



SPECIAL TO THE STAYTON MAIL

Don and Sue Harteloo own and operate Postal Connections in Silverton and Stayton.

Postal Connections collect items for military care pack

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Postal Connections recognized local franchise owners Don and Sue Harteloo for their participation in a month-long donation drive geared toward supporting military personnel stationed overseas.

The Harteloos, who own and operate Postal Connections in Silverton and Stayton, are taking part in the drive that is gathering items to send a surprise care package to military members specifically stationed at a U.S. Air Force base in Kuwait, according to Bailey Hewitt, spokeswoman for All Points PR information service. It is part of the designation of May as Military Appreciation Month.

The drive continues through the end of the month.

The care package includes a variety of items, including healthy snacks and drinks, non-perishable and microwavable food, toiletries and various other treats welcomed as a piece of home for those serving abroad.

Military personnel “work diligently to protect our country day-in and day-out, and sometimes without the everyday essentials that they’re used to,” said Fred Morache, Postal Connections chief operating officer. “In honor of Military Appreciation Month, we wanted to recognize our military members by surprising them with those comforts from home.”

For online information about the drive, visit www.facebook.com/PostalConnectionsInc, or visit Postal Connections in Silverton, www.pca233.com, or Stayton, www.pca146.com.

Contest

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them so special!”

According to several news sources in Indiana, Wabash won by about 10,000 votes.

More than 150 people gathered at Mac’s Place in downtown Silverton to await news of the contest winner.

Disappointed, but proud, is the way Silverton Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Stacy Palmer described reactions to hearing the news.

While the city hoped for a lucrative victory, it did pull together and work hard in its campaign effort.

The contest hit a crescendo during the week as people were invited to go online and vote for their favorite city between the two finalists — with a half million dollars for downtown revitalization at stake.

“I want to congratulate Wabash for its win and for its kind words toward Silverton,” Palmer said. “Although our towns are miles apart, what we have in common is supportive community members and people who understand the challenges of being a business owner in a small community.

“I think every small town business owner in America should pay attention to how Deluxe Corporation will assist Wabash, and I think we can all learn something we can implement in our own

communities. I am excited to see what’s next for Wabash.”

While Wabash took the contest’s prize, Silverton may have been a winner in other ways — such as gaining fame from the process.

“With the summer months around the corner and a host of activities happening in Silverton and Mount Angel, I am eager to see if we have more visitors to the area because of the free publicity Silverton received from participating in this contest,” Palmer said. “Just having more visitors to town to shop at our shops, eat at our restaurants and participate in activities such as Homer Days or the Silverton Art Fair is good for our town.”

The chamber director said that while Silverton didn’t win a half-million dollars, its lofty showing underscores the talented people in town who can lend advice on topics, including marketing public relations, merchandising and business promotion.

“I know from talking to many people that it was a challenge for some people to ask everyone they knew to vote for Silverton,” she said. “I hope what this contest shows is all we need to do is ask for assistance when we are working to achieve a goal. What this experience has taught me, is if you ask, people will help you out.”

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Fair

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Canadian Music Awards.

Closing out the fair, Creedence Clearwater Revisited will play a matinee show featuring multi-generational music. Launched in 1995, the band reportedly had no intention to play for the public, but fans dictated otherwise. Expect a show with all your favorite Creedence songs including “Proud Mary” and “Bad Moon Rising.”

Fair admission includes limited free general admission seating to concerts.

VIP tickets are \$35 and go on sale 10 a.m. Friday, May 20. The VIP experience includes premium reserved seating, preferred access to concessions, a chance to win a backstage meet-and-greet and entrance to the fair.

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ENTERTAINMENT LINEUP

Limited general admission seating is available free with Fair admission.

VIP tickets are \$35 and go on sale Friday, May 20. Get them at oregonstatefair.org.

Foreigner: British-American rock. 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26

Tommy James and The Shondells: Classic rock. 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27

Hunter Hayes: Country. 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29

Melissa Etheridge: Rock, pop, country. 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 30

Jeremy Camp and Mercy Me: Contemporary Christian. 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31

Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo: Rock. 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1

Montgomery Gentry: Country duo. 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2

Theory of a Deadman: Rock-influenced. 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3

Creedence Clearwater Revisited: Classic rock. 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 5

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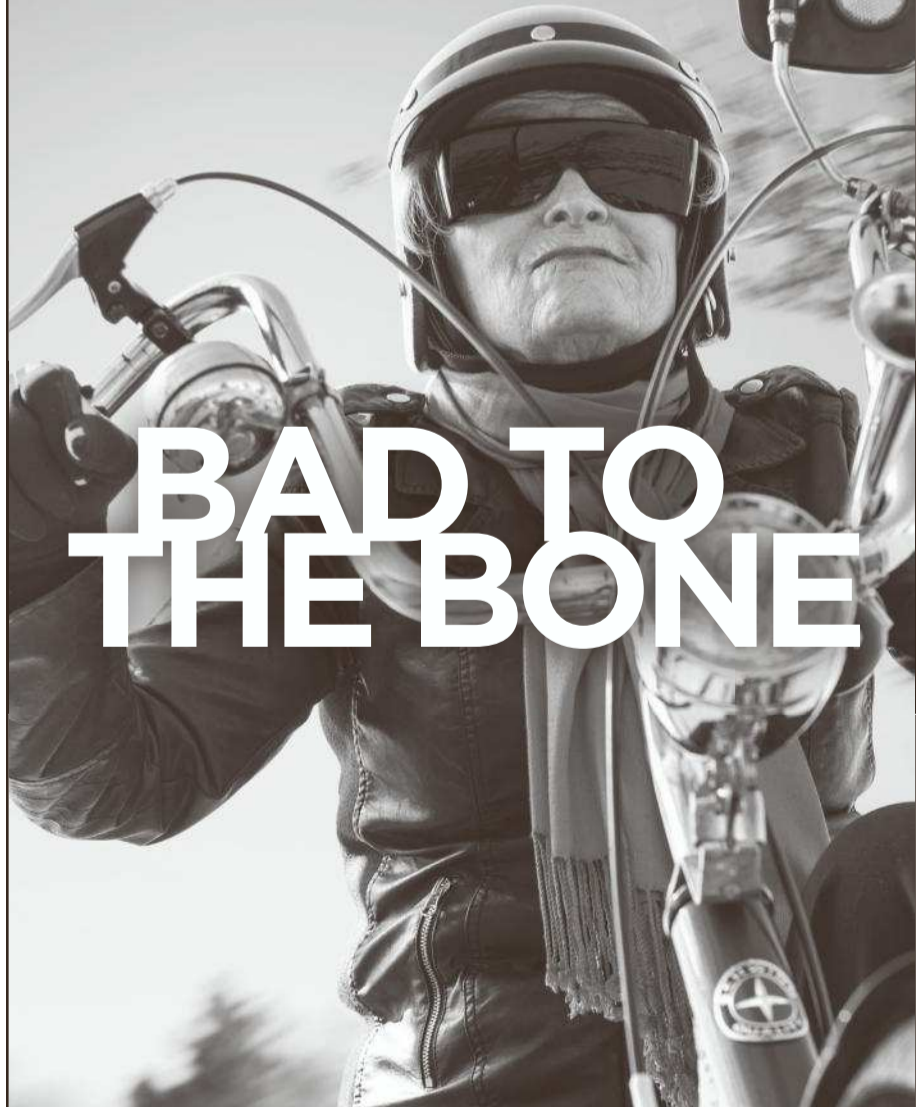
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