The Royal Rosarian Foundation Review

May, 2024

To Support The Charitable Activities of the Royal Rosarians
Children at Risk, Scholarships for Our Youth, Community Spirit

Board Officers

Scott Stuhl
President
Katherine Johnson
Vice-President
Connie Shipley
Secretary
Bob Strader
Treasurer

Board Members

Term Ending 2024

Marti Penske
Bob Strader
Connie Shipley
Mike Ware

Term Ending 2025

Scott Stuhl
Amy Arasmith
Katherine Johnson
Linda White

Term Ending 2026

Nate Aazzerath
Barbara Brennan
Marilyn Schultz
Ron Fisher

Editor:
Connie Shipley

CANDIDATES for the ROYAL ROSARIAN FOUNDATION BOARD

Three well-qualified candidates have been nominated to fill two board vacancies: Sir Knights Mark Sleasman, Matt Clark, and Dame Marti Penske. Voting will occur in conjunction with the Royal Rosarian Council election at 6:00 pm Thursday, June 13, at the Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel. You must be present to vote.



Mark Sleasman Statement for Rosarian Foundation Election – June 2024

Over the years, I have enjoyed the honor of serving our Portland community through the Royal Rosarian Foundation. As a previous foundation board member and as a foundation general member, I have seen the foundation's elected board members and committee volunteers accomplish great things for our Portland community. Committee volunteers have become a powerful foundation tool.

I look forward to continuing to serve the foundation either as an elected board member or, if not elected, I pledge my efforts as a committee volunteer.

Sir Knight Mark Sleasman

Matt Clark Statement for Rosarian Foundation Election – June 2024



To me, the foundation is a big part of what it means to be a Royal Rosarian. I have long thought of financial support in our schools and the non-profit sector as the great reach multiplier, making Portland as equitable, welcoming, and thriving as possible. Rosarians do so much for our community; through the foundation, we use our financial contributions to extend that reach.

I joined my first non-profit board soon after college as a local Boys' and Girls' Club board member. From that and my other board-level involvements over the years, I know how to stretch a dollar and, just as importantly, maintain a healthy community and strong financial base. I've worked to organize annual events such as parades and served on church boards whose income stream was 100% donation-based. They have all been rewarding experiences and great ways to give back, and my participation is something I'm very proud of.

Since joining the Rosarians in '23, I've been active with the Rosarian Foundation. I am part of the endowment oversight committee. Working on the Rose Garden Contest and Milk Carton Boat Race committees and pulling off such fantastic events has also been very gratifying. We've also launched a new website with a modern look, tons of great information on all the foundation does, and new features such as collecting direct donations. I hope everyone gets a chance to check it out.

I'm running for a board seat in 2024 in hopes of taking my engagement in all of the foundation's activities to the next level. My vision for the foundation is to grow the endowment to ensure long-lasting financial health while expanding our reach into schools and the community through direct financial support and maximizing every dollar spent.

I am proud to be a Rosarian for many reasons, our foundation work being the first among them. I ask for your support and vote in the upcoming board member elections.

Thank You
Sir Knight Matt Clark

Dame Martha Penske Statement for Rosarian Foundation Election – June 2024

I was knighted in 2016 under the rose Good as Gold. I have worked on the Rosarian Auction each year since then, providing several baskets for the Silent Auction and decorations for the Auction. In 2020, I created a



Dessert Dash and a Plant Sale for the Auction. Both activities were very successful. I will do these again for the 2025 auction if the committee approves them.

In addition, I have provided floral arrangements for many other events, including Prime Ministers' Balls, Hospitality Week, Grand Floral Balls, and the recent Blessing of the Festival. I have served on the Foundation Board for the past two years.

While serving on the Board, I have been the liaison with the Community Transitional School and have ensured that donations, most importantly books and school supplies, are given to them regularly.

I want to continue serving for a full three-year term.

Dame Martha Penske

President's Message



Thank you for allowing me to lead the Royal Rosarian Foundation for a second year. I am proud of the Foundation's accomplishments and look forward to seeing what it will create in the future.

The Foundation Board's goal has been to divide dispersed funds between Rose Festival-related projects and support of at-risk kids in a balanced manner.

We are hopeful that the investments of past years in the Grand Floral Parade float will help keep its expenses more manageable. The traveling float is ready to travel throughout the Pacific Northwest to publicize the Rose Festival and create goodwill for the City of Portland. We also provide a grant to the Rose Festival to pay for transportation and meals for the princesses during their many weeks of appearances. The Foundation has a new program in support of the Rose Festival Foundation - the Milk Carton Boat Race. This program is sponsor-supported and will not burden the Foundation financially.

The field trip program will distribute money to four school districts' most economically challenged schools so they can have field trips for the second

year since COVID. Last year, most of the schools could spend their unspent money from the COVID years. The Juan Young Trust has notified the Foundation that it will close and the $10,000 check received this year will be the last one we will receive from them.

These projects need financial support annually to keep going. We work to be frugal with your money and "get the most bang for your buck." We greatly appreciate the donations you make to our Foundation! We appreciate your support of the Auction and any donations made during the year.

Most sincerely,
Scott Stuhl
Foundation President

"Barrel of Fun" Foundation Auction Successful

The Royal Rosarian Foundation Auction held on March 2nd at the DoubleTree Hotel was great fun for all who attended. It was nice to have Ian Lindsay return as the auctioneer. Some exceptional Oral and Silent Auction items were featured, along with the ever-popular Wine Wall, Dessert Dash, dinner packages, and the Golden Ticket raffle.



Thank you to everyone who attended and made it a great success for the Foundation. Thanks to the efforts of all Rosarians, the foundation will continue its good work. Mark your calendar for March 1, 2025. See you next year!

Dame Michelle Veentjer
Auction Chair and Council Person

Photo: The wine wall committee, Elisa Bennett, Mary Hrkac, and Catherine Camp with Prime Minister Mike Ware

Rose Garden Contest

I am a regular reader of the obituaries in the Oregonian newspaper. Occasionally, I'll come across a reference to our Rose Garden Contest that says the deceased was a former winner. I'm always touched by that. Some of these people have lived for almost a century, and



their descendants, when writing these obituaries, use six or eight precious words to mention that winning our contest was a milestone in the lives of the departed.

Please join us for the Awards Ceremony at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, June 18, in the Royal Rosarian Garden in Washington Park and help us make a big fuss over this year's winners. This event is free and open to the public. The queen will be present to hand out awards. Dress is white uniforms for Council, Dukes and Duchesses; greens for committee members; and summer casual for everyone else.

By the way, this year's contest is being dedicated to Kathy Fastenau. Kathy was in charge of the contest in 2022 when she was Royal Gardener, and she was also a member of the committee last year. She passed away just a few days before the 2023 Awards Ceremony. She is deeply missed.

Duchess Marilyn Schultz
Chairwoman

2023 Rich Baer receives his award during the Award Ceremony from Prime Minister John Danielson, Rose Festival Queen Deja Fitzwater, and Royal Gardener Ruth Takahashi

Community Transitional School



The Community Transitional School is one of the Royal Rosarian Foundation's favorite charities. Annually, we send $7,000 to pay part of the salary of one of the Teacher Aides. Throughout the year, we also contribute items from the school's wish list, like school and office supplies and children's books and clothing.

The Community Transitional School, now in its 34th school year, began teaching children in Pre-K - 8th grade on Sept. 17, 1990, in the downtown Portland YWCA. After nearly two decades of moving to different locations, CTS moved to their building in the Cully neighborhood of Northeast Portland. In 18 months, the school raised $3.6 million, purchased the land, and built the school in time to finish the 2007-08 school year. Since 2008, the school has added two completely funded classrooms. Known as the "hidden homeless," the children live with their families in shelters, motels, cars, and tents throughout Multnomah County. The school sends out buses daily to pick up the students wherever they may be and take them to a stable educational environment that promotes their academic and personal growth.

One of the successful graduates gave this testimonial: "When I found Community Transitional School, I was 11, recently homeless, and didn't care about school. CTS was an oasis away from the hotels I moved between, a much-needed source of stability, and schoolwork became an enjoyable distraction. My path to university and personal success was born at CTS."

Duchess Marilyn Schultz

Photo: May, 2023 celebration at the school shared on the CTS Facebook page.

Field Trip Program



A Heartfelt Thank You…

The Field Trip Committee wants to express our deepest gratitude for your kindness. Your generosity will have a lasting impact on the children fortunate enough to participate in the Field Trip Program.

In a world where busy schedules often take precedence, your willingness to offer a helping hand or extend a kind word has not gone unnoticed. Your genuine and selfless character significantly impacted many lives; know how much "WE" appreciate this individuality.

Thank you for being there when we needed support, for your words of encouragement when faced with challenges, and for the laughter we have shared in those moments of joy. Your presence has added warmth to our lives along with the children of our school districts; we are grateful to have your contribution. Our budget of $33,641.00 enabled us to hand out checks to 39 schools, which will have impacted 16,990 children this year.

Easy to overlook the importance of those who positively impact our lives, but the *Field Trip Committee* hopes this letter of appreciation is a small gesture in proclaiming how much you mean to all of us. Your thoughtfulness has touched our hearts. We are most fortunate to have you involved in our program.

As we navigate the journey ahead, we look forward to working with you all.

Dame Katherine Johnson
Dame Connie Shipley
RRF Field Trip Committee Chairs

In photo: Stacie Moncrief, principal at Gilbert Park Elementary, David Douglas School District, receives the Field Trip check from Dame Ruth Takahashi.

Refreshed Royal Rosarian Foundation Website

Check out the updated website for your Royal Rosarian Foundation! The site contains all the necessary information regarding its activities, programs, and events and a way to make one-time or recurring donations to your foundation.

Many thanks to Matt Clark and Patrick Wong for all their work updating the website and ensuring that all information is accurate!

We'd love to hear your thoughts about the website and your ideas for improving it. Don't hesitate to get in touch with any member of the Board of Directors or email your comments and suggestions to info@royalrosarianfoundation.org

Dame Barbara Brennan

Financial Report

Royal Rosarian Foundation
Balance Sheet
As of April 30, 2024

	Apr 30, 24	
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
1000 · Checking - Key Bank		160,884.80
1050 · Direct Depository - Key Bank		2,395.00
Total Checking/Savings		163,279.80
Total Current Assets		163,279.80
Fixed Assets		
1801 · Grand Floral Parade Chassis		10,000.00
1802 · Traveling Float Chassis		1,000.00
1803 · Traveling Float Trailer		1,000.00
1851 · Accumulated Depreciation		-12,000.00
Total Fixed Assets		0.00
Other Assets		
1260 · Fidelity Investments		164,548.55
Total Other Assets		164,548.55
TOTAL ASSETS		**327,828.35**
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
3130 · Board Dedicated Reserves		
3110 · Endowment	15,000.00	
3140 · Dedicated RG Contest	773.55	
3150 · Dedicated Travel Float	556.74	
3160 · Dedicated Field Trips		
3161 · Portland Metro	78,712.39	
3162 · Washington County	10,778.00	
Total 3160 · Dedicated Field Trips	89,490.39	
3190 · Dedicated At Risk Programs	6,824.00	
Total 3130 · Board Dedicated Reserves		112,644.68
3200 · Unrestricted		150,747.64
Net Income		64,436.03
Total Equity		327,828.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		**327,828.35**

Royal Rosarian Foundation
Profit & Loss Statement
For the Period Ending April 30, 2024

Expense	7 Months YTD	Annual Budget
6000 · Administrative Expenses		
6100 · Accounting Fees	0	825
6300 · Insurance	5,198	5,200
6400 · Office Supplies	21	0
6500 · Postage	248	350
6600 · Printing	50	100
6800 · Taxes & Fees	0	165
6900 · Website	123	675
Total 6000 · Administrative Expenses	5,640	7,315
7050 · Traveling Float Costs		
4775 · Decorating Expense	0	1,750
4777 · Operating Expense	0	10,000
4778 · Repairs & Maintenance	2,266	4,400
Total 7050 · Traveling Float Costs	2,266	16,150
7100 · Community Spirit		
4757 · Rose Garden Contest Expenses	83	1,000
7102 · Grand Floral Parade Float	0	26,000
7103 · Grand Floral Bus & Flowers	0	250
7104 · Queens' Garden Party	0	2,000
7106 · PRFF Auction Sponsorship	0	0
7108 · PRFF Honors Sponsorship	0	0
7110 · Washington Park Rose Garden	0	0
7120 · Milk Carton Boat Race Expense	3,164	6,000
Total 7100 · Community Spirit	3,247	35,250
7200 · Philanthropic Giving		
7204 · Field Trip Grants	33,560	38,760
7208 · Sister City Associations	500	500
7210 · Community Transitional School	7,000	7,000
7212 · PRFF Court Outreach	5,000	5,000
7290 · Grants not budgeted	0	0
Total 7200 · Philanthropic Giving	46,060	51,260
Total Expense	57,212	109,975
Net Ordinary Income	52,715	0
Investment Income		
4637 · Gains and Losses	12,627	0
4638 - Account Fees	(905)	0
Net Investment Income	11,721	0
Net Income	**64,436**	**0**

Donations received Nov 5, 2023 - April 30, 2024

Unrestricted Donations:
Anonymous
Amy Arasmith
Barb Brennan
Tom & Shirley Sagerser
Michelle Veentjer
Linda White

With dues payment:
John Linngren
Jennifer Clark

Life Member in lieu of dues:
Marilyn Schultz

Auction:
Scott Stuhl

Bottle Drop Donations:
$ 350.00

The Closet/Clothing Sales:
$ 1207.00

Employer matching funds:
Barb Brennan
Michelle Veentjer

Fred Meyer Rewards deposits:
$ 216.30

Wilf's Fundraiser:
$ 3,040.00

Restricted Donations:

Field Trip Project:
Neil & Marjorie Dreiseszun
Reed & Holly Fowler
Peter Glazer
Palmer Family Foundation
Reitmeier
Juan Young Trust

Milk Carton Boat Race:
Alpenrose Dairy
Oregon State Marine Board

Rose Garden Contest:
John Linngren
Pat Salimena
Katherine Johnson
Scott Stuhl
Judith Ann Holmboe
Connie Shipley
Kimberly Bown
Ruth Takahashi
Chris Johnson
Marilyn Schultz
Cheryl McClain
E David Granum
Gretchen Humphrey
Barb Brennan

Clothes Closet

Your Royal Rosarian Foundation has a Clothes Closet to support our charitable activities and keep our Rosarian gear out of the thrift stores. We take all pre-owned Rosarian wear.

The Clothes Closet has white uniforms, including women's long skirts, green jackets, hats, shoes, and casual wear. The gently used white uniforms are best for rainy parade days when you don't want to get that new, crisp uniform dirty or as a backup for out-of-town events. See the list of 150 items available through Barb Brennan.

Consider donating your unused items to the foundation—you will get a tax

write-off, and another member will get a pre-owned Rosarian item at a reduced cost. To make an appointment, just call or text me at 503-351-7708.

Dame Barbara Brennan

Consider Ongoing or Monthly Contributions

Another way to support your Royal Rosarian Foundation is to make a one-time or monthly donation through your employer's Charitable Giving Campaign. Several Rosarians make monthly contributions, and their employers match them in full or in part.

Consider including the Royal Rosarian Foundation in your Donation Planning



"Order of the Chalice"

$100,000+	King Richard's Champion
$50,000 - $99,999	Gallant of Gwenevere
$25,000 - $49,999	Order of Sir Lancelot
$10,000 - $24,999	Circle of Sir Galahad
$5,000 - $9,999	Robin Hood's Band

The Royal Rosarians have championed children's causes, the City of Portland, and the Portland Rose Festival for over a century. Could you help us keep our mission alive? Your support is especially appreciated this year. Join those who have committed to include the Foundation in their financial planning:

Cathy Felder
Gayle Whitehurst
Scott Stuhl
Connie Shipley
Marilyn Schultz
Michael and Colleen Ware

The Royal Rosarian Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.
(Tax ID # 93-1220495)

Community Rewards Programs

Easy and Free Ways to Support Your Foundation

Your Royal Rosarian Foundation is partnering with two organizations to raise funds for the Foundation.

The ***BottleDrop*** program is an easy way to support your Royal Rosarian Foundation. Here is what you need to do:
1. Get a blue bag with a sticker from Barb Brennan
2. Fill the bag with redeemable bottles and cans
3. Tie the bag firmly
4. Drop off your bag at a Bottle Drop site https://bottledrop.com/locations
a. To deposit the bags, scan the label's QR code at the deposit site and put

the bag inside. Hint: Make sure the red 'crosshair' from the scanner appears on the label's QR code. You'll hear a 'click' from the door when the scanner has identified the label.
5. Contact me to get another Blue Bag!

Additionally, if you already have a BottleDrop Green Bag account, you can donate any amount of your account balance to the Foundation.
1. Sign in to your individual BottleDrop account (online or app) https://bottledrop.com
2. Search for and select Royal Rosarian Foundation, then click through to the donation page
3. Enter your donation amount, then click 'Donate Now.'

Sign up for the ***Fred Meyer Community Rewards*** program, and Fred Meyer will take care of the rest. You need a Fred Meyer Shopper's Card and an online account.
1. Go to www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards, then follow the steps listed there.
a. Select Royal Rosarian Foundation (Organization Number DX607)
2. If you have registered before, please check your account to ensure the Royal Rosarian Foundation is still your selected organization. Every few years, Fred Meyer will email you to confirm your selection. Fred Meyer automatically removes your account from the program if you don't confirm your selection.
3. If you have difficulty signing up or confirming the Royal Rosarian Foundation, don't hesitate to contact me.

Dame Barbara Brennan

Royal Rosarian Foundation
P.O. Box 8956
Portland, OR 97207-8956
www.RoyalRosarianFoundation.org

Royal Rosarians | P.O. Box 6915, Portland, OR 97228-6915

Unsubscribe suzanne@peterglazer.com

Update Profile |Constant Contact Data Notice

Sent byrosarian_mail@royalrosarian.orgpowered by

Constant Contact

Try email marketing for free today!