



Year 35, Edition 6, February 17, 2025

We Meet Bi-Monthly

at Brand 33 Restaurant
Aspen Lakes GC
16900 Aspen Lakes Dr
Sisters, OR 97759

1st/3rd Tuesdays
@noon

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Meetings and Events



Tomorrow: The RYLA experience and a Ten Friends Trip

Cooper Merrill (photo, right) is a senior at Sisters High School who attended the Rotary Leadership Leadership A in 2023 and was a part of the 2024 Ten Friends Youth Corps Trip to Nepal.

Cooper will be joined by SHS junior Styopa Myagkov (photo, left), who also traveled to Nepal with the Youth Corps trip last summer.



Together, they will relay their experiences with Rotary and abroad.

March 4: Dave Benson, Chairman/Co-Founder of BASX Solution, LLC

Dave Benson is the Chairman and Co-founder of BASX Solutions LLC, a leading manufacturer of custom-engineered products serving the healthcare, military, high-tech, and construction sectors. With over 35 years of experience in the HVAC industry, Dave has significantly influenced air-handling technology and efficiency standards.



Before establishing BASX Solutions in 2013, Dave held pivotal roles, including HVAC Design Engineer and Operations Manager at Intel. He also founded and served as President of Cleanpak and Huntair, where he pioneered the development and manufacturing of products that have shaped today's industry standards.

Under his leadership, BASX Solutions has experienced remarkable growth, expanding its headquarters in Redmond, Oregon, to a 200,000-square-foot facility employing over 525 individuals. The company has been recognized as one of the nation's fastest-growing manufacturers.

Dave's commitment to innovation and excellence continues to drive BASX Solutions to new heights, making significant contributions to the HVAC industry and the Central Oregon community.

March 18: TBA

April 1: TBA

April 15: Clayton Crowhurst, Senior Housing developer with NW Housing.

Clayton is involved with the workforce housing project in Sisters and can tailor his remarks to which part of the housing issues Sisters faces that we choose. There is a national focus on workforce



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Birthdays

Thomas W. Counos
February 19th

Harold M. Darcey
March 5th

Rand Rietmann
March 18th

housing and it relates to our Sisters Country as something of interest to our members concerned with our local businesses' ability to achieve adequate staffing.

Events/Service Opportunities

- Mega-Raffle Sales: March 4-April 15
- Sisters Middle School Art Program: March 15
- Supporting Sisters Student Success (4S) Fundraiser at Sisters Depot: Thursday, May 8
- Fourth Fest Celebration: July 4

President Sandy: Are we/you fire-ready? Local info

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The talk around town has been strong, large, somewhat focused and without many answers around homeowners fire insurance and fire preparedness, as we move closer to summer and fall seasons.

Bill Bartlett wrote an excellent article, as he always does around the issue of homeowners insurance. This piece invited lively discussions around town and led to the inclusion of discussion around fire preparedness somewhat based on the newly received Wildfire Hazard Classification and WUI Appeal form.



There are many questions especially following the recent fires in Lahaina and Los Angeles. This is without even mentioning the devastation from the fires recently here in central Oregon. Driving through McKenzie River Valley (Holiday Farm Fire, 173,000+ acres) and Santiam Pass fire (402,000+ acres), both in 2020, you can still see the recovery moving forward almost 5 years later.

So what's being done to answer questions and provide some guidance? Your Rotary Club, along with Kiwanis of Sisters, and C4C, have entered into discussions to bring information meetings to our Sisters community.

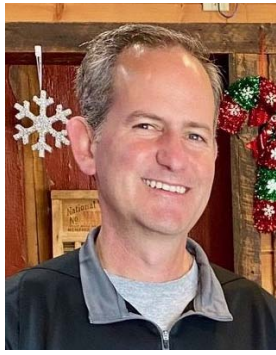
The date of April 13 has been set for the initial session. Content and format are well into discussion. Please check your calendars and block the date. In addition, we will Rotarian and Sisters Fire Chief Tony Prior speak to a club meeting this spring.

More details will be coming out shortly. Thanks!

Sandy Reilly
President, Rotary Club of Sisters

Club Profile #7: Brent MacCluer

Who is Brent MacCluer in 1-2 sentences? Brent has lived in Oregon since he was five and after graduating from the University of Oregon stayed in Eugene for 30 years. During the pandemic, Brent started spending more and more time in Sisters and decided to take the plunge and move full-time to this great little town where he and his wife are thriving getting connected,



meeting new friends and learning to finally use their Traeger grill.

Years in Rotary? Brent has been in Rotary for one year (if you consider 2024 his first year), but more realistically it's only been since fall.

Profession(s)? Brent has been a partner in AHM Brands, a marketing / communication company, for exactly 20 years. Through the years they've been fortunate to build and grow brands for the likes of TrackTown USA, Hop Valley Brewing, Abby's Legendary Pizza, Café Yumm and the University of Oregon.

Family? Brent and his wife Kelly don't have any kids (or dogs currently...much to the dislike of Kelly), but have family nearby in Pleasant Hill and Sherwood.

Why Rotary? Brent joined Rotary because of his desire to get more involved in the Sisters and to try to leave this little town a little bit better than he found it. Rotary is a wonderful way to meet new people, do some good and develop deep roots in the local community.

Post-Rotary Lunch...Join Us This Week



The post-meeting lunches in town are growing!!!! Witness the big crowd recently at Ski Inn! Join us!!

Several club members have assembled for lunch in town immediately after our bi-monthly meetings and all are welcome. Here is a list formalizing the plan and hopefully getting many of you to keep your hunger in check until the 1 p.m. hour on club meeting days:

- February 18: Takoda's**
- March 4: High Camp
- March 18: R Spot
- April 1: Philadelphia's
- April 15: Luckey's Woodsman



The main goal is additional interaction and networking to get to know our fellow Rotarians better and maybe conspire to further our community service locally.

We are also very open to suggestions/recommendations for additional lunch stop potentials looking to spread our patronage of our Sisters eateries!

Mentor-Mentee Program Underway -- Here's Your Guide and Checklist

Here is the list of mentor assignments toward developing ongoing discussions of our Rotary role locally, regionally and



globally using the Mentor Guide below.

Please get started meeting with your mentees establishing a relationship to optimize our Rotary experience for each and every club member.

Mentor / Mentee

Steve Auerbach / Mark Griffin

Jennifer Holland / Lara Eckstine & Renee Reitmeier

Jim Barnes / Josh Smith

Bill Kelly / Mark & Pam Ossinger

Jennifer Burroughs / Barbara Turner

Ann Davis / Deni Reitmeier

Jim Lanzarotta / Bre Miller

Tom Counos / Michael Deal

Lei Darcey / Donna Marshall

Rand Rietmann / Michael Richards

Judy Corwin / Debbi McCune

Mike Corwin / Brent MacCluer

Kristin Sorenson-Hilgart / Sandy Brink

Hal Darcey / Jim Lanzarotta

Curt Davis / Sheree Vance

Sandy Reilly / Tammy Taylor

Bill Bartlett / Tony Prior

Mike Gray / New member

Curt Scholl / Future assignment

Mike Marshall / New member

Francie Kibby / Future assignment

THE MENTOR'S GUIDE/CHECKLIST

- Exchange contact information with the new member
- Check with new member regularly to answer any questions and review upcoming Rotary events and projects
- Introduce them to other club members at meetings and club social events
- Make sure the new member is getting the club Bulletin and the Rotary magazine
- Discuss the rotating "Greeter and Sergeant-at-arms" roles and responsibilities
- Help them get signed in to DACdb, the RI website and review Sistersrotary.org
- Set up a time to meet with the club The Rotary Foundation (TRF) committee chair and discuss ways to support TRF including becoming a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF)
- Explain club leadership positions and the yearly election cycle
- Within their first year have the new member attend a Board of Directors meeting
- Show them Rotary's tools on My Rotary, including Club Finder and the Learning Center
- Discuss the skill sets the member brings and about open roles they could fill on committees or in club leadership positions
- Invite the new member and their family members to lend a hand at club service projects and as guests at club socials
- Accompany the new member to club service projects and district events
- Get them involved with club fundraising activities

- Encourage them to invite someone they know to a meeting
- Accompany or encourage the new member to attend a local Rotary club meeting or when travelling
- Attend a Sisters Rotary Foundation (SRF) Board of Directors meeting
- Invite the new member to join you and other members for lunch after a club meeting
- Explain how to propose a new club member for membership
- HAVE FUN together!

Upcoming Meeting Assignments

Sergeant-at-Arms: Help meeting set up/tear down, Lead pledge, Manage appreciation dollars & raffle

February 18: Bill Bartlett

March 4: Brent MacCluer

March 18: Jim Lanzarotta

April 1: Tony Prior

April 15: Mike Deal

May 6: Mark Griffin

May 20: Hal Darcey

June 3: Tammy Taylor

June 17: Mike Corwin

Greeter: Greet all prior to meeting, Badge help, assist w/raffle sale tickets, help set up/tear down if possible.

February 18: Steve Auerbach

March 4: Sandy Brink

March 18: Curt Davis

April 1: Josh Smith

April 18: Debbi McClune

May 6: Judy Corwin

May 20: Jen Holland

June 3: Sheree Vance

June 17: Sandy Reilly

Thought for the Day: Exactly that and nothing more....short and sweet....and thoughtful!

February 18: Sandy Reilly

March 4: Bre Miller

March 18 - Lei Darcey

April 1 - Renee Reitmeier

April 15: Ann Davis

May 6: Lara Eckstine

May 20: Michael Gray

June 3: Bill Kelly

June 17: Rand Rietmann

Levity for a Sisters Lifestyle

DID YOU KNOW THESE THINGS HAD NAMES?

1. The space between your eyebrows is called a glabella.
2. The way it smells after the rain is called petrichor.
3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called an aglet.
4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a wamble.
5. The cry of a new born baby is called a vagitus.

6. The prongs on a fork are called tines.
7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called phosphenes.
8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a box tent.
9. The day after tomorrow is called overmorrow.
10. Your tiny toe or finger is called minimus.
11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an agraffe.
12. The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called vocables.
13. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as an interrobang.
14. The space between your nostrils is called columella nasi.
15. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called armscye.
16. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of the bed in the morning is called dysania.
17. Unreadable hand-writing is called griffonage.
18. The dot over an "i" or a "j" is called tittle.
19. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called crapulence.
20. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called Bannock device.

HOW MANY OF THE ABOVE DID YOU ALREADY KNOW?