

2020 YEAR IN REVIEW

Sisters wants more law enforcement presence

While the nation is roiled in a conflict over the proper role and conduct of law enforcement, Sisters is moving into an enhanced contract that is bringing a larger and more focused law enforcement presence to the community.

That, City Manager Cory Misley notes, is what the community said it desires.

Residents demonstrate for justice

More than 50 people gathered on the corner of Locust and Highway 20 on Saturday, June 6, in a demonstration advocating for racial justice.

In the aftermath of George Floyd's death at the hands of a police officer in Minnesota, hundreds of protests and

demonstrations have been happening across the world.

In Sisters, a group of locals decided it was time to show their support in their town.

2020 Sisters grads hit the trail, in rodeo style

Donning a black cowboy hat, Sisters High School Principal Joe Hosang welcomed the crowd celebrating the class of 2020 at the rodeo grounds Friday, June 12 saying, "We're doing this rodeo style!"

With the COVID-19 pandemic altering normal life throughout the world, commencement planners, including Lynne Fendall, Jillian Frankl and Melanie Petterson got to work weeks ago to find a way to honor the class of 2020, culminating with a drive-in ceremony on the east side of the rodeo grounds, complete with horses, a jumbo video screen and a mountain backdrop.



Rodeo Queens Hailey Konze and Riann Cornett bore the American flag and Outlaws banner at the SHS Graduation.

Trumpeting a Sisters success story

There's good news for swan lovers and those who believe in private land-holders helping species at risk. There are now more wild trumpeter swans to go into the breeding pool. Several residents of Aspen Lakes, under the leadership of Robin Gold, have been helping the two trumpeter swans, Eloise and Pete, raise a family.

A small group of Aspen Lake neighbors have pitched in to help the breeding swans ever since they arrived. The group also purchased Pete, a new cob (male swan), and paid for his

transport from North Carolina to Oregon.

Gold is the main caregiver and Pam Olivier backs her up.

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Flags wave in Tollgate Village parade

On the morning of Saturday, July 4, the road in Tollgate was awash with red, white, and blue everywhere — from VFW flag-bearer Earl Schroeder leading the parade in his shorts and straw hat, to others' hats, shirts,

bicycle helmets, face masks, and dozens of flags. Dogs of every size and breed were festooned in colorful scarves and ruffs in the spirit of the day.

Some 75 residents participated either as paraders, organizers, or spectators. Every ice cream treat was given out, having been generously donated by a local resident. All public safety recommendations were carefully followed to observe safe social distancing.

Tollgate Village team leaders Chris Laing and Jane Killefer were delighted with the turnout.

The Tollgate Village is a membership organization



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THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Food Pantry

Wellhouse Church has a weekly food pantry on Thursdays. Food is currently being distributed drive-through style from 12:30 until all food is distributed at the Wellhouse Market 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 Wellhouse Church to contribute both financially and with volunteers to help sustain the program. Info: 541-549-4184.

Free Weekly Grab-N-Go Lunches For Seniors

The Council on Aging of Central Oregon is serving seniors (60+) free Grab-N-Go lunches on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week. The lunches are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis drive-through style from 12 to 12:30 p.m. at the Sisters Community Church, 1300 W. McKenzie Hwy. Seniors may drive through the parking lot and pick up a meal each day of service. Come on by, no need to make a reservation. Info: 541-678-5483.

Career Funds Available

Applications are available for the Sisters Kiwanis Career Opportunity Fund to help adult residents of Sisters establish an occupational path. Pick up forms at the Kiwanis House, corner of Oak and Main, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays, and during regular hours from the Sisters Habitat for Humanity office. For more information, call 541-410-2870.

Support Furry Friends

Furry Friends Foundation (FFF) needs your support in this time of crisis. During the holiday season, please consider a donation to this vital Sisters-area program. FFF operates two pet-food banks, a coat and pet-supply bank and sponsors free spay/neuters/vaccinations. For more info call 541-797-4023. Mail your donation to PO Box 1175, Sisters, OR 97759 or donate online at www.furryfriendsfoundation.org

Sponsor an Impoverished Child from Uganda

Hope Africa International, based in Sisters, has many children awaiting sponsorship! Details at www.hopeafricakids.org or call Katie, 541-719-8727.

Deschutes Public Library Curbside Pickup

Sisters Library is offering a new curbside pickup service. Place your books on hold through the library's website at www.deschuteslibrary.org. When the items are ready for pickup, park in one of the designated parking spaces at the library and text "hold" to the number on the sign. Staff will text back, then deliver your items to your car.

Organ Donor Awareness

A new nonprofit is in the planning stages to educate the community on the importance of organ donation. Fundraisers and events will be discussed. If interested in taking part, please call Fifi Bailey at 541-419-2204.

Christmas Tree Pickup

Sisters Cub Scout Pack 139 will be doing their annual Christmas tree pick up Saturday, January 2. If you would like your tree picked up, text or call 541-419-0813 to be added to the list. Pickup will occur between noon and 2 p.m. Be sure to place your tree (no decorations left on them) on the curb. There is a suggest donation of \$5. (Donations can be placed in an envelope or baggie attached to the tree trunk.) All donations will go toward purchasing "Scout Boxes" to allowing the Cub Scouts to work their way through ranks and earn their badges without the weekly in-person meetings.

Please call the church before attending to verify current status of services as restrictions are adjusted.

SISTERS-AREA CHURCHES

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (ELCA)

386 N. Fir Street • 541-549-5831
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
www.shepherdofthehillslutheranchurch.com

Sisters Community Church (Nondenominational)

1300 W. McKenzie Hwy. • 541-549-1201
10 a.m. Sunday Worship (with signing)
www.sisterschurch.com | 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 | www.ccsisters.org

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

68825 Brooks Camp Rd. • 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 Rd. • 541-389-8960 | www.sistersnaz.org
10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship | 2sistersnaz@gmail.com

Wellhouse Church

442 Trinity Way • 541-549-4184 | wellhousechurch.churchcenter.com
10 a.m. Sunday Worship (Indoor & Outdoor Venues available)

Vast Church (Nondenominational)

541-719-0587 • 5 & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship at 442 Trinity Way (Wellhouse building). See www.vastchurch.com for details.

Seventh-Day Adventist Church

386 N. Fir St. • 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 • 541-647-9826

PET OF THE WEEK

Humane Society of Central Oregon
541-382-3537



Meet ENZO, a handsome one-year-old pitty mix who is ready to find his forever family! This dapper dog can be a little slow to trust and needs a loving family that can help him build confidence! Enzo loves to play with other dogs, and he would do best in a home without cats. If you are looking for a young, handsome pup to add to your family then come to the shelter and meet Enzo today!

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