

ABCs of ISRC

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(administered by San Diego's court) will also benefit from ISRC fund raising, says Boxx. Boxx calculates that when the smoke clears, his records will show that the ISRC donated more than \$30,000 during the 1997-98 reign. He says it's a record-breaking amount for the ISRC.

Which charities will get support is generally determined by the reigning titleholders. They agree to hold fund-raising events during their reigns and have discretion as to which charities will benefit from their parties and balls.

Boxx adds that during major events, like

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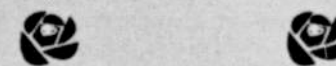
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coronation, court members representing other cities come together and discuss new causes to support, sometimes prompting a region's courts to band together and hold fund-raising events for a specific cause, as they have recently with breast cancer research.

The ISRC also raises funds by selling advertising. Boxx explains: "We print five programs per year. We sell advertising in those souvenir programs. Any net proceeds...usually go to charities. This year's proceeds are going to Esther's Pantry."

Boxx adds that proceeds from this year's ticket sales will be going to the Pride of the Rose Scholarship fund.

Another funding source is corporate sponsorship, and this year the court netted its biggest sponsor yet. "We got a corporate spon-

sorship for \$5,000 from Captain Morgan Spiced Rum," says Boxx, explaining how he and other ISRC members met Empress XII Panzi of the New York City court who had worked with the Captain Morgan company.

"She was working with Morgan Rum people for her coronation ball and gave them my name," Boxx recalls. "Out of the blue came this phone call saying, 'We want to give you \$5,000.'"

A likely recipient of court money in 1999 is the Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, guesses Boxx. It's a favorite charity of the soon-to-be-crowned Rose Empress XLI Krystel Belle-Rose, he says.

Krystel Belle-Rose offers that she's not

Top: Emperor XXIV Barry Burns;
left: Empress XL Tonya Rose

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