

COMMUNITY

Adult poetry contest winners announced

By T. Lee Brown
Correspondent

New Oregon Arts & Letters and Sisters Farmers Market recently co-presented the inaugural Food & Farm Haiku Contest. The judge was the State of Oregon's official poet laureate, Kim Stafford, soon to appear at the inaugural Sisters Festival of Books.

Stafford chose a poem by Holly Crosson of Corvallis as the first-place winner in the adult Out-of-Towners category. Crosson wrote a

triptych of poems, which she later revised; the full triptych will be published online at sistersfarmersmarket.com.

*Hoes strike stones that sing.
Sweat and dust and heat, then green.
Music in the fields.*
— Holly Crosson

The three finalists were Lee Kordell of Scottsdale, Arizona, who has family in the Sisters area. Portland

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Scientist to talk bees at The Belfry

The birds and the bees. Dr. Jerry Freilich is quick to confess that he is quite interested in the birds and the bees, and he's confident that everyone else is, too.

The birds are fascinating, of course, but it's the bees he really wants to talk about.

"Biodiversity Begins with a Bee" will be the topic when Dr. Freilich speaks at The Belfry on Tuesday, October 22, for the second lecture in the 2019-2020 Frontiers in Science series.

Most people can name fewer than five kinds of bees and are astounded to learn

that there are actually 4,000 native bee species in the United States. Most of these are tiny, fast-flying, and hard-to-spot despite their vital importance to our lives. Dr. Freilich's three-dimensional images and 3-D glasses for the audience will provide a valuable tutorial about native bees and the role they play in sustaining the biodiversity around us.

"We have a general understanding that living things create the oxygen we breathe, clean the water we drink,

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PHOTO BY HELEN SCHMIDLING

Carol Bunker and her daughter, Colleen Franks, spin alpaca yarn during the demonstration at the Sisters Library.

Spinning, weaving grow in popularity

By Helen Schmidling
Correspondent

Eight-year-old Nolan Riding ran the shuttle back and forth across the weft of fiber on his table loom, and then pressed the beater against the weave, creating a pattern of fabric that will be a table runner. Nolan and his six-year-old brother John are the youngest members of the Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers Guild. They understand the mechanics and the process of weaving, and both

have created finished items.

The young brothers got involved in weaving after a visit to their grandfather's neighbor intrigued them. The neighbor had a loom, and the boys wanted to know how it worked.

"So I encouraged them," said their mom, Courtney. "We are a family of redheads — we can't go out much in the summer, so I'm always looking for things to keep the kids busy indoors."

Both entered items in the Deschutes County Fair this

summer, and Nolan took home a blue ribbon and a best of show.

At the Sisters Library on Saturday, Nolan set up his table loom and easily described the process that he's been working on for more than a year now. Both Nolan and John have items on display as part of the Guild's annual show in the Library's Community Room. Around the tables on Saturday, other Guild members demonstrated

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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 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