

Fall Festival bigger than ever

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Sisters Fall Street Festival drew crowds to North Oak Street in downtown Sisters over the weekend.

The festival featured 75 vendors displaying arts and crafts from neck coolers to home-grown bonsai trees. There was something for everyone's taste as folks meandered up and down Oak Street browsing for that eye-catching prize to purchase.

Vendor Maryann Plemmons displayed an interesting name for her business: "The Ol' Bag Lady." She and her husband Grady, from Turner, shared a booth showcasing their unique handmade goods.

"Grady and I have different talents," explained Plemmons. "He makes wooden frames and I sew handbags, table covers and runners from recycled materials. It's whatever I can find: old jeans or fabric samples. Each one is different. We've been doing this for 10 years now; it's more fun than anything else, we make enough to go to Arizona every winter."

There were a multitude of activities that attracted the younger folks; twisty balloon animals by TJ balloons, the bounce house, and one attraction that drew a crowd. The pony rides for only \$5 made it affordable for many kids that have always wanted to sit atop a horse. And these



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Pony rides were a fun new feature at the Sisters Fall Street Festival.

ponies were just the right size for shorter legs.

Diane Schmidt, owner and riding instructor of Diane's Riding Place in Tumalo brought three beautiful ponies for children to ride with the help of four of her students.

"This is so enjoyable for the kids, and my students are having loads of fun helping take the kids around our small arena," said Schmidt. "I have been involved with the Wild West Show before, too, by lending them a horse or two."

Kathy Jederlinich from Blodgett in Benton County showed off her hand-painted dinnerware at her booth, In and Out Design.

"This is a part of my store that I have on Etsy.com," Jederlinich said. "But I do so much more than create hand-painted ceramic

plates. I am an artist and art educator with over 30 years experience and have been involved in the Corvallis and rural community creating art installation art pieces with the community."

Jederlinich calls her project Backbone Mural and Mosaics - Creating Community Legacies One Wall at a Time.

"Every year I try to bring new artists and crafters with creativity to Sisters, and we are raising money for the Sisters High School Visual Arts Department and I'm very happy with the outcome," said Richard Esterman, event organizer.

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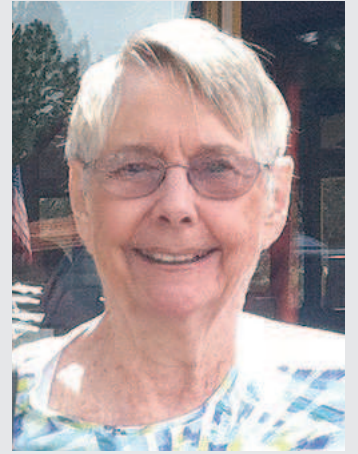
Eloise Haugh Mynatt

April 20, 1930 - August 28, 2015

Eloise Haugh Mynatt, a long-time resident of Sisters, died on Friday, August 28, of natural causes in Laguna Hills, California. She was born to Hazel Hart Haugh and Carl Edwin Haugh in Hollywood, California on April 20, 1930, and raised in northern Indiana.

She is survived by her three children, daughter Melanie Mynatt Robinson of Aliso Viejo, CA; son Kelley David Mynatt of Sisters; and son, Clayton James Mynatt of Bend. Eloise was blessed with and survived by four grandchildren, grandson Brian Mynatt; granddaughter, Morgan Robinson; granddaughter Mattie Mynatt and grandson Brodey Mynatt.

Eloise graduated from Indiana University in 1952 with a bachelor's degree from the School of the Arts and Sciences, and earned her teaching credentials from the School of Education. She was affiliated with Alpha Phi Sorority. While at the university she met and later married her husband, Leslie O'Neal Mynatt. They were married for 40 years until he preceded her in death in 1993. Eloise wrote



several by-lined columns for 11 years for various newspapers in the different states where the family lived. She also was a published magazine contributor. At one time, Eloise owned and operated a women's fitness center.

The Mynatts moved to Sisters from California in 1992. Eloise was a past president of the Friends of the Sisters Library and Sisters Garden Club. Eloise was an active volunteer for the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center. She was a member of the Casual Quilters, Lunch Bunch and La Fomme.

Two of Eloise's major passions were reading and foreign travel. She was fortunate enough to have visited 93 countries in her lifetime. Safe travels Weeze... you will be missed.

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