

Kiwanis to host open house

Sisters Kiwanis has operated the Sisters Food Bank for more than 30 years. For the first time, on October 14, the food bank will be open for public tours.

In August, the food bank distributed 10,000 pounds of food to 95 Sisters families. Kiwanis members and community volunteers gave 240 hours of their time to operate the food bank in August. None of the food bank staff, including the manager, receive any salary. One hundred percent of funds donated to the food bank are used to purchase food and operate the food bank building.

During the tour, visitors will see the state-of-the-art facilities and understand how local families choose their food in the latest nation-wide innovation known as “shopping style.”

At the same time, Kiwanis will showcase some of their service projects and fundraisers at the clubhouse (aka K-house) adjacent to the food bank. Visitors can see displays of the Kiwanis fundraisers such as the Buckaroo Breakfast, the Hoodoo Challenge run and the Christmas See’s Candy sale. Coffee and treats will



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be available.

Sisters Kiwanis is one of the largest service clubs in the Pacific Northwest, with 70+ members. Its mission is “Serving the Children of the World.” Sisters Kiwanis decides what services to provide and youth organizations to support based on community needs. The Sisters Food Bank is, by far, the largest Kiwanis service project.

The open house will be held on October 14 from noon to 3 p.m. at 328 W. Main Ave. (corner of Oak and Main). At 1 p.m., there

will be a memorial ceremony and bench dedication, for David Roberts, the Kiwanis member who managed the construction of the food bank building.

If you’re attending the Harvest Faire, continue walking west on Main Avenue and look for the open house signs.

For more information about the open house call Suzy Ramsey at 541-419-0340. Visit www.sisterskiwanis.org for more information about Sisters Kiwanis.

Sister celebrates season with Faire

The season that is, for many folks, the best Sisters has to offer, is upon us.

The annual Sisters Harvest Faire is Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. The event is held on Main Avenue next to Fir Street Park. More than 150 juried artisan vendors will be present selling quality handcrafted items including pottery, metal art, photography, painting, jewelry, clothing, furniture, home décor, specialty foods and more.

For years, people from all over Oregon and the Northwest converge on Sisters to celebrate the changing season with this festival of handmade artisan goods and food. The Harvest Faire also

features free music, with Dry Canyon Stampede on Saturday and Bill Keale on Sunday.

“The Sisters Harvest Faire is a great place to find all of those one-of-a-kind handmade item, that aren’t available in stores, and it’s the perfect reason to visit Sisters,” said Jeri Buckmann, events director for the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. “Meander at your own pace through our charming downtown. Visit the shops. Enjoy delicious snacks or a meal. Come spend the weekend and experience all that Sisters is about.”

For more information, visit www.sisterscountry.com or call the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce at 541-549-0251.

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