Dinner celebrated food, human connections

By Bonnie Malone

Correspondent

Splitting Aces Livestock hosted an Anthony Bourdain Day Dinner on the Ranch on June 25, serving their own grass-fed livestock and produce from Seed to Table.

In boundless enthusiasm, the evening was reminiscent of an old-fashioned tent revival. This time it was about food. The bustling cooks and servers infected every guest with a passion for local, heathy, and naturally grown food.

The 50 assembled guests were selected by a social media lottery to enjoy this fresh, on-site prepared meal that included the lesson that "food connects."

The dinner was the idea of Catrina Sneva, a professional event planner, as a way to educate and inform while celebrating the life of the worldtraveling chef whose life ended last year. She is the sister of Jenna Pike, who owns Splitting Aces Livestock with her husband, Remington.

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George King visits his son Stephen and family each year from the UK.

Recalling naval action in Korean War

By Jim Cornelius

Editor in Chief

The Korean War is often called "The Forgotten War." Falling between the great conflagration of World War II and the divisive conflict in Vietnam, the 1950-53 war is not well-understood in the United States.

George King was there as part of operations most Americans know nothing at all about. First of all, King is British. While Americans made up the bulk of the United Nations forces assisting the South Korean military in the face of a massive invasion by North Korea, many other countries sent contingents as well, including the UK.

King served in the Royal Navy — and we seldom think of Korea as a naval conflict.

King visits his son Stephen

King and his family in Sisters each year, and he sat down with The Nugget last month to describe some of his experiences.

Just 17 when he joined the Royal Navy in 1947, he signed on to make some money for his family in the midst of Great Britain's post-World War II years of austerity. He spent 3-1/2 years deployed to the Far East. He survived in support of a counterinsurgency against a Communist revolt in Malaysia, and was stationed on a frigate just off of Pusan in the desperate moments when North Korean forces had the South Koreans and UN troops routed and pushed into a corner of the south end of the peninsula known as the Pusan Perimeter.

"One of our regiments, the Gloucesters, were stuck back

in the hills there, so they were fighting for their lives all the time," King said.

His frigate bombarded the perimeter to provide support to those beleaguered troops. The fighting was intense.

"We were in the highest rise-and-falling tide in the world then," King recalled. "When the tide ebbed and flowed, you had the bodies floating past you all the time."

The memories of those terrible days have stuck with King all his life, as have memories of coming under fire from Chinese forces during reconnaissance missions on rivers in North Korea.

King and his fellow sailors were tasked with rowing whale boats up into rivers at the 49th parallel to conduct surveys, and reconnoiter.

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City snapshot changes afoot in Sisters

Bv Sue Stafford Correspondent

• Two new commissioners have been appointed by Mayor Chuck Ryan, and confirmed by the City Council, to fill two in-city open seats on the Planning Commission. Scot Davidson will fill the remaining 18 months left in David Gentry's term. Mark Hamilton was appointed to a full four-year term previously held by Daryl Tewalt, who

He is an Oregon residential contractor with experience building in Sisters. Hamilton has 15 years experience as a real estate appraiser. There were five applicants for the two positions. One withdrew due to schedule conflicts and one didn't show up for the interview. The Planning Commission meets the third Thursday of every month, with workshops at 4 p.m. and public hearings at 5:30 p.m.

• The Planning Commission and Housing Policy Advisory Board will

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BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

served as a commissioner for

16 years. Davidson is retired

from a career in business

leadership and management.

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 Luthera 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), Stitchin' Post. All are welcome. 541-549-6061.

of Directors 2nd Tuesday, 9 to 11 a.m., Sisters Library.www.sistersfol.com. Go Fish Fishing Group 3rd Monday,

Friends of the Sisters Library Board

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 Sisters. 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. The Pines Clubhouse. 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.

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