

Writers workshop planned during '62 Days Celebration

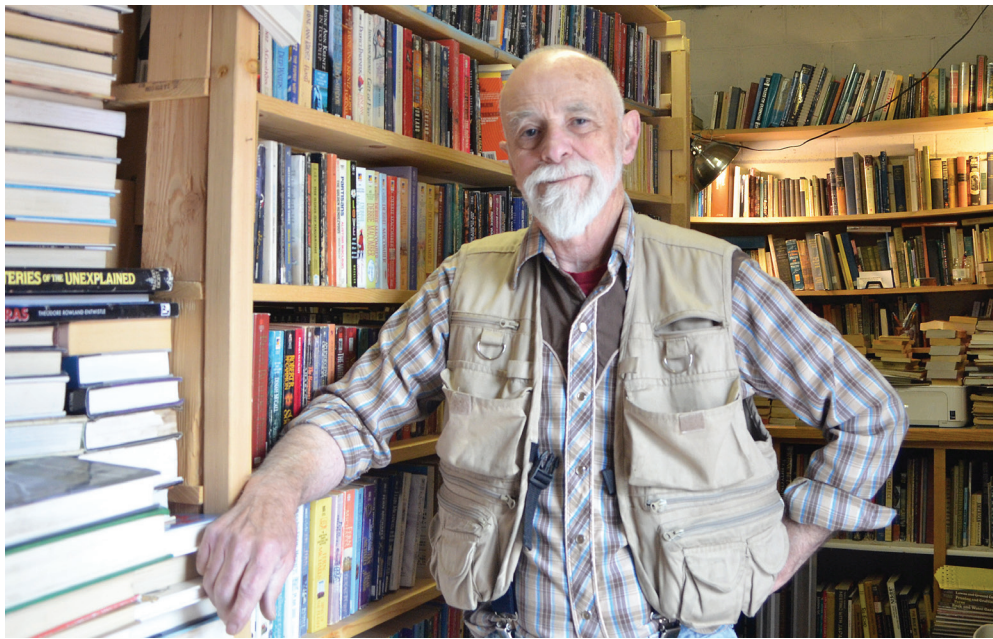
By Angel Carpenter
Blue Mountain Eagle

A group of Eastern Oregon authors have organized a Frontier Writers' Rendezvous with several writing workshops on Friday-Saturday, June 7-8, at the Canyon City Community Hall.

A small board, including Dave Driscoll of Canyon City, Kathy Moss of Prairie City and Paty Jager of Burns, formed the Frontier Writers Circle and made the plans after holding a small book fair at the same time last year, during the '62 Days Celebration in Canyon City.

"This time we're trying to be more organized," Driscoll said.

He said the purpose is to provide a gathering for writers, readers and book lovers "of all varieties" and promote literature and support



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter
Dave Driscoll of the Frontier Writers Rendezvous announced the organization is hosting a series of workshops on Friday-Saturday, June 7-8, at Canyon City Community Hall. In the photo, Driscoll stands in his bookshop DG Driscoll's BOOKS! on Friday, May 24, in Canyon City.

local writers.

Driscoll also wants to

promote local history and bring visitors to Grant

County.

The workshops kick off

with a welcome and orientation from 4-6 p.m. Friday, June 7, in the main hall.

Driscoll, a web publisher and owner of DG Driscoll Books in Canyon City, will offer a reading on Joaquin Miller (1839-1913) at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 8, in the auditorium on the second floor. Miller is a famous and flamboyant figure in the county's history, and the Grant County Historical Museum near the bookstore has the Joaquin Miller cabin on site.

Moss, an award-winning cowboy poet and author, will host a workshop titled "Prepping Persona and Personality in Cowboy Poetry" at 6 p.m. Friday, June 7, in the conference room on the second floor.

Jager, who writes murder mysteries and Western romance novels, will hold a workshop "Characterization: Making Your Char-

acters Come To Life" at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 8, in the conference room.

Four additional workshops will have topics that include self-editing, pitching a publisher, writing for trade magazines and creating a cover.

Free readings will be held from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. June 8 in the auditorium, and an open reading session will follow. Visitors will also find a bookstore with vendor booths in the community hall from 4-8 p.m. June 7 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 8.

The cost for each workshop is \$20.

A full list and description of workshops and readings is available online at oregonguidespublishing.com/fwc.

For more information, call Driscoll at 248-719-2122.

The deadline for What's Happening items is 5 p.m. Friday. Call the Eagle, 541-575-0710, or email editor@bmeagle.com. For meetings this week, see our list in the classifieds.

Thursday, May 30

Sen. Merkley town hall

• 9 a.m., Madden Brothers Performing Arts Center
Sen. Jeff Merkley, D-Oregon, will hold his 390th town hall. He will update constituents on his work in Washington, D.C., answer questions and invite suggestions about how to tackle the challenges facing Oregon and America.

Friday-Sunday, May 31-June 2

Joe Wolter Horse Clinic

• 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Grant County Fairgrounds arena and barn

Trainer Joe Wolter returns for a horse clinic. Spectators may attend for \$30 per day. For more information, contact Patti Hudson at 541-620-1951 or patti@pattihudson.com or visit joewolter.com/schedule.html.

Saturday, June 1

Free fishing event

• 9 a.m., McHaley Pond, near Prairie City
Families are invited to a fishing derby with crafts, games and fishing help. The children's event begins at 9 a.m. and runs until noon. The adult event begins at noon. McHaley Pond is located 1/2 mile east of Prairie City on Highway 26. Turn right after the "Forrest Conservation Area" sign on the red barn. Gear will be available to borrow. No license is required for the event. For more information, call Erik Rook at 541-777-2830.

Sunday, June 2

Wildlands tour of the Southern Blues

• 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 116 NW Bridge St., John Day
Mike Denny will lead an educational tour of birds and fire recovery of the Southern Blue Mountains. Stops include Scotty Creek, Starr Ridge and Old Growth Ponderosa Pine Trail. The cost is \$15 for adults, free for ages 10-17. For more information, contact Genevieve Perdue at genevieve@bmlt.org.

Liberty Quartet Christian concert

• 6 p.m., Grant County Fairgrounds, Trowbridge Pavilion
Sponsored by the Greater John Day Ministerial Association and surrounding churches, admission is free. For more information, contact Pastor Al Altnow at the First Christian Church at 541-575-1202.

Wednesday, June 5

Grant County Senior Citizens Advisory Council semi-annual meeting

• 11 a.m., Prairie City Senior Center
New members of the council appointed by the Grant County Court will be introduced. Bylaws will be reviewed and approved. Officers will be elected. Council members may propose new business items. The public is welcome. For more information, contact Frances Preston, 541-820-4463.

Fused glass class

• 6 p.m., Grant Union art room
Participants will learn basic glass fusing techniques and will make four to six items each. Materials and equipment are included, and the cost is \$45. Class size is limited, so preregistration is required. For more information or to register, contact JJ Collier at 541-575-1799, ext. 36, or call 541-980-4258.

Friday, June 7

First Friday poker walk

• 6-9 p.m., downtown John Day
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FRIDAY 7:00 9:45
SATURDAY (4:00) 7:00 9:45
SUNDAY (4:00) 7:00
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cial deals and refreshments will be available at participating business. For more information, visit the Downtown John Day First Friday Facebook page.

Friday-Saturday, June 7-8

'62 Days Celebration

- 4 p.m. June 7
- 7 a.m. June 8
- Canyon City

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out the day; Sel's Brewery opens at 4 p.m. or earlier; Copper Ridge performs music at 9 p.m. On June 8, breakfast starts at 7 a.m. at the fire hall; the Gold Rush Run and Walk starts at 7 a.m.; the parade begins at 11 a.m., with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Humbolt School parking lot; other events start after the parade, including children's activities, bed races and an ice cream social; a simulated gun fight and hanging takes place at 2 p.m. in front of Sel's; and Copper Ridge performs at 9 p.m. The Grant County Historical Museum will offer tours at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. with an Oliver Milk Wagon presentation at 10:30 a.m., American fiddle tunes at 2:30 p.m., a Cy Bingham enactment at 3 p.m. and an Annie Luce enactment at 3:15 p.m.; for tour reservations, call 541-575-0362 or stop by the museum. The People Mover will provide transportation every half hour in the paved area by the park. For more information, call 541-575-0329 or email whiskeygulchgang@gmail.com. For more information on the parade, call Melissa Galbreath at 541-620-0898.

Frontier Writers' Rendezvous

- 4-7:30 p.m. June 7
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 8
- Canyon City Community Hall

Workshops will be offered on writing, publishing and more with readings by 12 authors, a book fair and publisher's representatives both days. The event is open to the public. For more information, contact Dave Driscoll at 248-719-2122 or driscollgd@gmail.com or visit oregonguidespublishing.com/fwc.

Saturday, June 8

Gold Rush 5K Run/Walk

• 8 a.m., Sel's Brewery, Canyon City
Sponsored by the Strawberry Striders and Whiskey Gulch Gang, in conjunction with the '62 Days Celebration, the race is 5,000 meters (3.1-miles), starting and finishing at Sel's Brewery. Entry forms will be available at the Grant County Chamber of Commerce and online at goregonlive.com. To pre-register, mail in or drop off the early \$18 registration fee with checks made to Strawberry Striders. Race-day registration is \$20 from 7-7:45 a.m. For more information, call 541-575-0547 or 1-800-769-5664.

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