

Can You Dig It?

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I've almost decided to attempt to make real rose beads this year. The beads are supposed to last and retain their fragrance for many years. When I searched for a recipe I discovered that these beads "strung into rosaries (from the Latin *rosarium*, meaning garden of roses or rose garden), the beads assisted the devout in saying their prayers. Indeed, many believed that the lovely perfume, released into the air as the beads were handled and worn, wafted to heaven and disposed God to listen kindly to all their entreaties." [*Mother Earth News*] Of course it must also have made congregations of unwashed bodies easier to endure.

The recipe is basically to collect petals and cook them gently in a little water, in cast iron, stirring with a wooden spoon until they turn into a thick paste. It's a bit more complicated than that and the cast iron may not necessary. All colors of petals get very dark, but only one source indicated that is was possible to achieve any recognizable color. The cast iron guarantees a very dark reddish black, cooking in stainless, glass or enamel may yield a lighter color, closer to the color of the petals you use. Modern roses, developed largely for disease resistance, may not have much fragrance and you may have to add scent. Be sure that any roses that you do use have not been treated with chemicals – especially if you intend to wear or handle the beads.

There is a very old rose at the corner of our house that has huge double fragrant flowers in early summer. After that first bloom it just sits there reaching for the sun and getting black spot. I'd love to be able to preserve that fragrance. I may eventually take cuttings to grow somewhere else, and begin trying to eliminate it from the now shady corner. It would take years of cutting it to the ground several times a season (or chemical warfare) to kill it. It has been growing in that corner since before we moved here.

May you have joy of the ever changing earth.

Listen! Smell! See! Touch! Hear! Pay attention!

Relax into being here now and let the cares of the world float away for at least a little while.

VHS scholarships announced

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Gavin Roberts.

Karen Pitt-Kilgore Memorial (\$500); Alexandria Chadek, Justin Caputo.

Kris Duane Crowston Memorial (\$500); Gavin Roberts. (\$1000); Byron Schorzman, Nicholas Young.

Mike Busch Memorial (\$500); Taylor Smith.

Mist/Birkenfeld Helping Circle (\$750); Megan Hieronimus.

PEO (\$500); Rebekah Young, Tara Ostrander.

Vernonia Boosters (\$500); Samantha Lee, Rebekah Young, Nicholas Young, Gavin Roberts.

Vernonia Education Association (\$400); Tara Ostrander. (\$800); Byron Schorzman.

Vernonia Lions' Club (\$500); Blake Moeller, Gavin Roberts, Samantha Lee, Rebekah Young, Nicholas Young.

VOLTA - WOECC Vocational Training (\$2500); Eric Budge.

VHS Alumni (\$1000); Gavin Roberts.

Wauna Federal Credit Union (\$1000); Gavin Roberts.

Windermere (\$500); Gavin Roberts.

WOEC, Sam Hearing (\$500); Taylor Smith, Gavin Roberts, Nicholas Young.

Zack Rumbolz Memorial (\$750); Ashley Paleck, Justin Caputo, Blake Moeller, Gavin Roberts. (\$1000); Eric Budge, David Allen, Taylor Smith, Tara Ostrander.

Chance to Become (\$5000); Ashley Paleck, Justin Caputo.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

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1. Three: off Cannon Beach, off Cape Kiwanda, and in Wallowa County.
2. Northwest Champion Sheepdog Trials and the Lamb & Wool Festival.
3. Spain.
4. Law.
5. Pitcher.
6. Klamath Basin Wildlife Refuge.

WEATHER REPORT

MAY 2009

DATE	TEMPERATURE		PRECIP. AMT.
	HI	LO	
1	69	30	.27
2	62	39	.17
3	61	37	.06
4	54	38	.89
5	59	44	.42
6	59	40	.43
7	56	33	.07
8	58	33	--
9	67	36	--
10	68	34	--
11	60	39	.16
12	55	34	.18
13	49	32	.43
14	59	35	T
15	69	34	--
16	83	35	--
17	80	37	--
18	75	42	.02
19	57	41	.02
20	61	36	--
21	70	32	--
22	70	36	--
23	70	34	--
24	69	32	--
25	69	30	--
26	69	40	--
27	73	35	--
28	82	37	--
29	83	42	--
30	85	38	--
31	81	42	--

Temperature and precipitation amounts are from the official U.S. weather station at the Vernonia water plant. Measurable precipitation in May totalled 3.12 inches.

Celebrate the first day of Summer Sunday, June 21

Action Ads

INEXPENSIVE – EFFECTIVE

503-429-9410

Action Ads

HELP WANTED

Finance Director

See web site for details
www.co.columbia.or.us
Columbia County, 230 Strand, St. Helens, OR 97051, 503-397-5874
Deadline: 3:00 p.m., July 13, 2009
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CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our heartfelt gratitude at being part of such a wonderful community. So many have helped or shown they care since Tommy was injured. Thank you all,
Tom, Dawn, Tiffany, Stephanie, and Brianna Carr

Thanks Vernonia, for making the Barn Sale a great success. Thanks for all the hugs, laughs and conversation with such wonderful people.
Lulu

CLASSES

CPR & First Aid, adult, child, infant courses, AHA and ASHI programs, On-site or Off-site, Individual or group. 503-543-2821 or http://www.abcforlife.net. BTFN

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CLASSES

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FREE

My lovable teacup Yorker terrier and English Bulldog puppy for adoption, is AKC registered. Interested persons should email revalan09@live.com
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LOST & FOUND

Found - fishing pole on Mellinger Rd. June 12, 2009. Claim at Cop Shop.
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MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Hay for sale, 503-429-7503. BTFN

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Packrat? cleaning out? downsizing? I buy all kinds of stuff! 360-642-1177.
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SALES

Huge Yard Sale at Vernonia Inn, 900 Madison Ave., June 20 & 21, 10am - 5pm. B06/18

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