

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

★ OUTLAWS ★

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★★★ SOPHIA BIANCHI ★★★ AUSTIN MORSS ★★★

Outlaws lead by example on and off field

The girls varsity coach asked Sophia Bianchi's teammates to sum up what makes Sophia a valuable member of our team in a few words. Unsurprisingly, things like "she's so encouraging and positive on and off the field" and "she's an amazing leader and athlete" were the most common.

Faith Godfrey Hougham said, "Sophia is not only kind-hearted, but is a strong and determined woman."

"Sophia Bianchi exemplifies leadership in the most positive regard, and it was no surprise that she was

voted in as captain her junior year," said Coach Mikaela Trott Rickards. "She genuinely cares about her teammates' wellbeing and sets the tone for a complaint-free zone by being upbeat and hardworking. She has taken more shots this year than her first two years combined and has stretched herself to play multiple positions on the field."

Off the field, Sophia has been a strong advocate for gun safety in the schools, traveling to Washington, D.C. for the March for

our Lives event with a school group from Sisters. While there, she met with lawmakers and lobbied for increased gun-safety regulations. When asked about the trip she said "I am thinking of all of my schoolmates and advocating for everyone during this time."

Austin hit .458 for the month, going 11 for 24. He also had a 2-1 pitching record, tossing a two-hit shutout against Crook County, and throwing four scoreless innings against Dayton.

"Austin is an outstanding defensive baseball player, who also hits leadoff for us. He is the catalyst that makes our team go. Our No. 2 starter as a pitcher who has been tremendous his last three starts. He will be attending Cal-Poly next year."

"Austin leads by example," said Coach Reed



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Rainey. "He is early to practice, and one of the last to leave the field. He is the consummate team player, and a true student of the game. Always looking to help the younger players with their technique and skill development. He has been displaying his toughness and commitment to the team by playing through a hamstring injury for the past two weeks."

Book Bingo on tap at Sisters Elementary School

The Sisters Elementary School Parent-Teacher Community (SPTC) is looking forward to setting sail with Book Bingo and Family Reading Night this Friday, April 27 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the school.

Sisters Elementary School students and their families can participate in Book Bingo, where they have a chance to take home new-to-them books and enjoy a variety of book- and poetry-themed projects. Participants will get a chance to read recipes, create poems, make bookmarks and more.

"This should be a great night," said SPTC volunteer Erin Borla. "So many fun activities to celebrate reading and inspire students to find their next favorite book."

Families are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner. There will also be a raffle of book- and reading-themed items. Tickets will be available at the event for \$1 each or 6 for \$5 — need not be present to win.

For more information contact Erin Borla at 541-480-5994.

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RAY'S FOOD PLACE

April 27 only, the **Fantastic Friday One-day Deal** is in the deli: Delicious **Nicolas Muffins** (4-count selected) are **\$3.99, no limit!**