

Calendar of Events

Club Assembly

August 28, Noon, Sawblade Room

Club Meeting

Sept. 4, Noon, Sawblade Room
Program: Linda Prefontaine

Club Meeting

August 29, 5:15 pm
Committee Mtg: Cruz the Coos
@Marshfield Bargain House

Club Meeting

Sept. 4, Noon, Sawblade Room
Program: Linda Prefontaine

Wine Walk

Sept. 7, 5:00 PM

Club Meeting

Sept. 11, Noon, Sawblade Room
Program: Mike Lehman (ORCCA)

Cruz the Coos

Sept. 14-15, Mill Casino

Club Picnic

Sept. 18, Ferry Road Park
(No meeting at Noon)

President's Message

Aug 28, 2018



I just received a bulletin from our District Governor Bill Grile pertaining to membership. August is membership month so a lot of us have that on our minds. Our club is staying around 120-122 people with a high of 128 the end of last year. We were going up in membership like most of Rotary, until the 4th quarter and then it seems the membership drops off. Our District

Governor was saying that Rotary, in general, has about 1.2 million members, year in-and-out. Even though we take in over 100,000 per year, our attrition factor is also about 100,000. The question is: "Why do we lose members (with the exceptions of death, or moving)?" Is it something we are not doing or some activity we are not active in? We, as a club, have more projects than most clubs, and we have social events as well. Please give it some thought and talk to Ida Jo, Jim and/or any board member if you have some ideas that would help.

Coming up very soon on the docket is the **Cruz The Coos (9/14-15)** and our **Annual Picnic (9/18)**, with this to be followed by our **Annual Christmas Party**. There are several District events coming up soon which always prove to be fun.

Randy Thompson was elected President Nominee and will be our President in three years. He had been on the Board of Directors, and now this position needs to be filled. If you would like to be on the Board of Directors please let myself or someone else on the board know.

Sincerely,
Ed Meyer

Membership Committee:

Today we welcome Jake Welker into our club. Jake is an accountant and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is sponsored by Dick Leshley.

Reminder: the District Membership Workshop is September 29th in Springfield. Please complete the online registration and contact Ida Jo if you need transportation.

Club Picnic

The annual Club Picnic will be held on Tuesday, September 18 at Ferry Road Park in North Bend. The event starts at 5 PM, or as soon thereafter, when we all get there. The Club will supply the meal, and members are asked to bring a dessert. There will be no noon meeting this day.

Planning Ahead

Did you read all about the International Rotary Convention in “The Rotarian” this week? Please check it out. It really sounds exciting! Hamburg, Germany, June 1-5, 2019. Our club is hosting the District Conference in May, and it would be a nice follow-up if many of us could then go to Europe together.

Speaking of District Conference: please put the date **May, 3-5, 2019** on your calendars as we want to set the goal of 100% attendance from our club at this important event – and we will need many volunteers to help before and during the event.

Last Week at Rotary



President Ed and Camila Mariano exchanged Rotary flags. Camila is our exchange student from Brazil.



Coos Bay mayor, Joe Benetti, was our program on Tuesday. He spoke about the projects underway in the city of Coos Bay. The city and Urban Renewal Districts have been able to see positive changes since January. That include infrastructure improvements, Street projects, cleanup of blight situations and many positive capital improvements.

Projects include the completion of the Empire streetscape project (Cape Arago Highway), the near completion of Wastewater Treatment Plant Two, the Golden Avenue Street Repair, 6th Street culvert and Bridge fix, sidewalk repairs in downtown and development plans for private projects including Hollering Place in Empire, the former Fire station Lot Downtown, and Coos Bay Village across from the Red Lion.

<i>Greeter Schedule</i>	
Today	Angy Miller & Jacob Welker
September 4, 2018	Laurie Brookes & Ron Stillmaker
September 11, 2018	Kerrie Mitchell & Chris Christoffer
September 18	Club Picnic – No Noon Meeting
September 25	Jay Schaefer
If you are unable to be a Greeter on the designated date, please contact Kerrie Mitchell (541-297-0010) or Stacy Dewater (541-252-9655).	