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Class of 2015 off to the future

By Ceili Cornelius
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The class of 2015 celebrated their graduation from Sisters High School last Friday, June 5.

The students were overjoyed to be done with high school and celebrate with their friends and family.

The night started out with the singing of the national anthem by the SHS Jazz Choir and the processional of the senior class in front of a packed gym that had been specially decorated for the event.

Principal Joe Hosang provided words of wisdom to the students and provided thanks to the students and staff of Sisters High School, especially thanking event coordinators Pinky Pagano and Suzanne Lind, who are retiring this year.

Associated Student Government President Shea Krevi — also the Ford Scholarship



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Sisters graduates provided the music in their graduation ceremony last Friday evening.

winner — said thank you to the teachers for never giving up and also spoke directly to the class with some quotes

from his classmates: “There are no ends, only beginnings” — a very appropriate quote for students going out

to college and into the world. The three valedictorians

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Scholl is Sisters' new schools chief

By Jim Cornelius
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Curtiss J. Scholl will swing into the saddle as Sisters' new school superintendent on July 1. While he's tying down the last work at his current position, he's already at work on the Sisters job.

“I'm working on the transition plan right now,” he told *The Nugget* last Friday.

The Sisters School Board made the offer to Scholl last Wednesday and will formalize an agreement in a public meeting.

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Council feels urgency on housing front

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

The sense of urgency to explore development of more affordable housing in Sisters was palpable at the Sisters City Council workshop on June 4. After hearing from residents at the recent economic vitality summit about the pressing need for affordable housing in Sisters, the City Council has moved the issue to the front of the line.

Tom Kemper, executive director of Housing Works, gave a detailed presentation to Council on the state of affordable housing in all of Central Oregon as well as in Sisters (see related story, page 29).

“We're in a housing crisis throughout Central Oregon,” Kemper told the Council.

Here in Sisters, as a percentage of total residents, there are fewer homeowners than in all of Deschutes County. This will come as no surprise to those who have been unable to find affordable homes to buy in Sisters.

According to housing statistics presented by Kemper, 18 percent of Sisters residents live on an income that is below 30 percent of the median family income. Ten percent have an income that is at 30 to 50 percent of the median income while 54 percent have an income that is more than 80 percent of the median income.

Rent burden is in play when over 30 percent of income is spent on housing

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Top cowboys headed to Sisters

By proclamation, the Deschutes County Commissioners have declared June 8-15 as Sisters Rodeo Week.

Commissioner Tony DeBone proposed the honor. Sisters Rodeo Board of Directors accepted the award in a ceremony at the Deschutes County offices on Wednesday morning, June 10.

“We are very excited about this,” said President Glenn Miller, “because it doesn't happen all the time. It's nice to know that the county feels that we have done good things, not just for Sisters, but for all of Deschutes County.”

The Sisters Rodeo will mark its 75th year with many of the top competitors in the world of rodeo battling for bucks and buckles in the arena east of town.

An exciting battle for high scores in bareback riding will be one of the highlights of



PHOTO BY GARY MILLER

The Rodeo action will be hot and the weather perfect this weekend.

Sisters Rodeo this weekend. Florida this winter and a six-time NFR (National Finals) winner of the Dodge Circuit Finals Championship in

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