

**C O M M U N I T Y**

# Sisters woman honored for transportation work

During the recent Oregon Public Transportation Conference in Pendleton, COIC Executive Director Karen Friend was honored with the prestigious award of 2017 Outstanding Public Transportation Manager in Oregon.

Karen led the creation of the Central Oregon public transit system Cascades East Transit (CET) back in 2008. She has also served in leadership capacities within COIC for 21 years, most recently as transportation manager, deputy director, and now executive director. She has

demonstrated organizational excellence and expertise in finance and transportation, as well as providing a wealth of knowledge and stability for COIC, CET and the Cascades East Ride Center (CERC). Karen is also a tireless advocate for state and regional transportation improvement, funding and partnerships as a member of the Oregon Transit Association Board of Directors and Oregon Public Transportation Advisory Committee.

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PHOTO BY SUE STAFFORD

Linda Wolff (left) and Ronni Duff help new volunteers for the Sisters Cold Weather Shelter sign up to serve.

# Outlaws claim eighth straight volleyball title

By Rongi Yost  
Correspondent

Sisters' volleyball squad made quick work of the Tigers at Junction City (JC) in a 25-18, 25-14, 25-11 sweep that was over in 50 minutes. Sisters wrapped up league play with a 10-0 record, marking their eighth consecutive title.

After the long bus ride over the hill, the Outlaws came out slow and lacked motivation in the first set of the match. Once they woke up, it was all over for the Tigers. Everyone got time on

the court, and the win was a total team effort.

In the final set, Sydney Head had a six-point serving run that sparked the Outlaws and gave them momentum to surge ahead and post the win.

Hawley Harrer recorded nine kills and eight digs, and Ashlynn Cantwell contributed 10 kills. Jessie Brigham had 12 digs in the match, and Ellie Rush tallied seven assists.

Coach Rory Rush said, "We distributed the ball nicely, and had some good

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# Cold weather shelter set to open

By Sue Stafford  
Correspondent

There will be a pre-opening training on Tuesday, November 7, 6 p.m., at Westside Church, 442 Trinity Way, for people planning to volunteer for the Sisters Cold Weather Shelter this winter.

All past and present volunteers who haven't attended training for this upcoming season are encouraged to attend. New volunteers must complete a background check before being able to serve as shelter monitors. No other volunteers are required to complete a background check.

The Sisters Cold Weather Shelter (SCWS) opened for the first time last January and

successfully served 41 adults and three children over three months, providing 860 bed nights, hot dinners, and breakfasts.

The SCWS is a partnership of Sisters-area churches, civic organizations, nonprofits and concerned citizens, working in collaboration to provide shelter and meet basic needs of those without permanent housing in Sisters. They provide shelter on dangerously cold nights from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. Volunteers work in pairs to help create a secure, safe, and non-judgmental environment for guests.

The SCWS steering committee, headed by co-chairs Lois Kaping and Ron Gregg, has been working through

the summer to plan for the cold months ahead. Three churches so far have committed to providing shelter this winter, beginning November 15 and running through March 15. Westside Sisters Church, Sisters Community Church, and Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration have agreed to again host the shelter. The shelter capacity is determined by the fire marshal, with most locations able to house 25 guests.

Services provided to shelter guests include sleeping mats and bedding, storage bins, hot dinners and light breakfasts with snacks to go, hygiene items, donated clothing, and access

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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), Stitches 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 online at www.ssd6.org. 541-549-8521 x5002.

### 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** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 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.

