

**C O M M U N I T Y**

# Festival of Books has activities for everyone

By Sue Stafford  
Correspondent

Families and community are the focus all day Sunday, October 20, at the Sisters Festival of Books. All events except one are free and open to the public.

Paulina Springs Books will be the site of a majority of the events. All day long at the store there will be free Leuchtturm 1917 Journal embossing with journal purchase. Signing tables will also be available all day with drop-in signings and

activities from Saturday and Sunday authors.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. activities for children will include: a story hour featuring bilingual stories, music with Dennis McGregor and others, coloring, and other activities; a roundup of kid and young-adult authors; and Jonathan Tweet presents “Grandmother Fish” with activities.

Told in an engaging call and response text where a child can wiggle like a fish or

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PHOTO BY HELEN SCHMIDLING

Middle school students shared their picks for favorite paintings with artist Dan Rickards at Clearwater Gallery.

# Sisters festival brings renowned author

By Jim Cornelius  
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David Joy writes from the beauty and darkness of his home country in the Appalachian Mountains of western North Carolina. His “Appalachian noir” novels — “Where All Light Tends To Go,” (an Edgar finalist for Best First Novel); “The Weight of this World”; and most recently “The Line That Held Us” are deeply steeped in the culture and the landscape of the region — yet the writing and the storytelling is so powerful that it has

transcended both region and genre to win national acclaim from critics and readers alike.

Joy is one of the featured authors at the Sisters Festival of Books this month, and will present his work at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 19, in Room C at Sisters Middle School.

In an interview with *The Nugget*, Joy reflected on how themes resonate out from the local and particular.

“I think what you’re getting at is something that’s been addressed by lots of

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# Art students tour Hood Ave. galleries

By Helen Schmidling  
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Two dozen art students from Sisters Middle School art classes walked to town Thursday for a colorful tour through four galleries on Hood Avenue. First, they gathered in front of Sisters Gallery & Frame Shop. Dividing into small groups, they alternated among the galleries for a different experience in each location. For some, it was their very first opportunity to visit an art gallery and meet with working artists.

At Sisters Gallery &

Frame Shop, small groups cut glass petals under the expert supervision of fused glass artist Mel Archer. It was hands-on all the way. Archer brought his worktable, panels of bright yellow glass, safety glasses and glasscutters. He also brought samples of finished work so the students could picture what they were about to create.

After a firm lesson on how to handle the glass and the tools, the young artists donned goggles, and with little trepidation, zipped the cutting wheels across the glass surface. When properly executed, the motion of

the wheel on glass sounds exactly like a zipper. Then, “Crack!” they carefully split the glass pieces, right along the zip line.

During the afternoon, Archer’s toolbox filled with golden glass petals that he will fuse into a glass portrait of sunflowers for the class.

“They loved the opportunity to touch the raw material of glass and look forward to seeing its final product,” said Sisters Middle School art instructor Judy Fuentes.

Archer thoroughly enjoyed the exercise, even

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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), Stitchin’ 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., The Lodge in 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 Speak Life Cancer Support Group** 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 10 a.m. Suttle Tea. 503-819-1723.

**Sisters Trails Alliance Board** 1st Wednesday, 5 p.m. Sisters Library. 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** 2nd & 4th 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