

Obituaries

Irving L. Givot, D.C.

August 2, 1944 – August 8, 2021

Irving L. Givot was a remarkable man.

Here are a few of the many comments from friends, family, and patients in the week following his death:

“Irv was much more than my doctor, he was my friend, educator and advisor.”

“I know that the world lost someone very special and greatly needed. He was a brilliant man, an amazing healer, offering wisdom and his quiet wit, he was a kind and generous friend to so many... We were very lucky and grateful to have known him in the years that we did and wish that we could have known him much longer.”

“Irv was always so kind, friendly, and engaging — with a special, caring sparkle in his eye. Just to see him made me feel better!”

“Irv found a great balance ... in life. Finding ways to serve, heal, and help people grow, even to his very last day. He brought so much wisdom, guidance, and

knowledge to so many and I'm so glad to be the recipient of some of his love and wisdom.”

“Things I loved about him, his humor, love of the [Gurdjieff] Work, the healer in him.”

“About a week before he died, he told me that he wanted to meditate more now, even though he had already been doing it daily. (It seemed that as he saw his time getting shorter, he needed to put more time into it.)”

His full and rich life began in L.A. He graduated from UC Berkeley (B.S.-1966), Brandeis (Ph.D.-1971, biochemistry), and, after feeling that he could best serve with more understanding rather than more knowledge, he began studying the teachings of George Gurdjieff and attending the University of Western States in Portland, Oregon (D.C.-1980). He had chiropractic practices in Mt. Angel, Aurora, and 29 years in Sisters.

He and Winnie married in Boston (1968), homesteaded



in New Mexico, lived in Colorado, moved to the Willamette Valley (1976) and then to Sisters (1992).

He is survived by his wife (Winnie); daughter (Rima Givot); son (John Givot); grandsons (George and Bela Chladek); son-in-law (Gabe Chladek), all from Sisters; and brother and sister-in-law (Marty and Keong Givot), California.

A memorial is planned for September 5, at 10 a.m., both in-person and online. For more information and to RSVP, please go to irvgivot.memorial.rsvpify.com. Please share this with others. All are welcome.

MISLEY: City manager seeks to be closer to family in Portland

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position closer to Portland. While living through the COVID-19 pandemic, Misley said he realized he would like to be closer to family and friends in the Portland metropolitan area.

Misley is one of four finalists for the Hood River position and will be participating in a three-day interview process September 7-9, with a community reception on Wednesday. On Thursday, the city council will meet in an executive session to choose the candidate of their choice. Misley was chosen as one of the finalists after an interview over Zoom.

If Misley should be chosen for the position in Hood River, the date they would want him to report is not yet known and would be part of the negotiations. He indicated that, regardless of the outcome of the interview, he will be leaving his position in Sisters, not for any negative reason but definitely to be closer to Portland.

Whenever he leaves, Misley's intention is “to make the transition as smooth as possible.” He said, “I really care about the staff, the council, and the residents, and I want it to be a smooth handoff to someone new.”

He is proud of the work he has done here in Sisters.

“I think the City and the community are in great shape. The budget is strong. I'm proud of having hired



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City Manager Cory Misley.

“ The entire City staff is rock solid and there is no need to hire an interim city manager. — Cory Misley ”

the planning/community development staff — Scott, Nicole, and now Emme. The entire City staff is rock solid and there is no need to hire an interim city manager,” he said. “The City is so fortunate in that regard.”

Misley said he has no intention to coast until he leaves. He has several programs and issues he wants to be sure are in place or settled before he's gone.

For more information, Misley asked that citizens call the City at 541-549-6022 or him directly at 541-323-5205.

City snapshot – cops, comp plan

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

• At their August 11 meeting, City Council voted to approve the Law Enforcement Strategic Plan for the Deschutes County Sheriff's office in the City of Sisters. City Manager Cory Misley worked with Lt. Chad Davis and Capt. Paul Garrison to formulate the plan, which centers around three main goals – community engagement, crime prevention, and relationships with Sisters Country partner agencies. The agreement will be in force through June 30, 2025. The annual total fixed contract amount is \$661,200 with personnel costs for three full-time-equivalent deputies and one lieutenant at two-thirds time accounting for \$504,150 of the contract amount.

• The City of Sisters is slated to receive \$566,000 through the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, part of the American Rescue Plan Act signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, which allocated \$1.9 trillion to COVID-19 relief and economic recovery. Cities in Oregon will directly receive more than \$680 million.

The funds will be provided over two distributions, the first half coming within the next few weeks. The second half will be available one year later. Funds will be available for use through

December 31, 2024.

The first round of funding will be used in the allowed category of investment in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure. City staff have identified several potential options for immediate use of the first round of funds on existing prioritized projects. The relocation of the Locust Street sewer line at Whychus Creek has a bid overage budget amount of \$115,000. The photovoltaic systems (PV) to be installed at the public works headquarters will consist of solar panels on the roof to supplement electrical power for the public works building, water, and sewer systems. The budgeted amount for this project is \$125,000.

• Following a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan amendment to update the Sisters Comprehensive Plan, members of the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council acceptance of the amendments.

After staff reports from Community Development Director Scott Woodford, Principal Planner Nicole Mardell, and Assistant Planner Emme Shoup, as well as consultant Matt Hastie, the public was invited to make comments against, in support of, and neutral regarding the proposed amendments. There were five people who testified. One was Joe Angel, a Sisters property owner who

lives in Portland and formerly served on the Portland Planning Commission. Another, Peter Finley Frye of Corbett, who has a Ph.D. in urban planning, thought the Comprehensive Plan is well done but wondered why there isn't something more about the “flavor” of Sisters, how Sisters relates to its environment, and what makes it unique.

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