



Royal Rosarians

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Royal Update

e-newsletter of the Royal Rosarians

Greetings, Rosarians and Friends,

Thanks for reading this issue of the e-newsletter of the Royal Rosarians produced by Duke Peter Glazer and Sir Knight Tom Marantette. If you have suggestions or contributions for the Royal Update, please contact Tom (tjm@atiyehbros.com) or Peter (pkglazer@aol.com).

Happy Thanksgiving

by Gayle
Whitehurst

A Message from Prime Minister Gayle



As we approach the day for giving thanks, this is the time when we take the opportunity to be thankful to others who have affected our lives. For me it is the Rosarians, their spouses and friends.

We remember our history and traditions through our Dukes and life members who have for 100 years made this the vibrant organization it is today. Our spouses who silently give so much to support us, and the members who step up every day to make sure the organization's needs and those of our community are met. To all of you I say thank you.

We are thankful to what this country has given us and we remember the troops who have and are currently serving in far off places to ensure we can enjoy the place we call home.

First Squire Ed and I wish you and your families a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with love, friendship, and oh yes, a great Turkey!

Image: A Thanksgiving float with roses is depicted in this photo from the archives of Duke Peter Glazer. It is unknown where and when this parade took place but the theme would indicate November, the dress of the spectators would indicate many years ago and the words on the float "Santa Ana" would lead us to believe somewhere in California.

Christmas Brunch

You Have Two Days to Reserve a Spot - Act Now

The Christmas Brunch is just two weeks away and your reservations for this traditional and festive event are due by this Friday, November 23. Act now to participate.

The Brunch will again be held in the beautiful Mayfair Room of the Benson Hotel. Check-in and Social Hour begins at 10:30 a.m., seating at 11:15 a.m. and the plated Brunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. Holiday music by the Grant High School Royal Blues will be our feature entertainment.

As before, Rosarians are asked to bring unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items. The Portland Fire Bureau's Toy and Joy Drive, as well as the Portland Police Bureau's Sunshine Division are most appreciative of our efforts to help their causes. A monetary donation to either charity is also appreciated.

Get your reservation request to Dame Jeri Beck at 1125 NW 12th Ave, #503, Portland, 97209. Please email Jeri (jeri.beck@aleywm.com) to let her know your check is on its way. The cost is \$30.00 per person and parking on the street is free until 1:00 p.m. Any questions can be directed to Dame Jeri (360-903-4611) or to Sir Knight Adam Baker (503-656-0896). See you there!



"All Rosarians" Mark Your Calendars for January 23



As our Secretary of State says, "It's the Rosarians' premier gift to Portland." Having been involved in this event for several years, Marilyn Schultz is certainly aware of the effort required to coordinate this remarkable evening, the tribute it pays to the Newsmakers, the respect it gives to our media participants and the emotional effect it has on all in attendance. It is a night for all Rosarians. Make this your year to attend.

We are a bit anxious this year because it will take place for the first time in January and a membership meeting does not occur just prior to the event. We urge you to send an email now to Joan Blizzard (randjblizzard@aol.com) or to Larry Rodman (larryrodman@comcast.net) indicating your desire to attend. The cost is \$48.00 per person. It will take place at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel.

Corporate Sponsor Tables are currently available for \$475 (table of eight) and a limited number of Media Sponsor Tables are available for \$575 (table of six places for you and the Newsmaker and a Media personality seated at your table). This year, the Media Sponsors will receive a 30 second video, professionally produced by the Rosarians to promote your business at the event. Direct any questions you might have regarding this to Larry Rodman (503-246-7753).

image: in the grand finale all return to the stage as 2008 Prime Minister Peter Glazer, with emcees Bruce Murdock and John Erickson, pay final tribute to the Newsmakers, the media and to all guests for their participation.

Hearts and Roses Auction 2013

Your Auction Items Requested

Themed auction baskets have always been a popular item in the silent auction. They are fun to create, only as expensive as you want them to be, and it is easy to grab a partner and put one together. If this gets you excited please call Larry or Roz with your ideas.



As most of you are aware, the auction is just around the corner. The Procurement

team has been hard at work collecting an assortment of exciting items both for the silent and live auctions. As always, we can use more.

Right now we are looking for a donation of airline miles to get to Los Angeles and hotel points for a two-night stay in LA near Burbank.

An auction can never have enough fun-themed baskets. We are always looking for items to put in baskets like dinner tickets, service vouchers, spa services, movie tickets, cooking demos etc; just to give you a few ideas. Obvious themes are baskets that include items relating to the Ducks, Beavers, Timbers, Blazers and possibly even the Seahawks.

Other basket ideas include:

- Life's a Beach
- Family night
- Spa-tecular
- Parents Night Out
- Gardeners Gifts
- Learn Your Lesson (like golf, music, knitting)
- Throwback in time (using retro foods and games)
- Pizza Maker
- Puppy Love
- Kitty Love
- Spice of Life
- Microbrew madness
- Movie night
- Bakers Dozen
- To My Valentine
- Love to spoil my grand kids
- Picnic in Wine Country
- Chocolate is a Food Group!!
- Take a Hike!

And since the theme is "Ports of Call" any basket relating to a specific country or travel activity -- or items used for traveling would be great ideas. Please contact Larry Rodman (larryrodman@comcast.net) or Roz Vancil (rozvancil@gmail.com) to make your donation. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated to make this event the best it can be.

We look forward to seeing you and your friends at the auction on February 9, 2013 at the Doubletree Lloyd Center.

Prime Minister's Trip 2013



No Rain, No Snow, No Sleet and No Wind in Florida

Rain, snow, sleet and wind are in the Portland weather forecast for the week of March 10th. You may not mind that weather now but by March you will be more than ready to find sun. You will, in fact, be desperate to see blue sky, 80 degree temperatures, sandy beaches and

warm water.

Prime Minister Gayle and First Squire Ed have just the ticket for you. They invite all Rosarians and friends to join them on their adventure to Florida. Taking place March 10th through March 22nd, the temperature should be 70 to 80 degrees and the travel

should be easy.

The first stop will be at Cocoa Beach on the Space Coast of the Atlantic Ocean. There, accommodations will provide easy access to both planned and unplanned activities, as well as simple beach and pool relaxation. You will have the great opportunity to join Ed and Gayle as Royal Rosarians plant a rose at the Kennedy Space Center.

The next stop will be on Florida's Gulf Coast. Activities will abound, including the Festival of States. Its Sungoddess Coronation and Night Parade promise to be highlights of the entire trip. With close proximity to major cultural and scenic opportunities, you will be as busy as you care to be in the Tampa -St. Petersburg area. Again, plain old relaxation on Gulf beaches will entice those so-inclined.

For more information, contact trip Co-chairs Larry and Ann Roberts (503-722-1897) or Bob and Sandy Simmons (503-735-3443) or obtain registration form by emailing Bob Strader (bob@agc-oregon.org).



Next March that lounge chair on the beach at St. Petersburg can be yours. Just say the word now.

Announcements



For the Good of the Royal Rosarians

At the recent membership meeting on November 1 the Royal Rosarian Foundation presented a check to the Christmas for Kids organization for \$5000. Pictured here, are from left to right, Bob Simmons, Greg Burnett, Gordon Walker and John Whitney accepting the check for the

Christmas for Kids Foundation.

Christmas for Kids

Wednesday, December 5 will be the date for this year's shopping adventure with disadvantaged youth. 225 students will be selected from area schools to be transported to the NE Weidler Fred Meyer store where Rosarians (in whites) and other volunteers will help them shop for families' Christmas gifts. Contact Bob and Sandy Simmons to learn the details and get assigned a time slot so you can participate. It fills up fast.

Poinsettia Order Deadline is Monday!

The Royal Rosarian Foundation tenth annual Benefit Poinsettia Sale for the 2012 Holiday Season is here. The deadline for orders is Monday, November 26th. Proceeds from this sale will provide needed support for Foundation projects.

To obtain an order form, please go to the Rosarian webpage and select "Foundation". Then open "Holiday Poinsettia Orders" for details on size, color and pricing. 6.5-, 8.5- and 10-inch pots are available. Prices are \$15, \$30 and \$45 for beautiful plants that come in red, pink, white and "jingle bells" variegated colors. Deliveries are on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 27-29th. If you would like to pick up your plants, please stop by Pioneer Waterproofing Co Inc., at 1800 Southeast Water Avenue in Portland on Friday, November 30th between 9:00am and 1:00pm. This will be a big help to the delivery teams! If you have questions, please contact Aivars Saukants at 503-256-0749 or email: a.saukants@gmail.com.

Cheer and Outreach

Lady Pat Troyer, widow of Sir Knight Ray Troyer, passed away November 21 after a brief acute illness. Information on a service will follow as it becomes available to us. Lady Pat will be greatly missed by our Rosarian family. She will long be remembered for creating flower masterpieces for our events.

Sir Knight Doug Nielsen continues to recuperate at home after experiencing a few setbacks of additional surgery and a bout with pneumonia. He is getting stronger and would enjoy company but please call first.

Sir Knight Mark Reaksecker underwent additional surgery on November 19. Adam Baker reports that a phone call to Mark at 4:30 p.m. that day found Mark sounding good and playing chess. Lori indicated on Facebook that Mark is doing well. Pain is being controlled with Vicodin. The next doctor's appointment is Friday and they should have results by then to know if he needs more cancer removal surgery or skin graft placement. Lori says "Thanks for all the cards and prayers."

Photographs of Royal Events

The threat of rain did not deter the Royal Rosarians from turning out to honor our Veterans on November 12. As you can see, the Rosarian marchers added significantly to the Ross Hollywood Chapel Veterans Parade. Please note that rain gear was not needed.





Following the short march up NE Sandy Blvd., the Rosarians played an important role in the traditional ceremony at the Ross Hollywood Flag Pole honoring our Veterans. After the ceremony Rosarians gathered for social time and eats at the Hollywood store of Dame Linda Seals.

On November 14 a work party was held in the Washington Park Rose Garden. The weather allowed the crew great success and a good time, as well. Rosarians in this photo are Tom Sagerser, Harry Landers, Kimberly Evert Bown, Dana McClintock and Brent Barnett.



On October 17, a Post-Knighting get-together for new members was held at the home of Secretary of State Marilyn Schultz. Attended by many new members and a few old members, it was another opportunity to socialize and learn more about the confusing life of a Royal Rosarian. These educational efforts are already paying dividends as the Centennial Class of 2012 is successfully integrating into our organization.

On Saturday, November 17, these Rosarians visited the Laurelhurst Dance Club to help celebrate their 100th anniversary. The evening included a virtual rose planting and a briefing on the history of the rose by Prime Minister Gayle. The Royal Rosarian participation was greatly appreciated by the Laurelhurst group.



Royal Rosarian Calendar



Events For Your Calendar

Rosarian Membership Meetings-- Now is a great time to put on your calendar all six of this year's membership meetings, held on the following Thursdays: February 7, March 7, April 4 (Spouses Night) , May 2, May 23 (Spouses Night with Rose Festival Court), and June 13 (elections). Except for the April meeting, membership meetings are at the DoubleTree Lloyd

Center Hotel. The April meeting will be at the Holiday Inn Airport. Social hour at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Rosarian Council Meetings -- will be held at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center the following Mondays at 7:00 p.m.: December 17, January 21, February 18, March 25 (note this date, not third Monday), April 15 , May 20, and July 15.

Foundation Membership Meetings -- will be held at Finley's Sunset Hills Mortuary at 6:30 p.m. on January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 16, July 25, August 22, and September 24.

Christmas Brunch -- December 2, Benson Hotel (see article above).

Christmas for Kids - December 5, Hollywood Fred Meyer (see announcements)

NW Festival Hosting Conference - January 18-20, Marysville, Wa.

Newsmakers Award Banquet - January 23, Doubletree Lloyd Center

Hearts and Roses Auction -- February 9, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Prime Minister's Trip to Florida - March 10-22

Blessing of the Festival - April 20, Grace Memorial Episcopal Church.

Apple Blossom Festival - May 3-5, Wenatchee

Lilac Festival -- May 17-19, Spokane

Hyack Festival -- May 24-26, New Westminster, B.C.

Memorial Day March -- May 27, Waterfront Park

Starlight Parade -- June 1

Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade -- June 8

Marysville Strawberry Festival -- June 14-16

Battle Ground Harvest Days Parade - July 20

Capital Lakefair-- July 19-21, Olympia

Seattle Seafair -- July 26-28

Astoria Rose Planting -- August 9

Astoria Regatta Parade -- August 10

New Member Knighting -- August 24, Sheraton Airport Hotel

Autumn Leaf Festival -- September 27-29, Leavenworth

Issaquah Salmon Days Festival - October 5-6

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"The quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back in your pocket."

- Will Rogers

(The late Jim Nielson, Prime Minister in 1979, was famous for his "truisms" which he happily shared in each issue of the Royal Update from its launch in 2005 until his death in 2011; Jim was knighted under the rose Sutter's Gold, pictured. Truisms now are either from Jim's archives or are quotations Duke Peter thinks Jim would like. If you'd like to suggest a quotation please email it to Peter.)

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