

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ryan Benson Fundraiser

A garage-sale fundraiser will be held Friday & Saturday, September 2 & 3 from 7 a.m. to close at 1024 E. Ranch Ave. (near the elementary school). The Benson family is accepting donations of goods to be sold, all at "make-an-offer" prices to raise funds for son Ryan's serious medical condition. Ryan and his mother will be heading to the Mayo Clinic the following weekend. Questions? Call 541-543-9719 or email robidobenson@aol.com.

Interpretive Walk

On Saturday, September 3 from 10 a.m. to noon, join Friends of the Metolius and Scott Blau in a round-trip walk from the Camp Sherman Bridge to Allingham Bridge to learn about the habitat of the Metolius River. Free! Kids are welcome but please, no dogs. Meet at the Camp Sherman Bridge fish viewing platform. Info: 503-675-7764 or 541-595-6439 or metoliusfriends.org.

Rides & Hikes with STA

There is still time to register for the FREE Sisters Trails Alliance Wednesday mountain bike rides and/or hikes! August 31, ride from 9 to 11 a.m. (easy-to-moderate); September 14, ride from 4 to 6 p.m. (moderate); September 21, hike PRT West Ridge from 9 to 11 a.m. (moderate). Meet at Sisters Park & Rec; wear sturdy shoes, bring water and snacks. Mountain bike riders MUST have helmets. Register at 541-719-8822 or email annie2sisters@gmail.com.

Story Time to Begin Again

Family Fun Story Times for ages infant to 5 start again at the Sisters Library on September 8. They will be held at 10:30 a.m. every Thursday and feature songs, rhymes and crafts, all designed to grow young readers. Caregivers must attend. For more information call the library at 541-312-1072.

"Know China" at the Library

On Thursday, September 15 at 1 p.m. at the Sisters Library, the untold story of Chinese American history in Oregon will be presented by Helen Ying. Learn about the Chinese community in Pendleton and the underground city. The program is sponsored by the Oregon Historical Society. For more info call 541-312-1034.

The Hoodoo Challenge: Run to the Top!

Sisters Kiwanis presents the Hoodoo Challenge Saturday, September 24, a half-marathon fundraiser for scholarships and community projects. 13.1 miles with 1,035' elevation gain. The \$85 fee includes a T-shirt and after-party. Registration at ultrasignup.com closes Sunday, Sept. 18 or until full. For info: Matt Kirchoff, 541-647-7586.

Rodeo Queen Tryouts

Tryouts for the 2017 Sisters Rodeo Queen will be held at the Sisters Rodeo grounds on Sunday, September 25 at 1 p.m. The public is invited. Tryouts are open to young women ages 18-23 (as of June 1). Info, call John Leavitt at 541-419-3310 or Yvette Moore at 541-420-3333.

Need a Storage Shed?

The Sisters High School construction class is interested in building a storage building for someone in the community. Please call instructor Tony Cosby at 541-410-1018.

Fall Family Fun Festival

Seeking a fun, FREE activity for your kids? All are invited to Sisters Church of the Nazarene on Saturday, September 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. to enjoy the inflatable obstacle course, bounce house, giant balloon launcher, face painting, games, hay ride, hot dogs, cake walk and more! The church is at 67130 Harrington Loop Rd. (off Gist Road, off Hwy. 20). Questions? Call 541-647-4838, email 2sistersnaz@gmail.com, or go online to sistersnaz.org.

Choir Rehearsal to Begin

The Sisters High Desert Chorale begins weekly rehearsals again at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 19 at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 386 N. Fir St. All ages are welcome, and there are no auditions; just come and sing! Questions? Contact Director Irene Liden at lidenezzo@gmail.com or call her at 541-549-1037.

Fundraiser for Veloso

On Thursday, September 15 at The Belfry, a fundraiser to help with medical bills will be held for Justin Veloso who is battling cancer. Live music will begin at 6 p.m., with Benji Nagel, Raman Ellis, Brent Alan, Dennis McGregor, Honey Don't, Tumbleweed Peepshow and more; with live auction at 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$20 at the door. Questions? Call Katy, 541-420-6408 or go to justinveloso.eventsmart.com.

Pancake Breakfast

All are invited to a traditional, all-you-can-eat fundraiser benefiting the Camp Sherman Historical Society. Enjoy ham, eggs, pancakes, OJ and coffee from 8 to 11 a.m. on Sunday, September 4 at the Camp Sherman Community Hall. \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 5 to 10, and free for under 5. For more info call 541-595-2719.

CPR Training

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD will offer the AHA Heartsaver First Aid and CPR/AED class at the Sisters Fire Hall Saturday, September 17 from 9 a.m. to about 4:30 p.m. Class size is limited to 12, so register early! Log on to sistersfire.com and print the registration form from the CPR tab, or stop by the fire hall, 301 S. Elm St., to register. Questions? Call 541-595-5712.

Open Computer Lab

Every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sisters Library, all are welcome to practice computer skills and get help with specific problems at the library's open computer lab. Questions? Please call the library at 541-312-1072.

Sponsor an Impoverished Child from Uganda

Hope Africa International, based in Sisters, has many children awaiting sponsorship! For more information visit www.hopeafricakids.org or call Katie Keranen at 541-719-8727.

Volunteer for SFF Pass!

Want a pass to the *sold-out* Sisters Folk Festival? Volunteers are needed for various shifts, September 9-11. Work at least 10 hours for an All-Event Pass! Give back, meet folks, and hear great music! Sign up at sistersfolksfestival.org/volunteer or call Kerani at 541-549-4979.

Hall of Fame Banquet

The 2nd annual Hall of Fame Banquet & Induction Ceremony will be held at Sisters High School on Saturday, September 3 at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner, an auction, and the Hall of Fame induction ceremony. Tickets are \$50 per person. For additional information call Pam at 541-549-4653 or email her at pam@aspenlakes.com.

PJ Party for Kids to Start

Beginning again September 6, every Tuesday evening at the Sisters Library at 6:30 p.m. kids ages birth to 5 are invited to evening story time with songs, rhymes, crafts and pajamas! Parents or caregivers must attend. For info: 541-312-1072.

September Book Sale

Friends of the Sisters Library is offering a special September sale, with *all non-fiction books 1/2 price!* Check out the sale collection (history, biographies, Native American, geography, travel and more); shop excellent and low-priced fiction. And donate your books! Those in good condition (fiction 10 years or newer, non-fiction 5 years or newer) are always accepted, with receipts upon request. Open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. at the northwest corner of the library. Questions? Call 541-588-6077.

Buried Beef & Brew Returns

Sisters Park & Recreation District presents the annual Buried Beef & Brew event on Saturday, September 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 at Fir Street Park. Tickets must be purchased in advance: \$12 adults and \$5 for under age 18. With live music by Dry Canyon Stamped! Call SPRD at 541-549-2091.

BBR RFPD Meeting Change

For September only, the regular meeting of the Black Butte Ranch RFPD Board of Directors will be held on the 5th Thursday of the month, not the 4th. The meeting will be on September 29 at 9 a.m. For more info call 541-595-2288.

Career Funds Available!

Applications are available for the Sisters Kiwanis Career Opportunity Fund to help adult residents of Sisters establish an occupational path. You may pick up forms at the Kiwanis House, corner of Oak Street and Main Avenue from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursdays, and during regular hours from the Sisters Habitat for Humanity office. Info, call 541-410-2870.

Crafters Wanted

Quality-oriented crafters are sought to be consigners for the 41st annual Snowflake Boutique on Nov. 4 & 5. Jury is Saturday, September 10 at 9:30 a.m. at Highland Baptist Church, Redmond. Info: Randi, 541-788-4452; Tina, 541-447-1640; snowflakeboutique.org.

All Veterans Invited!

Sisters VFW Post 8138 and American Legion Post 86 will meet at Takoda's Restaurant on Wednesday, September 7 at 5 p.m. to enjoy pizza and meet with friends. *All veterans and their families are invited, regardless of membership.* Come celebrate the bond that unites! For additional information call 503-475-1241.

Food Assistance at the Kiwanis Food Bank

The Sisters Kiwanis Club Food Bank distributes food boxes to hundreds of people every month. Your family may be eligible for food assistance! Find eligibility rules online at www.fns.usda.gov/tefap or visit the food bank for more information; located at the corner of Main Avenue and Oak Street. It is open every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Help with VA Benefits

The American Legion service officer will be in the Ray's Food Place meeting room the *first Wednesday each month* from 2 to 4 p.m. through November, to assist veterans applying for VA health and service benefits. Note: DD form 215 is required. Questions? For more info call Tom Barrier at 541-408-5594.

DLT Walk + Hike series

Through October, Deschutes Land Trust volunteer naturalists lead more than 120 free walks, hikes, and bike rides. Explore birds, wildflowers, and geology at various protected lands in small groups. Registration online is required, and each outing opens one month prior to its date. Once registered, directions are provided. Go to deschuteslandtrust.org/hikes or call 541-330-0017 for additional information.

CAT OF THE WEEK

Humane Society of Central Oregon
541-382-3537



POKEY is a handsome 3-year-old seeking his perfect home. Pokey gets along well with other cats and people of all sorts, but he's hoping to avoid any canine roommates in his new household. Pokey has primarily lived indoors and would prefer to keep it that way. This friendly guy has the loudest purr and will gladly let you hear it if you give him a little scratch on the chin!

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DOG OF THE WEEK

BrightSide Animal Center
541-923-0882



Here's **BOONE!** Just look at that smiling face! He's a wonderful dog who loves humans. And other dogs are OK, but he's not crazy about cats. Boone is a little over 5 years old, a terrier/pit bull mix. He works well on a leash and is ready to give out free kisses. Come meet this sweet boy today!

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MISSING CAT: "GUSTOO" (GUS) is a male Abyssinian cat, missing off Wapato Loop. He is very friendly and it's possible he wandered quite far. Gus is wearing a collar with ID. Please call Ken at 916-316-8596 if you've seen Gus.



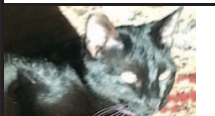
MISSING CAT: "HONEY" is a dark-striped tabby cat who went missing from her home in the Hayden Homes neighborhood. She had recently lost her collar. If seen, please call or send a text to 541-588-0314.



MISSING CAT: "POSI" is a neutered male, black & white tuxedo cat wearing a red collar with tags and ID. He went missing in Tollgate. Shy but friendly, please call or text Jennifer at 406-241-3593 if seen.



LOST CAT: "GINA" is all black, still missing around the area of the Bend/Sisters Garden RV Park. She has a clipped right ear and missing fur on her tail tip. REWARD! Stephen: 503-816-0819 or sec@pacifier.com.



Lost pets? Contact the Humane Society of Central OR (Bend), 541-382-3537; BrightSide Animal Center (Redmond), 541-923-0882; Deschutes County Animal Control, 541-388-6596; Sisters Vet Clinic, 541-549-6961; Black Butte Vet Clinic, 541-549-1837; Broken Top Vet Clinic, 541-389-0391; and go to Facebook.com/FurryFriendFinderBend?ref=ts