Royal Rosarians

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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

Dear fellow Rosarians I hope everyone has enjoyed the warm sunny weather thus far. As you will see in the photos in this edition of the Royal Update, we have been very busy since the last edition. I ask you, if you have not done so, to reach out and welcome the new members to our organization.

The year is not quite complete, we still have three more festivals to attend and one more local parade, before the season is over. I would love to see as many as are available to participate in the upcoming festivals and the Astoria parade.

First Lady Amy and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events.

Rose Garden Contest Award Ceremony

The 84th Annual Rose Garden Contest was in full bloom for its Awards Ceremony on June 28th. The year included record breaking rain, cold and hot weather. Another record set was the amount of Novice entries, or first time entrants into the RGC. 20 community residents entered for the very first time. The media coverage by KGW, KOIN, KATU, and Garden

Time showcased the beautiful rose gardens throughout our city.

Royal Regent Korrie Hoeckendorf won for her stunning garden and our very own photographer, Bill Barry, who is usually behind the camera, won the coveted Royal Rosarian Garden Award. Chair Paula Sorensen faced many obstacles, yet her communication and organizational skills provided a quality contest. A special "Thank You" to the RGC Committee and the Judges made up of Rosarians and Rose Society members.

If you have at least twelve rose bushes and live within 20 miles of Pioneer Courthouse Square, please consider entering your garden in next years 85th Annual RGC. The beautiful roses throughout our City enforce our slogan said around the world, "For you a rose in Portland grows". The 84th Annual Rose Garden Contest was dedicated in memory of 2021 Royal Gardener, Dame Mary Getty.
Royal Gardener
Kathy Fastenau

The Milk Carton Boat Race Comes Back with a Great Event.

The Royal Rosarians put on a great Royal Rosarian Milk Carton Boat Race, the final Rose Festival event of the year, on June 26th at the Westmoreland Casting Pond. It was clear that everyone was happy to have the event back!

Working with a new sponsor, Alpenrose, provided an opportunity for cash prizes for the winners and swag for all the participants. Twenty-four boats competed in five different categories, for a total of thirteen races. The Rosarians even had a boat, the AlpenRosarian Flyer, thanks to the efforts of Councilor Craig Dirksen and his wife Jackie. Craig rode it during a publicity spot with Drew Carney before the big day and in a non-official race with Alpenrose on event-day.

Rose Festival Queen Senya and the Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassadors joined the nice-sized crowd to cheer the racers on and posed for photos with the winners. The People's Choice winner was D & D Bros., a three-member team that really caught the heart of the crowd.

It was a warm day, but a nice breeze helped keep it comfortable. The Rosarians were able to tear down the race quickly and the park was again left to the ducks to enjoy the rest of that warm, sunny day.

Connie Shipley, Chair

4th of July Parade and Purely Social

Thanks for coming out to honor our Nation's birthday for the annual July 4th Parade in Hillsboro. Special thanks to Sue and Gene Horton for hosting a wonderful BBQ afterward.

Introducing our New Members

Shari Brown, a native Portlander, attended Rose City Park grade school and attended the Junior Rose Festival Parade every year. She carried on the tradition with her nieces and nephews. After

graduating with a degree in dental hygiene, Shari moved to Eastern Oregon but realized that Portland was home. Shari has volunteered with Northwest Medical Teams locally and in Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala. She and her wonderful husband Donald enjoy traveling and have visited many countries together. Shari's maternal grandparents both worked as welders at the Kaiser shipyards during WWII. Shari was knighted under the Rose Rosie the Riveter in honor of her mother who passed on her love of Roses to Shari, and to her grandmother Evelyn Dillon who was a "Rosie the Riveter"

Dr. Terry Lyndon Johnsson is a native of Portland. He was the first African American from the state of Oregon to serve as U.S Air Force Presidential Honor Guard at the White House, for three U.S. Presidents. Terry has traveled and spoken to young people in all 50 U.S. states and in 67 countries. Currently, he serves as the Vice President of Mission Integration for OHSU/Adventist Health Portland. In 2017, he founded a non-profit high school mentoring program called Student Healthcare Leaders. He was awarded the Martin Luther King Lifetime Achievement Award in 2018.

His first memory of the Royal Rosarian was when he was 5 years old. He tried to leave his family at the parade so he could march with them. Terry was knighted under the Rose "Desmond Tutu" because of its beautiful appearance and because Desmond Tutu has always been one of his heroes of peace and reconciliation.

Carolyn O'Dougherty moved to Portland in 1995 and has spent her professional life working with local non-profits to develop affordable housing. She is also the author of the REWIND trilogy, young adult novels about Portland teens who can freeze and rewind time. Carolyn and her husband live in a floating home on the Multnomah Channel, across from Sauvie Island. They have two adult sons. Carolyn is particularly inspired to represent Portland at a time when our Rose City is still emerging from the challenges of the past few years.

Carolyn was knighted under the sweet smelling William Shakespeare rose, because she believes storytellers are our greatest ambassadors.

Patrick Patterson is a 4th generation Oregonian and Portland Native. He grew up in NE Portland and

graduated from Portland State University. Patrick enjoys technology, having worked in the high-tech sector since 14.

In his spare time, he enjoys travelling to new countries, tennis, cycling, skiing, home renovations, and wine tasting. His favorite Rose Festival memories include watching the Grand Floral and Starlight parades, in which his elementary school principal and pediatrician marched as Royal Rosarians.

Patrick is looking forward to making new friends and representing his city through the many events and activities the Royal Rosarians participate in. He was knighted under the New Zealand rose, of which a row adorns his front yard throughout the summer months.
Chosen for its large diameter, pastel colors, and rich fragrances that endure all summer long.

Cheryl Prochaska grew up in Ohio and graduated from Marietta College. She and her husband Brett moved to Oregon in 1983 where they fell in love with the State and The City of Roses. She is blessed with a wonderful supportive husband and family. Her career in technical sales and marketing fed her love of travel. A woman of many interests, Cheryl enjoys gardening, theatre, music, baseball, kayaking, camping, and water of all sorts. She has enjoyed volunteering for many organizations including Master Gardeners, Travel Portland, and local schools. Now retired, she is looking forward to uniting our community with all the great traditions and activities of the Royal Rosarians.
Chery was Knighted under the rose "Centrifolia Cristata. Her most beloved old garden moss rose is appreciated for its easy care and intoxicating scent.

Judy Rompa is a Portland native, born into a family of musicians. She spent her younger days involved with violin lessons, orchestra rehearsals and various sports. She met her husband Mike at Lewis and Clark College and they have two amazing children, Max and Claire. Judy is an avid volunteer as a 4th grade strings music teacher, and as a board member for a variety of arts organizations. She is a violinist with the Portland Columbia Symphony Orchestra. Judy's mom influenced her love of the Rose Festival and she has always admired the Royal Rosarians and all the historical traditions of Portland. Judy was knighted under the Rose Sugar Moon. She chose this rose for its fragrance and pure white color. It is elegant, beautiful on its own or in any bouquet.

Foundation News

The Royal Rosarian Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Duke Scott Stuhl to its Board of Directors. He was chosen by Prime Minister Dwight to serve a three-year term in one of the designated Duke/Duchess positions. Scott has a long and distinguished history with the Foundation. Also joining the 2022-2023 Board are newly elected Linda White and re-elected Katherine Johnson.

Calendar

Rosarian Council Meetings - The council meetings for the 2021-2022 Rosarian year will be held at 7:00 pm August 15, and September 19 at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel.

Rosarian Foundation Meetings - - Foundation meetings will be held at 6:00 pm July 27, August 24 and September 28 at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel unless otherwise announced.

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

"Each morning when I open my eyes I say to myself: I, not events, have the power to make me happy or unhappy today. I can choose which it shall be. Yesterday is dead, tomorrow hasn't arrived yet. I have just one day, today, and I'm going to be happy in it." - Groucho Marx

(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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