

C O M M U N I T Y

Renowned trail writer to speak in Sisters

By Craig F. Eisenbeis
Correspondent

One of the Northwest's best-known and well-respected trail writers will be speaking in Sisters next week. For many years, William L. "Bill" Sullivan has been the go-to source for trail and hiking information in our area. He is the author of 22 books, including the updated "100 Hikes" series; and his "100 Hikes in the Central Oregon Cascades" is considered by many to be the hiking bible for Sisters Country.

His presentation will highlight recent changes and additions to local hiking options and will include a slide show featuring the exceptional photography for which his presentations have become known. The event is co-sponsored by Paulina Springs Books and the Sisters Trails Alliance (STA).

Over the last four years, STA has sponsored a series of public talks focused on local outdoor recreation and natural-resource issues. The

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Dan Rickards' "Final Approach" is the theme award-winner for this year's My Own Two Hands celebration.

Sisters to celebrate pollinators

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Thanks to the efforts of educators, kids and members of the local community, Sisters has become an important hub in the migration of pollinators.

On Saturday, May 5, noon to 3 p.m., the public is invited to Sisters Middle School for the Journey North Western Monarch and Pollinator Spring Migration Celebration. Keynote speaker for the event is Dr. David James of Washington State University, founder of

the western monarch tagging and tracking program.

Featured speaker, Robert Coffan, of the Southern Oregon Monarch Advocates, is part of a team that is currently performing the largest single monarch habitat restoration project in the western United States. As SOMA co-founder, Coffan will explain how to restore monarch habitat locally.

Susie Werts, Sisters Middle School special-education teacher, has used the study of monarch butterflies

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Sisters kicks off arts celebration

My Own Two Hands — the annual celebration of the arts and major fundraiser for the Sisters Folk Festival — kicks off on Friday, April 27, at the Fourth Friday Art Stroll.

My Own Two Hands (MOTH) is in its 17th year and includes a parade, art stroll, free concert and auction as part of the community celebration of the arts. This year's theme is "Take Flight," and more than 100 artists have donated work for the fundraising auction that caps off the celebration on Saturday, May 12. Funds raised through the MOTH auction support arts & music education and programs in the Sisters schools and community.

The first opportunity to view the MOTH artwork is this Friday, from 4 to 7 p.m., in two locations during the Fourth Friday Art Stroll: in the lobby and downstairs gallery at Sisters Art Works, 204 W. Adams Ave., and at 142 E. Main Ave. Refreshments will be available and you can enter the Sisters Arts Association "Quick Draw" for a chance to win a pair of tickets to the My Own Two Hands Art Auction & Party. Information about the Fourth Friday Art Stroll is available at www.sistersartsassociation.org.

The MOTH parade on Friday, May 11, launches the weekend celebration of the arts. Students in all three

schools participate, parading their "Take Flight"-themed artwork westward on Hood Avenue, starting at 4 p.m. at Spruce Street and ending at Oak Street. The My Own Two Hands Art Stroll is the second opportunity to view the donated art in 13 stroll-sponsoring businesses throughout downtown Sisters. The stroll runs from 4 to 7 p.m. and each of the stroll locations will feature live music. After the stroll, people can head over to The Belfry for a free concert featuring Seattle-based Kuinka.

This year's MOTH award-winners include Kathy and

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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.

Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregiver Support Group 1st Tuesday, 11 a.m., Sisters City Hall. 800-272-3900.

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.

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 www.sistersfol.com.

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) Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at SPRD. 541-549-2091.

Sisters Area Photography Club 2nd Thursday, 4 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-6157.

Sisters Area Woodworkers 1st Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m. 541-639-6216.

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, 10:30 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. 541-760-5645.

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.

Three Sisters Irrigation District Board of Directors 1st Tuesday, 4 p.m., TSIDI Office. 541-549-8815.

Three Sisters Lions Club 1st Thursday, noon, Ray's Food Place community room. 541-419-1279.

VFW Post 8138 and American Legion Post 86 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-903-1123.

Weight Watchers Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. weigh-in, Sisters Community Church. 541-602-2654.

SCHOOLS

Black Butte School Board of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 5 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 Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

This listing is for regular Sisters Country meetings; email information to teresa@nuggetnews.com