

Miners' mountain breakfast



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People line up for the traditional Miners' Mountaintop Breakfast. Below, a view from the mountaintop.

Zach Silva Sunday morning breakfast-goers traded in their usual routines of sleeping in and eating indoors for waking up before the sun and heading to Bohemia Saddle Camp for the annual Miner's Breakfast.

In conjunction with Bohemia Mining Days, the Cottage Grove Prospectors and Goldiggers held the 53rd annual breakfast on the mountain, which starts at 6 a.m. and was expected to feed 1000 people, to celebrate and remember the history of the area while raising money for local scholarships.

"If they haven't been up here it's a must-do for local people," said Lloyd Williams who has been a member of the organization for 12 years and who was helping prepare meals. "It's a beautiful drive, it's something different and people are always looking for things that are fresh."

While most patrons make the drive to the tucked away area that is outside of any semblance of cell phone reception on the day of, others, including those preparing breakfast, camp onsite in preparation for the morning.

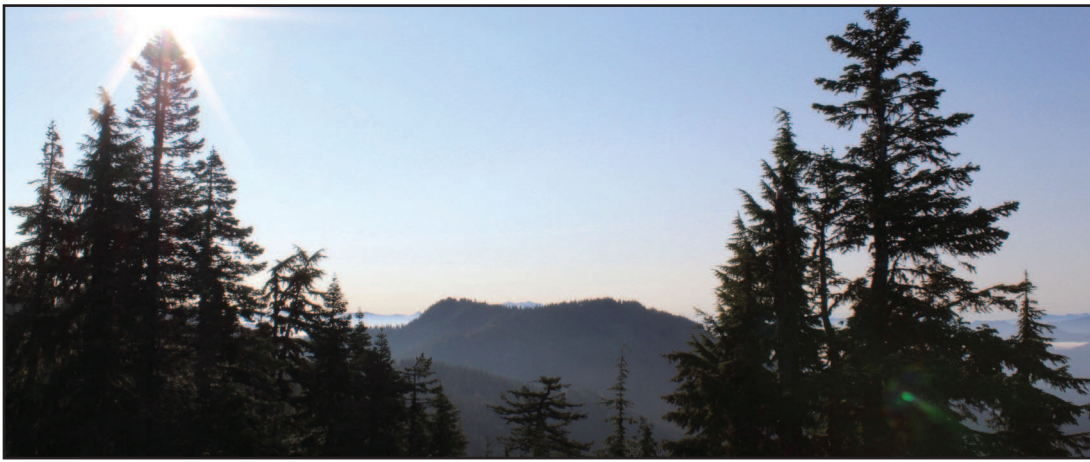
For all who purchase a meal they are treated to a breakfast of pancakes, that Williams's mentions features a "secret ingredient" that keeps them fluffy, ham and fried eggs.

As the sun started to creep through the trees and mosquitos buzzed around breakfast plates, the line for breakfast began to steadily grow. There were young and old alike in line and groups of friends and family clumped together as they started their day.

"It's about seeing people and it's a nice drive," said Doug Bailey a Cottage Grove resident who woke up at 4:30 a.m. for the event. "I haven't been up here for probably ten years and was talking to [my friend Jim] the other day and so I thought I'd come up. But I haven't been up here this early before."

The early morning also did not stop Lisa and Asa Carpenter of Drain, who woke up at 3:00 a.m., from bringing their two kids, a two-and-a-half year old and a 7 month old baby, from coming out.

"It's a nice way to get a way from city life especially for the little ones," said Lisa. "I'd rather have them play with sticks and rocks than watch TV."



BMD stats, winners

The 53 Annual Miners Breakfast: The Prospectors & Goldiggers Club served 823 people on Sunday morning.

Kiddie Parade: 125 kids and 54 adults participated on Friday morning

Gold Rush & Gold Dash Winners : Amelia Slama-Catron, 16 and Abigail Slama-Catron, 12

BMD 2017 Slabtown vs. Lemati Feud Winner

Slabtown 145 Lemati 117
Slabtown Mayor: Martina Sušec
Lemati Mayor: Charles Buffington

Slabtown Sheriff: Vincent Goquit
Lemati Sheriff: Rachel Buffington

Lematians won these competitions:
Candlestick Run: Chance Ralston (15 sec)

Thread the Needle: Ness Buffington
Women's Cherry Pit-Spittin' Distance: Jolie Saunders (30 ft, 4 in)

Kids' Cherry Pit-Spittin' for Accuracy: Zach Downey

Women's Cherry Pit-Spittin' for Accuracy: Jessica Downey

Slabtown Winners won these competitions:
Digging in the Dark: Cody Baker and Ethan

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Pie-eating contest: Jim Somerville (34 sec)

Kids' Cherry Pit-Spittin' for Distance: Bene Sušec

Men's Cherry Pit-spittin' for Distance: Bjorn (35 ft, 8 in)

20 Miles by Wheelbarrow: Niko and Martina Sušec (35 minutes)

Historical Treasure Hunt Winners:
Friday: Harrison Pilling

Saturday: Bailey Fournier
Sunday: Tracy Reeves



Grand Miners' Parade Award

1. Friends of the CG Carousel
2. Rosie the Riveters
3. Civil War Re-enactors

Bohemia Ambassador Award

1. Miss Lane & Linn County Scholarship Program
2. Prospectors & Goldiggers
3. Bohemia Mine Owners Association

Mayor's Award

1. Reel Me In (the new fishing board game)
2. 5 Flying Monkeys
3. Blackberry Pie Society

Judges' Award (motorized entry)

1. Yoss Team Inc.
2. Oregon Aviation Historical Society
3. South Lane Youth Football

Festival Award (animal entry)

1. Cottage Grove Rodeo Royalty
2. Sweet Dreams Family Farm
3. Oregon Department of Forestry

Spirit Award

1. CG High School
2. One More Time Marching Band
3. Hosanna Youth Performers



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INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO

5:30pm musicians with the Eugene Symphony will be at the Bohemia Park Pavilion. The Instrument Petting Zoo provides a hands-on experience with instruments from the symphony. It is open to all ages but youth and children are encouraged to try out instruments.

COMMUNITY BAND

6:30pm the Community Band are local musicians that join together during the summer.

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7:30pm the will take the stage and begin their performance.

Bring a picnic or visit a food vendor.

All this entertainment is the result of generous contributions from local businesses and individuals. Everyone can play a role in bringing the Symphony to Cottage Grove. We have symphony Bars for sale. All the proceeds from the Bar sales go to bring the Symphony to Cottage Grove. Symphony Bars are \$5.00 each and can be purchased at City Hall, Library//Community Center or Middlefield Golf Course, Cottage Grove Sentinel, Concerts in the Park and the Bookmine.



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