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Greetings, Rosarians and Friends,

Thanks for reading this issue of the electronic newsletter (e-newsletter) of the Royal Rosarians produced by Sir Knight Adam Baker, Editor. If you have suggestions or contributions for this newsletter, please contact Adam.

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2013 Council Election Results

On June 14th, Rosarians gathered at Persimmon Country Club in Gresham to elect the Council members for 2013. The Executive Council, as pictured to the right, will consist of Gayle Whitehurst as Prime Minister, Mark Smith as Lord High Chancellor and Marilyn Schultz, who was elected to the position of Secretary of State.



Council Members for 2013 include (alphabetically by last name): Kathie Bagley, James Brennan, Jacquie Janulis, John Santos, Rick Saturn, Aivars Saukants, Jim Stahl and Bob Wolcott. The Rose Planting team consists of Larry Roberts as Royal Chaplain, Lynne McIntyre as Royal Gardener and Mark Reaksecker as Royal Scribe. The Royal Regent will be Rob Hungerford, and Executive Secretaries will be Denny Baker, Tony Pasion and Bob Strader. The Council Members, spouses and guests are pictured below.



The Secretary of State dinner was held on June 20th at the Stockpot Broiler Restaurant in Beaverton and was a great chance for the elected Council members to meet together. Congratulations to everyone and best of luck in the upcoming year!

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*For the Good of the
Rosarians!*



2013 PM Trip to Florida

Please plan on joining 2013 Prime Minister Gayle Whitehurst and First Squire Ed as they embark on a two week trip to Florida! The group will spend time in Cocoa Beach and St. Petersburg. For more information, please contact event co-chairs Larry Roberts and Bob Simmons.

Sash Protocol Reminder

For the Centennial Year, Prime Minister Rob Hungerford would like members to wear sashes whenever in whites. If you wear a tuxedo or formal gown to a ball he would like sashes to be worn as well. Sashes are not worn with greens or with casual wear. Please see Gayle Whitehurst to pick up your sash at events or parades. You are responsible for your sash; one sash is provided for each member.

Royal Rosarian Foundation - The Donald Project

Submitted by Sir Knight Gordon V. Walker



The following are the last of the descriptions of the Foundation's events and activities that are contained in The Donald Project. The Foundation hopes these have been helpful to our members, in fulfilling our mission statement "To support the charitable activities of the Royal Rosarians", which also includes supporting some of the Rose Festival Foundation's activities.

Once again, many thanks to Dukes Don Henderson and Bob Strader for all of their work in providing this very important information for your edification.

The Royal Rosarian Traveling Float promotes the City of Roses, the Portland Rose Festival and the Royal Rosarians. It travels to eleven NW Festival Hosting group Festivals including the Tacoma Daffodil, Washington State Apple Blossom in Wenatchee, Spokane Lilac, New Westminster, B.C. Hyack, Portland Rose Festival Starlight Parade, Marysville Strawberry, Olympia Capital Lakefair, Seattle Seafair, Astoria Regatta, Washington State Autumn Leaf in Leavenworth, and the Issaquah Salmon Days Festival.

It also travels to local and out-of-town parades including St. Johns, Portland's 82nd Avenue of Roses, Hillsboro's Rotary 4th of July, Sandy Mountain Days, Tillamook Dairy Parade, Battle Ground Harvest Days and the Hollywood Neighborhood Veterans' Day Parade.

Except for this year, the float reflects the theme of the Portland Rose Festival and is built by volunteers from the Royal Rosarians. The 2012 theme reflects our Centennial Celebration. The Portland Rose Festival Queen or our Prime Minister are the honored riders during the parades. The parade follows our marching unit and is a welcome addition along the parade route. During 2011 our float won 11 awards, with many of them being First Place awards. A dedicated and capable crew of men and women volunteer to build, decorate, set-up, tear-down and guide the float during parades.

The Royal Rosarian Statue In Washington Park. In October of 2011, the Royal Rosarians donated a statue to the City of Portland in celebration of the Rosarians' 100th anniversary. The statue depicts a Royal Rosarian in his traditional uniform tipping his hat to greet visitors to the garden. It is life size and mounted in such a way that visitors can stand next to it for pictures. The statue is very popular and is photographed more often than the roses that bloom in the International Rose Test Garden.

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Royal Rosarian Foundation (continued)

Along with the statue is a plaque which explains the role of the Royal Rosarians and provides details about the Prime Ministers' plaques and roses that are displayed on the Prime Ministers' Walk in the Royal Rosarian Garden.

In August of 2011 there was an official unveiling of the statue as part of the Royal Rosarian 100th Anniversary Celebration. A dedication and placement of a time capsule with Royal Rosarian memorabilia will occur on August 18th, 2012. The time capsule is to be opened in the year 2112.

The statue was paid for by the Royal Rosarian Foundation through funds donated by the Royal Rosarian membership. After nearly 10 years of work getting approvals, creating the design and raising funds, a permanent representative of the Royal Rosarians watches over our Rose Garden.

The Rosarian Foundation also assists Portland Parks and Recreation with necessary maintenance of the International Rose Test Gardens such as deadheading rose bushes. The Foundation also underwrites the expense of replacing sidewalks and rose bushes in the Royal Rosarian section of the garden.

Just one more way your Foundation serves the citizens of Portland.

The Rose Festival Living History Program is an educational program designed to bring both Portland and Rose Festival history to life for festival-goers and local students.

Featured for the 2012 year is W.J. Hofmann, who was the first Prime Minister of the Royal Rosarians. He will share what life was like in the early 20th Century when the Rosarians were first formed. W.J. operated the Multnomah Hotel, today the Embassy Suites Downtown. He had an idea to assemble a group of men who could represent Portland and host our out of town visitors. Thus, in June 1912 the Royal Rosarians were officially formed, and W.J. served as the first Prime Minister.

Thelma Williams became the Rose Festival's first queen in 1914. She was asked by her boss at the Harriman Transportation Club of railroad workers to run as one of 24 contestants. Winning the title, she toured with her 11 maids of honor, representing Portland and planting roses in over a dozen northwest cities. Only 17 years old, Thelma just wanted people to see the festival as a fun event and to make people happy.

An automobile and motorboat racer and all around daredevil, Silas Christofferson flew his Curtis biplane from the top of the Multnomah Hotel. A cheering crowd of 50,000 people watched as 22-year-old Silas successfully took off from the top of the hotel and landed at an air field in Vancouver, Washington. Silas never tired of the spotlight and went on to accomplish more in aviation history.

This worthwhile program is just one of your Foundation's efforts to serve the citizens of Portland.



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Rose Garden Contest Awards

Royal Rosarian Foundation 74th Rose Garden Contest

The Rose Garden Contest promotes appreciating and growing roses. The evening Awards Program consisted of welcoming remarks, presentation of awards and refreshments. The Royal Rosarians and Royal Rosarian Foundation would like to thank all the individuals and organizations that help make the Contest special.

Winners

Division 1 Cottage Garden - Terry Glickman

Division 2 Grand Challenge - Terry Glickman

Division 3 Rose Plantings

Section A 25-50 Rose Bushes - Estelle May

Section B 76 or more Rose Bushes - Gretchen Humphrey

Section D 150 or more Rose Bushes - Dick and Pat Allen

Division 4 Miniature Roses

Section A - Stephanie Scott

Division 5 Visibility

Section A West Side - Paul and Annette Raab

Division 6 Senior Citizens

Section A East Side - Bill and Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Section B West Side - Estelle May

Division 7 Special Circumstances - Robert Fedr

Division 8 Royal Rosarian Trophy - Carla and Gary Stenberg

Division 11 Winners Circle - Karen and Allen Merrill

Division 12 Commercial Rose Gardens and Plantings

Section B Nursing and Retirement Centers - Powell Valley Assisted Living Community

Section C Public Service Agencies - Fire Station #17

Section D First Time Entry - School of Nursing, University of Oregon

Division 13 Portland Media Celebrities - Mike Donahue



The 2013 Rose Garden Contest will be the 75th year, judging will be June 2nd and 3rd (the Sunday after the Starlight Parade) and the Awards Ceremony will be Tuesday, June 18.



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Hillsboro Parade



A tradition since 1926, this parade is always a crowd pleaser. The parade kicks off at 10:00 am, and as entries wind through downtown Hillsboro they toss candy to parade viewers, so make sure that the kids bring buckets to take away the treats that they manage to grab!

After the parade, be sure to join other Rosarians at Gene and Sue Horton's house, located at 957 NE 3rd Ave. in Hillsboro, for a fantastic 4th of July Party. Burgers, hotdogs and condiments will be provided, along with drinks! Wondering what to bring? If your last name starts with A-L, please bring a salad. If your last name starts with M-Z, please bring a dessert. If you come **before 8:30 AM** you can park at the Horton's house. You may be able to get through the barricades if you mention that you are going to the Horton's, although their street is blocked to vehicle entry or exit from approximately 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

Directions: Coming from Portland on Highway 26, take the Jackson School Rd exit. Turn left (south) at the top of the ramp onto Jackson School Rd. Turn right at the traffic light onto Evergreen Rd. Turn left at the 2nd traffic light onto Glencoe Road/1st Ave. Turn left onto Grant St, go two blocks and turn left onto 3rd Ave. Look for us on the left where you see "After Parade Party" signs and cars parked on the lawn.

Sandy Parade

Are you down for a challenge? Then come one, come all on Thursday, July 12th to one of the shortest parades you will ever attend. The street is always lined with a wonderful, fun loving crowd that welcomes the parade with smiles and well wishes.



Meet at the Tollgate Inn (38100 SW Highway 26) and plan to beat the traffic by arriving early at 5:00 PM. It is a short walk to the Community Center, located east about a block on the south (right-hand) side of the street to meet the "Five Generation Court" and participate in a Rose Planting at 6:00 PM. Prior to the Rose Planting, we have traditionally been honored to join with their hospitality of a light buffet. Following the Rose Planting we will assemble at the start of the parade at the top of the hill located at the corner of Pleasant & Revenue just off Proctor Blvd. The parade starts at 7:00 PM sharp. This is the **SHORTEST - DOWNHILL** parade in which we participate.

We know you do not want to miss the fun and fellowship at the parades finish. So, stick around, have a great dinner or a slice of pie with friends and partake in a no-host fellowship following the parade at the Tollgate Inn. You can relax while you are waiting for the parade to finish and traffic to diminish. Questions? Contact Sir Knight Robert Cyrus 503-622-1907.



Calendar of Events

- *Council Meetings*
Double Tree Lloyd Center Hotel, 7:00 PM on July 16th
- *Royal Rosarian Foundation Meetings*
Finley-Sunset Hills Mortuary, 6:30 PM on July 26th
- *Rosarian Golf*
Rose City Golf Course, 3:30 PM on July 3rd, July 10th.

For more event information, please visit
www.royalrosarians.org

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Recent Happenings in Rosaria



Presenting Awards at the Dairy Farmers of Oregon Milk Carton Boat Races.

Prime Minister Rob Hungerford thanks choir director Sir Knight Don Anderson at the Rose Festival Foundation Radio show, "Tribute to the Royal Rosarians."



Rosarians escorted two courts at the Cornell Estates Crowning of the Queen.

Prime Minister Rob Hungerford and First Lady Roxanne on the float for the Marysville Strawberry Festival parade.



Queen Kate and a number of Rosarians braved the weather outside for the Tillamook Dairy Festival parade.



Rosarians answered questions and handed out 4,000 sticky roses at the City Parks Ride.

It was a wet day in North Portland for the Good in the Hood Parade.



NW Festival & Local Parade Dates:

Capital Lakefair

July 20th-22nd, 2012
Olympia, WA

Seattle Seafair

July 27th-29th, 2012
Seattle, WA

Astoria Regatta

August 9th-13th, 2012
Astoria, OR

Autumn Leaf Festival

September 28th-30th, 2012
Leavenworth, WA

Salmon Days

October 5th-7th, 2012
Issaquah, WA

Capital Lakefair



Please join us in Olympia during the weekend of July 20-22, 2012 and help us “Swing With Lakefair”. President Stan Guyer, First Lady Jackie and the rest of the Capitalarians will welcome us at the Red Lion Hotel in Olympia to enjoy the 55th celebration of Lakefair.

Friday night is an opportunity to attend the President’s Reception and the President’s Formal Dinner and Dance.

Saturday afternoon we will plant a rose at the Schmidt Mansion before boarding the bus for the Grand Parade. After the parade, you can enjoy a clam bake by the pool at the hotel while you enjoy the hospitality of the Capitalarians. Sunday is the farewell breakfast and our return to Portland. For those that choose to stay in Olympia for the evening, the Lakefair Grand Fireworks will start at 10:00 PM. **The deadline for registration is June 29th.** Packet information can be found [here](#). Please contact event chair Barbara Brennan with questions.

Seattle Seafair



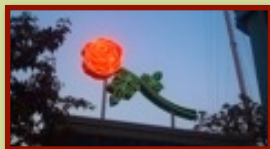
The 2012 Seattle Commodores Commandant Bruce Bently and The Seattle Seafair Commodores cordially invite you to join them July 27th-29th for the 2012 Seattle Seafair Festival Weekend.

Kick-off the weekend with the Commodores Banquet Friday night. On Saturday morning, join the “Commodores Ride the Duck” tour and the ever-popular Shrimboat Lunch before the Torchlight Parade. And then finish out the weekend with a farewell breakfast on Sunday. The Marriott Courtyard Lake Union will again serve as the base for experiencing the great city of Seattle. You can download the festival packet [here](#). **Registration deadline is July 13th.** If you have any questions, contact Dee Lee, Seattle Seafair Commodores Operations Officer at operationsofficer@seattlecommodores.com.

Duke Jim Nielson’s Truisms

The secret of motivation is hope.

Jim Nielson, Prime Minister in 1979, was famous for his “truisms” which he was happy to share in each issue of the Royal Update. Jim was knighted under the rose “Sutter’s Gold”, pictured here.



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For You a Rose in Portland Grows

Ambassadors of Goodwill - By proclamation of the Mayor, The Royal Rosarians are the Official Greeters and Ambassadors of Goodwill for the City of Portland promoting the best interests of the City of Portland and the Portland Rose Festival.

Community Service - The Royal Rosarians are a volunteer organization that is dedicated to provide community service to the Portland community and to complete charitable projects through the Royal Rosarian Foundation.

Tradition – The Royal Rosarians are a historically significant organization with a rich heritage of ceremonial pageantry that enhances the image of the City of Roses and the Portland Rose Festival. We honor our legacy of Tradition.