

Quilt show entertains thousands

By Jodi Schneider McNamee Correspondent

Beginning at the break of dawn on Saturday, 500 volunteers hung over 1,400 quilts transforming Sisters into the largest outdoor quilt show in the world.

"Storytellers" was the theme for the 42nd annual quilt show, and the 2017 poster created by Sisters artist Dan Rickards. And over a thousand handcrafted vibrant quilts that blanketed Sisters, all a colorful exploration of patterned artistry pieced together, told a story.

Rickards' poster features an oversized open storybook of colorful quilts resting on a table with Sisters' stunning scenery in the background.

"Every quilt tells a story," said Rickards. "And I took it very literal when I came up with the idea to create an 18th-century-looking storybook of quilts."

The storybook depicted in his original artwork came to life as a three-by-fourfoot leather-bound book that Rickards designed.

The giant book featuring



Avid quilters study every detail of the 1,400 quilts displayed in Sisters on Quilt Show day.

actual quilts that "spin a yarn" was created by selected artists.

Folks stepped up to the

huge book displayed on a custom handcrafted wooden stand on Saturday in the courtyard of The Open Door and watched SOQS board member Jan Tetzlaff turn the

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Firefighters mop up blaze west of Sisters

A fire was reported before 1 a.m. Sunday morning burning just off Forest Service Road 11 (Indian Ford), west of Sisters.

The fire was stopped at approximately five acres through line construction and burnout operations conducted between the fire and Forest Service Road 11.

Area officials noted that, early on, the fire had active fire behavior, including group torching due to downslope winds.

Mop-up and patrol of the fire continued throughout Sunday and into Monday. Response to the fire included Sisters-Camp Sherman, Cloverdale and Black Butte Ranch fire districts as well as Forest Service firefighters.

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New law allows rescue of dogs, kids in hot cars

By Jodi Schneider McNamee Correspondent in overheated cars every year in the United States. 718 children left in vehicles have died

Sleepy driver hits horse statue

An 18-year-old driver escaped injury when he fell asleep at the wheel early Friday morning, July 7, and crashed his pickup truck into the plinth of the equestrian statue on Cascade Avenue at the east end of Sisters. According to the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, deputies were dispatched to a report of the wreck at 5:22 a.m., where they found 18-year-old Skylar Doss of Clinton, Missouri, in his white 2005 Ford Ranger.



Your vehicle can quickly reach a temperature that puts your pet or child at serious risk and possible death, even on a day that doesn't seem hot to you. And cracking the windows makes no difference.

Hot car deaths are a consistent problem.

Every year, hundreds of dogs suffer and die when their pet parents make the mistake of leaving them in a parked car — even for "just a minute" — while they run an errand. More than 36 children die of heatstroke since 1998.

Authorities cited a Redmond man last week for child neglect after he left his four-month-old baby in a hot car while he went into a Home Depot store in Bend.

Bend Police say officers responded to a report at about 11:30 a.m. Wednesday that an infant had been left unattended inside a vehicle in the parking lot.

The caller told authorities

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"Upon arrival deputies contacted the driver, Skylar Doss, who was alone in

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An 18-year-old driver hit the horse at the east end of town after falling asleep at the wheel early Friday morning.

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