

COMMUNITY

Festival will raffle an extraordinary guitar

The Sisters Folk Festival (SFF) will raffle an extraordinary Breedlove Guitar to mark its 20th year during the festival set for September 11-13.

The guitar, a custom C20/CM by Breedlove Guitars, has a red cedar top and quilted mahogany back and sides, a sunburst finish, and a custom inlay of "SFF 2015," with a vintage microphone in keeping with this year's poster image by Dennis McGregor.

It is valued at \$8,000.

The wood used to produce the guitar back and sides is from "The Tree," a legendary Honduran mahogany tree

felled 50 years ago.

The wood was donated by musician and songwriter Jay Howlett. Jay is an ardent supporter of the Sisters Folk Festival and, along with his record company "Blah Blah, Woof Woof" and label-mate Chuck McCabe, he was a key player in its inception.

The legend of The Tree began almost 50 years ago, when a group of loggers deep in the Chiquibul Jungle of what is now Belize, discovered a giant mahogany tree, 100 feet tall, with a 10-foot base and spiraled bark that

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Some of the 2015 Honored Quilters who have achieved recognition for their superb workmanship, their mastery of a wide variety of quilting techniques, and their ability to create extraordinary artistic beauty in quilting.

Miller family quilts a piece of quilt show history

By Jim Cornelius
News Editor

Quilting is a traditional art — one that is continuing to grow and evolve as artists press into new frontiers.

Yet even the most avant-garde quilter can appreciate the extraordinary detail-work of hand-stitched traditional quilts. Visitors to the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show this July will have an opportunity to see such work on display at Beacham's Clock Company.

Family quilts belonging to local contractor and Sisters Rodeo Association President Glenn Miller will be

on display there through the entire month of July.

These quilts have an additional touch of traditional resonance. They first hung on the streets of Sisters back in 1975.

"A couple of 'em were in the first quilt show 40 years ago," Miller told *The Nugget*.

The quilts come out of the Mennonite and Amish traditions.

"My mom was a Mennonite and all my aunts and uncles were Amish," Miller said.

A couple of the quilts on display in this year's show were made by Miller's mother.

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Quilt Show offers 'Timeless Tapestry'

The 40th Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show is about to roll out in Sisters.

The theme of the 2015 Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show (SOQS) is "A Timeless Tapestry" — a story told through weaving fabric and thread. This year, SOQS honors the quilters, instructors, volunteers, artists, businesses, donors, sponsors and industry leaders whose help and support during the past four decades have transformed the town of Sisters into a living tapestry every second Saturday in July since 1975.

The 40th anniversary event is being presented by Robert Kaufman Fabrics. Robert Kaufman Co, Inc. is a purveyor of quilting fabrics and textiles for retailers and manufacturers. Kaufman Co. is a fabric supplier to many industries, including retail & quilting, home decor, bridal,

uniforms, and the apparel industry.

Highlighting the 40th anniversary celebration will be the return visit from the Quilters of Gee's Bend presented by The Roundhouse Foundation. Recently, three of the quilters of Gee's Bend received a 2015 National Heritage Fellowship, the nation's highest award for folk and traditional arts. Mary Lee Bendolph, Loretta Pettway, and Lucy Mingo, three of the chief quilters of Gee's Bend, are among the group of artists chosen for this year's award.

"Roundhouse Foundation has been a LoneStar Sponsor of the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show these many years because it meets our mission to encourage community enrichment through the arts in Central Oregon," said Kathy Deggendorfer. "The Roundhouse Foundation

wanted to support the Quilters of Gee's Bend return to Sisters for their third visit to continue to build our friendships and

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artistic relationships with these artists, who are national treasures.”

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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.

