



Members of the Eastern Oregon Philippine American Community participate in a dance with staff and residents at McKay Creek Estates in Pendleton.

Photo Contributed by Noemi Wiseman

## McKay Creek Estates celebrates with luau

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PENDLETON — Members of the Eastern Oregon Philippine American Community recently brought smiles to the faces

and fun times to residents, families and staff at McKay Creek Estates.

The annual Luau Party, held June 20 at the Pendleton assisted living facility, featured both Hawai-

ian and Philippine dances. In addition, students of the Oregon East Symphony played violins.

"The fun part was when the group showed residents and staff how to hula and

danced the famous Pearly Shell," said Noemi Wiseman, EOPAC president. "Everyone had an amazing experience."

For more about EOPAC, contact Wiseman at noemi-venturina@yahoo.com.



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Participants in the June 22 Intellectual Disability Awareness Walk head out from The Arc Building in Hermiston.

## Awareness walk steps out to include others

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HERMISTON — The inaugural Intellectual Disability Awareness Walk drew 50 participants.

Sponsored by The Arc Umatilla County, the walk raised \$1,110, which will be utilized to help fund the Summer Inclusion Camp.

The June 22 event featured signs, which participants carried along the 1-mile route near The Arc Building in Hermiston. The message was to express their desire to bring attention to people who thrive in spite of intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, with signs reading such things as, "I walk

for Autism" or "I walk for Shelby."

During a short stretch down Highway 395, participants' spirits were further lifted by multiple semi-trucks honking their horns in support of the activity, said Kristi Smalley, a board member with The Arc. Jan Schroth, The Arc Umatilla County president, was thrilled with the level of support for the walk and encouraged each participant to bring a friend next year so that they can double the number of walkers.

For more information about The Arc Umatilla County, contact Smalley at smalleys@eotnet.net or 541-571-0997.

## Pendleton High School class of '64 celebrates with 55-year reunion

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Pendleton High School class of 1964, 55-year reunion. First row: Lana Pursel Jacobson, Janet Brogoitti Stevenson, Dina Lee Hemphill, Connie Meeks, Sara Jane Hamm Williamson, Sonja Erickson Hart, Kay Wright Thorne, Cheryl Vogel Gore, Sherry Murphy, Richard Zepher. Second row: Darryl Eng, Marilyn Walpole Putney, Larry Pursel, Shary Potter Wortman, Maureen McCormach, Kay Chloupek Erland, Susan Sims Joplin, Brian Stetcher, Rosala Orton Jensen, Barbara Esterly, Jeanne Fossatti Christensen, Ron Stevenson, Earl Storey, David Mitzenberg. Third row: Bob Christensen, Steve Corey, Duane Erickson, Nolan Lockwood, Gary Taber, Chris Lassen, Jim Harrison, Jim Rackley. Fourth row: Jack Hatley, Bill Grable, Brad Telyea, Jay Britain, Phil Garton. Not pictured: Kent Bigsby, Bob Shippentower, Leonard Smith, Jay Vaughn.

PENDLETON — The Pendleton High School class of 1964 recently held its 55-year reunion.

During the June 14-16 event, classmates enjoyed an informal get-together Friday evening at the Rainbow Cafe. On Saturday afternoon, they attended a picnic at Pendleton Community Park's Wildhorse Shelter. The weekend concluded with a Sunday morning breakfast at the Blue Mountain Community College Student Union. Both meals were catered by Simply Catering of Pendleton.

Participants traveled from Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington to join their classmates for the weekend.

## Local Special Olympians tee off in La Grande

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LAGRANDE — A group of athletes and coaches from Hermiston/Pendleton Special Olympics Local Program recently took to the links in La Grande.

The group teed off with Union County Special Olympics June 24 at the La Grande Country Club. Four athletes competed in the Individual Skills Competition, earning scores for accurate putting, chipping and driving. Also, 15 athletes along with their Unified Partners participated in an alternating shot nine-hole format and one athlete from Union County completed all nine holes as a single competitor.

The afternoon event was coordinated by Pam Thompson, Union County golf coach, along with local coach Mark Smalley with the support of program coordinators Doug Trice (Union County) and Angela Schneider (Hermiston/Pendleton).

The event was the first time that Union County and Hermiston/Pendleton have joined forces to provide a



Photo Contributed by Kristi Smalley

Local athletes and coaches from Hermiston/Pendleton Special Olympics traveled to the La Grande Country Club to compete in the June 24 Union County Special Olympics end-of-the-season golf event.

competitive golfing experience for the local programs in Eastern Oregon. After completing the golf competition, athletes enjoyed pizza and all participants received certificates for their efforts.

"The La Grande Country Club did a wonderful job providing a venue at no cost to our local program,"

Smalley said. "The course was in excellent shape and our golfers had an amazing time."

The Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510 will hold its annual Fundraising Tournament Aug. 10 at the Echo Hills Golf Course. For more information or entry forms, call Kristi Smalley at 541-571-0997.

## Weston Middle School receives Beamer family award

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WALLA WALLA — The Larry Beamer family recently announced that the Althadel Johns Beamer Memorial Scholarship for 2019 is being awarded to Weston Middle School.

The fund is managed by Blue Mountain Community Foundation as a permanent endowment. Since Althadel's death in 1996, gifts from the fund have helped students in the Athena-Weston School District with assistance on

band trips, instruments, vocal music, and individual scholarships for students with musical interests.

This year's disbursement from the fund will support a newly formed guitar class by purchasing guitars for the school. The planned guitar class, which was requested by the students, will start this coming fall. The Beamer family is pleased to have the opportunity to support music education in Athena through their support of this project and is look-

ing forward to attending the guitar class's musical presentation.

The memorial fund was established through the generous gifts of many local residents who gave to the Althadel Johns Scholarship when it was initially established. For more information, or to contribute to the fund, write to: Althadel Beamer Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Blue Mountain Community Foundation, P.O. Box 603, 22 E. Poplar Ave., Suite 206, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

## BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton  
JUNE 24, 2019

BOND — Garrie D. Bond and Jediaiah D. Bond of Pendleton: a girl, Jocelyn Evelina Bond.

Good Shepherd Medical Center,  
Hermiston  
JUNE 26, 2019

TELLEZ ALEGRIA — Azuria M.

Alegria and Juan Tellez of Boardman: a boy, Isaiah Luis Tellez Alegria.

JUNE 27, 2019

ORTIZ — Vanesia Casillas and Guillermo Ortiz of Hermiston: a boy, Malachi Ortiz.

JUNE 29, 2019


HAYDEN — Ashley N. Hayden and Cody W. Hayden of Hermiston: a boy, Ryker West Hayden.

# Pet of the Week


**Roxy is a 1 year old spayed, very friendly, litter box trained, good with other cat's (do not know about dogs) indoor only. She is eager to please and wanting to show love and be loved.**

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