

C O M M U N I T Y

Annual Country Fair set to roll at church

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration on Brooks Camp Road will host its 21st annual fair on August 13, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The juried art show will begin on Friday, August 12, from 5 to 8 p.m., featuring more than 40 famous Northwest artists. This year's featured artist is Randall Tillery and the 2016 juror for the show is Curtiss Abbott.

The show features diverse art provided by regional artists including oils, watercolors, pastels, photographs, sculptures, jewelry, native, and textile pieces. A silent auction on Friday night and

Saturday includes donated gifts from artists, friends of the church and many Sisters businesses.

Over the last few years this Country Fair and Art Show has become recognized as one of the most significant events in the Sisters community. The attraction is in part from the purpose and generosity of all those participating, from the artists and volunteers to those who attend.

All proceeds and donations for this event are returned to the community through the church's outreach

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PHOTO BY JODI SCHNEIDER MCNAMEE

Jenee Mohler with daughter Beth Garner at the Sisters Arts & Crafts Festival.

Tools for School drive underway

Sisters Les Schwab Tire Center is now hosting the "Tools for School" school supplies collection. Community members can drop off school supplies during regular business hours and help students in need begin the school year well equipped for a successful year.

Les Schwab is located at 600 W. Hood Ave., open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The following new school

supply items are needed:

- 1-1/2-inch three-ring binders, notebook dividers, college-ruled and wide-ruled notebook paper, two-pocket folders.

- 3x5 and 4x6 index cards, college- and wide-ruled composition notebooks, college- and wide-ruled spiral notebooks, wooden rulers with inches and centimeters (no plastic rulers, please).

- Three-ring zip pencil pouches, pencil boxes,

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Arts and crafts show draws a crowd

By Jodi Schneider McNamee
Correspondent

The Creekside Park lawn overflowed with creativity as 82 artisans showcased their fine arts and unique crafts for the 16th annual Sisters Arts & Crafts Festival on Saturday and Sunday.

Swarms of folks browsed by booths filled with original art from hand-carved woodcrafts to upcycled jewelry.

Vendors Kim Black, from Pleasant Hill, and Gloria Davis, from Crooked River Ranch, are two artists that have combined their talents to create decorative pieces of art.

Black is a pine-needle basket artist who has been making baskets and teaching

classes for 30 years. Davis has been painting wildlife and Western-inspired art for 35 years. One of their collaborations, "War Ponies," is an embellished gourd with coils of Apache pine needles which are sewn together with sinew made by Black. The painting of horses on the gourd with multiple layers of oil paint with a wood-burned background was made by Davis.

"We met at the Harvest Festival in Sisters a few years back," Black said.

"Then I took a couple of her classes in Crooked River Ranch," Davis added. "We liked each other's art, so we joined forces and blend the two together."

Event organizer Richard Esterman cruised around the

festival making sure things went well for everyone.

"It's a great mix of art, plus I've brought in a lot of new vendors," Esterman said. "I want people to come to Sisters to see a new variety of vendors, not the same old thing. The whole purpose is for the event to bring in more people to Sisters. This year we have added a new game called corn hole, a bean-bag-toss game. The games are always free for the public to play."

With such a variety of fine arts and crafts, there was something for everyone's taste, including a few very unique items.

Ann Chapman, from

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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. 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.

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 Out West Realty 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.

