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A row of classic American cars were among the dozens of cars on display at the Hermiston Classics Car Club Cool Rides Car Show in McKenzie Park in 2015.

## FUNFEST

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Balloons and some T-shirts will be given away. Yo-Country will serve complimentary watermelon frozen yogurt from 11 a.m. to noon.

Pedro reassures the community there will be plenty of refreshing summer treats, including free bottled water from many vendors, Otter Pops, a beer garden and shade over the seating area in front of the entertainment stage.

This year's entertainment features a mariachi band and other live acts.

### Cool Rides Car Show

Meanwhile at McKenzie Park, the community is invited to take a cruise through automotive history, with a little help from the Hermiston Classics Car Club. More than 75 classic cars will be on exhibit from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Car club president Larry Storment said, depending on the weather, he expects cars from Idaho, Washington, California and even Canada.

A few years ago the show was on Hermiston Main Street, and Storment remembers how hot it could get on the asphalt. The move to McKenzie Park makes for a cooler event with grass and

trees providing a more pleasant experience.

There will be car-related vendors selling goods as well as food vendors and live music, and the Hermiston Saturday Market will be open nearby.

More than 20 awards will be handed out at 2:30 p.m. and Storment says the awards are surprising, "very unique," and worth coming to see.

The 21st annual car show officially kicks off Friday, July 8, with a poker run and potluck for show entrants starting at 6 p.m.

For additional information, contact Larry Storment at 541-571-4960.

## PREMIERE

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Fans in Eastern Oregon will get a chance to meet Moore July 8-9, as she'll be in Hermiston during premiere showings of "The Dog Lover."

Described as a heartwarming tale of family, love and doing what you believe in, the suspenseful drama is inspired by true events.

Moore is cast as the executive director of an organization that rescues animals and lobbies for animal welfare laws. Saying she enjoys playing the part of "a bad guy," Moore describes her character as being a "wolf in sheep's clothing."

The storyline centers around a young woman going undercover to infiltrate a puppy mill and ends up exposing radical animal activism.

"It's based on a true story," Moore said. "It's not propaganda, it's not made up."

Hermiston resident Dave Duquette, equine representative for Protect the Harvest, is hopeful the movie will inspire people to conduct research before donating money or getting involved with causes.

Multimillionaire Forrester Lucas of Lucas Oil Products Inc. is the film's executive producer. The Indiana man also is founder of Protect the Harvest, which fights for the rights of America's



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Hermiston is among just two dozen cities chosen for the July 8 premiere of "The Dog Lover." A suspenseful drama based on true events, the film is described as a heartwarming tale of family, love and doing what you believe in.

### HERMISTON PREMIERE

Showtimes for "The Dog Lover" in Hermiston.

Friday, July 8 and Saturday, July 9  
1:30 p.m.  
4:15 p.m.  
7 p.m.  
9:30 p.m.

Actress **Christina Moore** will be appearing for Q&As after the following showing at Hermiston Cinema, 355 W. Theatre Lane, Hermiston.

Friday, July 8, at 4:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.  
Saturday, July 9, 1:30 p.m. and 4:15 p.m.

writer/producer, to form ESX Entertainment. The idea was to create a handful of social issue drama feature films — "The Dog Lover" is the first release.

Duquette said presenting information through the films provides an avenue to reach a larger audience.

"When I go to a horse event or cattle deal or a rodeo, the people in agriculture understand," he said. "I'm preaching to the choir."

Moore was contacted by Afshar — who she met while waiting tables 20 years ago — about doing the film. Once she was on-board, she met Lucas and was then commissioned to work on writing and producing a trio of upcoming films with ESX Entertainment.

"In Hollywood, it's not what you do, it's who you know," she said.

For more about the movie, visit [www.thedoglover-movie.com](http://www.thedoglover-movie.com).

farmers, ranchers, animal owners and sportsmen/sportswomen.

Lucas teamed up with Ali Afshar, the movie's

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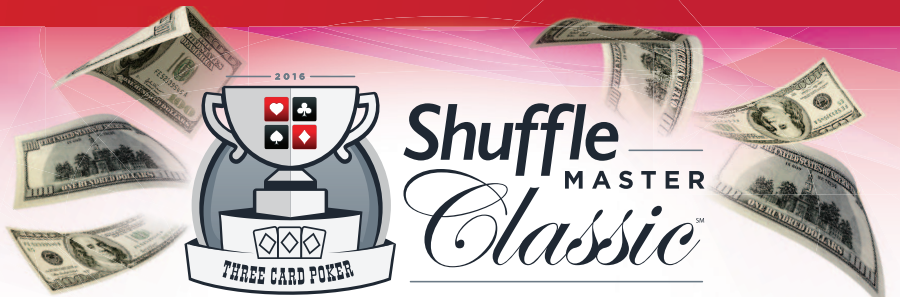
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