



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

Prime Minister' s Message



Royal Rosarians have been busy in the last month.

Participants had a great time during the Prime Minister's trip to Washington, DC and New York City. Thank you to all that participated in the trip. We had a Rose Placement ceremony at both the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC and at the 911 Memorial in New York City. We proudly placed roses at the 911 memorial to honor our first responders. We also placed a wreath at George Washington's tomb at Mt. Vernon. We were busy most of the trip but still found time to attend Broadway plays and visit several art museums and many other sites. Dame Carolyn Saba joined us at least twice in DC and brought her famous Lemoncello to each visit. It was nice to be around Carolyn's positive nature once again. To those of you who greeted us at the airport on our return to Portland, thank you! It was appreciated.

A rose planting was held at Elite Care in Milwaukie. It was an honor to recognize Dame Lydia Lundberg and to remember residents at Elite care who have passed away in the last year. After the planting Lydia provided us with a delightful lunch. Thank you, Lydia. Another thank you to those that attended the rose planting.

St. James Lutheran Church in downtown Portland was the site for this year's Blessing of the Festival. Royal Chaplain Pat Salimena chaired a great event. Thank you, Pat. Royal Regent Dwight Terry was MC for the event and once again was at his best. Thank you, Royal Regent. Members, you responded to our need for Honor Guards and it made a difference in the event. Thank you. It is so nice to have an event that remembers those of our group that have passed in the last year. It was also nice to kick off this year's Rose Festival season with such a special event. Check out the Blessing of the Festival

photos on our website. Thanks again to all of you who participated as our honor guard. You looked awesome and I so appreciate your participation. Thanks to all who attended.

Rosarians were honored to be asked to participate in the Celebration of Life for Walter Cole (AKA Darcelle XV), a Portland legend. Thanks to Royal Scribe Doug Zimmerman for the many calls and emails he maneuvered to develop a plan for our participation. I was especially pleased to be joined by Duke Don Thacker to carry Walter's urn onto the stage with Rosarians forming an honor guard. Duke Don Thacker Knighted Walter during his year as Prime Minister. Our Honor Guard looked professional and impressed many that evening. Great participation by Rosarians. Thank you!

On Saturday for the first time in 3 years we were able to participate in the St. John's parade. It was a great opportunity to show off our new float to all in Portland. Queen Senya Scott was home from her first year at Howard University and rode on our float. Thanks to Ron and Kelly Fisher for driving the float to St. John's and in the parade. It may have been the weather or that the parade was held on Mother's Day, but we need more to sign up for our local parades in the future. Thanks to those that did in St. John's. Rosarians did not turn out as needed but the St. John's community certainly did and they were very happy to welcome the parade and Rosarians back.

May and June will be busy for all of us. Are you ready? Your participation is needed. Sign up to march in the three Rose Festival parades on Clubrunner. Chairs of the parades have been busy recruiting Marshals for each parade. If you have not signed up to be a Marshal, sign up to attend the parades and march with the Rosarian marching unit. Master of Ceremonies Kik Nielsen has recruited a great group of drummers. They sounded great in the St. John's parade. Their participation is so appreciated.

I hope you are all purchasing a packet for Hospitality Weekend and participating in the planned events. Hospitality Chair Duchesss Korrie Hoeckendorf and her chairs are planning a weekend full of fun and surprises. They are doing their part in arranging a weekend for our guests who are coming to Portland and for all Rosarians. Now it is your turn to show your appreciation by participating. Please do not wait until after the registration deadline. Sign up now.

I have spoken a few times about the things our council has been doing. Once again, I ask that members consider becoming a candidate for the 2024 Council. Contact Royal Regent Dwight Terry if you are interested or have questions.

Hope to see all of you at a Rosarian activity in the next month.

Prime Minister John Danielson

2023 Rose Festival Hospitality Weekend

Masterpiece of Hospitality

*In the city of roses, there is a sight to behold,
A weekend of roses, shining like gold.
With Royal Rosarians leading the way,
The streets are alive; you must come and stay!*

*A garden of beauty is a Masterpiece so rare,
The fragrance of roses is in the air.
A colorful display, a work of Art,
The weekend of roses always close to our hearts.*

*In Portland town where the roses bloom,
The Royal Rosarians will wear their plume,
Our hospitality, a thing of renown,
As visitors flock to our quaint little town.*

*During the Rose Festival, the city comes alive,
With parades and pageantry we thrive,
Knights and Dames in suits of white,
Deserving citizens, we will then knight!*

*The Rose Festival Queen is a vision all right,
Her beauty shines, such a dazzling sight,
As the festival-goers cheer and surround,
The new Queen of Rosaria will be crowned.*

*The Queens' Garden Party will be a moment of grace,
The scent of roses will fill up the place,
Then we will see Liza and Liberace, oh, such a treat,
Their music, charm and talent impossible to beat.*

*The Grand Floral Ball will be a night of splendor,
The Northwest's' finest, dressed in our gilded glamour,
To the beauty of the night, and the romance in the air,
We will twirl and dance without a care.*

*But alas, all good things must come to an end,
As the festival draws to a close, we will then tend,
To the Farewell Breakfast, with a bittersweet goodbye,
As we bid adieu to all our friends, with a few tears in our eyes.*

*Yet the memories of our Rose Festival will endure,
The joy and laughter, the love so pure,
Until the roses bloom, and the Rosarians return,
We'll hold these memories, forever to yearn.*

*So mark your calendars for the second weekend in June,
As we gather, underneath a quarter moon,
The Festival of Roses will be a sight to behold
Where laughter, love and fun will never grow old!*

Hospitality Auction Needs

If you haven't already, please consider donating items to the Hospitality Silent Auction. This event helps fund our Hospitality Weekend. Deadline to turn in your donations is May 25th, which coincides with the last May membership meeting. So bring your donations to that meeting, and you'll also get a chance to meet the 2023 Rose Festival Court. For questions, or more information about needed items, please contact Dame Sue Simpson or Minister of Foreign Affairs Michelle Veentjer with questions.

Calling all Rosarians!!! We need your help!

It's Rose Festival Hospitality time, and that means all hands on deck! It takes a village (or a small army) to produce our fabulous weekend, so please consider donating your time and talents during the weekend. Here are some specific needs on the following days.

Thursday, June 8th-Hospitality Opens

We need volunteers to take shifts sitting at the Registration Table in the hotel lobby area, as people check in and pick up their packets beginning on Thursday afternoon for several hours, then again on Friday morning and afternoon. Please reach out to Dame Si Barron (tsclion@gmail.com) if you can donate some time to sit at the registration area and greet guests as they pick up their packet bags. Volunteers will also be welcome to grab a snack in the Hospitality Room after their shift!

Speaking of the Hospitality Room, we need Rosarians to donate their time to help in the kitchen and the hosting room for all three days that it is open (Thursday-Saturday). We are specifically looking for help on Friday and Saturday as those are the busy days. Shifts are pretty open right now, so if you can donate time on either or both of those days, please contact Dame Holly Morgan to sign up. (holly.morgan@comcast.net). Volunteers will then be welcome to grab a snack in the room after their shifts.

Our hospitality is renowned for the best food on the Northwest circuit, which means we need your help with donations of food, snacks, and desserts. Please reach out to Holly Morgan and let her know what you can donate, and which day you are able to bring it to the hotel.

Friday, June 9th-Honorary Knighting

We need volunteers to help setup and breakdown the Honorary Knighting ceremony. The ceremony is in the Oregon Courtyard, which is a short two block walk from the hotel, so it's very convenient. We need help early on Friday morning (between 7:00 and 8:00 AM), and then immediately after the ceremony around 12:00 PM, to help with the breakdown. Should only take about an

hour of your time at the most. If you can help, please reach out to Royal Scribe Doug Zimmerman (dougzimmermanpdx@gmail.com) or just show up after the Knighting. Volunteers will be welcome to then come to the Hospitality Room at the hotel for refreshments!

Friday, June 9th-Queens' Garden Party

This event will sell out soon. This event requires a separate registration, and tickets are \$50 a person. Please contact Dame Cindy Marker (cindymarker@mac.com), or you can register on the Royal Rosarian website.

Friday, June 9th-Fun Night - "Liza and Liberace"

We need volunteers in the ballroom immediately after the Queens' Garden Party to help turn the room into our Supper Club. If you can lend a hand for a couple of hours, please meet in the ballroom immediately after the Garden Party Luncheon has concluded to help us setup. If you have any questions, please contact Dame Catherine Camp (catherine.autumnoflife@gmail.com). We will also need some help to break down the room after the event is over.

Saturday, June 10th -"Rosarians at the Met Grand Floral Ball"

If you aren't marching in the parade, please join Duchess Korrie Hoeckendorf in the ballroom beginning at 9 AM to help setup the spotlight event of the weekend. If you are in the parade, after you get back and have a snack in the Hospitality Room, please consider coming down to the ballroom to help setup and get a sneak peek at how spectacular this evening is going to be (Prime Minister John excluded!) After the ball, we will also need some help to breakdown the room, in order to get it ready for the Farewell Breakfast the next morning.

Sunday, June 11th - Weekend Breakdown

After the farewell breakfast is over, the real work of breakdown and cleanup begins (around 11 AM). We'll need many hands to help clean up the Hospitality Room area, loading up decorations and other items to vehicles. If you can stay around a few hours to help the committee get everything squared away, it will be very much appreciated.

Membership Meetings

Our May 4th Membership Meeting was another fun evening. We were entertained with a live musical performance and held the first ever Photo Contest. This month the photos were the "Masterpieces". There were over 50 entries in the photo contest following the theme "Our Rosarian Life". Everyone enjoyed viewing the photo display.

Special thanks to our judges Marie Saturn, Don Brown and Suzanne Day who

chose the winning photos. Everyone in attendance also had the opportunity to vote for their favorite photo - for the people's choice award. Thanks to everyone who participated and congratulations to the winners Kimberly Bown (2)!, Kathy Fastenau and Fran Searce.

The Rose Festival Princesses will be in attendance for our May 25th meeting.

Our June 16th membership meeting has a theme of "Culinary Arts" and we will be offering the first ever Royal Rosarian Cookbook for purchase. It is also election night!!

Register now and attend these fun and informative Membership Meetings.

Sincerely
Kik Nielsen
Master of Ceremonies

Win a Hospitality Packet



**Win a 2023
Portland Rosarian
Hospitality Packet**

Receive one ticket for each membership meeting you pay for and attend. Attend all six meetings and at the May 25 membership meeting you will receive 5 extra tickets. All tickets are entered into the drawing.

At the May 25 meeting we will hold a drawing for a 2023 Hospitality packet. The value of the prize is equal to the value of one single hospitality packet.

Good Luck!

Carcelle XV Celebration of Life



The Royal Rosarians were honored to be part of the "Darcelle XV Celebration of Life Memorial" on Tuesday, April 25 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall.

In front of a sold out auditorium of more than 2,700 Darcelle XV fans, the Royal Rosarians were part of the opening ceremony. Led out onto the Schnitz stage by 30 Royal Rosarians, Prime Minister John Danielson and Duke of the Realm Don Thacker followed with the presentation of Walter Cole's emerald and gold colored urn.



Walter "Darcelle XV" Cole was knighted as a Royal Rosarian Honorary Knight, under Prime Minister Don Thacker in June of 2019.

At age 85, Darcelle XV was awarded the *Guinness Book of World Record* title as the "World's Oldest Living Drag Queen Performer."

Walter W. Cole, Sr., renowned throughout Portland under the stage name "Darcelle XV", died on March 23, 2023 at the age of 92. He was surrounded by family and friends.

Rose Planting Ceremony

On April 27th Prime Minister John Danielson, Council and Royal Rosarians participated in a Rose Planting at Dame Lydia Lundberg and Squire Bill Reed's Elite Care. We were honoring Residents who passed in the prior year. A nice lunch was served afterwards. Thank you to all who attended.



Blessing of the Festival

The Blessing of the Festival was held April 29, 2023 at St. James Lutheran Church in downtown Portland.

It was a beautiful day and a wonderful ceremony. Thank you Council, Dukes and Duchesses, Honor Guards and volunteers for making the day such a memorable event. The 2023 Rose Festival Princess Court made its debut. We honored nine Royal Rosarians and Royal Rosarian Spouses who had passed over the last year.



Airport Greeting

The Royal Rosarians, once again, knocked it out of the park by showing up with open arms and warm smiles for a special airport greeting.

A German delegation and Mayor of Düsseldorf, Germany arrived on Sunday, May 7, to a strong showing of support at the PDX Airport. The Royal Rosarians provided the German delegation with an absolutely fabulous first impression of the City of Roses.

Duchess Kimberly Bown presented the Mayor of Düsseldorf, Stephen Keller, with a signed and sealed certificate by Prime Minister John Danielson and the Honorable City of Portland Mayor, Ted Wheeler.

Thank you to all the Rosarians who showed up for this special PDX Airport greeting.



Wenatchee Apple Blossom Festival

A group of eleven Royal Rosarians traveled to Wenatchee to participate in the Apple Blossom Festival. The Rosarian Float made its maiden voyage, and it looked wonderful. Representatives from the Portland Rose Festival Foundation and the Portland Rose Society joined Prime Minister John Danielson on the float. A special thank you to all the spouses who carried banners and flags. Everyone had a wonderful time.



Three Court Reception

Monday, May 15th, The Royal Rosarian Dukes, Duchesses, Council members and a dedicated committee of Rosarians hosted the Portland Rose Festival Court, the Pendleton Round-Up Court and the Happy Canyon Court. The courts spent the day together, visiting Pittock Mansion and competing in a Dragon Boat Race. The next day they drove to Pendleton and the Portland Court got to experience some country activities.

This has been a tradition for over 15 years, with a three year break due to Covid. So it was very exciting for all of us to restart this great event. Thanks to Dame Lydia Lundberg and Squire Bill Reed for opening their home for this occasion.





Council Election Rules

The annual election meeting of the Royal Rosarians will take place Thursday, June 15th at the DoubleTree Hotel, Portland at 6:30 p.m.

So far this year there are ten candidates for Council and one candidate for Secretary of State.

All Rosarians must register at the voting table to receive their ballot. Once completed the ballots are to be placed in the ballot box. Vote for a maximum of nine candidates for Council. A ballot with more than nine selections for Council will not be counted. Similarly, each ballot must indicate a maximum selection of 2 candidates for the Foundation Board positions. The first ballot voting will end at 6:30 p.m. and ballots will be counted immediately thereafter. Rosarians will vote for Council and Foundation candidates at the outset, but not candidates for the Secretary of State position. After the initial votes are tallied, a separate ballot will be distributed for the Secretary of State position.

Those who attend the Election meeting for the purpose of voting will want to remain in attendance after the Council election at 6:30 so they can vote in the Secretary of State election after the Council ballots are counted.

For new members, the person elected to Secretary of State in June is then in line to become our 2026 Prime Minister.

There is no proxy or absentee voting. You must be present to vote.

Council Candidate Statements

Questions Candidates for Council are asked to answer:

1. How would you explain to a potential new member the benefits of being a Royal Rosarian? (What will they get out of it?)
2. How will your election to Council benefit the Royal Rosarians?



David Althaus

1) Being a member of the Royal Rosarians expands a participants' social networks, which makes them more aware of opportunities to be physically active in Portland's neighborhood communities. Engaging in meaningful civic activities also helps individuals develop a sense of purpose, which may promote continued civic participation and benefit the city as a whole. The Royal Rosarians are also an extremely social organization. We're a fun civic group to be

a member of and after all, who doesn't love a parade?

2) Being an elected council member is very appealing to me, and I believe my past three years on council have well prepared me for a fourth. My strengths include clear and articulate communication with fellow civic organizations, local neighborhood groups and Rosarian members. I take my role on council very seriously and feel I have excelled in my duties and responsibilities. I look forward to serving another year.



Si Barron

1) The benefits of being a Royal Rosarian are far too numerous to mention, but for me the thing I love the most are the friendships I have developed during my years as a Royal Rosarian. Without this organization these relationships would not have evolved. I would also tell them about our charitable projects through the Royal Rosarian Foundation, ceremonial rose plantings, and of course, marching in parades, both locally and out of town festivals. Lastly, I was lucky enough to have a sponsor that invited me to participate in some of the fabulous events the Rosarians are known for hosting. My hope is that I can foster a new member into the Royal

Rosarians as welcoming as my sponsor did for me.

2) I am a people person. I enjoy working on committees that include different personality types. Everyone brings something to the table. I listen to all opinions and give honest feedback. I tend to have a congenial personality that blends well with other views, and when confronted with important decisions find a happy compromise for the good of all concerned.

Doug Crimin

1) I would explain that there are both expected benefits of becoming a Royal Rosarian as well as a number of unexpected benefits. First and foremost, its like having an extended family. Although we are a volunteer organization



with a healthy membership, you will be surprised at some of the lifelong relationships that you'll develop as you team up to work through different goals over time. There are simply some really incredible people in this organization and you will find yourself inspired, sometimes frustrated, but mostly really happy to have met the great people of this organization.

A sense of fulfillment. If you're considering becoming a Rosarian, we hope its because you love Portland and helping people. You will be provided a chance to contribute in ways that benefits our members and the city of Roses. You will be rewarded with a great sense of purpose and fulfillment that you are helping to make a difference.

2) My election to the council will benefit the Rosarians by bringing ideas and thoughts for an ever changing technological landscape that we can harness to share our activities and increase membership. As a returning council member, I would also bring added experience to the council. I beleive that one of the largest challenges we face is an aging membership as well as a vague idea of what it is we actually do as Rosarians. Even to new members it can be a mystery and I think we can do a better job with both media coverage and social media identity and video content. This would help encourage new membership and allow our organization to thrive into our future generations.



Ron Fisher

1) Let me introduce you to the Royal Rosarians. The organization started our traditions in 1912 and has a membership of 243 who love to support our community. Once you become a Rosarian and put on your white suit, you are recognized all over the Northwest. Portlanders will stop and thank you for your contribution to the community. There is a sense of pride that comes with being part of an organization that has been around for over 110 years.

If you love a parade, this group is for you. We march in over 15 parades throughout the Northwest, taking our traveling float to festivals and promoting the best that Portland has to offer. Here in Portland, we are a large presence at the Rose Festival, marshaling floats and

bands. We are the hospitality arm of the festival with our hospitality suite.

2) I enjoy being on council and all that it entails. Learning the inner workings help me appreciate the multifaceted members we have. Spouses/partners are also included and I love working with my wife on events. Some of my favorite events include Hospitality Suite, Chancellor of the Exchequer, transporting and driving the traveling float. I love the pageantry of our ceremonies and enjoy learning new parts. Being a Rosarian has been an honor and a joy. I look forward to many more years serving in this organization.



John Jackson

1) As a Rosarian, you get to see the good in the city and people in general. You'll have opportunities to see events, ceremonies, and locations in the City of Portland that you'd never see as a spectator. As an organization, the Rosarians provide solid networking opportunities, but better yet, you'll find some new lifelong friends.

2) My positive energy and willingness to jump in and help wherever I see a need will benefit the Royal Rosarians. Specifically, I'd like to spend some energy to help boost our presence in the community, connect with leaders in a variety of organizations across the city, and continue to experience the positives in Portland.



Katherine Johnson

1) You will belong to an organization's membership that treats everyone the same, rich or poor, young or old. Everyone within the Organization helps one another to accomplish whatever endeavor they choose. We are supporters of the city of Portland. We support our citizens in Portland. As well, we are ambassadors for the city.

2) You will acquire a person who finishes what she starts. Who is dependable, reliable, experienced, and trustworthy.



Kik Nelson

1) I would explain to a potential new member that the Royal Rosarians are a Portland Tradition. An Organization that has been an active part of Portland's culture for over 100 years. By becoming a Royal Rosarian, you will be carrying on the traditions of the Royal Rosarians. You will experience first hand the joy of representing the most beautiful City of Roses

as an Official Greeter and Ambassador of Goodwill. More importantly, you will be joining something bigger than yourself. You will proudly become a member of a group of individuals who love Portland as much as you do. People who are eager to give back to the city, people who love to march in Parades as representatives of the City, people who love hospitality and who love to warmly welcome guests and visitors from other cities and towns, especially during the Rose Festival. Being a Royal Rosarian gives you the opportunity to share your strengths and talents in many ways. It gives you the opportunity to meet so many new people, make new friends, and become part of the Royal Rosarian family.

2) My election to Council will benefit the Royal Rosarians in many ways. I am a native Portlander who is fiercely proud of the City of Portland. I am outgoing

and love to tell everyone about our beautiful city of Roses. I am energetic and bring positive vibes to every occasion. I am creative and talented and love hosting all types of events. I am warm and welcoming and love making people feel "at home". I have had the honor of being a Royal Rosarian for 7 years. In that time, I have worked on and chaired many committees, including being Hospitality Chair in that year of 2020. I have served as Royal Chaplain, an honor and highlight of my life! I have served as Lord High Sheriff and brought in 10 new members after the lull caused by the pandemic. I am currently serving as Master of Ceremonies, and in this role have brought many new fun and creative "Masterpieces" to the meetings. I have learned to play the drum and have loved playing in the parades. I've also done a great job recruiting new drummers so we can all march to the beat of the same drum!! With my energy and my talents and my positive approach to all things Rosarian, I will continue to be a great addition to the Council.



Michelle Veentjer

1) How would you explain to a potential new member the benefits of being a Royal Rosarian? You will have an opportunity to meet other people that have the same passion for our city and continue to be a part of the rich history and traditions of The Royal Rosarians. It is an honor to wear the white suit and straw hat. The relationship you make along the way are everlasting!

2. How will your election to Council benefit the Royal Rosarians? I have had the opportunity and have been lucky to be part

of the council for 3 year and I think I can bring knowledge and fresh ideas to any tasks and duties that are given to me. I will always do my best to support the Prime Minister, Council membership and general membership.



Patrick Wong

1) The Royal Rosarians are the Official Greeters and Goodwill Ambassadors for the City of Portland, promoting the best interests of the City of Portland and the Portland Rose Festival since 1912. As an organization, we pride ourselves on our commitment to community service, philanthropy, and promoting Portland's culture and heritage.

Becoming a member of the Royal Rosarians has numerous benefits. Membership allows you to join a community of like-minded individuals. As a member, you'll have the opportunity to meet and work with people from various backgrounds and industries, all of whom share a common goal of giving back to the community.

Additionally, being a Royal Rosarian provides you with opportunities to attend a wide range of events and activities throughout the year. These events include parades, out-of-town festivals, community events, and private events hosted by our organization. As a member, you'll have access to exclusive invitations and opportunities to participate in these events.

Membership in the Royal Rosarians also offers the chance to learn more about

the history and culture of Portland. As a member, you'll be able to participate in cultural and historical events and activities and learn from the organization's extensive archives and resources.

Finally, being a member of the Royal Rosarians offers the satisfaction of positively impacting your community. Through the organization's various philanthropic initiatives and community service projects, you'll have the opportunity to give back and make a difference in the lives of others.

Becoming a Royal Rosarian is an excellent opportunity to be part of a vibrant community of individuals passionate about serving their community, attending exciting events, learning about Portland's history and culture, and making a positive impact on the lives of others.

2) In 2021, PM Dwight appointed me Royal Chaplain and elected me as a council member in 2022-2023. I found these two years especially fulfilling. As a life member, I consider it an honor to serve on the Council, engage with community members, and preserve the unique traditions of the Royal Rosarians.

I enjoy connecting with other Rosarians and the greater Portland community. For the past twenty years, I have also built and maintained a customer-focused management practice in a multi-disciplined, complex, and ever-changing business and technology environment. This experience has allowed me to hone my organizational and communication skills. I have sharpened my ability to work with diverse people in today's society, work well unsupervised, and juggle multiple expectations.

Finally, a Council member could be a powerful advocate for our organization and cultural heritage, promoting the values and traditions that Rosarians hold dear. I love my organization and have the right attitude and dedication to contribute immediately and significantly to the Council. As a person of color, I bring a perspective and background that is often missing from council teams. I want to continue serving on the Council to celebrate, preserve, uphold traditions, and offer greater variety to increase our member participation.



Ken Yohe

1) There are many benefits to being a Royal Rosarian and it really depends on what you are looking for and want to do in the organization that will dictate what you get out of it. I know that I joined because it gave Cherrie and I a chance to be part of an organization that is giving back to Portland and working hard to be good ambassadors for Portland. Being a Royal Rosarian allows Cherrie and I to participate in fundraising opportunities, social gatherings, out of town functions, and local parades and celebrations around the Portland Metro area. As an active member, I try and participate in a diverse category of functions throughout the

year and believe in attending monthly meetings to be informed; This has allowed me to meet a good number of members. Another benefit is being part of a diverse Rosarian Family that shares a common goal to shine a light on the best of Portland through our good deeds and actions.

1) For the last three years, Cherrie and I have been active by attending most meetings (some together and some just me as the member), participating

regularly in the numerous events held throughout the year, volunteering as a co-chair for the last two years with Newsmakers, attending most of the golf outings last year, and trying to get to know as many members and their spouses as possible through that participation. If selected, I promise to try and do my best to make the organization successful and to continue to be a positive role model. I also understand as a newer member (Class of 2020), the Council position will allow me to grow further as a Royal Rosarian. I look forward to serving in a Council position should I be elected. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Calendar

Rosarian Membership Meetings Membership meetings will be held at 6:30 pm, DoubleTree Lloyd Center: May 25th, June 15th.

Rosarian Council Meetings - The Council meetings will be held at 7:00 pm at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center: May 22nd, July 17th, August 14th, September 18th.

Rosarian Foundation Meeting - The Foundation meetings will be held at 6:00 pm, DoubleTree Lloyd Center: May 24, July 26th, August 23rd, September 27th.



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



“It's a funny thing about life, once you begin to take note of the things you are grateful for, you begin to lose sight of the things that you lack.”

— Germany Kent

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

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