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## **PRESS RELEASE – Calizona ApHC to ride in 2012 Tournament of Roses Parade!**

A personal call from the Tournament of Roses offering congratulations and acceptance in the upcoming 2012 Rose Parade was received by Group Marshal, Leslie Foxvog. This is the second time that the CZ Parade group will appear in the parade with their first appearance January 2010. The 2012 Rose Parade in Pasadena, California is themed “*Just Imagine*” and will be held Monday, January 2 (not January 1<sup>st</sup> in a tradition every seven or so years to not hold the parade on a Sunday). The CZ group consists of 12 mounted riders dressed in the traditions of the Nez Perce and northern plateau and plains region heritage costume and regalia. To quote the opening on their application, “*Just Imagine ... an animal so deeply embedded in the way of life of one culture that it almost became lost but over time, developed and changed because of the hearts and desires of a second people. Close your eyes and let your imagination take hold. Listen for the faint sound of hooves and see in the distance images of spotted horses, manes and tails floating on the breeze, as they run carefree across the vast open landscape of the western northern plains. Listen more closely as the air is filled with the faint sweet sound of tingling bells and cones as their music joins the sound of hooves on the hard ground growing ever closer. Open your eyes to see that sometimes what is just imagined ... has come to life!*” Look for the Calizona Appaloosa Horse Club equestrian group to follow in the footsteps of their forefathers in the time honored horse parade tradition to celebrate in the Tournament of Rose Parade and promote the spirit of the Appaloosa Horse with the thousands of Appaloosa owners that enjoy the horse today.

Leslie Foxvog  
Group Marshal  
Calizona ApHC

