

C O M M U N I T Y

Habitat has positions for older workers

Are you 55 or older and in need of a job? The Sisters Habitat for Humanity ReStore and Thrift Store have Experience Works positions available.

Experience Works provides paid community service assignments at local public and nonprofit organizations. With updated skills and training, this could be used as a springboard to permanent jobs with local employers.

Gar Slanning and Sharyn Benson, the ReStore and Thrift Store assistant

managers, respectively, first started at Sisters Habitat through Experience Works. The experience and training led to full-time jobs.

Experience Works is a Senior Service Employment Program funded by the U.S. Department of Labor. Applicants must be unemployed, 55, and low income, whose resources fall within poverty guidelines.

To see if you qualify and to apply, contact the Oregon State Experience Works office at 1-877-779-7905 or www.experienceworks.org.



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Cody French, Anessa Stotte, Jaxon Barry, Tate Kaczmarek and George Chladek with Master K.

Program brings 'Outlaws Together'

By Erin Borla
Correspondent

Used to be, Sisters Country businesses and parents were hit hard several times a year with fundraising requests from sports teams across the district. That was before Sisters High School hired co-curricular director Tim Roth four years ago.

Roth, as a new hire, was charged with uniting the fundraising efforts of all athletics at Sisters High School. Outlaws Together, the campaign championed by Roth, is celebrating its fourth year this fall.

"The program is really a philosophy — encouraging

all of our sports teams to work together as a unit," says Roth. "We are more powerful and effective together than each team on their own."

Outlaws Together fundraises annually in three ways: Outlaw Cards, Black & White Club memberships, and three separate Bingo Nights held during each sport season. Each of these common fundraisers supports all athletics, both OSAA sanctioned and club sports, while giving the coaches the opportunity to do fundraisers on their own if they choose.

"Our coaches have bought in all the way to the Outlaws

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Martial artists make strong showing

By Jim Cornelius
News Editor

For young martial artists, there's no better way to test their skills and their mettle than by entering competition. Several students of Outlaw Martial Arts have made strong showings.

Twelve-year-old Anessa Stotte traveled to Austin, Texas, over the Fourth of July holiday to compete in the Junior Olympics. It was her third trip to the events, where she competes in "poomse," the forms that are an important part of training in taekwondo. Poomse demonstrates stances, punches, kicks and blocks in a set series of motions, which are judged for their fluidity and precision.

Stotte also took a silver medal in state competition

and sixth place in nationals.

"The competition is very stiff, very good," said Marty Kaczmarek of Outlaw Martial Arts (better known as Master K). "People train all year round for this type of competition."

Stotte underwent demanding one-on-one lessons with Master K in the run-up to the competition — and he was impressed with her composure and fortitude in the face of tough critique.

"She listens and just tries harder," Kaczmarek said. "That's what makes her successful."

"I just love competition because I like to be around people who do what I love to do," Anessa said. "I like everything about (martial arts). It's all fun. And you learn manners from it, and

being respectful."

She aspires to becoming an eighth-degree black belt in taekwondo.

Jaxon Barry, 11, Cody French, 11, Tate Kaczmarek, 11 and 13-year-old George Chladek all traveled to Hillsboro for the September 12 Oregon Open Brazilian Jiu-jitsu Tournament.

Outlaw Martial Arts has added BJJ to its curriculum for both youth and adults through an affiliation with the Roy Dean Academy. BJJ is a grappling art, where competitors strive to obtain locks on limbs in order to place an opponent in submission or force them to concede or "tap out."

The young grapplers did their relatively young program

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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, 6 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.

