

C O M M U N I T Y

Kathleen Keliher's art featured in Country Fair

By **Jim Cornelius**
News Editor

Painter Kathleen Keliher is the featured artist in the annual art show that accompanies the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration's Country Fair.

The Art Show and Country Fair is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, August 7-8. Friday evening features an artists' reception with many of the artists featured in the annual art show in attendance.

Keliher is a Bend artist, but she is developing ties to Sisters Country. She is a member of the Hood Avenue Art gallery in Sisters. This is her first year

entering the church art show. She is noted for her pastel work and for oils, featuring landscapes of Central Oregon. "When I first started painting I did watercolor," she told *The Nugget*.

Watercolors are notoriously finicky. Any misstep can ruin a painting, making it "muddy."

"I went to a demonstration where they used pastels to revive the whole piece, and I thought: 'I could do that,'" she recalled.

She quickly came to love the medium for its own sake.

A nurse by profession, she

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PHOTO BY DIANE GOBLE

Kids got acquainted with firefighters at a special Sisters Library event.

Chamber comes down in favor of paved path

The Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce has lent its support to a proposed paved path between Sisters and Black Butte Ranch.

The board provided a statement of support to Deschutes County Commissioner Alan Unger, who has taken on the role of championing a path.

The board said, "The Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce considers the United States Forest Service and the Sisters Ranger District a unique partner in our community. Given that partnership, we are uniting as a board to stand in strong support of the proposed paved path from Black Butte Ranch

to Sisters." The path has been a matter of controversy in Sisters Country for several years. Proponents believe it will enhance community connections, provide a safe route for cyclists in the Highway 20 corridor, and enhance tourism. Opponents have raised concerns about environmental impact, costs and impacts on private property in Tollgate and at Black Butte Ranch.

The Chamber board sees the path as contributing to tourism assets.

"The Board of Directors

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Program introduces kids to heroes

By **Diane Goble**
Correspondent

A group of a dozen or so youngsters gathered outside the library last Saturday to "Meet a Real Hero" as part of the Summer Reading Program. Several firefighters from Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire Department came by to engage with the kids and share some fun and some fire-safety tips.

Community Librarian Paige Bentley-Flannery opened the program with some songs about firefighters sung to familiar tunes like "The wheels on the fire truck

go round and round..." then she handed out crayons and pictures to color. She had a number of books on display about firefighters, including "I Drive a Fire Engine," "We Work at the Fire," and "Let's Meet a Firefighter," which she encouraged the children to check out for more information.

Shift Commander Rob Harrison and volunteer Captain Jeff Liming were on hand to greet the children and their parents, and answer questions. Volunteer firefighter Heather Miller explained the gear that firefighters wear on the job while

resident volunteer firefighter Sam Utley donned about 50 pounds of protective boots, pants, jacket, hood, helmet and oxygen tank and mask, which they have to jump into in 60 seconds when the alarm goes off at the station.

Their reason for showing the children what a firefighter looks like in full gear is so they won't be frightened if they run into one during a house fire. They had the children come up to hug firefighter Utley so they know this is a friend who has come to help them if they are ever

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SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

ALANON Monday, noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Wednesday, 6 p.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 541-549-8737 or 541-549-1527.

Alcoholics Anonymous Thursday & Sunday, 7 p.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration • Saturday, 8 a.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration • Monday, 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Tuesday, noon, Big Book study, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Thursday, noon, Sober Sisters Women Meeting, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-548-0440.

Authors Support Group 2nd Friday, 10 a.m., Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. 541-588-0081.

Black Butte Macintosh Users Group 3rd Thursday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-1471.

Black Butte Ranch Bridge Club Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., Black Butte Ranch community room. All welcome; partner required. 541-595-6236.

Central Oregon Council on Aging Senior Lunch Tuesdays, noon, Sisters Community Church. 541-678-5483.

Central Oregon Fly Tyers Guild 4th Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For location information: 541-549-2072.

Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers Guild 4th Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. Sisters Library. 541-639-3217.

Central Oregon Woodworkers Guild 1st Monday. 541-610-9022.

East of the Cascades Quilt Guild 4th Wednesday, September-June, Stitchin' Post. All are welcome. 541-549-6061.

Friends of the Sisters Library Board of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 9 to 11 a.m., Sisters Library. Public is welcome. 541-977-8285.

Heartwarmers (fleece blanketmakers) 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Just bring scissors! 503-880-5832.

Hero Quilters of Sisters Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. 541-549-1028 or 541-548-3304.

Military Parents of Sisters 2nd Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Ray's Food Place community room. 541-647-7483.

Oregon Band of Brothers - Sisters Chapter Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m., Takoda's Restaurant. 541-408-5594.

SAGE (Senior Activities, Gatherings & Enrichment) Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. at SPRD. 541-549-2091.

Sisters Area Photography Club 2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-6157.

Sisters Area SketchUp Users Group 2nd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Earthwood Timber Frame Homes. 541-549-0924.

Sisters Astronomy Club 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., SPRD. 541-549-8846.

Sisters Bridge Club Thursdays, 12:30 p.m., The Pines Clubhouse. Novices welcomed. 541-549-9419.

Sisters Cribbage Club Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Ray's Food Place community room. All are welcome. 541-923-1632.

Sisters Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. Location information: 541-549-1193.

Sisters Kiwanis Thursdays, 7 a.m., Brand 33 Restaurant at Aspen Lakes. 541-410-2870.

Sisters Red Hats 1st Friday. Location information: 541-279-1977.

Sisters Rotary Tuesdays, noon, Aspen Lakes Lodge. 541-977-6545.

Sisters Trails Alliance Board of Directors 2nd Wed., 5:30 to 7 p.m. The Pines Clubhouse. 541-719-8822.

Sisters Veterans Thursdays, noon, Takoda's Restaurant. 541-903-1123.

Three Sisters Irrigation District Board of Directors 1st Tuesday, 4 p.m., TSID Office. 541-549-8815.

Three Sisters Lions Club 2nd Tuesday, noon, Ray's Food Place community room. 541-419-1279.

VFW 8138 & American Legion 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Service officer available. 541-903-1123 or 541-549-1132.

CITY & PARKS

Sisters City Council 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

Sisters Park & Recreation District Board of Directors 1st Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., SPRD building. The public is welcome. 541-549-2091.

Sisters Planning Commission 3rd Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

FIRE & POLICE

Black Butte Ranch Police Dept. Board of Directors Meets monthly. 541-595-2191 for time & date.

Black Butte Ranch RFPD Board of Directors 4th Thursday, 9 a.m., Black Butte Ranch Fire Station. 541-595-2288.

Cloverdale RFPD Board of Directors 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Main Station, George Cyrus Rd. 541-548-4815. See the agenda at www.cloverdalefire.com.

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Board of Directors 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Drills Mondays, 7 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

SCHOOLS

Black Butte School Board of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Black Butte School. 541-595-6203.

Sisters Christian Academy Board of Directors 2nd Thursday, 8 a.m., RE/MAX Revolution office at Outlaw Station. 541-549-4133.

Sisters School District Board of Directors One Wednesday per month, SSD Admin Bldg. See schedule at www.sisters.k12.or.us. 541-549-8521 x4011.

