

# Royal Rosarians

# **Royal Update**

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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 <a href="mailto:Lydia.com"><u>Lundberg@elitecare.com</u></a>

## Prime Minister's Message



Fall is here, and that means another Royal Rosarian year is quickly drawing to a conclusion. Alan and I have many wonderful memories of this very special year. It has been an honor and privilege to lead this organization we care so much about. I had some time recently to reflect on the past year's accomplishments, and I would like you to join me as I look back on what turned out to be a busy and successful year.

Last fall I asked my Council to think of unique and creative solutions as we continued to face rising COVID cases, and restrictions on gatherings still in place. Those creative ideas began in November when we continued the

tradition of honoring our Life Members. Since we could not have an inperson membership meeting, the presentations were made in their homes, video recorded on cell phones, and shared during the November membership meeting which was conducted via Zoom.

In early December, when we could not have the traditional Christmas Brunch, Royal Scribe David Althaus orchestrated the "Christmas Drop Off" at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel. Dozens of 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.

In February a talented and dedicated troupe of Rosarians, led by Master of Ceremonies, Michelle Veentjer and Sir Knight Larry Rodman, produced the first-ever virtual Auction, during COVID and the worst ice storm that our region had seen in many years. It was a wonderful success and everyone involved did an outstanding job.

Having social opportunities during COVID times presented a challenge, but that did not keep us from having our bi-weekly "Happy Hours" via Zoom. As we ate a snack and enjoyed a cocktail at our homes, we all had the opportunity to get to know each other better by sharing funny stories or responding to the "topic of the week" suggested by host Michael Mills. Those social hours were the highlight of our week during the height of the lockdown this past winter and early spring!

As the weather drew warmer and the COVID restrictions loosened in early May, we were finally able to have a traditional Blessing of the Festival, which meant we were able to introduce the 2021 Rose Festival Court and honor our beloved Rosarians who had passed during the last year. It was a perfect spring day as we came together in person for the first time the March 2020 membership meeting. Accolades go to Royal Chaplain Kik Nielsen and chair Holly Morgan for a beautiful ceremony. Thank you also to Royal Regent Kimberly Bown who emceed the event at All Saints Catholic Church.

In May we had an in-person, limited attendance, Membership Meeting. Then in June we were finally able to have the first in-person membership meeting without limitations on the number of attendees. It was the first, and my last, presiding as Prime Minister. It was also election night and we celebrated the newly elected Secretary of State, Mike Ware, and the new Council to be led by 2022 Prime Minister Dwight Terry. In that meeting we also announced the first annual "Jacquie Janulis Rosarian of the Year" award recipient, Doug Zimmerman.

The next day a small army of Rosarians led by Lord Chief Justice Amy Arasmith, capably executed the Pageantry in the Garden event. On that beautiful late June morning we knighted 45 deserving men and women as honorary Sir Knights and Dames, crowned our 2021 Rose Festival Queen Lily Rosebrook, and enjoyed the first Royal Rosarian Garden Party luncheon ever held in the Washington Park Rose Garden amphitheater. Just a few days later, in the Royal Rosarian Rose Garden, the Rose Garden Contest Awards took place. The contest was a great success thanks to Royal Gardener Mary Getty and her chair, Chris Johnson!

The rest of the summer flew by. Although we could not have an in-

person Newsmakers of the Year event, with the ingenuity of chair Margie Schroeder and Duke Bob Strader who worked with the local news organizations, we were able to recognize seven individuals as Newsmakers of the Year. Each presentation occurred in the presence of the media presenter, over the course of a few weeks, resulting in the Royal Rosarians and the selected heroes and heroines being spotlighted on local news media.

Of the nine festivals that make up the Northwest Festival Association, only Apple Blossom and Autumn Leaf were fortunate enough to hold a version of their festivals. The Royal Rosarians played a key role in both, by sending our Traveling Float and a contingent of Rosarians to march in those parades. We all look forward to 2022 when the festival circuit is once again an active one.

This organization is in the best of hands. Prime Minister Dwight, and First Lady Amy will be outstanding leaders, we have no doubt. It is up to each one of us to lean in and support them, however we can. Alan and I are full of gratitude and appreciation for all of the blessings bestowed on us this year. It was a successful year because so many stepped up to make it one!

With grateful hearts, Korrie and Alan Hoeckendorf

# Rosarian Family Picnic

In August, our annual Royal Rosarian Picnic was held at the home of Mike and Colleen Ware. The theme of the picnic this year was "An Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social." That theme held true throughout the event, from the decorated parasols and mustaches, to the Barber Shop quartette of Adam Baker, Doug Zimmerman, and Ron Fisher led by Royal Scribe David Althaus. Everyone who attended said it was one of the best picnics. Congratulations to everyone involved in that event!









# American Cancer Society's Portland Chapter Relay for Life

On August 14 the Royal Rosarians were once again asked to participate in the American Cancer Society's Portland Chapter Relay for Life. This yearly event celebrates the survival of our loved ones from cancer, remembers loved ones lost to cancer and FIGHTS BACK against a disease that takes too much. It was 95 degrees at 5:00 pm on August 14 but Rosarians still showed up, and of course showed up early! After observing the Survivor Ceremony Rosarians had the honor of placing a medal on each Survivor as they walked a lap and crossed the finish line. This event became even more special this year as our own Lord High Chamberlain Ilse Kindler walked a lap with the survivors and Duke Bob Strader hung a medal around her neck as she completed her lap. The Relay for Life movement in Portland is usually held on the second weekend in August. In a normal Rosarian year, that is a busy time. Add it to your calendar now and if you are in town next year join us in helping our community fight cancer.







### **Prime Minister's Ball**

Dwight Terry was installed as 2022 Prime Minister of the Royal Rosarians on Saturday, Sept. 18. Also installed were members of the 2022 Royal Rosarian Council and the 2022 officers and directors of the Royal Rosarian Foundation. It was a grand celebration with 170 guests in attendance at the historic ballroom of the Sentinel Hotel in downtown Portland. Honored guests were current President of the Portland Rose Society Emily Hastings, past Presidents of the Portland Rose Society Molly Bauck and Katherine Johnson, 2018 and 2022 Commandant of the Seattle Commodores Gary Stenberg, 2017 Queen of Rosaria Michaela Canete, and 1973 Princess Glenda Jackson from Monroe High School.

PM Dwight would like to thank all those who made the evening a smashing hit: PM Ball Committee Chairs Dame Holly and Squire Reed Fowler; Emcee Duke Peter Glazer; Committee members Dames Cindy Marker, Elisa Bennett, Diane Bohr, Catherine Camp, Mary Hrkac, Katherine Johnson, Holly Morgan, Marti Penske, Ruth Takahashi, Linda White and Yushonna Wilson. Also serving on the committee were Sir Knights and Ladies Dennis and Harlene Austin, Tim and Trish Bolen, Doug and Leanna Crimin and Ron and Linda Pfeifer. Sir Knight Phil Guzie printed the programs, and Sir Knight Bill Barry and RETO Media were responsible for the photography. Escorts for the evening were Sir Knights Gene Horton and Tom Sagerser, and Dame Yushonna and Squire Curtis Wilson. Installing Dukes were Tony Pasion, Peter Glazer, Rick Saturn and Adam Baker.

Everyone had a fantastic time and the 2022 Prime Minister and Council are looking forward to a wonderful year!

















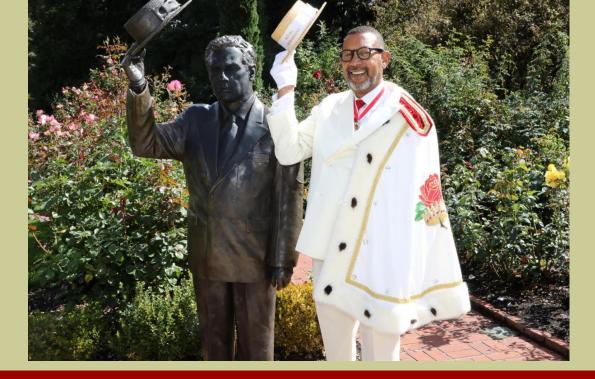




### **Prime Minister Plaque Laying**

There was a nice turn out for the Prime Ministers Plaque Laying and Rose Planting on Sunday, September 19, 2021, 1 pm at the International Rose Test Gardens in Washington Park. The forecast was for rain but it was clear with bright sunshine until the ceremony was done. PM Dwight extends his appreciation to Duke Richard Clifton for performing the ceremony and the 2022 Rosarian Council, Dukes and Duchesses, 2020-2021 President of the Portland Rose Society Emily Hastings and other members of the Rose Society as well as friends and visitors at the gardens.





### Calendar

Rosarian Membership Meetings - The Membership meetings for the 2021-2022 Rosarian year will be held November 4, February 3, March 3, April 7 or April 14, May 5 and 26 (Court, SOS speeches and Spouses) and June 16 (Elections). All meeting will be held at Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel.

Rosarian Council Meetings - The council meetings for the 2021-2022 Rosarian year will be held at 7:00 pm on October 25, November 15, December 6, January 24, February 28, March 21, April 18, May 16, July 18, August 16, and September 19 at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel.

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

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#### Jim Nielson's Truisms



"In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years." — Abraham Lincoln

(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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