



# Royal Update

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Electronic Newsletter of the Royal Rosarians

Greetings, Rosarians and Friends,

Thank you for reading the Royal Rosarian e-newsletter created in 2005 by Duke Peter Glazer and now edited by Dame Lydia Lundberg, with technical support and continuity from Tom Marantette and Peter Glazer. If you have suggestions or contributions, please email to Lydia at [Lundberg@elitecare.com](mailto:Lundberg@elitecare.com)

## Prime Minister's Message



We started our year during the last month of PM John's year with our Prime Minister's Ball and Installation on September 16<sup>th</sup>. It was an amazing evening attended by over 230 Rosarians, guests and friends. Our theme for the upcoming year is "Everything's Coming Up Roses" and it was brought to life on this truly magical evening. Ball Chair Duke Don Thacker and his amazing team, including Dame Holly Morgan, Duchess Korrie Hoeckendorf and many others, put together a wonderful evening filled with roses, Rosarian pageantry and history. Duke Peter Glazer was the Master of Ceremonies and did his usual amazing job of keeping us all on track. The National Anthem was performed by 2022 Miss Oregon Sophia Takla, accompanied by 2023 Miss Oregon Jennifer Burke playing the violin. Both Colleen and I were awestruck with their performance. Dame Roz Vancil did an excellent job of coordinating

the escorts, Cindy Marker did an excellent job of keeping track of all the registrations and Dame Marti Penske did a wonderful job with the flowers. As always, there are many, many volunteers who stepped up to put on an event like this and Colleen and I would both like to thank you all for an unforgettable evening.

The following morning we got up early and headed over to the Washington Park Rose Test Garden along with over forty Rosarians and guests for the Prime Minister's Rose Planting and Plaque Laying. My rose planting team planted my rose, Double Delight. Thank you, Dame Jannette Day, for providing an excellent bush, with several buds showing. Miss Oregon 2023 Jennifer Burke provided a violin prelude for the event. Thank you, Royal Regent, John Danielson for being the Master of Ceremonies.

Then on September 29<sup>th</sup>, First Lady Colleen and I began our Prime Minister's Trip along the Saint Lawrence River and Seaway. We were joined by over 40 Rosarians and guests for an amazing adventure that began in Montreal, Quebec, and traveled to Quebec City, Toronto, and several small villages in both the US and Canada. There was a total of 67

passengers on the ship, so the Rosarians were, as always, a dominate force. Within a few days, all of the other passengers who were joining along with us for the trip were given Honorary Rosarian status. They joined with us on adventures and shore excursions. I am sorry to report that First Lady Colleen was not able to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel. It was not for lack of trying, but the Canadian authorities weren't thrilled with the idea, so we had to pull her back from the wall. The crew on the ship numbered 82, so we were totally outnumbered, and I have to say that I have never been on a cruise where we were better taken care of. By the second day, they knew every one's name. When we would arrive for afternoon cocktail hour, the bar staff had my favorite beverage all poured and ready to go. Duke Peter Glazer suggested that I continue Duke Dwight Terry's tradition of having a language lesson every afternoon, so with the help of several Rosarians and spouses we all learned about "Quebec Slang". At the end of our trip, we were able to honor the entire ship's crew with a Rose Ceremony. It included the Captain, officers, staff and even the engine room staff. We provided roses and "sticky roses" to everyone. Several crew members had tears in their eyes and told us that no one had ever honored them in this way. I would like to thank our trip chair, Dame Roz Vancil, for a wonderful trip and everyone who participated in making this a most memorable time for Colleen and myself.

At our Strategic Planning Meeting, held on September 2, 2023, we discussed the current financial condition of the Rosarians and the need to rebuild our reserves after the losses we have incurred during the COVID pandemic. Out of this meeting came the following goals for the coming year:

Goal 1: Continue to increase membership.

Goal 2: Improve member involvement in Rosarian events and out-of-town festivals.

Goal 3: Work within our established budgets to eliminate further losses to our cash reserves.

See you at upcoming Rosarian events in November and December.

Mike Ware, Prime Minister

## Prime Minister Trip Memories





## Welcome Home

Welcome home, Prime Minister Mike and First Lady Colleen! PM Mike and delegation returned from an ambassadorial trip to Canada on behalf of Portland, the Rose City.



## 2023, 2024 Council Assignments

### **Michael Ware, Prime Minister**

Prime Minister's Ball – Don Thacker & James Wolleck  
 Prime Minister's Trip – Roz Vancil  
 Prime Minister's Calendar  
 Royal Update – Peter Glazer  
 City of Portland Liaison  
 Rose Festival Foundation Executive Committee Member  
 Legal Affairs – Peter Glazer  
 Foundation Board Member  
 Budget Committee Member

### **John Danielson, Royal Regent**

Council Elections & Nominations  
 Prime Minister's Plaque Ceremony  
 Queen's Plaque Ceremony  
 Blessing of the Festival – Holly Morgan  
 Budget Committee Member

### **Amy Arasmith, Lord High Chancellor**

Rose Festival Foundation Liaison  
 Rose Festival Queen & Court Scheduler/Liaison  
 Court/Council Escort Line-up  
 Cinco de Mayo Naturalization Ceremony  
 Rose Festival Opening Ceremony  
 Sister Cities Courthouse Reception – James Autry  
 Queen's Coronation Ceremony Liaison – Doug Zimmerman  
 Rose Festival/Pendleton/Happy Canyon Reception & Dinner – Bobbie Smith  
 Council Knighting Practices (New Member & Honorary) – Korrie Hoeckendorf, Doug Zimmerman  
 Strategic Planning Meeting for 2025

### **Doug Crimin, Lord High Steward**

Local Parades  
 Veterans Day Parade  
 St. Patrick's Day Parade  
 82<sup>nd</sup> Avenue of Roses Parade  
 St. John's Parade  
 Portland Pride Parade  
 Tillamook Dairy Days Parade  
 Good in the Hood Parade  
 Hillsboro 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade  
 Battle Ground Parade  
 Astoria Regatta  
 Local Parade Drill Masters/Banner & Flag Carriers  
 Traveling Float Transport, Drivers  
 Local Parade PM Car Driver  
 Local Parade Registrations  
 Local Parade Scripts  
 Group (Bus) Transportation (Battle Ground/Olympia, Tillamook, Astoria, or as requested)

### **John Jackson, Councillor**

Milk Carton Boat Races – Connie Shipley  
 Merchandise Sales – Roz Vancil  
 RoyalRosarian.Com Website  
 Royal Rosarian Calendar (ClubRunner)  
 Membership Database (ClubRunner) – Kelly Fisher  
 Roster Preparation – Kelly Fisher  
 Roster Distribution  
 Tuesday Report  
 Speaker's Bureau – Dwight Terry  
 Royal Communicators  
 Member Communication (Royal Update Article Requests/Preparation)  
 Public Relations – Press Releases,

Foundation Board Member  
Budget Committee Member  
Finance Committee Member  
Podium Drapes

**Ron Fisher, Secretary of State**

Council/Membership Meeting Notifications  
& Activity Reports  
Council/Membership Meeting Minutes  
Portland Rose Society Liaison  
Foundation Board Member  
Budget Committee Member  
Finance Committee Member (non-voting)  
Queen's Pillow

**Patrick Wong, Lord Chief Justice**

Northwest Festival Hosting Annual  
Meeting  
Hospitality Weekend – Holly Morgan  
Registration – Cindy Marker  
Pin & Brochure – Harlene Austin  
Hospitality Suite – Cheryl & Brett  
Prochaska  
Queens' Garden Party – Katherine  
Johnson  
Fun Night – Michelle Veentjer &  
Yushonna Wilson  
Silent Auction  
Grand Floral Ball – Gene & Sue Horton,  
Denny & Pam Baker  
VIP Reception & Toast – Larry & Ann  
Roberts  
Farewell Breakfast  
Honorary Knighting – Doug Zimmerman  
Honorary Knighting Practices – Doug  
Zimmerman, Korrie Hoeckendorf  
Honorary Knighting Names/Knighting  
Liaison – Holly Fowler  
Budget Committee Member  
Finance Committee Member (non-voting)

**Michelle Veentjer, Lord High Sheriff**

Foundation Auction  
Membership Committee  
New Member Recruitment/Participation  
New Member Investigations  
New Member Orientations, Receptions  
Existing Member Retention/Participation  
New & Potential Member Winter  
Reception  
New Member Knighting  
PM Wine Acquisition/Sales – Mary Hrkac

**Kik Nielsen, Chancellor of the Exchequer**

Social Media (FB, Instagram, Twitter)  
Organization Photographer – Bill Barry

**Holly Morgan, Royal Chaplain**

Cheer & Outreach – Shirley Deck, Pam  
Baker  
Christmas for Kids  
Blessing of the Festival  
Memorial Services  
Senior Center Ceremonies  
V.A Hospital Visits  
Meeting Invocations/Prayers  
Rose Planting Team Member

**Yushonna Wilson, Royal Gardener**

Rose Planting Team Coordinator  
Rose Planting, Shovel & Roses  
IRTG Rose Garden Liaison  
Rose Garden Maintenance – Kimberly  
Bown  
IRTG Benefit – Kimberly Bown  
Rose Festival Ships' Greetings  
Rose Garden Contest  
Rose Planting Team Member

**Vicky Rice, Royal Scribe**

Christmas Brunch – Jan Tolman, Sue  
Simpson  
VIP & Event Greetings, Coordinator  
Travel Portland Liaison  
Rosarian Family Picnic – Jan Tolman  
Rosarian Equipment Storage – Jan  
Tolman, Mike Ware  
Rose Planting Team Member

**Executive Secretaries**

**Duke of the Realm Peter Glazer**

Legal Affairs  
Insurance/Vendor Liability Certificates  
Name Badges  
Duke/Duchess Medallions  
Budget Committee Member  
Election Liaison  
Royal Update Liaison

**Duke of the Realm Rick Saturn**

Stationary & Printing  
Certificates & Plaques  
Honorary Knighting Medallions  
Newsmakers Medallions  
Election Liaison  
Budget Committee Member  
Finance Committee Member

Rosarian Accounting/Finances  
Membership Documentation "Archives"  
Membership Dues Notices/Collections  
2023-2024  
Budget Committee Chairperson  
Finance Committee Chairperson

**David Althaus, Master of Ceremonies**  
Membership Meeting Chairperson  
Purely Social Potlucks  
Rosarian of the Year Selection Committee  
Chairperson  
Golf Activities Committee  
Drill Master/Drummer Coordinator (All  
Parades)  
Budget Committee Member

**Ken Yohe, Minister of Foreign Affairs**  
Newsmakers  
2024 All Parade Marching Guide  
Rose Festival Pin Sales  
Starlight Parade & Parade Marshals  
Hosting by Starlight at Hotel deLuxe  
Junior Parade & Parade Marshals  
Junior Parade Shuttle Drivers  
Grand Floral Parade & Parade Marshals  
Rose Festival Parade Drill Masters  
Rose Festival Banner/Flag Carriers  
Rose Festival Parade Scripts  
Grand Floral & Starlight Parade Vehicle  
for Non-Marching Members  
Budget Committee Member

**Si Barron, Lord High Chamberlain**  
Out of Town Festivals/Parades  
Wenatchee Apple Blossom  
Spokane Lilac Festival  
New Westminster-Hyack Festival  
Marysville Strawberry Festival  
Olympia Capitol Lakefair  
Seattle Seafair  
Penticton Peach Festival  
Leavenworth Autumn Leaf Festival  
Out-of-Town Festival Drill  
Masters/Banner & Flag Carriers  
Out-of-Town Traveling Float Transport,  
Drivers  
Out of Town PM Car Driver  
Out of Town Parade Registrations  
Out of Town Parade Scripts

**Duke of the Realm Adam Baker**  
Uniforms & Standards  
History Book  
Rosarian Archivist & Librarian  
Election Liaison  
Budget Committee Member

**BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS**  
Prime Minister Mike Ware  
Royal Regent John Danielson  
Lord High Chancellor Amy Arasmith  
Chancellor of the Exchequer Kik Nielsen  
Secretary of State Ron Fisher  
Executive Secretary Peter Glazer  
Executive Secretary Rick Saturn  
Executive Secretary, Adam Baker  
Lord Chief Justice Patrick Wong  
Master of Ceremonies David Althaus  
Minister of Foreign Affairs Ken Yohe

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
Chancellor of the Exchequer Kik Nielsen  
– Chairperson  
Lord High Chancellor Amy Arasmith  
Duke Rick Saturn  
Duchess Korrie Hoeckendorf  
Non-voting members:  
Secretary of State Ron Fisher  
Lord Chief Justice Patrick Wong

## Commemorative Prime Minister Wine

There are two delicious Oregon wines that have been chosen for the Prime Minister's wine.

First is the 2021 Brandborg Bench Lands Pinot Noir, Umpqua Valley, Oregon, for sale for \$21.00. This wine has a lovely deep-red garnet color, with aromatics of bright dark fruit, dark cherry, and blackberry with some ripe plums. It has barrel influenced spice notes of clove, cinnamon and nutmeg with a tangy bright richness on the finish. It is 100% French Oak barrel aged and sustainably farmed.



The second choice is a 2021 Airlie Seven | White Wine Blend, Willamette Valley, Oregon, for \$18.00. This wine is made from a blend of seven white grapes, celebrating the approachability and complexity of these seven white varietals: Chardonnay, Muller Thurgau, Gewurztraminer, Viognier, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, and Pinot Gris. It is crisp and refreshing, with a beautiful balance of acidity. It is aged in stainless steel and sustainably farmed.

Commemorative 2-bottle wine bags are available while supplies last for \$6.00 each.

Opportunities to purchase wines and bags:  
Membership meetings or contact Wine Chair Mary Hrkac,  
[royalrosarianmary@gmail.com](mailto:royalrosarianmary@gmail.com)

## November Membership Meeting

On November 2<sup>nd</sup> we held our first membership meeting of the year, which was attended by 136 Rosarians and spouses. We honored our new Life Members, Sir Knight Dr. Pierre Pham, Sir Knight Bill Barry and Royal Regent John Danielson, as well as all Life Members. It was also an evening to honor our spouses and the many contributions and countless volunteer hours they spend on behalf of the Rosarians. We would not function nearly as well without their help and involvement. Sincerest thank you to each of the Ladies and Squires. Thanks also to Dame Kimberly Takla and her committee for planning an excellent evening and making sure everything went smoothly.





## Dukes' and Dutchesses' Dinner

On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the annual Dukes' and Dutchesses' Dinner was held at the Multnomah Athletic Club. This formal event is one of the highlights of the year for the Council, as the Dukes and Dutchesses welcome the newest members of Council. PM Mike and the entire Council offer our thanks to Duke Denny Baker, Duchess Marilyn Schults and Duke Scott Stuhl for putting together an evening filled with Rosarian traditions and lore. It was a night to be remembered.



## Veterans Day Parade

On November 11<sup>th</sup> the Rosarians participated in the Portland Veterans Day Parade. This parade was established in 1974 by Vernon Ross, proprietor of Ross Hollywood Funeral Chapel, to honor all Veterans, past and present, living and deceased. This tradition is now being carried on as an honored tradition by local community leaders and veterans. Rosarian Prime Minister Mike was given the honor of conducting the POW/MIA Ceremony and the Rosarians in attendance formed an Honor Guard for the ceremony that followed the parade. Special thanks to Lord High Steward Doug Crimin for being the Rosarian liaison with the committee and coordinating the Rosarian participation.





## Holiday Brunch

### 'Tis the Season! Holiday Brunch

**When:** Dec. 3

**Where:** Crown Plaza Hotel, 1441 NE Second Ave, Portland, OR 97232

**Cost:** \$55 per person

**Time:** 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Join the Royal Rosarians to celebrate the season at the Crown Plaza Hotel. Enjoy a beverage, breakfast buffet, sing-a-long carols, Christmas entertainment and raffle drawings for unique table décor. Please remember those in need with a donation or \$\$ for the Toy and Joy Makers and the Sunshine Division. Celebrate in your holiday finery and join us for a Holly Jolly Christmas.

Registration is open online. For more info or to volunteer, contact Vicky Rice (503-888-0455) or Jan Tolman (503-201-7341).



## Christmas for Kids

It's back and the Rosarians have been invited to participate as shopping assistants to the children for this wonderful event. Royal Chaplain Holly Morgan has agreed to sign us up for the 11:00 am time slot. (But, if you like, you can also sign up for the full day from 9:00 am until 11:30 am.) Please plan to arrive no later than 9:30 am in white uniforms. Green Jackets are acceptable if you have not received your whites yet.

Date: December 6th

Volunteers: 9:00 am -1:00 pm

Shoppers: 11:00 am

Location: Fred Meyer Hollywood

This is a 2 hour shift. Sign up on ClubRunner by this Friday. We need a few more people. We also can use some volunteers for check-in, check-out/bagging, and Santa photos. Information and registration for the event can be found in the calendar [HERE](#).

Questions? Please contact Holly Morgan byemail or call 503-869-2735.

Deadline to register is Friday, November 10th.

## Purely Social

"Why do reindeer like Beyoncé so much? She sleighs !

Our Purely Social holiday event happens on **Sunday**, December 10th, 2023.

**Time:** at 4:00 PM at the home of Dame Michelle and Squire David Veentjer.

**Address:** 11560 SE Carter Lane, Happy Valley, Oregon.

To celebrate the Holiday Season, we will be looking for your "best" ugly holiday sweater/shirt/tie, etc. Prizes will be given for the 'best' ugly garments.

Please register below and then bring a dish based on the first initial of your last name:

A - H - Main Dish  
I - P - Salad or side dish  
Q - Z - Dessert or Appetizer

We also would welcome your donations of spirits, such as wine and beer.

Purely Socials are a great opportunity to get together with other Rosarians and their families, and enjoy great food and conversation. Hope to see you there !

Happy Holidays !

Please contact Dame Michelle Veentjer at 971-222-57997 if you have any questions.

## **Marilyn Schultz's Annual Holiday Open House**

You and your spouse or guest are cordially invited to attend  
**Marilyn Schultz's Annual Holiday Open House**  
Drop by for a little seasonal cheer!

**Dec 16, 2023 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Marilyn's Home**  
**2423 Remington Drive**  
**West Linn, OR 97068**

### **Optional Contribution**

This is not a potluck and please, no hostess gifts. However, if you would like to bring something for the students at the Community Transitional School, one of our Rosarian Foundation charities and also Marilyn's favorite, donations would be most welcomed, but do not feel obliged to do so.

The school is dedicated to meeting the educational needs of pre-kindergarten through eighth-grade children whose families are homeless, in transition or experiencing other poverty-related crises. During the course of the school year, enrollment averages around 225 students (ages 4-14) who live in motels, shelters, cars, or homes of friends or relatives. School buses go out each morning to collect the children, wherever they may be, to provide them with a measure of stability in their lives.

Each year Marilyn collects school supplies, shoes, and boys' and girls' warm and washable clothing, such as sweatshirts and jeans, socks and underwear. New clothing is such a thrill for these youngsters, and it makes them feel valued. (No used clothing, please.). Checks made out to CTS are always VERY welcome. Monetary contributions are used to provide bus transportation for the students. Gifts should be unwrapped, and they will be given out throughout the school year, not just for Christmas.

Marilyn's guests have always been very generous in their support of the school. If you would like a receipt for your donation, please attach to your package your name, address and estimated value of your gift. All check donors automatically receive receipts.

**A new way that you can donate  
to the Royal Rosarian Foundation**

With the recent demise of the Smile Amazon program the Royal Rosarian Foundation lost a funding source, but fear not, we have been diligent and have found a new way that you can support the Foundation.

The BottleDrop program is a great and easy way for you to support your Royal Rosarian Foundation. Here is all that you need to do.

1. Get a blue bag and sticker from Barbara Brennan.
2. Fill the bag with recyclable bottles and cans.
3. Tie the bag firmly.
4. Drop off your bag at a BottleDrop site ( site locations can be found at BottleDrop Location Finder )
5. To deposit the bags, scan the QR code at the deposit site and put the bag inside.
6. That's it!
7. TIME TO GET ANOTHER BLUE BAG!

If you need another bag, contact Barbara Brennan at 503-351-7708 and she will get one to you.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION!

## Calendar

***Rosarian Membership Meetings*** will be held at 5:30 pm at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center: February 1st, March 7th, April 11th, April 24th, May 2nd, May 23rd, June 13th.

***Rosarian Council Meetings*** will be held at 7:00 pm at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center: December 11, January 22, February 19, March 18, April 15, May 13, July 15, August 12, September 16.

***Rosarian Foundation Board Meetings*** will be held at 6:00 pm at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center: November. 29, January 31, February 28, March 27, April 17, May 29, June 13 (annual meeting), July 24, August 28, September 25



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

[Click here to visit the Royal Rosarian website](#)

## Jim Nielson's Truisms



We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." *Winston Churchill*

(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 Glazer thinks Jim would like. If you'd like to suggest a quotation please email it to Peter.)

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