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Marilyn J. Dayson

March 14, 1932 – Jan. 18, 2015

Marilyn J. Dayson, 82, of Keizer died peacefully Jan. 18 after a battle with Parkinson's disease.

She was born in Keizer on March 14, 1932 to Carl and Cleo Boock, the fourth of four children. Marilyn grew up in the Salem-Keizer area attending Keizer grade school and graduating from Salem High School, now North Salem High, in 1950. She attended Merit Davis Business School after graduating.

Marilyn married her high school sweetheart, Donald, on Oct. 6, 1955 and shortly after they moved to Redwood City, Calif.

Marilyn began her career in banking while in California working for Bank of America and Wells Fargo Bank.

In 1968, Marilyn and Don moved back to Oregon with their two children, settling in her hometown of Keizer. Marilyn continued in banking, being hired at The Commercial Bank in downtown Salem, later transferring to the newly-built Keizer branch. Marilyn retired in 1998 after working in banking for more than 40 years.

Marilyn was an avid reader of mystery novels. She loved gardening and enjoyed planting and caring for her numerous flower beds. She was an accomplished seamstress and could often be found creating new fashions, quilting and making crafts. She loved going to the movies, and traveling across the U.S. and abroad with her dream of touring Europe being fulfilled in

1998. She also loved spending time with her family, sharing stories and playing board games, at which she was terrible.

She had a great fondness for Keizer and the Old Keizer School House. Marilyn was one of the initial members who worked to save the Keizer school-house and get it moved to its current spot on Chemawa Road next to the Keizer City Hall. Marilyn was a member of the Keizer Heritage Foundation, spending many hours volunteering in the museum and library and working on numerous Keizer Heritage Events.



Dayson

Survivors include her husband Donald; children, Jessica (Paul) Dayson and Jeff (Yukari) Dayson both of Salem; two grandchildren: Micah and Chloe; and many nephews and nieces.

The family invites all who knew Marilyn to join them at a celebration of life open house on her birthday Saturday, March 14 at 2 p.m. at the Keizer Heritage Foundation. A well-stocked dessert bar will be provided in honor of her tremendous sweet tooth.

The family wants to thank Genitva Hospice and the staff of the Sweet Bye N Bye for their support and caring of Marilyn. Contributions are suggested to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation.

By CRAIG MURPHY
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The fees are the same, some are just switched around.

Fee changes for Keizer Little League Park were approved unanimously March 2 by the Keizer City Council.

Most fees are the same for the park, which is heading into a second year of management by Keizer Little League. KLL took over park management from Keizer Youth Sports Association for 2014.

"Each year, the manager of Keizer Little League fields needs to submit for approval of any changes," city attorney Shannon Johnson said. "This year Keizer Little League noted they wanted to make it two fields changed. One of the fields costing \$40 didn't have dugout, while one that was \$30 did have a dugout so they wanted to make them consistent. They will be back later in the year with more budgeting information."

Field usage rates for most of the 12 fields at KLL Park will remain the same. Fields 9 and

12 will still cost \$30 for a 120 minute period while fields 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 10 will each remain \$40 for a 150-minute period. Field 6 will remain \$50 for a 135-minute period lights and \$135 for the same time period with lights.

The changes are with fields 1 and 11. Field 1 was \$30 last year but is \$40 this year; field 11 has gone the opposite direction.

Mayor Cathy Clark and councilor Kim Freeman wanted to know about the annual budget request for park maintenance.

"Would we normally have them with this report and did we get that in the past with the former park manager?" Freeman asked.

Johnson, who noted the action on field rates was being taken so KLL can start making field reservations for the 2015 season, couldn't recall if the park maintenance request came with the usage rate changes under KYSA.

"We just don't have it yet," Johnson said.

Councilor Roland Herrera noted he and fellow new councilor Amy Ripp had been curious about some of the rates.

"We went out there," Herrera said. "It looks pretty good out there. They have made good progress."

Herrera was on the Keizer Parks and Recreation Advisory Board last fall when board members and councilors saw KLL Park as part of the annual Parks Tour. Many on the tour expressed disappointment with the condition of the fields at the time.

"That means a lot," Clark said of Herrera's update. "We were dismayed with the conditions last fall."

Herrera agreed. "It was a pleasant surprise," he said.

In other business March 2: • Former Mayor Lore Christopher noted a request will be coming to council soon to change the name of the Keizer Arts Commission (KAC) to Keizer Public Arts Commission (KPAC), since

the current name is so close to the Keizer Arts Association (KAA) and is thus causing confusion.

Councilor Marlene Quinn later noted another upcoming request for a committee name change.

The Keizer Festivals and Events Services Team (KFEST) is looking to change to a simpler moniker of Festival Advisory Board, which also means a much improved acronym of FAB.

Councilors expressed support for the idea.

• Herrera mentioned McNary High School alum Devy Hunter is part of the Oregon State University women's basketball team that won the Pac-12 regular season title. Hunter, a junior at OSU, is a 2012 MHS grad.

• This week's council work session was a council training session conducted by Johnson, who certainly had everyone on the edge of their seats in anticipation.

"It will be riveting, I promise," Johnson quipped.

Lakepoint church usage fees explained**By CRAIG MURPHY**
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One councilor's question of finances led to others extolling the virtues of a local church.

Lakepoint Community Church uses the Keizer Civic Center each Sunday for its church service, paying the city \$535 per week for the rental. Services start at 11 a.m. and are attended by approximately 150 people.

A resolution for a two-year extension on the agreement was part of the consent calendar during the March 2 Keizer City Council meeting.

While such a matter would typically be passed without discussion, in this particular case councilor Amy Ripp used finances as a basis for discussion.

Ultimately councilors approved the two-year extension unanimously.

"It looks like it's been a great partnership," Ripp said. "My question would be with the numbers. It's been a great relationship for a great cause. But the numbers don't add up to me. They receive more than a 50 percent discount. I would like to discuss it before we approve it."

City Manager Chris Eppley noted the weekly rentals add up to about \$28,000 a year.

"It is a good relationship," Eppley said. "It's a steady flow of income throughout the year. Sunday morning is the lowest use time for us. Because of that, it's a good deal for them and for us. It seems like a fair rate for them."

City Recorder Tracy Davis noted Lakepoint was originally paying \$300 a week for a four-hour time period when using three rooms. The rate was bumped up to \$535 once the church starting using the whole building.

Use fees for the community center are listed as \$220 an

"I felt it was important to have the conversation"

— Amy Ripp

hour for the main ballroom, \$90 an hour for three other rooms and \$15 an hour for the smallest rooms, thus leading to Ripp's question.

Eppley pointed out the usual rental fees have more service attached to them.

"The other thing is we don't provide any staffing," he said. "They do their own set-up and clean-up, unlike any of our other agreements. We do no work for it."

Councilor Kim Freeman emphasized people at the church don't just return the facility to the condition it was prior to Sunday.

"They do set rooms for our use on Mondays," Freeman said. "That's a huge savings for the city. They may be receiving a discount, but we're also getting labor from them for Mondays."

TRIP: 'It will be a really phenomenal project.'

(Continued from pg. A2) Christopher suggested setting up a date to visit Grand Ronde, which could also help in terms of securing grants.

"The Oregon Community Foundation loves this idea," Christopher said. "I have a close friend on the board of OCF who has talked about us applying for a \$25,000 grant to do these poles. One we do, one would be tribal. I think our chances are better than average we'll get that grant."

Christopher noted she knows of several people who would like to do work on the poles.

"There is a lot of interest," she said. "It will be a really

phenomenal project."

Previously, Christopher has indicated the project could be done in either 2016 or 2017.

The day after the meeting, Hagen e-mailed KAC members with some possible times for a road trip. March 26 at 1:30 p.m. was selected as the best time for the majority of the seven-member group.

"They ask that we visit the poles they have standing in several places on their land," Hagen said in the e-mail. "They would like to speak to us and explain what having a native totem pole means. They are quite pleased that you would consider having a pole erected in Keizer."

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