

BRIEFS

Umatilla announces design contest

The city of Umatilla is seeking some fresh concepts to help promote its parks and recreation program.

A Tagline & Logo Design Competition is being held to solicit new and modern ideas. People who reside, work or attend school in Umatilla are eligible to submit up to three entries. Minors must have parent/guardian permission to participate.

The design will be used on such things as official documents, websites, city flags, official city pins, business cards, awards and other ways. The submissions must be positive and reflective of the community and lifestyle of Umatilla. It should capture what Umatilla means to the creator.

The top three finalists will each receive a cash prize. The winner will receive \$50 and recognition during an upcoming city council meeting.

Submit entry ideas to Umatilla City Hall, 700 Sixth St. The contest ends June 30.

For the official contest rules, visit www.umatilla-city.org. For questions, call 541-922-3226, extension 108.

The Arc takes steps to include others

An awareness event will help raise money to support The Arc Umatilla County's Summer Recreation and Inclusion Program.

The Intellectual Disability Awareness Walk (1-mile) is Saturday, June 22 at 10 a.m. at The Arc Building, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. On-site registration begins at 9 a.m. or people can pre-register at www.thearcumatilla.org. The registration fee is \$20. Those unable to attend can also make donations at the registration site.

A nonprofit organization, The Arc advocates for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. To learn more information about The Arc and its summer program, call 541-567-7615, visit www.thearcumatilla.org or search Facebook.

Special Olympics celebrates successes, support

Special Olympic athletes, coaches, volunteers and supporters had multiple reasons to cheer recently as Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510 celebrated during its annual awards event.

More than 75 people attended the



Photo contributed by Mark Smalley

The local Special Olympics program recently celebrated during its annual awards event. Those receiving recognition included Kristi Smalley (coach of the year), Jennifer Cecil for the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club (organization of the year), Robert Lorgoria for The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Angels Council (volunteers of the year), Arielle Shaver (female athlete of the year) and Ben Spinden (male athlete of the year).

April 23 gathering. Held at The Arc Building in Hermiston, it featured an ice cream social. Those recognized were nominated based on exemplifying the spirit of Special Olympics.

Male Athlete of the Year was presented to Ben Spinden by longtime bowling coach Doris Boatright. Female Athlete of the Year was Arielle Shaver, who received her award from bowling coach Karrington Lucas. Coach of the Year recognized Kristi Smalley, who was presented the award by basketball and bocce coach Jessica Sexton. Volunteer of the Year was accepted by Robert Longoria on behalf of The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Angels Council #3999. Special Olympian Rian Middleton presented the Organization of the Year award to Jennifer Cecil on behalf of the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club.

The local Special Olympics program currently has approximately 90 athletes participating in bocce, golf and athletics (track and field events). The athletic training and competitions are offered to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities at no charge. For more information about the local program, contact Angela Schneider at 541-314-0166.

Recruitment workshop offered in Boardman

Morrow County employers are invited to participate in a free workshop that helps in connecting talented young professionals to local businesses.

Employers will learn how to attract

and retain interns by working together to develop a countywide marketing and outreach plan. The program benefits both businesses and those seeking employment.

The "Oregon WORKS Community Internship Workshop" is Thursday, June 6 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. Lunch is provided. While the program is free, those planning to attend need to register by Thursday, May 30 at <https://bit.ly/2i0BL2x>.

The Port of Morrow was chosen as one of four locations across the state to host the workshop. It's presented by the McMinnville Economic Development Partnership with grants from The Ford Family Foundation and the Oregon Community Foundation.

For questions, call Kalie Davis, Workforce Training Program Manager 541-571-1624.

Old Iron Show gears up for 16th year

Owners of old iron engines, steam engines, antique cars, vintage farm implements and other machinery from bygone eras are encouraged to dust off the cobwebs and consider displaying their equipment during the Old Iron Show.

In its 16th year, there is no fee to display items. Also, demonstrations are encouraged. The show is Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8 from 8 a.m. to dusk, and Sunday, June 9 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Roy Raley Park, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Shannon Gruenhagen of the Umatilla County Historical Society at 541-276-0012, shannong@heritagestationmuseum.org or visit www.heritagestationmuseum.org.

HHS class of '74 plans reunion

Members of the Hermiston High School class of 1974 are encouraged to spread the word about the upcoming 45-year reunion.

The July 26-27 event will include a Friday meet-and-greet at Maxwell Siding Event Center. Also, Saturday features a potluck in the backyard of Bruce and Mollie Wilcox's home.

As a fundraiser, the class is selling a DVD of past reunions. Payable in advance, the cost is \$20.

For more information, search for the Facebook group, "HHS Classmates 1974 on Facebook" or call Bruce Wilcox at 541-567-9027.

PHOTO OF THE DAY



Contributed photo by Danny Minkler
Simmons Insurance Group held their annual community service day on Thursday. Pictured are Chris Elliot, left, Justin Doyle in the wheelbarrow and Julieanna Studebaker.

Duck Race to make splash in Hermiston

A family-fun event offers everything from a giant inflatable obstacle course and Knock-erball to bouncy houses and music.

Coordinated by Leadership Hermiston Class 22, Ducks Race the Rapids is designed to offer outdoor fun, while also raising money to develop a scholarship fund to provide additional resources to Made to Thrive. The nonprofit organization aims to stop the cycle of child abuse, neglect and poverty by introducing the physical and emotional benefits of sports, adventure activities, music and the arts to vulnerable youth.

Ducks Race the Rapids is Saturday, June 1 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Riverfront Park, Orchard Extension Loop, Hermiston. People are encouraged to bring a picnic and enjoy the event. Ducks are available at participating businesses for \$5, while supplies last. There is a limit of 2,000. Admission to the park is free and tick-

ets for activities will be sold by vendors with a portion of proceeds given to the cause.

The ducks will be dropped in the river at noon. The person whose ticket matches the numbered duck that moves fastest down the river to the finish line and is scooped up first wins \$1,000. Five other prizes will be given to the next five ducks who complete the race.

Ducks can be purchased at Roger's Toyota, the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce, Hermiston Parks & Recreation, Atkinson Staffing, Columbia Bank, O'Reillys, the city of Umatilla, Smitty's Ace Hardware, Umpqua Bank, Umatilla Electric Cooperative and Delish Bistro. Also, donations also can be made out to the Greater Hermiston Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

For more information about the event, contact Fran Rice, Leadership Hermiston facilitator, at 541-571-7977 or rices@eotnet.net

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