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Daniel Joseph Appenzeller

July 8, 1956 – August 21, 2020

Daniel Joseph Appenzeller, age 64, died peacefully at home from complications of cancer on Friday, August 21 in Sisters.

Dan was born on July 8, 1956, in Oxnard, California to Mitch (Mildred) and Bill Appenzeller.

He married the love of his life, Crista Munro, on October 5, 1996. One of his biggest joys in life was their son, Elias Appenzeller, 23 of Eugene.

Dan was the kind of person who could pick up any instrument and play it well, but his passion was the guitar. Not many people knew what a great musician and songwriter Dan was because he didn't often play publicly. Those who were fortunate enough to hear him perform can attest to the depth of his hidden gift.

He was an avid surfer during his time in California, then found a passion for fishing, snowboarding, hiking and camping after moving to Colorado in 1991. He also collected coins and was becoming quite an accomplished crossword puzzler.

After moving to Eugene in 2011 for health reasons, Dan became a diehard Oregon Duck fan and loved to host football parties for his friends every Saturday during the season.

In 1996, Dan and Crista put on their first music event, The Four Corners Folk Festival, in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. The festival became wildly successful largely due to Dan's unique talent for discovering and presenting amazing young musicians, along with seasoned professional touring acts. By the time he retired in 2019, their nonprofit organization FolkWest was producing two annual festivals and two educational music camps a year.

Dan's family really couldn't comprehend just how much of a far-reaching impact he had on the world until after his passing, when a tidal wave of love and memories flooded their phones and social media feeds. Dan had a way of communicating with people that made them feel like they were the most important person in the world. He made it easy to get caught up in his passion for music and all the complexities of the performers on the festival stage when you saw him watching in the audience with his trademark dazzling smile lighting up his face.

Dan is survived by his wife, Crista; son, Elias; siblings, Rob Appenzeller, Tina McDonald, Katie Appenzeller, Victoria Appenzeller (Quincy), Shelley Appenzeller (Mike Chapman), John Appenzeller and Tom Appenzeller (Ana); and 15



nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family (and Dan) request that you exercise your right to vote in November, as if your life depends on it.

"You forged new relationships and bolstered old ones. We are a festival family, born from the music we listened to and the dirt we danced in. Your vision, creativity, and dedication will not be forgotten. You made families. We love you and will miss you dearly."

The family is planning a virtual memorial and celebration of life.

Wishing you enjoyable and safe Labor Day travels!

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Sisters will be busy over Labor Day weekend

The last hurrah of summer will be an active one, with a variety of events scheduled for Labor Day weekend.

The Sisters Fall Street Festival will be held as regularly scheduled on Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6 on the corner of Oak Street and Main Avenue. The annual event is in its 13th year, featuring a variety of arts, crafts, some antiques, some commercial vendors, food, beer and wine garden, entertainment and a special charity fundraiser.

The Food Cart Court at Eurosports will host a free car show on Friday, September 4, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Sisters Coffee Co. offers

live music with Linda Landucci and Steve Peavey on Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Paulina Springs Books is hosting a series of virtual events in conjunction with other Pacific Northwest bookstores. On Thursday, September 3, the Books in Common Regional Literary Event Series features Jane Kirkpatrick and Greg Nokes. For login information visit www.paulinaspringsbooks.com.

Sisters Farmers Market is entering its final month of a successful summer, at Fir Street Park on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pre-orders are available; visit www.sistersfarmersmarket.com.

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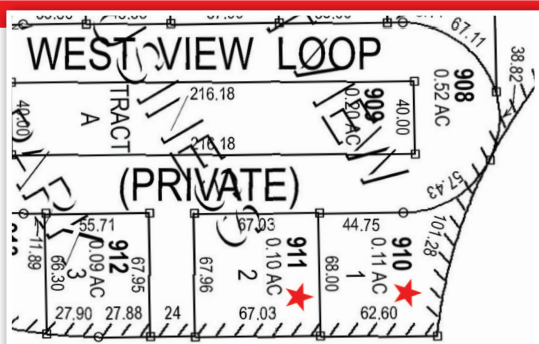
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