

C O M M U N I T Y



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Central Oregon Textiles was one of the vendors who demonstrated their high-quality work on-site at Sisters Harvest Faire.

Harvest Faire draws a horde to market

By Jim Cornelius
Editor in Chief

For two generations, the Sisters Harvest Faire has offered a celebration of the season, a celebration of handcrafted excellence in a plastic world, and a celebration of the community of Sisters.

This year's Faire felt especially celebratory as the crowds of market-goers returned after a year hiatus forced by the COVID-19 pandemic. Shoppers strolled among the stalls of dozens of vendors — many of whom have been regulars at the Faire for as long as 20 years. Judging from the

burdens they carried back to their vehicles parked all across Sisters, they weren't just looking.

The juried artists are noted for the quality of their goods, and shoppers find unique items of art, décor, or food and drink to take home with them. Many of them find their way under a Christmas tree in a couple of months' time.

The Sisters Harvest Faire is held across several blocks of Main Avenue in Sisters, around Fir Street Park, where Dry Canyon Stampede played on the stage on Saturday, with Bill Keale performing on Sunday. Demonstrations of

glass-blowing, textile-making, metal arts, and more lend an educational aspect to the Faire.

"It was awesome," said Jill Neal, whose "Wild (Tasteful) Women" and other works of art were on display in her tent. "[Saturday] it was wall-to-wall bodies in here. It was like old-home week."

Neal closed her gallery in Sisters and has scaled back on doing shows, focusing on a continually growing online business. But the Sisters Harvest Faire will stay on the schedule, she said. She plans to be back

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Sisters' Roundhouse Foundation is growing

By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

Sisters is home to a unique private family foundation that began in 2002 with a focus on supporting a creative economy in Sisters. Today, almost 20 years later, that same Roundhouse Foundation has grown — in assets, in programs and partners, in staff, and in geographic reach.

Founder, trustee, artist, and local Sisters resident Kathy Deggendorfer, in collaboration with her mother, Gert Boyle, the matriarch of Columbia Sportswear, established the Roundhouse Foundation with

the original desire to focus on supporting ideas and projects that created positive change.

The programs they've supported, like the Sisters Folk Festival's Americana Project in local schools, celebrate creative problem solving, and allowing creative people, like Americana Project founder Brad Tisdell, to serve as positive mentors for children. Creative people were also encouraged to be important forces in creating new economies.

The purchase of the former Multnomah Publishing building on Adams Avenue led to the establishment of

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Sisters bridge players are back in action

By Craig F. Eisenbeis
Correspondent

After a year-and-a-half pause brought on by the pandemic, the Sisters Bridge Club is up and running again. Organizers want to get the word out and are interested in recruiting — and mentoring — new players.

The local organization has been playing bridge in Sisters for more than 40 years. Some of the people who have played in the past

have migrated out of the area, and snowbird lifestyles are also creating plenty of room for newcomers.

To help players who are out of practice, such as those who may have played a little in college — or aspiring players who have never played at all — the club will be offering free bridge lessons.

The only requirement for participation is that players

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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. 541-231-1897.

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