#### **Events**

April 3rd
Monthly Club
Business Meeting
April 10th
Weekly Club
Meeting
Speaker: Nicole
Ramos
Subject: Regional
Economist

### **Birthdays**

Ryan Sale April 4th John Nielsen April 9th Gordon Sepich April 20th Rachel Cardwell May 1st Tara Messner May 2nd



# This Week's Luncheon Meeting

President Paul will be leading our **Monthly Business Meeting** this Thursday. Committees will be delivering summary reports and Paul will report information from Tuesday's BOD meeting.

Please reply to: <u>redmondrotary@gmail.com</u> if you are attending and let us know if you plan to invite a guest.

Greeters: Rocky Johnson - Bruce England - Brea Lindbo

# The Magic of Rotary



## Wild Ride MX13 Jump Show



The **Wild Ride MX 13** event is scheduled for August 21, 2025. This fundraiser, organized by Justin Homan, raises \$10,000 to be donated to a non-profit chosen by a vote of

the membership. If you did not vote for one of the four possible recipients by email, ballots will be available at the meeting and results will be announced.

## **ShelterBox Appeal**



#### The Crisis in Myanmar and Thailand

Myanmar and Thailand were struck by a devastating 7.7 magnitude earthquake, causing widespread destruction. Thousands are now displaced and in urgent need of humanitarian assistance. Both Myanmar and Thai authorities have declared states of emergency and requested international

aid. Vulnerable people in these countries are homeless and in dire need of emergency shelter. They need your support. With over 25 years of experience, ShelterBox is an expert in providing emergency shelter after disasters. Please read the **ShelterBox Letter** to Rotarians.

# **Weekly Member Profile**

### **Louise Kaplan Featured Profile**

Louise knew she wanted to pursue journalism back in high school, specifically broadcasting, preparing for it by taking classes in speech, drama and journalism. She even participated with the debate team, which should surprise no one who knows her. Her high school guidance counselor, however, bluntly told this female news anchor wannabe that there was no future in that career for a woman.



Born in Portland and raised by a single mom, the 1960's-version, and quite practical Louise listened to her counselor turning to the world of banking and finance after graduation. She initially worked in downtown Portland for a bank that eventually sold. By then, she had been promoted to Vice-President/Credit Manager but could see that she could earn more as a mortgage broker, a career move that

she only recently retired from after working for several financing companies along the way. She never, however, lost interest her in broadcasting.

After moving to this area full-time, she got the opportunity to work for COCC in community radio programming. Today, Louise is co-host of KPOV's The Wednesday Point, a half-hour-long community program where she and Mary Ann Hart interview civic and business leaders. She enjoys the research it takes to prepare, as well as access to people she might not otherwise meet. Louise recounted as one example her interview with Les AuCoin, a Redmond High graduate and first Democrat to win a seat in Oregon's 1st district back in 1974. Additionally, her emcee role during the club's State of the City panel discussion highlighted skills she has honed since her Cleveland (Portland) high school days.

Our Redmond club is Louise's third Rotary member experience. Her bank position back in 1984 required her to participate in a large Portland club after women won the right to join Rotary International. She enjoyed her membership in the Tualatin club that followed a few years later. But it was the Daddy Daughter Dance (DDD) that past-president Lynn Evans roped her into that had her in stitches about belonging to this club. No, really. Surgical stitches, to be exact. As Louise tells the story, she cut her finger cutting a bag of popcorn open. She ended up driving herself to the emergency room for treatment, holding her hand above her head, while the club carried on with the event. It was apparently a real (bandaged) bonding experience, as Louise still cites the DDD as one of her favorite aspects of club participation today. She is also happy about our club's growth, having joined when the numbers dipped after the 2008 recession. Like the rest of us, the club's commitment to community service and the people involved are what keep her



feeling like her membership matters. Of course, she may not mention it, but her recruitment of husband Marv into the club a few years back was a handy addition. We couldn't agree more.