



Royal Rosarians

# 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](mailto:Lundberg@elitecare.com)

*Merry Christmas*  
- HAPPY HOLIDAYS -

## Prime Minister's Message



Dear Rosarian Family and Friends,

Alan and I want to wish everyone the Happiest of Holidays! This holiday season is unlike any other, to cap off a year unlike any other. We have seen much sadness this year, with the passing of several Royal Rosarian friends or their family. Throughout this season, and as we move into a new (and hopefully better) year, we wish you moments of peace amid the difficulties, connections with family and friends even if they can't be in person, the warmth of memories from holidays past, and wonderful glimpses of the joy that still lives under the surface.

We wish you endurance, strength, health, and as much happiness as you can muster during these days of social distancing.

As we draw to the close of 2020 (good riddance I say) there are still many things to look back on, be grateful for, and find joy in! Despite social distancing requirements, the Royal Rosarians have contributed to the good of the community! Our Foundation supported many school districts where there is a high population of students in need. We partnered with the Rose Festival Foundation by crowning the 2020 Rose Festival Queen. We knighted a new class of Rosarians! Those were all

accomplishments done at the beginning of the pandemic. We plan on continuing to find safe ways to promote the best interests of the City of Portland and the Rose Festival.

It is the season of Light, and the season to offer goodwill for all. In closing, I'm going to steal a line from one of my favorite Christmas songs with you "Have yourself a Merry little Christmas, may your hearts be light, from now on may all of your troubles be out of sight!"

From our hearts to yours, Happy Hanukah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa and hopes for a Happier New Year in 2021!

Prime Minister Korrie and First Squire Alan

## Remembering Fun Times

Rosarians have always been visible in the community, here in 2007 celebrating restoration of the Portland Fire Bureau's Rose City Fire House. Bob Strader was Prime Minister, Gayle Whitehurst was a red cape; Sir Knight Gale Buchanan, a retired fireman who had once worked at this fire station, put on a firefighter's cap for the photo; and you should recognize 1938 Queen Frances Boly seated and wearing a hat.



### *Royal Regent Kimberly Bown invites you to enjoy a video of the 2020 Pageantry of Rosaria event!*

Harken back to a spectacular day in the International Rose Test Garden and our 2020 Pageantry of Rosaria event! The morning saw nine new and two honorary members conferred knighthood by the Queen of Rosaria. Our thanks to Doug Zimmerman for filming the ceremony and producing this video.

Click here to see the [Video](#)

### *Look where the Royal Rosarian Statue is found this month*

Oregon lawyers this month found on the cover of their magazine our Royal Rosarian statue, designed and constructed under the leadership of Dukes Tedd Chilless and Bob Woody. The statue, in the Royal Rosarian Garden at Washington Park, was dedicated during our centennial in 2012. The statue didn't wear a mask until this year.



## Christmas Toy Drive



On Saturday, December 12th, the Royal Rosarian "Christmas Drop Off" event was held. Due to COVID restrictions, our annual Holiday Brunch could not occur, but the tradition of gathering donations to support the community was able to continue. Thanks go to Royal Scribe David Althaus, and his Chair Dame Cindy Marker, for their ingenuity and cleverness, to make the event not only fun for the participants, but particularly fun for his committee of 'elf helpers'. The pictures tell it all!!!

Dozens of Royal Rosarians showed up to drop off donations of food and money for the Sunshine Division, donations to the Community Transitional School, and hundreds of unwrapped toys and books for the Fire Bureau's Toy N Joy drive. So much generosity was on exhibit that day! As of the writing of this article, we collected about \$2,000 for the Community Transitional School.



In addition to donations to the community programs, John Danielson was also there collecting dozens of bottles of wine which will be included in the annual Hearts and Roses Auction to be held virtually beginning February 10th, and culminating on February 15th. If you have items to donate, please get in touch with Co-chairs Larry Rodman and Michelle Veentjer.

We made good use of the opportunity to also distribute PM Wine, thanks to Lord High Sheriff John Jackson, and the new Rosters, thanks to Councilor Michael Mills! If you didn't get your roster, please reach out to Michael to arrange pickup. Prime Minister Korrie also has some to distribute if you are on the west side of town. You can reach Michael at 503-522-1269 or Korrie at 503-953-5901.

## THE 2021 PRIME MINISTERS' TRIP "CHARMS OF THE SOUTH "

Co-hosted by future Prime Minister Dwight Terry and Prime Minister Korrie

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**9 DAYS**

1 SUNDAY	Memphis, TN   Host Day
2 MONDAY	Memphis, TN   Depart 5:00pm
3 TUESDAY	Port of the Mississippi Delta
4 WEDNESDAY	Yicksburg, MS
5 THURSDAY	Natchez, MS
6 FRIDAY	St. Francisville, LA
7 SATURDAY	Baton Rouge, LA
8 SUNDAY	Nottoway Plantation
9 MONDAY	New Orleans, LA   Disembark 8:00am

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Please note: The state rooms are going very quickly, with some categories of staterooms already sold out. If you are on the fence, we encourage you to contact Nancy Fowler at Willamette Travel as soon as possible to make sure you can join us on this very special trip. 503.224.0180.

[nancyf@wittravel.com](mailto:nancyf@wittravel.com)

Dates: October 10 - 18, 2021

Cruise Itinerary: Memphis to New Orleans, The American Queen

## Royal Rosarian Social Hour

*Continuing by popular demand*



Date: Every other Saturday. Next one is December 19th, 2020

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Via Zoom teleconference on your computer

Details: Check your email inbox during the week for an email from Michelle Veentjer with the link information to get connected. This is a fun time to check and see what other Rosarians are doing and to share your activities. Be sure and have your favorite beverage on hand. Hope to see you Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

Social Hours are planned every two weeks on Saturdays, until January 30, 2021.

## Prime Minister Wine Pre-Sale



Prime Minister Korrie chose two wines this year. The first is a Walla Walla Pinot Gris from Sulei Vineyards. The second choice was an Erath Vineyards Pinot Noir from Dundee. They are priced at \$18 per bottle. You can purchase by the bottle, half case, or full case. Please contact Lord High Sheriff John Jackson if you would like to place an order. You can reach John via email @[jacksonj1@comcast.net](mailto:jacksonj1@comcast.net). We are looking at options to do tastings in the near future, once we can do so with safety concerns managed.



## Royal Rosarian Foundation

*Community Rewards Programs*

From Duke Denny Baker:



With the holiday season approaching, I am sure that shopping is on your mind.

Have you considered a gift to your Royal Rosarian Foundation...one that will cost you nothing?

There are 2 companies the Royal Rosarian Foundation has partnered with that will donate a percentage of the purchases to the Royal Rosarian Foundation. They are:



**Amazon Smile:** All you need to do is go to Amazon Smile and sign up. It is free of charge, so no obligation to you. Once signed up, all you need to

do when you order is to be sure to go to **AMAZON SMILE to order**. Same products, same prices, just some needed \$ for the Foundation.



**Fred Meyer.com/communityrewards:** Just sign up and Fred Meyer takes care of the rest.

In both cases you will be asked to select a charity. My hope is that you will choose the Royal Rosarian Foundation. It is easy to do, costs you nothing, and helps the Royal Rosarian Foundation aid the Rose Festival and the city of Portland.

## Royal Rosarian Foundation Auction

### *Virtual "Live" Auction on February 13th, 2021*

The Hearts and Roses Auction will be held virtually on February 13, 2021. Successful virtual auctions are taking place throughout the country and they are a safe and logical approach to fund raising in this difficult climate. You can be assured that, with your help, the variety and multitude of auction items will be just as we have experienced in the past. Please be thinking now of ways you can add to that item list.

### *Virtual "Silent Auction" February 10th to 15th*

Plan to bid on these items anytime from February 10th to the 15th.

The auction is chaired by Sir Knight Larry Rodman and Master of Ceremonies Michelle Veentjer. Please contact either of them with your item ideas or if you are ready and willing to help with the organization of this unique event. More details will be forthcoming in the future.

### *Wine is needed to support the Rosarian Auction !*

You have many options to support this project. Sort through your wine closets, pick out a couple bottles you know someone would enjoy! Purchase a nice bottle of wine just for the



Auction! Ask friends to donate. Donate a bottle or a case! The choices are up to you but success is up to all of us with this project!

Call John Danielson at 503-381-2480 to make arrangements for pick up or delivery of your donation. Wine must be received by mid January 2021.

## ROYAL ROSARIAN GRAND FLORAL FLOAT (GFF)

Update: If you are interested in helping with the design of the Grand Floral Float, please contact Ron Fisher, [ron.j.fisher@gmail.com](mailto:ron.j.fisher@gmail.com), (503) 591-9182.

## Calendar

**Note:** The following calendar is subject to change as COVID-19 developments dictate.



***Rosarian Membership Meetings*** - The remaining membership meetings in the 2020-2021 Rosarian year will be February 4 (Dukes & Duchesses), March 4 (Purely Social), April 1, May 6, May 20 (Rose Festival Court, Secretary of State Speeches), June 17 (Elections). All meetings will be at the Lloyd Center DoubleTree, unless virtual.

***Rosarian Council Meetings*** - The 2021 Council meetings will be held on January 18, February 22, March 22, April 19, May 24, July 19, August 23 and September 20. Council meetings are scheduled for the Lloyd Center DoubleTree starting at 7:00 p.m. They may continue to be via Zoom, until in-person meeting are allowed.

***Rosarian Foundation Meetings*** - Board meetings are scheduled on the following Wednesdays: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, Mar. 24, Apr. 28, May 26, July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 22.

***Royal Rosarian Foundation Virtual "Live" Auction*** - February 13

***Royal Rosarian Foundation "Silent" Auction*** - February 10th - 15th

***Newsmakers of the Year*** - March 31

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



How many observe Christ's birthday! How few, His precepts!

*Benjamin Franklin*

*(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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