



Checking out some classics at Saturday's Cars for a Cause are Karlos Karolis, Robyn Miller and her daughter and car show organizer, McKeely Miller. Karolis was one of the car show participants and owns the black and white Corvette in the background.

Cars for a Cause event shines at fairgrounds

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Old and new vehicles were gleaming during the "Cars for a Cause" show Saturday at the Grant County Fairgrounds in John Day.

McKeely Miller, who will be a Grant Union senior this fall, organized the event to fulfill her senior project graduation requirement ahead of schedule.

The array of cars and trucks, 21 in all, included a 2017 C7 Grand Sport Corvette, which Miller's grandfather Bill Thomason recently purchased.

"My parents and grandparents helped with everything," Miller said. "A lot of people I invited came out."

Other vehicles in the mix included muscle cars, antique trucks, classic cars and European luxury models, as well as a couple 4x4s.

"I like going to car



Cars for a Cause organizer McKeely Miller said she was happy to finish her senior project early with a car show event, one of her favorite pastimes, while raising funds for good causes.

shows," Miller said. "It's one of my favorite things to do, that and visiting car dealerships."

Miller raised more than \$900 from the car show entry and gate fees, which will benefit Blue Mountain Hos-



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Organizer McKeely Miller's grandfather Bill Thomason of Bend brought his 2017 C7 Grand Sport Corvette to Saturday's Cars for a Cause car show.

pital's gas cards for cancer patients and BrightSide Animal Center in Redmond.

"I'm glad a lot of people came," Miller said during the show. "It's really fun — I love it."

Results:
Classic: 1955 Chevy 210 owned by Jim and Sheri Bel-

more of Mt. Vernon Sports/Hot Rod: 2017 C7 Grand Sport Corvette owned by Bill Thomason of Bend

4x4: 1974 Ford Bronco owned by Jason Miller of John Day

European Luxury: 2004 BMW M3 owned by Tom Thomason of Bend



Jason Miller flips some burgers for the car show participants at Cars for a Cause.

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