Fostering 29 years of goodwill with Rubtsovsk, Siberia

The crowd enjoyed dinner and listened to Russian and Ukraine music during the 2018 Russian Winterfest, which is sponsored annually by the Grants Pass Sister City Committee.

Food, fun, fellowship highlight upcoming Russian Winterfest

Celebrate Grants Pass, Rubtsovsk and our Sister City friendships at Russian Winterfest 2019.

This year’s event is scheduled from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Feb. 9 at the Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass.

Russian music, food, and fellowship are all part of the fun, and a video of the recent delegation of young doctors from Rubtsovsk will be shown.

In addition to the potluck, a raffle for Russian-themed gift baskets is planned.

Also find out about upcoming events and programs, how you can be involved, and enjoy fellowship with other supporters of the Grants Pass Sister City Committee.

Open to the public, Russian Winterfest is free, but guests are asked to bring a potluck dish. Russian cuisine especially welcome.

The celebration is sponsored by the Grants Pass Sister City Committee.
Marina Rhodes creates a billboard with photos, maps, flags and articles about the nearly three-decade Sister City relationship between Grants Pass and Rubtsovsk. The display will be available for viewing through January 2019 at the Josephine Community Library in Grants Pass.

30-year Sister City anniversary on horizon

Grants Pass and Rubtsovsk will mark their 30-year Sister City relationship in 2020.

The two cities, one in Grants Pass and the other in Siberia — have each hosted exchanges since the 1990s.

Rhodes and Ludmila Starchenko, who chairs the Rubtsovsk Sister City Committee, have already started the nomination process for Rubtsovsk residents to be part of another exchange in June.

As in previous years, the exchange will be sponsored by the Open World Leadership Center, which underwrites the cost of Russian visitors coming to the U.S., and provides an interpreter.

Potential delegates from Grants Pass to Rubtsovsk also are being sought. Anyone interested is invited to contact Ron Brown at 541-855-7427 or ctr127@q.com.
**Promote international goodwill; join Sister City**

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- ______ Full-time student: $5
- ______ Individual: $30
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