

C O M M U N I T Y

Sisters Round-Up of Gems will rock Sisters

Every year for the past few decades, the Sisters Round-Up of Gems has rolled into town for the Fourth of July weekend. This year, the roundup will be held June 30 through July 4 at Creekside Park. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Monday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Gems including opal, Oregon sunstones, ruby, aquamarine, lapis, malachite, agates and more — both rough and cut — will line the vendor tables. Minerals, crystals, beads, stone carvings, jewelry, lapidary tools and

equipment, meteorites and fossils from all regions of our world will sparkle brightly, waiting to find their home.

Craftsmen, miners, artists, and rockhounds dig, cut, polish, set, transport and display all of these treasures for patrons to behold, take home, enjoy or to give as unique gifts. Perhaps the most enjoyable aspect of the event is engaging with all of the enthusiastic people who share a love for geology and rocks.

Creekside Park is located at 504 S. Locust St.



PHOTO BY DAN STEARNS

Kiwanian Jack McGilvary presents a career grant award to Lori-Jean Pruitt.

City snapshot

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

- Don't forget the barbecue at City Hall on Thursday, June 22, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., to meet the City Councilors, City staff, and new City Manager Brant Kucera. There will be free hamburgers and hotdogs for everyone and live music by The Anvil Blasters.

- Sisters City Council approved the placement of a bicycle fix-it station near the bike lockers at Village Green Park. The four-foot-tall station, which is only 6-1/2 inches in circumference, contains the most commonly

used tools needed for simple bike maintenance repairs, a manual pump, hanger arms on the top that will accommodate most types of bikes, and a QR code on the front of the station that will take smart-phone users to a comprehensive bike repair website. Each tool is secured to the station with braided stainless steel aircraft cables. The screwdrivers and Allen wrenches are on swivel connectors for easier use. The station was acquired by the Sisters Trails Alliance.

- During a public hearing at last week's Council

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Kiwanis awards career grant

Sisters Kiwanis recently awarded a career grant to Lori-Jean Pruitt.

Her award brought the total Kiwanis grant awards past \$75,000.

Pruitt's grant is perhaps the most unusual in the history of the program. Lori-Jean, with the aid of the Kiwanis grant, will be attending ATA Tattoo School in Salem. Her objective is to launch a career in cosmetic medical tattooing. There are a number of tattooing techniques that help patients. Procedures include skin camouflage to improve the appearance of persons with skin diseases. Scar camouflage improves the appearance of patients injured in

accidents, from burns or surgeries. Tattoos can also help congenital disorders such as cleft palate or beauty marks. These are just a few examples; there are many more physical imperfections that can be improved with cosmetic tattooing.

ATA Tattoo School is an Oregon State certified school but students are not able to qualify for federal student loans. The Kiwanis grant allows Pruitt to pay her tuition and achieve her life-long goal of a professional career that helps others. When she completes the program, she will take an Oregon exam to become a licensed cosmetic medical tattooist.

Sisters Kiwanis awards career grants to Sisters area adults who are seeking a career change. This program, known as the Kiwanis Career Opportunity Fund (COF) assists adults (25 or older) who are financially unable to return to school or retrain for a career change. In recent years, Kiwanis has awarded grants to more than 30 local residents. Examples of recent grants include dental hygiene school, floral design training, and vocational welding classes.

The Kiwanis Career Opportunity Fund provides assistance to start, augment, or complete a career that may

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SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

Al-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 of the Transfiguration / Mon., 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Big Book study, Tues., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Gentlemen's meeting, Wed., 7 a.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Sober Sisters Women's meeting, Thurs., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Step & Tradition meeting, Fri., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-548-0440.

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 (Jan.-Oct.). 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 541-719-1230.

Military Parents of Sisters Meetings are held quarterly; please call for details. 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.

Sisters Walking Group Fridays, 10 a.m. at Village Green Park. All are welcome to come walk! 541-410-9245.

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 Wednesday, 6:30 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., Station 602, 67433 Cloverdale Rd. 541-548-4815. See the agenda at 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.

