

Trail riding and birding on tap at bookstore

Local author Kim McCarrel will present and sign her newest book, "Riding the Metolius-Windigo Trail: Through-Riding Central Oregon's Iconic 150-Mile Horse Trail," on Friday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Paulina Springs Books in Sisters.

With over 20 years experience trail riding in Oregon and Washington and writing guide books since 2002, Kim is well respected in the trail-riding community. She is going to share stories and slides of the Metolius-Windigo Trail, which extends from the Metolius Basin 150 miles to Windigo Pass. Kim will also demonstrate ultralight packing and trailer trekking to prepare you for your next trail ride. You'll enjoy her great stories and slides even if you don't ride!

On Saturday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m., Jenny Forrester will read from her memoir, "Narrow River, Wide Sky." Jenny will share about growing up on the Colorado Plateau between slot canyons and rattlesnakes with her mother and brother in a single-wide trailer. Jenny's powerfully eloquent story reveals a rural small town comprising God-fearing Republicans, ranchers, Mormons, and Native Americans. After their mother's accidental death Jenny and her brother are left with an increasingly strained relationship. Her

story explores the moments and forces that hold people together and shape their lives as Jenny shares her search for self while struggling with feelings of isolation.

On Friday, June 23, at 6:30 p.m., two birding enthusiasts, John Shewey and Tim Blount, will share their book "Birds of the Pacific Northwest." The authors will entertain with a slide presentation. The book describes and illustrates more than 400 bird species commonly encountered in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia.

On Friday, June 30 at 6:30 p.m., Bryan Denson will present his book, "The Spy's Son: The True Story of the Highest-Ranking CIA Officer Ever Convicted of Espionage and the Son He Trained to Spy for Russia." A true-life spy story from an award-winning investigative reporter and veteran staff writer for *The Oregonian*. Denson will take the audience deep inside the world of spies and spy catchers, a dysfunctional CIA family, and the secret cat-and-mouse games still playing out between the United States and Russia. This should be an interesting evening while Bryan shares one of the strangest spy stories in American history.

Paulina Springs Books is located at 252 W. Hood Ave. For more information call 541-549-0866.

Davis wins bike in veterans raffle

Three Sisters residents are celebrating their success in the 4th annual Sisters Band of Brothers electric bicycle raffle. In the drawing held May 10, the winning ticket was held by Kathleen Davis. Don Fullhart won the prize for second place, a \$100 gift card to Takoda's Restaurant. Third place went to Beverly Halcon who received a \$100 gift card to Ray's Food Place.

The bicycle, provided by Blazin Saddles Bicycle Shop, is valued at \$2,900.

The Sisters Band of Brothers uses funds raised in the raffle for the benefit of area veterans needing assistance with issues like mobility, home safety, health and short-term economic shortfalls.

Band of Brothers President Tom Barrier said, "We are fortunate to have chapter members willing to get involved in this event each year for the benefit of their brothers in arms."

He also expressed thanks to everyone who purchased raffle tickets or made direct donations, along with local



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Kathleen Davis, with winning Band of Brothers raffle ticket, takes possession of her new electric bicycle.

merchants who support the chapter's efforts. These included Blazin Saddles for making the bike available; Takoda's for providing a meeting place for the group's weekly luncheons; and Ray's for providing the space for ticket sales.

After expenses, the chapter raised about \$3,700 to continue their work in the

community.

Veterans interested in getting involved with Band of Brothers are welcome to attend the weekly luncheon held every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at Takoda's. It's an opportunity to share friendship, camaraderie and mutual assistance. Anyone who has served in the military is welcome.

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