



# The Ramblin' Rose Newsletter



ROSE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB

DECEMBER 2023

Welcome to all new members who have just recently joined Rose City Motorcycle Club. We hope you will feel welcome and join in on the activities and fun we schedule throughout the year. We encourage you to come to our monthly breakfast meetings on the third Saturday of every month at a location to be announced in the future. There is usually a ride after breakfast for those who want to ride with some friends.

## **PREZ SEZ**

by Char Messinger, President

Wow! Wow!! Wow!!! and Wow!!!!

We have just completed another very successful year. Thanks to all the great RCMC members.

As I sit and construct my last Prez Sez, I reflect on my 36 years of service to Rose City Motorcycle Club and the motorcycling community. I am grateful for all the volunteers who have contributed their time and energy to making RCMC and the events we host such a success.

It is my honor to present to the RCMC membership your new President, Richard Skyba. His duties officially begin on January 1 2024. My wish is that all of you give him your support and continue to volunteer when he needs it. It is time I pass the torch to the future.

Our annual Holidays/Christmas party and White Elephant exchange will be Sunday Dec. 10th. The very fun and successful ornament exchange will be happening again. This little game was started in 2005 by our very creative Social Director Virginia Berkey. Our Social Director Richard Skyba is continuing the tradition. Bring one wrapped white elephant gift per person and one wrapped ornament per person. Please RSVP by Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> by e-mailing Richard Skyba at: rskyba@hotmail.com.

New time: arrive at 4PM for check-in, 5PM to start eating. See everyone at the party. I will be bringing the Ham and I need a head count for how much ham to prepare.

We expect a great riding season in 2024. I'm hoping for another very successful Grand Tour in 2024. We had over 250 books out there in 2023. Please note that RCMC Club members may now pay an entry fee for the OR250 and/or the Grand Tour and compete for prizes of the day.

Club membership remains steady between 95 and 105 members. Part of being a member of RCMC is our member benefits. Beaverton Motorcycles will again for 2024 be giving RCMC Members discounts on most parts and accessories. Please show your RCMC membership card to the dealership folks before you start your transaction. And, "PLEASE" if you don't have your RCMC membership card do not insist on your discounts or try to get a discount after your purchase has been made. Thanks for being a positive RCMC member.

Dues notices will be in the mail soon. Dues are due January 1st. We will be collecting Dues renewals at the December and January RCMC Brunches and the Holidays/Christmas party.

Many thanks to all of you who helped with everything that RCMC accomplished in 2023. I want to thank again all those who gave of their time and energy to help with the 250 and 500. Without such a wonderful group of individuals, RCMC would not be what it has grown into

today. All members are necessary to build our fine organization, RCMC, heart and soul. It is my privilege to have been the President of such a grand group of motorcyclists.

Ever think about being a part of the RCMC Management Team???? If you have an interest, please contact any RCMC Board member. They will be happy to answer any and all questions. Note that ALL RCMC members are welcome at the RCMC Board meetings. Thank you for sharing your time and your spirit with me.

Wishing you all the Happiest of Holidays and a very Merry Christmas.

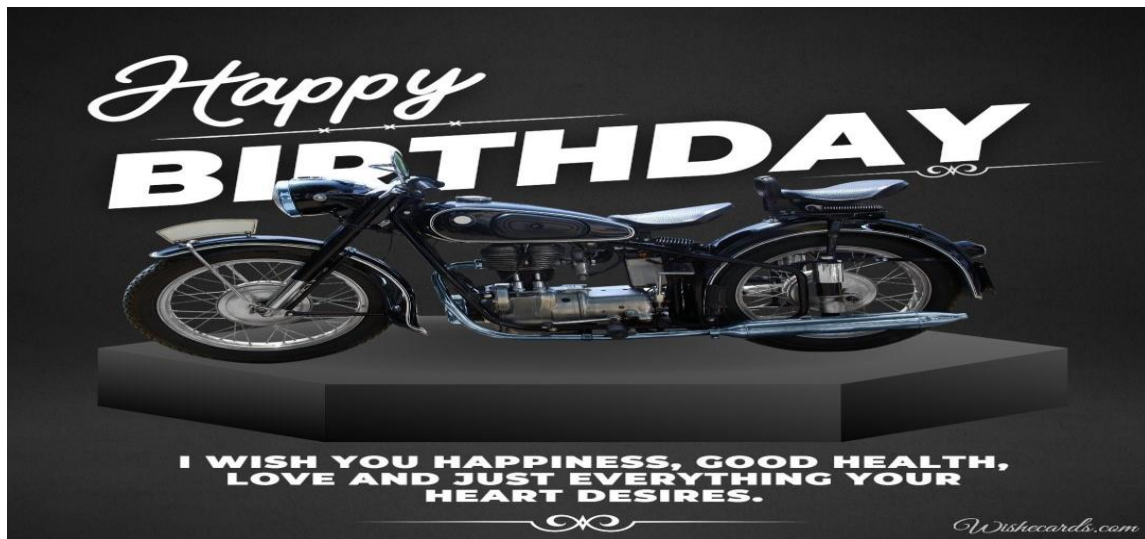
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## Member Benefits

### Happy Birthday to club members with December Birthdays!

Julia Bowcutt, Leroy Seal, Paul Sharp, Doug Stapf,  
John Sunseri, Gary Wasserman, and Chris Winn!



**Lots of holiday fun coming up at the annual Christmas party Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> details in this issue, get your white elephant present and ornament ready and join us!**

*Den Bair*  
*RCMC MBO*  
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From Richard Skyba  
Social Director

**HO HO HO**

**It's time for our annual**

**RCMC Christmas Party**

**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

**At The Encorepreneur Cafe**



1548 NE 15<sup>th</sup> Ave

Portland, OR 97232

<https://encorepreneurcafe.com/event-space>

**4:00 PM – Set-up, Sign-in & Social Hour (volunteers needed)**

**4:30 PM – Food Arrives! Potluck Supper**

**6:00 PM – Awards, White Elephant, and Ornament Exchange**

**7:30-8:00 PM – Cleanup & Tear Down**

**Each household needs to bring a potluck dish to feed about 10 people. There will be a service where you can purchase alcoholic drinks or soft drinks and water. Spiral cut ham & coffee will be provided by RCMC. Please bring your own beverages if you have special needs.**

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Each person needs to bring a wrapped White Elephant Gift and a small, wrapped Christmas Ornament or “thingy”.

The cost is \$10.00 per person 15 years of age and up which is paid at the door.

***Important! If you will be bringing any children age 14 or younger, please let Richard know their name(s), age and a gift preference as soon as possible!***

**Please RSVP ASAP**

To sign up or ask questions. Contact: Richard Skyba at 503-860-3658 or email: [rskyba@hotmail.com](mailto:rskyba@hotmail.com)