

C O M M U N I T Y

Care-A-Vanners came to town

Sisters Habitat for Humanity recently benefited from the efforts of two couples that are part of the Habitat for Humanity Care-A-Vanner program.

Care-A-Vanners are Habitat volunteers who either live the recreational vehicle (RV) life on the road full-time, or just squeeze in an adventure when they can and help build homes wherever they are needed. Usually

Care-A-Vanners travel in large groups and make a huge impact wherever they stop and volunteer their skills. Some prefer to travel alone or in pairs as “orphans” and are less dependent on a schedule. Since Sisters Habitat builds homes year-round, many “orphans” enjoy coming here whenever they are available. In this era of COVID-19, more and more Care-A-Vanners are traveling

alone or in smaller groups.

Some Care-A-Vanners are trained Disaster Rebuild Teams to help communities recover after a disaster. There are many skilled, and unskilled, volunteer opportunities available throughout the country.

Dan and Susie Campaña and Cindy and Peter Cambrier are two

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Beth Wood sticking ‘Close to Home’

By Ceili Cornelius
Correspondent

Beth Wood, musician, poet and singer-songwriter, has been considered a Sisters local after many years of hosting the Sunday community celebration at the Sisters Folk Festival.

She first hosted the celebration at the Village Green tent in 2011, which was the anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.

“It was a wonderful, moving and rewarding experience — it was a bit out of my comfort zone but I loved it and the feeling in that tent on Sunday morning of the festival weekend,” she said. Wood has been hosting the community celebration ever since.

Wood is now *actually* a Sisters local after moving to town April 1.

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“It was interesting making the move in the middle of a pandemic but I had been drawn to Central Oregon for a while and I knew it was the place I wanted to be,” said Wood.

Wood had been living in Portland but had never really thought of herself as a city girl. Over the years of Wood attending the Sisters Folk Festival, she developed relationships with the staff and the community of Sisters.

“This place had all the things I was looking for: community, music and artistic values, and it really rang true,” she said.

She thought she would take a leap and see if it would work to live in Sisters. It has been working well for her so far and she is thankful to be in a place of natural beauty during the pandemic era. “Some days I cope better than others, but it’s nice to walk outside and have access to natural beauty,” she said.

Beth Wood will be returning to the Sisters stage yet again for the Sisters Folk Festival’s Close to Home concert event on August 1. The event is taking place on the back lawn at the Sisters Artworks Building and will bring some festival-favorite Oregon-based artists. The

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PHOTO BY JIM CORNELIUS

Katy Yoder has produced a book of essays celebrating the 50th anniversary of Black Butte Ranch.

Book celebrates 50 years of Black Butte Ranch

By Jim Cornelius
Editor in Chief

Black Butte Ranch is marking its 50th anniversary this summer — and a key element of celebration is a new book “Black Butte Ranch: There Is A Place,” featuring essays on the history of the Ranch by Katy Yoder.

The 88-page volume, rich

in historical and landscape photographs, was coordinated by legendary Oregon photographer Rick Schafer.

Yoder was a natural choice to create the keepsake collection of essays. She is a professional writer (including freelancing for *The Nugget Newspaper*) — and she’s got

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As the COVID-19 crisis affects gatherings, please contact individual organizations for their current meeting status or alternate arrangements. See Announcements on page 10 for more information.

SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

Al-Anon Mon., noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. / Thurs., 10 a.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 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, SPRD bldg. 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) 2nd & 4th 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 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Noon, Aspen Lakes. 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 Monday, 5 p.m. Sisters Library. Public welcome. 808-281-2681.

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 2nd Tuesday, 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, 3:30 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, 4:30 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