



Year 34, Number 17, August 19, 2024

We Meet Bi-Monthly

at Brand 33 Restaurant
Aspen Lake Golf Course
16900 Aspen Lakes Dr
Sisters, OR 97759

1st/3rd Tuesday, noon

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Birthdays

Michael Deal
September 1st
Kristin Sorensen-Hilgart
September 4th

Meetings and Events

Tomorrow: Seed-to-Table Founder & Farm Director Audrey Tehan



Audrey Tehan, founder and Farm Director will be speaking about all the upgrades and changes at the Seed-to-Table Farm.

We presented Seed to Table Farm with a \$500 check in support of all their efforts.

September 3: Judy Corwin, CO Mastersingers Trip to Italy and The Vatican

September 17: TBA

October 1: Valarie Rundquist, Program Director, Oregon Community Foundation

President Sandy: Great News on Grants

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

An update on our grant requests for this upcoming year. Two of our three grant submissions have final approval.

This past week we received an email from the City of Sisters that our request for \$1,000 to support the "Books 4 Kids" program has been approved and funds will be distributed soon. This is a significant increase from previous year's grant support. We will make excellent use of it in bringing the program to next spring's first grade students in the new school. (Keep your Grinch costume ready, Mike Gray).



One of our Rotary District Grants also has final approval. Support for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace, "Build a Bed" program has received a \$2,000 grant and, as we have in the past, we increased this with a matching \$2,000 from our Foundation funds. There is no confirmed date, but it appears as though it will be in late October or early November at a location in Bend.

We are awaiting final signatures for our International Service District Grant request in conjunction with the Bend Rotary Club to support the project along with Ten Friends.

We hope to see the final approval by the end of this month.

I'm looking forward to listening the Audrey Tehan, from Seed to Table. She will update us on the changes at the farm and maybe provide some excitement from her latest trip down the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

Yours in service,

Sandy Reilly
President, Rotary Club of Sisters

Upcoming Rotary Leadership Prep Opportunity in Ashland

Wanted to relay an invitation from the District to attend the Ashland, Oregon RLI, or Rotary Leadership Institute sessions on September 28 & 29. Here is an excerpt from the note I received this week. (Yes, I know that is SFF weekend here in town).

Our club has budgeted funds to support a member going to these district sessions, so if you are interested in the Leadership Institute, and I hope some of you are, let me know and I will forward the details over to you. You could be seeing me there:



The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) planned for Ashland has opened for registration and spaces are filling up. Registration is limited, so securing a spot now is wise. RLI is our District's primary learning opportunity and is available to all Rotarians and Rotaractors. Session topics cover Rotary basics, The Rotary Foundation and grants, Rotary public image and brand, membership, leadership, teamwork and more. Sessions are interactive, fun, based on principles of adult learning, and facilitated by Rotary topic experts, some of whom are past District Governors.

TIMES/DATES/COST

RLI Ashland is \$200 and will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 28 and will conclude not later than 3:30 on Sunday, September 29. The registration link details the meals that are included along with the Refund Policy, along with payment options. Please note: Refunds are not subject to the cancellation fee when a person on the waiting list takes your spot.

Club Profile #2: Membership Director Rand Rietmann

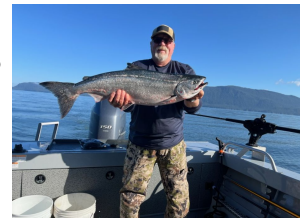
Who is Rand Rietmann in 1-2 sentences? I'm a native Oregonian and, I guess I loved it so much that I've never left! In 1975, I had an offer to play football at Eastern Oregon State College (now EOU) and while working summers at a nickel mine in Riddle, Oregon put myself through school graduating in Bus/Econ.



Years in Rotary? I joined the R/C of Sisters in 2000. I served as President twice and shared another year as President with two other members. I've chaired more committees and been on the Board of Directors more years than I can count. My first "meeting" was volunteering as a judge at the Rotary Invitational Track Meet that our club sponsored. I'm a Paul Harris Fellow + 6 and a Benefactor.

Profession(s)? I was in management for a Workers' Compensation insurance company (SAIF Corp), living first in Salem and in '14 retired after 20 years as Regional Director at our eastern regional office in Bend. My responsibilities included leading a team of safety professionals, return-to work consultants and a marketing/sales staff. Our team developed and retained a \$35 million book of business and provided on-site customer service for virtually the entire geographic area east of the cascades. The best part of my job was watching the staff I hired develop into the new leaders of the company.

Family? I married Marcia (Weigand) in 1990 and we raised 3 great children on our acreage here in the Cloverdale area of Sisters where we've lived since 1993. Thankfully all our kids live close by in Bend. My priorities are faith, family, country and community. I enjoy spending time with family, growing things, travel, RVing and spending quality time with friends in the outdoors hunting & fishing.



Why Rotary? I had a mentor who once told me *"if you take a living from your community, it is your responsibility to give one back"*. I have always used that as my motivation to keep on giving. I joined Rotary because of the membership and community projects. It makes giving back fun!

Post-Rotary Lunch...Join Us This Week

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:

August 20: High Camp (pictured, right)

September 3: 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!

Upcoming Meeting Assignments

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

August 20: Shaunette White

September 3: TBD

September 17: Mike Marshall

October 1: Steve Auerbach

October 15: Judy Corwin

November 5: Hal Darcey

November 19: Mike Deal

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

August 20: Mike Richards

September 3: Pam Ossinger

September 17: Mark Griffin

October 1: Sandy Reilly

October 15: Mike Corwin

November 5: Tom Counos

November 19: Linda Fulton

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

August 20: Josh Smith

September 3: Debbi McCune

September 17: Jen Holland

October 1: Bill Bartlett

October 15: Lei Darcey

November 5: Ann Davis

November 19: Jim Barnes

Levity for a Sisters Lifestyle

