## **BROTHERS:** School will serve about 20 students

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said a district in a county with more than 35,000 people must merge with an adjoining district if it has fewer than 18 students for two consecutive years.

Even though Brothers is located in Deschutes County, its school board opted to merge with Crook County School District.

But residents said they always hoped the school would reopen. Back at Brothers Stage Shop, Hanna and her sister Dixie had counted up all the school-age kids in town and thought it was probably enough. Hanna called up her cousin, then-state representative Bruce Hanna, R-Roseburg, to help resurrect the tiny Brothers district.

Meanwhile, the Crook County district was spending \$12,000 to \$15,000 a year to maintain the property in case there was enough demand to reopen the school down the road, said business manager Anna Logan. However slight, officials decided the demand was there this year, and in April the school board voted to reopen the school. Gretchen Stack, a fourth-grade teacher from Cecil Sly Elementary

School in Prineville, was hired to teach in Brothers; she plans to live on the school property in the teacher's unit. There will also be a part-time educational assistant who will double as the secretary and handle nutrition services; a part-time custodian will also drive the school bus. Mona Boyd, the district's special education director, will serve as principal.

Brothers School will have a four-day week, same as the district's K-8 school in Paulina, which had about 20 students last year. Older students go to Crook County High School.

Operating the school will cost about \$186,000 a year up to about 20 students, when the district would look to add staff.

Carol Dixon retired this year after 11 years teaching at Black Butte School in Camp Sherman, which has about two dozen students. She knew every child, his or her strengths and weaknesses and where they needed extra help. It was also easier to change lesson plans or organize field trips. Students went skiing every Friday in the winter and swimming in the spring.

"It's challenging because of the different abilities and grade level of the kids, but it's also advantageous because a kid can be placed where they need to be," said Dixon.



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### Start your memoir with library session

The universe is made of stories, said the poet Muriel Rukeyser. What's yours? Have you written it down yet?

Join local educator and author Ellen Santasiero for a workshop at the Sisters Library on Tuesday, September 1, from noon to 4 p.m. The workshop is free and open to the public, but space is limited and registration is required. Register on line or by calling 541-312-1032.

Beginning with warm-up exercises that help people access important memories, Santasiero will lead participants in writing and editing their own short memoir.

"This workshop is for

anyone who wants to record and present their memories using literary techniques," she says.

She is unable to pick her favorite memoir.

"There are just too many," she says.

Santasiero is quick to point out the importance and value of the genre. "They provide a sense of community — a sense of history and identity — to rapidly changing families and communities," she says.

Ellen Santasiero works as a freelance writer and teaches literature and creative writing at OSU-Cascades in Bend. Her essays, memoirs, interviews and articles have appeared in



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Ellen Santasiero.

magazines and other venues since 2001. She was a featured reader at Caldera Arts in Portland in 2013.

For more information about this or other library programs, visit the library website at www.deschuteslibrary.org.

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#### Thursday~Aug. 13

Village Green Park Luau!
6:30 p.m. Presented by SPRD,
2nd annual event! With live
music by Bill Keale, Kurt Silva,
Uhane Hawaii dancers, Sisters
Ukelele Players, DJ Boogie
and Shey Quandt and great
food. Limited tickets sold in
advance; call 541-549-2091.

Hood Avenue Art "Jammin' for Nepal" Fundraiser 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. 10 musical acts! \$15 donation for handmade pottery cup with beverage! Funds go to Ten Friends. Info: 541-719-1800 or hoodavenueart.com.

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Scratchdog Stringband 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. For additional information: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com

#### Friday~Aug. 14

Black Butte Ranch "Live at the Ranch" with Patrick Lamb Band 5 to 7 p.m. \$18 adults, \$12 kids 6-12. Go to blackbutteranch.com/events or call 866-901-2961 or purchase online at bendticket.com.

Eurosports Food Cart Lot Live Music with Bobby Lindstrom 5 to 7 p.m. Free! Rockin' blues guitar. Happy hour specials, too! For more information call 541-549-2471

Paulina Springs Books Author Reading with Debbie Raney, "Hair on Barbed Wire: Portraits of Ranching Life" 6:30 p.m. \$5 entry refunded with purchase of the book. With refreshments! For more information call 541-549-0866 or go to paulinasprings.com.

Angeline's Bakery Live Music with Hobbs Band 7 p.m. \$5 cover. For more information call 541-549-9122 or go to angelinesbakery.com.

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Jeff Jackson 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. For more information: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

**Barclay Park Sisters Farmers Market** 2 to 5 p.m. Fresh on Fridays! Info: 541-719-8030 or sistersfarmersmarket.com.

#### Saturday~Aug. 15

Village Green Park Sisters Doggie Dash 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 5K run & 2-mile walk, canine contests, agility course & more! Fundraiser for Friends of the Sisters Library & Furry Friends Foundation. Forms are online at sistersfol.com. In advance cost is \$25; same-day at 8 a.m. is \$30. Questions? Call 541-977-8285.

Hardtails Bar & Grill Live Music on the Outdoor Stage! 1 to 5 p.m. Never a cover! For more information call 541-549-6114 or go online to hardtailsoregon.com.

Camp Sherman Community Hall Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social & Film 6:30 p.m. Enjoy the food and see "Finding This Place: An Early History of Camp Sherman." Funds raised go to the Camp Sherman Historical Society. For more information call 541-595-2719.

Camp Sherman Bridge Friends of the Metolius Interpretive Walk 10 a.m. to noon. Walk a Camp Sherman Bridge-Riverside Campground round trip & learn about the 1930s Civilian Conservation Corps camp. For info contact Scott Blau at 503-675-7764, 541-595-6439, or go online to metoliusfriends.org.

#### Sunday~Aug. 16

Brand 33 at Aspen Lakes Sunset Serenades with Lino & Friends 6:30 p.m. Free! Classical guitar with Latin spice, on the patio. For more information call 541-549-3663.

#### Thursday~Aug. 20

Faith Hope & Charity Vineyards Live Music with Long Tall Eddy 6 to 9 p.m. \$5 cover. For more information: 541-526-5075 or faithhopeandcharityevents.com.

#### Friday~Aug. 21

Angeline's Bakery Live Music with David Jacobs Strain & the Crunk Mountain Boys 7 p.m. \$5 cover. For more information call 541-549-9122 or go to angelinesbakery.com.

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Fir Street Park Sisters Folk Festival Concert with Keith Greeninger 6:30 p.m. Free! With Anna Tivel opening. For additional information call 541-549-4979 or go online to sistersfolkfestival.org.

Bend-Sisters Garden RV Resort Sisters Wild West Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. "Buffalo Bill" type live entertainment & shoot-outs, Western arts & crafts, food and more! For additional information: 541-420-0279 or centraloregonshows.com.

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