

# Cowgirl poet featured at gathering

AK (Kathy) Moss recited her cowgirl poetry as part of the Three Sisters Historical Society Fireside Evening on the history of the Sisters Rodeo.

Moss is a western woman from Canyon City, Oregon, in

Grant County. She is an author and poet who has written a number of books, recorded her poetry, as well as being published in numerous magazines. Her passion for writing and western heritage shows in everything she does. She

is the Peoples Choice Award, Keeper of the West winner, for her poetry, writing and performances.

She offered her poem on the Sisters Rodeo for a rapt audience last week at FivePine Lodge and Conference Center.

### The Biggest Little Show in the World

— K. Moss, 2019

*They gather every summer, where the timber meets the sage,*

*With the Sister mountains in the background, help to set the stage.*

*Where contestants face inner demons on tilled Oregon dirt,*

*Where flesh and bone of man and beast challenge time and quirt.*

*Where strangers stand together with the anthem, unified,*

*For they understand, with hat in hand, those who fought and died.*

*The memory of the past, prayers they cast for our future generation.*

*They may never know the volunteers who work like a congregation,*

*For the piggin' string and lariat, those that race the clock,*

*The ballet dance between grit and wit, against the bucking stock.*

*And the struggles faced and those who graced, the arena floor.*

*Who gave a show and wouldn't you know, left them wanting more.*

*The anticipation, trepidation, the blood, guts and the grit*

*The winning cash, the mad dash of the ponies on the bit.*

*The dally and whoa, the get up and go, the laughter, family and friends.*

*The struggles and triumph, the music, the uh-umf, of nineteen-forties trends.*

*All bound together with sweat and leather tucked in the timber and sage,*

*For the crowd to cheer, the freedom here and those mountains to set the stage.*

*Yet they gather every summer, around the chutes and say*

*The tales of those who have gone before, remembered to this day.*

*All in an arena circle that completes the cowboy dream,*

*Win or lose the only promise and a respect it would seem.*

*In a little town in Central Oregon few would ever know,*

*Had it not been for the determination of the Sisters Rodeo.*



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AK (Kathy) Moss recited her cowgirl poetry in Sisters last week.

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# Boys lacrosse drops game to West Albany

By Rongi Yost  
Correspondent

The Outlaws fell 17-2 to the Bulldogs at West Albany on Saturday, April 27. Sisters was short-handed and only 14 of their 23 players were able to travel. Players were out due to injury, illness, low grades, Marine recruit training, and family events.

West Albany possessed the ball the majority of the game due to a strong face-off game and their skilled offensive players.

“Our boys played hard and improved as the game went on, but with so few players, and many of them freshmen, we just couldn't match well with the more veteran opponent,” said Coach Paul Patton.

Gator Haken scored Sisters' two goals. His first goal came off a nice dodge, and the second off an assist from Matt Harris. Harris moved up and at times played on the offensive end with his defensive long pole.

Harris led the team with five ground balls. Freshman Oscar Rhett had a good game on the defensive end as well, and recorded four ground balls.

Anthony Randolph tallied 11 saves in the goal. Middies Connor Martin, Riley Sellers, Ricky Huffman, and Max Palanuk all had to play big minutes at a demanding position where they had to run the whole field.

Caden Mercer, a freshman who just recently joined the squad, saw his first varsity minutes and according to Patton showed signs that he's going to be a great lacrosse player.

Freshmen Gavin Johnson and Eli Johnson filled in for missing teammates, stepped up at the attack position and also did a nice job.

Former Outlaws lacrosse player Emry Meyer has been helping out the coaching staff the past couple of weeks, and according to Patton has made positive connections with the players. Emry played on the first lacrosse teams that were formed back in the 2008 era.

Sisters was to play at Mountain View on Tuesday, April 30 and at the SALI Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, May 4 and 5.

The Outlaws are entered as a JV2 team so that their freshmen dominated squad can be matched up against other young guys.

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