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Royal Update

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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).

Blessing of the Festival

This Saturday, April 16



Every year the Royal Rosarians host the Blessing of the Festival in an event like no other. As the Rose Festival season begins, this event introduces the public to the newly-selected princesses of 2016. These are amazing young women who represent our community, and it is the Rosarians' honor to present them to the public.

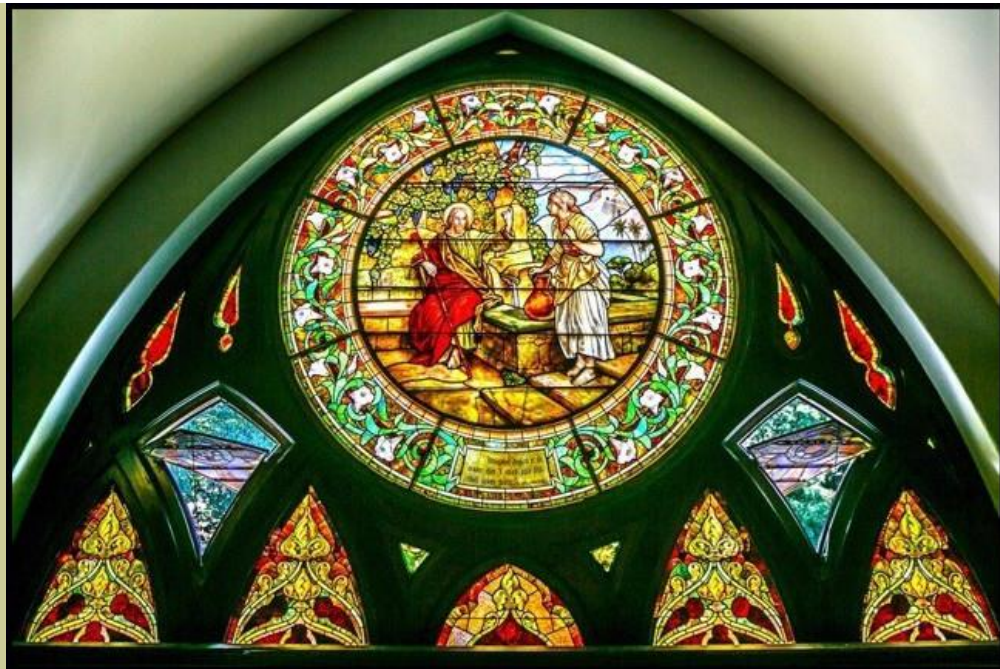
This event also honors those within our organization who have passed away in the previous year. In addition, it is our opportunity to honor those in our sister organizations (the Rose Festival Foundation, the Rose Society and the Blueback Submarine Council) who have also passed away.

As always, there will also be a Rose Planting ceremony and reception following the Blessing. This year, the Rose Ceremony will be held in the Rose Garden of the South Blocks Park across the street from the Portland Art Museum (1/2 block south of the church).

Please contact Roz Vancil at rozvancil@gmail.com to sign up to be part of the honor guard. Or, sign up on the Rosarian Calendar under the Blessing of the Festival event.

Rosarians should arrive at 12:45 p.m. for a practice walk-through and should wear parade whites, gloves and **bring hats to the church**. Women please wear day skirts (pants are fine). If you do not have your dress whites yet, green jackets and white trousers are acceptable. We would love to see as many Rosarians as possible attend to set the tone for the rest of the season.

As always, the public is invited to attend. If you have friends or neighbors who would be interested, please invite them also.



images: this past Monday, several of the Blessing of the Festival participants met to walk through the ceremony in this beautiful and historic church in downtown Portland.

Upcoming Out of Town Festival

Apple Blossom Festival, May 6-8

The Washington State Apple Blossom Festival, originally called



"Blossom Days," was founded in 1919 to celebrate the importance of the apple industry to the region. The Ladies Musical Club produced the first festival in 1920, a one-day event involving songs, speeches, maypoles, and baseball. The festival's relative success in drawing in large crowds assured the continuation of the festival in subsequent years. In 1921, the Commercial Club, forerunner of the Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce, took over sponsorship.

This year the theme is "Simply the Best" and you can be assured that Wenatchee hospitality will live up to those words. There will be a "Best of the West" casual dinner on Friday night and a festival formal dinner on Saturday night titled "One Enchanted Evening." In between there will be a Royal Rosarian Rose Planting and the Washington State Apple Blossom Grand Parade. Make your plans now to attend.

The hotel is the Coast Wenatchee Center, which is filling up fast. You can make reservations by calling 509-662-1234. Indicate the Applarian block of rooms to obtain the \$108 per night rate. Packet information is available by contacting steve@lacykane.com

Questions regarding this festival or transportation to attend will gladly be answered by Sir Knight Morris Westlund at 503-781-1981 or morriswestlund@gmail.com

image: for the car-enthusiast, Wenatchee is your opportunity to enjoy the sights and sounds of the past. Old, well-restored automobiles are everywhere throughout the weekend.

Northwest Festival Hosting information for all out of town festivals is available on one convenient website. Click on this link to view.

[click here to view all Out of Town Festival information](#)

Upcoming Rose Planting at Markham House



Join Fellow Rosarians on April 24

On April 24, 2016 the Royal Rosarians will conduct a rose planting ceremony at 4:00 p.m. at the historic Markham House located at 450 NE 32nd Ave, in Portland. The ceremony will tie in with a Community Open House

scheduled that day from 11am-4pm. Arrive by 3:00 p.m. to tour the property.

The Markham House was built in 1911 as the Laurelhurst Neighborhood's real estate office. The house has been frequently in the news the last few years as one of the many historic houses facing demolition. The original contractor who planned to raze the building was bought out after a much heralded fund-raising effort by the community. John McCulloch of McCulloch Construction, stepped in as the new owner and contractor to restore and renovate the property. The house will be put up for sale this summer. Check out this recent news report by clicking on this link .

[Check out this recent news report](#)

2016 Royal Rosarian Wine Sale

This Is Your Last Chance!

Currently underway until April 15 is the annual Royal Rosarian Wine Sale. Your Wine Committee has been hard at work traveling, tasting, selecting and tasting some more so that Rosarians can enjoy the very best wine at the very best prices.



There are both reds and whites available. Buy one case (12 bottles) and receive six extra bottles at no additional cost. Buy half of a case (6 bottles) and receive two extra bottles at no additional cost.

In addition to receiving great value, purchasing this wine helps to fund the purchase of wine for the Royal Rosarian Hospitality Weekend. Call Mercy Norby today to order (or at least by April 15). She can be reached at 503-367-7801.

Class of 2016 to be Knighted



Plan to Attend Saturday, April 30

Please join us on Saturday, April 30 at the Red Lion Hotel at Jantzen Beach to celebrate the New Member Class of 2016.

An exceptional group of Royal Rosarians will be knighted into our organization by Queen Kahedja.

The ceremony is steeped in tradition and pageantry, and includes dinner and dancing to the great music of the One Brick Shy Band. Invitations are in the mail to you, and Lin (Cyrus) Hledik is awaiting your registration. Co-Chairs Dave and Connie Shipley and a hard working committee are planning a magical evening. Hope to see you on the 30th of April dressed in your best! Get ready to celebrate!

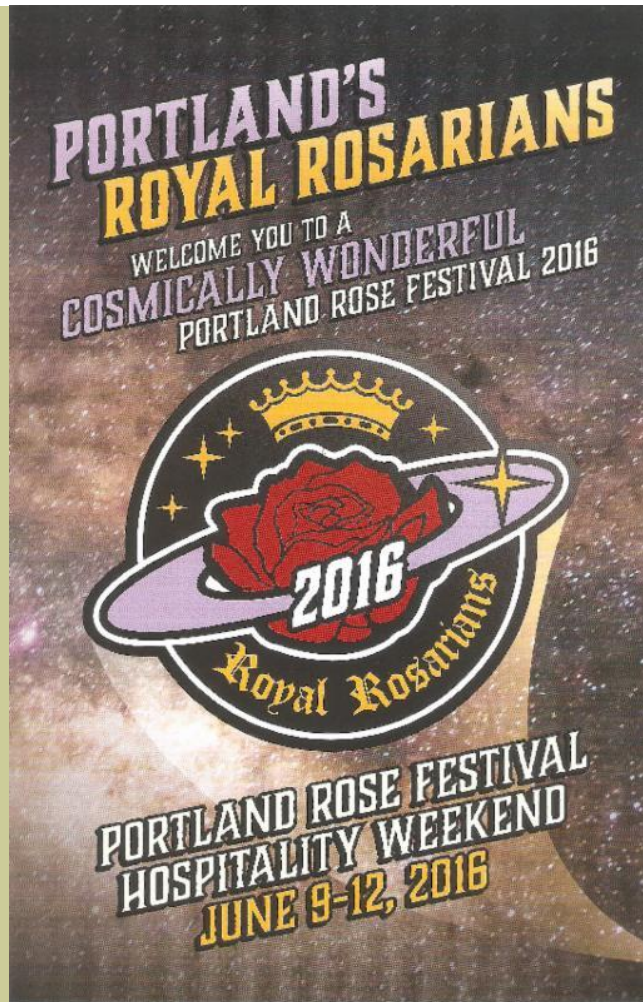
image: then Royal Regent Mark Smith escorts Queen Kahedja into the ceremony at last year's Knighting event in August.

2016 Hospitality Weekend

It is not too soon to sign up now! Join many of your fellow Royal Rosarians who have already made the commitment to enjoy the finest party on the planet. Your presence is requested and your early registration will be appreciated.

Register on the Royal Rosarian website or call Amy Arasmith or Korrie Hoeckendorf with questions.

Register before the April 7 membership meeting and become eligible to win a pair of beautifully hand-etched wine glasses.



Daffodil Festival



Prime Minister Rick Saturn and First Lady Marie ride atop the newly christened Royal Rosarian Traveling Float in the Daffodil Parade.

Prime Minister Rick Saturn and First Lady Marie pose among the beautiful royalty of the Daffodil Festival in Tacoma, Washington.



VIP Rose Plantings



This large group of Royal Rosarians, spouses and friends gathered to plant a rose at the home of Portland Rose Society President Dave and Elizabeth Etchapare (he is also a Royal Rosarian).

Attendance was strong at the home of Prime Minister Rick Saturn and First Lady Marie as all gathered to plant a rose in their honor.



April Membership Meeting



The April 7 Membership Meeting was held at the Columbia Edgewater Country Club where all enjoyed the pleasant surroundings and change of pace.

Announcements



For the Good of the Organization

Cheer and Outreach

Phyllis Parker, Rosarian friend and long-time companion of the late Duke of the Realm Victor Greb, passed away Monday, April 4. Phyllis fell on March 31, ultimately causing a coma from which she never recovered. No information

regarding services is available at this time.

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Support New U.S. Citizens

Be a member of the Royal Rosarian Honor Guard at a naturalization ceremony for candidates for US citizenship. A reception will take place immediately following the ceremony. When: Thursday, May 5, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. (Assemble at 12:30 p.m.). Where: Tom McCall Waterfront Park, Main Entrance Gate. Attire: Whites with hats, capes and gloves. Women to wear pants.

2016 Rose Garden Contest is now open

Show off your garden and apply now (it's free). Applications are due May 26. Download your application from the Royal Rosarian website.

Membership Meeting RideShare

Need a ride to our membership meetings? Gene Horton, chair of RideShare, will match you with a member driver in your area. Call Gene at 503-747-8385 or email gene@hortonos.com

image: Duke Victor Greb who passed away on February 19 is shown with his long-time companion Phyllis Parker who passed away on April 4. They are riding, here, in a carriage during one of their many visits to the San Antonio Fiesta.

Calendar

Rosarian Council Meetings -- The Council meetings for this Rosarian year will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 16, July 18, August 15 and September 26 at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center.

Royal Rosarian Foundation Meetings -- will be held on April 27, May 25, July 27, August 31 and September 21. They will be at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel and are scheduled from 6:00 p.m 'til 8:00 p.m.



Blessing of the Festival - April 16

San Antonio Fiesta - April 17-24, San Antonio, TX

New Member Reception - April 26, Red Lion Jantzen Beach

New Member Knighting - April 30, Red Lion Jantzen Beach

Membership Meeting - May 5, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Cinco de Mayo Immigration Ceremony - May 5, Waterfront

Wenatchee Apple Blossom Festival - May 6-8, Wenatchee, WA

St. Johns Parade - May 14, North Portland

Spokane Lilac Festival - May 20-22, Spokane, WA

Membership Meeting - May 26, DoubleTree Lloyd Center

Hyack Festival - May 27-29, New Westminster, BC

Powell Valley Senior Center Rose Planting - June 4, 10:00 a.m.

Hosting by Starlight - June 4, Hotel deLuxe, 7:00 p.m.

Starlight Parade - June 4, Portland Park Blocks, 7:00 p.m.

Rose Garden Contest Judging - June 5, 9:00 a.m.

Columbia Highway Celebration - June 7

Kiwanis Rose Festival Breakfast - June 8, Benson Hotel, 7:30 a.m.

Fred Meyer Junior Parade - June 8, Holyhood District, 12:30 p.m.

Hospitality Weekend - June 9-12, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center

City of Portland Reception - June 9, Portland City Hall, 12:30 p.m.

Ship Greetings - June 9, Portland Seawall, 12:00 p.m.

Honorary Knighting & Reception - June 10, Washington Park, 10:00 a.m.

Queens' Garden Party - June 10, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center, 12:30 p.m.

Fun Night - June 10, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center, 5:30 p.m.

Queen's Coronation - June 11, Veterans' Memorial Coliseum, 7:30 a.m.

Grand Floral Parade - June 11, Veterans' Memorial Coliseum, 10:00 a.m.

Grand Floral Ball - June 11, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center, 6:00 p.m.

Farewell Breakfast - June 12, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center, 8:30 a.m.

Queen's Plaque Laying Ceremony - June 12, Washington Park, 11:00 a.m.

Membership Meeting (elections) - June 16, DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center

Marysville Strawberry Festival - June 17-19, Marysville, WA

Rose Garden Contest Awards Ceremony - June 21, Washington Park, 6:30 p.m.

Good in the Hood Parade - Northeast Portland, 9:30 a.m.

Tillamook Dairy Days Festival - June 25, Tillamook, OR

Milk Carton Boat Races - June 26, Westmoreland City Park, 10:30 a.m.

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

[click here to see the Royal Rosarian website.](#)

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"The secret to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources."

-- Albert Einstein

(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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