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way 395 to Fourth Avenue, and a variety of vendors will line the street. Parents can shop around while their children enjoy many games and activities, including a bounce house and face painting, as well as a hands-on exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside Victory Baptist Church near the corner of Second and Main.

"OMSI is probably one of the biggest hits coming into Hermiston," Pedro said. "We have a lot more activities that will be coming there this year. Whether you're a toddler on through adults, there will be activities that all will enjoy."

The Outlaw Lawn Dragsters are another main attraction. At 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., members of the group will

rev the modified engines of their custom riding lawn mowers and race at about 50 miles per hour in front of the *Hermiston Herald* office.

Throughout the day, chainsaw wood carvers will create sculptures in front of spectators to be sold at an auction just after 2 p.m. Last year, returning artist George Kenny carved an intricate eagle from a piece of red cedar that sold for only \$90.

Performers will also provide entertainment throughout the event. With Jacob Looper, Dallin Puzey, Dakota Brown and a mariachi band, Pedro said the music alone is worth a trip downtown.

"I enjoy the music because we have such great talents," she said. "I enjoy the artistic talent we're bringing in."

For more information about Funfest, visit hermistonchamber.com or call 541-567-6151.

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event from 7-9 p.m. in McKenzie Park, which is free for anyone to attend. Hermiston Classics Car Club member Rusty Roe and his group, the Outsiders, will perform Friday and during the car show, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

"They play a whole variety of things from country-western to rock and roll — the whole gamut, a little bit of everything," Blankenship said.

The car show will also feature vendors, and about 30 trophies will be awarded to the participants at 3 p.m. Blankenship said the park features plenty of shade to offer attendees a break from the heat, and he en-

couraged people to check it out.

"It's a lot of work, but it's a lot of fun," he said of the show.

For more information about the show, contact Blankenship, 541-571-5206.

After Funfest and the



FILE PHOTO BY SEAN HART

Hermiston Classics Car Club member Jerry Fisher, Irrigon, shows off his 1929 Ford Model A Tudor Sedan, which won the trophy for Best Host Car, at the club's Cool Rides Car Show last year. The 20th annual show takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in McKenzie Park.

car show wrap up, Club 24 will host the third annual Neon Nights 5k starting at 10 p.m. at the Oxbow trailhead at 1100 S.W. Elm Ave., Hermiston. The untimed race allows people of all ages to run or walk on the Oxbow Trail, and prizes will be awarded for people with the best glow-in-the-dark appearance.

Registration costs \$30 for adults the day of the event, which includes a T-shirt and glow-in-the-dark accessories, and \$20 for children ages 6 to 15. Children younger than 5 can participate for free without receiving the shirt and accessories. Preregistration is cheaper and can be completed by following links from hermistonchamber.com.

For more information, contact Darla Esterbloom, 541-701-0477.



FILE PHOTO BY SEAN HART

Attendees check out the vendor booths at Funfest last year. The 10th annual event takes place Saturday this year on East Main Street in Hermiston.

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warehouse, said their primary customer is ConAgra Foods Lamb Weston, which completed a massive expansion of its french fry plant at the port last year.

Other processors, such as Boardman Foods and Tillamook Cheese, could also benefit from added cold storage at the port.

"There has been a shortage of cold storage warehousing space in the Boardman area for a number of years," Barnes said. "This is just another service we

can provide for businesses at the Port of Morrow."

The Port of Morrow charted 88 percent growth between 2008-2013, tied closely to the region's agricultural economy. A portion of the warehouse funding — \$6 million — comes from the Oregon Department of Transportation's ConnectOregon grant program.

Wednesday's event begins at noon, features brief tours of the facility and catering by Dickey's Barbecue. The warehouse is located at 73336 Lewis and Clark Drive in Boardman.

To RSVP, contact Barnes at 541-945-1093.

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