

C O M M U N I T Y

Sisters to host holiday variety show

The Sisters High School Jazz Choir presents the fifth annual Holiday Showcase on Friday, December 13.

The choir invites the Sisters community to celebrate the holidays at a variety show featuring favorite performers from across Central Oregon. Performers this year include many school groups, featuring the SHS Jazz Choir and SHS Jazz Band. A combined middle and high school concert band will perform carols during intermission in the school commons.

Guest artists from throughout Central Oregon include Irish rock band Five Pint Mary with Sisters' own Tyler Cranor on bass; the

Johnson Girls; and dancers from Sisters Dance Academy.

Outlaw Cheer will make a special appearance, as will a "jolly friend" from the North Pole.

The event is set for 7 p.m. in the Sisters High School Auditorium.

There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person benefiting the SHS Jazz Choir's performing trip to Disneyland. Also for sale will be quilt raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt donated by local quilter Susan Cobb, and Holiday Singing Grams delivered by the Jazz Choir.

Concessions will be available during intermission.



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

The Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show launched fundraising for their 45th anniversary show next year.

Winter solstice gathering set in Sisters

By T. Lee Brown

Correspondent

The darkest day of the year sounds like a gloomy proposition. No wonder people around the world brighten it with traditional fires and candles. In Sisters, all are invited to a winter solstice gathering, silent meditation, and labyrinth walk at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 21, at Sisters Community Labyrinth.

The "Labyrinth Ladies" will bring a new element to this year's gathering: fire. Bonfires have been a traditional element in solstice celebrations the world over since antiquity. Pat Leiser is preparing a fire column in addition to a portable metal fire pit in the labyrinth's center.

Leiser brings a festive spirit to labyrinth events,

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Fundraising underway for 45th SOQS

The Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show welcomed guests on Thursday, December 5, for their first holiday luncheon at the Sisters Community Church Fireside Room to kick off fundraising efforts for the 45th Anniversary Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show to be held July 5-10, 2020. Jeff Omodt, board president, made opening remarks and introduced Dawn Boyd, executive director, who outlined some of the new special activities and events planned for the 2020 show.

The guest speaker for the luncheon was Kimberly Bennefield, president of the Portland Modern Quilt Guild, who showed some

of her early quilts. A quilt panel made by members of the Tentmakers of Cairo was hung for the luncheon as well.

Here is a brief look at next year's show:

On Sunday, July 5, there will be a Quilt Walk. The Wednesday night, July 8, fundraiser will introduce the Tentmakers of Cairo. Hand-applique artistry that has been part of the Egyptian culture for centuries is continued today. SOQS is excited to welcome two of these tentmakers, along with internationally known quilter Jenny Bowker, as they tell the stories of their culture and their artwork. These beautifully

hand-made quilting panels will be available for purchase at the Quilt Show, and the artisans will be on hand to meet visitors.

Forty-fifth Anniversary Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show celebrations will take place at different locations throughout town on Thursday, July 9. Show day is Saturday, July 11. Additional activities and information on how to register quilts will be forthcoming.

To make a donation toward Quilt Show fundraising efforts, contact the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show office at 541-549-0989, or mail your donation to 220 S. Ash St., Ste. 4, Sisters, OR 97759, attention: Fundraising.

SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

Al-Anon Mon., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 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.

Citizens4Community, Let's Talk 3rd Monday, 5:30 to 8 p.m. RSVP at citizens4community.com

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, 1 p.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 Monthly on a Friday. Call 541-549-4133 for date & time.

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