

FIRE NIGHT: Event was about building bridges in community

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learn from the firefighters and keynote speaker, Heather Johnson, who leads the health education program at Sisters High School.

Sisters Family Fire Night was a fun, educational opportunity for all families involved. Parents learned about the opportunities available for their students in the fire sciences field, internships, volunteer positions and pursuing education in this field at Central Oregon Community College. Another important discussion was about the situations in which it might be necessary to use

an AED and how to do so.

Because the total solar eclipse was right around the corner, the fire department provided the families with solar eclipse glasses and a flier written in Spanish from NASA detailing eye safety information.

Children of all ages were able to explore the fire truck and see firefighters in their firefighting attire while learning about each piece of equipment. One of the biggest highlights of the night was seeing the children participating in water activities planned by the Sisters-Camp Sherman fire district volunteers. The evening ended with most children completely soaked from playing in the fire-hose water, but smiling ear to ear.

The event is something

that has left a lasting impact on the families in Sisters and is a great step toward consciously pursuing a welcoming and inclusive community for all people. Representatives of the Latino community expressed their appreciation:

“Gracias a las familias de Sisters, por su esfuerzo en acompañarnos en este evento. Estamos agradecidos al Departamento de Bomberos de Sisters-Camp Sherman por la cena y actividades con los niños. El puente se forma entre todos. (Thank you to the Sisters families for their effort to accompany us at this event. We are grateful to the Sisters-Camp Sherman firefighters for the dinner and activities with the children. The bridge is formed between all.)”



Sisters firefighters assisted local youngsters in playing with fire hoses at a family event last summer designed to build ties within the Sisters Latino community.

Local author presents novel at bookstore

Local author Bob Collins will present his novel “Sisters Crossing: Tall Tales from a Small Town” on Friday, October 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Paulina Springs Books in Sisters.

Collins serves up a fun murder-mystery novel set in Sisters. In a small town everyone knows everyone else and there are no secrets... or are there? In *Sisters Crossing*, there is forbidden love, madness, and a murder. The mystery of a serial killer is revealed as the small town characters tell their own stories in lyrical prose. Small-town secrets will be re-disclosed.

On Saturday, October 21 at 6:30 p.m., author Wendy Crisp Lestina will read from her memoir, “A Bit of Earth.”

After 40 years of living away in various towns and cities around the U.S., Wendy inherits her family’s farm and finds herself living on the far northern California



Bob Collins will present his murder mystery at Paulina Springs Books.

coast.

For the last 15 years she has written a weekly newspaper column, “From the Back Pew,” for the *Ferndale Enterprise*. Her memoir includes many of her humorous and personal essays. Wendy shares her journey of paths and choices made with a remarkable openness and bravery.

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