

**ARTS PROJECT:** Sisters Folk Festival is working on project

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one another and with the arts.

SFF Creative Director Brad Tisdel noted that, "Fir Street Park is exactly the kind of space he was talking about."

SFF is hosting two free concerts there this summer, and offering free music at the park during the festival in September.

Tisdel noted that the two-day rendezvous offered Sisters organizations like the Sisters Rodeo, the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show, SFF and the schools an opportunity to show community engagement in action.

Team members from each of the 18 grant sites gather at the rendezvous to collaborate, share ideas. She described the rendezvous as "a professional-development/teambuilding/network-building event."

There were speakers, panel discussions, and performances by Americana Project students and by Tisdel.

"Brad gave a wonderful closing to the whole two days," Boss Barba said.

Boss Barba said that she is starting to see more



KAREN CAMMACK

Americana Project students performed at the OCF Rendezvous.

collaboration between communities as they work together to establish best practices for sustainable arts education.

She noted that the event was a nice opportunity for folks from across Oregon to experience Sisters.

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"It was a powerful experience," said Tisdel. "And one that set us up well as a community and also as an

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– Michelle Boss Barba

organization to do some pretty remarkable work.”

**Sisters business at a glance**

• **Bob Boswell** is retiring after a long career serving Sisters as a FedEx delivery driver.

Bob has been a FedEx employee for the past 33 years, 25 of those have been serving the Sisters community. The people of Sisters have relied on his delivery service, trusting his customer service to be friendly and professional. Along with his hard work and gift of gab, Bob has made many wonderful friends. He has truly enjoyed meeting the needs of his customers. He will miss you!

• A new tasting room is going to open at the **Three Creeks Brewing Co.** brewing facility in the Sisters Industrial Park (on Barclay Drive, just west of Metabolic Maintenance and the sheriff's substation). It will open Fridays and Saturdays from 3 to 7 p.m., with three rotating taps, along with beer bottles, cans, and growlers to go.

• **Y Knot Branded**, based in Sisters, has expanded distribution of the company's specialty Western-inspired women's



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Bob Boswell has served Sisters for 25 years.

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