Council on Aging has new director

The board of directors of the Council on Aging of Central Oregon has appointed Susan M. Rotella of Bend as the Council's executive director, effective March 1, 2017. She replaces Matt Verdieck, who recently resigned to pursue other interests.

Rotella will lead the Council on Aging's team members and volunteers in serving the needs of more than 2,000 seniors in Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties through direct support and in collaboration with senior centers and community partners. Programs include Meals on Wheels and congregate meals, caseworkers for Oregon Project Independence (OPI) and the Family Caregiver Support Program, referrals from the Aging and Disability Network (ADRC), Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA), as well as nutrition education and health-promotion programs designed to aid the vulnerable and rapidly growing senior population in Central Oregon.

Rotella has worked at the executive officer level and as a consultant for not-for-profit and for-profit organizations serving the senior population over the past 14 years, including as VP operations, West Region, for Sunrise Senior Living, directing 20 premium senior living communities in

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- Friday March 10 -

Brent Alan and his

7:30 doors 8:00 show

\$10 advance \$15 door

- Thursday March 16 – Nell Robinson and

Jim Nunally Band 7:30 doors 8:00 show

\$12 adv \$15 door

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California and Washington serving 1,500 seniors; and as VP operations and marketing for Northern California Presbyterian Homes and Services (NCPHS) headquartered in San Francisco, a premier nonprofit provider of housing and healthcare for seniors. Her consulting clients include Symphony Senior Living, the Masonic Homes of California and others.

Rotella earned her BBA in Public Accounting at the Hofstra University Frank G. Zarb School of Business in New York and her MBA in Corporate Strategy at the University of Michigan Ross School of Business. Her community volunteer work includes as a capital campaign member for the Three Rivers Humane Society in Madras, an advisory board member for Living Well Assisted Living at Home and as member and president of the Council's board of directors.

The Council on Aging of Central Oregon, based in Bend, is a nonprofit organization established in 1975 to promote dignity, well-being, security and independence for area senior citizens.

Movie house 'springs into culture'

Building on the success of such previous engagements as "The Nutcracker" and "II Trovatore," Central Oregon's premiere destination movie theater, Sisters Movie House, has launched its "Spring Into Culture" series.

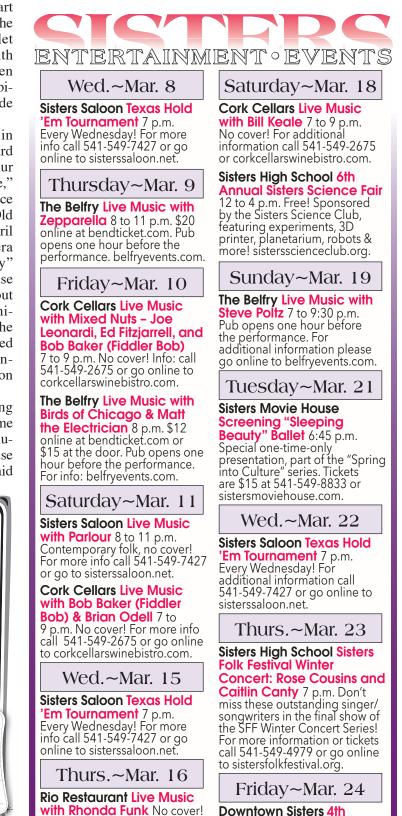
Every first and third Tuesday night during the months of March, April and May, Sisters Movie House will showcase a different art form as part of the series. The series continues with ballet on Tuesday, March 21 with "Sleeping Beauty," and then moves into unique art exhibition territory with "I, Claude Monet" on April 4.

Completing the series in later April and May, Richard Armitage stars in the Arthur Miller classic "The Crucible," captured live in a performance from London's renowned Old Vic Theatre on Tuesday, April 18, followed by more opera with "Madame Butterfly" from the Royal Opera House on Tuesday, May 2. Last but not least, another art exhibition, this one called "The Artist's Garden" and focused on American impressionism, rounds out the series on Tuesday, May 16.

"We are thrilled to bring the breadth and depth of some amazing global culture exclusively to Sisters Movie House here in Central Oregon," said Drew Kaza, owner of Sisters Movie House.

Strictly limited tickets for the one-night performances are on sale now at www. sistersmoviehouse.com. All seats are priced at \$15 each except for the exhibitions, which are \$12.50 each.

"There is a chance we could add some encore performances by popular demand, but if so, it will be on a case-by-case basis and as our movie schedules permit," said Kaza. "So people should assume it is a single performance opportunity for each of these, as there is no guarantee it will be offered again. But we hope our guests agree that these events are just too good to miss."



Downtown Sisters 4th Friday Art Stroll 4 to 7 p.m.





Call 541-549-6118 for times and additional details.

Friday~Mar. 17

FivePine Conference Center "An Evening in the Highlands" Benefit Auction 6 p.m. \$35 per person for hearty appetizers, no-host bar.

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Paulina Springs Books Author Reading with Carolyn Wood 6 p.m.

Carolyn will read from and sign her memoir, "Tough Girl: An Olympian's Journey." \$5 per group refunded upon purchase of featured book. Refreshments provided. paulinasprings.com.

Events subject to change. Submit by 5 p.m. Fridays: teresa@nuggetnews.com Enjoy extended hours, live music, and refreshments at galleries throughout town! For additional information go to sistersartsassociation.org.

Saturday~Mar. 25

Cork Cellars Live Music with Parlour 7 to 9 p.m. No cover! Info: 541-549-2675 or go to corkcellarswinebistro.com.

Sisters Saloon Live Music with Riley's Range Benders

8 to 11 p.m. Americana, blues and roots music, no cover! For additional information call 541-549-7427 or go to sisterssaloon.net.

The Belfry Live Music with Randy McAllister 8 to 11 p.m. \$15 online at

11 p.m. \$15 online at bendticket.com. Pub opens one hour before the performance. For info go to belfryevents.com.