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## Bond projects moving into second phase

By Jim Cornelius  
News Editor

Funded by a voter-approved \$10.7 million bond, augmented by a \$4 million state grant, the Sisters School District is moving into the second phase of an extensive set of projects to improve facilities at all three schools.

With a new track in place in time to enable the Outlaws to host home meets for the first time in a couple of years, projects now are moving into security and safety enhancements, mostly at Sisters

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## Drama takes the stage in Sisters...



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Christian Trask and Sisters sophomore Mia Burton performed in "Missing," one of several one-act plays presented by Silent Echo Theater Company at The Belfry last weekend.

## Four finalists for city manager

By Sue Stafford  
Correspondent

Four finalists have been selected from a field of 42 applicants to interview for the position of Sisters City Manager. The announcement of the four finalists was made on Monday, May 1.

Brant Kucera is the current city manager of Cannon Beach, Oregon, where he has served since November 2014. Kucera has 17 years of upper-level city management experience, including as borough manager of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, and City Manager of Gladstone,

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## One contested position for school board

By Jim Cornelius  
News Editor

Voters will vote on three positions for the five-member Sisters School Board in the May 16 election.

Incumbent Amanda Clark and school bond oversight committee member Jay Wilkins are running unopposed. Position 2 is a contest between Nicki Gregg and David Wentworth. Gregg is a parent, teacher and budget committee member; Wentworth is a parent of a Sisters Middle School student co-founder of a renewable energy business.

Gregg asserts that, "It is important to have someone on the board that has teaching experience in a public school

classroom. My experience as a parent in our schools and my background as a teacher makes me uniquely qualified for this position."

Wentworth noted that when he and his wife moved from Connecticut, they questioned whether Sisters schools "could 'compete' with some of the (arguably) best public schools in the nation. Those questions have been answered through the quality of the teaching, diversity of programs, and the broader community's commitment to excellence."

Wentworth says that "My objective is bring to the Sisters School Board a combination of practical experience

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## Sisters youth steals show in race

By Charlie Kanzig  
Correspondent

Ethan Hosang is becoming well-known around Sisters as he is frequently spotted by residents out running the roads and trails around town.

Saturday morning the eighth-grader took to the streets of Sisters along with over 70 other half-marathoners in the Sisters 'Better Half' Marathon and pulled off the unexpected: He won the race!

And it wasn't as though he ran a lackluster time in a non-competitive race. Hosang crossed the line in 1:20:21, a time for 13.1 miles that most runners can only dream of achieving. To put into perspective his pace of 6:08 per mile, that same pace would result in a 19-minute 5-kilometer finish, a 38-minute 10-kilometer finish, and a



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Outlaws 8th-grader Ethan Hosang won the Sisters 'Better Half' Marathon.

10-miler in 61:30.

"He caught the leader in the last three miles of the race and just pushed on to the finish," said Josh Nordell,

also of Sisters, who finished the 6.55-mile race in 42:37, a winning 6:30-mile pace.

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