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Sisters welcomes array of classic cars

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Folks ready to rev up the weekend strolled down Main Avenue checking out the kaleidoscope of colorful classic cars that rolled into Sisters for the ninth annual Glory Daze Car Show on Saturday. The event was presented by Sisters Park & Recreation District (SPRD).

Classic car restoration is an art form in its own right, blending science, mechanics, and design.

And from muscle cars to roadsters to rat rods to pick-ups there was something for everyone's taste. Highly polished engines that sparkled and rainbows of colored paint that shimmered kept enthusiasts busy all day searching for their favorites among the best.

Martin Hansen's "Blue Beast," a 1967 Plymouth Belvedere GTX, had a crowd of folks gathered around



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Rich and Marlayne Eliff from Eatonville, Washington took Best of Show and Best Paint honors with their '57 Buick Special Estate Wagon Street Machine.

to gawk at his blue vintage muscle car with a matching blue interior.

"The original owner must

have really loved blue," Hansen said, laughing. "With a 440 engine, this car was considered a gentleman's hot

rod." Hansen has owned the car

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Wrecks bring scrutiny to street corner

Two collisions in recent weeks at the intersection of North Pine Street and Barclay Drive in the Sisters Industrial Park have drawn scrutiny to the intersection.

In both cases, drivers failed to stop at the stop sign on Pine Street, causing collisions with cars traveling through on Barclay Drive. The accidents were serious, with vehicles flipping over, though they did not cause significant injuries.

City of Sisters Public Works Director Paul Bertagna told Deschutes County Patrol

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Local agencies prepare for eclipse impacts

By Jim Cornelius
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Traffic has been very heavy through Sisters this summer, as travelers take advantage of a strong economy and cheap gas to enjoy some travel. Imagine a weekend Sisters traffic bottleneck multiplied by... well, nobody really knows how much.

That undefined-yet-predictable scenario is preoccupying local agencies from the Oregon Department of Transportation to the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office to the Sisters Fire District and the City of Sisters. Representatives of those agencies and more met last week at City Hall to discuss contingency plans for an

expected influx of visitors to witness the solar eclipse on Monday, August 21.

While the majority of eclipse-related events will be concentrated in the area of Madras, which features the area's longest period of totality, Sisters is a gateway into Central Oregon and will likely see significant traffic impact as well as people opting to view the event from here.

Current surveys and modeling project that each day from Thursday, August 17 through Monday, August 21 will be about equal in terms of volume. That's mixed news from the standpoint of emergency services — it's

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Horseback rider rescued after fall

A 72-year-old Eugene man was life-flighted to St. Charles in Bend on Sunday, after a horse wreck on the Pacific Crest Trail.

On Sunday, July 16, at about 10:10 a.m., Linn County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue was notified that a man had had fallen off a horse on the Pacific Crest Trail about 1.25 miles north of the intersection on Highway 20 near Ray Benson Snow Park. Deschutes County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue was requested to assist Linn County SAR based on the proximity of the SAR teams to the incident.

There were currently two DCSO SAR members and a friend hiking the PCT on their way to summit Three Fingered Jack. After receiving the request for SAR resources, they turned around



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Search and rescue personnel brought 72-year-old Melvin Van Cleve out of the woods after he was seriously injured in a fall from his horse.

to make initial contact with the fallen rider. In the meantime, one Linn County SAR deputy, two Forest Service officers, Sisters Fire District personnel, nine Deschutes

County SAR volunteers and one DCSO SAR deputy responded to the incident.

The fallen rider, Melvin

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