

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holiday Cheer with the Cole Ranch Animals

Come enjoy some holiday cheer this Sunday at Cole Ranch! Free coffee, hot chocolate and holiday cookies with our team, Bubbles the camel, the G.O.A.T.s, sheep and cows. This free event will be Sunday, December 23, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located at the Main Barn at Cole Ranch, 15425 Old McKenzie Hwy. in Sisters. Parking in front of the barn or in back in designated parking areas. Call 541-213-8959 for more info.

Kiwanis and See's Candy

The Kiwanis Club of Sisters will be holding their annual See's Candy Fundraiser in a trailer in the Ray's Food Place parking lot. Sales will begin Thursday, November 15 and run through Christmas Eve Day or until all candy has been sold. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day. Stop in to purchase some of the best chocolate and to help support Kiwanis in efforts to provide scholarships for the community as well as a number of other service projects. Every penny of profit goes back to the community. Call 541-588-6255.

Blue Christmas Service

This season can be hard for those who mourn and those going through painful passages in their lives. Blue Christmas welcomes those with heavy hearts. In this quiet service of music, devotion, and reflection, we acknowledge our sadness and seek peace for our souls. All are welcome. The service will be held at Sisters Community Church on Friday, December 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Call 541-549-1201 for more information.

Call to Artists for Library Annual Art Exhibit

The Sisters Library Annual Art Exhibit, sponsored by the Friends of the Sisters Library (FOSL) is happening, January 9 through February 22. All Sisters Country artists who want to participate are invited to submit work. The submission date is Saturday, January 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the library's Community Room. Due to limited space, just two pieces of wall-hung art, and five pieces of other art forms such as jewelry, ceramics, or sculpture, may be submitted. Invitations may be downloaded from the website sistersfol.com, or are available at the library's information desk. People's Choice Awards will be announced at a reception on Friday, January 25, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call Zeta at 541-549-6157.

Black Butte Ranch RFPD December Meeting

The Black Butte RFPD is cancelling its regularly scheduled board meeting on the fourth Thursday for the month of December. Call 541-595-2288 for info.

Sisters Family Aglow Lighthouse

All are welcome to the December meeting at the Ponderosa Lodge meeting room, Saturday, December 22 from 10 a.m. to noon. Co-leaders Peter and Dana Herman invite you to come for an encouraging time of worship, message, and ministry. Wayne Mitchell is a master craftsman who restores classic cars and spent his early years as an international male model. Living in the fast lane eventually brought him to a place of desperation. God answered his cry for help. Now Wayne and his wife, Connie, bring God's hope and restoration to others. For additional information please call 503-930-6158 or email dana.herman.54@gmail.com.

Sisters Cold Weather Shelter Donations

Local Girl Scouts are hosting a supply drive for the Sisters Cold Weather Shelter. They will have a box at Sisters Middle School from November 26 through December 21. Needed items include coffee (regular and decaf), powdered creamer, sugar, disposable cups, plates, napkins & utensils, thermal base layers, wool socks, individual snacks, laundry, hand and dish soap, dryer sheets. For info call 541-610-9513.

Hunter's Education Class

For a hunter's education class beginning Tuesday, February 5, register online at odfw.com (hunting-resources-education). It runs two nights per week for three weeks, plus a required field day. For information call Rick Cole at 541-420-6934 or Dave Jones at 541-863-0955.

Furry Friends Seeks Donations

Furry Friends Foundation needs your support. With added expenses this year, your donation is more important than ever. Furry Friends operates two pet food banks, a coat and pet supply bank, sponsors spay & neuters and helps families with veterinary financial aid. Let's keep pets at home and out of shelters. Donate online at www.furryfriendsfoundation.org or call 541-797-4023.

Free Meditation Group

All are welcome to a free meditation group meeting on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. or Tuesdays at 4 p.m. at 420 N. Tamarack St. Wear comfortable clothing; no experience necessary. For more information please email dawnsong03@gmail.com or text only (no voice calls) to Dawn at 541-207-7266.

CPR and First Aid Class

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD will offer the AHA "Heartsaver" CPR/AED class on Friday, January 11 at 9 a.m. and the First Aid module on Saturday, January 12 at 9 a.m. at the Sisters Fire Hall. The cost is \$30 which includes both modules, a student workbook and completion card. Register no later than Tuesday, January 8: online at sistersfire.com (CPR tab) or at the Sisters Fire Hall weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pick up the student workbook at the station after you register. For more information call 541-595-5712.

Sisters Library JANUARY EVENTS

Lego Block Party

Children of all ages will have the opportunity to be creative by building whatever they want to build with the trunk locker full of LEGOs the library provides. Friday, January 4 at 2 p.m. at Sisters Library. Info: 541-617-7078.

Animal Adventures

Live animals, stories, crafts with High Desert Museum for kids ages 3 to 5. It's 30-45 minutes of adventure! Limited to 30 children and their caregivers. Sisters Library on Tuesdays, January 8 and 22 at 11:30 a.m. Info: 541-312-1072.

Russian Politics in the 21st Century

Explore the transformation of Russia under Putin in this talk by Sarah L. Henderson, associate professor of Political Science in the School of Public Policy at Oregon State University. Wednesday, January 9 at noon at Sisters Library. No registration required. Info: 541-312-1032.

Family Fun Story Time

Family Fun Story Time for kids ages birth through 5 takes place at the Sisters Library on Thursdays, January 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 10:30 to 11 a.m., with songs, rhymes and crafts, all designed to grow young readers. Caregivers must attend. Info: 541-617-7078.

Mixed Media Winter Art Workshop

This workshop is presented by local artist Carly Garzon Vargas. Saturday, January 19 at 10 a.m. Ages 12 to 17. Experiment with collage, paper and paint to create a piece of original art to take home. Bring in your own photos, clippings, or other meaningful material to add to your art. Info: 541-617-7078.

The Library Book Club

Read and discuss "TransAtlantic" by Colum McCann with other thoughtful readers at the Sisters Library on Wednesday, January 23, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Info: 541-617-7078.

Music in Public Places

Enjoy a performance courtesy of Central Oregon Symphony on Saturday, January 26 at 2 p.m. at the Sisters Library. No registration required. Info: 541-312-1032

PET OF THE WEEK

Humane Society of Central Oregon
541-382-3537



Meet **AUDREY!** She is an adorable domestic shorthair kitty who is just under 7 years old. Audrey can be timid at first but has proven herself to be very sweet when given time to adjust. She was surrendered with another feline friend and should do well with other cats in the home if given a slow introduction. Audrey is now waiting for a family that can give her the patience and attention she needs to get comfortable with her new life

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Christmas Church Services in Sisters Country

Christmas Eve in the Park

Vast Church invites the community to a Christmas Eve service at Fir Street Park Monday, December 24 at 4:30 p.m. It will include the Christmas story, hot cocoa, singing of Christmas songs and candle-lighting. 541-719-0587 or vastchurch.com for info.

Christmas Services at Sisters Community Church

Sisters Community Church is hosting a "Blue Christmas" service on Friday, December 21 at 6:30 p.m. The service is intended for those who are mourning and seeking comfort for their souls. Everyone is invited to Sisters Community Church Monday, December 24 for a Christmas Eve candlelight service from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For info call 541-549-1201 or go to sisterschurch.com.

Christmas at Westside

Westside Church will host a Christmas Experience Sunday Service on December 23 at 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. On Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, Westside Sisters will hold a candlelight service at 5 p.m. with light refreshments served at 4 p.m. For info call 541-549-4184 or go to westsidesisters.org.

Christmas Services at St. Edward the Martyr

Mass at St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church for Christmas Eve will be held at 5:30 and 8 p.m.; Christmas Day Mass is scheduled for 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. Solemnity of Mary Mass will be at 5:30 p.m. New Year's Eve and at 10 a.m. on New Year's Day. For more info call 541-549-9391 or go online to stedwardsisters.org.

Episcopal Church Christmas Services

On Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration invites everyone to a 4 p.m. family service with Holy Eucharist and children's living nativity, and a traditional service with Holy Eucharist at 9 p.m. Childcare provided at both. For info: 541-549-7087 or go to episcopalsisters.com.

Shepherd of the Hills Christmas Services

On Monday, December 24 at 9 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church presents a traditional candlelight service with Christmas hymns. For information call 541-549-5831 or visit shepherdofthehillslutheranchurch.com.

Christmas Eve at Sisters Church of the Nazarene

All are invited to a family-friendly Christmas Eve service with singing, stories, puppets, candles and a special gift for children on Monday, December 24 from 4 to 5 p.m. The church is at 67130 Harrington Loop Rd., off Gist Road. Info: 541-647-4838.

Christmas Eve in Camp Sherman

All are welcome to the Chapel in the Pines Christmas Eve service, which will be held at the Camp Sherman Community Hall (F.S. Rd. 1419). There will be carols, the Christmas story, and gifts for the children! The service begins at 7 p.m. Monday, December 24. Questions? Contact Kathi at 541-549-9971 or kathibeacham@gmail.com.

Highland Baptist Church

Family-friendly Christmas Eve Services will be held at Highland Baptist Church, 3100 SW Highland Ave. in Redmond, on December 24 at 4 and 6 p.m. For more information, call 541-548-4161 or go to hbcredmond.org.

Shiloh Ranch Church

On Sunday, December 23 Christmas services will be held at 8:30 and 10 a.m. at Shiloh Ranch Church, 15696 SW Bussett Rd. in Powell Butte. Christmas Eve services will be December 24 at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. For information go to ShilohRanch.com.

55th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

John & Kathy Miller

John O. Miller and Kathy H. Miller will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary this Thursday, December 20. Congratulations!



We love you, Kevin, Eden, Lexie, and Michaela