



Royal Rosarians

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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

Prime Minister's Message



Dear Rosarians, and friends of Rosaria;

It is with much optimism I am starting my year as your 2021 Prime Minister. On Saturday, October 10, 2021 we were able to celebrate the installation of the 2021 Council and Officers. It was a wonderful celebration, albeit a smaller than normal audience in attendance, for good reason. Alan and I feel so blessed that we could share the evening, while feeling we were keeping the safety of our members and guests as the top priority. Thank you so much to our Chairs Dame Kathy Fastenau and her Squire David, along with her entire committee, as it took a small

army to make it happen. It was a lovely evening and will bring us many wonderful memories. The next morning, in a very wet Rosarian garden, we placed my plaque and planted a rose. Despite the rain, the masks and social distancing, it will remain one of the highlights of my lifetime.

We are living in a very different world now, filled with virtual meetings, social distancing, face masks, hand washing, etc. Despite that, there were still positive moments over the last 7 months, that allowed this organization the ability to shine and remind our community, who and what the Rosarians are. Thank you Royal Regent Kimberly Bown for leading us during those first challenging months!

Even though it has been a challenging year, over the last few months, I have been encouraged as I watched our sister organizations find unique and intriguing ways to outreach in our communities, continue traditions, and promote our city and the Rose Festival. With restrictions for large indoor gatherings still in place, we are also looking at alternative ways to celebrate traditional events. Although we had to cancel the Christmas Brunch, which is traditionally held at the Benson Hotel, we are in-planning for an event that will allow us to still support the Police and Fire bureaus, while gathering in a fun and safe manner. Stay tuned for more details in the next few weeks!

One of the first decisions your council made, when it was clear that we wouldn't be able to gather indoors for a while, was a discussion to have our annual auction, benefitting the Royal Rosarian Foundation, become a virtual event. We saw great success executing on that design, when the Rose Festival Foundation held their virtual auction earlier this month. I'm pleased to announce that we will have our annual auction held virtually, on Saturday, February 13th, 2021. Please reach out to the Council in charge of that event, Master of Ceremonies Michelle Veentjer, or Chair Larry Rodman, to offer items and assistance to help us make that event a success.

Another event I want to promote is the November membership meeting. Historically the November membership meeting honors our new Life Members. Although we can't yet have an in-person meeting, that meeting is still scheduled. Please plan on joining the Zoom meeting beginning at 6:30 PM on Thursday, November 5th to see the inventive way we are planning to continue with that great tradition. Look for an email with that zoom meeting link, or you can go out to our Calendar at www.royalrosarians.com to find it.

In these COVID times, landing on a theme for our year took a great deal of thought. After much reflection we chose "Romancing the Rose". Our logo is a heart with a single rose at its center. Our sincerest wish for the coming year is that we will soon be able to gather together again, continuing our traditions and celebrating our history, just in safe and creative ways. From our heart to yours...until we can all be together again, be safe, and stay well.

November Membership Meeting

Zoom Meeting scheduled for November 5th



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Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 863 8336 7324

Passcode: 2021

Photo: Remember when we were last together. Hopefully we will get together soon and enjoy that famous Royal Rosarian camaraderie.

Royal Rosarian Social Hour

Back by popular demand

Date: Every other Saturday starting October 24th 2020

Time: 5:30pm

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!
Every 2 weeks on Sat, until Jan 30, 2021, 8 occurrence(s)

Prime Minister's Ball

*Held October 10th at the
Aurora Colony Vineyards and Winery*



Kathy Fastenau reminds us to be safe and aware, while having fun.

Many of us wore plastic shields, so we could smile at each other while being safe.



Peter Glazier emceed the event and presented Korrie her PM bars, then offered first congratulations to Prime Minister Korrie Hockendorf

The decorating committee did an amazing job to make the event very festive.



Rose Planting and Plaque Laying

Held October 11th at Washington Park



Prime Minister Korrie and First Squire Alan are ready to unveil her plaque and take her place in history in the Washington Park Rose Garden



Royal Gardener Mary Getty helps Prime Minister Korrie plant her rose, Daybreaker.



Royal Rosarian Foundation Auction

Virtual Auction on February 13th



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.

The event will be chaired by Sir Knight Larry Rodman and Dame 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 detail will be forthcoming in the future.

Photo above: Silent auction from the past, the old fashion way.

Calendar

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



Rosarian Membership Meetings - The seven membership meetings in the 2020-2021 Rosarian year will be on November 5 (**virtual**) (Lifetime Members Honored), 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 DoubleTree Lloyd Center unless virtual.

Rosarian Council Meetings - The 2020-2021 Council meetings will be held on November 16, 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.

Christmas Brunch - Cancelled (see article above)

Christmas for Kids - Still to be determined

Royal Rosarian Foundation Virtual Auction - February 13

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



One of the lessons of history is that nothing is often a good thing to do and always a clever thing to say.

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