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Greetings, Rosarians and Friends,

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Newsmakers 2012

Submitted by Sir Knight Aivars Saukants

One of the jewels in the crown of Royal Rosarian Foundation events is the annual Newsmakers' Awards Banquet. This year's program has a few surprises in store to hopefully make this evening even more meaningful.

Plan now to bring family, friends and prospective members to the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel on Wednesday, March 14th at 6:00 PM to help honor the very special recipients of this year's awards.



Order your tickets NOW by calling Lady Pam Baker at 503-645-4791. Cost is still \$48.00 per person. The Newsmakers' committee has been working hard to prepare a special and outstanding program.

Rosarians are encouraged to wear whites with Centennial Sashes (women in day skirts), but you may choose to wear business clothing. Business attire is appropriate for guests.



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For the Good of the Rosarians!



**PM Trip
to San
Antonio,
Texas**

Rob and Roxanne will take a trip to celebrate the Fiesta San Antonio Festival, April 22nd-29th, 2012. For more information, contact Duke Bob Strader at 503-621-3778 or by email at bob@agc-oregon.org.

Sash Protocol Reminder

For the Centennial Year, Prime Minister Rob Hungerford would like members to wear sashes whenever in whites. If you wear a tuxedo or formal gown to a ball he would like sashes to be worn as well. Sashes are not worn with greens or with casual wear. Please see Gayle Whitehurst to pick up your sash at events or parades. You are responsible for your sash; one sash is provided for each member.

Check Your Uniforms!

As we move closer to the Festival and Parade season, please ensure that your whites and parade uniforms are clean and ready.

2012 Northwest Festival Hosting Group

Submitted by Sir Knight Bob Wolcott

The Royal Rosarians were the host organization for the annual meeting of the North West Festival Hosting Group. The conference took place at the Embassy Suites in Portland on January 13th through January 15th.

Each year, the organization has an annual meeting to review the previous festival year and get a preview of the upcoming year. The organization is made up of eleven festivals located around the Pacific Northwest. In addition to discussing the various festivals, attending festival heads have the opportunity to meet and mingle with the leaders of the other festivals.

Councilman Rick Saturn and Chairwoman Natasha Holstein scheduled a full slate of activities for the attendees. On Friday night, the attendees were escorted by several Royal Rosarians to a variety of local restaurants for dinner, giving the attendees a chance to experience Portland.

On Saturday, Prime Minister Rob Hungerford led the group through a day filled with numerous workshops and discussions. The workshops included presentations from Rose Festival Foundation President Sue Bunday and Rose Festival Foundation Chief Executive Officer Jeff Curtis on "How a Festival Can Survive and Thrive in Changing Economic Times". Also making presentations that day were Dame Carla Stenberg on the "Ins and Outs of Festival Communications" and Sir Knight Richard Horswell on "Festival Marketing and Publicity".

The 2013 conference will be held in Marysville, WA and the 2014 conference will be held in New Westminster, BC.

Blessing of the Festival - Save the Date

Submitted by Sir Knight Robert Cyrus

The 2012 Memorial Service and Blessing of the Festival is scheduled for Saturday, April 21, 2012 at 12:30 PM. Please plan on arriving at 11:45 AM. The ceremony will be held at the Grotto Church, 8840 NE Skidmore St., Portland, OR.

Scheduling with Royal Rosarian activities mandated the change to Saturday for this year. The time of the event had to be moved from the normal 2:00 PM, as the Grotto has a wedding later in the day.

The Rose Planting is to be in the Rosarian Garden which is accessible via the elevator. If you have questions please do not hesitate to contact event chairs David and Patty Hoff at pmhoff@comcast.net or by phone at 503-643-4439.



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Help the Rosarians at the Portland Yard, Garden and Patio Show



As spring approaches, we all want to get our gardens ready for growing beautiful plants, especially our beloved rose. What better way to get all the information you need for the coming year than at the Portland Yard, Garden and Patio show?

The Royal Rosarians will be helping to staff the Dennis' 7 Dees booth at the show which runs from February 17th to February 19th, and you can help us promote the "Roses in the City" program. You can volunteer to help staff the booth in order to help distribute coupons, distribute Royal Rosarian brochures, distribute Rose Garden Contest information and entry forms and distribute Royal Rosarian Foundation descriptive literature.

For more information on how you can help at the event, please contact event chair Sir Knight Larry Roberts at Larry@RocketVentures.com or by phone at 503-722-1897.

It's Time for a Makeover!

Submitted by Dame Carla Stenberg, Traveling Float Chair

The Traveling Float construction team, led by Squire Gary Stenberg, has been hard at work during the past few months. They have stripped the float down to its core, serviced the mechanical parts, and rebuilt the frame for this year's new and exciting design.

This year's theme is "Celebrating 100 Years of Rosarian Spirit". It will feature a beautiful design in silver and red festooning with a very large "Rosarian" hat on the back that will rise and tip to greet our parade watchers. Along the sides of the float will be a film strip with a photo from each decade of our 100 years.

Much like last year, the extended sides (called outriggers) will hold boxes of red or white roses with a "Rosarian" hat tipping up and down in our greeting style to unveil our beautiful symbol of the City of Roses. Each box will showcase three past Prime Ministers names and year of service with all 97 Prime Ministers names represented on the float. The front of the float will display a beautiful large open red rose and theme ribbon, while high over the back of the float our Centennial logo will proudly be displayed.



Now if this design is getting you excited then come on out to help decorate. If you can use a staple gun, a hot glue gun and like to have fun, then the float team can use you! We work on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the shop of Marlene & Mel Ness in West Linn. If you would like to be included in email notifications or phone calls, please contact Traveling Float Team Leader Gary Stenberg at britishspares@comcast.net or by phone at 503-794-6846 (home) or 503-522-2989 (cell).

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Recent Happenings in Rosaria



Lord High Chancellor Gayle Whitehurst presents Duke Tony Passion with his Centennial Club pin at the February Membership meeting.



Sir Knight Bruce Aschim is recognized as a Life Member for his 25 years of service.



Royal Rosarians welcome Prime Minister Rob and First Lady Roxanne as they return from Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Rob and Roxanne were in Kaohsiung as part of a sister city delegation that included the Queen of Rosaria, Lamarra Haynes.

Centennial Merchandise

Centennial merchandise is still available for purchase, but it will only be available to purchase from now until the end of the Centennial year, so get yours now! The Rosarian logo is specially designed for the Centennial celebration and will be a terrific symbol of the great experiences that we are all sharing this year.

Some of the merchandise that is available to order include a garment bag for \$40 (and an additional \$5 for a second name embroidered on it), a tote bag for \$15 and Christmas ornaments for \$30. The Centennial license plate frames sold out, but we are taking more orders for them at \$20 each. Of course, there are still polo shirts and jackets with the Centennial logo embroidered on them that are available for purchase. After this year is over they will not be offered again, so get your orders in now!



Calendar of Events

- *Membership Meetings*
5:30 PM Social Hour,
6:30 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM
Meeting, March 1st (Duke
and Duchess Night) at the
Doubletree Lloyd Center
- *Council Meetings*
Double Tree Lloyd Center
Hotel, 7:00 PM on February
20th, March 19th
- *Royal Rosarian
Foundation Meetings*
Finley-Sunset Hills
Mortuary, 6:30 PM on
February 22nd, March 29th
- *Rose Planting*
Pittock Mansion, 9:30 AM
on March 1st
- *Newsmakers*
Doubletree Lloyd Center,
7:00 PM on March 14th

- *Fashion Show*
Embassy Suites Hotel,
10:00 AM on March 18th

For more event information,
visit www.royalrosarians.org

NW Festival & Local Parade Dates:

Daffodil Festival

April 13th-15th, 2012
Tacoma, WA

Apple Blossom Festival

May 4th-6th, 2012
Wenatchee, WA

Lilac Festival

May 18th-20th, 2012
Spokane, WA

Hyack Festival

May 25th-27th, 2012
New Westminster, BC

Rose Festival

Starlight Parade June 2nd,
Rose Festival Weekend
June 8th-10th, 2012
Portland, OR

Strawberry Festival

June 15th-17th, 2012
Marysville, WA

Capital Lakefair

July 18th-22nd, 2012
Olympia, WA

Seattle Seafair

July 27th-29th, 2012
Seattle, WA

Astoria Regatta

August 9th-13th, 2012
Astoria, OR

Autumn Leaf Festival

September 28th-30th, 2012
Leavenworth, WA

Salmon Days

October 5th-7th, 2012
Issaquah, WA

Daffodil Festival



Have you made your reservations for the Daffodil Festival yet? The first festival of the season is quickly approaching! Daffodil Festival President Susan McGuire and the Daffodilians will host their 79th Annual Daffodil Festival on April 13th-15th. The theme this year is "Don't Stop Believing".

This weekend of fun starts on Friday April 13th with the Grand Banquet and a silent auction. Saturday April 14th is your chance to represent Portland in up to four parades that start in Tacoma, then move through Puyallup, Sumner and Orting. After the parades, there is a dinner at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel. Sunday morning will be the farewell breakfast as we bid farewell to our festival friends. And don't forget all of the fantastic hospitality that Tacoma offers!

For more information, check their website at www.daffodilfestival.net. Don't miss out on this fantastic weekend to start the 2012 Festival Season!

Reminders

Calling All Drummers

Are you interested in playing drums during parades? We are looking for members that would like to join the ranks of the rhythm section for our marching season. No prior musical experience is required, if you are interested we can teach you! For more information contact Adam Baker at ab33842@gmail.com or 503-477-0685.

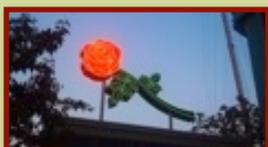
Hospitality Weekend Friday Fun Night

Would you like to help on the planning and set-up team of this spectacular event? We will be "Ridin' In The Wind" down Route 66 to Rob's Roadhouse with our motorcycle theme complete with real live Harley Davidson cycles, patriotic do-rags, temporary tattoos and an All-American dinner. BUT to make it come alive, we need some great help. Please see Chairs Carla and Gary Stenberg at the Membership Meeting on Thursday, March 1st or call them at 503-794-6846 to express your interest in joining this "fun" team.

Duke Jim Nielson's Truisms

"You only live once, but if you work it right, once is enough."

Jim Nielson, Prime Minister in 1979, was famous for his "truisms" which he was happy to share in each issue of the Royal Update. Jim was knighted under the rose "Sutter's Gold", pictured here.



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Ambassadors of Goodwill - By proclamation of the Mayor, The Royal Rosarians are the Official Greeters and Ambassadors of Goodwill for the City of Portland promoting the best interests of the City of Portland and the Portland Rose Festival.

Community Service - The Royal Rosarians are a volunteer organization that is dedicated to provide community service to the Portland community and to complete charitable projects through the Royal Rosarian Foundation.

Tradition – The Royal Rosarians are a historically significant organization with a rich heritage of ceremonial pageantry that enhances the image of the City of Roses and the Portland Rose Festival. We honor our legacy of Tradition.