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Royal Update

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Greetings, Rosarians and Friends,

Thank you for reading this issue of the Royal Rosarian e-newsletter first published in 2005 by Duke Peter Glazer and now published by Sir Knight Norb Murray (norbmur@comcast.net) with technical support by Sir Knight Tom Marantette.



82nd Avenue of Roses Parade



Saturday, April 27

Join Prime Minister Don Thacker and First Squire James this Saturday, April 27 for the 82nd Avenue of Roses Parade, The parade is a Rose Festival Community Event and the first parade of the 2019 Rose Festival parades. The parade is a celebration of some of the city's most diverse neighborhoods. The theme for the 12th Annual parade is "Roses in the Heart of Portland".

Sir Knight Kilong Ung is again opening his State Farm office (Suite 1400) directly across from the Eastport Plaza Theater at 4000 SE 82nd Avenue for our assembly spot. Kilong will provide donuts and coffee.

Following the parade the Cambodian, Lao, Thai and Burmese communities will be celebrating New Year's with an all day festival in Glenhaven Park next to Madison High School at the corner of NE 82nd and NE Siskiyou.

When: Saturday, April 27

Time: 8:15 am assembly. Parade steps off at 9:30 am

Where: Eastport Plaza, 4000 SE 82nd Ave., Portland

Uniform: Parade Whites, capes, hats, gloves

Note: New members that do not have white uniforms yet may march in green jackets and **white** pants.

Royal Rosarian Membership Meeting

Thursday, May 2

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Prime Minister Don and First Squire James invite you to join them and your fellow Royal Rosarians at the Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 2 at the Portland DoubleTree Hotel at the Lloyd Center. The social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner being served at 6:30 pm.

If you have not already done so, please register online asap, or contact Jannette Day at 503-806-4491. The meal price has been reduced to \$39.00. Please register by no later than 8:00 AM April 29th to receive this discounted price. Reservations received after the cutoff date will be charged a meal price of \$49 so please register now.

There will be plenty of information available concerning the upcoming Rose Festival events, parades and hospitality weekend so be sure to attend and get involved. Volunteers are needed for float and band marshals for parades and help with hospitality events. This is your chance to step up and get involved.

The agenda for this first May meeting includes the following:

- Announcement of the Rosarians running for the 2019-2020 Council, and the Secretary of State Candidates
- Announcement of candidates running for Royal Rosarian Foundation Board
- Registration to marshal floats or bands in all three Rose Festival Parades
- Sign up for the San Antonio trip in April 2020
- Learn more about the 2020-2021 Prime Minister's Trip to Italy and the Adriatic
- Opportunity to buy your 2019 Rose Festival pins for \$10
- Learn about this year's Hospitality Weekend and sign up before discounted packet price is over

[click here for information and to register for the May 2 Membership Meeting](#)

St. Johns Parade

Saturday, May 11

The St. Johns Parade has been a tradition in the North Portland area since 1962. People from far and near look forward to this event every year. Many families have their favorite viewing spot and many who have moved away come home for this special week-end to watch the floats, bands, drill teams, horses, princesses and Royal Rosarians. Parade participants from the early years are now watching their children and grandchildren as they march or ride the parade route. The parade every year is on the 2nd Saturday in May - promptly at noon. The theme for the 57th annual parade is "Hometown Heroes."

When: Saturday, May 11

Time: 11:15 am assembly. Parade steps off at 12:00 pm

Where: Intersection of N Burr and N Central, St. Johns



Uniform: Parade Whites, capes, hats, gloves

Note: New members that do not have white uniforms yet may march in green jackets and white pants.

Washington State Apple Blossom Festival



Wenatchee, May 3-5

The festival hosting season kicks off with the Washington State Apple Blossom Festival in Wenatchee. With the theme "The Party Never Ends," the Apple Blossom Festival is celebrating its centennial anniversary this year. Sir Knight Morris Westlund, who claims to have been there for the first festival, is the chair for the Royal Rosarian visit and reports there has been an "unbelievable turn-out" of Rosarians and spouses to join him and Prime Minister Don to help Wenatchee celebrate the 100 year anniversary. This once in a lifetime historical event will be a blast and not to be missed.

The Washington State Apple Blossom Festival, originally called "Blossom Days", was founded as a one-day festival in 1919 to celebrate the importance of the apple industry to the region. Following World War II, the festival was renamed the Washington State Apple Blossom Festival to more accurately reflect the importance of the apple industry in North Central Washington. Held during the last days of April and early May, the festival has grown to eleven days.

The Wenatchee Applarians is the hosting and goodwill organization for the community and host for the hospitality weekend, May 3-5. The hospitality packet is \$300 for a couple and \$175 for a single. The packet covers access to the hospitality suite, the Queen's Ball on Friday, breakfast on Saturday, seating for the parade if not marching and the "100th Jubilee Derby" Saturday night. There will be a rose planting by the Royal Rosarians on Saturday morning.

If you have not registered and would like to take part contact Sir Knight Morris (MorrisWestlund@gmail.com or 503-781-1981 (cell & text)) to check on hotel availability and for a hospitality packet. Visit the host Appalarian website by the link below for more information.

The host hotel is the Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel and has a festival special room rate of \$119 per night. Ask for the "Applarian Block" when booking. Hotel reservations are not included in festival packets so hotel reservations must be made separately. The hotel number is (509) 662-1234.

[Click here for Apple Blossom Festival Hospitality Information](#)

Spokane Lilac Festival

Spokane, May 17-19

Spokane and the Lilac Festival is the destination for the second out-of-town trek. The Lilac Festival's mission statement is "Honoring Our Military, Empowering Our Youth, and Showcasing Our Region." Started in 1938 by the Associated Garden Clubs and Spokane Floral Society to showcase the area's beautiful spring flowers and the area's youth, the festival is now a week of festivities in May combining the city's famous lilacs with events that culminate in the nation's largest Armed Forces Torchlight Parade.

Hosting weekend is May 17-19. The hosting group is a committee of the festival's managing organization. Planned is the Queen's Luncheon and Lilac Festival Gala on Friday. Saturday has the Rosarian Rose Planting Ceremony and the Armed Forces Torchlight Parade that evening. There is a farewell breakfast on Sunday. The hospitality room will be open on Friday and Saturday. The guest package is \$280 for a couple and \$140 for singles. The host hotel is the Davenport Hotel with a rate of \$165 for Lilac Festival guests.

You can register for the Lilac Festival hosting on the Royal Rosarian calendar or directly by the link below.



New Westminster Hyack Festival



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

The last weekend in May brings the New Westminster Hyack Festival, our first international hosting event for the 2019 festival season. New Westminster was selected as the first capital of the new colony of British Columbia and officially named by Queen Victoria after her favorite part of London. The official naming by the Queen gave New Westminster its nickname "The Royal City" and recognition for being the first city in Western Canada.

The word Hyack is from the Chinook Indian dialect and means "quick" or "fast". New Westminster's volunteer firemen were a lively lot back in the 1860's, so they called themselves the Hyack Fire Company.

Activities for the hosting weekend include a reception and formal banquet on Friday, International Parade, luncheon, Rose Planting Ceremony, artillery firing and Heritage Masquerade Ball/Dinner on Saturday and a Farewell Breakfast on Sunday. The Hospitality Suite

will be available throughout the weekend.

The package is \$390 (CDN) for couples and \$195 (CDN) for singles. Registration can be done online by clicking the link below. The host hotel is the Inn at the Quayside. Ask for the "2019 Hyack Festival Block" when making a reservation. Room rates start at \$144 (CDN).

[Click here to register for the Hyack Festival Hospitality Package](#)

Rose Garden Contest

Recognizing Portland's Best Rose Gardens

The Royal Rosarian Foundation announced the 81st Annual Rose Garden Contest. The Rose Festival approved event celebrates the best of rose growing in the Portland area with competition in several divisions for rose plantings and rose displays.

This is a free event to enter and attend. The contest is open to all rose growers within 20 miles of the Pioneer Courthouse Square, Portland, Oregon, as verified by electronic mapping system. No garden club membership is required to enter the contest. Applications must be postmarked no later than May 24 and the on-site judging takes place on June 2.

One division is for Royal Rosarians only. If you have roses in your garden now is the time to start primping them. If you need some advice there are a couple of experts in the ranks. Check with Royal Gardener Harry Landers or Lord High Chancellor Kimberly Bown.

The participating rose gardens will be celebrated at the Rose Garden Contest Awards Ceremony honoring the winners on Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30 pm in the Royal Rosarian Garden in the Washington Park International Rose Test Garden.

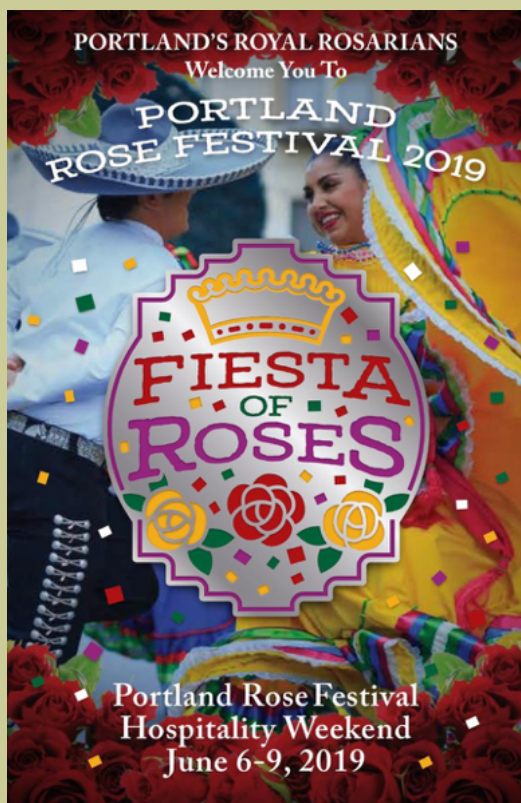
The Rose Garden Contest is supported by donations from rose-loving Portlanders. Donations can be made to the Royal Rosarian Foundation to benefit the contest. This will enable the Royal Rosarians to treat the contest winners and guests to the special event in Portland's own Rose Garden. Donation checks should be made out to the Royal Rosarian Foundation with the notation "Rose Garden Contest" and mailed to: Royal Rosarian Foundation, PO Box 8956, Portland, OR 97207-8956.

For further information contact Rose Garden Contest Chair Sir Knight John Jackson (Jacksonj1@comcast.net or 503-349-9427). The link below will connect you to contest information and the entry application.

[Click here for information and application to the Rose Garden Contest](#)



Portland Rose Festival Hospitality Weekend



FIESTA of Roses - June 6-9

June is just around the corner and that means Rose Festival and Hospitality Weekend. It will be an exciting and fun filled three days. The events start off on Friday with the Honorary Knighting at Peninsula Park followed by the Queens' Garden Party and winding up with Fun Night at the DoubleTree. Saturday starts early with the Queen's Coronation then the Grand Floral Parade and winds up with the Grand Floral Ball that night. To wind up the weekend there is the Farewell Breakfast and the Placement of the Queen's Plaque in the International Rose Test Garden.

The hospitality packet is \$330 for a couple and \$185 for an individual. Download the Hospitality brochure and register online at the Royal Rosarian website by the link below. The discounted packet is available through Friday, May 18th. Hospitality Weekend Registration closes May 24th. Contact Cindy Marker, Hospitality Registration Chair, 503-490-5436 or cindymarker@mac.com

The DoubleTree by Hilton, Portland is the host hotel for the 2019 Hospitality Weekend. The discounted room rate of \$155 and \$165 plus tax per night is valid through May 6 and is under Royal Rosarians Hospitality room code RR9. On-site covered parking is free with reservations made using this discount code.

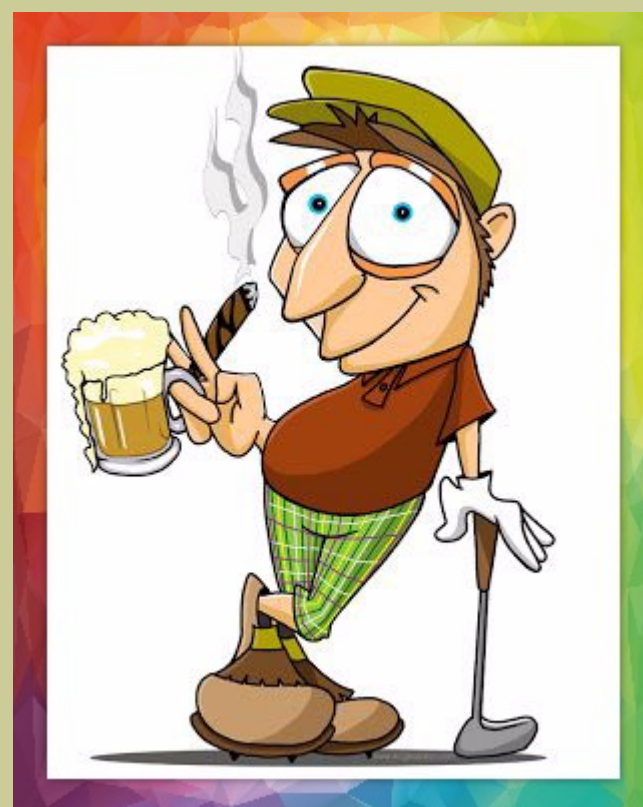
[Click here to download the Hospitality Brochure and to register](#)

2019 Royal Rosarian Golf Season

Tour de Rosaria

Golf is in the air. Well, it will be as soon as it dries out and warms up. All Rosarians who even remotely like to play are invited to join in. Here is the schedule of dates and courses for the 2019 season. Please contact D. Mike Collins at mike.collins@morganstanley.com for information and to sign-up. Cell number is 503-484-8160. Let him know the dates you plan to play.

May 7th, 14th Rose City Golf Course
May 21nd, 28th Langdon Farms Golf Course
June 4th, 11th Stone Creek Golf Course
July 2nd, 9th Broadmoor Golf Course
July 16th, 23rd Claremont Golf Course
July 30th Heron Lakes Golf Course - Greenback
August 6th Heron Lakes Golf Course - Greenback
The final date is the Hit & Giggle Tournament, a 4 person scramble & Awards Dinner. Tee Times start at 1:00 pm.



1. All tee times start at 3:30pm, except for Rose City Golf Course at 3:00pm and the Hit and Giggle Tournament at 1:00 pm.
2. Please show up 30 minutes early to meet your foursome.
3. We play nine holes, followed by liquid refreshments and great fellowship.
4. We invite all Rosarians and guests who even remotely like to play golf.
5. A good score is in the 40's. Most scores are in the 50's & 60's.
6. A weekly reminder is available via e-mail, if you like.

FIESTA San Antonio

San Antonio, Texas April 19-26, 2020

The Royal Rosarians will head to San Antonio for Fiesta San Antonio for seven days next April. We last went in



2016 and everyone had a wonderful time.

Fiesta San Antonio is a celebration of San Jacinto Day. It honors the memory of the heroes of the Alamo and the Battle of San Jacinto. This historic commemoration began as a single parade in 1891. It evolved into one of the nation's premier festivals, celebrating San Antonio's rich and diverse cultures.

The Rosarians will be staying at the Drury Hotel on the Riverwalk. Located in the heart of San Antonio the hotel is situated within walking distance of all the parades and packet activities. The Drury is famous for its free breakfast buffet and afternoon hosted hospitality.

There will be information at the Rosarian Membership meetings. Contact Duke Rob Hungerford (503-659-5422 or r.hungerford@comcast.net) for information or to sign up.

The Rosarians visit the Alamo in 2016 in the photo above.

Queens' Garden Party

By Dame
Connie
Shipley

A Rosarian History

The Queens' Garden Party is an event to honor past Rose Festival Queens and an opportunity for the Princesses to get together with their courts. Let's look back through the years to see how the Queens' Garden Party has evolved to what it is today.

Worth Caldwell organized a Queen's Reception in 1983 at the Japanese Garden Pavilion at the Japanese Garden, a place of much beauty affording a lovely panorama of the Rose Gardens, the city and Mt. Hood as a background. The distinguished men and women who received honorary knighthood that year, the Queen and her court, and the Rosarian Council enjoyed a Japanese High Tea sponsored by Mr. Marv Tonkin. The event was chaired by Sir Knights Tony Pasion and Larry Cervarich. The next year the event continued with the same format under Prime Minister Ralph Shepherd.

Under Prime Minister Gary Ferlisi, the Queen's Reception was again held in the Japanese Garden Pavilion with a luncheon for the honorary knightees, the Queen and her court and the Rosarian Council.

Under Prime Minister Thomas Drake, the honorary knightees, the Queen and her court, and the Council enjoyed the Queen's Reception at the Red Lion in 1986, sponsored by Paulson Investment Company.

In 1987, the Queen's Reception was held at the Pittock Mansion, a larger venue with a beautiful view. Ceibert Bryan was the Prime Minister.

In 1989, under Prime Minister Jeff Metzker, the first three women, Dee Denton, Rosalie Pauly and Patty Hufford, were knighted as members of the Royal Rosarians. Honorary knightees that year included Gov. Betty Roberts and Portland Mayor Vera Katz, who were among those hosted at the Queen's Reception.

The Queen's Reception was held at the Montgomery Park Atrium in 1990 under Prime Minister Tony Pasion. Queen Erin and her court dined with the dignitaries and at the end, as was tradition, received their princess rings in the design of a rosebud with a diamond in the center.

Following the 1994 Rose Festival theme of "From the Window," Prime Minister Ed Honeycutt and the Council hosted the Queen and her court and the honorary knightees at Atwater Restaurant atop the US Bank Tower. It continued being held there for several years.

Under Prime Minister Tedd Chilless the Queens' Garden Party was opened to include 200 guests in 2001. Council person Fran Searce and Duke of the Realm Ed Honeycutt chaired a successful event.

A new tradition was started under Prime Minister Bob Woody with an invitation to all the past Queens of Rosaria to attend as our guests. Twelve past queens, including Queen Frances Hulse from 1938, attended the Queens' Garden Party in 2003.



In 2007, the year the Rose Festival Foundation celebrated its Centennial, 26 former Queens of Rosaria shared stories and reveled in past glories at the Queens' Garden Party with an audience that exceeded 400. Bob Strader was Prime Minister.

At the Queens' Garden Party in 2008, 350 attendees enjoyed remarks from former astronaut Brig. General Susan Helms, Will Vinton and two members of the Kingsmen ("Louie, Louie"), who had just received honorary knighthood. Prime Minister Peter Glazer, lawyer and Portland's greatest 60's music fan had as guests at the luncheon five judges, three district attorneys, Johnny Limbo, and pianist Michael Allen Harrison (a classmate of Brig. Gen. Susan Helms). The ballroom at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center was filled.

Under Prime Minister Marilyn Schultz, the past queens at the 2015 Queens' Garden Party were delighted to find themselves being honored as Honorary Rosarians. In years since, past Queens who haven't attended a Queens' Garden Party since 2016 and the past year's Queen are honored as Honorary Rosarians with a certificate and a medallion.

More recently the Queens' Garden Party has been reaching out to the courts, inviting the princesses to attend. Further, the Rose Festival Foundation has reached out to the 50-year courts, encouraging them to be a part of the Rose Festival. They are also invited to attend the Queens' Garden Party and have been included on Royal Rosarian floats in the Grand Floral parade a few times.

The Queens' Garden Party continues to be an event that is enjoyed by all the Royal Rosarians and is a treasured time for the past courts to enjoy each other's company again. Be sure to attend this year!

In the photo above newly crowned Queen Grace Ramsted is knighted by then Prime Minister Jim Stahl and Royal Regent Rick Saturn at the 2016 Queens' Garden Party.

Rose Buds



Empress Josephine Roses

In the early 19th century, the Empress Josephine, wife of Napoleon Bonaparte, became one of the biggest collectors of old roses. Her ambition was to create the greatest collection of roses in her garden at Malmaison in France. She started developing the rose garden in 1798, and at the moment of her death in 1814 she had collected as many as 250 different types of roses. She also created a few new species. Her garden is still one of the best sources for ancient roses.

Gardeners are trying to bring back the forgotten glory of old roses. During the last 200 years, many hybrids have been created. One of the first of them was made by famous Moravian scientist Gregor

Mendel. Unfortunately, there is a problem - many of the newer species usually don't smell as wonderful as the old ones did. During the process of breeding, many of them have lost their unique scent. It is believed that currently there are around 30,000 varieties of roses worldwide, but it is impossible to count all of them. Each year the number of gardens where the old roses appear also increases.

In the above painting by artist Farah Khan Empress Josephine is show in her rose garden.

Rosarian Rotogravure

Royal Rosarians pose with the 2019 Rose Festival Court at the Blessing of the Festival on April 13.



Royal Gardener Harry Landers takes charge for the Rose Planting Ceremony at the Blessing of the Festival.



The newly knighted Class of 2019 pose following the knighting ceremony on April 20. L to R: Sir Knight Douglas Crimin, Dames Ruth Takahashi and Connie Shipley, Queen Kiara Johnson, Prime Minister Don Thacker, Dames Jill Marie Sieloff, Mary McCrane and Mary Hrkac.



Announcements

For the Good of the Organization

2019 Council Candidates

Nine candidates for the 2019-20 Rosarian Council were introduced at the April 11 Membership Meeting. Those running for the nine green cape positions are Amy Arasmith, Hal Berry, John Danielson, Suzanne Day, John Jackson, Ilse Kindler, David Rich, Dwight Terry and Mike Ware. Dwight Terry is a candidate for Secretary of State. Nominations from the floor will be taken at the May 2 and 23 Membership Meetings. Elections will be held at the June 13 Membership Meeting.

Rip City Race For the Roses

Help greet and hand out a rose as the runners cross the finish line of the Rip City Race for the Roses.

When: Sunday, April 28

Where: Rose Quarter Commons

Time: 7:45 am

Uniform: Parade whites, capes, hats, gloves

2020 Prime Minister's Trip Announced

Secretary of State Korrie Hoeckendorf announced her Prime Ministers trip in October 2020. The first part of the trip will be in Bologna, Italy, a Portland Sister City. Following the stay in Bologna they group will take a cruise on an Azamara cruise ship from Venice through the Adriatic to Athens, Greece.

Royal Rosarian Foundation Planned Giving Program

To help grow the Royal Rosarian Foundation a planned giving program has been introduced. Consider making a legacy gift to the Foundation. Through charitable giving you may be able to make a much larger impact than you thought possible - one that will support the wonderful traditions and worthy charitable Royal Rosarian activities for generations to come. All legacy gifts become part of the Royal Rosarian Foundation Endowment Fund.

Calendar

Rosarian Membership Meetings - The membership meetings for the 2018-2019 Rosarian year will be held on May 2, May 23 (Court & SOS, Spouses) and June 13 (elections). All meetings will be held at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center.

Rosarian Council Meetings - The Council Meetings for the 2018-19 Rosarian year will be held at 7:00 pm on May 20, August 19, and September 16 at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel.

Rosarian Foundation Meetings - Will be held at 6:00 pm on May 22, July 24, August 21 and September 25 at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel.



82nd Avenue of Roses Parade - April 27, Eastport Plaza, Portland

Rip City Race for the Roses - April 28, Portland

Washington State Apple Blossom Festival - May 3-5, Wenatchee, WA

Cinco de Mayo Naturalization Ceremony - May 3, Tom McCall Waterfront Park, Portland

St. Johns Parade - May 11, St. Johns

Lilac Festival - May 17-19, Spokane, WA.

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

Powell Valley Rose Planting - June 1, Powell Valley Assisted Living, Gresham

Hosting by Starlight - June 1, Hotel DeLuxe, Portland

Rose Garden Contest Judging - June 2, Portland Area

Kiwanis Breakfast - June 5, Benson Hotel, Portland

Rose Festival Children's Parade, - June 5, Hollywood District, Portland

Hospitality Room opens - June 6, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel, Portland

Honorary Knighting - June 7, Peninsula Park, Portland

Queens' Garden Party - June 7, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel

Hospitality Fun Night - June 7, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel

Queen's Coronation - June 8, Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Portland

Grand Floral Parade - June 8

Grand Floral Ball - June 8, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel

Hospitality Farewell Breakfast - June 9, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Hotel

Queen's Plaque Laying - June 9, Washington Park International Rose Test Garden

Marysville Strawberry Festival - June 14-16, Marysville, WA

Greeting - U.S. JCI Senate - June 19, Portland

Good in the Hood Parade - June 22, Portland

Tillamook Parade - June 22, Tillamook

Milk Carton Boat Races - June 23, Westmoreland Casting Pond, Portland

Prime Minister's Ball - September 14, Sentinel Hotel, Portland

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 view the Royal Rosarian website.](#)

Jim Nielson's Truisms



This Issue's "Truism"

"Whatever community organization, whether it's a women's organization, or fighting for racial justice... you will get satisfaction out of doing something to give back to the community that you never get in any other way."

- Ruth Bader Ginsberg

(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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