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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).

Hearts and Roses Auction 2013

Help Now to Increase the Growing List of Auction Items



The 2013 Hearts and Roses Auction will be titled "Ports of Call" and will be held on Saturday, February 9th, at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel. Although it seems off in the future, your Auction Committee has been working hard on the planning required to have success at the level to which we have become accustomed.

Event Co-chairs Dame Penny Terry and Sir Knight Larry Rodman, with the help of many others, have already accumulated a wealth of auction items, some unique, some you've seen before, and many somewhat exotic. Your help is needed, though. It will take significantly more effort to fill the silent auction tables with quality items and the oral auction with the kind of packages, trips, items and experiences that bring financial success. With just a little creativity and effort, you too, can bring in donations. That beach house which you could donate for a weekend or a week, a themed dinner party you'd enjoy hosting, and, yes, that favorite restaurant that's dying to donate a gift certificate, are just a few simple ideas. Put on your thinking caps, call Penny or Larry to help bring your ideas to fruition. Step out on that limb, make a commitment and do it

sooner rather than later. We need your help now.

While you are working to procure those unique auction donations, please mark your calendar for Saturday, February 9th. Your attendance at this remarkable event will assure its success. Prime Minister Gayle asks you to consider filling a table--you don't have to pay for all your guests, just invite friends, Rosarians and non-Rosarians, to sit at your table.

Many details and ideas will be reported in future issues of this Royal Update. Please stay tuned.

image: this photo shows the elegance of the Silent Auction set up in the Crystal Ballroom in the Benson Hotel, the venue for last year's event.

Veterans Parade 2012

by Kathie Bagley

Join Us Monday, November 12, in the Hollywood District

Honor our Veterans by participating in the first parade of our new Prime Minister's year, the Ross Hollywood Chapel Veterans Parade. We meet at McDonalds in the Hollywood District at 2010 NE Cesar Chavez Blvd (formerly NE 39th) at 9:15 a.m. on Monday, November 12th.



The parade begins at NE 40th and Tillamook at 9:45 a.m. and ends at the Ross Hollywood Flag Pole at NE 48th and Sandy. We will be the honor guard and participate in presenting a wreath during a short ceremony following the parade.

Immediately following the ceremony we will gather for a light lunch at Posh Designs, Dame Linda Seals' store located at 4023 NE Hancock.

Uniform for the parade is whites with Dames in pants. New members who don't yet have their whites can wear their green jackets and black pants. If you have a question contact Kathie Bagley at 503-544-4448 or kathie@kathiebagley.com.

image: The short parade is followed by a touching tribute ceremony including the Royal Rosarians as active participants. Here, Rosarians honor our veterans in a past ceremony.

Life Member and Spouse Appreciation Night



RSVP Now--Membership Meeting Thursday, November 1

One of the more visible and fun duties of spouses is to carry the Royal Rosarian banner in local and out-of-town parades. However, spouses are also members of most committees and very often are a driving force in that committee work. Here, two Rosarian wives lead the group in a past Veterans Parade.

It is fairly obvious that this first Membership Meeting of the Rosarian year is designated

to honor and thank the many efforts of the spouses, so important to the work we accomplish.

What, though, does the designation "Life Member" mean and who are we honoring?

The Edict defines Life Members as Rosarians who have paid dues and served for 25 years or, for someone who has served as Prime Minister and has paid dues for 15 years. This is truly a milestone in the royal life of a Rosarian and one we all strive to achieve.

At the November 1st meeting we will introduce three new Life Members who have reached this milestone (guess who they might be). Your presence and support on November 1st will honor our new Life Members and all Life Members.

Plan now to attend this meeting at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel. The theme for November will be "Octoberfest". Social Hour will start at 5:30 p.m (don't forget free wine tasting). Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. Members need to make appropriate reservations in advance and please remember our policy: **when you make a reservation we commit to the hotel and those with reservations will be charged even if they do not attend.**

Meal choices are: bratwurst, chicken, or vegetarian cost is \$35, unchanged since 2007. For more information please contact Mark Sleasman at marksleasman@msn.com.

Christmas Brunch 2012

"The Magic of Christmas"

*Royal Rosarian
Christmas Brunch*

Sunday, December 2nd, 2012

In the Benson Hotel's Mayfair Ballroom

*Check-In and Social Hour begins
at 10:30 am*

Seating at 11:15 am

Plated Brunch at 11:30 am

Cost: \$30.00 per person

Attire is "Holiday Sparkle"

*There will be a contest for the best Christmas tie and scarf!
Prize for the winner in each category!*

*We will be accepting donations, but every much needed, donations of
new unwrapped toys for the Portland Police Bureau's Sunshine
Division and new unwrapped toys for the Portland Fire
Bureau's Toy and Joy Drive.*

Registration Form
2012 Royal Rosarian Christmas Brunch
Sunday, December 2nd, 2012 10:30 am

Name and Title _____
Guest Name(s) _____
Number Attending _____ at \$30.00 each. TOTAL DUE \$ _____ (Must be paid by November 23rd)
Make Checks Payable to ROYAL ROSARIANS, or use your Visa or MasterCard
Card # _____ Exp. Date _____
Send Completed Registration Form to: Jeri Beck, 1125 NW 12th Ave. #503, Portland, OR 97209

Mark Your Calendars for Sunday, December 2

The text within this beautiful promotional flyer created by Sir Knight Adam Baker is too small to read in the Royal Update but the full-size original will be readily available to all who attend the November 1st membership meeting. The registration form attached to it will allow you to sign up to participate in the holiday festivities.

In the meantime, this is what the flyer will tell you. The event is the **Royal Rosarian Christmas Brunch**. It will be held on **Sunday, December 2nd** in the **Benson Hotel's Mayfair Ballroom**. **Check-in and Social Hour begins at 10:30 a.m.** with **Seating at 11:15 a.m.** and **plated brunch at 11:30 a.m.** The **cost is \$30.00 per person**. **Attire is "Holiday Sparkle"**

The flyer goes on to say donations of new unwrapped toys and non-perishable food will be gladly accepted for the Portland Fire Bureau's Toy and Joy Drive and the Portland Police Bureau's Sunshine Division. Registration forms should be sent to Dame Jeri Beck. Attend the November 1st membership meeting and get your very own full size flyer.

Who's In Charge

A Dynamic Listing of Organizational Responsibilities



Pictured here is the Royal Rosarian Executive Council (left to right): Marilyn Schultz, Secretary of State, Gayle Whitehurst, Prime Minister, and Mark Smith, Lord High Chancellor.

*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 Danner March, Junior Parade Band Marshals & Shuttle Drivers, Starlight Parade (Jeri Beck chairing) Hosting by Starlight, Grand Floral Parade, Rose Parade Float Design, PA Towers (Gordon Walker chairing), RF Parade Scripts, Drill Masters (John Creegan chairing), Drummers (David Ott chairing), Foundation Poinsettia Sales (Aivars Saukants chairing), and acts as Sister Cities liaison, Travel Portland Liaison (David Penilton chairing) and City of Portland Liaison.

Jacque Janulis as Lord High Chamberlain is responsible for Hospitality Weekend including Registration (Robert & Lin Cyrus chairing), Washington Park Knighting (Fred Cooper & Doug Zimmerman chairing), Queens' Garden Party (Shirley Edwards & Lin Hledik chairing), Fun Night (Kim Bown chairing), Hospitality Room (Mercy Norby & Lynn Reinecker chairing), VIP Reception (Jonelle Battaglia 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), and Local Parades (John Creegan chairing).

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, Rose Plant Procurement (David Etchepare chairing), the Christmas Brunch 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 **Jacque Janulis** (Council Member)

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

Swinging Through Washington



Prime Minister Selects Four Out-of-Town Trips

You don't have to be around the Royal Rosarians very long to see that our true talent as an organization is demonstrated in every social event we organize. It is our ability to host, with considerable experience and absolute attention to detail that allows us to throw great parties.

So, too, do our sister organizations throughout the Northwest Hosting circuit excel at hosting. Each festival has a unique flavor and varying levels of size and complexity. But the one thing common to all is the ability to provide fun. Although many Rosarians have their favorite Out-of-Town trips, most will admit they are all great value and well worth the effort.

With that in mind, the Prime Minister selected four preferred Out-Of-Town Festivals this year, meaning that Rosarians are asked to attend in significant numbers. It is not realistic to expect that we can attend all festivals in significant numbers or be able to commit the traveling float to attend each one (although it participates in many).

For a variety of reasons Prime Minister Gayle has selected the following four festivals to receive our full attention this year: Wenatchee Apple Blossom Festival (May 3-5), Spokane Lilac Festival (May 17-19), Leavenworth Autumn Leaf Festival (Sept 27-29,) and Issaquah Salmon Days Festival (Oct 4-6).

In future issues we will focus on each festival, giving details as well as the thinking behind each selection. We hope to convince you that you should commit soon to making at least one, if not two or more, of these great trips. The value, the fun and most of all the Royal Rosarian camaraderie should convince you.

Announcements

For the Good of the Royal Rosarians



Attention - Attention - Attention

Two important events need your participation early next week. On **Monday, October 22** there will be a **Rose Planting** at the Spirit Mountain Casino in Grand Ronde, Oregon. The time is 10:00 a.m. and a brunch will follow the ceremony. Full whites with

hats and gloves is appropriate attire.

The very next day on **October 23rd** there will be a **VIP Greeting**. Dignitaries from Suzhou, China will be arriving at the airport. Rosarians meet at the Sheraton Airport Hotel at 10:00 a.m. in full whites, ladies in skirts with hats and gloves.

Cheer and Outreach Report

Sir Knight Merritt Yoelin, knighted in 2010 under the rose Double Delight, passed away October 15 after a valiant struggle with cancer. His memorial service was held October 18. Merritt was 72 and left a legacy of service to Kiwanis, the legal profession, arts organizations, his synagogue and other non-profits.

Sir Knight Mark Reaksecker recently underwent surgery for recurrent cancer. He is home and is resting. Mark, with the help of Lady Lori, is very focused on getting back to perfect health and--to use his energy where it is needed most--decided to resign from the Council with a heavy heart. Please send cards and say prayers.

Lady Phyllis Parker, friend of Duke Victor Greb, recently fell and suffered a minor fracture of her right hip about five years after fracturing her left hip. She is back home with Vic and welcomes cards and calls. We've heard reports that while Phyllis was in a care center about a mile from Vic's home a certain white-haired gentleman was seen riding his three-wheel motorized bike at speeds of up to 20 mph on pathways between his home and the care facility in Vancouver.

Sir Knight Glen Newby and Lady Gerry wanted to express sincere gratitude for all the cards, phone calls, and well wishes sent to them. Lady Gerry said that Glen rereads them often. They so appreciate all the Rosarian kindness shown to them.

Sir Knight Doug Nielsen underwent cancer surgery yesterday, October 18th. Once Doug has recovered from the surgery, there may be 6 weeks of radiation treatments. The cancer is on the back of his tongue and is very treatable but he will have difficulty eating. Cards and prayers would be very welcomed but please no phone calls at this time.

Don't Forget!

Uniform change to black pants with green jackets now in effect--be sure to wear black pants to the November 1 membership meeting.

Message Regarding Membership Meetings

Our attendance guarantee is due to the hotel 72 hours in advance. If you make a reservation and have to cancel, it must be done 72 hours in advance or you will likely be billed for that membership meeting. If you make your reservation online you WILL get a confirmation number. Without that confirmation your reservation is possibly in cyberspace. Please follow up if you do not receive that confirmation since without a reservation you are not guaranteed a meal. Every effort will be made to use unclaimed reservations to provide for anyone without a reservation but sometimes the numbers won't fall in line. We must pay the hotel for all meals reserved so that cost will be passed on to the no-show member.

Tips with the Royal Update-

We've received quite a number of thanks for the Royal Update--we appreciate your feedback. More than 202 people opened and read the last issue of the Royal Update and a couple had questions. Here they are:

1) One reader (a Duke who shall remain anonymous) emailed asking us to add his spouse to the Royal Update mailing list. We're happy to add anyone who's a friend of Rosaria but it's not necessary to contact the editors; it's easy for you to add someone yourself. At the bottom of each Royal Update is a "Join" button next to which you can insert the new recipient's email address, then click the "Join" button. It's that easy! And remember: our capacity is virtually unlimited and emailing is as close to free as communications get.

2) One Rosarian emailed asking about printing the Royal Update on 8 1/2 by 11 paper. Keeping in mind that this is an electronic newsletter, designed for delivery by email, printing it is a bit like printing the New York Times, USA Today or other electronic content from a web site--it may not format and print perfectly on letter-size paper

because it is, after all, a 21st Century electronic e-mail newsletter. But it can be done--we print about two dozen copies of the Royal Update to snail mail to our older members and widows who don't use email. Here's a tip on how to best print the Royal Update: At the top where it asks if you are having trouble viewing this email, click here. When the next view opens, right click and choose the print option. Continue as normal to print. You will receive a very viewable and readable hard copy of the Update with an occasional odd break in a picture or in text.

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Sunday, November 4th at 2:00 a.m. - Clocks fall back one hour.

New Royal Scribe Appointed

Sir Knight Don Thacker has been appointed by Prime Minister Gayle as Royal Scribe to replace Mark Reaksecker this year. Council unanimously approved the appointment at the October Council meeting.

Rose Garden Work Party

We have set the date for the fall wind topping at the Washington Park International Rose Test Garden! On Wednesday, November 14th, volunteers will assemble to lop the roses at waist height (no rose expertise required!). This prepares the 4.5 acre garden for a winter hiatus until its time for spring pruning. Volunteers are welcome to come any time in the morning but the big crew will assemble at 8:30 am to start at first decent light. Dress for rain and bring warm garden gloves. Pruners and loppers will be available. Harry will be serving a hot dish and coffee/tea to supplement whatever volunteers bring for lunch. The more help, the faster the task is done, and the merrier a time will be had by all!



Don't forget the free wine tasting during the social hour at the upcoming membership meeting on November 1st. Your Wine Committee will introduce the first-ever Platinum Award - Winning Wine to honor Prime Minister Gayle Whitehurst. You will have the opportunity to order this fine wine at a very good Royal Rosarian price. Here, is a photo of a Rosarian selection from the past.

Rosarian Profile

This issue we would like to introduce all Rosarians to a very special member. It would be rare if you do not already know this gentleman because he has been a member since 1984 and he and his lovely bride have performed every possible service in this organization with the exception of one. He has never served as the Prime Minister and never will (so he says but never say never).

Knighted under the rose Grand Masterpiece, he was sponsored by Duke Vic Nudelman (now deceased) and immediately jumped into the organization with the applied pressure and direction of Duke Nudelman. Since that time, he has become the "go to" guy to participate, and most often, to chair every Committee or event that needs help. He and his wife work together and perform reliably and flawlessly. They seem to thrive best when working in the background, out of the limelight.

Our honored profilee is a graduate of Washington State University, where he received his degree in Architecture. A long-time employee of the large Portland firm, Skidmore Owings and



Merrill, he eventually started his own architectural firm where he created a very good reputation in the design of hospitals and medical buildings. He eventually retired and now lives the good life.

When he is not trying to solve all the royal problems of our organization or those of the Kiwanis Club of Portland, where he is a Past President, he is traveling the world or on the golf course. He loves to ride his bicycle (long distances) and enjoys just spending time with family and friends. He and his wife especially enjoy their one grandson, Jack.

Please, if you are a fairly new Rosarian or if you do not already know Tom and Shirley Sagerser, seek them out and meet them, share your time with them and learn to enjoy them, as we have over these many years. They are the best of the best in the Royal Rosarians.

Royal Rosarian Calendar



Events For Your Calendar

Rosarian Membership Meetings-- Now is a great time to put on your calendar all seven of this year's membership meetings, held on the following Thursdays: November 1 (Life Members and Spouses Appreciation Night), 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. 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.: November 19, December 17, 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 October 25, November 20, January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 16, July 25, August 22, and September 24.

Rose Planting - Monday, October 22, Spirit Mountain Casino at 11:00 a.m.

Veterans Parade -- Monday, November 12, Hollywood District - Meet at McDonald's restaurant at NE 39th & NE Tillamook at 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Brunch -- December 2, Benson Hotel (see article above).

Christmas for Kids - December 5, Hollywood Fred Meyer

NW Festival Hosting Conference - Jan. 18-20, Marysville, Wa.

Hearts and Roses Auction -- February 9, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Newsmakers of the Year, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

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

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

Apple Blossom Festival - May 3-5, Wenatchee

Lilac Festival -- May 17-19, Spokane

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

Memorial Day March -- May 27, Waterfront Park

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*

*Autumn Leaf Festival -- **September 27-29**, Leavenworth*

*Issaquah Salmon Days Festival - **October 5-6***

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

***"All our dreams can come true--
if we have the courage to pursue
them."***

- Walt Disney

(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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