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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 (pkglazer@aol.com).

Newsmakers Banquet This Month -- January 23

We Need Rosarians to Fill the Seats - Call Today



Our January 23rd Newsmakers Awards Banquet is coming together beautifully, and is literally right around the corner. The word is that our media stars like the January banquet date, noting that it is close in time to the events of 2012. We have commitments for participation from all four Portland TV stations and three local newspaper organizations. Our line-up will be a "who's who" of local news celebrities in a special evening of recognition for unknown heroes and heroines in our community.

If you attended last year, you might have noticed the award-like feeling similar to nationally broadcast award programs. The addition of a musical director and a jazz quartet contributes by establishing a mood for the evening, as guests, news media and honorees mingle during the social hour. In addition, the carefully directed music plays a key roll in keeping the ceremony moving smoothly and efficiently. Other subtle changes will be introduced this year to enhance the flow as our featured emcee, K103's Bruce Murdock, again provides a very professional presentation.

The spotlight will be back and the night will sparkle with the evening dress of the guests in attendance. Although Media Sponsor Tables have sold out, there are still Corporate Sponsor Tables available (\$475 for table of eight) and ticket prices have held the line again this year at only \$48.00 per person.

All that is missing at this point is your commitment to attend. We need more Rosarians to fill the seats and we are counting on your support. Please don't delay. Call Joan Blizzard today to reserve your seats or corporate table. She can be reached at 503-638-4540.

image: in 2009 KOIN Television's Anchor, Kelley Day, presented the story how eleven year-old Madison McRae's quick thinking, athletic prowess and determination brought help just in time to save family members trapped in the raging waters of Fawcett Creek.

Hearts and Roses Auction 2013



Item Procurement Is Job 1 for Auction Committee

Everything is coming together for this year's Hearts and Roses Auction Committee but as always the pieces don't fall into place randomly. It takes a lot of organization, a lot of negotiation, a lot of calling in favors and just plain a lot work. Co-chairs Penny Terry and Larry Rodman are burning the midnight oil and they ask for your help as the auction date of February 9th approaches.

So many unique and exciting items have already been donated to this annual event but a great auction can always use more. Please consider donating a couple of nights' use of your vacation home. Ask your favorite restaurant to donate a dinner or two. A gift certificate from any retail or service establishment will fit beautifully into the silent

auction. An item of significant value would be a very welcome addition to the oral auction. We need you to dream up the idea and then ask appropriately for the donation.

Every Rosarian can play a part in the success of this year's event with its theme, "Ports of Call." Your volunteering to work on item pick-up in the preceding days, room set-up on event day or working during the event would be a huge contribution.

Of course, your attendance at the event is an absolutely necessary ingredient for success. Asking a friend to join you, whether a fellow Rosarian or just a friend, relative or neighbor will add significantly to the overall effort. You can be proud to introduce your acquaintances to such a worthwhile and professionally produced event.

Regardless of how you choose to support this significant Royal Rosarian Foundation event, please make the commitment to do so today. Call Penny or Larry and let them know what you are willing to do. You will be amazed at how easy it is and how good it feels to be an important part of the success.

image: this is a unique item, indeed. A "Counted Cross Stitch, stitched on linen" by our very own Prime Minister. Santa lovingly cradles a bear, bunny, wolf and dove while the little owl sits on his shoulder. He is embellished with gold thread trim and is framed in a gold frame. The frame measures 21 inches by 25 inches.

Prime Minister's Trip 2013

It's 80 Degrees in St. Petersburg, Today

If you are wondering what that is in the photo to the right then you would be a very typical Pacific Northwest resident at this time of year. If you wake up in the morning to the sound of wind shaking your window panes and a constant dripping sound outside those windows then again, you are a typical Pacific Northwest resident. When the high of 45 degrees predicted for the day and in fact, predicted for the next four months has you down, then it's time for a change. Its time to get that sun back into your life and look forward to a warm winter breeze, a sandy beach and sipping a pina-colada with great friends.

Sound good? Florida is the place for you. Can't afford to spend two weeks in Florida but with just one week you could revive that positive spirit? Prime Minister Gayle and Squire Ed have just the opportunity for you.

You may already know that the upcoming Prime Minister's trip is planned for March 10 to March 22 with stops at NASA, Cocoa Beach, and on the Gulf Coast taking in the Festival of the States in the Tampa-St Petersburg area. There are numerous activities planned with plenty of time for good old relaxation, as well. However, you may not know that Prime Minister Gayle has an option available for only one week of travel with a focus on the Tampa-St Petersburg portion of the trip. Call Gayle for the details of this opportunity to still get that "sun fix" but in a way that might fit your time and budget restraints. They would be delighted if you might join them.

For more general 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).



Purely Social

Rosarians, Spouses and Friends Enjoy the Evening



It was Friday, January 4 and 84 Rosarians, spouses and friends attended the Purely Social at the home of Prime Minister Gayle Whitehurst and Squire Ed. As evidenced by the photo above, there was more than enough food and as usual, plenty of variety.

The photo below indicates just some of the variety of Rosarians who attended. Although this is just one room of many in this beautiful home, there were Purely Social People everywhere. The food was incredible, the camaraderie was at its best and everyone commented on what great fun the evening was.



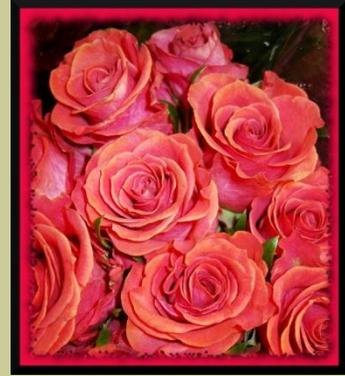
Watch for the next Purely Social or better yet, volunteer to host one at your home or business. Pat Hufford chairs these events and should be congratulated on another job well done. Please contact Pat if you have an inclination to host.

Announcements

For the Good of the Royal Rosarians

Cheer and Outreach

Squire Jim Bagley, spouse of Councillor Kathie Bagley, passed away peacefully last Sunday evening, January 6, at home. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Kathie. Services for Jim will be held on Friday, January 11 at 1:00 p.m. They will be at the Oregon City United Methodist Church at 18955 South End Road in Oregon City. Business attire is appropriate and refreshments will be served after the service. There will also be a brief ceremony in Jim's honor Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. at the Willamette National Cemetery.



Brian Walker, son of Sir Knight Gordon Walker and Lady Susan, passed away on Sunday, December 30th, following a courageous 3 year battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Shelly, and 3 year old daughter, Carly Sue, in Hayden, Idaho. Brian is preceded in death by their 4 month old son, Vance, in 2008. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Walker family.

Planting Roses in Peninsula Park

It is the Centennial year for Portland's Peninsula Park and the community plans to replace some 3,000 or more roses at the park. The "Rose Planting Project" will take place between February 19 and February 22, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily. Rosarians are asked to lend a hand in this worthwhile effort. Indicate your availability to help within those dates by emailing penrosegarden@gmail.com. Peninsula Park is located at North Ainsworth St. and North Albina Ave.

VIP Rose Planting

Mark your calendars for the annual VIP Rose Planting to be held on Saturday, April 6. This event typically provides a Rose Planting at the homes of the RFA President, the Rose Society President and the Prime Minister. Details will follow.

Mayor Charlie Hales Sworn-In



Rosarians Participate in Ceremony

The Rosarians were part of the Swearing-In ceremony for new Mayor Charlie Hales. Thanks to Bob Strader getting us an invitation about 23 Rosarians showed to help celebrate this historical event for the Mayor and the city.

Prime Minister Gayle was honored to escort Mayor Hales into chamber where he received the oath of office. Mark Smith was honored to escort Mrs. Hales.

Rosarians formed an honor guard as the group passed through on their way to chamber. This event led to an invitation from Amanda Fritz, City Commissioner to attend her Swearing-In ceremony and perform Honor Guard duties (see photo below).

image: this photo depicts the Rosarian Honor Guard at rest while awaiting the Mayor's arrival.

Rosarian Profile

This issue we honor a Rosarian familiar to almost every member. He was knighted in 2000 under the rose "Fire and Ice" and his sponsor was Sir Knight Terry Robertson. In his twelve years of service to the organization he has performed numerous duties and with his lovely wife often leading the way, they have worked on just about every committee. Together, they chaired Hospitality in 2004 and most recently you will have seen them leading the often envied but now defunct Wine Committee. If you visited the Hospitality Room during Rose Festival Week you will have found him, in recent years, with a bottle in his hand as he pours a glass of his favorite wine for each guest.

Now retired since 2005, his career had followed several different paths, including education, education administration and owner of a large and successful plumbing supply business. Her career also included education and education administration. Perhaps, that commonality has led to their obvious compatibility.

He was born in Seattle and she was born in Collingwoods, New Jersey. They met in Vancouver, Washington in 1991. Their marriage in 1995 combined two families; his with three children and hers with three children. Of course, the children are now grown and have blessed them with a total of 13 grandchildren. If you know them you can readily believe their life revolves around those beautiful grandchildren. The couple now makes their home in Washougal, Washington.

They enjoy traveling, good wine and great company. Two months out of the year you will find them taking in the good life in Kona, Hawaii where they own a time share condominium. Take every opportunity you can to get to know Gordon and Pat Torstenbo. They are truly one of the finest couples you will meet and they bring such value to the Royal Rosarians. Congratulations, Gordon and Pat.



Prime Minister's Trip 2014



Informational Meeting - February 20

Russia just got more affordable! Due to a flood of interest, there are already 60 travelers who have secured their cabins for a luxury river cruise from Moscow to St. Petersburg scheduled from August 24 to September 5, 2014. We received exclusive confirmation of rates that are less than the current promotional rates for 2013 aboard the refurbished "Helgi". Prices, ranging from \$4870 to \$5920 (depending on cabin selection) per person are from \$726 to \$1176 less than the current promotional rates. These Viking prices do include port charges.

Since the Rosarians are awarded "partial charter" status we have the following additional perks as part of our low cabin rates: prepaid tipping of ship's staff, round trip transfer and group travel insurance covering the cost of the cruise. In addition, we have the option of a five payment plan over a two year period. The value of these benefits is approximately \$740 per person.

For the best cabin selection (CX cabins are already sold out), you might not want to wait until the Viking **informational meeting** to be held:

Wednesday, February 20, 2013
Stafford Woods
25050 SW Parkway Ave
Wilsonville, OR 97070

To secure your cabin or RSVP for informational meeting, contact Nancy Fowler or Wailana at Willamette International Travel, 503-224-0180 or email nancy@wittravel.com. Click on link below to see the video of the trip.

Who's In Charge

A Dynamic Listing of Council Assignments & Committee Chairs



image: three Royal Rosarian leaders participating in the "Swearing In" ceremony for Portland City Council Person, Amanda Fritz. From left is Bob Strader, Executive Secretary, Mark Smith, Lord High Chancellor and Prime Minister Gayle Whitehurst.

Under the leadership of **Prime Minister Gayle Whitehurst** here are some (but not every one) of the responsibilities of Council members and committee chairs:

Rob Hungerford as **Royal Regent** serves on the Budget Committee, is in charge of nominations and elections, is responsible for both the Prime Minister's and the Queen's plaque laying ceremonies, and the Web Project.

Mark Smith as **Lord High Chancellor** is the Rose Festival Foundation Liaison including RFF Court Liaison, Queen's Coronation and Pendleton Court Reception (Doug Jost chairing). In addition he oversees Council knighting practices, is in charge of Strategic Planning and serves on the Budget Committee and Foundation Board.

Marilyn Schultz as **Secretary of State** is responsible for Council notifications and activity reports, Council and membership meeting minutes, Kiwanis Breakfast, Portland Rose Society Liaison, serves on the Budget Committee and Foundation Board, and most importantly keeps track of the Queen's pillow.

James Brennan as **Lord Chief Justice** is responsible for Membership including New Member Recruitment (Rodney Mazour and John Creegan chairing), New Member Orientation (Jan Tolman chairing), New Member Knighting (Dave and Connie Shipley chairing) and New Member Mentoring (Adam Baker chairing).

Jim Stahl as **Lord High Sheriff** heads up Communications including the website, Royal

Communicators, Roster/Data Base, Speakers' Bureau, Royal Update, Public Relations (Greg Burnett chairing) and Social Media.

Rick Saturn as **Chancellor of the Exchequer** is responsible for Royal Rosarian Finances to include chairing the Finance Committee, the Budget Committee (2012-2013 Budget) and issuing dues notices. He also oversees member documentation and Rose Festival Pin sales.

John Santos as **Master of Ceremonies** is in charge of Hearts & Roses Auction (Penny Terry and Larry Rodman chairing), Royal Rosarian Merchandise (Marlene Ness chairing), Milk Carton Boat Races (Joyce Dougherty chairing), the Photographers (Bill Barry and Marie Saturn chairing) and the Golf Activities (Vern Beard and Mike Collins chairing).

Lynne McIntyre as **Minister of Foreign Affairs** is in charge of the Junior Parade Band Marshals (John Creegan chairing) & Shuttle Drivers (Dave Shipley & Larry Salimena chairing), Starlight Parade (Jeri Beck chairing) Hosting by Starlight (Jeri Beck chairing), Grand Floral Parade (Neal Brown chairing), Rose Parade Float Design, PA Towers (Gordon Walker chairing), RF Parade Scripts (PR Committee & Prime Minister), Drill Masters (John Creegan chairing), Drummers (David Ott chairing), Foundation Poinsettia Sales (Aivars Saukants, James Brennan & Paul Casebeer chairing), and acts as Sister Cities liaison, Travel Portland Liaison (David Penilton assisting) and City of Portland Liaison.

Jacque Janulis as **Lord High Chamberlain** is responsible for Hospitality Weekend including Registration, Washington Park Knighting (Fred Cooper & Doug Zimmerman chairing), Queens' Garden Party (Shirley Edwards & Lin Hledik chairing), Fun Night (Kim Bown chairing), Hospitality Room (Karen Dervedde chairing), VIP Reception (Jonelle Battaglia chairing), Silent Auction (Mercy Norby & Lynne Reinecker chairing), Grand Floral Ball (Korrie and Alan Hoeckendorf chairing), Farewell Breakfast (Don Thacker chairing) and is a member of the Finance Committee.

Bob Wolcott as **Lord High Steward** will take on Out-of-Town Festivals including Wenatchee (Morris Westlund chairing), Spokane (Don Thacker chairing), Leavenworth (Adam Baker chairing), and Issaquah. In addition he oversees the Traveling Float (Carla & Gary Stenberg chairing) and Christmas for Kids (Bob Simmons chairing).

Kathie Bagley as **Councillor** oversees Membership Meetings (Janette and Suzanne Day chairing), Newsmakers (Larry Rodman chairing), Local Parades (John Creegan chairing) and oversees Rose Festival Opening Ceremony.

Larry Roberts as **Royal Chaplain** is in charge of Cheer and Outreach (Shirley Deck, Keith George & Pam Baker chairing), Blessing of the Festival (Gene & Sue Horton chairing), senior center ceremonies (Wayne Bingham chairing), Purely Social Potlucks (Pat Hufford chairing), and is a member of the Rose Planting Team.

Adam Baker as **Royal Gardener** is responsible for the Rose Garden Contest (John Creegan chairing), Rose Garden Maintenance (Harry Landers chairing), Rose Plant Procurement (David Etchepare chairing), the Christmas Brunch (Adam Baker chairing) and is a member of the Rose Planting Team.

Don Thacker as **Royal Scribe** will take charge of the Picnic, Greetings, (Roz Vancil chairing VIP and Norb Murray chairing Ship), the PA Equipment, Inventory of Supplies and is a member of the Rose Planting Team.

Duke of the Realm Bob Strader as **Executive Secretary** is responsible for Stationary and Printing, Certificates and Plaques, Honorary Knighting Medallions and serves on the Budget Committee and Web site Committee.

Duke of the Realm Tony Pasion as **Executive Secretary** is responsible for Insurance, Name Badges, Duke Medallions and serves on the Budget Committee.

Duke of the Realm Denny Baker as Executive Secretary is responsible for Uniforms, the History Book, Equipment, Flags and Banners and serves on the Budget Committee.

Finance Committee Members include **Rick Saturn** (Chancellor of the Exchequer), **Bob Strader** (Duke), **Dick Clifton** (Duke) and **Jacquie Janulis** (Council Member)

This is a listing of some Rosarian responsibilities. Please keep Tom Marantette informed so it can be updated appropriately.

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 Hotel. 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.: 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.

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

Peninsula Park Re-Planting Roses -- February 19-22, N Ainsworth & N Albina

2014 Prime Minister's Trip to Russia Orientation Meeting -- February 20, Stafford Woods, 25030 S.W. Parkway Ave., Wilsonville

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

VIP Rose Planting - April 6

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

Apple Blossom Festival - May 3-5, Wenatchee

Greeting for DAR - May 17, Crown Plaza Hotel, Lloyd Center

Lilac Festival -- May 17-19, Spokane

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

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

GFWC Women's Club Greeting - September 6, Embassy Suites, Portland

Autumn Leaf Festival -- September 27-29, Leavenworth

Issaquah Salmon Days Festival - October 5-6

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"Do it. Do it right. Do it right now."

NASA Slogan

(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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