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## Community tree lighting and parade on tap

As part of its Cowboy Christmas events, the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce will host its yearly Christmas Tree lighting on Friday, November 29, at Fir Street Park, and Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 30 at 2 p.m. on Hood Avenue sponsored by Hayden Homes.

The annual tree lighting will take place on Friday, November 29, at 5:30 p.m.

Cowboy Christmas continues on Saturday, November 30, with the annual Sisters Christmas Parade. This year's parade theme is "A Sisters Country Christmas."

"This is such a fun event, always exciting

and festive," said Jeri Buckmann, events director at the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. "Perfect weekend to start off the season."

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. and will have participants riding on floats, marching and singing their way down Hood Avenue for onlookers. Spectators can join Santa Claus for refreshments at the Sisters Chamber office (291 E. Main Ave.) after the parade.

For more information or a complete Cowboy Christmas calendar of events email [jeri@sisterscountry.com](mailto:jeri@sisterscountry.com) or call the Chamber offices at 541-549-0251.

## Sisters Country Birds

— By Dougals Beall, Columnist —



The wild turkey (*Meleagris Gallopavo*) is not a native species in Oregon.

Introduced in 1961 by ODFW, they are now well established in the pine forests around the Metolius Basin. The subspecies Rio Grande has had the most successful natural expansion, although the Merriam's also has a steady population.

Females lay 10-14 beige mottled eggs which hatch in approximately 28 days, and within 24 hours of hatching the poults have left the nest. Insects, berries, seeds and all variety of nuts are common foraging foods in the turkey's diet.

They are agile flyers and usually fly low and for no more than a quarter mile, and roost in trees overnight.

The turkey came by its name through a misunderstanding. The English were shipped this bird by Turkish/Spanish ships and therefore named it a "TURKEY."

Here is some food for thought on "Turkey

Day" — Benjamin Franklin was a staunch supporter of the American wild turkey as the national bird, and here is a short excerpt of a letter to his daughter Sarah Bache in 1784:

"For my own part I wish the Bald Eagle had not been chosen the Representative of our Country. He is a Bird of bad moral Character. He does not get his Living honestly. You may have seen him perched on some dead Tree near the River, where, too lazy to fish for himself, he watches the Labour of the Fishing Hawk (osprey); and when that diligent Bird has at length taken a Fish, and is bearing it to his Nest for the Support of his Mate and young Ones, the Bald Eagle pursues him and takes it from him."

A group of turkeys are referred to as a "dole," a "crop," a "gang," a "raffle," or a "posse."

Happy Thanksgiving — and for more turkey photos visit <http://abirdsingsbecauseithasong.com/recent-journeys>.

## Three Sisters Lions Club Holiday Faire

A hand-made gift can be the most thoughtful kind of gift you can give. The Three Sisters Lions Club Holiday Faire makes it easy to find one-of-a-kind hand-crafted gifts of exceptional quality. Centrally located at 142 E. Main Ave., the holiday faire runs through December 21.

From wonderful holiday decor items that will put your home or business in the Christmas spirit to unique gifts that will be appreciated and handed down, you'll find a host of treasures at this annual event. Metal art, leather jewelry, pocket purses, aprons, kitchen accessories, soaps, children's toys, doll clothes, pottery and blown glass — all kinds of unique gifts made by local artisans.

And your gifts give in multiple ways. Of course they will delight the loved ones on your list. They'll also support the thriving arts economy in Sisters, while supporting the vital outreach of the Three Sisters Lions Club!

