

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AA Meetings

As a result of COVID-19 mandates on meeting size and locations, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings in Sisters are currently continuing in creative ways. Some meeting times have moved to an online Zoom platform. Others are not meeting at this time. To talk to an alcoholic, find out about Zoom meetings in Sisters, or any other questions about Alcoholics Anonymous you can call one of the numbers below or go online at coigaa.org. Call Anne Z: 503-516-7650 or Jan: 541-647-8859 or Agnes: 541-588-6778.

Furry Friends Pet Food

The Furry Friends (FF) office is closed but is still offering free dog or cat food to those in need. Pet food can be left outside the Sisters Art Works building where the FF office is located. It will be marked with your first name only. Pick-ups are available at an agreed upon time. (It can't be left outside for very long as other critters may get into it.) Please call or text Furry Friends at 541-797-4023.

Black Butte Ranch RFPD Board Meeting

In response to the current health emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Black Butte Ranch RFPD facilities are currently closed to the public and meetings are being held electronically. For information on the May 28 board meeting please contact Jamie at 541-595-2288 or jvohs@blackbutteranchfire.com.

Community Assistance During COVID-19 Pandemic

VAST church is eager to help, picking up prescriptions, delivering groceries or food, helping however they can. People in need can call 541-719-0587 and press 1 to be connected to Mikee Stutzman, Ministry Coordinator or email her at admin@vastchurch.com. VAST Church is willing to help as long as resources and volunteers allow.

Habitat Thrift Store & ReStore

Sisters Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store and ReStore will remain closed until the state closure of non-essential businesses is lifted. If you have an urgent need that we can help with, please contact the Habitat Office at 541-549-1193 or email info@sistershabitat.org.

Sisters Community Garden

The Sisters Community Garden has a few raised bed garden plots available for the 2020 gardening season. Application materials and information are available on the Garden's website, SistersCommunityGarden.org. For more information, please call 503-313-3076.

Sisters Christian Academy Liquidation of Assets

Sisters Christian Academy, located at 1307 W. McKinney Butte is liquidating assets on Friday, May 15, from 1 to 2 p.m. Donation-based. Appropriate distancing respected. Available: curriculum, books, PE, science, office/kitchen & more! Call 541-549-4133 for more information.

Weekly Food Pantry

Westside Sisters Church has a weekly food pantry on Thursdays. For the next several weeks, food will be distributed drive-through style from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the New Hope building, 222 N. Trinity Way. People in need of food may drive through the parking lot and pick up a bag of food for their household. Other Sisters-area churches are joining with Westside Sisters to contribute financially to help sustain the program. Call 541-549-4184 for more information.

Sisters Community Church

Do you need help with running errands or deliveries or more? Sisters Community Church has volunteers available and is cultivating a caring community. Call Wendy at 541-389-6859. Visit the church website at www.sisterschurch.com.

Circle of Friends

Circle of Friends, a mentoring program in Sisters, is continuing to find innovative ways to reach out and assist their mentors, children and families. Current needs include childcare to allow parents to continue to work, internet/computer access for online learning, supplies for at-home learning and activity kits, and even basic needs, such as food and medical access. Circle of Friends has also established an emergency fund to provide immediate response for the most pressing needs. Contact Kellie at 503-396-2572 to help.

Kindergarten Roundup

Sisters Elementary School (SES) will hold their annual Kindergarten Roundup pre-registration beginning on Monday, May 18. Children who will be age 5 on or before September 1, 2020 are eligible for the 2020-21 school year. Please call the SES office at 541-549-8981 if you have any questions. Due to distance learning, the office will only be open on Mondays and Fridays 10:30-12:30 to pick up and drop off enrollment forms. Enrollment forms may also be printed off the school web page. These need to be completed and returned to the school by Friday, June 5 with your child's birth certificate and immunization records. Once the packets are returned, your child will be given a special summer learning packet and you will be given a link to access Kindergarten Roundup virtually.

Sisters Science Club

The Sisters Science Club is offering a number of streaming lectures and documentaries in lieu of its monthly Frontiers in Science lecture series. Sign up by emailing scienceinsisters@gmail.com. Call 541-912-0750 for more info.

Kiwanis Food Bank Change

Sisters Kiwanis Food Bank has made an operational change based on the evolving response to COVID-19. Visitors are now encouraged to shop for two weeks instead of one week. The Food Bank will then be closed every other week temporarily. The next open date is May 14. The Food Bank opens at 9 a.m. on Thursdays. Questions? Email info@sisterskiwanis.org.

STARS...Sisters Transportation and Ride Share

During the current pandemic STARS is expanding services to include pick up and delivery of pre-ordered groceries, health care products and prescription refills. Orders must be pre-paid. The driver service is doorstep to doorstep. STARS drivers can pick up bagged or boxed food and health care products from Oliver Lemons, Smokehouse, Bi-Mart and Ray's Market. Drivers can also pick up prescription refills with patient authorization from Sisters Drug.

Volunteer availability remains the same for this expanded service as for medical appointment rides: Monday to Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. STARS dispatch schedule however has been extended to accommodate added services.

To schedule rides or deliveries call STARS dispatch at 541-904-5545 on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. A volunteer will gather information and schedule your ride or delivery assisted by online software. Drivers will contact their clients by phone to clarify requests and verify the service date and time. STARS dispatch strongly suggests 48 hour advance notice to allow time to reach and schedule available drivers.

STARS drivers are community members who generously donate both time and gas so that Sisters Country residents can get much needed help. All volunteers are screened and trained. All drivers continue to follow our CDC guided health protocol.

PET OF THE WEEK

Humane Society of Central Oregon
541-382-3537



Meet **RALPHIE**, an adorable and friendly little 2-month-old mouse who is looking for his forever family! Ralphie loves running on his wheel almost as much as he enjoys exploring toilet paper tubes and munching on tasty treats! This sweet little man's adoption includes a small mouse habitat and a few other supplies! If you are looking for a cute little pet to add to the family then Ralphie is the mouse for you! Come meet Ralphie today!



541-549-4151

PREPARE FOR WILDFIRE SEASON WITH EXPANDED FIREFREE EVENTS

Central Oregon Emergency Information Network **FIREFREE**

Now is the time to clean up your yards, create defensible spaces around homes and recycle that debris at FireFree collection sites **FOR FREE!**

In Sisters | Northwest Transfer Station | 68200 Fryrear Rd. Wednesdays - Saturdays, May 4-24, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit the FireFree website at www.firefree.org for more information about how you can prepare your property for wildfire season.

PET PLACE...

... is for FREE pets seeking homes and LOST & FOUND animals. The information is published free by The Nugget Newspaper.

LOST CAT: "CHARLIE" Male; orange & white with striped orange tail. Reward for his return. Last seen April 30 in Timber Creek HOA. Please call Kay, 541-719-0031, no questions asked.

Lost pets? Call HSCO, 541-382-3537; BrightSide, 541-923-0882; Des. Co. Animal Control, 541-388-6596; Sisters Vet Clinic, 541-549-6961; Black Butte Vet Clinic, 541-549-1837; Broken Top Vet Clinic, 541-389-0391.

SISTERS-AREA CHURCHES

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (ELCA)
386 N. Fir Street • 541-549-5831
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
shepherdofthehillslutheranchurch.com

Sisters Community Church (Nondenominational)
1300 W. McKenzie Hwy. • 541-549-1201
Temporarily meeting virtually. See sisterschurch.com for details. | info@sisterschurch.com

St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church
123 Trinity Way • 541-549-9391
5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass
9 a.m. Sunday Mass
8 a.m. Monday-Friday Mass

Calvary Church (NW Baptist Convention)
484 W. Washington St., Ste. C & D • 541-588-6288
10 a.m. Sunday Worship | ccsisters.org

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration
68825 Brooks Camp Road • 541-549-7087
8:30 a.m. Ecumenical Sunday Worship (Sunday school, childcare) 10:15 a.m. Episcopal Sunday Worship (Sunday school, childcare)

Chapel in the Pines
Camp Sherman • 541-549-9971 • 10 a.m. Sunday Worship

Sisters Church of the Nazarene
67130 Harrington Loop Road • 541-389-8960 | 2sistersnaz@gmail.com
Temporarily meeting virtually. See sistersnaz.org for details.

Wellhouse Church (formerly Westside Sisters)
442 Trinity Way • 541-549-4184 • westsidesisters.org
Drive-in church at Sisters Rodeo grounds every Sunday at 10 a.m. Tune your radio to KNLR/KNLX 97.5 or 104.9 FM.

Vast Church (Nondenominational)
541-719-0587 • 9:37 a.m. Sunday Worship
Temporarily meeting virtually. See vastchurch.com for details.

Seventh-Day Adventist Church
386 N. Fir Street • 541-595-6770, 541-306-8303
11 a.m. Saturday Worship

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
452 Trinity Way • Branch President, 541-420-5670;
10 a.m. Sunday Sacrament Meeting

Baha'i Faith Meetings
Devotional Gatherings, Study Classes and Discussion Groups. Call for location and times • 541-549-6586