

## NEWS RELEASE

American Rose Society

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## DATES RESCHEDULED AGAIN FOR VOLUNTEER DAYS AT AMERICAN ROSE CENTER FEBRUARY 26 & 27, 2021

**Shreveport, LA** – Due to the historical winter weather experienced in our area this week, the American Rose Center has again rescheduled its annual Volunteer Pruning Days to Friday and Saturday Feb. 26 and 27 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Volunteers will learn how to prune roses and help us prune the hundreds of rosebushes at "America's Rose Garden." Mask wearing and social distancing will be observed; a brown bag lunch will be provided on both days to all who register. Soil test kits will be available to take home as long as supplies last.

Volunteers are encouraged to come work in the garden any time over the two days. No experience is necessary and garden team leaders will be on hand to provide assistance. Please bring pruners, gloves and other available tools. Scout troops, 4-H Clubs, businesses and church groups are encouraged to participate.

The Volunteer Days offer a great opportunity to work alongside fellow gardeners with a goal of helping to keep "America's Rose Garden" beautiful and ready for visitors.

For more information about Volunteer Days, please contact Kim Merritt at (318) 938-5402 or email kim@rose.org. Registration is necessary to reserve a complimentary brown bag lunch.

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**About the American Rose Society**: The American Rose Society is a non-profit, educational organization founded in 1892 to promote the culture, preservation and appreciation of the rose and to improve its standard of excellence for all people through education and research. Its headquarters is located in Shreveport, Louisiana, at the American Rose Center, home of "America's Rose Garden."

**About the American Rose Center**: The American Rose Center was established in 1974 and serves as the national headquarters site for the American Rose Society. The Center is the largest public garden in the United States dedicated to roses.