

COMMUNITY

Fire district recognized for budget work

The Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District is good at putting out fires and saving lives. It turns out that they're good at running the business of fire service, as well.

The District has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for its 2016-2017 budget. The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award is the highest award in governmental budgeting. This is the first time the District has received this award and is one of only

a handful of fire districts in Oregon who have received the award in 2016.

In order to receive the budget award, the District had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. The guidelines are designed to assess how well the District's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications device. The budget document must be rated "proficient" in all four

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The Royal Ballet's "Nutcracker" is the classic rendition of the holiday tale.

FOSL issues call for artists

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

Friends of the Sisters Library is calling all artists in Sisters Country to mark their calendars for Monday, January 9, 2017 — the submission date for original artwork to be displayed in the FOSL 12th Annual Art Exhibit, which runs from January 11 to February 24.

Artwork for the exhibit may be submitted at the library community room from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Invitations with all the details have been mailed

out to artists and can also be picked up at the information desk at the Sisters Library. Artists may submit two pieces of wall-hung art and five pieces of other art forms that have not been exhibited in the art exhibit in the past three years. More than that cannot be accepted due to limited space.

Secured wire hangers are required on all artwork that will be hung; no sawtooth hangers. Wall-hung art cannot exceed 30 by 40 inches unless space permits. Quilts

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'Nutcracker' showing in Sisters

"The Nutcracker" is a firm family favorite of the season. Now, for the first time, audiences in Central Oregon can enjoy it as performed live by England's Royal Ballet when Sisters Movie House brings it to the big screen for two performances on Sunday, December 18 and Monday, December 19.

The two programs will show at 2 p.m. on December 18 and at 6 p.m. on December 19, and is another presentation exclusive to Sisters Movie House. Tickets for all ages are priced at \$12.50 and are on sale now via www.sistersmoviehouse.com.

As perennial fans already

know, The Nutcracker features a Christmas tree that magically grows, a battle between toy soldiers and an army of mice led by the Mouse King, and of course, Tchaikovsky's mesmerizing score. This production by the Royal Ballet was first seen in 1984 and is the work of the now 90-years-young Peter Wright, with the famous role of the Sugar Plum Fairy danced by Royal Ballet Principal Lauren Cuthbertson joined by her prince, principal dancer Federico Bonelli. It was captured as a live performance on December 8, and features acclaimed former dancer Darcey Bussell as

host. "This is yet another coup for us at Sisters Movie House," said Drew Kaza, managing partner of Quoin Media & Entertainment, which owns the movie theater. "Simply put, we couldn't be more thrilled to present this world-class ensemble in one of the world's most beloved — and iconic — holiday cultural events. We think this is a special treat that music — and dance — lovers from all over Central Oregon will come to treasure with us. "You could say this is our way of saying 'Merry Christmas' to all of the cultural fans in the area."

SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

AI-Anon Mon., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Wed., 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 / Mon., 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Tues., noon, Big Book study, Shepherd of the Hills / Wed., 7 a.m., Gentlemen's Meeting, Shepherd of the Hills / Thurs., noon, Sober Sisters Women's Meeting, Shepherd of the Hills. 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 OR Spinners and Weavers Guild 4th Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m., Sisters Library (NOT Nov.-Dec.). 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 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 1st Wednesday, 5 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, 0 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.

