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Scott Summers has opened Backyard Bistro, a food cart in Sisters.

Backyard Bistro puts its wheels down in Sisters

By Jim Cornelius
News Editor

Sisters' second food cart has put down its wheels in the backyard at Eurosports. And that backyard gave the eatery its name: Backyard Bistro.

"We walked out here and I said, 'Man, this is just like your backyard,'" said owner/operator Scott Summers.

The backyard at Eurosports is located on the corner of Hood Avenue and Fir Street. Eurosports owner Brad Boyd has the capability to house up to five carts in what he refers to as a "food cart pod."

Backyard Bistro is a family operation for Summers, his wife, Tashina Youngstrom, and their daughters Malia and Jaid. They hail from Bend, but have always been drawn to Sisters.

"We love Sisters," Scott said. "We travel this direction from Bend any chance we get."

Summers and his wife both bring 25 years of experience in the restaurant business to bear on his new venture. Scott has started up a franchise restaurant, a brewery in Colorado, and he has a wide range of experience in Alaska, where he worked for years before moving to Bend eight years ago.

Opening a food cart was an attractive option for him because it allows him creativity and flexibility in his

offerings.

"It gives me the freedom to change up my menu as I need to," he said. It's a "small, condensed menu, so I can keep it fresh and change it over."

That means seasonal changes. Right now, tacos and Jamaican jerk are on the menu, along with other offerings. Come fall and winter, you'll start seeing soups and curries.

Summers describes the Backyard Bistro cuisine as "fresh, healthy fusion food." He loves to take elements from different ethnic foods and combine them in unique ways, "combining, say, Asian flavors with American, maybe bringing in, occasionally, Italian. Our Caprese grilled cheese is a classic example of that."

Working together as a family is another perk.

"It's been a great opportunity for my family to come together to do this," Scott said. "My daughters are my workers, so it's a complete family business."

In keeping with the business model envisioned by Boyd, Summers has a year-long lease. His operating times are up to him.

"I'd definitely like to operate year-round," Summers said. "We have a great local following, which I hope will sustain us through the lean months."

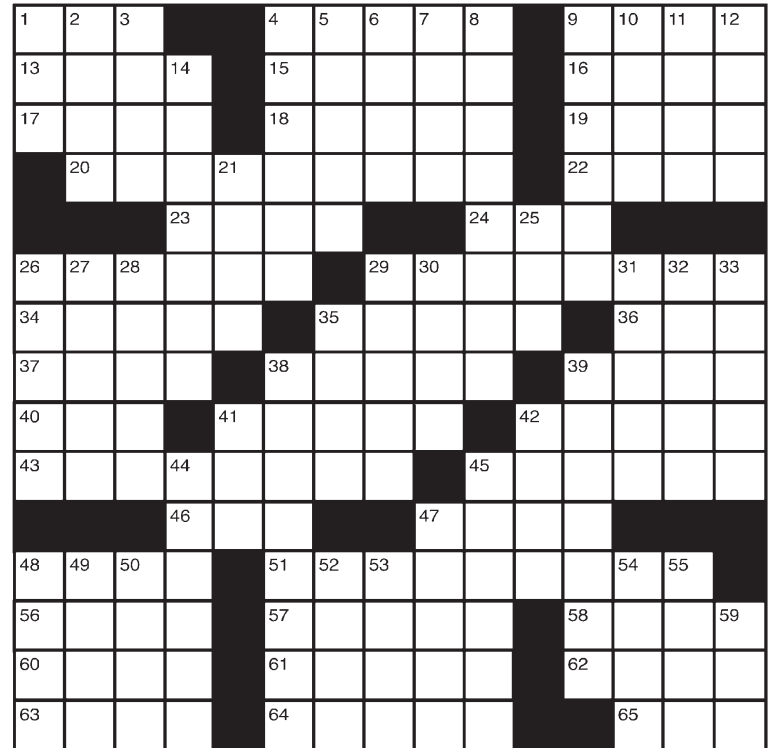
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The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Look before ___ leap"
 - 4 Disney's "___ in Toyland"
 - 9 Majority
 - 13 "___ bigger and better things!"
 - 15 2012 election winner
 - 16 Qualified
 - 17 Close
 - 18 Naval warrant officer, for short
 - 19 Twelve months
 - 20 Most tattered
 - 22 Church song
 - 23 Kite's feature
 - 24 Anger
 - 26 Natural
 - 29 Child's friend
 - 34 Acquire knowledge
 - 35 Cheek coloring
 - 36 Wally or Courtney
 - 37 Riles
 - 38 Boxes loaded
 - 39 Go no further
 - 40 "___ Maria"
 - 41 Challenges
 - 42 Stringed instrument
 - 43 Left high & dry
 - 45 Patty or William Randolph
 - 46 Hanging ___ thread;
 - 47 "Trees" or "The Raven"
 - 48 Messy person
 - 51 Happening over and over
 - 56 Long skirt
 - 57 ___ squash;
 - 58 Formal attire
 - 60 Kiln
 - 61 Run after
 - 62 Engrave
 - 63 Group of hoodlums
 - 64 Carried
 - 65 Heaven above

- DOWN**
- 1 Hither and ___
 - 2 Small bills
 - 3 Western state
 - 4 Thread holder
 - 5 Bubbling away on the stove
 - 6 First, second or third
 - 7 Australian birds
 - 8 Chile's capital
 - 9 Needless violence; chaos
 - 10 Follow orders
 - 11 Close noisily
 - 12 Diving seabird
 - 14 Speakers
 - 21 Horse's home
 - 25 Bread variety
 - 26 Epic by Homer
 - 27 Boldness
 - 28 Cooks a cake
 - 29 ___ over; read intently
 - 30 Drags a heavy object
 - 31 Oscar hopeful
 - 32 Implements
 - 33 One living abroad
 - 35 Seldom seen



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- 38 Clouding of the eye lens
- 39 Slender blue-eyed cat
- 41 Parched
- 42 Swerve
- 44 Receding
- 45 Having antlers
- 47 Handbag
- 48 Air pollution
- 49 Molten rock
- 50 Plow animals
- 52 Resound
- 53 Outer garment
- 54 Word of disgust
- 55 Tiny bug
- 59 "...hallowed be ___ name..."

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