

**ANDERSONS:** Sisters locals have stewarded the land for years

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Sue Anderson has also been a Land Trust volunteer since the early 2000s. A local butterfly expert, much of Sue's volunteer time has been spent dazzling children and adults alike on her annual butterfly walks at the Land Trust's Metolius Preserve. During these walks, Sue helps people observe butterflies up close and shares their natural history so attendees leave with a mix of wonderment, newfound knowledge, and motivation to do whatever they can to help butterflies. Over the years, Sue has developed such a dedicated cadre of followers that they scramble to get a spot on one of her tours so they can then scramble through the woods, chasing butterflies in her cheerful company.

Deschutes Land Trust has also announced three new inductees into their Cottonwood Circle — an elite group of individuals who have volunteered for 10 or more years with the Land Trust. The Cottonwood Circle is named for the majestic black cottonwoods that line Whychus Creek at several Land Trust Preserves.

Today, cottonwoods are rare in their distribution across Central Oregon. It is this rarity, like the volunteers who stick with the



BY STEVE PEDERSEN

Sue Anderson is renowned for her butterfly tours on the Metolius Preserve.

organization for 10 or more years, that inspires the Land Trust to honor and revere these special trees and special people that are integral to a healthy landscape, a healthy land trust, and a healthy future. This year's Cottonwood Circle inductees are Kathy Johnson, Kris Kristovich, and Jim Nicol.

"These outstanding volunteers really exemplify the depth and breadth of the Land Trust volunteer family," said Sarah Mowry, the Land Trust's outreach director. "We are so fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers

who donate their time year after year for the projects they love. We are especially grateful this year to all our volunteers for sticking with us during challenging times! It is these exceptional people who make it possible for the Land Trust to conserve and protect the best of Central Oregon."

The Deschutes Land Trust has protected more than 17,523 acres for wildlife, scenic views, and local communities. For more information on the Deschutes Land Trust, call 541-330-0017 or visit [www.deschuteslandtrust.org](http://www.deschuteslandtrust.org).

**Nugget to publish dining guide for winter**

We're all being encouraged to stay close to home for the holidays and through the winter this year. To make it easy to round up the ingredients you need to cook at home, find options for takeout and delivery, locate menus or contact information for your favorite restaurant, *The Nugget* presents *Let's Eat Close to Home: your winter guide to groceries, dining, take-out & delivery*, a handy reference guide you can keep at-the-ready all winter long to make it easy to shop and dine local.

Advertisers will share their takeout and delivery menus, special holiday offerings, winter hours and contact information. Given recently renewed restrictions on restaurants, take-out orders are going to be especially important to local restaurants this winter.

Watch for *Let's Eat Close to Home* to be inserted inside *The Nugget Newspaper* on December 9. It will be a separate booklet that you can hang on to for reference.

A digital version will also

be available at [NuggetNews.com](http://NuggetNews.com) and on *The Nugget's* Facebook page. When viewing the guide digitally, you can click on links to go right to businesses' websites or online menus.

There is still time for restaurants, food carts, and purveyors of food products to get in the guide. Those who would like to participate can contact Vicki Curlett, *The Nugget Newspaper's* community marketing partner, at [vicki@nuggetnews.com](mailto:vicki@nuggetnews.com) or 541-549-9941. Final space reservation deadline is Tuesday, November 24.



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