



Year 35, Number 5, February 3, 2025

We Meet Bi-Monthly

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

1st/3rd Tuesdays at noon

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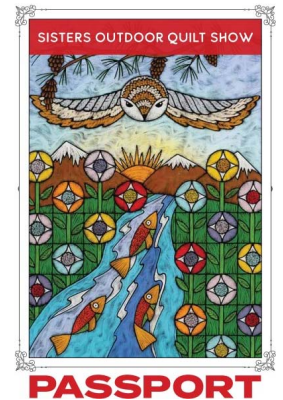
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Meetings and Events

Tomorrow: Upcoming Club Opportunities: Sign-up to Serve!

We have a second half of President Sandy's term that will be busy with endless opportunities for all members to serve. Whether it's getting our annual Mega-Raffle Campaign underway in the weeks to come, work with Jim Lanzarotta on International Service plans or dedicating time and talent to our Thursday, May 8 Sisters Rotary Foundation 4S Fundraising Evening (Supporting Sisters Student Success) to be hosted by Sisters Depot. As we transition from Sandy's presidency to Jim's term, many other projects will be well underway (i.e. July events: Fourth Fest on Fourth of July, Passport partnership with Quilt Show effort). We will be detailing all those plans at this meeting---please be part of it!



February 18: The RYLA experience & a Ten Friends Trip

Cooper Merrill (photo, right) is a senior at Sisters High School who attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy 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 fastest-growing manufacturers in the U.S.



Kelly
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Birthdays

Jim Lanzarotta
February 4th

Barbara Turner
February 10th

Tom Counos
February 19th

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: Clayton Crowhurst, NW Housing Senior Housing developer

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 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 Fundraiser at Sisters Depot: May 8
- Fourth Fest Celebration: July 4

President Sandy: Think Service in Attending Tomorrow's Meeting

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Our first meeting in February will be one of information.

Bill Bartlett has offered to provide a tour of DACdb, our District and Club database. This very useful tool provides tracking for membership, recordkeeping and links to additional Rotary tools. Bill will bring us on a tour of the site and for those not linked to the site yet, he will help bring you onboard.



The second half of Tuesday's meeting will be a view of our calendar of projects through to the Sisters Quilt show on July 12, 2025. My goal by providing this calendar is to let every club member know the dates of these projects and what support we will need to be successful.

We have a good schedule of events to bring to our community this year, as always. There will be many different needs for volunteer hands and minds as we move ahead. It is not only physical work that makes these projects a success. The committees involved in planning and communication bring each project into reality even before a hand lifts a chair and flips a pancake.



So bring your Ipad, laptop or cell phone to this meeting.

Please do so.

Bill's tour of the database (photo of dacdb to the left) will fill a necessary presentation we have talked about for some time and I hope you all will find a project to join building a team for success.

Thanks!

Sandy Reilly
President, Rotary Club of Sisters

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



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

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

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!

Post-Rotary Lunch...Join Us This Week



The post-meeting lunches in town are growing!!!! Witness the big crowd to the left in the photo taken January 18 at Ski Inn! Join us this week after Tuesday's meeting!!

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 6: Takoda's
February 20: High Camp
March 5: R Spot



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!

Improving Our Dues Paying Process

Pay Your Rotary Dues the Easy Way!

We're excited to offer an easy and convenient way to pay your \$75 quarterly Rotary dues—using Square! With just a few clicks, you can handle your dues quickly and securely online.



Please note, Square charges an additional \$2.62 fee for this service. This brings the total to \$77.62. Despite the small fee, this option saves you the hassle of writing checks or making in-person payments.

To pay your dues through Square, simply click the link provided.

<https://square.link/u/RdOpu4Lw>

Thank you for supporting the Rotary Club of Sisters and for helping us streamline the process!

Upcoming Meeting Assignments

Sergeant-at-Arms: Help meeting set up/tear down, Lead pledge, Collect appreciation dollars, Handle raffle drawing

February 4: Bre Miller

February 18: Bill Bartlett

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

February 4: Sandy Reilly

February 18: Steve Auerbach

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

February 4: Zoe Schumacher

February 18: Sandy Reilly

Levity for a Sisters Lifestyle

