

**C O M M U N I T Y**

# Over 1,000 will experience Civil War

The word is out to Central Oregon educators that one of the best ways to learn about history is to see it, talk to it and experience it.

This will happen Friday, May 20, when 1,175 students from 14 schools will visit a full Civil War reenactment and engage with “living history.”

“This is our third year in Central Oregon and the most students we have ever hosted for our school day,” said event coordinator David Banks. “We park a lot of buses in the forest that day.”

Students tour the camps and interact with reenactors

portraying a range of personalities as they go about jobs undertaken in the 1860s. These activities range from daily civilian life involving cooking, sewing and chores to military activities like marching, tenting, caring for horses and artillery pieces.

Everything possible is done to ensure credibility. There are no electronic devices, autos or modern conveniences. Reenactors wear authentically reproduced clothing, fire black-powder weapons, cook over open fires, use antique tools

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PHOTO BY ERIN BORLA

Rima Givot consults with Steve Peterzen at the Sisters High School balloon launch last week.

# Outlaw Open and Hall of Fame on horizon

Sisters comes together every year with two events in support of Sisters High School and its athletic and extracurricular programs: The Outlaw Open Golf Tournament and the Outlaw Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony.

Since 1998, The Outlaw Open has been among the highlights on Sisters’ events calendar. The Outlaw Open will be back for its 19th edition on Friday, June 17, at Aspen Lakes Golf Course. The scramble tournament

begins with a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

The tournament has always been a fun afternoon and evening for the attendees — and it has been the Outlaw Booster Club’s crucial fundraiser for Sisters schools’ extracurricular programs.

The Outlaw Open has raised more than \$250,000 for Outlaw athletics, including more than \$30,000 since the Outlaw Booster Club began pairing The Outlaw

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# Students launch weather balloon

By Erin Borla  
Correspondent

Students in Rima Givot’s Chemistry 2 class had the opportunity to work with scientist Steve Peterzen throughout the last two weeks to launch a 600-gram balloon — complete with experiments they designed — and capture live data.

Peterzen’s company, The ISTAR Group, just opened a satellite office at Sisters Eagle Airport. ISTAR launches stratospheric balloons for the purposes of testing experiments in near-space conditions. Using Helium, Peterzen and his crew launch the balloons into the atmosphere with tools and instruments in order to allow for

companies to experiment and to introduce students to near-space research for a fraction of the cost and time of launching a satellite.

“I’ve been all over the world,” said Peterzen. “I’ve enjoyed working with the kids — but it’s funny because I never finished school. I was in college and knew I wanted to study science, but I saw all my friends taking jobs in physics and focusing on only one specific thing. I wanted to travel.”

Peterzen has lived throughout the world, including nine years in the Antarctic launching stratospheric balloons. From 1992 to 2001 ISTAR successfully managed 14 separate 800,000-cubic-meter balloons from

Antarctic and launched over 20 smaller balloons.

According to ISTAR’s website, they were contacted in 2001 by the Italian Space Agency to manage and lead the development of the first long duration balloon program in Europe through the University of Rome La Sapienza.

Currently, ISTAR is based in Svalbord, Norway. Norway offers ease of access to the arctic and incredible infrastructure. Since connecting with the University of Rome the company has launched 13 balloons from their Nobile/Amundsen Stratospheric Balloon Center.

Peterzen, through Bob

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## SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

### BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

**Al-Anon** 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.

**Alateen** Thursday, 7 p.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 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 Tuesday. 541-639-6216.

**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. 541-977-8285.

**Heartwarmers** (fleece blanketmakers) 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Materials provided. 541-408-8505.

**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., 17549 Knight Rd., Bend (Plainview area). 541-388-9013.

**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. 541-923-1632.

**Sisters Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors** 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. Location information: 541-549-1193.

**Sisters Kiwanis** Thursdays, 7 to 8:30 a.m., Brand 33 Restaurant at Aspen Lakes. 541-410-2870.

**Sisters Parent Teacher Community** 3rd Wednesday, 3:15 p.m., Sisters Elementary C-wing. 971-570-2405.

**Sisters Red Hats** 1st Friday. Location information: 541-279-1977.

**Sisters Rotary** Tuesdays, noon, Aspen Lakes Lodge. 541-977-6545.

**Sisters Trails Alliance Board** 2nd Wed., 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sisters Art Works. Public welcome. 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** 1st Thursday, 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. 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](http://www.cloverdalefire.com).

**Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Board of Directors** 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 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](http://www.sisters.k12.or.us). 541-549-8521 x4011.

