

C O M M U N I T Y

Take a walk through Sisters history

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

In honor of National Historic Preservation Month, Three Sisters Historical Society Interim President Floyd Leithauser, whose ancestors came to Sisters in 1911, will lead a guided history tour of Cascade Avenue on Saturday, May 18, 1 p.m. Those wishing to join the tour can meet Leithauser in the parking lot in front of City Hall prior to 1 p.m. and be prepared to walk for about an hour.

Leithauser was born and raised in Sisters, graduating from Sisters High School. He left Sisters to attend college at Oregon State and then moved away. He returned to live in Camp Sherman and care for his mother, Edith, a long-time Sisters resident, until her death in 2006. He and his wife, Sue, decided to stay.

Leithauser has an extensive knowledge of the history and residents of Sisters and has a great many stories to share. He will lead the tour

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PHOTO BY GARY MILLER

The new Sisters Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store opened up in its new location on Cascade Avenue.

The Jaschke family is finally home

February 25 of last year was a night the Jaschke family will never forget. They woke to their home in Panoramic View Estates east of Sisters engulfed in flames and were lucky to get out alive. After firefighters battled the fire in sub-freezing temperatures, it was clear their determination and heroism couldn't save the home or its contents. That was the worst night of the family's lives — but it was soon followed by some of the best memories they could ever imagine.

The Jaschke family

includes mother Tianna, father Jason, and daughters Sierra and Josie. They also have two cats named Twinkie and Henry and two rat terriers named Lucy and Ackley. Their beloved cat Popeye didn't survive the fire.

Tianna says living outside of Sisters in Panoramic View Estates, has meant besides the girls going to school in Sisters, they don't have as much interaction in town. But that didn't stop caring residents in Sisters Country from jumping into action to

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Sisters Habitat relocates store

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Twenty-six years ago, it took a village of volunteers to open a small thrift store on Main Avenue to benefit Sisters Habitat for Humanity's building program. A larger store was later built on the same site. Sisters Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store was successful enough to outgrow its space and needed a larger home.

Last month, many of the original volunteers and new Habitat for Humanity supporters celebrated the grand opening of Sisters Habitat's new Thrift Store location at the former Sisters Drug and Gift building at 211 E.

Cascade Ave.

The grand opening party kicked off at the former store on Main Avenue with a prayer of gratitude from Pastor Ron Gregg. Gregg also blessed the building when it opened over two decades ago. Then the group grabbed kazoos, tambourines and hula-hoops to make a procession to the new location on Cascade Avenue. Folks were greeted by board member Roger Fairfield who blessed the new store with a prayer. Sisters Mayor Chuck Ryan, Floyd Leithauser (great-grandson of the original store owner), and previous owners of the Sisters Drug Store Tim and Deanna Muir shared their reflections about the

momentous occasion.

Tim and Deanna Muir owned the building since 1985 and ran Sisters Drug & Gift until the business was sold in 2008. The building came up for sale last year.

"Our store director, Don Reed, was picking up donated fixtures at Sisters Drug & Gift as they were closing. He came back and suggested we look at the store to purchase it for our Thrift Store operations," Sharlene Weed, executive director for Habitat for Humanity told *The Nugget*.

Weed said, "The next week, a group of us went to tour the building. We were of course easily enamored with

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SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

Al-Anon Mon., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Wed., 6 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 541-549-8737 or 541-549-1527.

Alcoholics Anonymous Thurs. & Sun., 7 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration / Sat., 8 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration / Mon., 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Big Book study, Tues., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Gentlemen's meeting, Wed., 7 a.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Sober Sisters Women's meeting, Thurs., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church / Step & Tradition meeting, Fri., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-548-0440.

Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregiver Support Group 1st Tuesday, noon, Sisters City Hall. 800-272-3900.

Black Butte Ranch Bridge Club Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., BBR community room. Partner required. 541-595-6236.

Central Oregon Fly Tyers Guild For Saturday meeting dates and location, email: steelefly@msn.com.

Central OR Spinners and Weavers Guild One Saturday per month, Jan. thru Oct. For schedule: 541-639-3217.

Council on Aging of Central Oregon Senior Lunch Tuesdays, noon, Sisters Community Church. 541-480-1843.

East of the Cascades Quilt Guild 4th Wednesday (September-June), Stitches Post. All are welcome. 541-549-6061.

Friends of the Sisters Library Board of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 9 to 11 a.m., Sisters Library. www.sistersfol.com.

Go Fish Fishing Group 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. Sisters Community Church. All ages welcome. 541-771-2211.

Heartwarmers (fleece blanketmakers) 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Materials provided. 541-408-8505.

Hero Quilters of Sisters Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. 541-549-1028 or 541-719-1230.

Military Parents of Sisters Meetings are held quarterly; please call for details. 541-388-9013.

Oregon Band of Brothers – Sisters Chapter Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m., Takoda's Restaurant. 541-549-6469.

SAGE (Senior Activities, Gatherings & Enrichment) Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sisters Park & Recreation District. 541-549-2091.

Sisters Family Aglow Lighthouse 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Ponderosa Lodge Meeting Room. 503-930-6158.

Sisters Area Photography Club 2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-6157.

Sisters Area Woodworkers 1st Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m. 541-639-6216.

Sisters Astronomy Club 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., SPRD. 541-549-8846.

Sisters Bridge Club Thursdays, 12:30 p.m., The Pines Clubhouse. Novices welcomed. 541-549-9419.

Sisters Caregiver Support Group 3rd Tues., 10:30 a.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-771-3258.

Sisters Cribbage Club Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Ray's Food Place community room. 541-923-1632.

Sisters Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. Location information: 541-549-1193.

Sisters Kiwanis Thursdays, 7 to 8:30 a.m., Brand 33 Restaurant at Aspen Lakes. 541-410-2870.

Sisters Parent Teacher Community 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at Sisters Saloon. 541-480-5994.

Sisters Parkinson's Support Group 2nd Tuesday, 2 p.m., The Lodge. 541-668-6599.

Sisters Red Hats 1st Friday. Location information: 541-279-1977.

Sisters Rotary Tuesdays, noon, Aspen Lakes Lodge. 541-760-5645.

Sisters Trails Alliance Board 1st Wednesday, 5 p.m. Sisters Art Works. Public welcome. 541-719-8822.

Sisters Veterans Thursdays, noon, Takoda's Restaurant. 541-903-1123.

Three Sisters Irrigation District Board of Directors 1st Tuesday, 4 p.m., TSID Office. 541-549-8815.

Three Sisters Lions Club 1st Thursday, noon, Ray's Food Place community room. 541-419-1279.

VFW Post 8138 and American Legion Post 86 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-903-1123.

Weight Watchers Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. weigh-in, Sisters Community Church. 541-602-2654.

SCHOOLS

Black Butte School Board of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Black Butte School. 541-595-6203.

Sisters Christian Academy Board of Directors 2nd Thursday, 8 a.m., RE/MAX office. 541-549-4133.

Sisters School District Board of Directors One Wed. monthly, SSD Admin Bldg. See schedule online at www.ssd6.org. 541-549-8521 x5002.

Sisters Middle School Parent Collaboration Team 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., SMS. 541-610-9513.

CITY & PARKS

Sisters City Council 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

Sisters Park & Recreation District Board of Directors 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m., SPRD bldg. 541-549-2091.

Sisters Planning Commission 3rd Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

FIRE & POLICE

Black Butte Ranch Police Dept. Board of Directors Meets monthly. 541-595-2191 for time & date.

Black Butte Ranch RFPD Board of Directors 4th Thursday, 9 a.m., Black Butte Ranch Fire Station. 541-595-2288.

Cloverdale RFPD Board of Directors 3rd Wed., 7 p.m., 67433 Cloverdale Rd. 541-548-4815. cloverdalefire.com.

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Board of Directors 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 541-549-0771.

Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Drills Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

This listing is for regular Sisters Country meetings; email information to lisa@nuggetnews.com