simply a waste of product and money.

Label Instructions are Key: It is crucial to follow the instructions on the Preen product label regarding application rates and frequency.

Watering is Important: After applying Preen, it's essential to water the bed treated thoroughly to activate Preen and prevent it from being blown away or washed away by rain.

Don't Over-rely: While Preen can be a helpful weed prevention tool, it's not a replacement for proper garden-

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PRE-EMERGENTS

ing practices like weeding, mulching, and proper watering.

I have used Preen for two years now because I have been refreshing parts of my yard. These areas were roto-tilled to eliminate roots and blend in amendments. Bare soil is an open invitation for weeds to come and party. Hence my use of Preen. Maintaining mulch thickness is the best way to go. Plus, I love any ground cover plant (aka green mulch) that covers the soil since the plant will shade or crowd out weeds. Two of my favorites green mulches are Angelina sedum and Catmint.

An alternative is Corn gluten meal a moderately effective organic pre-emergent, but its success depends heavily on proper application timing, correct application rate (20 pounds per 1,000 sq. ft.), and repeated use over 2-3 years to achieve significant weed reduction. It is considered expensive to apply to achieve less than 50 percent effectiveness with the first application.

My Recommendation: Eliminate bare earth wherever possible using plants, mulch, chips to reduce the number of weeds that emerge. Pull those weeds before they have the chance to produce seeds. If you have a problem area or just reworked the soil, consider using Preen or another pre-emergent.

ARS BENEFITS

Did you know? If you are a member of the American Rose Society, you also belong to the World Federation of Rose Societies. The World Federation of Rose Societies, WFRS, is represented by the national rose societies of 40 Member Countries including the American Rose Society. The WFRS also includes Associate Members from other Rose Organizations – usually Botanical Parks and Heritage Rose Organizations such as Huntington Library, Art Museum & Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA, and The Heritage Rose Foundation of America. Also included in the WFRS is the Breeders Club whose members are hybridizers, scientists and rose producers such as David Austin Roses, Roseraies Paul Croix, and W. KORDES. As a member of the World Federation of Rose Societies you have access to the WFRS publications “World Rose News” and the WFRS heritage rose newsletter “By Any Other Name” (BAON) free of charge on the ARS website in the Member Benefits Section. What is the World Federation of Rose Societies <https://www.worldrose.org/>

Join the American Rose Society! One Year With Digital Magazine - \$55. One Year With Print Magazine - \$75. You may complete our online form or call us at 1-800-637-6534. You can also download the form and mail it to Membership, P.O. Box 30000, Shreveport, LA 71130-0030. THE ARS MEMBER BENEFITS PROGRAM Includes many different nurseries, as well as merchants of rose supplies and essentials. Your ARS membership provides discounts with these partners. Please visit the MyARS section of rose.org to see all these discounts with direct links to our Partners’ sites.

HOW TO MAKE CUT FLOWERS LAST LONGER

1. Trim the stems and remove excess foliage: Use sharp scissors or pruning shears to cut the bottom of each rose stem at a 45-degree angle. This helps water absorption by increasing the area of absorption and prevents flat ends that can block water uptake.
2. Quickly place cut roses in water: Immediately immerse the cut ends of the roses in water to prevent the canes from sealing and protecting the fresh cut.
3. Use floral preservative: Add the recommended amount of floral preservative to the vase water. It nourishes the flowers, prevents bacterial growth, and helps roses last longer. This YouTube video covers methods of extending flower life. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s_x1_CS6MD8&t=206s
4. Keep roses in a cool spot: Avoid direct sunlight, heat sources, and drafty areas. Choose a cool location in your home to help maintain the roses’ freshness.

Note: I have noticed that roses bouquets in vases with more water in them generally last a little longer.

PAM MYCZEK

By Therese Ruth

Pam lost her long-time battle with Parkinson's disease on Monday, August 18, 2025. A dedicated Rosarian she was a Consulting Rosarian, Master Gardener and a member of the American Rose Society, The Sacramento Rose Society, the Sierra Foothills Rose Society, the former Old City Cemetery Historical Rose Garden, the Perennial Plant Club and the River Park Garden Club.



Pam's backyard was a "forest" of old garden roses which she loved for their fragrance. Her front yard was Hybrid Teas, David Austins, Grandifloras, miniatures and shrub roses – especially those that were fragrant.

Before Parkinson's and her failing eyesight Pam traveled extensively to visit gardens in Europe, Australia, China and South Africa. She was an excellent photographer and took many photos on her trips and also at club meetings and shows.

Pam fought hard to stay in her home with her roses but with her diminished eyesight and the progression of her Parkinson's disease, she moved to assisted living the last few months.

A celebration of Pam's life will be held on Friday, September 26, 2025 at St. Mary's Church, 1333 58th Street, Sacramento, CA 95819 at 10:00 a.m. followed by a reception.

Editor's Note: A few years ago, I had to drop off some materials to Pam. I had never been to her home before, but as soon as I turned the corner onto her street, I knew which one was hers. The roses planted in the strip between driveways and the potted roses on the driveway were in their spring flush. WOW!

THE JOY OF GROWING SHOW ROSES

By Suzanne Horn, Master Rosarian

Courtesy Pacific Rose Society

I have been growing roses for exhibition in Glendale, California since the year 2000 when I was gifted with my first miniature rose on Valentine's Day. Growing roses is not as difficult as people have been led to believe. Our roses will keep growing and blooming even if we neglect them. However, it didn't take me long to realize I wanted to make show business out of growing roses and become an exhibitor. To do that I would need to raise the level of my game and aspire to a level of excellence. With the guidance of some wonderful mentors like Bob Martin* and Lynn Snetsinger (Prominent exhibitors in Southern California, along with a willingness to work hard and give it my all, the results of this hobby have brought me a lot of joy, not to mention success.



I have found the joy is in the process as well as the result. From a horticultural standpoint, growing great exhibition roses is an ongoing educational experience and a journey of discovery. I recall once asking Bob Martin about his feeding program. He replied that he could share with me programs he had used in the past, but that every year he was tweaking and changing his program to try to obtain a better result. Now I understand what he meant, as I do the very same thing. I will never know everything there is to learn about this fascinating hobby, and that is part of the fun in this continuing adventure. I will always be a humble student of the rose and will continue to learn as long as I keep that fact in mind. Once I start thinking I know it all, my learning experience has ended. As a great philosopher once said, "the journey is the destination". For me, the joy is in the learning as much as in the beautiful results.

I try to incorporate everything I learn into my program of growing roses. I have found that if I do even one good thing for my roses every day, they will get better and better; and the roses will reward me many times over for any effort put into their well being. I don't have to incorporate everything I learn all at once. However, once I am able to include something new into my program, it becomes part of my habitual routine. Of special note, I have learned that habit is my best friend. Like the Nike commercial says, "Just do it". I never ask myself if I feel like watering or feeding or spraying or disbudding. I just automatically do it because it's part of my program. Just imagine if we asked ourselves every morning we got up, "Do I really want to go to work today?" How many of us would still be gainfully employed?

That being said, let me share with you some of the useful information I have picked up along the way and what I do to obtain optimal results in producing great roses for the shows. I happen to grow all 450 of my show roses in large containers. The hybrid teas and even many minis are grown in 25-gallon containers. However, I find the same basic horticultural practices apply to container grown plants as to roses grown in the ground. Therefore, rather than going into specifics about container gardening, which is another whole article, I will discuss techniques that work with all rose growing applications.

Needless to say, the first thing we need to do is grow excellent rose bushes. We've all heard that the three most important factors in the real estate market are "location, location and location." Well, it has also been said that the three most important factors in growing great show roses are "water, water and water". Make sure your roses are well hydrated, particularly during the hot summer months. Here in Southern California we are faced with drought conditions, and many areas are rationing water. This of course is another entire article, but in short, I ration everywhere but my roses. I make sure to water deeply at least once a week supplemented by periodic lighter waterings. One deep watering is better than several light waterings, as it encourages roots to grow downward and away from the sun and elements. Early morning watering is best to reduce evaporation, particularly in times of conservation.

Editor's Note: Bob Martin, (mentioned several times in this article) passed away in 2021 at age 77, was an avid exhibitor, judge, educator, grower and gardener of all things roses; and a Past President of the American Rose Society. He also edited New Horizon Roses which is now done by Suzanne Horn a close personal friend of Bob.

ROSE GROWING TIPS FROM SUZANNE HORN

One tip I can offer is this: I mix "water holding crystals" in with the soil toward the root zone in order to maximize the results of my watering. The crystals retain water in the soil longer by storing 200 times their weight in water. Water holding crystals are best used in sandy soil, and not in clay. The substance is also environmentally friendly, which is always a plus.

Next to water in importance is proper nutrition. Like most rose exhibitors, I utilize a combination of organic and chemical fertilizers to achieve optimum health for the most perfect show roses. I spare no expense when it comes to my roses. Two or three times a year I apply an organic, time-release compound containing nutrients that feed the soil. Many rosarians like to create their own organic mix. I prefer to let the experts do the chemistry and apply a commercially available product containing ingredients such as fish meal, kelp meal, alfalfa meal, and cottonseed meal. My best product recommendations are Dr. Earth Rose & Flower Food, Mills Magic Mix, Whitney Farms Organics and E.B. Stone Organics.

Since my roses are in containers, I use a potting soil containing good organic ingredients like sphagnum peat moss, humus, bat guano, and worm castings. Whether roses are in the ground or in containers, the soil should be amended periodically with good organic matter such as chicken manure, fish meal, and kelp meal. I apply organic matter regularly to feed the soil and help break down fertilizer into a form the roses can use. Organic materials in the soil also help retain water, lower pH in alkaline soil and slowly release their nutrients to the plants.

Fish meal is a product I use throughout the year on my roses. It is 100% organic, enriches the soil, and feeds for an extended period of time. Furthermore, it contains primary nutrients and micronutrients; and it is also people and pet safe. Dr. Earth, Growmore, E.B. Stone and Whitney Farms make excellent fish meal products. I also feed my roses fish emulsion numerous times during the year, and my roses thank me for it. Fish emulsion is natural, organic and is made from condensed fish. It contains low nitrogen with trace elements and can be fed throughout the growing season. Seaweed products are also beneficial and are available as a liquid feed or a foliar feed. A top choice of rose exhibitors is a product called Response*, which is applied as a foliar feed as part of their spray program.

I am also a fan of products containing mycorrhizae, beneficial soil fungi that tend to improve the initial root growth of roses by increasing the uptake of water and fertilizer. I either apply mycorrhizae directly to the root zone when planting or utilize potting soil and organic fertilizers containing mycorrhizae. This is an optional additive, since mycorrhizae is a naturally occurring fungal ingredient in the soil. Roses without it will begin to produce it in the soil. They will catch up with the others treated with mycorrhizae within six months or so. However, I am an "instant gratification" kind of girl and so choose to use it in my program.

During certain times of the year, usually leading up to rose show season, I incorporate well-balanced chemical fertilizers into my organic feeding program. Although not as beneficial for your soil as organics and counter-productive to your mycorrhizae colony, roses do not know the difference between organic and chemical sources. Fertilizers are all chemicals to them, and they do not care about the source of their food. Chemical fertilizers give roses a specific shot in the arm when they need it, such as heavy nitrogen for stem and foliage growth, and a fertilizer higher in phosphate later in the cycle to improve bloom size and quality. My friend Bob Martin often said, "the best fertilizer is the one that's on sale," again making the point that it's all about chemistry. I do have some favorites to recommend; and they include Magnum Grow, Max Sea, Peters 20-20-20 and Miracle-Gro for Roses. Ultimately, however, the brand name is not as important as the ingredients. Read the label.

Another must for your rose feeding program is magnesium sulfate***, commonly known as Epsom Salts. It stimulates new basal growth, promotes healthy foliage and strengthens the crowns of the rose plants. I incorporate it into my feeding program a number of times a year. Since I feed my roses out of a 55-gallon drum

*Editor's Note: **I was not able to find a local source of this product. Many of our local rosarians have used Maxicrop Kelp Extract purchased from Peaceful Valley Farm & Garden Supply.*

****Generally, soils in the Sacramento area have an adequate to high amount of magnesium and do not require additional amendments. In fact, some issues for local crops like tomatoes result from excessively high magnesium levels in relation to calcium. However, soil composition can vary even in a single region, so a soil test is the only way to be certain about your specific location.*

EXHIBITOR CARE TIPS

using a submersible pump (often called a "sump pump"), I just add the requisite amount to the mix periodically when I am feeding the roses. A tip when doing this is to dissolve the Epsom Salts in a bucket of hot water and stir until the crystals have dissolved before adding them to the tank mix. This will ensure they are evenly distributed to the roses and do not gather at the bottom of the tank in a clump. Another option is to sprinkle it around the drip line of the plant and water it in.

Mulching is also of great benefit to the roses. Mulch improves water retention in the soil, and it keeps roses warmer in winter and cooler in summer. Rosarians have many different materials from which to select when it comes to mulch. My mulch of choice is aged horse manure mulch from a local stable. It can often be obtained for free if you have a truck at your disposal. I like to store it in 13-gallon trash bags for use throughout the year, particularly as a topping when I transplant roses. Other options to horse manure mulch include chicken manure and a longtime favorite, Kellogg's Gromulch. Just make sure you choose an organic mulch that will break down over time to enrich the soil.

From time to time, I utilize products advertised to be magic potions designed to produce extra special results such as Superthrive, Liquid Karma and Jump Start. Superthrive is a synthetic vitamin hormone supplement, stress reducer & growth stimulant. Jump Start and Liquid Karma are super concentrates of vitamins, minerals and micronutrients. I don't know how much they actually help, but they certainly can't hurt. Often I am not sure exactly which additive has produced an excellent result I see. A good idea is to divide your rose plants into two groups, one utilizing the additive you are testing and the other without it to determine how well it is working.

Another important consideration in maintaining rose plant health is disease control. Being a serious rose exhibitor, I have zero tolerance for disease or pests during show season. Unfortunately, many of the best show roses are not disease resistant. Therefore, I spray my roses whenever necessary to get clean roses to a show. I spray fungicide preventatively and insecticide only when I see a problem. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure when it comes to powdery mildew, the bane of my garden. Of note, I only spray during show season for six to eight weeks in the spring and the fall. For the rest of the year, my garden is "earth kind".

Lastly, I suggest you take the time to get to know each of your roses intimately. I do this by making daily trips through the rose garden to observe and do little chores. I usually walk my garden every morning and every evening, and also hand water my roses. Not only do I get an opportunity to appreciate the beauty of the roses, I get to know the special needs of all the individual rose varieties. I also get to spot the need for weeding, disbudding, deadheading, the removal of suckers, canes needing to be staked or tied up, mulch levels getting low, and the beginning signs of disease or insect problems to be averted. You'll find there is always something more you can do to increase the beauty and health of your roses on a leisurely stroll through your garden.

Bob Martin once wrote, "roses reward you in proportion to your effort". Let me encourage you to make that effort and go the extra mile for your roses. Whether or not you choose to exhibit, your work and dedication will produce splendor in your garden. I wish you joy on the journey and beautiful results.

ARS 2025 WEBINAR LINE-UP

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.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE FUTURE PROGRAMS: Registration info will be issued at a later date.

- August 23, 2025 · 11:00am – 2:00pm: "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 · 11:00am – 2:00pm: "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 · 11:00am – 2:00pm: "What's New with Jackson & Perkins" Speaker: Wes Harvell, Rose Category Manager & Rosarian for Jackson Perkins Park Acquisitions Inc.
- November 22, 2025 · 11:00am – 2:00pm: Topic TBA Speaker: Thomas Proll, Chief Hybridizer, Kordes Roses



Sierra Foothills Rose Society

Good Roses, Good Friends!

President's Message



I can't wait to welcome my friend Suzanne Horn to our society again. I met Suzanne while I was visiting my many friends in Southern California back in the late nineties or early 2000's as she was very interested in growing roses in pots. I saw her program growing roses in pots and I was so impressed that I invited her to give the same program to Sierra Foothills RS shortly after September 2011. Her program was so well received that I invited Suzanne to come back again to give different programs as she is one of the best exhibitors in the country and one of the most knowledgeable rosarians on growing amazing roses. I am looking forward to her presentation again!

I have rooted a bunch of cuttings of the medium red, single petalled climbing rose called Altissimo. In the past this rose was Sierra Foothills Rose Society rose and I would like to keep that tradition going. I would like to offer any society member not having this rose, a chance to get a FREE one. This will take place at the November meeting of the society. Yesterday, I potted up 30 well rooted cuttings into one-gallon containers and they will be given away to new rose society members as well as those members that do not have it in their gardens. Please let me know by way of an email at sactorose@gmail.com that you would like one so I can bring it to the November meeting.

For the past month I have been working hard on weeding and cleaning up my garden in anticipation of this year's rose show on October 18, 2025. Most roses in the Sacramento area bloom on a six week intervals with fully petalled roses like English Roses taking an extra week while the single petalled roses taking one week less. Therefore I am trying to deadhead my fully petalled roses by August 30 th and my single petalled roses by September 13th . I will also try to fertilize each rose bed as I finish deadheading. Because of the weed problems in the rose beds, instead of adding 4 inches of horse manure, I will be adding granular fertilizers as I finish each rose bed.

Depending on the granular fertilizer one uses, it takes up to two months for the roots to uptake the elements in the fertilizer. I am trying to get this done by early September.

Our rose society is in need of a webmaster. Vanessa Lindeberg who had been our webmaster for several years resigned due to health problems. If you have website designer skills that you would like to try on our website, let any of the Board Members know.

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SFhRS NEEDS A NEW WEBMASTER!

First, we want to thank Vanessa Lindberg for her skill and dedication to serving as webmaster for our Society for many years. Vanessa is stepping down to enjoy her garden and tend to her roses.

Since Vanessa is retiring, SfRS is looking for someone who likes working with websites, enjoys learning new things, and helping others. We are looking for a volunteer webmaster to keep our website running smoothly and looking great.

If you have experience as a webmaster or would like to become one, this great opportunity is for you! Note that if you don't have ANY experience, one of our in-house retired IT professionals will be your consultant or mentor when you need any help or support.

If interested, please contact May Chen at (630) 995-5555 or meishengchen@Yahoo.com



Sacramento Rose Society

Take time to Smell the Roses!

President Message



Summer break is over! I feel so fortunate—such a nice summer for our area compared to so many other parts of the country. Now that kids everywhere head back to school and we head back to rose society meetings, I'm looking forward to our fall meetings at Shepard Garden and Arts Center through December of this year.

Our September 11th meeting is at 7:00 pm at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, featuring Greg Gayton, Master Nurseryman, with Charlotte Owendyk, Master Rosarian. Greg will be presenting the best companion plants for roses, along with some new companion plant introductions. He'll talk about their growing needs, and Charlotte will talk about how to tuck them in among your roses. It will be a fun, interactive evening.

It's also our third Little Rose Show, so bring some blooms to enter! Doors open at 6:30 pm for Little Rose Show entries and networking. Bring a friend!

I am inviting any interested member of Sacramento Rose Society to attend our Board Meeting on September 3rd at 11 am. We will hold our meeting and tour the Belle Cooledge Library. Address is 5600 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento. It might be a great alternate meeting location (other than Shepard Garden Center!) that we have seen so far. Not too far from downtown, located only a few blocks off of I-5 headed toward William Land Park at the corner of Seamas/Fruitridge and South Land Park drive. Nice area, lots of parking around the building with easy entry. The best part is the room rental rate = **FREE!** Come join us and give your input!

Not sure what will be ahead for our meeting locations in 2026. As many of you know, over a year ago, the City of Sacramento announced it would be increasing the rental rates for Shepard Garden & Arts Center. In addition to rental rates going up (from \$75/hr to \$90/hr), the City announced that it would eliminate the 50% rent rate discount that has been provided to not-for-profit garden clubs for many years. This meant that the cost of one 3 hour evening meeting would increase from **\$135 to \$270.**

Over a year ago, our Executive Board began exploring possible meeting venue options that would be affordable, safe, have convenient parking and handicap accessibility to the building, and able to host the type events our society provides. In the meantime, representatives from the 26 Garden Clubs (known as Sacramento Garden and Arts Center, Inc) began meetings with the Department of Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment, and with various city council members.

Current progress: the City has offered the opportunity for the garden club association to lease the Shepard Center building and manage its use. This is not without its own costs and additional expenses to be paid to the City of Sacramento, in addition to the rental fees that would be paid by the clubs. Currently, we are still in negotiation with the City, no resolution as yet.

The City did, however, agree to extend the 50% rent rate discount to the Clubs at Shepard Center through December 2025. They did not rescind the 2025 increase in rental rates, so our cost for a 3 hour meeting stays at the 2025 rate of \$135. Thus, we can afford to stay at Shepard Garden & Art Center, at least for our fall 2025 meetings. Yippee!

Kay Jelten

Bring Blooms for the Little Rose Show!
MAKE OUR MEETING ROOM LOOK & SMELL WONDERFUL!
LRS schedule is attached to email along with the newsletter.

SEPTEMBER GARDEN TASKS

To get a fall flush of blooms **(required for exhibitors)** fertilize last week of August/first week of September. Cut back bloom on all rose bushes you expect to exhibit.

For non exhibitors or garden roses continue cutting back spent blooms to encourage bloom.

Rake up fallen rose leaves and petals, but and dispose of in green waste bins.

Prune once-blooming rambling and climbing roses as now is the best time of year to prune them.

Transplant roses or shrubs or trees now to establish roots before winter.

Evaluate your rose bushes to determine how they fared during our summer heat . Even well established bushes will show sunburn and heat damage. Burned brown foliage, short stems, and smaller flowers will be common. Consider replacing your poorer performers. Give new roses two years to prove themselves.

Toward end of September, begin taking hardwood cuttings from your roses to “clone” your plants. Choose a garden bed; dig a trench deep enough for only about 1/3 of each stem above ground. Label each cutting and keep moist until rains arrive. Or use one gallon pot placed in a shady location. Note: Roses must be out of patent; therefore, varieties that were introduced in 2008 or before.



Sacramento Rose Society 2025 Calendar

General Meetings are at Shepard Garen & Art Center 3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento

Oct. 9, , Thursday, 7-9 pm **TBD-Educational Rose topic** General Meeting
“LITTLE ROSE Show” **Entries open 6:30 – 7:00pm**

Nov. 13, , Thursday, 7-9 pm **TBD-Educational Rose topic** General Meeting
“LITTLE ROSE Show” **Entries open 6:30 – 7:00pm**

Dec. 11, Thursday, **HOLIDAY DINNER, Awards, Presentation & Installation of Officers**
6:30-9:00 pm General Meeting

SRS Board Meetings are held on the Monday prior to each month's general meeting, from 10 am–noon. Meeting location varies so check ahead of time. Interested SRS members are welcome to attend as a guest. Contact Kay Jelten for more information. Board meeting dates for 2025 are: September 8, October 6 , November 10, December 8. Check with board members to confirm date and location.

SFHRs CALENDAR OF ROSE ACTIVITIES—2025

OCTOBER	5/1 Thursday 7-9:30 pm—General Meeting	HOW TO ENTER A ROSE SHOW Maidu Community Center at 1550 Maidu Drive Roseville
	10/18 – Saturday	SFhRS ROSE SHOW @Green Acres Roseville
NOVEMBER	5/1 Thursday 7-9:30 pm—General Meeting	Rose Show Celebration & Awarding of Trophies, Vote for 2026 Board Officers
DECEMBER	12/4- Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	HOLIDAY PARTY @ SPEGETTI FACTORY & INSTALLATION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2026

Board Meetings: SFhRS Board Meetings are generally held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, from 6pm-8pm. No Board meeting in June & July. Location varies for each meeting so check to verify for time and location. Interested SFhRS members are welcome to attend. Contact Barbara Patman or any other board member for more information.

Consulting Rosarians

Consulting Rosarians have attended classes to learn how to grow the best roses. If you have problems or questions and would like personal assistance the following individuals are Consulting Rosarians (CRs). These individuals are committed to help others with rose related questions. Upon request, many CRs will visit your garden on request.

Location	Consulting Rosarian	Phone	Email
Carmichael	Ellie Longanecker	916.715-1102	ellie1433@msn.com
Chico	Julie Matlin	530 893-5418	matlinja@yahoo.com
El Dorado	Bobbie McCafferty	916-220-6552	spotacus1@gmail.com
Elk Grove	Christine Burnett	916-684-6826	cmburnett@frontier.com
	Linda Rivera	916-683-3744	rivalindat07@gmail.com
Fair Oaks	Cindy Phipps	916 420-0344	acura9797@yahoo.com
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	Sue Magill	916-599-7673	rosemtn@surewest.net
	Charlotte Owendyk	916 803-5740	owendyk@gmail.com
Wilton	Kay Jelten	916-733-0936	kjelten@frontiernet.net

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- Must be either a regular, joint or associate member of the American Rose Society for two consecutive years and an active member of a local rose society.
- Must have grown roses of various types for at least five years and should be knowledgeable in all equipment and materials related to rose culture. (Almost everyone meets this requirement!)
- Must attend an ARS school/workshop for Consulting Rosarians and complete an open book examination based on the material contained in the Consulting Rosarian manual. Once you pass the exam, you do not have to take it again.
- Must know and be willing to live up to the Consulting Rosarian Guide.
- Must be willing to attend no less than one Consulting Rosarian School in every four-year period or earn four Continuing Education points from accredited sources (authorized by your District CR Chair).
- Must submit a completed individual annual report form to the District Chairman of Consulting Rosarians AND submit a Roses in Review Report to the RIR District Coordinator each year.
- Must exhibit a continuing willingness to share knowledge and an enthusiasm for the rose and the American Rose Society.

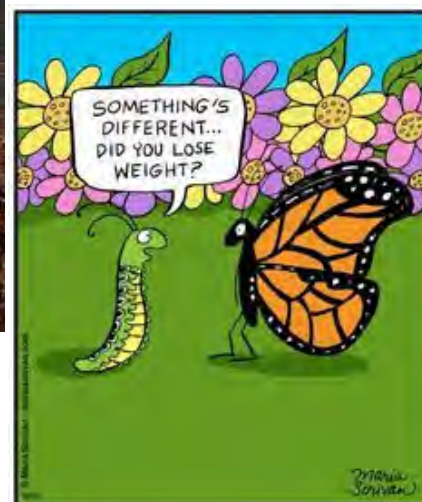
How easy can it be??? You are not expected to be a genius, or to know everything there is to know about roses. That's what the CR Schools and Seminars are for - they teach us more about the flowers we love.

Contact Sue Magill if you are interested. 916-599-7673 rosemtn@surewest.net

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Sacramento Rose Society

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Meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month except July and August in the Shepard Garden & Arts Center at McKinley Park located at 3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento. Room opens at 6:30 pm.

Take E Street (southbound) or H Street (northbound) exit off business I-80; go east past the park. (E Street turns into McKinley Boulevard.) Enter parking lot off 34th Street and Parkway.

Rose Reflections...

Charlotte Owendyk, Editor
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Sierra Foothills Rose Society

SierraFoothillsRoseSociety.org

Meeting are at 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month except for January, June, July and August unless announced otherwise room opens at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting location is at the **Roseville Maidu Community Center unless otherwise noted in program info in the newsletter.** Located at 1550 Maidu Drive Roseville