

COMMUNITY

Sisters Folk Festival builds for the future

Sisters Folk Festival (SFF) received three grant awards recently, all focused on providing second-year funding for a re-alignment and expansion of staff for the organization.

As the organization enters its third decade, it has been working on building the organizational infrastructure needed to pursue its wide range of work and move into the future.

In 2014, SFF hired Ann Richardson as managing director, allowing Brad Tisdell, the former executive director, to assume the role of creative director, and focus his skills and attention on what he does best — managing the growing presence of the Americana

Project in the Sisters public schools and booking musicians for SFF events.

Also in 2014 the organization created a new, nearly full-time position for a year-round volunteer coordinator.

Board chair Jack McGowan is thrilled with the support. “With these much-needed and appreciated funding grants, the Sisters Folk Festival organization has taken large steps to solidify its stability and continued service to the community.”

SFF received a grant of \$12,500 from the Irene Gerlinger Swindells Fund of The Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) for the

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PHOTO BY GARY MILLER

Diane Goble, Dana Wand, and Edie Jones are featured in a Bend Library author program on Sunday.

City of Sisters seeks council candidates

For the third time in four months, the City of Sisters is seeking candidates for appointment to a vacant City Council seat. Councilor Wendy Holzman resigned last month.

The City encourages interested parties to apply for the vacated seat by submitting an application to City Recorder Kathy Nelson by August 21. Candidates must be a qualified elector within the meaning of the state constitution and have resided within city limits during the preceding 12 months.

Applications may be found on the home page in

the announcements section of the City’s website at www.ci.sisters.or.us or at the reception desk in City Hall, located at 520 E. Cascade Ave.

Regular council meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m. Workshops are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 8 a.m. and second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. All meetings are held at City Hall.

For more information contact Nelson by email at knelson@ci.sisters.or.us or by calling 541-323-5213.

Sisters authors honored in Bend

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

Three members of the local Sisters authors group have had their books chosen to be part of the Love Your Local Author fair sponsored by the Deschutes Public Library System on Sunday, August 16, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Brooks Room at the downtown Bend Library.

The monthly program, a celebration of Northwest writers and the written word, gives Central Oregon writers a chance to share their work with the public, and allows the public the opportunity

to meet and speak with local authors and explore their work. The Sisters authors’ books run the gamut from children’s books to a parenting book, to an end-of-life workbook.

Edie Jones will be showcasing her “Raising Kids With Love, Honor and Respect: Recipes for Success.” Jones describes her book as “the manual kids don’t come with.” It is full of down-to-earth, basic ideas to rely on over and over while caring for children; your own or someone else’s. This guidebook is organized so the reader can use the most

appropriate section at any given time, covering years from birth to the young teens.

Jones’s knowledge on the subject comes from 48 years of experience working with children and families, both personally and professionally. She retired in 2013 from her position as director of Together For Children, where she served in a variety of capacities for 21 years.

Her book is written to help parents, grandparents, teachers and childcare providers work effectively, confidently, and lovingly with the

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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.

