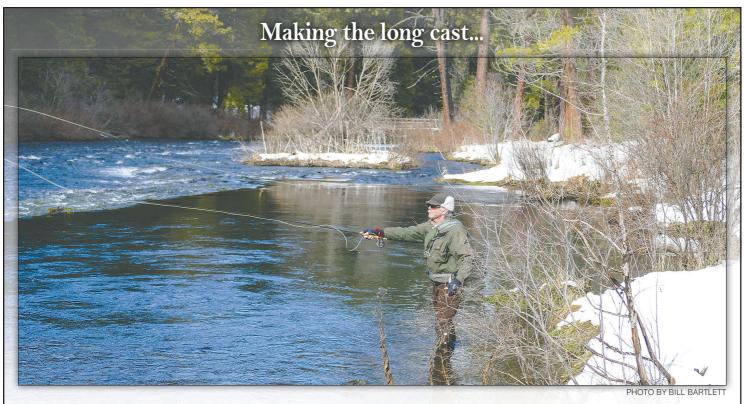
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Last Saturday proved to be a good day on the river for fly fishers. But then, any day on the river is a good day...

Sisters School District to put up building bond levy

By Charlie Kanzig

Correspondent

Sisters voters will be asked May 18 to pass a bond for the construction of a new elementary school to replace the current building that is undersized and in need of

major renovation.

A 2001 bond that was used to build Sisters High School is "retiring," which means that if the levy is passes the tax rate of 93 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value would simply continue, allowing the creation of a

\$33.8 million fund for construction of the new school and renovations and upgrades on other district property.

Population growth in Sisters has forced the issue for the district, according to school board chair Jay Wilkins.

Sisters School District officials say the need for space is immediate. Plans for next year at the elementary include the installation of two portable classrooms to accommodate the current

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DJ creates 'Live Jive' in Sisters

By Bill Bartlett

Correspondent

From a fully equipped studio off Indian Ford Road and transmitted over a tower atop Grizzly Butte in Madras, Jim Goodwin delights listeners with a bucket (as he calls it) of the music you probably know and love with no commercial interruptions.

Goodwin is on the air with Live Jive on KJIV FM 96.5 every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 9 a.m. and noon.

KJIV is one of nine stations under the ownership umbrella of Jive Radio that features a round-the-clock brand of music they call "Schizolectic Radio."

The Nugget was present last week when Goodwin did his 200th show.

Jive Radio is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) based in Cedarville, California. Jeff Cotton, the visionary

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Downtown Sisters fire determined to be arson

A fire that damaged a structure in downtown Sisters earlier this month has been determined to be arson.

According to the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, deputies with the City of Sisters were among those dispatched to a residential house fire at 152 N. Larch St. in Sisters on the night of Saturday, February 13. Personnel from the Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District quickly extinguished the blaze, assisted by firefighters from Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District and the Black Butte Ranch Rural Fire Protection District.

An investigator from the Oregon State Fire Marshall's Office and a Detective from the Oregon State Police Arson Unit responded to the

scene and conducted an origin-and-cause investigation at the residence.

The investigation has determined the origin of the fire was on the exterior of the residence and the cause was suspected to be arson. The damage to the residence is now estimated to be \$75,000.

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is working in coordination with the Oregon State Fire Marshall's Office and the Oregon State Police Arson Unit on an active investigation.

Investigators are seeking assistance from the public with any information related to this fire. If the public has any information regarding this fire, they are encouraged to contact the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office at 541-693-6911.

Students earn Scholastic honors

Young artists from Sisters won honors in the Central Oregon Scholastic Art Awards program this month.

The program celebrates budding artists at the middle-school and high-school levels. There was an exhibit opening and award ceremony at Central Oregon Community College's (COCC) Pence Hall and Pinckney Art Gallery on February 8. The works will be on display at the Pinckney Gallery through February 28.

There are 26 potential categories in the show, including 2-D, 3-D, and contemporary forms. The Central Oregon Scholastic Art Awards program, an affiliate of the National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, started in 2008 when a group of regional teachers decided to promote the program for Deschutes, Crook, and Jefferson counties, and



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Katie Springer's "Quilted Flower Jacket" earned a Gold Key.

partnered with the COCC art department.

"Gold Key" pieces go on to national judging; winners are invited to attend the national ceremony at Carnegie Hall in New York City. Bela Chladek, Katie Springer, and Chloe Brinegar

earned Gold Key status. Sisters High School had 10 artists receiving awards, and one student from Sisters Middle School (Brinegar).

The Nugget is spotlighting the work of these student artists through the coming weeks; see page 16.

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