



#### From YOUR President



Hi Clowns,

Hope you are all well and enjoying the cooler weather. I am looking forward to Fall. You know what Fall means right? It means we are getting close to the end of the calendar year. Can't believe it!

What a year we have had. Some amazing education, several of you have new shoes, costumes, accessories, magic, puppets and the list goes on – due to some amazing donations by local (and not so local) retired clowns. We still have more to giveaway so stay tuned for another Zoom meeting to do just that. You won't want to miss it.

With the Fall also comes changes to the Alley. Elections are coming up and so far, we don't have any nominees to take over the leadership and we still have other positions empty, that have been empty for quite some time. What??? I met with the Board last week to discuss this and we came up with a couple of options that we are organizing into a short survey that will come to you soon. We want you, in the meantime, to really think hard about what you want from Rose City Clowns and what you are willing to contribute to make that happen. There is an old saying – 'it takes a village'. Well, guess what? It DOES take a whole village and we need this village to help us figure out our path forward. None of us want to see the Alley collapse. We are clowns! We need this forum to learn AND share and grow and keep this Sgt. at Arms: art alive.

I am not going to include Board Minutes in this issue because pretty much what was discussed was what we see as the options going forward. That detail will come to you in a survey that will

ask you for your vote on what will become our path forward into 2022.

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL MEMBERS WITH VOTING RIGHTS, VOTE!** What does that mean? Those of you that have <u>paid your dues</u> for 2021/2022 calendar year, by the time the survey comes out (no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>). Is that you? If you have not yet paid your dues – get those checks in right away to Albert so you can cast your vote! If you need help with that, contact me. Per our Bylaws Honorary members are not eligible to vote so it is important that we include as many of you, Full Members, in this vote to determine our future.

#### Vice-President Bit



Hello! What are you up to?

Have you turned in your membership dues for 2022????

Have you put in your nomination for a board position???? It takes a village to run an alley! If you haven't served what's holding you back??? We need you!

Recently: I worked a full day at the Oregon State Fair painting faces. I still need to practice my skills but it was fun.

I just landed a big gig and I'm so excited!!! I will be twisting balloons at Mt. Angel's Oktoberfest!!!

Sgt. at Arms: Gayle "Frauline Min-ne-so-ta" Overbeck



## **Alley Meetings**

September 20 at 7:00 p.m. PT

## Art of Joke Telling with Brian Ivory

You will all be getting an email from <u>jesseisahorse@gmail.com</u> inviting you to our next General Meeting via Zoom. The meeting will **start promptly at 7:00 p.m. PT** and the agenda is as follows:

# **Meeting Agenda:**

7-7:15 p.m. General Business

7:15-8 p.m. Art of Joke Telling

#### Make Me Laugh! The Art of Joke Telling

Telling jokes is an important clowning skill to entertain audiences both young and old. This interactive session will focus on how to select, refine, and deliver jokes (e.g., meet-and-greet, parades) that best convey your clown character. Knock-knock jokes, criss-cross jokes, and telling jokes in tandem with a partner will be covered. A handout with 800 clown-friendly jokes will also be provided.

# **Treasurers Report**



RCC bank balances Checking CD

\$2,135.68 \$3,383.53 matures 03 Aug 2021



# **2021 RCC Alley General Meeting** & Education Workshop Calendar

<b>Date</b>	Workshop	<u>Presenter</u>
October 18	Simple Balloons	Barb Field
November 22	Elections	Who's Running?????
December	no meeting	_

Will there be more in the new year???? It's up to you!!!!



# September Presenter Brian Ivory

Brian "Dr. Bubbly" Ivory is the director of Mott Honors College and the founder of the Mott Campus Clowns. Brian is a 1987 graduate of the Ringling Brothers and

Barnum & Bailey Clown College. He worked as a professional clown until 1994 when he began his doctoral pursuit at Ohio State University. In 2011 he "un-retired" from clowning to recruit and train the Mott Campus Clowns, a 12-

member troupe he started as part of an honors course (Social Diversity and Civic Engagement) that he teaches at Mott Community College (MCC).







#### Thank You

Kimberley, thank you so much for your giving, your time, your dedication and your passion to reach out to our community! Picnic of



Hope was a great success! Thank you, Edith Martinez, Jail Ministry Director "She was thanking me for assembling (and donating) 5 complete face paint kits and for teaching a group of their older youth some basic designs for 2 hours in preparation for this event. We were unable to attend in person but this allowed them to offer the children face

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painting and was a good opportunity for their youth to get involved in the event and learn a new skill.



Election: who's running????

Rose City Clowns needs a few good clowns to step forward and run for office. You must be a paid member. Board Members must be willing to commit to attend all Board Meetings via Zoom until further notice. The pay back is that the Rose City Clowns will benefit from your knowledge and talents, appreciate your efforts, and continue to do great things.

All positions will be voted again this year by email due to COVID-19. Our goal is to have a full slate of candidates.

If you are interested in running, have questions or want to nominate someone in particular, contact Bonnie-Jean Brown, 503-996-1065, boggarts 70@yahoo.com.

#### **Board Position Descriptions**

Taken from the Rose City Clowns Bylaws
Article IV

President: The President shall preside at all meetings and perform other duties in the best interest of the club." The President's responsibilities include: Set the agenda for monthly alley meetings, Set the agenda and times for board meetings, Write a monthly letter for the newsletter, Ensure that all officers and committee chairmen are fulfilling their duties, Troubleshoot any problem related to officer and committee assignments and Bylaws interpretation, Communicate with other officers and membership about current alley issues, Maintain the annual calendar, checking each

month to ensure tasks are being completed on time, Propose policies to the board, Take part in the petitioning process for new members, Continue on the board as Past President at the end of his or her term as President, and Ensure the Treasurer completes the annual registration process for the Rose City Clown Non-Profit status.

Vice President: The Vice President shall perform the duties of the president in his/her absence and shall be in charge of workshops at monthly meetings, public relations, and publicity." The Vice President's responsibilities include: Organize the educational workshops for monthly meetings, Organize workshops to take place outside of regular alley meetings, Publicize all RCC workshops at monthly meetings and in the newsletter, Propose the annual workshop budget, Work with Treasurer to ensure timely payment of workshop instructors, and Take part in the petitioning process for new members.

Secretary: The Secretary shall record minutes of the Board meetings and general meetings, be responsible for letter correspondence, and maintain records and files." The Secretary's responsibilities include: Provide all officers with a printed copy of the minutes from Board meetings, Provide all officers with a copy of the minutes from general meetings before submitting the minutes to the newsletter editor, Maintain all files related to the alley, including newsletter copies, minutes from Board and general meetings, Treasurer reports (monthly), membership reports (yearly), volunteer reports (yearly), and Take part in the petitioning process for new members.

Who will be leading the alley in 2022?

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall receive and deposit all funds in the name of the organizations, maintain accurate accounts, execute contracts as directed by the President. The Treasurer is an exofficio member of any committee charged with financing the organization." The Treasurer's responsibilities include: Maintain common accounting practices including a general ledger, accounts receivable and accounts payable, Provide all officers with a printed treasurer's report on a monthly basis, Work with the Board to develop a yearly budget, Present to the Board for approval any irregular expense prior to issuing payment, Keep the alley checkbook secure, Bring the alley checkbook to Board and general meetings, Provide Secretary with copies of all bank statements for placement in alley files, Take part in the petitioning process for new members. Complete the annual registration

process for the Rose City Clown Non-Profit status.

Sergeant-at-Arms: The Sergeant-At-Arms shall maintain order and timing of the monthly meetings and shall oversee the signing-in of members." The Sergeant-at-Arms responsibilities include: Be in charge of the sign in table set up and tear down, Maintain a record of members present, share this record with the Board and place a copy in the alley files, Maintain a record of visitors and distribute copies of this record to the newsletter editor and membership chairman, and Take part in the petitioning process for new members.

### **Committee Open Positions:**

Historian & Newsletter Membership Chair

Jr. Joey chair

for the latest job descriptions contact Bonnie-Jean Brown, 503-996-1065, boggarts70@yahoo.com.

#### **Clown Shoes For Sale**

Gold Clown Shoes with Pink flowers, worn just a few times at Christmas



Size 8 - with tights or thin socks, or 7.5 comfortable

new they were \$350 Asking \$200 (will negotiate within reason)

Color can be changed by professional shoe man or DIY following instructions from Julie Varholdt. Leather. Made by Wayne Scott

If interested please contact Kimberley Eve; jesseisahorse@gmail.com or (517) 388-5351



# **Standard Membership Application/Renewal**

(Membership Year runs July through June)

Self:			
Name:	Clown name:		_
Birthdate: Month/Day	_		
o Regular o Senior (62 or over) o Jr. Joey (und	ler 16)		
Family Member:			
Name: Cle	own name:		
Birthdate: Month/Day	<u></u>		
o Regular o Senior (62 or over) o Jr. Joey (und	ler 16)		
Contact information:			
Address:	City:	State:	_ZIP:
Phone (s): Home:	Cell:		
E-mail:			
Contact information provided will be published	in our Membership Directo	ory.	
☐ If this is a Membership Renewal, check this ry.	box if there are changes to	contact information	n since the last Directo-
	By August 10th	After the 10	)th
Full Member	<b>\$20</b>	\$25	
Senior (62 or over)	\$15	\$20	
Jr. Joey (under 16)	\$10	\$15	
Total Amount Due: \$ Please ma	ke checks payable to: Rose	City Clowns	
Mail this form with your payment to: Albert Alt	ter, 5848 SE 18 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Portla	and OR 97202	
RCC Use Only: Amount Received: \$	o Cash o Check#	Received by:	

# **Scholarships**

Deadline for 2022 Programs/Conventions: September 20, 2020

All applications will be reviewed by the review committee compiled of board members and honorary alley members.

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Rose City Clowns (RCC) Education Scholarship Application
Date:
Name (first and last): Clown name: Phone Number: Email:
Have you ever received a scholarship from RCC?
If yes, what year and for how much?
Have you received any other scholarships this year?
If yes, from what organization and for how much?
If awarded this scholarship, what educational event are you planning to use this money for?
How many times before have you attended that convention or camp?
What are you hoping to learn at this convention or camp that will help you grow as a clown?
What do you love most about clowning?
What do you like least about clowning?
If awarded this scholarship are you willing to give a presentation on your return at one of RCC's General Meetings to share highlights of what you learned?
Please tell us why you think you should receive the Rose City Clown Education Scholarshin:

Thank you. Your application will be reviewed and you will be notified of the final decision.

# Who's wearing the hats?

Committee Heads

Historian: OPEN

Library: Treesa "Lotta" Svatos

Membership: OPEN

Newsletter & Photographer: Bonnie-Jean "Giggle Britches" Brown

Jr. Joeys: OPEN

Hearts & Flowers: Paddee Embrey

Facebook: Alice Szanto

Events Coordinator: Kimberley "Anniebelle" Eve

Webmaster: Alan Posner info@rosecityclowns.com











# Rose City Clown Classifieds



To submit articles, clean jokes, fan mail, or suggestions:

Bonnie-Jean "Giggle Britches" Brown boggarts70@yahoo.com

844 N Pershing St, Mt. Angel, Oregon Or call (503) 996-1065

Newsletter submission deadline is the 10th of each month.

classifieds in the Red Nose Newz. If you have clown props, costumes, memorabilia, or other items related to clowning that you would like to sell or give to other clown members send your requests to Bonnie-Jean "Giggle Britches" Brown at boggarts70@yahoo.com, 844 N Pershing St., Mt. Angel, 97362. Or call 503-996-1065. Classified submissions deadline is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.