

# KIDS IN PRINT

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**Kids in Print Mission:** Kids are the readers, writers, and leaders of tomorrow. We're passionate about getting them involved with print media — as both creators and readers. Expressing themselves in their local newspaper empowers children and teens, and connects them with their community. Through educational events with our sponsor, Kid Made Camp, the youth of Sisters Country learn hands-on artistic, literary, and critical-thinking skills.

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**Submit to Kids in Print:** Bring your original illustrations, paintings, stories, and poems on down to The Nugget! (442 E. Main Ave., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.) Include child's name, grade level, and school or homeschool. You can use a full name, or just first name with last initial. Submissions are also accepted by email, [kidsinprint@nuggetnews.com](mailto:kidsinprint@nuggetnews.com), or at the front office of Sisters Elementary School. *Please put them in a clearly marked envelope or clip on a cover sheet reading: "The Nugget - Kids in Print."*

Due to space limitations, publication of submissions is not guaranteed. We seek to showcase a wide range of ages, styles, and abilities that represent the diverse talents of the youth of our greater Sisters community.

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## Easter - it's not just for bunnies anymore

By The Kid Made Crew

A tall Easter Bunny greeted kids at Sisters Creekside Park last Sunday. More surprising was an appearance by the Easter Dog!

Wearing a pastel tutu and bunny ears, Caramel the Dog was patient and kind with the many children and adults who wanted to pet her. Caramel's owner, Jessica Haury, helped with the egg hunt.

Jessica said she is getting an education at the Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District. She is especially interested in learning how to provide medical care.

She said her previous job was smokejumper. Smokejumpers are firefighters who parachute into remote areas to combat wildfires. "Remote" means that the wildfires are far from cities, and often far from good roads.

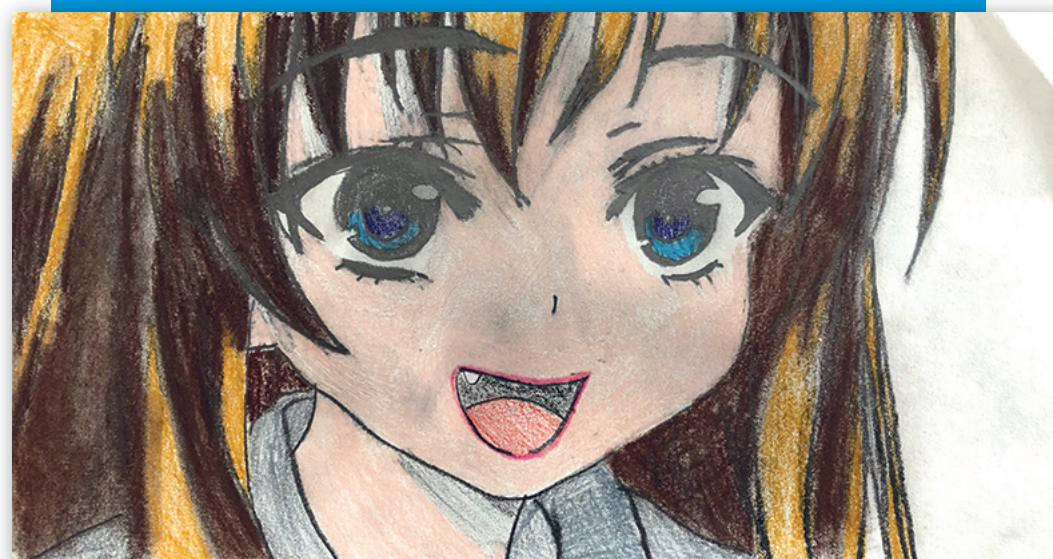
Jessica and Caramel seemed happy to be in town, surrounded by happy kids instead of wildfire.

Firefighters and volunteers made sure there were plenty of eggs and



candy. Some lucky kids found golden eggs. These could be exchanged for big prizes, including board games and a red racing scooter.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt was presented by the Sisters-Camp Sherman and Cloverdale fire departments.



ADDISON M Russell

Illustration by Addison Russell, a 5th-grader at Black Butte School.



## 'Night Skies' & time travel

By The Kid Made Crew

Kids of all ages—including grandparents—gathered at Paulina Springs Books to meet Paul Alan Bennett. Paul was there to sign his new book, "Night Skies," and give a reading.

The artist entertained an audience of about 25 people. He and his wife did a dramatic reading about Greek myths, told from the point of view of characters like Ariadne and Medusa.

Paul sang songs accompanied by ukulele. He also explained how his artistic process works—the thoughts, feelings, and actions behind his creativity.

While it is officially a children's book, the saturated, colorful paintings of Night Skies appealed to a wide range of people present. It was clearly the work of a trained fine artist.

Paul signed books for the audience that had gathered. When a young boy brought a copy of the book to be signed, the artist drew a portrait of him, then invited the boy to color it in.

During his presentation, Paul talked about earning a living as a portrait artist when he was a young man just out of college. Along with about fifty other artists, he drew pictures of people on the boardwalk in Ocean City near Baltimore, Maryland. This was before you could use your phone to take a selfie at a fun, special place like a boardwalk or fair.

During his book signing, he showed he could still draw people quickly!

Reminiscing about the boardwalk inspired Paul to share a song about "skinny-dippin' in the night, in Chesapeake Bay." Other song topics included gryphons and sphinxes. "Where myth and history intertwine," he said, "Who knows?"

The night sky and stars were the theme of the whole evening. Paul's experiences studying art in Greece and his background in Greek history also showed up.

In Western tradition, the stars make patterns in the night sky. These are called constellations, and are usually named after gods and other characters of Greek mythology, such as Pegasus.

For newcomers trying to find a simple, non-technical book about finding the constellations in the night sky, the artist recommended "Star Finder" by the Smithsonian.

Paul said the paintings for Night Skies were inspired by the grandness of being out in nature, especially when you're alone, driving in your car at night.

"When we go to Eastern Oregon, we respond to the vastness," he said. He was also excited about stargazing in Sisters Country.

"We basically live in a planetarium here," he said. "I think there's something mentally healthy about looking at the sky."

Some songs were light and sweet, including one about his neighbor Katie paddle-boarding at night, seeing the night sky reflected in the lake.

Toward the end, Paul sang a new song he'd written, a touching song about an illuminated manuscript and the recent fire in the great European cathedral of Notre-Dame de Paris.

"Books are time-travel machines," he said. "Buildings are, too."