

# COMMUNITY

## Len Babb's art recalls the past in the West

By Helen Schmidling  
Correspondent

There was a time, when Len Babb finished a painting, he'd give it to a friend, or maybe trade it, but mostly he'd toss it into a corner and then move on to the next one. But that was before he realized that, not only was he creating a legacy of art from Western history, he was crafting iconic images for future generations.

Len spent his life as a buckaroo. He wasn't out fixing fences or baling hay.

He rode, and he rode hard. And when he was done, he painted, and did a little sculpting as well.

All during June, Len Babb's Western art is on display in the Community Room at Sisters Library. Last month, he showed his work at Black Butte Ranch, and at Sisters HomeLand Realty (the historic Hardy Allen building) during the Fourth Friday Art Stroll. Len was also the featured guest on the first Running Iron

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## Sister Rotary provides books for kids

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One hundred and twenty excited first-graders from Sisters and Tumalo filed into the Sisters High School auditorium on Friday, May 25, all set to have some fun with books. The 10th annual Books for Kids literacy event, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Sisters, kicked off what Rotarians hope will be a reading-filled summer for the students.

Friday's gathering was the culmination of several months of anticipation that began in

January. A selection of six hard-cover books, chosen by a Rotarian committee with help from the Sisters Library staff, were read to the children by their teachers over the course of a few weeks. The students each selected a favorite, and that list was given to Paulina Springs Books in Sisters. The books were duly ordered and upon arrival were packed into special bags at a Rotary meeting. The bags also included goodies from the Forest Service, Deschutes Public Library, US

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PHOTO BY JEFF OMODT

Kiwanians lay on the grub for a thousand hungry buckaroos each year.

## Feeding hungry buckaroos at rodeo

A hearty breakfast is just what's needed to keep a cowboy on the trail — or a rodeo fan full of fun.

For over 30 years, the Sisters Kiwanis Club has cooked a pancake breakfast on Rodeo Sunday at the rodeo grounds entrance. Fifty Kiwanis volunteers serve up stacks of pancakes, bacon, sausage, cooked-to-order eggs, orange juice, milk and coffee.

On June 10, seven grills will prepare breakfast for 1,000 hungry buckaroos who will consume 225 pounds of

pancake mix, 300 pounds of bacon, 200 pounds of sausage patties and 180 dozen eggs.

Kiwanian Earl Schroeder, who plans the food purchases, describes the breakfast: "It's not just the food. What I like best is maybe sitting at a table with Sisters folks, rodeo visitors, the Rodeo queen, bronc riders, and grizzled cowboys. It exemplifies the spirit of Sisters and is a great social experience."

The Kiwanis motto is "serving the children of the world." The breakfast clearly illustrates that motto.

All proceeds go to Sisters Kiwanis in support of Sisters youth. Recipients include high school scholarships, Sisters Park & Recreation District, Family Access Network, Sisters Science Club, Healthy Beginnings, Little League, Sisters school bands, the local dental van and many others.

The breakfast runs from 7 to 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 10, at the Sisters Rodeo grounds entrance. Adults cost \$12; children 4 to 12 years old are \$5; children 3 and under are free.

## 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 Meditation Group** Sundays, 6 p.m., 484 W. Washington Ave. #A. Text only (no voice) to 541-207-7266.

**Sisters Parent Teacher Community** 3rd Wednesday, 3 p.m., Sisters Elementary C-wing. 971-570-2405.

**Sisters Parkinson's Disease Support Group** 2nd Tuesday, 1 p.m., Suttle Tea. 907-687-8101 or 541-668-6599.

**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., TSID 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 Wed., 7 p.m., 67433 Cloverdale Rd. 541-548-4815. 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](mailto:teresa@nuggetnews.com)