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## Injured youth making strong recovery

By Ceili Cornelius  
Correspondent

Sisters High School student Logan Miller was involved in a serious auto accident on icy roads on January 6. Miller was in the hospital for six weeks, with a severe head injury requiring life-saving surgery.

Logan was able to go home on February 22.

Logan has had endless amounts of support throughout his remarkable recovery. Bracelets reading "Stay

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## An entertaining Mr. SHS...



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Mr. SHS candidates displayed their talents on stage in the fundraising pageant. See story, page 11.

## DA: Woman charged for theft

The Deschutes County District Attorney's Office announced on Tuesday morning that Cheryl Waldron of Bend was arrested after being indicted by a grand jury on 27 felony counts of Aggravated Identity Theft, Aggravated Theft in the First Degree and Forgery in the First Degree. Waldron was employed since 1999 as a bookkeeper and office manager with Sisters company Robinson & Owen Heavy Construction. Robinson & Owen Heavy Construction has been contracting private

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## Student art on display at Sisters Library

By Helen Schmidling  
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March is Student Art Exhibit Month at Sisters Library and Sisters' next generation of artists is marching ahead, inspired by ancient and contemporary arts.

The Computer Room blasts color, with Clay Warburton's 4th grade students' bold abstract paintings based on Japanese kanji, logographic Chinese characters used in the modern Japanese writing system. Each symbol represents a word, such as "cow" or "fire" or "tree." A haiku, a 17-syllable poem in three lines (5-7-5), accompanies each painting, and gives a clue to identify the kanji:

For a "fire" kanji:  
Black and burning wood,  
Warms my house in the winter.

Melts a s'more ... Yummy.  
For a "cow" kanji:  
Loves to eat green grass  
Juicy steaks on barbecues  
Brown, black with white spots.

Warburton explained that four years ago, on a trip to Japan, he became fascinated by the symbols in the written language. A Japanese friend drew out some simple kanji, which Warburton brought to his classroom. For this project, each student picks a kanji, and then writes the haiku, which as a riddle, cannot use the actual word. Then creativity continues with big sheets of black paper and bold colors. Kanji and haiku introduce Sisters youth to a larger world. About half of the kanji paintings are hung in the library and the other half are

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## Firefighters take on stair challenge

Fourteen local firefighters from the Black Butte Ranch, Cloverdale, and Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire Districts traveled to Seattle last weekend to participate in the 25th Annual Firefighters Stairclimb sponsored by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

This year, Sisters Country firefighters were able to raise over \$25,000 for this worthy cause, thanks to the kindness and generosity of the community and visitors.

As of Monday morning the team of firefighters was in 10th place for fundraising among teams from over 300 different fire departments.

Firefighters competed with more 1,900 other firefighters from six countries and 26 states for time in the 69-story climb.

Last year this event raised over \$2,000,000 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The funds raised are



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Local firefighters raised \$25,000 for cancer research.

used to fund research to fight blood cancers and to assist families with quality-of-life issues while fighting these diseases.

Efforts to find a cure have

borne fruit in recent decades. In 1960, the most common type of leukemia had a 3 percent cure rate among children. Today the cure rate is at 90 percent.

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