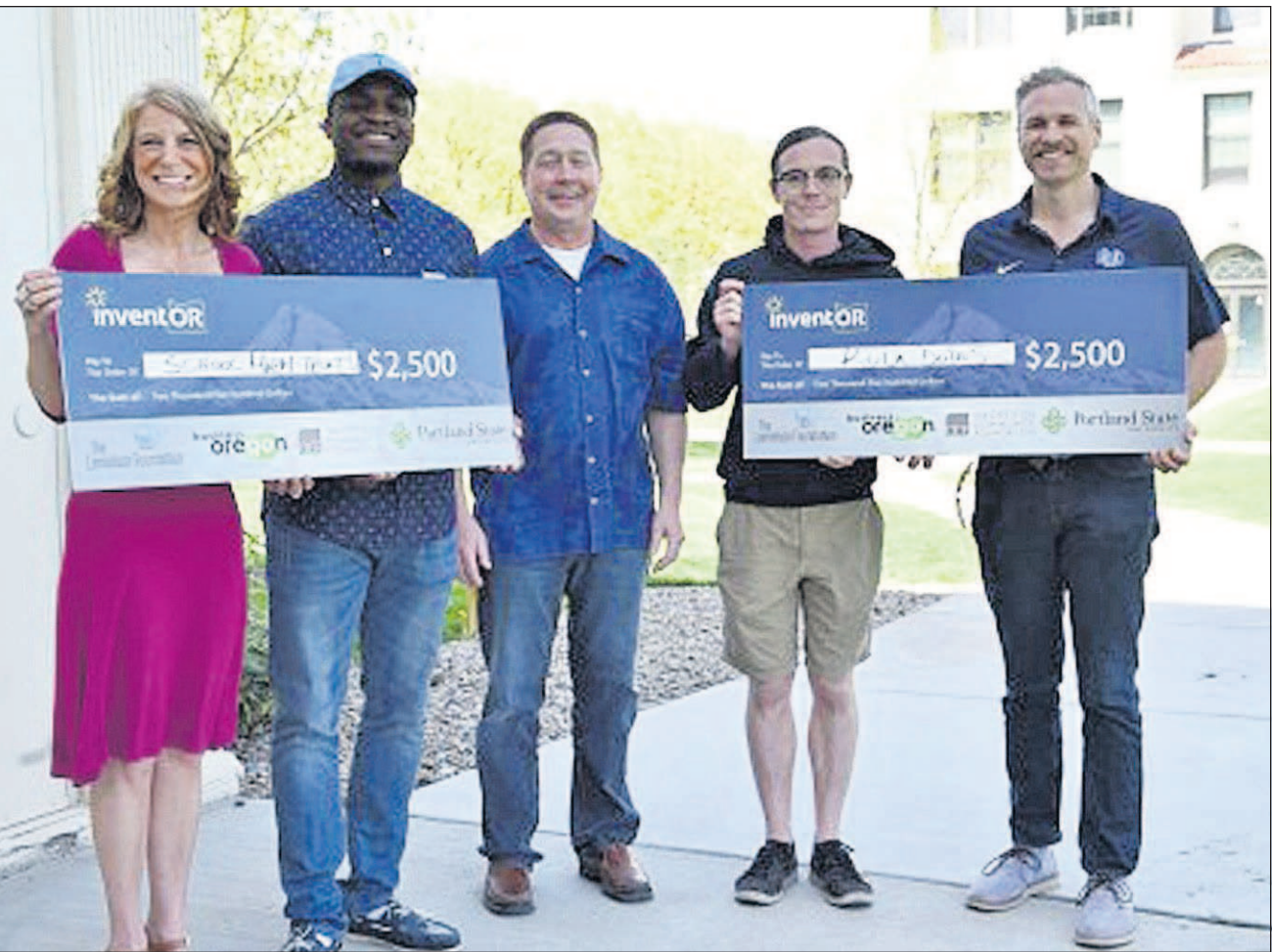




Michelle Russell, Leslie Thompson, Wilson Zehr, Michael Herbst and Spencer Harber of Eastern Oregon University received support for prototype development. Two teams of students recently participated in the Invent Oregon finals at Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls.

EOU inventors compete in state finals

Entrepreneurial efforts that began at Eastern Oregon University earlier this year recently took center stage during the Invent Oregon state finals at Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls.

Two teams of EOU students competed against their peers from 11 Oregon institutions for \$30,000 in cash prizes for the prototypes. Kula Dudes, a yoga regimen designed specifically for men, and School Marm Treats, a healthy snack business, both received \$2,500 this

past spring to develop their business plans and produce prototypes.

The goal of Kula Dudes is to weave new technology into the ancient art of yoga. It embraces advances in fabrics and materials, mobile applications and exercise science to create a superior physical and spiritual experience, targeted at a male demographic that is often under-represented in the discipline. Team members include health and wellness student Michael Herbst, exercise science student Peter Eke

and health coach Spencer Harber.

Meanwhile, School Marm Treats offers a line of low-sugar, gluten-free, organic, vegan snacks that come with “a dose of health education.” Healthy cakes and other products come with food comparisons, recipes, kids’ activities and community events based on education and awareness of food options.

Team members include Portland Community College student Kurtis Russell, EOU history student Kevin Russell and food

educator Michelle Russell.

EOU observed the inaugural competition last year, and returned to fully participate this season. Wilson Zehr, a business professor at EOU, serves as the program’s faculty representative on campus. The Invent Oregon competition is funded by the Lemelson Foundation, Business Oregon, The Oregon Community Foundation and Portland State University’s Center for Entrepreneurship. For more information, visit www.inventoregon.org.

FLOWERS BLOOM IN THE BLUES



Photo contributed by Mike Morehead

During a recent rainy day in the Blue Mountains, Mike Morehead of Pilot Rock viewed some colorful wild Larkspur.

Community corrections employees graduate from academy

A pair of employees with Umatilla County Community Corrections recently graduated with the 77th Basic Parole & Probation Officer Class.

Parole and probation officers Patricia Arrington and Daniel Garcilazo-Madrigal were among the classmates who were recognized by the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. A ceremony was held June 29 at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem. Ross Caldwell of the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission served as guest speaker.

The Oregon DPSST provides training to more than 25,000 students each year throughout Oregon and at the academy campus in Salem. It certifies qualified instructors and officers from basic through executive levels. In addition, it reviews and accredits training programs throughout the state based on standards established by the board. For more information, visit www.oregon.gov/dpsst.

Echo rolls in the dough-nations to library, National Night Out

The city of Echo appreciates the giving spirit of its residents and businesses.

Recent donations reported in July edition of The Echo, the city’s monthly newsletter, included a season of “Frasier” and seven DVDs from Caleb Jacobs and six books from Elsie Middleton, which will be added to the collection at the Echo Public Library. Other donations include \$50 from Charlotte Berry for general beautification and America in Bloom, and \$500 of \$4,000 for public art by Kent and Laura Madison, and an anonymous donation of \$20 for National Night Out.

Last month, the city announced donations for the library included \$20 by an anonymous giver for the Summer Reading Program, and books from Bonnie Berry (3), Jimmy Dorn (19), Weeb Williams (61), and two DVDs from Caleb Jacobs. Also, donations earmarked for beautification were received from Diane Berry (\$200) and Charlotte Berry (\$50).

Money received for the beautification program helps with parks and floral displays as well as other beautification projects.

The city also expressed appreciation to the Wild-horse Foundation for a \$20,000 grant that was used toward the renovation and improvements of the old VFW hall.

For a full story about the project, search “Echo renovates historic VFW hall” at www.eastoregonian.com

For more about making donations to Echo programs or projects, contact 541-376-8411 or ecpl@centurytel.net. To learn more about what’s happening in town, visit www.echo-oregon.com.

VFW salutes Pendleton 4th of July parade winners

A group from the Pendleton Underground Tours sported the red, white and blue and caught the attention of judges during the Pendleton Fourth of July parade.

Parade grand marshal John Turner, on behalf of the Pendleton Veterans of Foreign Wars Let ‘er Buck Post 922, presented the group with the Patriot Trophy. The award is given each year to the entry that most exemplifies patriotism and the parade’s theme, which this year was “Salute to Freedom.”

Other awards included:

Equestrian Group: Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and Luis & the Cowboys Dancing Horses.

Equestrian Groups, Royalty: Happy Canyon Princesses and Milton-Freewater Pioneer Posse Court.

Horse & Buggy: Jill Perrine and Pendleton Round-Up Stage Coach.

First Responders & Armed Forces: Pilot Rock Fire Department, Umatilla County Search & Rescue and Pendleton Fire Department & CTUIR Fire Department.

Motorized, Best Club: Blue Mountain A’s and Pendleton Center of the Arts.

People with Pets: A Civil



Photo contributed by Fred Bradbury

Pendleton mayor John Turner, the Fourth of July parade grand marshal, presents the VFW Patriot Trophy to the Pendleton Underground Tours. The special award is given yearly by Pendleton Veterans of Foreign Wars Let ‘er Buck Post 922 to the entry that most exemplifies patriotism and the parade’s theme.

War Couple.

Motorized: Judge’s Choice North Spoon Herford’s and Pendleton Air Museum.

Bands, Drum & Bugle: Round-Up Mounted Band and The Hungry Men.

Civic Groups & Service Clubs: Main Street Cowboys, Salvation Army and Pendleton Shrine Club.

Business & Commer-

cial: Pendleton Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, My Own Auto Sales and O’SO Clean & Shipping Solutions.

Youth Groups: Presbyterian Pre-School.

Floats: Wal-Mart and Pilot Rock Bike Pit.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, “Let’er Buck” Post 922 expressed appreciation to all who partici-

pated in this years parade. For more information, contact Fred Bradbury at fbradbury@yahoo.com or 541-377-7474.

BIRTH

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

JULY 8, 2018

STUDER — Bailey C. Iverson and Zachary M. Studer of Hermiston: a boy, Hollis Allen Kane Studer.

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JULY 14
EASTERN OREGON CELTIC SOCIETY PIPERS GATHERING, 1 p.m., The Old Meeting House, 901 M Ave., La Grande. For pipers of all skill levels. Instruction is free, but a \$2 donation for use of the building is appreciated. (541-568-4643)

HERMISTON CULTURAL AWARENESS CLUB, 2 p.m., Starbucks, 1235 N. First St., Hermiston. Practicing the wisdom of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in the community, including all cultures and races. Everyone welcome. (John Carbage 541-701-7073)

PENDLETON EAGLES STEAK AND LIVE MUSIC, 6-11:59 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Dinner from 6-8 p.m., music from 8 p.m. to midnight. Members and guests welcome. (541-278-2828)

SUNDAY, JULY 15
PENDLETON EAGLES

BREAKFAST, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828)

SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY, 4-5 p.m., Landmark Missionary Baptist Church, 120 E Beech, Hermiston. Sunday Evening Bible Study begins at 4pm. Check us out on Facebook. (Pastor David 541-567-3232)

LIVING BLUE IN HERMISTON DEMOCRATIC PARTY, 5:30 p.m., Desert Lanes Bowling Alley back rooms, 1545 N. Highway 395, Hermiston. All Democrats welcome. Arrive early if ordering snacks. (Bernie Sanderson or Yvonne Griffin 541-626-9189 or 541-567-1072)

MONDAY, JULY 16
BOARDMAN QUILT GROUP, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Quilt construction, quilting updates, education, history and friendship. Free. (Kathy Hyder 541-571-

7009)

DIRT DABLERS GARDEN CLUB, 9:45 a.m., Vert Club Room, 345 S.W. Fourth St., Pendleton. Annual garden tour leaves the Vert parking lot at 10 a.m. (car pool). Bring a sack lunch, drink and lawn chair.

BLUE MOUNTAIN PIECE-MAKERS, 12 p.m., Thimbles Fabric N More, 1819 Westgate Place, Pendleton.

PENDLETON ROTARY CLUB, 12 p.m., Red Lion Inn Walla Walla Room, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton.

IRRIGON MOOSE LODGE TACOS AND BINGO, 6-9 p.m., Irrigon Moose Lodge, 220 N.E. Third St., Irrigon. Tacos from 6-9 p.m., bingo from 6:30-9 p.m. Open to members and guests. (541-922-1802)

OREGON TRAIL GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, 6 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. (Tom Moon 541-278-9702)

Pet of the Week

Steven is our pet of the week, he’s a 2 year old male neutered domestic shorthair. Very sweet boy!

378 Pets Adopted in 2018!

Visit Steven at the Pioneer Humane Society/Paws
Tues - Sat • Noon - 4pm
517 SE 3rd ST, Pendleton
541-276-0181
Check out the PAWSABILITY Thrift Store

Steven

Pendleton Book Co.
125 S. Main St.,
Pendleton
541-276-9292