#### **Blue Mountain Electric sizzles** with top parade award

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PENDLETON — The Patriot Trophy was won by Blue Mountain Electric during the Pendleton Fourth of July parade. The special award is given each year to the entry that most exemplifies patriotism and the parade's theme, which this year was "Only in America.'

Other trophy winners were announced in numerous categories: Equestrian groups: Blue Mountain Riders and Los Vaqueros Del Valle; Equestrian royalty: Happy Can**princesses**; Horse and buggy/wagons: Beach and **Pendleton** Acres Round-Up Wagon Train; First responders/armed forces: Oregon National Guard and Pilot Rock Fire **Department**; Motorized/ best club: Wal-Mart and Blue Mountain A's; People with pets: Civil War Couple; Motorized judge's choice: **ZOM B 13**; Bands: Round-Up Mounted Band and Pendleton High School Varsity Drum Line; Civic groups/service clubs: Umatilla County Republicans, Main Street Cowboys & Side Saddlers and Milton-Freewater Elks; Business/commercial: Willowbrook Terrace residents, Oregon Grain Growers Brand Distillery and 4 Gates; and Youth groups: Umatilla Tribal Youth Group and Scouts BSA **Troop 700**.

The parade was hosted by the Pendleton Let'er Buck Post 922. For more information, contact Fred **Bradbury** at fbradbury@ yahoo.com.



Contributed photo A group of 25 students and 14 chaperones from McLoughlin High School traveled to Southern California June 14-17 for a Crimson & Black Choir perfor-

## Crimson & Black Choir takes magical trip

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ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Crimson & Black Choir from Milton-Freewater's McLoughlin High School performed at Disney California Adventure Park June 15 in Anaheim, California.

Music teacher Melissa Cunnington said 25 students and 14

chaperones embarked on the trip to Southern California June 14-17. In addition to an enormous amount of fundraising projects, she said the group went through a rigorous selection process and pre-qualifying audition in order to be eligible to perform at the Disney park. Other area schools, Cunnington said, have experienced the honor

as well — including **Pendleton** High School earlier this spring and **Hermiston High School** last year. Jamie Brown, whose son and

niece performed a duet together, said it was a memorable trip and experience for the students.

We are so proud of these kids and their talents," she said.

In addition to their performance,

the entourage from Milton-Freewater participated in a recording session at Disneyland. Cunnington said it was a great opportunity for the students.

"They learned about the recording process and profession while recording their voices to a Disneyland movie scene," she said. "It was amazing!"

### Cool Rides classic car show offers classic fun in Hermiston

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**HERMISTON** James & Frances Kosko of Naches, Washington, drove away with the best of show with their 1936 Buick Business Coupe during the Cool Rides Car Show. The winner of the best of show home-built was Bill Stark of Hermiston with his 1947 Ford Coupe.

In its 24th year, the event was hosted by the Hermiston Classics Car Club July 13 at McKenzie Park in Hermiston. A total of 137 vehicles were on display.

Other awards included: People's Choice: Robert Hartwig of Richland, 1956 Chevrolet Bel-Air Hard Top; Host Car winner: **Jim Hampton** of Hermiston (club vice president), 1964 Dodge Dart GT; Police Chief Award: **Dennis Schopp** of Pasco, 1941 Ford Pickup; Fire Chief Award: Jack & Judy Herrick of Kennewick, 1940 Chevrolet Master Deluxe; Motorcycle Award: Mike Gillow



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James and Frances Kosko enjoy a picnic in front of their 1936 Buick Business Coupe during the Cool Rides Car Show July 13 at McKenzie Park in Hermiston. The Naches, Wash., couple drove away with the best in show during the 24th annual event hosted by the Hermiston Classics Car Club.

of Richland, 2019 Harley Davidson Ultra Limited; Import 1980 or newer: Rick Bell of Pasco, 1993 Nissan 3002X TT; Import 1979 or older: Lynn & Marlene Long of The Dalles, 1979 Mini Special; Truck 1960 or newer: Paul Rascon of Kennewick, 1970 Chevrolet C-10; 1959 or older: Cory McBee of Vancouver,

1954 Ford F-100; Car 2000 or newer: Mike Weddle of Kennewick, 2017 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible; Car 1990-99: Walt Fendrich of Moses Lake, 1991 Ford Mustang GT; Car 1980-89: Jose Munoz of Kennewick, 1998 Pontiac Firebird; Car 1970-79: **Chuck Over**street of Pendleton, 1979 Camaro Z-28; Car 196069: Cary & Cynthia Sherrow of Hermiston, 1969 Plymouth Roadrunner; Car 1950-59: Dwayne Widener of Kennewick, 1957 Chevrolet Bel-Air; Car 1940-49: Chip Chipman of Salem, 1941 Willys Coupe; Car 1939 or older: Doyce & Ruth Lockhart of Burbank, Washington, 1935 Ford 5 Window Coupe;



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Justin Stark of Hermiston won the low-rider category with his 1965 Volkswagen Bug during the Cool Rides Car Show. A unique aspect to the car is the custom add-on swamp cooler.

Low Rider: Justin Stark the summer months, group of Hermiston, 1965 Volkswagen Bug; In Progress: Chuck Smith of Hermiston, 1972 Oldsmobile 442 W-30; Pedal Car: Archie Ball of Heppner, 1927 Jor-

The Hermiston Classics Car Club meets the first Friday of each month — usually at **Desert Lanes**, 1545 N. First St. Also, during

dan Pedal Car.

members hang out on Friday nights from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Les Schwab Tire Center, 830 N. First

For more information about the club, contact Lisa **Sturgeon** at 503-410-9906, hermistonclassicscarclub@ gmail.com, visit www. hermistonclassicscarclub. com or search Facebook.

#### Symphony receives boost from Miller Foundation

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PENDLETON — A threeyear grant from the **James F.** and Marion L. Miller Foundation will support strings education in Pendleton.

The Oregon East Sym**phony** received the \$30,000 grant, which supports the mission foundation's enhancing the quality of life of Oregonians by promoting classroom education and the performing, visual and literary arts. Based in Portland, the foundation envisions Oregon as a place where the arts thrive in supportive communities, and educational systems support the effectiveness of teaching and learning in every classroom.

Playing for Keeps, the Oregon East Symphony's youth music education project, serves hundreds of young people in the area and encompasses several unique programs, **Janet Miller**, the Oregon East Symphony grant coordinator, said in a press release. Along with two preparatory orchestras, Symphony Strings is an afterschool beginning strings program for fourth and fifth grade students. It's a collaborative effort between the symphony and the **Pendleton School District**.

In November, a Young People's Concert, programmed by OES artisintroduce students to the fundamentals of music, instruments within a symphony orchestra and proper concert

etiquette, Miller said. Also, the symphony's **Summer Strings Music** Camp, scheduled for July 22-26, will focus on building individual playing technique and ensemble performance. Applications are still available through the symphony office or during the opening day of the camp at Peace Lutheran Church, 210 N.W. Ninth St., Pendleton

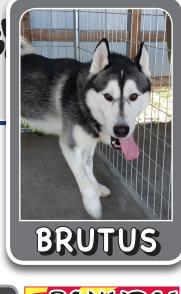
For more information about youth activities, season concerts or other symphony events, call 541-276-0320, www.orgoneastsymphony.org or search Facebook.

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Alaniz-Benitez. **HERRERA** — Kasi Herrera and Jaime Herrera of Hermiston: a boy, Cole Ruben Herrera.