

# Softball camp set at Sisters High School

Fastpitch Northwest will hold a Prospect Evaluation Clinic for Central Oregon high school softball players on June 20.

The PEC is for players who will graduate from high school in 2017 through 2021 and will be held at Sisters High School. It is designed to evaluate and assist players in their desire to “play at the next level.”

Performance at the June 20 PEC determines if a player will be invited to Fastpitch Northwest’s College Exposure Championship tournament in July (19-21) in Centralia, Washington. More than 40 college coaches will be attending this year’s tournament.

Physical tests for PEC participants includes SPARQ (Speed, Power, Agility, Reaction and Quickness) and National Fastpitch Coaches Association Comparatives, which includes arm speed, bat speed, and foot speed. Players are also evaluated on their hitting, fielding, and base-running.

The results and player

information are included in their national profile, which is uploaded on the Fastpitch NW website ([www.fastpitchnw.com](http://www.fastpitchnw.com)).

In recent years, Fastpitch Northwest has been a stepping stone for many Central Oregon softball players including (to name a few) Ashley Pesek (College of Idaho), Kiwi Brown (Northwest Nazarene), Kendall Kramer (Doane College), Lisa Sylvester (Northwest Nazarene), Erin Ware (Walla Walla Community College), Megan Berrigan (Clackamas Community College) and former Sisters High School standout Cassidy Edwards (Boise State).

Conducting the camp, which will last approximately six hours, will be Fastpitch Northwest Director Ken Olson and assistant Tom Mauldin.

The cost of the PEC is \$125.

For more information, contact Ken Olson at 360-790-9173 or Tom Mauldin at 541-948-9501.

# Cat adoption nonprofit to close

Cat Rescue Adoption & Foster Team (CRAFT) will close next month. For eight years, CRAFT has provided no-kill adoption and fostering services, especially for adult cats, throughout the region.

In a Facebook notice, director Bonnie Baker said that “The property that CRAFT — its volunteers and almost 10,000 cats and kittens — has enjoyed for the past eight years will be sold by the owner due to unexpected health issues, retirement and the need to move closer to family. After months of analysis and review, the board of CRAFT has concluded the current local real estate market makes it impossible to find another suitable and affordable location.”



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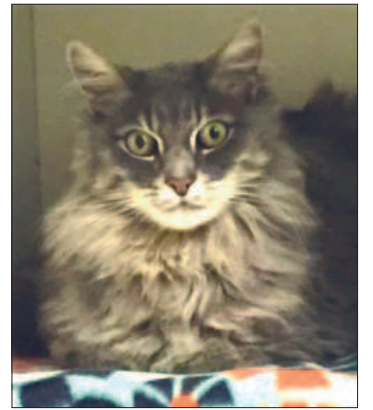


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The facility at 65480 78th St., Bend will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. next Saturday and Sunday for those interested in adopting a cat.

“After that we need to figure out what to do with any remaining cats,” Baker told *The Nugget*. “We have no-kill shelters recommended ... that will take many of them, but we want to avoid having to transport them a long way and we’d like to be able to meet their new adopters.”

“We have 30-plus cats, and about (a) half-dozen are fully adoptable, younger; about (a) half-dozen that are very old or hospice, and the rest are in between and some

of them have treatable special needs. We realize that many people want younger cats or kittens, and that makes it harder on the adult cats, especially if they are senior...”

Other times may be arranged by appointment at 541-420-6035.

CRAFT also needs continued donations of cans and bottles and tax-deductible cash contributions in order to pay ongoing vet bills and operation costs.

For more information email [info@craftcats.org](mailto:info@craftcats.org) or [craftcats@bendbroadband.com](mailto:craftcats@bendbroadband.com) or mail P.O. Box 6441, Bend, OR 97708.



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