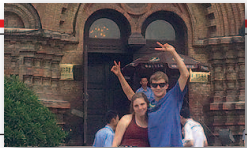


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Land Trust marks 20 years of service

The Deschutes Land Trust will celebrate its 20th anniversary with a party at Deschutes Brewery on October 2.

The Land Trust has partnered with Deschutes Brewery to host a backyard barbecue at their downtown Bend pub. Attendees can enjoy food and beverages, live music from the Moon Mountain Ramblers and the lively scene of Bend's First Friday art walk.

Though the event is in

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Seed to Table...



PHOTO BY DIERDRE KANZIG

Audrey Tehan invited Dierdre Kanzig's third-grade class to the seed-to-table farm in Sisters, where they collected seeds, harvested potatoes, and made beautiful plant prints with photo-sensitive fabric. Here, Madison Haney closely examines a sunflower.

Re-creating tools of the First People

By Jim Anderson
Correspondent

Walking into the Sisters Library will take you on a trip back to when sprawling Pleistocene lakes drowned faulted basins, and the First People roamed the surrounding hills gathering materials to make tools, food to feed their families, and enjoying their time on earth.

Those early people lived in rock shelters and caves that faced huge lakes throughout

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Program helps animals that need hospice care

By Jodi Schneider McNamee
Correspondent

Shelters sometimes receive animals that are older and not medically healthy enough for adoption. Yet, these creatures still have the right to live out their golden years in a loving environment and with proper medical treatment.

BrightSide Animal Center in Redmond receives animals that are older or in ill health — but instead of euthanizing the animal, the “high-save” shelter contacts one of their “fospice” volunteers.

“Fospice” is a combination of foster and hospice care. Four years ago, Chris Bauersfeld, the former executive director for BrightSide, established a foster program for pets needing hospice.

“What’s great about the fospice program is it allows

us to keep our mission of being a high-save shelter,” says Sisters resident Sana Hayes, volunteer coordinator and event director. “Our full-time veterinarian on staff, Dr. Cheryl Byrd, is the one that determines if they still have quality of life, so that fospice can become an option for that animal. We are happy to give end-of-life animals the opportunity to complete their natural lifespan in a loving home while maintaining their dignity and comfort.”

BrightSide Animal Center provides all the medical care and medications at no charge to the fospice family.

Fospice volunteers bring the terminal dog or cat into their home and offer love and companionship for the best end-of-life experience.

“We have a few families

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Beer fest got Sisters hoppin’

By Jodi Schneider McNamee
Correspondent

All around the big tent at Village Green Park on Saturday, the air was filled with fresh hop aromas that drew in hundreds of folks for the sixth annual Sisters Fresh Hop Festival.

Judy Trego, executive director for the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce, had her hands full volunteering pours for Three Mugs Brewing Company from Hillsboro.

“The fest is going really well. This year we have 22 breweries and it’s packed out,” she said. “We’ve had a steady flow of people since it started at noon.

“It seems that we’ve had thousands of people come through already. The beer is flowing and people are very excited. People love this event for its low-key factor. It’s the small intimate feel of this venue that



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Beer lovers sampled the wares of a multitude of breweries last Saturday.

they are attracted to. The weather has been perfect and there’s a light breeze coming through the tent and everyone’s comfortable. It’s the perfect day for tasting fresh hop beers from all over Oregon.”

So what exactly are fresh hops?

Hops are the seed cones of the plant species *Humulus lupulus*, and they’re actually very delicate flowers. They don’t survive long after being

cut, which is why almost all hops are dried immediately after harvest, to preserve the valuable oils and resins that add so much savor and tang to beer. But fresh hops — or wet hops — are fresh-picked hops brewers fire in their kettle to capture in their most natural state.

It was the first time at the festival for Calapooia Brewing Company from Albany,

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