

C O M M U N I T Y



Quilters rally to help their
Furry Friends

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Chief inspector Pearl Dolson looks over just a few of the many quilts that arrived from across the country as part of a “kennel quilts” initiative by volunteer quilters.

Furry Friends Foundation has been blanketed in quilts over the past few weeks. After a Facebook post by *The Quilt Pattern Magazine*, Furry Friends began receiving small boxes and plump padded envelopes — 30 in all — full of “kennel quilts.” Some even included treats.

The quilts are part of a program to provide comfort to animals affected by disasters.

The Quilt Pattern Magazine small-kennel quilt team was formed after Hurricane Sandy to help animal shelters affected by disasters. Furry Friends was

contacted as a result of the Grandview Fire and other fires burning in Oregon.

“When I let them know we weren’t actually a kennel they said they help organizations like Furry Friends, too,” said Kiki Dolson, executive director, i.e. “Top Dog” for Furry Friends Foundation. “I did make sure they knew about PET (Pet Evacuation Team), who were taking care of the evacuated animals at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds, who I understand also received the small kennel quilts.”

The small, 12-by-18-inch quilts are the

perfect size to fit into a kennel for a cat or small dog. *The Quilt Pattern Magazine* small-kennel quilt team is an entirely volunteer organization. The small quilts are made from all colors and patterns of fabrics. All made with exceptional care, some are elaborately pieced, and others are single, brightly-colored quilted pieces.

The packages arrived from all over the country including South Carolina, Indiana, Arizona, Massachusetts, Florida, Maryland, New

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Clayton Hall is Outlaws head football coach

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Correspondent

Clayton Hall has played sports his whole life and has always loved athletics. He is thrilled to be Sisters High School’s (SHS) new head football coach, and will bring enthusiasm and a whole new look to the program.

Hall was a four-year player in football, basketball,

and baseball at McMinville, High School, where he graduated in 1998. Clayton played at the quarterback position all four years, and ironically had current SHS Athletic Director Gary Thorson as his coach.

In high school, Clayton earned the Corrigan Triple Athlete Award and was

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COVID-19 by the numbers in local community

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SARS-CoV-2 and the resulting illness, COVID-19, is front and center again with increasing case counts and hospitalizations.

As *The Nugget* has reported, frustrations and tempers are also on the rise, likely in some part due to lack of data or misinterpreted data, or in some cases refusal to accept the data. Then there are those who mistrust the source of the data, so we are left with a slurry of opinions as to the severity of the delta variant surge that began unofficially July 19, after two successive days of zero cases surged to 29 in Deschutes County.

The County remains

at comparatively low levels for COVID-19 through Saturday’s *New York Times* tracker, reporting 253,000 cumulative cases in all of Oregon with 3,033 deaths. Of those, 12,430 are mapped to Deschutes with 89 deaths. With a statewide population of 4.24 million, Deschutes County at 197,374 persons has 4.6 percent of the state’s citizens and 4.9 percent of its cases. The County survival rate is lower, posting 2.93 percent of the statewide deaths.

Through Saturday, the seven-day rolling case average for Oregon is 2,073 and for Deschutes, 125, or six percent of the cases, an upward trend.

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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 Tuesdays, 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 Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Spoons Restaurant. 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