

Contest adds up for Morrow Co. students

A half dozen Morrow County students received plaques for taking top honors in the Morrow County School District Math Contest.

The top six third through eighth grade students from each school competed by completing a rigorous 50-question multiple choice test designed specifically for advanced math students. The winners were: **Caelyn Pullen**, a third grader at A.C. Houghton Elementary School; **Caden George**, fourth grader at Heppner Elementary School; **Caden Szasz**, fifth grader at Windy River Elementary School; **Roan Waite**, sixth grader at Heppner Elementary School; **Jackson Lehman**, seventh grader at Heppner Elementary School; and **Jessica Cain**, eighth grader at Irrigon Junior High School.

The contest was organized by the Morrow County School District Talented and Gifted coordinators from each building. Although not all students participating were identified TAG students, the contest was designed to recognize academic achievement of



Morrow County students **Jessica Cain, Jackson Lehman, Roan Waite, Caden Szasz, Caden George and Caelyn Pullen** took top honors in the recent District Math Contest.

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all students.

All students received a ribbon for their participation, while the top 10 performers

in each grade level received specific placing ribbons.

For more information about the contest, contact Assistant

Superintendent **George Mendoza** at 541-922-4016 or george.mendoza@morrow.k12.or.us.

THANK YOU

Pendleton 'star' thanks community for support

On behalf of the six contestants performing in the recent Dancing with the Pendleton Stars, please accept our heartfelt thank you to the Pendleton community and surrounding cities for supporting six different charities.

My charity was **Kick'N Cancer New Beginnings**, a local nonprofit working with the **Roundup Athletic Club** to provide support to cancer patients and survivors with expert advice on exercise, nutrition, massage benefits and moving forward. Check them out online.

The other contestants, **Acosia Red Elk** (smashing Charleston), **Megan Furstenberg** (overall winner), **Kathy Kinkead** (First Community Credit Union with great hugs), **Robb Corbett** (city manager), and **Randy Thomas**, (A Sharp Painting and the Round-Up), worked hard and competed on the stage. Thank you for a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

For me, it was "it takes two to tango." The crowd was so phenomenal my memory of the dance is lost in time. At least I caught my partner when she did the drop finale.

Thank you to everyone who supported this event with attendance and giving of your treasure to the six charities.

David Nelson
Pendleton

Mayor proclaims May 4 Pendleton Friends of the Library Day

If you were not at the Pendleton City Council meeting on May 3, you missed an exciting tidbit. Mayor **Phillip Houk** officially set aside May 4 as **Pendleton Friends of the Library Day**.

I may be biased, but Pendleton Friends of the Library is definitely deserving of this honor. With this proclamation, the city recognizes the outstanding work the friends' 350 members accomplish with their wide variety of fundraising efforts, which contribute approximately \$15,000 to the library each year.

The annual book sale requires many hours of work throughout the year sorting and preparing donations for the sale. The Adopt-A-Magazine program raises funds to offset the high cost of magazines, which are made available to patrons to read in the library as well as to check out. The Reading Is Fundamental program raises funds, purchases books, and distributes a free book of the child's choosing to the public elementary schools in Pendleton. Those Little Re(a)d Bookshelves you see around town are stocked with books donated to the friends. And that is the short list!

The great bookmarks we hand out all year are the result of a contest the friends host each spring. Local children are encouraged to submit a design. Choosing winners is a very difficult task. Pendleton has so many artistic children.

Memorials and gifts add to the library's collections and provide funding for the wide variety of children's and adult programs the library offers, as well as purchasing physical items needed by the library. The friends frequently provide funding for author visits and program presenters' lodging in Pendleton.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the friends' greatest gift to the library. They are our community ambassadors, getting the word out about what the library has to offer as well as bringing suggestions to staff of the community's desires and needs.

If you are a member of the Pendleton Friends of the Library, please accept the city's gratitude. This proclamation honors your efforts on behalf of the library. As they say, one can never have too many friends. The library's "friends" are phenomenal and richly deserve the honor bestowed upon them. Pendleton Friends of the Library makes Pendleton a richer place in which to live, grow and recreate. Thank you, friends!

Mary Finney, director
Pendleton Public Library

Tamastlikt shines with solar carports

A pair of solar carports were recently dedicated at **Tamastlikt Cultural Institute**.

The April 22 ceremony included a special thanks to builders and funders of the project. **Hire Electric**, who installed the 50kW wind turbine at Tamastlikt in early 2014, built the carports. The 432 285-watt solar panels were manufactured by **Solar World** in Hillsboro. They will produce enough electricity to provide a significant percentage of Tamastlikt's electricity needs, as part of its ongoing quest to reduce the expense of energy consumption at the nonprofit cultural institute.

The project, with a capacity of 123kW, was made possible by a funding award of \$350,000 from BlueSky, a renewable energy program funded through Pacific Power customers, and a \$78,138 cash incentive from the **Energy Trust of Oregon**.

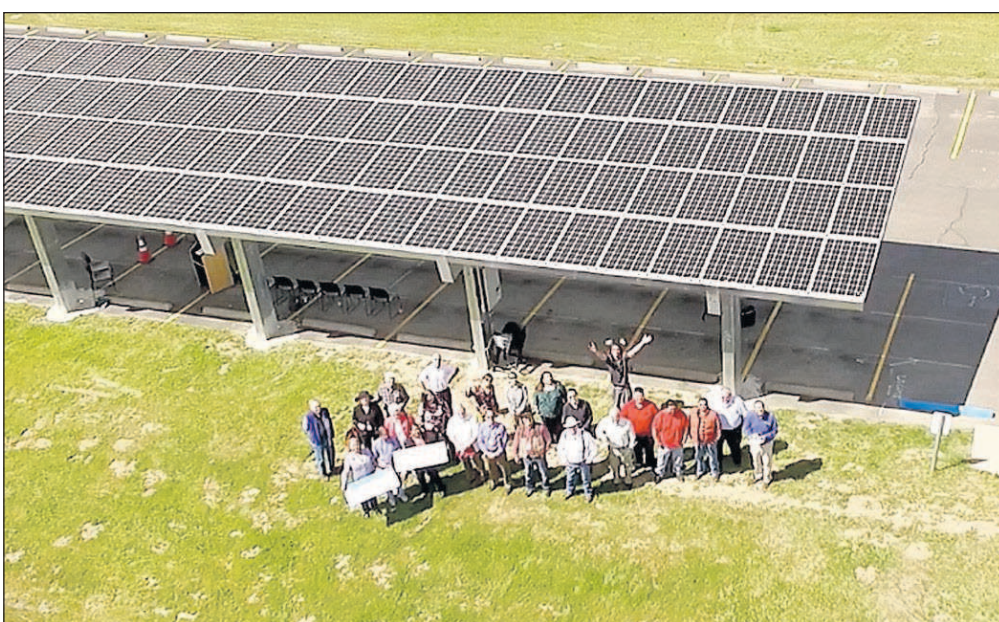


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Tamastlikt Cultural Institute dedicated a pair of solar carports during an April 22 ceremony thanking the builders and funders of the project.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

APRIL 27, 2016

COOPER — Ashley B. Grimes and Taylor A. Cooper of Pendleton; a boy, Ryan James Cooper.

APRIL 28, 2016

CREE MEDICINE-MINTHORN — Tasia Cree Medicine and Caleb Minthorn of Pendleton; a boy, Josiah Madden Cree Medicine-Minthorn.

APRIL 29, 2016

SPICERKUHN — Melissa K. Naff and Phillip A. Spicerkuhn of Hermiston; a girl, Julianne Melissa Spicerkuhn.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

APRIL 27, 2016

GONZALEZ CARRILLO — Andrea Carrillo and Vidal Gonzalez of Hermiston; a boy, Aiden Gonzalez Carrillo.

APRIL 29, 2016

PURCELL — Norma Ayala and Jared Purcell of Boardman; a boy, Brexton Vance Purcell.

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BECKTOLD — Christine E. Becktold and Isaac R. Becktold of Umatilla; a boy, Merrel Kent Becktold.

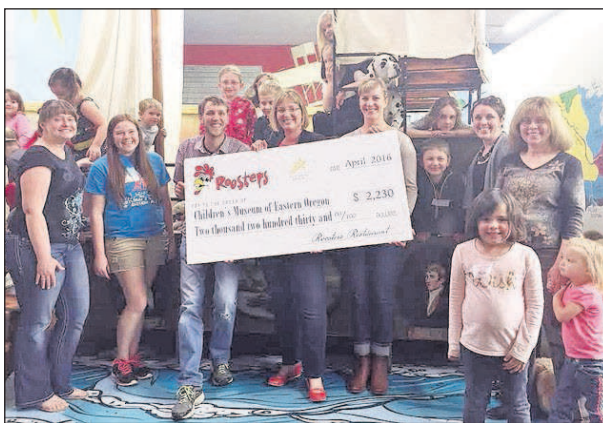
SMITH — Ciara Kowalski and Dylan Smith of Hermiston; a girl, Hailee Mae Smith.

Roosters feeds general fund at children's museum

A month-long fundraiser at **Roosters Restaurant** helped raise more than \$2,000 for the **Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon**.

The Pendleton restaurant donated \$1 for every kids meal sold for the month and matched donations made at the restaurant up to \$500. As the children's museum was facing a \$12,000 budget shortfall for 2016, Roosters and the community have been stepping up to ensure the doors to the museum stay open, said **Heidi Anderson**, the museum's executive director.

"The Roosters fundraiser not only made a financial impact, but really gave the museum some much needed exposure to the monetary challenges we face this year," Anderson said. "We could not express our gratitude for everything Roosters has done for the



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Adults taking part in a check donation event from **Roosters to the Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon** include **Elizabeth Woodiwiss, Allison Mulcare, Chris Garrigues, Amy Madden, Lydia Connley, Heidi Anderson and Kathy Houk**.

museum."

The Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon began in 1996 with a mission to provide children with opportunities for educational exploration and development through interactive exhibits and play. The museum was created through the collaborative

effort of more than 300 community volunteers.

The museum is located at 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. Its operating hours are Monday through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact 541-276-1066, director@cmeo.org or visit www.cmeo.org.

Pet of the Week



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Amanda Jacobs at 541-278-2683