

LACROSSE: Event drew thousands to Sisters over weekend

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— handling everything from scheduling to traffic control and trash pick-up. He also noted the presence of Sisters Fire District ambulance crews, who provided medical assistance for players in a sport that is subject to bangs and bruises, and twisted knees and ankles.

“It’s a massive volunteer effort to pull this thing off,” Hughes said.

The Sisters athletes themselves help with setting up the event.

While SALI is a prestige athletic event and an economic shot in the arm for Sisters, perhaps its most important role is in supporting the SPRD-run lacrosse program.

“This is, realistically, a \$20,000 fundraiser for the lacrosse program, that makes lacrosse affordable for (Sisters) families,” Hughes said. “Lacrosse is a really expensive sport, with all the gear. We’ll provide (players) with everything they need from the ground up for them to play.”

This year, at the last minute, the league in which Sisters plays imposed a new rule requiring helmets for female players as well as for the boys. SPRD was able to cover the expense of the helmets with a \$7,000 grant from the Oregon Community Foundation.

Garbage rates set to climb in Sisters

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City Council has approved a request from High Country Disposal (HCD) to increase their garbage rates for both residential and commercial accounts. The request is due to an increase in landfill tipping fees by Deschutes County from \$50 per ton to \$55 per ton.

For residential customers in Sisters, the rate increase will result in an additional 87 cents, or 3.9 percent, per month for the 32-, 64-, and 90-gallon cart services. Recycling and yard-waste debris services will remain free of charge. Even with the proposed increase, the City of Sisters garbage services remain among the lowest in the area.

For commercial customers, HCD requested a realignment of rates regarding the 64- and 90-gallon

carts and one-yard containers, one time per week. The rates charged for these services are not proportionate to other rates, to encourage proper service-level selection. This commercial rate increase will result in an average \$3.88, or 9.5 percent, increase per month.

The rate increase will affect City managed accounts that the City maintains. However, the rate increase will also affect the five percent monthly franchise fee that HCD pays to the City of approximately \$2,400 for fiscal year 2017/18. The franchise fee increase has been included in the FY 17/18 budget.

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Yet our federal system’s chief executive and chief judicial authority deny openly that such evidence has credence, and doing so in such a cavalier fashion that legal processes investing all branches of the federal government are openly recused and blocked from pursuing information supporting or rebutting credible scenarios involving former Soviet intervention into U.S. national hegemony.

Would it not be a safer direction for this nation to simply find out? Would this not clear the air and add value to a faltering administration? Would this sort of “air cleaning” instill confidence of the American voting public, instantiating our democratic system as resilient and that our Chief Administrator and Chief Judiciary is legitimate?

We are entering a period of potential chaos, at home and abroad. What to do?

Ignore the apparent illogical moving fact pattern as offered by varied members of the administration? Install a process to resolve our national indifference regardless of what the American people may be required to sacrifice? Prescribe a process which is allowed free and complete access to ALL information that is deemed relevant by reasonable and independent sources, to compose a process that provides a credible story and sound scenario which completely lays clean our recent history leading up to the turmoil we are observing?

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