Echo student participates in National History Day

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McKenzie Rose, 15, of the Echo School District, recently competed in the National History Day 2021 Virtual Documentary Showcase, held June 13-19. A student of Brandi Russell's, Rose, who just finished her freshman year, was among 50 middle school and high school students from across the state who were invited to participate in the national contest, which was hosted by the Smithsonian National Museum of American History.

Rose earned the honor to advance by placing first in her category during the Oregon History Day contest, which was coordinated by the Oregon Historical Society. In all, 125 students from across the state participated in this year's event, which also was held virtually.

"I like learning about

IN BRIEF

Hermiston student registration begins July 27

Hermiston School District will offer onsite student registration assistance for the 2021-2022 school year at the district office. Computers and bilingual staff will be on hand for registration support from noon to 7 p.m. on: Tuesday, July 27; Thursday, July 29; Tuesday, August 3 and Thursday, Aug. 5.

The district will have stations prepared with two guest chairs and an electronic device. It is requested that no more than two guests per family enter the office to complete the registration process. Wearing a mask indoors will be at the discretion of the individuals.

Parents and guardians will have the opportunity to update physical/mailing address, emergency contact information, etc., as well as complete free and reducedprice meal applications and pay any outstanding lunch and necessary student fees.

The district will provide school supplies for students this school year. Parents do not need to purchase supplies.

Parents can access online registration by visiting https://www.hermiston.k12. or.us/apps/pages/registration/ and selecting English or Spanish to proceed. The Online Registration page has links to register kindergarten, returning, and new students to HSD. Students returning to Hermiston schools this fall should have received a letter including a snapcode specific to the student. Parents/ guardians must enter the student's snapcode and then login to registration portal. Families of kindergarten and new students are asked to bring the following verification information, either to the district office or the school in August.



McKenzie Rose poses with her 2020 Oregon History Day first place entry. This is the second year in a row the Echo student was invited to participate in the national event, which was held virtually because of the pandemic.

things I don't know about," she said about her interest in the contest. "The cool thing about the competition is it makes it so fun to compete, so I'm drawn back each year. I'm a really competitive person."

Entering the Individual Exhibit category, Rose's project was "The Navajo Code Talkers: Communicating Their Way To Victory." While she didn't place at the national contest, Rose competed against more than 2,700 students with more than 1,500 unique entries from across the country, said Rachel Randles, Oregon Historical Society director of marketing & communications.

The National History Day program encourages students to nurture their curiosity by researching topics or analyzing a historical event that connects to the annual theme in 2021 it was "Communication in History: The Key

to Understanding." Rose's interest was piqued about Navajo code talkers after her grandfather, a Vietnam veteran, gave her some books about the communication skills utilized by Native Americans during wars. The code talkers were credited with helping win numerous battles during World War II, and many continued their military service during the Korean and Vietnam wars.

As she pondered a project for the contest, Rose decided code talkers would be a perfect topic. In addition to highlighting communication skills in wars, Rose said it shined a spotlight on the important role of Native Americans in the effort.

"It was a two-sided victory," Rose said.

Rose, the lone Echo student participating in this year's contest, is no stranger to the history day event, entering for the fourth time.

In 2020, she won first place in the Junior Division (middle school) exhibit category. And as a sixth grader, Rose advanced to the finals with a group project, which included a trip to the national contest at the University of Maryland.

"It was such a fun experience," she said about going to the East Coast. "We stayed in the dorms, traveled around and got to sightsee in Wash-ington, D.C."

The Oregon Historical Society looks forward to seeing what topics students tackle next year. The 2022 National History Day theme is "Debate & Diplomacy in History: Successes, Failures, Consequences."

For more information about participating in Oregon History Day, contact Kristen Pilgrim at kristen.pilgrim@ ohs.org. For more about National History Day, visit www.nhd.org.

BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston JUNE 30, 2021

KUFFLER — Josilynn Dyer and Andrew Kuffler of Umatilla: a girl, Natalie Grace-Leigh Kuffler.

ROMERO DE LA CRUZ — Aleli De La Cruz Lopez and Luis U. Romero Avelino of Hermiston: a boy, Chris Yeferson Romero De La Cruz.

JULY 1, 2021 **GUTIERREZ**

RAMOS — Dominga Ramos Perez and Santos Gutierrez Guico of Hermiston: a boy, Mario Gutierrez Ramos.

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

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MADRIGAL — Ofelia and Ernesto Madrigal of Irrigon: a boy, Josue Madrigal.



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idents. People are invited to display open class exhibits, including everything from baked goods, sewing projects and hobby work to photography, fine arts and vegetables and more.

To highlight the fair theme

"Ready, Set, Show" many of the departments have a special fair theme category. It provides people with an opportunity to interpret the theme through a project or entry. The open class pre-registration deadline is Wednesday, July 28, by 5 p.m.

While projects and entries aren't due yet, exhibitors must pre-register in order to be eligible for judging and fair premiums. In addition to displaying their creations, exhibitors are eligible to purchase one season pass for the discounted price of \$20. It can be purchased beginning Sunday, Aug. 8, at the fair office by providing the pink exhibitor's tag.

Registration forms are www.umatillaavailable countyfair.net/exhibitors or at the fair office, located at Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center, 1705 Airport Road, Hermiston. Also, local libraries offer computer use and internet access.

ties, and Disaster Recovery. The tournament is Friday, July 16 with tee times starting at 8 a.m. at the Wildhorse Resort Golf Course, Mission. Rather than a shotgun start, foursomes will be assigned a tee time.

The cost is \$100 per person, which includes green fees, a golf cart, a goodie bag and breakfast. People are encouraged to register their team or sign up to join a foursome.

Cash prizes will be awarded for golf contests and pro shop gift certificates will be distributed as team prizes. In addition, raffle drawings will be held throughout the tournament. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

For more information, to donate raffle items or to inquire about sponsorship, contact Monica Boyle, development director, at monica@uwbluemt.org or 509-529-1183. For a tourney registration form or to learn more about the United Way and projects it supports, visit www.uwbluemt.org.

Baptist church splashes into summer

A couple of days are left of the vacation Bible school at the Boardman First Baptist Church. On the final day, get ready to have a splashing good time with a water bounce house. kindergar-Kids in ten through sixth grade are invited for dinner and then participate in singing, games and a lesson with a theme of "Genesis." The class sessions meet Wednesday through Friday from 5:30-7:15 p.m. at the church, 200 Willow Fork Drive, Boardman. Children do not have to attend the church to participate.

the upcoming flicks are "Onward" (July 16); "My Spy" (July 30) and "The Croods: A New Age" (Aug. 13). The marina is located at 1710 Ouincy Ave., Umatilla. The shows start at dusk. People are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

For more information, call 541-922-3226 or visit www. umatilla-city.org/parksrec.

Library draws in youths with paint night

A Teen Paint Night is

library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. There is no fee and all supplies will be provided.

Pre-registration, which is required, will begin Monday, July 19. For more information, call 541-567-2882 or visit www.hermiston.or.us.

Stanfield tosses in cornhole league

Weekly prizes and a league tournament are all part of the fun during the Stanfield Cornhole League.

The games are Tuesday at

one. The market is open Sattilla Parks & Recreation, urdays from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Victory Square Park, located next to Umatilla City Hall on Sixth Street. Each week, there are free

giveaways. In addition, the event hosts free interactive crafts, displays or games. upcoming markets The feature:

• July 17: Umatilla Rural Fire Department will provide safety demonstrations and a fire apparatus on display.

• July 24: Umatilla Police Department will promote National Night Out with patrol vehicles on display.

• July 31: Free bingo from 10 a.m. to noon.

For more information or to inquire about vendor space, contact hannah@ umatilla-city.org, 541-922-3226 or visit www.umatil-

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planned as part of the Hermiston Public Library's Summer Reading Program. The activity is Tuesday, July 27, with one-hour time slots between 5-7 p.m. at the

- Record of the student's birth (i.e. birth certificate, baptismal certificate, or passport)
- Proof of residence/physical address
- Immunization records
- Any previous report cards or transcripts

Incoming kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by Sept. 1, 2021, or born on or before September 1, 2016. If there are legal documents (e.g. custody or parenting plans) for the student, the parent/guardian should provide a copy to the school.

All students must be registered prior to Aug. 6, for the student to be scheduled and bus routes to be built.

For additional information, families may contact the Hermiston School District office at 541-667-6000, as schools are currently closed.

Fair exhibitors must pre-register for open class entries

After a one-year hiatus, the Umatilla County Fair is looking forward to seeing the creative talents of area res-

For more information. contact fair@umatillacounty. net, 541-567-6121, or stop by the fair office at EOTEC. It's open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but is closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

Hit the links during United Way golf tourney

MISSION — After a oneyear hiatus because of the global pandemic, United Way of the Blue Mountains is looking forward to hosting its 12th annual Charitable Golf Tournament.

Organizers invite golfers to hit the links and help raise money that supports such projects as Successful Students Cradle Through Career, Healthy People and Thriving Communi-

For more information, call 541-481-9437 or visit or search Facebook.

Umatilla Marina hosts Friday night flicks

The Umatilla Marina and RV Park will host free family movie nights.

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7 p.m. at Bard Park, located along Highway 395 in Stanfield. The league continues through Aug. 31. Coordinated by Stanfield Parks and Recreation, the weekly cost is \$5 per team or \$3 per person.

To register, stop by the Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave., or email stanfieldrecreation@gmail. com. For more information, search www.facebook.com/ stanfieldparksandrec.

Umatilla's Saturday market offers food and fun

Umatilla's Saturday Market is well underway and will continue weekly until Sept. 18.

food and other vendors offer a little something for every-





If you are not able to adopt, but would like to foster or donate, visit fuzzballrescue.com or you can mail in donations to Fuzz Ball Animal Rescue, PO Box 580, Hermiston, OR 97838