

What is a Mentor?



A mentor is a VRLRS member in good standing and is appointed by the Presidents. The intention of a mentor program is to guide Budding Roses as they fulfill their requirements for membership. If you would like to become a Mentor, you can request to do so through the Presidents.

A mentor:

Can only mentor one Budding Rose at a time

Is responsible for reviewing the bylaws with her Budding Rose

Will report to the SMC to determine whether her Budding Rose is invited to the VRLRS

Will relay the membership decision to her Budding Rose

Must keep the SMC identities anonymous

Should consider her Budding Rose a little sister and will hopefully be inspired to do special outings with her and share knowledge of what is period-correct.

Fun things to do as a mentor with your Budding Rose include: tea, lunches, scrapbooking, researching historical accuracy, going to the movies, antique shopping or whatever is required to really get to know your Budding Rose. This is important in order to determine whether this potential new member is a good fit for our club! A mentor should take her job seriously because the club membership depends on it!

What is a Secret Membership Committee (SMC)?

The SMC will be composed of 3 members of the San Diego chapter, appointed by the Presidents', who will remain anonymous. The purpose of a SMC will be to determine who is invited into the VRLRS. Membership to the VRLRS will not be open to a membership vote. The SMC will meet with the Mentor of a Budding Rose when her 6-month period is fulfilled and she is considered for invitation. The SMC members will change yearly.