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## Frye reflects on tenure as mayor

By Jim Cornelius  
News Editor

Chris Frye will soon bring down the gavel on his last meeting as Sisters' mayor. He and his family are moving outside the city limits, which requires him to step down from the Sisters City Council.

Frye was appointed to the council in February of 2014, when Catherine Childress moved outside the city limits. He was elected Mayor by his fellow councilors in January 2015.

The departing mayor pointed to increased support for the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce as one of his proudest accomplishments. In part at his urging, the City increased the Chamber's share

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## Hawaiian dancers...



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Dance was a major feature of the SPRD Hawaiian Luau last Thursday. See story, page 9.

## Hiker airlifted from PCT

A hiker who was incapacitated by a potentially life-threatening condition was airlifted last week from Highway 242 near the Pacific Crest Trail.

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office was dispatched on August 9 at 12:38 p.m. to a report of a hiker who became unresponsive while hiking north on the PCT from the Dee Wright Observatory located on Highway 242 west of Sisters.

Hiker Amy Vandehey, 29, of Portland, reported that Michelle Releford, 49, of Garland, Texas, could not continue on the trail any longer and needed medical assistance as soon as possible. Based on GPS coordinates received, Releford's location was about two miles up the trail from Highway 242. Cell phone reception in this area

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## SHS track, tennis courts under construction Country fair served up lots of fun

By Steve Kadel  
Correspondent

Sisters High School track and tennis athletes won't be suiting up until next spring, but their sports are already getting a big boost this summer.

A new running surface for the track and new tennis courts are under construction. They're the first projects to begin using funding from the \$10.7 million bond measure voters approved in May.

Superintendent Curt Scholl said trees have been cleared from a site for the tennis courts. Final surfacing

is scheduled to be done in the next week.

The track construction will allow the Outlaws track and field teams to once again host meets, which hasn't been possible due to frost heaves and tree root upheavals that branded the track as condemned. Workers with heavy equipment continued rounding the track into shape August 9.

The track will be sufficiently completed for Sisters High School to play its home football game September 2. Todd Grimes, of Beynon

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By Jodi Schneider McNamee  
Correspondent

Sisters served up sunny skies and warm temperatures as folks rolled in early for the 21st annual Country Fair and Art Show hosted by The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration on Saturday.

It seems every year the first thing folks think of when arriving at the fair is tasting a delicious piece of Annie's marionberry cobbler at the Sweet Tooth Booth, while volunteer Ann Reed, who makes the mouth-watering cobbler, dishes out the delightful dessert.

The face-painting station was very popular, and it's not just for kids. Volunteers



PHOTO BY JODI SCHNEIDER MCNAMEE

Marjorie Guthrie stepped up to get a bumblebee painted on her face.

Delany Auten and Kiera Gregg from Bend were busy painting rainbows, bees and other creative critters on folks faces. Past art director for the

fair, Margery Guthrie, sat very still while Auten painted a whimsical bumble bee on

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