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all was well. There was no theft and no vandalism. I have been very grateful to the three different people involved and appreciate the good people of the community.

I realize at any given time there may be folks doing things they shouldn't, dangerous, dishonest, and unhealthy. But the community of Sisters is by and large made up of honest, hardworking, generous and kindhearted people.

There is much talk in these times that is harsh, unkind and untrue. I appreciated this community and the spirit that makes it so great.

Fred McCaulou



To the Editor:

I would like to share why I am a member of Indivisible Sisters.

These days, no matter what aspect of life, there are incredibly important concerns locally, nationally and globally. What I found most frustrating in my teensy roll to mitigate the crises of politics, governance and environment is that individuals are pulled hither and yon to donate time and funds to all kinds of good causes. It was frustrating and even upsetting to turn down some and to determine to which I could donate anything. What I found with Indivisible National, and with Indivisible Sisters in particular, was a welcoming NPO that focuses on citizens education and involvement and makes it accessible and manageable.

Our emailed newsletter is shared with over 200 Sisters residents and with all Central Oregon Indivisible and ORD2 chapters and provides 3 to 5 action items per week to do or not of your choosing. The actions can be writing an LTE (letter to the editor) on a hot topic, calling one or more of your legislators State or Federal on another topic, attending a Town Hall, an invite to a Debate Watch Night, etc. A local graphic artist, Josh Burger, produces this newsletter – thank you! Indivisible will support one candidate or another once all candidates have been thoroughly

reviewed. Indivisible coordinates with other NPOs to assist in sharing important information and upcoming events all geared toward citizenry getting involved.

It is progressive and focused on public issues/concerns.

Indivisible Sisters seeks to inform citizens how to run for office, what offices are opening locally, who are the candidates, arranges for meeting local candidates, and welcomes all citizens to take part in whatever way suits each individual. This works for me. Maybe for you, too? See Indivisible.org for the National NPO and Indivisiblesisters.org to sign up locally.

Susan Cobb



To the Editor:

A recent letter decrying the use of the term “racist” in the past 2.5 years (but not before that?) demonstrates a common logic fault. The writer cites the many individual successes of black Americans as proof that white supremacy is non-existent in our country. The fallacy is the idea that an improvement (whether great or small) from a truly horrific original state must mean that the social, economic, and political conditions that caused or were concurrent with that state have simply disappeared.

An improvement over the last 150 years cannot obscure the fact that racism certainly exists today. At least as many examples of its continuance can be given as those success stories provided: starting with the denigration of Mexican immigrants as rapists and ending with last month's tweets to four non-white congresswomen to “go back” to wherever — and all the many actions and words in between.

One man's racism does not indict an entire country, but it does illuminate, and in this case, amplify and reflect on parts of ours. We are not a “white supremacist” nation, but there are certainly white supremacists in our nation — and the waxing and waning of their influence is to be noted.

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Best In Show...



PHOTO BY JESS DRAPER

Daisy Draper of Sisters enjoyed creating a collection of artwork in a variety of mediums for the 100th Deschutes County Fair. Each of her art entries earned a first- or second-placing, plus her oil pastel drawing of a geisha girl took youth best-in-show honors.

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