Sisters Folk Festival celebrates youth success

On Friday, May 29, the students of the Sisters Americana Project, the educational outreach program of Sisters Folk Festival (SFF), are releasing its 12th full-length record, all songs written and recorded by students of Sisters High School. The concert will be held at 7 p.m. at The Belfry.

The album was engineered by Brent Alan, with support from Sisters High School senior Dakota Wagner. Dakota coordinated the Tuesdayevening recording sessions, mostly solo guitar and vocals. She is also creating the cover artwork, and has illustrations of each student at the recording sessions, which she plans to use in the graphic design.

"Each year an advanced student in the program takes on the responsibility of coordinating the sessions and releasing the record," said Brad Tisdel, creative director of Sisters Folk Festival and co-founder of the Americana Project. "Besides being a songwriter and musician on the recording, Dakota is also an accomplished visual artist who can conceive of the entire project and see it to completion. The sketches will be a nice complement to the recording, bringing the performing arts and visual arts together to represent a lot of hard work by all of the students."

June 6th / Sat. →

Pigs on the

Wing

Tribute to Pink FLovd

Dark-Side-of-the-Moon

Era inspired show

RODEO!

June 11th / 12th / 13th

Thurs. / Fri. / Sat.

HOBBS THE BAND

ROCK FOR RODEO

KICK UP YOUR BOOTS

AND TIGHTEN YOUR BUCKLE

8 PM • \$5 online

PUB OPENS 1-1/2 HOURS

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Rock Blues

8 PM • \$13 online 1

This year's Americana Project CD has been underwritten by the Dottie and Eli Ashley Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation. Tickets to the CD release concert are \$15 for adults (\$20 at the door) or \$10 for youth 18 and under (advance or at the door). The ticket price includes a CD. Tickets can be purchased at www.sistersfolk festival.org/tickets or by calling the festival office.

musical instruments.

The process takes the students 24 weeks, starting their instruments in the fall and finishing them in the spring. The program is led by Tony Cosby, the engineering/woodworking instructor at Sisters High School, and Bill MacDonald of Kona Breeze Ukuleles. It is a collaboration between SFF. Sisters School District, and Breedlove Guitars, and funded primarily through SFF.

SFF board member Kerry Bott, David Perkins, and

On Tuesday, June 9, the Americana Luthier Program

is celebrating the completion of 35 guitars and nine handmade ukuleles. The showcase will be held at 6 p.m. at The Belfry and is free to the public. The luthier program, which has been running for the past eight years at Sisters High School, teaches students the age-old craft of building



many volunteers provide engineering insight and mentoring each day to help the students complete beautiful heirloomquality instruments.

"The students are challenged to figure out the science behind what makes a guitar sound great, the art and craft of building the instrument, and the engineering and woodworking skills of developing their own headstock design, working with CNC machinery, and the patience to stay with it to see the instrument completed," said Tisdel. "This kind of integration of science and the arts is what makes the program so special, and they get to keep the instrument for life.'

"The reason this is possible is because of the collaboration and community support. Between all the partners,

including Jayson Bowerman, who originally helped start the program and continues to volunteer his time and donate materials, Sisters Folk Festival, all the volunteers, it is the perfect place to make it happen. The instruments get better every year and we are grateful for the opportunity," said instructor Tony Cosby.

On June 9, the students will present their completed instruments, and there will be a short concert by young artists in the Americana Project performing on the instruments built by fellow students.

For more information on the upcoming CD release concert and Americana Luthier Showcase, and all 2015 SFF events, or to purchase tickets, visit www.sistersfolkfestival. org or call the festival office at 541-549-4979.

BOTTLES: Check for redemption eligibility on bottles

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but the unwanted bottles and jugs make the dirty job more difficult," said Furry Friends Director Kiki Dolson.

To be redeemable for 5¢ the bottle or can must be printed with the 5¢ OR mark.

Most carbonated beverages including beer and the small plastic water bottles sold in Oregon carry that mark. Milk jugs, one- or five-gallon water jugs, wine bottles and coffee drinks do

Furry Friends Foundation helps families in Sisters with a pet food bank and sponsors spay and neuter surgeries. For more information visit www.furryfriendsfoundation. org.

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Thursday~May 28

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with **Lindy Gravelle** 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. Info: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

Friday~May 29

Three Creeks Brewery Production Facility Grand Opening! 5 to 8 p.m. at 265 E. Barclay Dr. For 21-and-over only. Tastings, tours & live music with Greg Botsford! RSVP if attending to celebrate@ threecreeksbrewing.com.

The Belfry CD Release **Concert for the Americana** Project 7 p.m. Presented by Sisters Folk Festival. For more information call 541-549-4979 or go to sistersfolkfestival.org.

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Jeff Jackson 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. Info: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com

Saturday~May 30

Takoda's Fundraising

Breakfast for Cub Scouts 8 to 11:30 a.m. Portion of proceeds go to Sisters Cub Scout Pack 139. Learn about the pack, join the pack! For boys ages 1st grade thru age 7. For info cal pack leader Craig Ansell at 541-549-9459 / 503-510-5713.

Harmony Farm Sanctuary Fundraising "Open Barn"
Day 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 16054 Perit Huntington Rd. Enjoy the petting zoo, live music, garage sale, chair massage, silent auction from 10 a.m. to noon! For more info: 541-390-2769.

Cyrus Ranch Family Outdoor Day 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 68395 Cloverdale Rd. Archery, shooting, outdoor survival, GPS & more, with OR Hunters Assoc. 541-388-7337, 541-480-7323 or ohabend.webs.com.

Sisters High School Spring Dance Recital 6:30 p.m. Sisters Dance Academy presents "Journeys." \$10 for adults, \$5 ages 12 and under at the door. 541-280-7159 or sistersdanceacademy.com.

McKenzie Pass Ride for Two Rivers Bike tour for Metolius River & Whychus Creek Register at nationalforests.org or call 503-241-0467 for info.

Monday~June 1

The Open Door Live Music with Heather & Tom 7 to 9 p.m. No cover! For info go online to opendoorwinebar.com or call 541-549-6076.

Thursday~June 4

The Belfry Music & Mentors with Steve Seskin 7 p.m. Presented by Sisters Folk Festival for Circle of Friends For info or tickets call 541-588-6445 or 541-549-4979.

Faith Hope & Charity **Vineyards Live Music** with Cassia 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. Info: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

Friday~June 5

Sisters Community Church 'Good Stuff" Sale! 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A fundraiser for Sisters of the Heart Ugandan women's ministry. Info: 541-549-1201.

Barclay Park Sisters Farmers Market 2 to 5 p.m. First of the season! For info: 541-719-8030 or sistersfarmersmarket.com.

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Pear Tree Lane 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. Info: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

Saturday~June 6

The Belfry Live Music with Pigs on the Wing 8 p.m. Tribute to Pink Floyd's Dark-Side-of-the-Moon era. \$13 online at bendticket.com. 541-815-9122 or belfryevents.com.

Sisters Elementary School Garden Fair 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Flowers, baskets, herbs, silent auction, cake walk entertainment, face painting, BBQ & more! 541-549-7805.

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Wizard Falls Fish Hatchery Kids' Free Fishing Day 9 a.m. to noon. For additional information call 541-595-6611.

Sisters Cow Camp Saddle Up for St. Jude's 9 a.m. 9-mile ride, last rider out at noon. Donate at registration. For St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Food booth on site. Info: Brenda, 541-388-3655.

Sunday~June 7

Sisters Cow Camp Poker Ride for OET 9 a.m. 8-mile poker ride, \$5 per hand to benefit Oregon Equestrian Trails, Central Oregon Chapter. Prizes for best hand and food booth on site! Brenda, 541-388-3655

Monday~June 8

The Open Door Live Music with Butterfly Breakdown 7 to 9 p.m. No cover! For info go to opendoorwinebar.com or čall 541-549-6076.

Tuesday~June 9

The Belfry Americana Project **Luthier Showcase** 6 p.m. Presented by Sisters Folk Festival. For info: 541-549-4979 or go to sistersfolkfestival.org.

Wed.~June 10

Sisters Rodeo Grounds Xtreme Bulls 6:30 p.m. For tickets and information call 541-549-0121, 800-827-7522 or go to sistersrodeo.com.

Thursday~June 11

Sisters Rodeo Grounds Slack 8 a.m. Free admission! For more information: 541-549-0121 or sistersrodeo.com.

The Belfry Live Music with Hobbs the Band 8 p.m. \$5 online at bendticket.com. 541-815-9122 or belfryevents.com.

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Heather & Tom 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. Info: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

Deadline to submit items for the calendar is 5 p.m. Fridays to Teresa@NuggetNews.com