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detrimental effect particularly

on marine life, we feel like

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For more information on

Hola visit www.holabend.

can make a big difference."

Lowes added: "With the

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environment.

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Diane Natt-Kelly, Linda Goebel, Carol Dye, Joan Meyer and Rosemary Norton (not pictured) have been busy preparing for the BBR Art Guild Garage Sale, which helps fund scholarships for Sisters students.

## **BBR Art Guild gives to** community in sale

Treasure hunters are on the alert for the big garage sale coming up on June 16 at Black Butte Ranch.

Ranch residents are cleaning out their garages, basements, attics and other nooks and crannies and donating the results. Household furnishings, antiques, art works, tools, sports equipment, furniture and much more will be available.

Ranch personnel are also combing through inventory and will be selling furniture and other items that are no longer in use.

The sale does much more than provide an opportunity for spring cleaning and deals on nice stuff. The proceeds go out into the Sisters community.

The Black Butte Ranch sale is sponsored by the BBR Art Guild, with the proceeds from donated items providing scholarships for Sisters students. This year the Art Guild gave \$10,000 in scholarships as well as contributing to the art programs at all Sisters public schools.

Hours are from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Ranch Maintenance Facility on Geo. McAllister Road.

To get there, take Highway 20 to the Camp Sherman intersection, turn left onto Geo. McAllister Road and follow the signs three-quarters of a mile to the facility.

Habitat for Humanity will take any unsold items.

## Last (plastic) straw for local restaurant

Local Hola restaurants will be switching to biodegradable compostable straws in each of its Central Oregon locations. The Mexican-Peruvian cuisine restaurant group recently opened a new location in Camp Sherman.

Hola is championing the fight against the use of plastic straws, as environmental activists estimate some 500 million such items being used every day in the U.S. contribute to an increasing ecological toll, particularly on marine life ingesting the man-made material.

Hola founder Peter Lowes said the business wanted to take a lead as an ally for the anti-plastic movement. He said: "It is something we feel passionately about and feel we can no longer avoid addressing. It's become a global issue, and straws are on the leading edge."

Although straws represent a small portion of the 8 million metric tons of plastic that ends up in the ocean every year, Lowes believes plastic straws are an easy way to get people started on reducing their plastic use.

He added: "Just getting people to turn down a straw is a gateway to a more sustainable lifestyle. It's a simple step that anybody

## **BLUES:** Festival is partnering with local groups

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\$20 of every purchase goes to Habitat for Humanity. The offer is good through June 17.

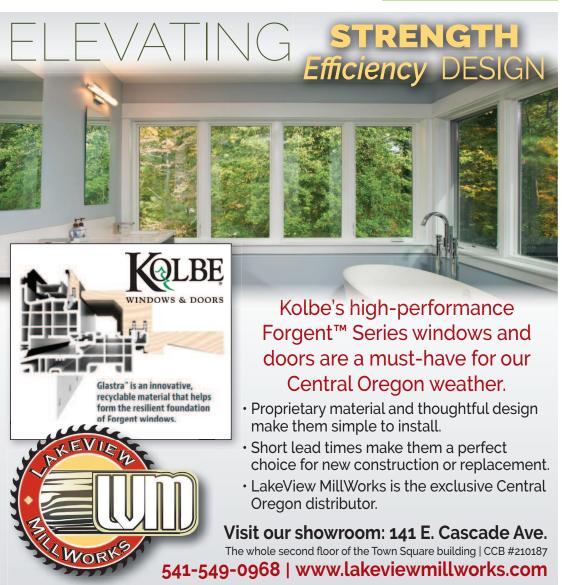
The event features blues legends John Mayall and Walter Trout along with an award-winning lineup including: 2017 Soul Blues Male Artist of the Year Curtis Salgado; 2016 Contemporary Blues Female Artist of the Year Shemekia Copeland; 2016 Album of the Year award-winner The Cedric Burnside Project; the 2014 International Blues Challenge winner Mr. Sipp; as well as former Blues Entertainer of the Year Tommy Castro and the Painkillers.

> The festival will take place at Village Green Park and Sisters Art Works (204 W. Adams Ave.) Friday, August 3, 5 p.m. to midnight; and Saturday, August 4, noon to midnight.



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