

Junior Parade draws faithful

By Steve Tool

Wallowa County Chieftain

The golden sun and temperate morning weather rewarded the faithful who lined Main Street in Joseph to observe the 2015 Chief Joseph Days Junior Parade. Dozens, if not over a hundred parade attendees lined up over an hour ahead of the 10 a.m. parade start time to secure a good position to view the event.

The Friday, July 24, parade was held in conjunction with the 70th Chief Joseph Days Rodeo and had 160 participants. The grand prize winner entrant in the parade was rewarded with a portable basketball hoop donated by Coca-Cola while each category had three places with cash awards of \$5, \$10 and \$15 donated by Mr. Timber and the Chief Joseph Days Rodeo Inc.

The parade's director, Diane Witherrite, was pleased with the turnout. "It was only about 10 kids down from last year, and it was really nice to see how many local businesses entered into it," she said.

Results:
Grand Champion: Smokey and Friends.

Small Fry Costumes Category — 0-5 Years: 1. "Super Hero Froggy & America's Twins" — Zola Simone, Idella and Chesley Ehrler. 2. "Rodeo Clowns" — Parker



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You can't go wrong with patriotism in a parade as this group shows during the Chief Joseph Days Junior Parade on July 24.

& Elliot kids; Elijah, Katy, Keiryn and Ridge.

Costumes Category — 6-8 Years: 1. "Cowgirl Minions" — Paige and Cara (last name unavailable). 2. "Annie" — Lilly, Addie and Bryson Herman; Taylor Shaw.

Costumes Category — 9-15 Years: 1. "Full House" — Kaden and Kohler Strobel; Jace, December, Dillan, Lilly and Sophia Zollman;

Kayleb Earl. 2. "Alder Slope Miners" — Kasin and Lane Kooch. 3. "Hobos" — Kameron Poulson, Bailey Savage.

Wheels Category: 1. "Flower Power Ballerinas" — Isabella & Myah Grace. 2. "Hunting Thunder" — Avery Morgan. 3. "The Minions" (names unavailable).

Marching Groups Category: 1. "The Pirates & Fairies of ABC Preschool and Day Care." 2. "Smokey and

Friends." 3. Mighty Mutt 4-H Club.

Floats Category: 1. "We Love America!" 2. "Circus Thunder's In!" 3. "New Sheriff Captures the Future Wild Child."

Riding Category: 1. "Old Glory" — Chay Kooch. 2. "Hula Girl" — Livia DeMelo. 3. "Bank Robbers" — The Clary Family: Tailyann, Riggan, Robert, Kelsey, Aston, Aiden, Austin.

Community Calendar: Blue Mothing; pie sale & contest

Wednesday, July 29

Live, on-line weather spotter training, sponsored by the National Weather Service, 7 p.m. For registration details, visit weather.gov/pendleton or phone Doug Weber at 541-276-7832.

Friday, July 31

First Responders Day, 11 a.m. to noon, Joseph Public Library. Meet police officers, firefighters, paramedics. Get a close-up look at their vehicles and tools. Ask questions, hear their stories. Free.

Jo-Hi Class Reunion, 1 p.m. at Sharon Wilson's home. Evening barbecue. Also, picnic on Aug. 1, 12:30 p.m. at Joseph City Park.

Live and Up Front with Photographers: Daniel Thornton, David Paul Bayles and Kendrick Moholt — judges for the Wild Landscape show will discuss their photography and careers. 7 p.m. at the Joseph Center, Joseph.

Blue Moon Mothing Night Presentation, 7 p.m. at Wallowology, 508 N. Main in Joseph. Presenter is Karen Antell, EOU. Who are these mysterious creatures of the night and what are they doing while we're asleep?

Blue Moon Mothing Night Expedition, 9 p.m. at Wallowology in Joseph. Led by Karen Antell of EOU. Fun for all ages if you like bugs and staying up late. Limited to 20 people. Call 541-263-1663 or come in to sign up.

Aug. 1-8

Wallowa County Fair, located at fairgrounds in Enterprise. For complete schedule, visit www.co.wallowa.or.us/community_services/county_fair/ or tinyurl.com/qg3ykbk/.

Saturday, Aug. 1

Sunrise Iron Antique Tractors Show, starts at 8 a.m. at 65708 Sunrise Road, Enterprise. Free. If you can't make this once-a-year show, arrange a private tour by phoning Erl McLaughlin at 541-263-0755. New this year: an added 40 x 100 feet of display space containing equipment not previously shown.

Into the Wallowa outing: "What's that Growing there?"

sics of farming in the area. Free. Meet at the Wallowa Land Trust office at 9 a.m. to carpool to the site. For more info, email julia@wallowalandtrust.org or phone 541-426-2042.

Pie Sale & Contest, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Joseph Farmers Market. The Farmers Market and Wallowa County Museum are hosting a pie sale — pick up a slice or a whole pie — and vote for your favorite, too. Bring a pie to enter in the pie contest as well. Mmusic by Andrew Esquibel.

Jo-Hi Class Reunion picnic, 12:30 p.m., Joseph City Park.

"The Wild Landscape of Eastern Oregon," photo exhibit Opening Reception, 7 p.m. (doors open 6:30), Joseph Center, Joseph.

"California Condors: Saving a Species," 8 p.m. presentation at Wallowa State Park amphitheater. Biologist Mike Stake, Ventana Wildlife Society, discusses how humans are helping condors make a comeback.

Thursday, Aug. 6

General Dischord in concert, 5:30 p.m., Courthouse Square in Enterprise. Free. Part of Community Concert Series. General Dischord is a small group (9 woodwinds, 1 French horn) made up from within the 234th Army Band, of the Oregon National Guard based in Clackamas.

Friday, Aug. 7

"The Art of Bob Ferguson," exhibit, 4 to 8 p.m., 105 E. Main St., Enterprise. Also Aug. 8 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Organized by Friends of Bob (FOB). Info on viewing after Aug. 8: 206-450-1439.

Wallowology presentation: "Will Trout and Salmon be in Hot Water?" 7 p.m. at 508 N. Main, Joseph. Shane Vetlund, of Nez Perce Tribe Fisheries, gives this free talk.

The Community Calendar lists fundraisers, free local events and those with a nominal fee organized by nonprofit organizations. Submit information to calendar@wallowa.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday. To promote for-profit events, contact sales representative Brooke Pace at bpace@wallowa.com.

Chief Joseph Days Grand Parade Winners announced

The Chief Joseph Days Grand Parade of 2015 saw 90 entries pass down Main Street and the winning participants have been announced.

Best individual entry went to Kit Car, followed by Dixie Aichele Mules and George McDonald Truck.

For commercial entry, WC Fire Prevention took the lead, followed by Teal Boutique and Community Connection.

Main St Cowboys were awarded the best musical group, followed by No Boundaries and Soul Renovation.

For best organization entry, Fly in Plane took first, with Wallowa Lake Horse

Camp and Confederate Tribes taking second and third.

Wallowa County Thunder Run won for their interpretation of the parade theme.

Peewee Princess won in riding group, with Glory Riders and Lamb Mini Horses following.

The Lewiston Round Up court won the royalty grouping, followed by Baker County Fair and St Paul Rodeo.

Elgin Opera House and Eastern Oregon University took first and second in comedy.

Bank of Eastern Oregon won best float, followed by Community Bank and Umpqua Bank.