

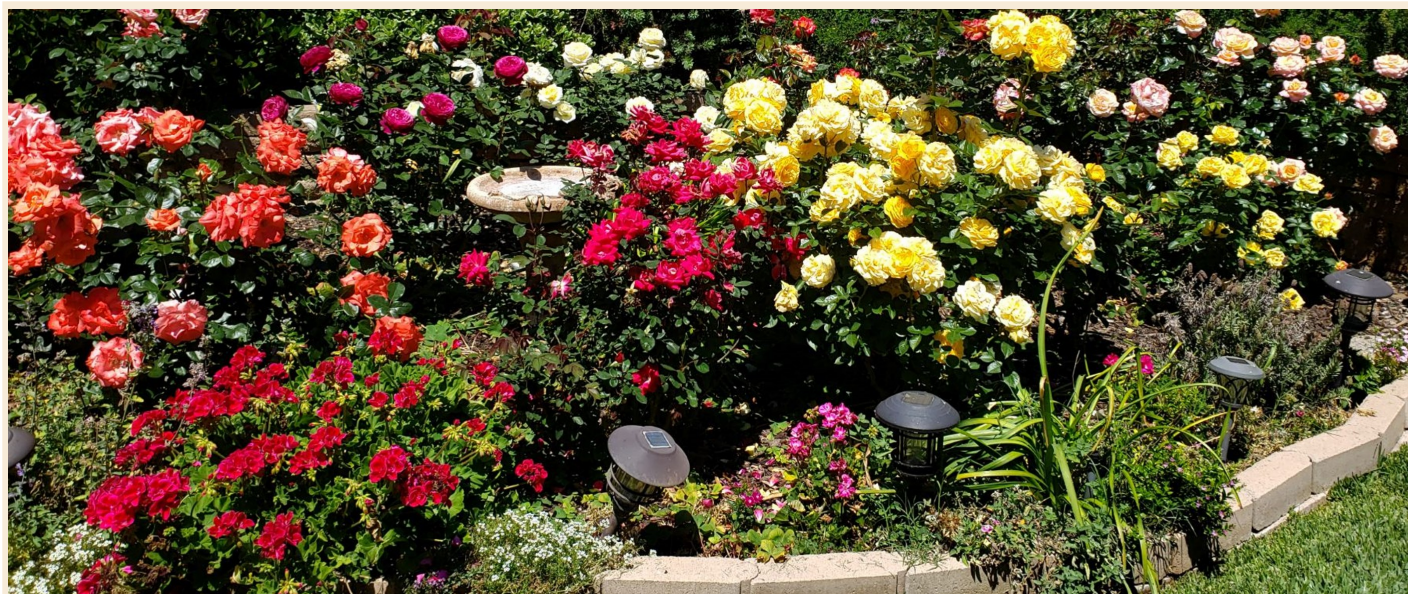
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*Gardeners know  
the best dirt*

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*Flourishing in our gardens*

# Scripps-Mesa Garden Club



Lynnell Hallock's rose garden is full of blooms already, but she has a new secret formula to try for a natural fertilizer. The formula for the rose food is: 1 part chicken manure, 1 part cottonseed meal, 1 part kelp meal, 2 parts bone meal. Mix in a container and sprinkle around roses and water well. She says she will be giving it a try. However, can you even image a plethora of blossoms more beautiful than this?

## When ants invade your house, take these steps:

- 1) Sponge invaders with soapy water as soon as they enter. Leave a residue of dish soap on window sills etc to turn followers away.
- 2) Plug up ant entryways with caulk or petroleum jelly.
- 3) Remove infested potted plants.
- 4) Clean up food sources.
- 5) Rely on baits to control the ant colony.
- 6) Indoor sprays are not usually necessary



*For more information  
check page 4.*

*Until  
We Meet  
Again ...*

*SR Library  
Community  
Room, 6:00 pm*

*June 23 ... ?*

*July 28 ... ?*

*(Potluck)*

*Stay well*

## 2020 Garden Club Officers

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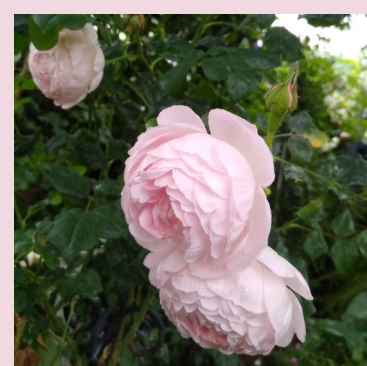
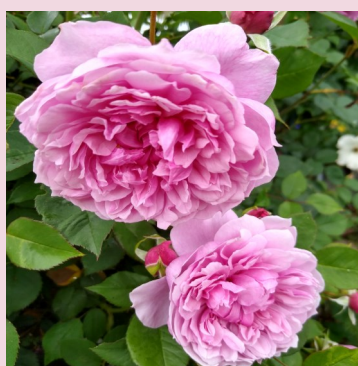
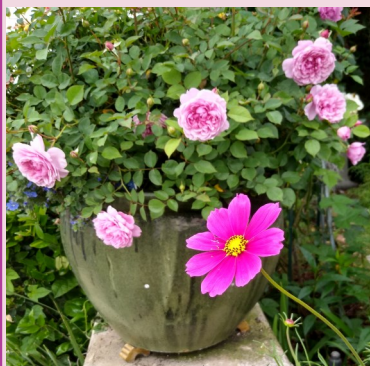
## Bob Gale Refreshes His Clivia and Celebrates His Roses

“I decided to use part of my Memorial Day Weekend to inspect the last one third of clivia collection. This gives me an opportunity to inspect each plant for any insect infestation or damage. It also gives me an opportunity to check and see if I need to divide the pups from the mother plant. This inspection enables me to be able to make sure the soil level is correct and to feed each plant. Then my son Jeffrey helps to return each plant carefully to its home station. This way I am able to inspect each of my plants each year and know what's happening with each of the plants. In addition, by doing this I make sure each plant is in it's prime condition for maximum blooming each year,” Bob explained.

***(Right) Bob Gale surveys the last third of his clivia collection to make revisions that will support a maximum bloom later this year.***



“I'm always fascinated with the Roses this time of year when I walk in my garden. The perfume is heavenly. The first rose in these photos is Sister Elizabeth hybridized by David Austin. The second rose is a Rothschild Rose saved by Empress Josephine the wife of Napoleon. I love so many of the roses that Empress Josephine saved because they have been used by so many plant breeders to hybridize the beautiful roses that we love today. Also, it's so delightful to be reminded that these roses come to us by the way of the French Empire. They were so exceptionally beautiful at that time and I are still explicit in our gardens. I think it's so important that everybody have at least a few of the Bourbon and Rothschild roses in their garden. I believe it is so important to keep each of us who love roses connected to the history of the great roses of the past”.



Scripps-Mesa Garden Club Newsletter

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Contributions of articles, suggestions, artwork, and gardening tips are warmly welcomed. This newsletter belongs to the Scripps-Mesa Garden Club members and is intended to reflect their gardening interests and experiences. Please take part in its mission and contribute an article or a photo.



## Rose Color Meanings

Roses come in a variety of colors each with its own meaning.

**White:** purity, innocence

**Red:** love

**Deep crimson:** mourning

**Pink:** grace, happiness

**Yellow:** joy, friendship

**Orange:** desire, enthusiasm

**Lavender:** love at first sight

**Coral:** friendship, sympathy

## The History of this Beautiful Rose

By Bob Gale

As I was enjoying my morning walk and all the beauty in my garden and I couldn't help but feel exhilarated over my Sister Elizabeth Rose and her blooming celebration. Sister Elizabeth lived in a convent not far from the David Austin Rose Garden. She visited him at the Rose Garden almost daily to enjoy the beautiful roses during entire blooming season. David so enjoyed her visits, that he decided that he would name a rose for this very special visitor to his garden. Therefore, we can now all share this very special beautiful pink Sister Elizabeth Rose that David named to honor this very special little nun who so loved roses!

*“His heritage to his children  
wasn't words or possessions,  
but an unspoken treasure  
of his example as  
a man and a father.”*

Will Rogers, Jr.

**Happy Fathers' Day!**





*Scripps Ranch Library is mailing out seeds while they last.*

**Seed Library-By-Mail!** Yes, that's right: order seeds from home and take advantage of the growing season! Instructions and guidelines here:

<http://srfol.org/seed-library.htm>



**FREE Online  
Gardening and Pest Management Workshops!  
Healthy Garden - Healthy Home  
Workshop Series  
continues in May and June!  
Live and Online!**

UCCE San Diego County is happy to announce that the **Healthy Garden Healthy Home Spring Gardening Workshop Series** will return in May and June! Our March and April workshops were postponed due to COVID-19, but we have reorganized our effort and will be offering these FREE gardening and pest management workshops **Live and Online in May and June!** The following is our Spring schedule. We invite you to join us as we Stay-at-Home and learn to garden the safe and healthy way!

Online Registration: <https://bit.ly/salsa530>

Online Registration: <https://bit.ly/ants613>

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June 6th – Fresh Herbs  
June 13th—Control Ants  
the Healthy Way



Clivia may be grown in pots or the ground.


## Growing Clivia

Clivia is a South African plant that grows well here in San Diego either potted or in the ground.

They range in color from yellow through orange to deep red with rich green strappy leaves. They are sometimes called bush lily or natal lily.

The plants begin blooming in winter and continue through spring and summer to the dry fall season when they take a rest. They grow best slightly rootbound.


Clivia like their soil somewhat moist. Fertilize monthly.



***Just like people, the  
Sunflower needs the dirt to  
keep grounded and stable so  
it can reach for the sun and  
lightness.***

***We all have the power to  
grow from darkness into light.***

**[www.dailypositiveinspirations.com](http://www.dailypositiveinspirations.com)**

The background is a soft watercolor illustration of a garden. A path leads through various plants, including tall, thin evergreen trees on the left and right, and a variety of colorful flowers like purple, pink, and blue blossoms. The overall style is gentle and artistic, with a light pink border around the entire scene.

## Who Lives in Your Garden?

by Kimberlee Graves

Who lives in your garden?  
Did you ever peek and see  
All the wiggly, wormy wild things  
That beneath a rock might be?  
Did you see a flash of wings  
When against a leaf you brushed?  
Did you hear some insect music  
When the people voices hushed?  
If you are very quiet  
The next time you're outside,  
You'll have a chance to spy your guests  
Before they fly or hide.  
A secret tiny world lives  
Down where the green things grow.  
Who lives in your garden?  
I think you soon will know.