



Week of July 30, 2017

## Rotary President-elect Sam F. Owori

By Claudette Mirassou McWilliams

2017-07-22

***“Let Every Rotary Project Become the Engine of Peace and Prosperity”***





It is with sadness that I report that Rotary International President-elect Sam F. Owori died unexpectedly on July 13<sup>th</sup> from complications due to surgery. Sam's term as Rotary's 108<sup>th</sup> president was set to begin on July 1, 2018.

Sam was a member of the Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda for 38 years. Under his leadership, the number of clubs in Uganda grew from nine to 89 over 29 years.

In his professional life, Sam was the chief executive officer of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda. He occupied many leadership positions in the banking industry, including executive director of the African Development Bank, and director of Uganda Commercial Bank Ltd. and the Uganda Development Bank.

Sam's service extended beyond Rotary to the Uganda Heart Institute, the Kampala City Council, and the Centre for African Family Studies. He was currently chair of the Programme for Accessible Health Communication and Education for Uganda.

In reporting Sam's death, Rotary International President Ian Riseley said:

“Sam was a special person in so many ways, and his unexpected death is a huge loss to Rotary, his community and the world. Commenting further, Riseley said: “In addition, we are establishing details on plans to celebrate his life as they become available.” Those plans will include the establishment of a memorial fund in Sam’s honor.

Sam saw in Rotarians “an incredible passion to make a difference” and wanted to “harness that enthusiasm and pride so that every project becomes the engine of peace and prosperity. As we keep his wife, Norah, and the Owori family in our thoughts, let us strive to reach Sam’s goal of achieving peace and prosperity through our service to others.

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## Rotary Begins Search for New President-elect

By Mark C. Walker

2017-07-22



After the sudden loss of [RI President-elect Sam Owori](#), Rotary International finds itself in the unusual position of seeking another individual to lead the 1.2 million member organization beginning July 1, 2018.

Owori, 75, died last week after complications from leg surgery in Texas. Owori was a member of Rotary International (RI) for 38 years in his native Uganda, and would have been only the second African to lead the organization in its 112-year history.

"Sam was a special person in so many ways, and is a huge loss," said Ian Riseley, RI President. "This is a difficult time for all of us, and while it is hard to think about replacing our friend Sam so soon, we have to move ahead in the best interests of our organization."

Rotary International has a line of succession that is planned out for years in advance. Owori's death raised many questions among Rotary clubs as to how the vacancy would be filled, and what steps Rotary would take to ensure continuity and a smooth transition of leadership.

Finding a new person to fulfill the role of President-elect is governed by RI Bylaws section 6.080. After consultation with senior staff, as well as the Board's own procedures for nominating the President, Riseley authorized several procedures to take place to find Owori's successor. They included:

- Selection of the 2017-18 RI President-elect shall be made by the 2017-18 Nominating Committee for RI President, with an extra day added to provide extra time to interview candidates and make a selection.
- All eligible candidates who submitted their names for consideration by the 2016-17 Nominating Committee for RI President will be contacted by the general secretary and asked whether they wish to be considered for selection by the 2017-18 committee. No other candidates will be considered for selection by the committee.
- Making ineligible members of the 2017-18 Nominating Committee who were candidates in 2016, per the RI Bylaws.
- After determining which 2016 candidates wish to be considered by the committee, the general secretary will provide an electronic ballot to the members of the 2017-18 Nominating Committee asking each member to select the top six candidates for in-person interviews. Background materials submitted by the candidates in 2016 will be forwarded to this year's committee with the ballot.
- The 2017-18 Nominating Committee will meet on Monday, 7 August, to select its candidate for RI President-nominee, as previously planned, and Tuesday, 8 August, to select its candidate for RI President-elect.
- In accordance with June 2017 Board decision B-9-d, any committee members not voting for their top six candidates will not attend the 8 August meeting.
- The period for challenging the nominating committee's selection of the President-elect shall expire on 1 September 2017.

Based on this timetable, Rotary expects to be able to name the new

President-elect sometime in September 2017.  
(source:Rotary International)

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## Another Successful Grants Meeting Approves 4 Global Projects

By Charles L. Root

2017-07-22



Over 80 dedicated Rotarians came together this last Saturday, July 15th, for a variety of reasons. We held our first quarterly meeting of our Foundation Grants committee, and held our 2nd Grants Management Seminar to train those wishing to apply for Global Grants. DG Claudette

also held meetings with her Executive Committee and Assistant Governors.

It was reported that donations to the Rotary Foundation were the highest in years thanks to DG Dave's leadership and the celebration of the Foundation's 100th year anniversary. Total donated from our wonderful Rotarians was \$1,325,166 plus a considerable amount in Endowed Funds. Seven clubs exceeded \$300 in Annual Fund giving: Grants Pass, Port Orford, Bend High Desert, Shasta Valley, Tulelake and Upper Rogue.

During the Global Grant portion we approved 4 new grants: Eugene Metro partnering with a club in Kenya, Eugene Emerald Valley with a club in Uganda, Medford Rogue with a club in Guatemala and Bend with a club in Ethiopia. The group discussed many lessons learned and used them as "teaching moments" for the rest of us. 41% of our District Designated Funds were approved for these projects.

District Grants proved to be very popular again this year. All clubs that requested grants will receive their first priority grant request and 12 clubs will also receive a 2nd grant. All of which were awarded on a lottery system. Proving, once again, that our district has one of the most, if not the very most, democratic methods of awarding matching grant money.

Our next Grant meeting will be at the Rendezvous on October 20-21st in Roseburg.

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## Don't Forget to Sign Up For RLI!

By Tim Mobley

2017-07-15



Registration is open for Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) in Medford and Corvallis. We need 15 registered Rotarians in each location to make the class. The dates are: Medford, September 16, October 14, and December 2nd - Corvallis dates are: September 23, October 28, and December 9. **Registration will be closing in mid August!**

The cost is \$130 for all sessions and included a morning snack, lunch, and materials. To sign up go to the calendar in DaCdb on September 16th and click register. You can also send me an email and I'll send you a link. [tkmoble1415@gmail.com](mailto:tkmoble1415@gmail.com)

We are also looking at a Spring RLI in Eugene that will do all three days in just two days on the weekend of March 17th & 18th. It will be an action packed weekend going from 8:00am to 5:00pm on both Saturday and Sunday. The cost will be the same. Watch for the information coming out in late August if you are interested.

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## Witness the Impact of Live- Saving Cookstoves with StoveTeam International!

By Inara Fernandez

2017-07-30



Join your very own stove “team” in Guatemala or Nicaragua to promote fuel-efficient cookstoves that replace dangerous open cooking fires. Learn to make fuel-efficient cookstoves and distribute stoves to families in need. Trips include cultural activities, sightseeing and community visits. Trips to Guatemala include individual Spanish lessons. [Find out more here!](#)

Available trips:

January 20-28, 2018: Esteli, Nicaragua

January 20 – 28, 2018: Antigua, Guatemala

March 10 – 18, 2018: Antigua, Guatemala

Sign up now to secure your spot!

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## Submissions to eNews

By Mark C. Walker

2016-07-12

**Please submit photos, news, and brags to [district5110enews@gmail.com](mailto:district5110enews@gmail.com). We welcome your news and announcements.**

**eNews is produced in DACdb ezBulletin and sent to active D5110 members via PMail. Please submit your SHORT stories and great photos of Club events**

**accomplishments and service projects. Submission deadline is Thursday evening the week before publication.**

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## New Middle School in Guatemalan Rainforest Will Benefit Rotary Scholarship Recipients

By Margaret E. Bradford

2017-07-30



Construction of a new middle school for indigenous youth in remote northwestern Guatemala is being overseen by Rogue Gateway Rotarian Frances Dixon.

The construction team includes Mayan and American carpenters. The U.S. volunteers are from Oregon and Texas and have been working side-by-side with their Guatemalan companions to construct a two-story school designed to provide education and training to impoverished Mayan students. Working from early morning until nightfall every day, they completed the foundation and first floor in just days.

Dixon is the founder of Adopt-a-Village and the Maya Jaguar High School. Her home Rotary club, which is located in Grants Pass, Ore., also provides a scholarship for an indigenous student attending Maya Jaguar High School. Through a 2017-18 District 5110 matching grant, the club also will



assist in funding two additional scholarships.

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## District 5110 Grant Project Nears Completion in Guatemala

By Frances Dixon

2017-07-30



A District 5011 Rotary matching grant, partnered by the Delta-Eugene Rotary Club, with additional funding from the Grants Pass Rotary Club and Adopt-a-Village in Guatemala, is making the construction of a girls' school dormitory possible in a remote region of northwestern Guatemala.

Hands-on help from Guatemalan members of both the State of Jefferson Rotary e-Club, and the Rotaract eClub of No Borders, has furthered the success of the project, and demonstrates that several clubs, with or without funding, can join together effectively in a District grant project.

Rotary Club members had learned about the plight of indigenous girls from Rotarian Frances Dixon of the Rogue Gateway Rotary Club. In the remote northwestern region of the Guatemala, Mayan girls have little hope of progressing past primary school—only 10% are able to complete sixth grade. Parents, living in extreme poverty, are unable to pay the high government middle and high school fees, thereby effectively excluding the girls in their quest to gain an education. At ages as young as 12 and 13, they are turned out to live with older men, facing a lifetime of domestic servitude and child bearing.

Through aid from District 5110 Rotary Clubs, that bleak fate is taking a turn for the better. Girls will now have a welcoming and safe place to board at the Adopt-a-Village in Guatemala Maya Jaguar campus. This organization seeks scholarships for them from caring donors, which allows them the opportunity to graduate.

Such partnership efforts by Rotary Clubs will help hundreds of Mayan



girls in the next few years to find a happier and more productive future.

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## Corvallis Rotary Community Corp

By Michele Kellison

2017-07-30



On July 8th, The Rotary Community Corps of Corvallis (RCC) partnered with the Corvallis Parks & Recreation and Evergreen Valley Construction to beautify the Willamette Park disc golf course. 54 volunteers showed up to support the RCC in their inaugural service project. The majority of the effort was spent clearing and removing trees, brush and grass. Additionally, a crew re-painted the structure that holds a new disc golf course map designed, printed and donated by the RCC. Coincidentally, the Willamette Disc Golf Club tore out old tee pads, made forms for new ones, and poured concrete later in the week. Overall, the project was extremely well managed to provide service opportunities for a range of skillsets and deemed a huge success. The RCC, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Greater Corvallis and chartered by Rotary International, is a group of non-Rotarians who share a commitment to Service Above Self.

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## Attention Sky Gazers and Outdoor Enthusiasts:

By Emily Francona

2017-07-15

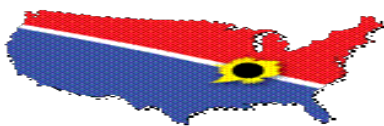


### [2017 Solar Eclipse](#)

***It is not too late to watch this rare dramatic event on August 21 from within its [path!](#)***

Your opportunity to witness [this special natural phenomenon](#) from a prime location within the eclipse's path through Central Oregon AND contribute to an impactful Rotary project at the same time:

**Available to the highest bidder -- One guest room for three nights (8/19,8/20,8/21), plus meals, in a Rotarian's home in Monument, Oregon** (winner will be announced **August 10**)



Email your best bid to [rotary.eclub.2017@gmail.com](mailto:rotary.eclub.2017@gmail.com) (include your name, address, phone number, and the amount of your bid).

Proceeds from this auction will benefit **"Let's Leave No Girl Behind in Guatemala Guatemala"** -- a [project](#) of the Rotary E-Club of the State of Jefferson Foundation

(501(c)3)

More information: 541-934-2743

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## Rotary Club of Corvallis Charity Event Supporting Meals on Wheels

By Lee Strandberg, PhD

2017-07-01

The Rotary Club of Corvallis is hosting a major charity event for Meals on Wheels on Aug 31st at Garland Nursery in Corvallis.

Meals on Wheels (MOW) in Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties is in danger of being cancelled or dramatically cut back because of a \$250,000 budget shortfall. (see attached documents for event details and MOW details). Please publish the event handout in the next District 5110 Newsletter and encourage Rotarians to volunteer and financially support Meals on Wheels in their local communities and purchase tickets to the August 31st Charity Event.

Cancelling or cutting back on Meals on Wheels places our most vulnerable population in great danger of increased illness as well not having access to food. We are in danger of having local at risk residents using the local ambulance as a cab ride to the hospital to get food.

The Council of Governments, the local federal agency funding MOW, can no longer support the deficit without drastic program reductions or outright cancellation.

We have emailed all Rotary Clubs in Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties as well as over 1000 City Managers, Mayors, County Commissioners in addition to MOW volunteers and others associated with the Council of Governments to raise awareness of this serious issue and to solicit their support for MOW in all of their communities.

Fellow Rotarian, Fred Abousleman, is CEO of the Council of Governments and can respond to your questions in great detail. <http://www.ocwcog.org/>



Join us for

## Tapas and Treasures!

Garland Nursery  
5470 Northeast Highway 20; Corvallis  
August 31st; 5:00 - 8:00 pm

*Tapas and Treasures* is a Rotary Club of Corvallis signature fundraising and social event, which brings together people from all over the Region to enjoy a night of camaradery, great food, and entertainment. The event will support the *Meals on Wheels* program of Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties.

*Musical Entertainment* by the Ancient Ways of the Marimba Ensemble.  
*Catering* by Wild Pear from Salem, OR.

Thank you to our generous donors for our Treasures: artwork; gift certificates for local businesses and restaurants; jewelry; food and wine; football tickets; and much more!

For more than 30 years, *Meals on Wheels* has provided nutritious, hot meals, and connection to local seniors and those with disabilities. The program reduces senior food insecurity and supports independent living by providing congregate and home-delivered meals, safety checks, and wraparound service referrals. *Meals on Wheels* provides more than a meal for our seniors and those living with a disability in our tri-County Region.

Founded in 1923, the *Rotary Club of Corvallis* is an active service club, which brings together community leaders to provide humanitarian service, through high ethical standards, to build goodwill and peace around the world.

Event tickets are \$50. For more information about *Tapas and Treasures* or for tickets, visit:

# TapasAndTreasures.org

<http://www.ocwcog.org/>

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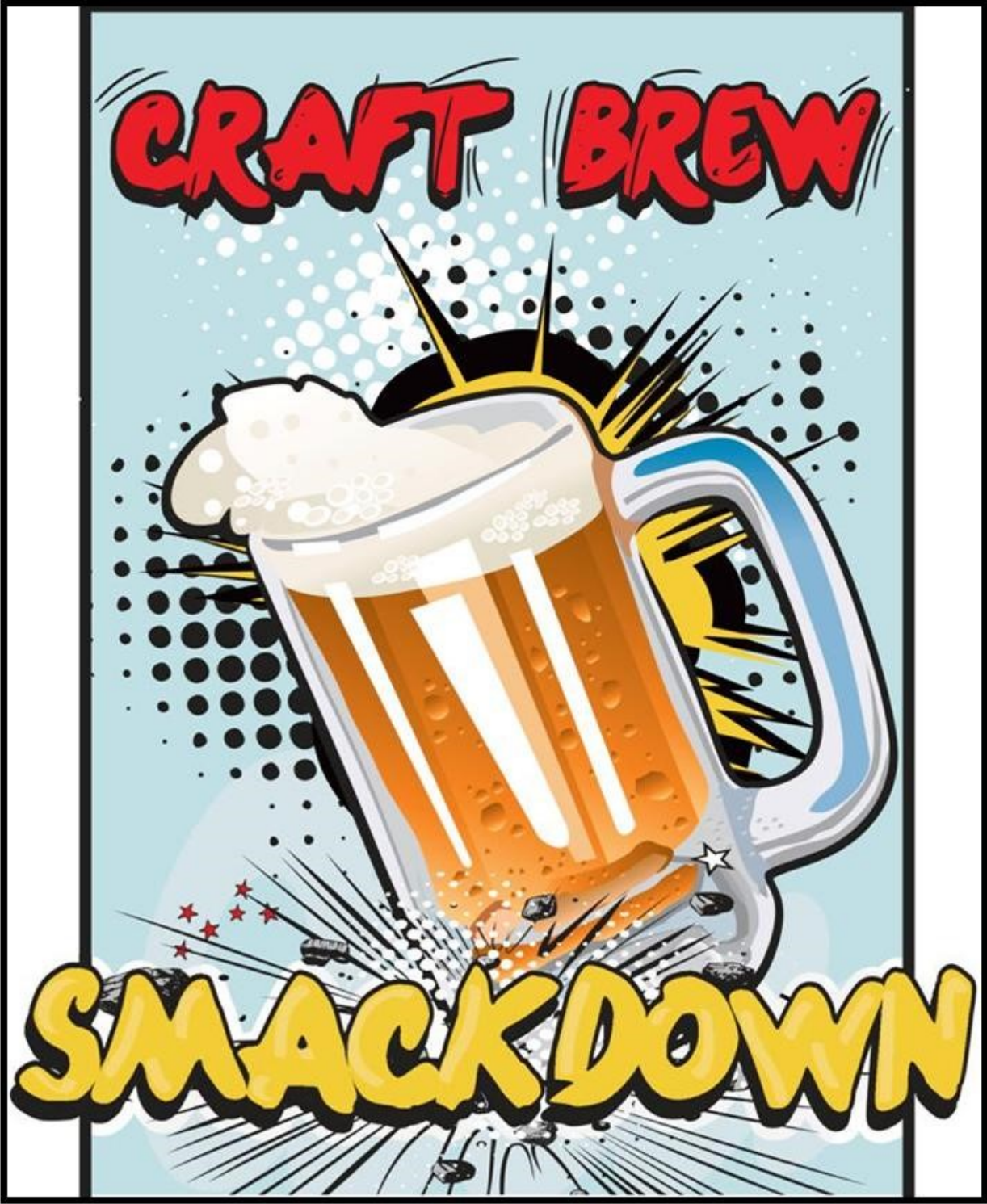
**MEALS on WHEELS**  
LINN, BENTON, LINCOLN



# Craft Brew Smackdown

By Jessica Pankratz

2017-07-30



The Greater Albany Rotary Club, the Historic Carousel & Museum and the Albany Downtown Association cordially invite you to join us for the 6th Annual Craft Brew Smackdown taking place on Saturday, September 23rd, 2017 from 2pm to 7pm. The Craft Brew Smackdown brings breweries, cider houses and distilleries into downtown Albany small business storefronts so that the public can “taste” beer and cider and visit with local business owners.

Tickets are \$20 for an event-specific tasting glass and ten tasting tickets; you will be able to buy additional tickets along the beer route. Purchase your tickets online, and you will receive two extra tasting tickets!

Breweries, cider houses and distilleries so far joining us this year include: 2 Towns Ciderhouse, 3 Sheets Brewery, 4 Spirits Distillery, Basecamp Brewing, Calapooia Brewing Co., Deluxe Brewing, Ecliptic Brewing, Elysian Brewing Co., Hop Valley Brewing, Lagunitas Brewing, Mazama Brewing, McKenzie Brewing Co., New Belgium Brewing, Oakshire Brewing Co., Pelican Brewing, Sinister Distilling, Spiritopia Liquors, Vivacity Spirits, Wolf Tree Brewery, Worthy Brewing, and more!

And, for the first time ~ we will be adding wineries to the Craft Brew Smackdown, those participating will be included in future updates!

Join us afterwards at one or both of the Smackdown After-Parties being held at Calapooia Brewing Co. and Deluxe Brewing. Live music and food will be at both locations!

There are still sponsorships available starting at \$250, complete with sponsor swag! If you're interested, please email [cbs@craftbrewsmackdown.com](mailto:cbs@craftbrewsmackdown.com).

This event is presented by the Greater Albany Rotary Club as a fundraiser for The Greater Albany Rotary Club, The Albany Historic Carousel & Museum and the Albany Downtown Association.

Website: [www.craftbrewsmackdown.com](http://www.craftbrewsmackdown.com)

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## **August 2017**

08/01 - DG Visits Greater Bend  
08/02 - DG Visits Sunriver  
08/02 - DG Visits Bend High Desert  
08/03 - Rotary Friendship Exchange: Incoming New Mexico D5520  
08/04 - DG Visits Bend Mt. Bachelor  
08/05 - Cool at the Coast Golf Tournament  
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08/08 - DG Visits Fern Ridge (Veneta)  
08/09 - DG Visits Corvallis Morning  
08/10 - DG Visits Reedsport  
08/14 - DG Visits Bear Creek Valley  
08/15 - DG Visits Upper Rogue (Eagle Point)  
08/15 - DG Visits Medford  
08/16 - DG Visits Central Point  
08/17 - DG Visits Jacksonville-Applegate  
08/17 - DG Visits Ashland  
08/18 - DG Visits Greater Medford  
08/22 - DG Visits Philomath  
08/23 - DG Visits Sweet Home and Lebanon Joint Meeting  
08/24 - DG Visits Eugene Airport  
08/26 - IV Rotary Golf Tournament  
08/29 - DG Visits Jefferson County (Madras)  
08/30 - DG Visits Lakeview

## **September 2017**

09/05 - DG Visits Illinois Valley (Cave Junction)  
09/06 - DG Visits Grants Pass  
09/06 - DG Visits Rogue Valley After 5  
09/07 - DG Visits Rogue Gateway  
09/08 - DG Visits Greater Grants Pass  
09/12 - DG Visits Eugene Metropolitan  
09/14 - DG Visits Eugene Southtowne  
09/15 - Rotary Friendship Exchange: Incoming Romania Moldova D2241  
09/16 - Rotary Leadership Institute  
09/17 - Tribal Style Salmon Bake  
09/19 - DG Visits Florence  
09/20 - DG Visits Lincoln City  
09/21 - DG Visits Toledo and Newport - Joint Meeting  
09/22 - DG Visits Springfield Twin-Rivers  
09/23 - Craft Brew Smackdown  
09/23 - Village Uncorked  
09/26 - DG Visits Eugene  
09/27 - DG Visits Springfield  
09/28 - DG Visits Cottage Grove