

Meet Brendon Lehman

Introduction by Jane Pryor

I am pleased to introduce Brendon Lehman as Seattle Rotary's newest member. Brendon was proposed by Rob Lobosco and Kim Moore; classification Hospitality-Outdoor Adventure. Joining Brendon today is his business partner, Kaine Robertson and good friend, Pete Rush. Welcome, Kaine and Pete.



A graduate of Cornell University with a bachelor's of science degree in business, Brendon's business career started well before his graduation. During his growing up years, Brendon and his two siblings helped on his family's 250-acre family camping resort and wellness center in upstate New York. There he maintained large outdoor machinery, tractors and farm equipment; provided customer service to guests; performed grounds maintenance and landscaping; and later coordinated and attended regional trade and marketing shows, and maintained the resort's IT and computer network. With this experience, his career in business operations was born. Since graduating, Brendon has managed operations in the U.S., India and the Philippines for Safeco Insurance, Microsoft and Google.

Brendon is no stranger to Rotary. His father is an active Rotarian, and Brendon was a member of Rotary Interact in Bath, New York from 1998-2002, serving as board chair, treasurer and district governor.

His community service extends beyond his Rotary heritage. While working at Google, Brendon led volunteer efforts for food pantries in both Pittsburgh and Mountain View. He also served as an emergency room volunteer for Group Health, and camp mentor for Wellness G.I.F.T.S., a nonprofit organization created by his mother to provide camping experiences and respite for families with disabled children.

Brendon's current business endeavor combines his business operations experience and his love of the outdoors. He is chief operating officer and co-founder (with business partner Kaine Robertson) of newly formed Region 6 Ventures. Region 6 is an outdoor hospitality company providing fun and unique camping experiences in self-sustaining cabins located in memorable locations throughout the Pacific Northwest. And I think these two are on to something. After Region 6 launched its inaugural website in November, the company received 23 pre-bookings almost immediately – before the first cabin was finished.

Brendon would like to make a meaningful impact on real problems. In addition to his Rotary involvement, he has interviewed to become a Big Brother through Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and is actively seeking the right mission fit to serve on a nonprofit board.

I enjoyed getting to know this extraordinary new Young Rotary Leader in the brief time we spent together. I know you will, too. Please welcome Brendon Lehman to the Rotary Club of Seattle.