

## Cruz-In winners announced

During the 14<sup>th</sup> annual St. Paddy's Cruz-In held March 14 in Heppner, 54 cars attended from Hermiston, The Dalles, Walla Walla, Fossil, Summerville, Washougal, Lexington, Pendleton, Ione, Payette, Pasco, Mosier, Estacada, Damascus, La Grande, Hood River, Condon and Heppner.

The award winners of the 14<sup>th</sup> annual St. Paddy's Cruz-In are as follows:

**Mustang's Choice:** Chris Milburn of Damascus, OR in a 1969 Mustang.

**Leprechaun's Choice:** Dennis and Karen Bailey from Mosier, OR with a 1928 Ford Model A Pickup

**Best Street Rod:** Lorraine and Richard McCurdy of Hood River, OR in a 1930 Ford Model A

**Best Convertible:** Richard Price of Hermiston, OR in a 1966 MGB

**Participant's Choice:**

William Stark of Hermiston in a 1941 Olds Two-Door Sedan

**Best 1910s & 1920s Car or Pickup:** Dennis and Karen Bailey of Mosier in a 1928 Ford Model A Pickup

**Best 1930s & 1940s Car or Pickup:** Patty Shumway from Summerville, OR in a 1937 Chevy Pickup

**Best 1950s & 1960s Pickup:** Michael Johnson from Payette, ID with a 1969 C-10 Stepside Pickup

**Best 1970 & Newer Pickup:** Jim and Sue Brown from Pendleton, OR with a 1978 Chevy Pickup

**Best 1950s & 1960s Car:** Frank and Marybeth Jaeger from Fossil, OR in a 1969 Chevy Camaro

**Best 1970s & 1980s Car:** Ty Pryor of Condon, OR in a 1971 Chevy Z/28 Camaro

**Best 1990s - 2004s Car:** Albert Smith from Hermiston with a 1998

Chevy Corvette  
**Best 2005s & Newer Car:** Chris Rauch of Lexington in a 2015 Ford Mustang

**Best Restomod Car:** Ken Dopps of Hermiston with a 1971 Chevy Camaro

**Best Foreign Car or Pickup:** Ron Koenig of Hermiston in a 1971 Datsun 510

**Best Paint:** Chris Milburn of Damascus with a 1969 Chevy Camaro

**Best Engine:** Ken Dopps of Hermiston in a 1971 Chevy Camaro

**Best Fat Fender:** Larry and Debbie Renard from The Dalles, OR, in a 1940 Ford Custom Four-Door Street Rod

**Best Muscle Car:** Ken Remmer of Hermiston in a 1972 Dodge

**Best of Show:** Larry and Debbie Renard of The Dalles with a 1940 Ford Custom 4-Dr. Sedan

## Remembrance Walk/Run door prize winners announced

Door prizes were given out at the Friends Helping Friends Remembrance Walk/Run, with prizes for

pre-registered walkers and prizes drawn that morning.

Winners who pre-registered were: #1 Judy

Buschke, #25 Chirella Wallace, #50 Kathy Carlson, #75 Annie Weygandt and #100 Judy Healy.

Door prize winners who were drawn that morning were: Steve and Lisanne Currin, Alan Scott, John Qualls, Erika Patton, Jamie and Joe Abell, Cammeron and Jodi Snook, Kathy Carlson, Sandy and Skip Matthews, Becky Evans, Tim and Kathy Rankin, and Virgil and Debbie Morgan. Jennifer (Rill) Zimmer won a \$25 gas card for family and friends traveling the farthest.

Door prize sponsors were Murray's Drug, Devin Oil, Howe's About Pizza, Sinclair Lexington Gas, Bucknum's, MCGG, and Katrina Flynn of Garibaldi.

## CASA volunteers take message to legislature



Diane Shockman, CASA volunteer, and Jesus Rome, CASA Coordinator for Umatilla and Morrow counties, at the Oregon Capitol, where they met with legislators regarding the need for more CASA funding. —Contributed photo

Representatives from the local Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program visited area legislators on March 19 in Salem to advocate for the program and restoration of

state funding lost in 2007.

Diane Shockman, CASA volunteer, and Jesus Rome, CASA Coordinator for Umatilla and Morrow counties, met with Sen. Bill Hansell and Rep. Greg Bar-

reto to talk about the CASA program and the number of children currently served.

CASAs are trained volunteers who advocate for children in foster care to find a safe and permanent home.

"It was my first time going to the Capitol and it was a privilege to meet with Sen. Hansell and Rep. Barreto, and share with them my experience as a CASA for the past 12 years," said Shockman.

"There are over a hundred children in Morrow and Umatilla counties that are not served by CASA," said Rome. "There is a great need for additional funding to train and recruit more volunteers to be the voice for children in foster care."

The Umatilla-Morrow CASA program is housed within Umatilla Morrow Head Start.

Community members interested in learning about CASA should visit the UMCHS website at umchs.org or contact Jesus Rome at 541-564-6878.

## Heppner YCC crew offers summer job opportunities for local youth

Heppner—The Heppner Ranger District is recruiting for four students between the ages of 15 and 18 for summer employment in the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC).

Work can include noxious weed removal, fence removal and construction, trail maintenance, camp-ground maintenance, slash piling and fireline construction around logged units on the Heppner Ranger District.

The program will last six weeks beginning June 22.

Youth are paid the Oregon minimum wage rate of \$9.25 per hour. No previous experience is required.

Applicants must:

- be at least 15 years old and not reach the age of 19 during the term of employment in the program,
- have a social security number, or have made application to obtain one, and
- obtain parental or legal guardian consent to enroll in the program.

Applications are available at the Forest Service Office in Heppner and at local high schools.

Applications will be accepted through 2 p.m. on April 15.

Successful applicants will be selected through a random draw at 4 p.m. on April 15.

For more information contact the Heppner Ranger District at 541-676-9187.

## Pappas wins Ewe Do Bingo



Above: This year's Ewe Do Bingo winner Patti Pappas with Heppner cheerleader Sophie Grant. This was the 15<sup>th</sup> year in which Ewe Do Bingo has gone to support the Heppner cheer program, and the team has hailed the event as a success, with the girls selling out all the bingo squares. Pappas also provided extra support by donating a large portion of her winnings back to the cheer program. —Contributed photo

Due to circumstances beyond our control, The Landing Restaurant at the OHV Park will not be opening March 23. We will be opening April 13. We apologize for any inconvenience. —John & Barb Harris

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Committee members are: Patty Matheny, Janelle Ellis, Mary Haguewood, Kathi Dickenson, Susan Hisler, Peggy Fishburn, Sandy Matthews, Mary Ann Elguezabal, Shelley McCabe, Diana Ball, Kelly Boyer.

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### Blue Mountain Community College

Alumni in the Spotlight

**Jessica Hughes, BMCC Class of 2014 Heppner**

Heppner High School graduate Jessica Hughes says attending BMCC to start her four-year degree in education was "a logical decision. It was cost-effective, close to home, and I was able to take the same core classes that I would have taken in my first two years at a university for a fraction of the cost." Thanks to BMCC's affordable education, Jessica completed her undergraduate degree debt-free. She took advantage of high school and community scholarships, worked in the BMCC Foundation office and for BMCC's maintenance department in work study positions, and utilized FAFSA and worked part-time jobs. Jessica is currently attending Colorado State University to complete her master's degree, and plans to return to Heppner to raise cattle on her family's ranch.

**Have you heard about the BMCC bond?**

BMCC wants to continue to provide a high-quality education for students so they can succeed like our many distinguished alumni! Check out the bond page on our website to learn more about how BMCC could continue to provide an affordable education for family-wage jobs, a safe and secure learning environment and protect the community's investment. Look for the bond on the May 19, 2015, ballot!

[www.bluecc.edu/about-bmcc/bond-measure](http://www.bluecc.edu/about-bmcc/bond-measure)

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