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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 (pklazer@aol.com).

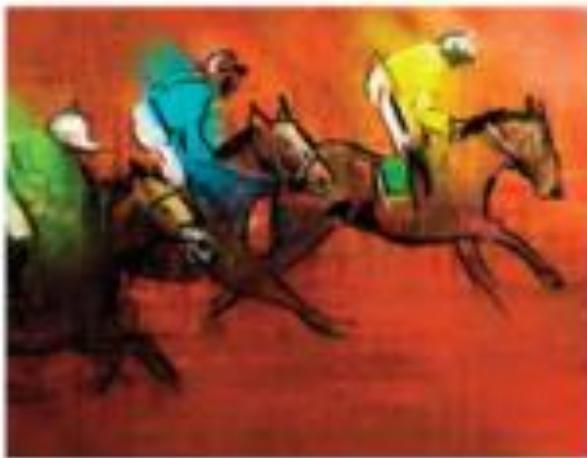
Season's Greetings to All in the Realm of Rosaria



Happy New Year to all Royal Rosarians, families and friends of Rosaria. We hope that 2014 brings you all the joy and love you so richly deserve. If you were disappointed that the season has not included significant snowfall, click on the link below to enjoy some holiday snow and modern technology.

[Click here for holiday fun!](#)

Run for the Roses



**2014 Winter Derby
Auction**

February 1, 2014

*Holiday Inn
Wilsonville*

THE FIRST MAJOR ROYAL ROSARIAN SOCIAL EVENT OF 2014

This year's Run for the Roses - Winter Derby theme is sure to be a winner, so you'll want to don your Derby attire and hats for an evening filled with fun. Proceeds from the auction benefit the charitable and community projects of the Royal Rosarians.



Tickets for the auction and dinner remain at \$75 per person. Please consider purchasing a Sponsor Table of 8 for \$750 that includes some special "perks". John Danielson at 503-381-2480 can give you all the details.

Check the auction webpage to see some of the items that will be available at the auction. There you can also submit donation information or register for the event. Click on the link provided below for quick access to that webpage.

[Click here to see more Auction information](#)



The Holiday inn is providing a special group rate of \$95 per room (double occupancy) if you'd like to spend the night there after the auction. Please contact the hotel and refer to the Royal Rosarian Foundation Auction to reserve your room. Be sure to register early, as rooms are available on a first-come, first served basis only.

Here are just a few of the great items awaiting your bid and that of the friends you will want to invite:

Fabulous African Safari

Imagine endless savannas, towering boulders sprawling with tawny lions in a place completely unaware of civilization where wildlife still reigns supreme.





The Islands Are Calling

4-night, 5-day romantic getaway includes airline fare on Hawaiian Airlines.

Oregon Football Season

2 Two Club Level seats for the entire 2014 Football Season on the 40-yard line.



Skamania Lodge Retreat

What could be more breathtaking than to look out the window of your fireplace suite to a view of the Columbia River George?

Plus!

More weekend getaways, gift baskets, huge selection of wines, and literally hundreds more exciting packages on which to bid!

If you have items for a basket, or want to put together a basket, please contact Lisa Sleasman at 503-866-2723. If you have a vacation home, airline tickets, wine event tickets, or any interesting item to donate, please contact Mike Ware at 503-939-2584 or Kimberly Bown at 503-807-0754.

We also welcome volunteers who can work the day of the event to help with set-up and decorations and in the evening to be a recorder or runner during the Live Auction. In addition, we need help to manage the items and closings in the Silent auction area and help in the Item Pick-up area at the end of the evening. Please contact Barb Brennan at 503-351-7708 if you'd like to help.

If you need additional invitations to send to friends or family, please inform Jacquie Janulis 503-332-0783.

2014 Traveling Float Decoration to Begin

by Carla Stenberg

**Starts
Saturday,
January 4**

Queen Hannah Rice stands atop the 2013 version of the Royal Rosarian Traveling Float.

Calling all handy persons capable of stapling, hammering, sawing, and painting...it is time to begin the construction and decoration of our

2014 Traveling Float. The Portland Rose Festival theme is "Making Memories" and we will do just that through laughter and teamwork as we build a new creation to dazzle and delight parade crowds throughout the Pacific Northwest. This will be our sixth year with this float program. The 2013 float year was very successful as we encouraged people to come to Portland to have fun and we won 10 awards out of 16 parades; our best year yet for awards...hurrah for the black and gold!

We have had a small crew working in November and December on the mechanics and service work of the float. The float is now running again and stands tall with new springs underneath. Festooning, silk flowers and other materials have been ordered and await many hands for application. We will begin on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 9:00 am and work until 2:30 pm and meet every Saturday thereafter until completed. The float must be finished by the last weekend in March. We will have coffee and donuts for volunteers; please bring your own lunch. The location is 5500 NE Moore Court, Hillsboro. This is behind Intel off Cornell Road and across the street from Lattice Semiconductor. Look for the "orange cones" on Elam Parkway at Moore Court. For directions that day call Gary Stenberg at 503-522-2989.

If you would like to be a part of the Traveling Float Team in the following capacities - construction, decoration, set-up, tear-down, potential driver, float marshal, parade application coordinator, or designers (for next year) -- please contact Traveling Float Chair Carla Stenberg at 503-348-6688 or email at cgstenberg@comcast.net



Announcements

For the Good of the Royal Rosarians

INVITATION

For those going on the Prime Minister's Russian trip and those interested in joining the travelers.

Wednesday January 15, 2014

"Peter The Great Tyrant and Reformer"

Featuring a 50 minute video
Guest speaker **Yelena Girich**

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Caldwell's Funeral Home

20th and NE 14th Avenue, Portland



RSVP to Bobbie Smith by January 12 at 503-810-7053 or email at bobbie97140@gmail.com. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be served. Bring a friend. There are 8 cabins left for this trip.

January Membership Meeting

The first Rosarian Membership Meeting of the new calendar year will be held on January 30, 2014 at the Stafford Woods Conference Center at 25030 SW Parkway Avenue in Wilsonville. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. You will have the opportunity to make the required reservations in the future. You can contact Mark Sleasman if you have questions.

Newsmakers of the Year Award Dinner

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 12. The 16th annual Newsmaker event will take place at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel. So many members consider this to be the Rosarian production of the year. Make this your year to attend.

Royal Rosarian Friends Pass Away

While many of her exquisite ornaments hang on our Christmas trees, both the artist, Betty Gimarelli, 81, and her beloved husband, Jim, 86, passed away on December 20th. Jim Gimarelli, after suffering health problems much of the year, found out in early December he had a terminal brain tumor. Betty discovered she had late stage lung cancer five days later. Both were being treated at Providence Hospital when Jim died early Friday. Betty heard about his death and whispered, "Oh, my Poshie". She died that afternoon. A remembrance service is scheduled for 10:30 am on January 11 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church, 3400 SE 43rd Ave., with a reception afterward at the Benson's Crystal Room.

Calendar

Rosarian Council Meetings -- will be held at Stafford Retirement Community, 1200 Overlook Dr., Lake Oswego at 7:00 p.m. on the following Mondays: January 20, February 17, March 24, April 14, May 19, July 14, August 18 and September 29.

Foundation Board Meetings -- will be held at Finley's Sunset Hills Mortuary at 6:30 p.m. on January 9, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 15, July 24, August 28 and September 23.

Membership Meeting -- January 30, Stafford Woods Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.

Royal Rosarian Annual Auction "Run for the Roses" -- February 1, Wilsonville Holiday Inn.

Membership Meeting (Dukes/Duchesses Night) -- March 6, Stafford Woods Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.

Newsmakers of the Year Awards Dinner -- March 12, DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel.

Membership Meeting (spouses invited) -- April 3, Stafford Woods Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.

VIP Rose Plantings -- April 5, Queen Anne Victorian Mansion

Daffodil Festival -- April 11-13, Tacoma, WA

Rose Planting -- April 15, Pittock Mansion, 9:00 a.m.

Blessing of the Festival -- April 19, Reedwood Friends Church, Portland.

Membership Meeting -- May 1, Stafford Woods conference center, 5:30 p.m.

Apple Blossom Festival -- May 2-4, Wenatchee, WA.

St. Johns Parade -- May 10, 12:00 p.m.



Lilac festival -- May 16-18, Spokane, WA.

Membership Meeting (Court & Spouses) -- May 22, Holiday Inn, 5:30 p.m.

Hyack Festival -- May 23-25, New Westminster, BC.

Powell Valley Rose Planting Ceremony -- May 31, Powell Valley Senior Center, 10:00 a.m.

PGE/SOLVE Starlight Parade -- May 31, North Park Blocks

Hosting by Starlight -- May 31, Hotel deLuxe.

Detailed information for each event can be found online in the calendar section of the Royal Rosarian website. Click the link below.

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Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears."

-- Nelson Mandela

(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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