



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).

Royal Rosarians to Participate in West Linn Parade

by Sir Knight
Robert Cyrus

Join Queen Emma This Saturday, December 6

Queen Emma has asked if we would march with her in the 2014 West Linn Holiday Parade on Saturday December 6th. Prime Minister Marilyn was happy to grant her request.



It is an early and short parade. It starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 6th and is only about 20 minutes long. There will be no drums, no banners or flags. We will be in our white uniforms with gloves and hats (and perhaps rain gear).

We will meet at 9:15 a.m. at the Willamette Coffee House at 2120 8th Court in West Linn.

This is short notice but we hope that you can fit this into your busy December calendar.

image: here is a typical street view in the historic Willamette District of West Linn where Rosarians will march in a short parade with Queen Emma.

2014 Christmas Brunch This Sunday.

May Still Be Time to Sign-up, Call Now!



Those attending this Sunday's Christmas Brunch are asked to bring unwrapped toys for the Portland Fire Bureau's Toy and Joy drive and canned goods for the Portland Police Department's Sunshine Division barrels. The Royal Rosarians have always generously donated to both causes.

By the way, if you have not yet signed up for this festive event, you might just be able to beat the deadline but you must contact Pat Salimena immediately, if not sooner. She can be reached at 503-246-7971 or email at patricia.salimena@gmail.com.

The party will start at 10:00 a.m. in the Mayfair Room of the Benson Hotel. See you there!

Purely Social

**Wednesday,
December 10**

Mark your calendar for December 10 at 6 p.m. Ed and Gayle Whitehurst have graciously volunteered to host a Purely Social Potluck.

To add some levity to the occasion, we ask that you dig out that ugly Christmas sweater and wear it proudly to this event. Who knows, there may even be a prize for the one deemed the ugliest (the sweater).



If you have not attended a Purely Social Potluck and have any questions, please call Purely Social chair Pat Hufford . It is a great opportunity to meet fellow Rosarians, relax, and enjoy the Whitehurst hospitality.

You can contact Pat at phufford@aol.com or by phone at 971-285-0059. All participants must call Pat to let her know you will attend and what dish you would like to bring. See you there!

image: here, the beautiful home of Duke Gayle and Squire Ed is appropriately covered with Christmas snow. Sign-up now to enjoy the warm interior of this holiday home, the renowned hospitality of the Whitehursts and of course, the camaraderie of the Royal Rosarians.

2015 Royal Rosarian Foundation Auction



Mark Your Calendars Now!

When: February 7, 2015

Theme: Coloring Children's Futures

Where: DoubleTree by Hilton at Lloyd Center

For More

Information: contact Roz Vancil at rozvancil@gmail.com or

Kathie Bagley at kathie@kathiebagley.com

image: the 2012 Silent Auction setup is shown in this photo. It is easy to appreciate the hard work and dedication required to produce this event. Show your support and plan now to attend.

Pruning in the Park!

by Royal
Gardener
Doxie
McCaw-Cook

Rosarians Join the Wind Pruning Team

On November 20th, 25-30 Master Gardeners, Royal Rosarians and other volunteers gathered at Washington Park's International Rose Test Garden to participate in the annual "Wind Pruning" of the roses. Under the direction of Curator and Sir Knight Harry Landers and his crew, everyone was given pruners and instructions to cut the roses back to "wrist height". This helps the rose canes not to be buffeted and broken by our winter winds. The morning was cold and we had 5 acres ahead of us but as we all worked vigorously, we warmed up and the sun came across the mountain shining down on our wondrous garden. We were all through by lunch time, just as Harry set out the lasagna!



I would like to encourage you to join us on February 2nd, for the Spring Pruning. Harry will be teaching us how to expertly prune the roses just in time to get your gardens ready for our own Royal Rosarian Rose Garden Contest. Remember, there is a special entry for Rosarians!!



image above: Rosarians posing with Royal Rosarian statue are from left: Dame Kimberly Bown and Squire Stephen, Sir Knight John Linngren (with a pair of pruners hanging perilously over his head) and Royal Gardener Doxie McCaw-Cook.

image left: it took a substantial team effort to tackle this project, as depicted by this group photo of Rosarians and many others.

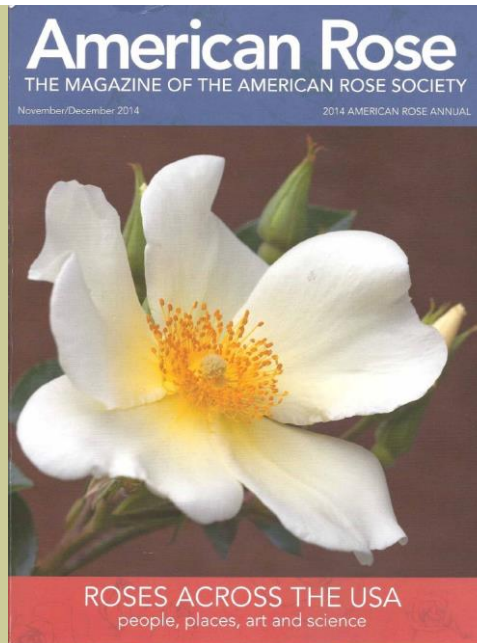
Portland's International Rose Test Garden Featured!

by Dame Kimberly Bown

Sir Knight Harry Landers Honored!

Enjoy reading an article from the American Rose Magazine's Nov/Dec 2014 issue about the history of the Washington Park International Rose Test Garden. The article was submitted by Gretchen Humphrey, past president of the Portland Rose Society, and covers the garden's rich history and the leadership that Curator Harry Landers has contributed to the garden's success.

[click here to read the article](#)



Photograph for the Ages!



This photo was taken at the recent Dukes and Duchesses Dinner (formerly Dukes Stag Night). Past and future leaders (current Council) are shown.

Announcements

For the Good of the Royal Rosarians

Cheer and Outreach

Memorial services for Dame Jan Hirsch, who passed away on October 16th, will be held on December 13th. The family has requested a Rosarian Rose Ceremony. It is not a church service but a gathering honoring her life. Rosarians are asked to gather at 11:45 a.m. at the Oswego Lake Country Club on Saturday December 13. Wear white uniforms with capes and gloves and no hats. The address is 20 Iron Mountain Blvd. in Lake Oswego.



Lady Darlene Landers is recovering from her recent knee surgery in Calif. She is scheduled to fly home on December 6th as soon as she is able to bend her knee properly.

2014 Poinsettia Pick Up Information

For those expecting a plant delivery (\$75 plant order) your plants will be delivered on Thursday or Friday. For those picking up plants at will-call, please pick up your plants at:

Precision Images c/o Phil Guzie
900 SE Sandy Blvd. Portland, OR 97214.
Office 503-274-2030

All plants will need to be picked up by the end of business on Friday, Dec 5th. Note: The staging location at Precision Images is not equipped to store or house your plants over the weekend. Please call John Santos @ 503-475-1620 with any questions.

Sister Cities of Portland Meeting

When: Tuesday, December 9, 2014

Where: City of Portland City Hall (Rose Conference Room)

1221 SW Fourth Avenue, Third Floor

Time: 5:30-7:30 pm

Contact: Lynne McIntyre

Future Prime Minister Rick Saturn's PM Trip to Argentina

Rick Saturn's Prime Minister trip will take place in January of 2016 to Argentina . Rick is answering your questions and taking email expressions of interest. Space on this trip is limited so if you are interested, let Rick know as soon as possible at rasaturn@msn.com.

image: an entrance view of the beautiful Oswego Lake Country Club where Rosarians will honor the memory of Dame Jan Hirsch.

Calendar



Rosarian Council Meetings -- Council meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center on December 15, January 19, February 16, March 16, April 13, May 11, July 20, August 17 and September 21.

Royal Rosarian Foundation Meetings -- Board meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Finley's on January 28, February 25, March 17, April 29, May 27, July 29, August 26 and September 29.

Christmas for Kids - December 3, Hollywood Fred Meyer Store

Christmas Brunch - December 7, Benson Hotel, 10:00 a.m.

Membership Meeting - January 29, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Hearts & Roses Auction - February 7, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Membership Meeting - March 5, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Newsmakers - March 11, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

VIP Rose Plantings - March 21, 3 locations

Membership Meeting - April 2, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Daffodil Festival - April 10-11, Tacoma, WA.

PM Trip - April 14-25, England, Scotland, Wales

82nd Avenue of Roses Parade - April 25, SE Portland

Membership Meeting - April 30, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Wenatchee Apple Blossom Festival - May 1-3, Wenatchee, WA

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

[click here to see the Royal Rosarian website.](#)

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."

-- Abraham Lincoln

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