

C O M M U - N I T Y



Fran Willis and Paul Alan Bennett at work on creating the World Mural.

PHOTO BY KATY YODER

Chalk adds a layer of fun to Market

By Katy Yoder
Correspondent

When Fran Willis joined the Seed to Table board of directors, she also joined Sisters Farmers Market Manager Caroline Hager’s efforts to make the market the best it could be. Willis suggested adding art to reflect the community’s bounty of talented visual artists. Last weekend, that idea took shape, enhancing the event that’s become a local favorite with homegrown music, produce, and products.

Willis asked local artist Paul Alan Bennett for some ideas for art at Fir Street Park. Bennett had seen chalk drawings on sidewalks at events and thought Fir Street Park was a perfect canvas for that medium.

“It was just a matter of getting chalk and deciding what we wanted to do there,” he said.

Bennett sees the theme of fruit and veggies as perfect subjects for the pictures. But for the first installment, he decided to go big-picture.

“We began with the earth

and food that we grow and share,” said Bennett.

He was happy to have a few kids join his efforts. Willis also filled in some areas of the chalk mural.

“We hope to hand this over to a group of kids and expand the work to other areas on the concrete. There are large panels by the restrooms that could display images that relate to the event, like berries, cabbage, carrots, and lettuce. Anything that ties in with the theme of

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Celebrating a historical Founders’ Day picnic

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

Sisters history came to life on the lawn of the Sisters History Museum on Sunday, July 11, when the Three Sisters Historical Society hosted its first annual Founders Day Picnic. The picnic was celebrating the original platting, on July 10, 1901, of the six blocks that comprised early Sisters (See related story, page 22).

Picnic-goers were treated to free hot dogs, potato salad, frozen ice cream treats, and iced tea and lemonade. Citizens4Community provided the funding for purchasing the picnic fare.

The picnic took place on

the sunny lawn and in the shade of the large trees next to the George Wakefield house, built in 1929. The house has been home to the Sisters History Museum for the last year. With the house currently for sale by owner Chris Boxwell, the museum will be closing on July 31 and temporarily moving to the historic Maida Bailey building located on North Spruce Street behind the Chamber of Commerce. They hope to reopen by August 15 in their new location.

Picnickers were introduced to several local historic figures portrayed by members of the Sisters Historic

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Festival announces new bookings

The Sisters Folk Festival (SFF) has been developing its lineup ever since the State of Oregon reopened and is excited with this year’s creative direction of its signature event, scheduled for October 1-3.

In a new round of bookings, artists for the 2021 SFF include: nine-time all-Ireland fiddle champion and Grammy award-winner Eileen Ivers; legendary zydeco musician

CJ Chenier & the Red Hot Louisiana Band; LowDown Brass Band with their horn-driven Chicago street beat, jazz and hip hop delivery; Portland-based singer-songwriter Haley Heynderickx; Southern old-time and grooving ensemble Hogslop String Band; soulful songwriter and guitar player Garrett LeBeau; and the instrumental guitar artistry

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As the COVID-19 crisis continues to affect gatherings, please contact individual organizations for current meeting status

SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

Al-Anon Mon., noon. / Thurs., 10 a.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-610-7383.

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.

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.

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. 541-668-1755.

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.

Prayer Shawl Group 2nd & 4th Thursday, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Call for location: 503-819-1723.

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., meeting by Zoom. 503-930-6158.

Sisters Area Photography Club 2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m., meeting at Sisters Community Church. 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., Email: sistersbridge2021@gmail.com.

Sisters Caregiver Support Group 3rd Tues., 10:30 a.m., Village Green Park. 541-771-3258.

Sisters Cribbage Club Please call for details. 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 Meeting by Zoom. 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 Tues, 1-2:30 p.m. Call for location: 541-410-9716.

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, 3:45 p.m., Black Butte School. 541-595-6203.

Sisters School District Board of Directors One Wed. monthly, SSD Admin Bldg. See schedule online at www.ssd6.org. 541-549-8521 x5002.

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., 5:30 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