Hardtails to host Gillan fundraiser

Hardtails Bar & Grill will host a memorial fundraiser to benefit the family of Shemiah Gillan all day on Saturday, May 9.

Shemiah Gillan was killed April 12 in a motorcycle accident, leaving a 3-year-old daughter Delaynie and his fiancé Aubrey Pepperling.

"His little family, his parents, as well as the rest the Gillans are in need of help for the funeral costs and other expenses along the way," Hardtails noted in a prepared release. "Your support will help Aubrey and the Gillan's focus on Delaynie and their healing at this time of loss instead of the financial burden of this tragedy."

The event will feature live music from 1 to 4 p.m. by Liam Kyle Cahill.

Cahill has a vivid description of his music: "Imagine Mumford & Sons in bar room brawl with Bob Dylan at a punk rock concert."

The young troubadour's



Liam Kyle Cahill will play at Hardtails Bar & Grill on Saturday, May 9.

adventurous spirit has carried him all over the U.S., around Europe, Asia, and down through Central and South America.

"I'm a graduate of the University of Nevada, Reno, with a BS in hydrogeology," Cahill told *The Nugget*. "I spent four-and-a-half years doing gold exploration as a geologist all over rural Nevada and Utah. I recently quit my job to pursue music

full-time and travel around the country. By the time I get to Sisters I will have played over 50 shows this year and have plans to play 200 by the year's end."

The Manic Mechanics will take the stage at 5 p.m. The Manic Mechanics are a Willamette Valley-based classic rock outfit that has played Hardtails several times.

The event is family-friendly till 9 p.m.

Drones over Sisters Library

They're watching you.

On Sunday, May 3, at 1:30 p.m., right in front of the library there will be two small drones flown by Pete Rathbun and Brian Rios taking GoPro photographs of folks entering the library to learn about Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVS), also known as drones.

That is, if the FAA, Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Air Force, Oregon National Guard, Oregon State Police, Deschutes Public Library System, or the Sisters Library don't shoot them down! The City of Sisters and Deschutes Country Sheriff's office say it's OK by them...

Jim Anderson, local naturalist and author, will be talking about drones and Radio Controlled (R/C) machinery of the air, ground and water.

Anderson has been building and flying R/C aircraft for years, and recently began using a Blade Quad, 4-rotor UAV to peek into golden eagle nests he couldn't see into because of elevation and obstructions to count nestlings and/or eggs.

So far, the quad has never been attacked — but Anderson's crashed it into a tree or two.

Using the quad (flown by Anderson's grandsons,

Connor and Sam) for observing eagle nests began as an innocuous part of a state-wide golden eagle research project being conducted by the Oregon Eagle Foundation to determine how many golden eagles abide and reproduce in Oregon.

The library program is being offered under the auspices of the Friends of the Sisters Library (FOSL) as part of the Diane Jacobsen Speaker Series. Jacobsen, as many Sisters residents and Sisters Elementary School graduates will remember, was one of those special teachers who was at the top of the crowd and loved by all who knew her. She lost a short and tough battle with cancer and is now honored by the FOSL speaker series honoring her work.

Anderson and the pilots flying the drones over the library will be using the utmost care, and plan to download all the data from the GoPro cameras to show the attendees how they looked.

Rod Moorehead will be there to demonstrate his powered sailplane, along with other R/Cers with dirt track racers, and other aircraft.

The program will begin at 1:30 p.m. and run until about 3 p.m.

City to send service contracts out for bid

By Sue Stafford Correspondent

City staff has asked for direction from the Sisters City Council regarding upcoming public-service contract expirations and whether they wanted to extend several of them or initiate new requests for proposal (RFPs).

The City attorney, insurance agent of record, and audit services require three-year contracts with the option for one two-year extension. The City engineer contract for two years does not have an option for extension. The building inspection services contract is for two years with the possibility of one two-year extension.

Councilor David Asson voiced his opinion that in the spirit of openness with the community, all expiring contracts should be put out for bid, not exercising the extension option on any of them. Councilor Nancy Connolly, in checking with other cities, found many that put contracts out to bid for sure every five years, usually signing the contract for three years with one two-year extension possible.

City Manager Andrew Gorayeb said that in the interest of best practices, all the contracts this time should require an RFP.

City attorney, insurance agent, and City engineer contracts expire in June/July 2015. The current auditor

will complete the 2014/15 fiscal year. Building inspector services contract expires December 31, 2015.

The City Council interviews applicants for the City attorney contract. For the other contracts, special committees are formed to review RFPs.







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