

Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show Raises Over \$15K for Charity **The July 11, 2009 Show Hung Over 1,300 Quilts – An All-Time Record**

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The 34th annual Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show was a big success on Saturday, July 11th, with thousands of visitors arriving in Sisters, Oregon to view over 1,300 quilts on display—more than ever before in the show’s history. Charitable donations also hit an all-time high.

The Wish-Upon-A-Card fabric postcard silent auction and postcard sale raised \$12,000 to benefit Wendy’s Wish Foundation/St. Charles Cancer Treatment Center . Special thanks go to High Desert Gallery & Custom Framing of Sisters for donating framing materials and labor to frame over donated fabric postcards.

Two productions of the Broadway musical “Quilters” were sold out, and resulted in donations to local non-profit organizations totaling \$13,763: \$5,505 to the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show, \$5,505 to Heritage Theatre Company, and \$2,752 to Sisters Family Action Network.

Volunteers make the world-famous Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show possible. This year, over 500 volunteers donated more than 1,300 hours of time to put on the show.

Quilt sales and raffle ticket sales were disappointing this year, although local retailers reported good crowds and a week of reasonably good sales despite the tough economy.

This year’s outdoor quilt show theme was “The Power of Red,” and the theme contest winners were the following quilters: Grand Prize to Jan Hearn of Sisters for her contemporary interpretation of her life-changing echocardiogram; Second Prize to Lizzie Affonso of Sisters for her little red schoolhouse quilt honoring her mentor and teacher; and Third Prize to Mary Ann Lisk of Bend for her imaginative and creatively pieced Flamenco Dancer quilt,

Sponsors of the 2009 Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show were the Stitchin’ Post, Morrow’s Sewing and Vacuum Center and Viking Distributors, and the businesses of Sisters and Central Oregon.

The 35th Anniversary of the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show will be held on the second Saturday of July, as always, so mark your calendar now for **July 10, 2010**.

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