



Year 34, Number 8, April 1, 2024

We Meet Bi-Monthly

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

1st/3rd Tuesdays at noon

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Birthdays

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March 31st

Meetings and Events

Tomorrow: Katie Beasley, Co-Founder of Cascade Distillery

Katherine "Katie" Beasley, co-founder of Cascade Street Distillery in Sisters, Oregon, is an integral part of a brand that celebrates Central Oregon's natural beauty and family roots.



Alongside her brother, she established the distillery, renowned for encapsulating the essence of the region in every bottle, from the snow melt water of the Cascades to regional botanicals.

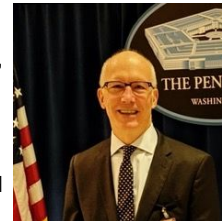
Her innovative approach has seen Cascade Spirits identifying and creating market trends since 2012, with their Broken Top Bourbon being recognized as one of the top 50 bourbons across 50 states.

April 16: Books For Kids Bag Build

All hands on board as we stuff book bags with hardbacks and other school materials.

May 7: Rob Jasper, National Speaker on the Growth of Artificial Intelligence

Rob Jasper is a distinguished manager at PNNL's National Security Directorate and a chief scientist for the Analysis in Motion initiative. His career includes pivotal roles at PayScale, Intelligent Results, and First Data, focusing on data sciences and technology development.



Jasper also contributed as a technology officer and educator, influencing big data and software engineering fields. His leadership extends to advising academic programs, reflecting his commitment to advancing technology and education.

May 21: Dawn Boyd, Executive Director of the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show



Dawn Boyd joined the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show as the Executive Director on January 7, 2019. She replaced Jeanette Pilak, who retired at the end of December 2018.

Boyd brought a passion for event coordination and a love for quilting to the role, with over 20 years of experience in coordinating various events before joining the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show.

Her role involves managing an event that features 1,200 quilts from around the world and attracts more than 10,000 visitors. For more details, you can visit the article on The Nugget Newspaper's website.

Wrapping Up the 2024 Mega Raffle: A Heartfelt Thank You to All Involved!

As the 2024 Mega Raffle comes to a grand conclusion, the Rotary of Sisters extends its deepest gratitude to all participants, donors, and supporters who have made this event not just successful, but truly memorable. It's been a journey of community engagement, excitement, and collective effort towards a great cause. Here's everything you need to know about the wrap-up and what's next for Rotary.

Ticket Submission Reminder



First and foremost, a gentle reminder to all our raffle participants: please ensure that your tickets and associated monies are turned into Bill Bartlett at the upcoming April 2nd meeting. Bill has been instrumental in orchestrating the logistics of our raffle, and it's crucial we all adhere to this deadline to facilitate a smooth conclusion. If, for any reason, you cannot attend the meeting, we kindly ask you to get in touch with Bill directly to arrange an alternative drop-off. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in this final push.

A Toast to Success

We're thrilled to announce that the ticket drawing event will be hosted by Josh Smith at The Paper Place, located at 171 E. Elm St., on April 14th at 11 am. This occasion promises not just the excitement of the draw but also a chance for our community to gather, celebrate, and enjoy some delightful Mimosas and festivities. It's an opportunity to toast to our collective efforts, the winners, and most importantly, the causes we're supporting through this raffle.

Reflecting on Rumble on the Runway

As many of you may have heard, the anticipated Rumble on the Runway event at the airport will unfortunately not be taking place. This was a tough decision for The Bensons, but rest assured, the spirit of community and celebration continues unabated. The Rotary is already in the process of organizing an alternative event that promises to bring our community together in a festive and meaningful way.

Introducing the Sisters 4th of July Round Up

Looking ahead, we're excited to share preliminary plans for the "Sisters' 4th of July Round Up" - a downtown extravaganza that aims to encapsulate the spirit of our community. From a pancake breakfast to a 5k run, bike and pet parade, car show, and live music, there's something for everyone to enjoy. The planning team is currently hard at work, developing budgets and narratives to ensure this event is as memorable and impactful as possible.



A Special Thank You to Our Donors

Lastly, we cannot conclude without expressing our heartfelt thanks to the donors who generously supplied prizes for the Mega Raffle. Their contributions have not only elevated the excitement around the raffle but have also significantly impacted the success of our fundraising efforts. Their support exemplifies the community spirit that the Rotary of Sisters stands for, and we are deeply grateful.

As we wrap up the 2024 Mega Raffle, let's carry forward the momentum, enthusiasm, and spirit of community into our upcoming events and initiatives. Together, we make a difference, and it's your support that continues to drive our success. Thank you to each and every one of you for being a part of this journey. Here's to many more!

Bill Kelly
President 2023-2024
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Post-Rotary Lunch...Join Us This Week for a little Italian!

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:

March 19: RSpot (A little Italian to start April)

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!

Every Rotarian, Every Year

The "Every Rotarian, Every Year" (EREY) initiative is an effort to encourage every Rotarian to contribute to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund each Rotary year, which runs from July 1 to June 30. The goal is to achieve 100% participation from club members, regardless of the donation amount. This initiative aims to support the Rotary Foundation's work, from local humanitarian efforts to international scholarships and project grants.

Though there's no official minimum donation amount set by Rotary International for EREY, the Rotary Club of Sisters encourages members to contribute at least \$100 per year. When members contribute \$100 or more per year, they help their club qualify for a banner recognizing this achievement.



The EREY funds are typically allocated through the "SHARE" system, which means that after three years, 50% of the funds raised go to the World Fund, and the other 50% is returned to the districts to fund local and international projects. The idea is that even a small donation, when combined with others, can make a significant impact.

By contributing annually, Rotarians ensure ongoing support for vital projects around the world, and they become part of a sustained effort to bring positive change.

Upcoming Meeting Assignments

Sergeant-at-Arms: Help meeting set up/tear down, Lead pledge, Collect appreciation dollars, Handle raffle drawing
April 2: Sandy Reilly

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May 7: Bre Miller
May 21: Mike Corwin
June 4: Jen Holland
June 18: Jen Burroughs

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

April 2: Curtiss Davis

April 16: Keith Hyde
May 7: Deni Reitmeier
May 21: Michael Gray
June 4: Leri Darcey
June 18: Tom Counos

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

April 2: Mark Griffin

April 16: Pam Ossinger
May 7: Kristin Sorenson-Hilgart
May 21: Suzy Fulton
June 4: Mark Ossinger
June 18: Curtiss Davis

Levity for a Sisters Lifestyle: April Fools signage?



