

C O M M U N I T Y

Annual Harvest Faire set for weekend

The Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Sisters Harvest Faire, Saturday and Sunday, October 8-9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

The fall celebration is headquartered on Main Avenue next to Fir Street Park. More than 150 juried artisan vendors will be present selling quality handcrafted items including pottery, metal art, photography, painting, jewelry, clothing, furniture, home décor, specialty foods and more.

The annual Harvest Faire

boasts hands-on activities, educational opportunities, great food, and free music featuring the Moon Mountain Ramblers.

“The Sisters Harvest Faire is a great place to find all of those one-of-a-kind, handmade items that aren’t available in stores, and it’s the perfect reason to visit Sisters,” said Jeri Buckmann, events director for the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. “Meander at your own pace through our charming downtown. Visit the shops. Enjoy delicious snacks or a meal.

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PHOTO BY JIM CORNELIUS

Christopher Lundgren has built an extensive trench network in his yard in Metolius Meadows.

City of Sisters hires new senior planner

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

BreAnne McConkie, the newly hired City of Sisters senior planner, comes to Sisters from Salt Lake City, via Seattle.

McConkie, a Utah native, received both her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in urban planning from the University of Utah. Following college, she worked mainly in redevelopment in Salt Lake City and spent some time as a principal planner, where she

dealt with a wide variety of issues.

McConkie’s two years with the City of Seattle, which has a very large planning department, were involved in mostly long-range planning. She handled design reviews, Type I, II and some III discretionary reviews, and variance applications. She is looking forward to the wide variety of duties she will have here in Sisters.

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Local youth touches WWI history

By Jim Cornelius
News Editor

One hundred years ago last July, British and Commonwealth troops stepped off into the beauty of a high summer’s morning in northern France — and into one of the most horrific slaughters of World War I.

It would go down in history as the Battle of the Somme — synonymous with futile attacks at enormous cost. The British forces lost nearly 20,000 killed on the first day of the battle on July 1, 1916. The battle would grind on until November 18. The British would lose 420,000 dead, wounded, captured or missing; the French 200,000; the Germans took

400,000 to 500,000 casualties.

Christopher Lundgren of Sisters visited the site of the Somme battlefield last summer, with his father Shane. The visit to the Somme battlefield museum and the Thiepval Memorial to the dead had a powerful effect on the 13-year-old from Camp Sherman.

Christopher is deeply interested in the Second World War and had done some reading on the First World War. But, he told *The Nugget*, “Seeing the actual landscape where people actually fought is something different altogether.”

Christopher and Shane walked through the green fields of France, still scarred by the slashes of trenches and

pockmarked with deep craters. They visited the multitude of battlefield cemeteries — 430 of which dot the rural landscape, where farmers still regularly unearth artillery shells from the months-long battle.

“A lot of them are just out in the middle of somebody’s field,” Shane noted.

The trench systems that locked the Western Front in slogging siege warfare for most of four years fascinated Christopher. The battlefield museum showed clearly the superiority of the German trench system at the Somme — concrete reinforced and relatively comfortable — which allowed them to

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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., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 541-549-8737 or 541-549-1527.

Alateen Thursday, 7 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 541-549-1527.

Alcoholics Anonymous Thurs. & Sun., 7 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration; Sat., 8 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration; Mon., 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church; Tues., noon, Big Book study, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church; Thurs., 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., BBR community room. 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 2nd 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 Aglow Lighthouse International Fellowship 1st Saturday, Ponderosa Room, Best Western Ponderosa Lodge. 541-699-9522.

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 Caregiver Support Group 3rd Tuesday, 10 a.m., Ray’s Food Place community room. 541-771-3258.

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 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.

