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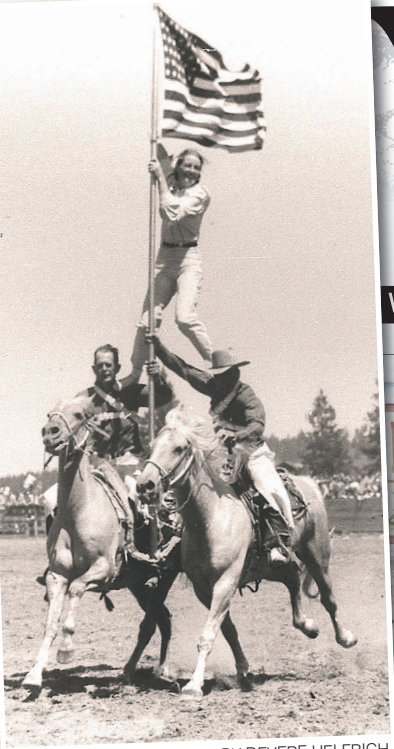


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Cobral Trio Pyramid Stand.
Sisters '48.



PHOTO BY JODI SCHNEIDER

Chops Bistro, like other Sisters eateries that are back to hosting diners, is serving outside and spacing patrons to conform to physical distancing requirements.

Sisters restaurants reopening

By Jodi Schneider
Correspondent

Restaurants, bars, breweries, tasting rooms, and distilleries were all given the go-ahead to open under Oregon's Phase I plan for recovery from the COVID-19 shutdown. After May 15, for the first time in two months, restaurants fired up their grills

and employees put on their masks, allowing people to dine in and sit outside while following Phase I guidelines.

The Open Door at Clearwater Gallery located on Hood Avenue opened their doors on the Friday that kicked off Memorial Day Weekend.

Co-owner Julia Rickards told *The Nugget* that they

were busy the first day.

"We did have a lot of tourists come through during Memorial Day weekend," Rickards said.

It is one thing to have the legal ability to reopen and another thing entirely to instill a feeling of confidence in the minds of the guests.

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Sisters Folk Festival off for 2020

The Sisters Folk Festival (SFF) cannot go forward in 2020, due to the constraints imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. However, SFF staff and board remain determined to safely and responsibly provide live music experiences for Sisters locals through the summer and fall, and the festival will return in September 2021.

The staff and board of directors of Sisters Folk Festival announced Wednesday that they have made the difficult decision to postpone the 24th annual Sisters Folk Festival — originally scheduled to take place September 11-13 — to September 10-12, 2021.

On May 7, Governor Kate Brown's office announced that concerts, major sporting events and large gatherings would not be allowed to occur without significant modifications, at least through the end of September. Since then, SFF staff has explored what those modifications might

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Community can help honor Class of 2020

Many of Sisters' trademark events are not happening this summer — but there is still plenty left to celebrate, including the "made in Sisters" class of 2020.

The local nonprofit Citizens4Community and other volunteers are hoping all of Sisters will unite behind a new project that affirms the City's small town atmosphere while honoring hometown high school seniors.

The SHS Class of 2020 Street Banner & Keepsake

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School staff cheers senior class

By Charlie Kanzig
Correspondent

In an outpouring of support for the class of 2020, staff members from all three Sisters schools lined the roadway and bus turnaround at Sisters High School cheering, ringing bells and waving signs as the seniors drove through to pick up graduation gowns and other materials on Friday, May 29.

"It was one small way we could show our love for the seniors," said SHS Principal Joe Hosang.

High school teachers and support staff handed out packets that included graduation caps and gowns, scholarship notifications, and other materials amid smiles and a few tears.

Lynne Fendall, high



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Sisters turned cap-and-gown distribution into a small event in honor of the Class of 2020.

school registrar and mother of senior Taylor Fendall, said her son had expressed disappointment in not being

able to say goodbye with the sudden shutdown in March.

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