

# COMMUNITY

## Burglary suspect nabbed in Sisters

A 26-year-old man was arrested Wednesday night after he allegedly broke into an occupied residence in Sisters.

According to the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, at about 8:07 p.m., law enforcement was dispatched to a report of a burglary in progress near the 1600 block of Perit Huntington Road at the east end of town. A deputy arrived and spotted a man walking in between two houses in the neighborhood. The man was identified as 26-year old Stephen Calhoun

of Redmond. He was allegedly intoxicated, and the deputy detained him.

Additional deputies responded to the residence, along with assistance from the Black Butte Police Department and the Oregon State Police. Law enforcement personnel surrounded the home and all the residents of the home were evacuated. The homeowners believed there was still someone in the residence as law enforcement arrived.

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Brenda Simpson, senior product development lead from Lonza Pharma & Biotech (formerly Bend Research), poses with Invention Enterprise winners from Sisters Christian Academy.

## Sisters charity provides Christmas to 3,200 kids

Sisters charity World's Children is providing Christmas to 3,200 children on December 25. All of the children live in orphanages in India, Ethiopia and Guatemala. Each year World's Children collects funds for Christmas throughout the year and then wires whatever money it has collected to each of 29 orphanages, with a combined 3,200 kids.

Every child gets one gift, typically a new article of clothing, and a Christmas feast is cooked. Christmas dinner in the India

orphanages doesn't include turkey or ham, as it would in the U.S., but is comprised of rice and a special curry sauce.

This year several donors did something for the children that had never been done before. One man in California had 700 greeting cards made with a picture of Santa and Mrs. Claus on the front. He hand-wrote a personal message on each card as though from Santa. All the children in five orphanages will receive a card on Christmas morning.

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## Students earn Invention Enterprise awards

By Jodi Schneider  
Correspondent

Students at Sisters Christian Academy earned awards for their proposals as part of the 28th annual Invention Enterprise Science Contest Challenge.

Brenda Simpson, senior product development lead from Lonza Pharma & Biotech, presented awards to six students at Sisters Christian Academy.

The contest is sponsored by Bend Research, which is now a part of Lonza Pharma & Biotech, with support from Bend-La Pine Schools, Central Oregon Community College and the Riverhouse on the Deschutes.

Central Oregon students

had the opportunity to address the crisis created by the massive accumulation of discarded plastic based on this year's competition problem statement:

"Plastic, Plastic Everywhere. One of our greatest inventions is now a global threat. What will you create to address this problem?"

"This year we had 1,200 entries from students all over Central Oregon," Simpson said. "There was a lot of competition and just over 160 students won awards and only 114 student winners in grades K-6 received specially designed T-shirts and will be invited to a special Science Night presentation at Lonza's Tumalo facility. This includes the six students from Sisters Christian Academy."

The Invention Enterprise contest was open to all Central Oregon students in grades K-12, including home-schooled students. Entries were judged on originality, usefulness and development of the concept.

Dory Koehler-King, Invention Enterprise contest director, said, "The excitement that the students bring to this contest every year is truly inspiring."

Invention Enterprise winners from Sisters Christian Academy are Emily Carnahan, second grade, for her project "River Claw"; Judy Jeppsen, Hayley Strasser, and Peyton von Pohle, third grade, for their project "The Ocean Cleaner"; and Mary Miracle, fourth grade, and fifth-grader Ally

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## 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