

C O M M U N I T Y

SFF hosts cross-cultural music event

Sisters Folk Festival, in collaboration with Caldera, presents OneBeat, a cross-cultural initiative bringing young musicians from all over the world together to present new music.

The concert, Saturday, September 30, at The Belfry at 7 p.m., will showcase newly created work by musicians from 17 countries. The “fellows” are currently in residence at Caldera, a community arts center, before embarking on a unique five-week tour and engaging in community integration

visits throughout the western United States. In addition, artists will visit the Sisters School District as part of Sisters Folk Festival’s Americana Project educational outreach program.

OneBeat, a public-private cultural diplomacy initiative of the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and Bang on a Can’s Found Sound Nation, seeks to explore how the arts can renew and restore perspectives, spaces, and

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PHOTO BY JIM ANDERSON

SHS science teacher, Rima Givot, and members of her freshman class beginning the annual study of the Trout Creek Conservation Area ecosystem.

Sisters Rodeo crowns 2018 queen

Hailey Konze of Redmond was crowned the 2018 Sisters Rodeo Queen at the rodeo grounds on Sunday, September 17. A crowd of rodeo members and fans greeted the selection with cheers of approval.

“She has a wonderful personality that stood out throughout the whole competition,” said Amorita Anstett, member of the Sisters Rodeo Queen Selection Committee.

That opinion was shared by many others in attendance. “She was well prepared and had a very polished delivery,” said Diane Prescott,

rodeo member. “Her speech was a hard act to follow.”

Konze, a Redmond High School honors graduate, will be pursuing a nursing career with a specialty in neonatal care after her year representing Sisters Rodeo. She has two years of undergraduate education from Cottey College for Women in Missouri. Currently, she is enrolled in pre-med classes at COCC.

“I love children,” said the effervescent 22-year-old. Konze is in high demand as

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Learning on the land in Sisters

By Jim Anderson
Correspondent

Sisters High School science teacher Rima Givot took 21 of her freshman out of the classroom into the Trout Creek Conservation Area (TCCA) earlier this month for their first look at methods of conducting field studies.

For several of the students this was their first close look at the natural world around them, but for others it was an experience in using the scientific method scrutinizing something they’ve been doing with their families for most of their lives.

The key to what Givot

was exposing them to was how to ask the right questions while interacting with nature, looking for the elementary facets of what’s in the world around them, and how to record what they see, feel, and think in a scientific way in their personal journals — the journal being the key to the project.

As the students entered into the TCCA, Givot asked them to not go off on a tilt and allow themselves to be tempted to shout to each other, or connect themselves in any other way than carefully looking around where they were, and allow their minds and hearts to see all that was around them.

And it worked. No horse-play took place, each student looked and felt with their eyes, mind, and heart at what was around them. About 50 yards into the forest Givot stopped to tell them the history of the TCCA, who managed it and what it was for. They stopped at an area where a clump of trees were all tagged with small, long-lasting numbered metal markers. She explained that these trees were first identified and marked back in 2009 when a series of study plots were set up for long-term studies still ongoing today.

Several SHS graduates

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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.

Weight Watchers Thursdays, 9 a.m. (weigh-in 8:30 a.m.), Sisters Comm. Church, 541-602-2654.

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.

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.

