



Valley Wings



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Chapter Meets 1st Thursday of the Month

Dinner Starts at 6:00 / Meeting Starts at 7:00

Denny's Restaurant

1246 Central Ave N.

Kent, WA 98032

From The Chapter Director



Joe & Patti Diambri

Hello and welcome back to reality! As most of you know we had our first live meeting back as a group! It sure was good to be able to see everyone again and hope that we don't have to go through the same kind of thing again!

For those of you that haven't heard we are now meeting in a new location. We are now meeting at Denny's in Kent. We have our own meeting room as before and no stairs to get there! The food has been good, and the server did well keeping up with us!

We didn't have a lot to discuss seeing as things have been quiet, but the main discussion was that before

the end of the year we are going to be stepping down as CD! We have held the role for over eight years, and due to health reasons and loss of enthusiasm, we have decided that it's time! Our assistant CD Jeff and Cindy were to take over but have too much on their plate to do so. With that said we need someone to step up and take over. We will still be around and able to help, but again unable to hold the position much longer. We hate to see the chapter become another chapter that goes down but that is what may happen if no one steps up!

We now have our new logo hats and patches available in the chapter store! We gave away one of each in the 50/50 drawing! Speaking of drawings, the marble game drawing Pen Briese got her ticket drawn but she didn't pull the green marble. The pot was at \$401.00 and is growing! The color drawing was Diane Martin, and she was wearing colors so won \$5.00. We didn't have a member number hidden and won't have one until we have more articles to read and hide the number in!

Now on a good note, the Martin's hosted a great social at their home on the 10th of July! Everything was beautiful for the event. The weather was wonderful, the food was great, and the company was great as well. There was one problem as Sam had mentioned they would have hamburgers, but the burgers had a lot of bones in it. Yes, the hamburgers were not hamburgers but instead ribs! Sam did a great job cooking them and with the side dishes we had a great meal! I for one will take ribs over hamburgers any day!

Chapter A is having their 5 aces ride on the 31st which will be over when this comes out, as well as the ride to the Fireman's Beef BBQ in Packwood on the 1st of August!

With the meeting only a few days away we hope to see everyone there for dinner and the meeting!

Joe & Patti Diambri

Assistant Chapter Director



Jeff & Cindy Duffield

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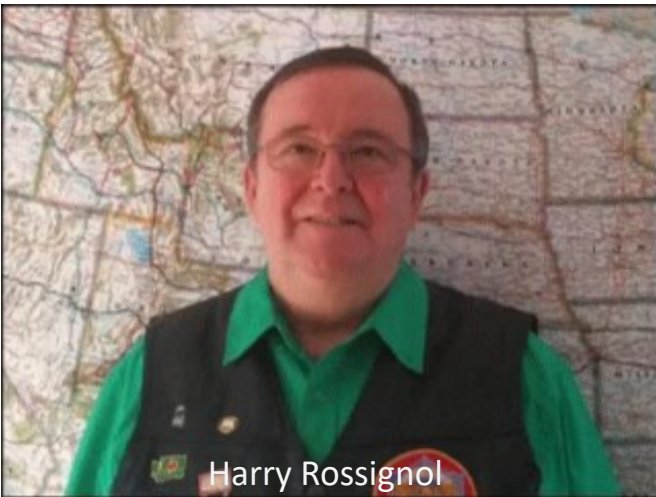
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Birthdays & Anniversaries



August Birthdays

5th Claudia Rossignol

8th Garry Alexander

13th Sam Martin

August Anniversaries

NONE



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Motorist Awareness



Life changes after major or minor events. I know mine has since my love passed away last year. I have decided to try “full-time” RVing. To date it has been interesting with new places and friends. I try to direct my routes to be able to visit with friends and family.

Traveling on the roads and byways has brought some eye-opening events. Fortunately, none have personally involved me – yet. But, some have been close. I’ve had people trying to merge onto the freeway and not using mirrors or “head checks” to see if someone is in the adjacent lane. People do not

realize that there are blind spots all around them in smaller vehicles and more so with larger rigs.

Tail-gating is another one of my pet peeves. Safety standards suggest that we leave at least 3 seconds (4 seconds is better) traveling distance between the location that a vehicle in front of us passes and when we reach that same spot. That is easier than trying to judge car distances between you and the vehicle in front of you. People don’t realize that it takes about $\frac{3}{4}$ second for a young person to identify a need for some emergency action and other $\frac{3}{4}$ of a second to react by taking a foot off the accelerator and pressing on the brake. Now, that is a young person with quick reflexes. How fast are yours? Not as fast? Then leave more distance.

Drive safe. Take that time to smell the roses.

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