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Hermiston Community Center. As part of the dedication, the city is putting together a time capsule that will be sealed up near the old **Armand Larive** school arch next to the Harkenrider Center, to be opened 50 years in the future.

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Jerry Gaunt recently received the **Echo Good Neighbor Award**. He was recognized during Echo's **National Night Out** celebration, held Aug. 14. Police chief **Bryon Zumwalt** presented Gaunt with a \$100 Visa gift card.

The Echo man was selected based on his ongoing efforts and contributions in making a difference in his neighborhood. The awards certificate indicated Gaunt seeks to improve the quality of the community and doesn't seek recognition for his good deeds.

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 The **Umatilla County Historical Society** was among the recent recipients of **Oregon Cultural Trust** grants.

The historical society, which runs **Heritage Station Museum** in Pendleton, received \$30,513, to support **"Umatilla Gold."** A long-term exhibit that will tell the story of wheat, a vital part

of Umatilla County's economy and history, will be on display from 2019-29. It will emphasize how wheat plays a role in the lives of those living in the county and around the world.

Created in 2001 by the **Oregon Legislature**, the Oregon Cultural Trust provides ongoing funding for arts and culture across the state. Through the program, the state of Oregon provides a 100 percent tax credit to inspire cultural giving. For more information, visit www.culturaltrust.org. For more about the historical society go to www.heritagestationmuseum.org.

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Austin Phipps drove

away with the best of show with his 1968 Chevrolet Camaro RS during the **Cool Rides Car Show**.

The event, in its 23rd year, revved up during Hermiston Funfest weekend. Presented by the **Hermiston Classics Car Club**, the show filled McKenzie Park with other winners, including:

Best of show, home built: **John McCall**, 1932 Ford Coupe; People's choice: **Larry Stephenson**, 1937 Buick Special; Andy Anderson Memorial: **Larry Schnetzky**, 1932 Ford Roadster.

Club members gave **Jerry England** a nod for his 1951 Mercury 2-door coupe. He received the Mike

Monroe Memorial, which is named in honor of the longtime club member who helped organize the event.

Police Chief Award: **Joyce Follis**, 1965 Chevrolet Impala; Fire Chief Award: **Craig Klages**, 1970 Dodge Challenger RT.

Import 1980 or newer: **Rick Bell**, 1993 Nissan 3002X TT; Import 1979 or older: **Ron Koenig**, 1970 Datsun 210; Truck 1960 or newer: **Joe Hampton**, 1966 Chevrolet C-10; Truck 1959 or older: **Paul Dobrovolsky**, 1937 Chevrolet Pick-Up; Car 2000 or newer: **Mark Daugherty**, 2006 Chevrolet Corvette Z06; Car 1980-89: **Jose Muñoz**, 1998 Pontiac Firebird; Car 1970-79:

Steve & Susan Berrar, 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle, Car 1960-69: **Mike & Debi Purkerson**, 1964 Chevrolet Impala SS; Car 1950-59: **Richard Latham**, 1959 Chevrolet Impala; Car 1940-49: **Bill & Julie Stark**, 1947 Ford Coupe; Car 1939 or older: **Steve Rion**, 1935 Ford 2 Door.

For more information about the car club, call president **Larry Stornment** at 541-571-5960 or search Facebook for "Hermiston Classics Car Club."

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AUCTION

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enjoyed a week at the fair. Like all 4-H students, when the youth livestock auction rolled around on Saturday she found it bittersweet.

"It was hard saying goodbye," she said.

Jenny said she had heard "rumblings" that community members at the auction were conspiring to make sure Maddy's lamb went for a little extra, but she thought that meant \$10 per pound. Instead, the price just kept rising as more people realized something special was happening and jumped in with bids of their own, then cheered on other bidders.

Both Jennie and livestock auction superintendent Marie Linnell described the atmosphere during the bidding as "electric." Linnell said that even auctioneer Ford Bonney started choking up as he continued to take bids.

"It was like electricity was running through the air," Linnell said. "The feeling there was incredible."

The bidding ended at \$50 per pound, but the fair



STAFF PHOTO BY E.J. HARRIS

Maddy Thomas, 11, of Echo sold her market lamb for \$23,000 at the Umatilla County Fair auction last week.

also allows "add-ons" from people who didn't win an animal but still want to contribute to the youth who raised it. The add-ons came pouring in, bumping it up to \$78 per pound that day. First it was adults and businesses, then other Umatilla County 4-H and FFA youths started contributing a portion of their proceeds. Linnell said support was still trickling in, but the 143-pound market lamb had brought in \$23,200 from more than 60 adults/businesses and 50 youth.

"We always say these 4-H and FFA kids are the cream of the crop," Linnell

said.

Henry the lamb went on to resale, and Maddy said she is already looking forward to raising another lamb next year.

"It was fun," she said.

Meanwhile Jenny said the money raised from the sale will help the family with medical and travel expenses, and some will be put into a college fund for Maddy.

She said in an email that the family has "decent" medical insurance that covers a majority of Maddy's medical bills — one three-week stay in the hospital came out to \$500,000.

But they have high deductibles to meet each year and their premiums "skyrocketed" once they switched to coverage that would pay for more. At the same time, Maddy's parents have had to miss a lot of work.

"We have been life-flighted twice and ambulated once from Kadlec to Seattle Children's," Jenny wrote. "Every time we travel we have fuel, food, and hotel costs as she gets too tired to make a one-day trip."

The small community of Echo has been "great" about raising money, she said. But during lengthy cancer battles, the fundraisers tend to dry up before the bills do, so the family is extremely grateful to get such a generous donation from the community a year after Maddy's diagnosis. Maddy also said she wanted to thank everyone.

Without factoring in Maddy's lamb, this year's youth auction was the second highest on record at \$480,750 on 251 lots.

Anyone who wants to donate before the deadline next Friday can email Linnell at mlinnell5@gmail.com for details.

RESULTS

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Taylor Wilson, Hermiston, B; Timothy Taylor, Athena, B; Toby Summerfield, Pendleton, B; Trevor Wagner, Echo, B; Trey Ditchen, Stanfield, B; Tristen Walker, Milton-Freewater, B; Triston Schluppe, Hermiston, B; Yosef Cooley, Hermiston, B; Zackery Epperson, Hermiston, R; Zane Estes, Hermiston, B; Zane Vogt, Hermiston, B.

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

Swine Showmanship, Nov.
 Austin Walker, Milton-Freewater, B, CH; Anisley McClure, Hermiston, B, RCH; Addison McClure, Hermiston, B; Aidan Woodworth, Athena, B; Aiden Tynkila, Stanfield, B; Brody Adams, Hermiston, B; Carolyn Follett, Hermiston, B; Carson Hodge, Umatilla, B; Carter VanHouten, Pilot Rock, B; Casey Scott, Hermiston, B; Daniel Meyers, Hermiston, B; Declan Purves, Umatilla, B; Elle Blakely, Umatilla, B; Isabel Puerta, Hermiston, B; Jackson Coffman, Hermiston, B; Jessica McGuire, Hermiston, B; Kenedee Parsons, Pendleton, B; Laney Irwin, Hermiston, B; Marcus McGuire, Hermiston, B; Piper Roberts, Hermiston, B; Ruth Vander Stelt, Hermiston, B; Sarah Sepulveda, Hermiston, B; Sevanna Grabeel, Hermiston, B; Timothy Taylor, Athena, B; Yosef Cooley, Hermiston, B.

Swine Showmanship, Jr.
 Blake Palzinski, Hermiston, B, CH; Zane Vogt, Hermiston, B, RCH; Addison Garberg, Hermiston, B; Adriannah Lopez, Hermiston, B; Alexis Schluppe, Hermiston, B; Allen McClure, Hermiston, B; Ashlynn Cutburth, Hermiston, B; Broc Erickson, Pilot Rock, B; Brock Stelk, Pilot Rock, B; Brooke Barron, Hermiston, B; Brycen Jones, Hermiston, B; Caiden Dennis, Weston, B; Caleb Grabeel, Hermiston, B; Clark Hodgson, Athena, B; Cole Weyand, Stanfield, B; Coy Estes, Hermiston, B; Cozette Cooley, Hermiston, B; Evalena Lieuallen, Weston, B; Gwendolyn Follett, Hermiston, B; Hannah Weyand, Stanfield, B; Jayden Walker, Milton-Freewater, B; Jeremiah Oster, Stanfield, B; Kayla Chaney, Milton-Freewater, B; Laura Meyers, Hermiston, B; Mykael Graham, Stanfield, B; Robert Purves, Umatilla, B; Sydney Parker, Hermiston, B; Trey Ditchen, Stanfield, B.

Swine Showmanship, Int.
 Paige Palzinski, Hermiston, B, GCH; Degan Patton, Pendleton, B, RGCH; Ally McClure, Hermiston, B; Alyssa Long, Hermiston, B; Austin Garberg, Hermiston, B; Breannah Lopez, Hermiston, B; Brennin Nash, Hermiston, B; Cadence Cooley, Hermiston, B; Caleb Irwin, Hermiston, B; Cameron Jones, Hermiston, B; Caralee Shurtz, Athena, B; Crae Campbell, Pendleton, B; Damon Maddox, Hermiston, B; Dylan Ditchen, Stanfield, B; Emilee Meyers, Hermiston, B; Ethan Adams, Hermiston, B; Francisco Atlano, Hermiston, B; Gretchen Barton, Hermiston, B; Helen Cooley, Hermiston, B; Hunter Dyer, Hermiston, B; Jacob Parker, Hermiston, B; Jasper Machado, Hermiston, B; Jenna Whalley, Hermiston, B; Jimena Puerta, Hermiston, B; Jordynn Sepulveda, Hermiston, B; Jubilee Taylor, Athena, B; Katelyn Wadkins, Hermiston, B; Keagan McCann, Hermiston, B; Kyndra Zumwalt, Echo, B; Landon Maddox, Hermiston, B; Lydia Vander Stelt, Hermiston, B; Madyson Moffitt, Pilot Rock, B; Maratyne Pacheco, Hermiston, B; Mario Pacheco, Hermiston, B; Megan Palzinski, Hermiston, B; Morgan Browning, Hermiston, B; Natalie Atlano, Hermiston, B; Toby Summerfield, Pendleton, B; Trevor Wagner, Echo, B; Tristen Walker, Milton-Freewater, B; Triston Schluppe, Hermiston, B; Zackery Epperson, Hermiston, B; Zane Estes, Hermiston, B.

Swine Showmanship, Sr.
 Jailee Vogt, Hermiston, B, CH; Abigail Marshall, Hermiston, B, RCH; Evan Summerfield, Pendleton, B; Garrett Walchli, Hermiston, B; Jadon Estes, Hermiston, B; Kaleb Crafton, Hermiston, B; Kayla Bensal, Hermiston, B; Kristian Schnell, Milton-Freewater, B; McKayla Pacheco, Hermiston, B; Michael Connell, Stanfield, B; Olivia Reynolds, Stanfield, B; Taylor Wilson, Hermiston, B.

VEGETABLES & HERBS

Vegetable Collection Jr.
 CheryLynn Machado, Hermiston, B.
Vegetable Collection Sr.
 Jazmyyn Schmalz, Milton-Freewater, B (2 entries) / R.
Vegetable Plate of One Type, Jr.
 CheryLynn Machado, Hermiston, B, GCH, SF / B, SF / R; Hailey Lolland, Weston, B (2 entries) / R.

VIDEOGRAPHY

Video, Educational, Int.
 Ashley Treadwell, Hermiston, B, CH, SF.

WOOD SCIENCE

Wood Science Junior First Year
 Cole Roy, Pendleton, B; McKenzie Shelton, Pendleton, B.
Wood Science Other Senior
 Kalon Shelden, Pendleton, B.

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