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Youth Build is at heart of music festival

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Students from Heart of Oregon Corps Youth Build Program will once again participate in the Sisters Rhythm and Brews Festival at the end of July.

Laura Handy, the executive director of the Heart of Oregon Corps spoke with *The Nugget* on the program and its connection to the festival.

The Youth Build program is one of six programs associated with the Heart of Oregon. It is a program based

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Moon over Sisters...



PHOTO BY BRENT MCGREGOR

As we contemplated the fact that 50 years ago, men walked on the surface of the moon for the first time, photographers like Brent McGregor got out into the country and shot photographs of an exceptional display of lunar magnificence over Sisters Country.

Sisters taking a hard look at housing strategies

By Sue Stafford
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A report outlining strategies to meet future housing needs in Sisters is heading on to the Sisters City Council.

The study results reflect the complicated questions that surround the issue of housing: Sisters has an overall need for more affordable and workforce housing and, at the same time, there is a projected shortage in acreage

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Tagging incidents under investigation

Graffiti has been spray-painted in several areas of Sisters in recent days and the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is "actively trying to figure out who is doing it," according to spokesman Sgt. William Bailey.

The bridge over Whychus Creek in the Timber Creek subdivision was "tagged" about a week ago, and over the past couple of days, there has been graffiti at Village Green Park and on road signs along Highway 242 west of Sisters.

It is unknown if there is a single perpetrator or multiple perpetrators.

Sgt. Bailey encourages anyone who has information or who witnesses suspicious activity to contact authorities as quickly as possible so that deputies can contact any potential subjects. Anyone who has damage to property should contact authorities as soon as possible. Citizens have noted that Sisters municipal code has a curfew for minors from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., which is enforceable by the sheriff's office.

Central Oregon's non-emergency dispatch number is 541-693-6911. The sheriff's office also has a reporting page at <https://sheriff.deschutes.org/community/crime-prevention/reporting-graffiti/>

Local racer honored for lifetime achievement

By Jim Cornelius
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Sisters auto-racer Erik Dolson is the 2019 recipient of the Wemme Trophy, a lifetime achievement award recognizing contributions to Portland Vintage Racing. Dolson was presented with the award on Sunday, July 14 at the conclusion of the Rose Cup Vintage Grand Prix held at the Portland International Raceway.

Jeff Zurschmeide, a freelance writer and vintage racing enthusiast who sits on the board that decides on the Wemme award each year, said that Dolson has "been on the short list for several years."

He noted that, "When I said, 'I think this is the year for Erik,' everybody just said, 'oh, yeah.' Shortest meeting we've ever had."

The racing program notes

that, "Each year, the Wemme Trophy is awarded to a driver of great skill who best represents the ideals of Vintage Racing. Those ideals include sportsmanship on the track, craftsmanship in preparing the vintage racecar, and friendliness to the fans."

Zurschmeide said that Dolson, who has been racing since the 1990s, exemplifies those values.

"Erik is one of the most well-liked and well-respected drivers in the whole scene," he said.

Dolson is a clean racer and a competitive one — always in the hunt for first place. And, Zurschmeide says, he is one of those who "is a gentleman on and off the track, respects the sport and everyone around them."

The Sisters racer — and

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PHOTO BY KASEY KLAUS

Erik Dolson was awarded the Wemme Trophy in Portland Vintage Racing earlier this month.

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