Rally rolls into C.R.

Fireball Run raising awareness of missing kids

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The Gazette EDAR RAPIDS - The Fireball Run, a crosscountry road rally that raises awareness for missing children nationwide, drove into Cedar Rapids on Friday.

Specialty cars of all sorts, including a 1909 T-Model Ford and the DeLorean from "Back to the Future", were parked at Greene Square Park during a celebration to welcome the par-

The Fireball Run is part Amazing Race, part road rally, and all heart," said Randy Kuehl owner of Randy Kuehl Honda, the presenting sponsor of the Cedar Rapids leg of the

The Fireball Run started on Sept. 23 in Henderson, Nev., outside Las Vegas. Cedar Rapids was the final stop before the participants reach the finish line today in Galena, Ill. Teams score points during the 10-day rally by solving clues and accomplishing missions across the country. Team Cedar Rapids is lead by Bart Woods of Primus Construction and Pete Lammers of European Motors. Driving a 2006 Audi S4, they represent Erin Pospisil, a Cedar Rapids teen who has been missing since 2001.

"We can't let the missing children of our nation fade from our attention once the headlines are gone. This event will help return the focus on Erin, as well as on every missing child across the country,' Kuehl said.

Before arriving at Greene Square Park, the teams visited the corn maze at Bloomsbury Farms and participated in a challenge. They also visited Four Oaks, one of the rally's beneficiaries, as well as several



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Dr. Robert Fisher of the Los Angeles-based team Zen Commanders exits the 1909 Ford Model T Southern Widetrack he is driving with Dr. Scott Anderson (not pictured) in the Fireball Run as they arrive at Greene Square Park in Cedar Rapids at the end of the Friday leg.



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other area locations.

Mayor Ron Corbett is scheduled to wave the green flag

around 10 a.m. today at Greene Square Park for the last leg of the rally.



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ABOVE: Diane Stull from Orlando, Fla., dives at a pig Friday at Bloomsbury Farm in Atkins. Contestants had 30 seconds to pick up a pig which would gain points for their team.

LEFT: Pete Lammers (left) and Bart Woods show judges their photos as the day's points are tallied at Greene Square Park. Teams had to take photos of various stops in the Cedar Rapids area, including flood markers and finding a farmer in a corn maze.