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McNary's culinary program getting \$475K from grant

Grants totaling more than ESOL, Kennedy Elementary \$3 million were approved by the Salem-Keizer School Board on Tuesday.

Six of the nine grants came from the Oregon Department of Education. The Siletz Tribal Fund, Nike and the Oregon Community Foundation provided one each.

One of the ODE grants includes \$475,518 for programs in culinary arts at McNary High Schoo.

Nike contributed \$72,848 to support AVID (Advancement via Individual Determination) expansion in McNary, McKay, North and South high schools. The Oregon Community Foundation gave \$50,000 toward a dental health program.

Christy Superintendent Perry discussed the possibility of selling the Rosedale Elementary School building, which she said the staff recommended so the proceeds could be used for program and crowding issues. The board authorized the potential sale for first reading. Action is expected at the May 12 meeting.

Perry is scheduled to present the district's 2015-16 budget message at 6 p.m. May 28.

More personnel actions than usual received board approval. Those involving the McNary attendance area were:

- Temporary full-time teaching contracts for 2014-15 for Michelle Brenden, sixthgrade English, Claggett Creek Middle School; and Bertha Gliebe, general music and choir, McNary and Cummings Elementary School.
- Temporary full-time teaching contracts for 2015-16 for Brenden; Emma Winter, second-grade English for speakers of other languages, Weddle Elementary School; Maria Neads, second-grade

School; and Zoe Thatcher, third grade, Kennedy.

• First-year probation fulltime teaching contracts for 2015-16 for Sarah Brending, first-grade ESOL, Gubser Elementary School; Lindsay D. Wilson, sixth-grade English, Claggett Creek; Kacey Parks, English, Claggett Creek; Sarah Wood, counselor, Kennedy; Brad Kilgroe, science, Whiteaker Middle School; Carley Gendron, mathematics, Whiteaker; Alexandria Brudevold, fifth-grade ESOL, Kennedy; Bradley Emmert, English and social studies, McNary; Mandy Elder, science, McNary; and Lexa Wilmes, third-grade ESOL, Keizer Elementary School.

• Second-year full-time teaching contracts for 2015-16 for Joseph Zehr, English and English as a second language English, Claggett Creek; Jill Turner-Whitney, Cummings; Whitney Schouten, kindergarten, Gubser; Misty Connor, kindergarten ESOL, Clear Lake; Kevan Hanson, English, Whiteaker; and Trisha Dalke, kindergarten, Keizer.

• Full-time teaching contracts for 2015-16 for Rebecca Buhler, physical education, Keizer; Janet GrosJacques, kindergarten ESOL, Forest Ridge Elementary School; Jenni Barker, kindergarten ESOL, Keizer; Denise Zahradnik, kindergarten, Forest Ridge; Hailey Garcia, kindergarten ESOL, Gubser; Laren Vernoy, kindergarten ESOL, Keizer; and Melissa Garmon, kindergarten ESOL, Weddle.

• Retirements of Greda van Veen, second-grade ESOL, second-grade ESOL, Kennedy; Barbara Britt, fourth grade, Cummings; and Christy Knox, second-grade ESOL, Keizer.

Keizer adult ed center hosting funder April 24

By ERIC A. HOWALD Of the Keizertimes

Jesse Cline was homeless and desperate for a second chance when he arrived at the door of Keizer's Mid-Valley Literacy Center for GED tu-

Cline, whose name has been changed to protect his privacy, became one of more than 175 students to earn their GEDs with the help of MVLC tutors. Since then, he's gotten a fulltime job in Oklahoma, owns two cars and his wife recently gave birth to their first child.

"That child is less likely to ever go hungry," said Vivian Ang, executive director of MVLC. "That's how you change a life, a family and our community."

The MVLC provides tutoring for adult students seeking GEDs, computer training, citizenship and vocational language skills. It opened in 2009 as a non-profit in Keizer after Chemeketa Community College discontinued offering similar services.

On Friday, April 24, the center will hold its first-ever Spotlight on Literacy fundraiser at the Kroc Center. The evening features awards for current and former students and volunteers. Oregon Supreme Court Chief Justice Paul J. De Muniz will deliver the keynote address and awards will be presented by former Oregon Gov. Ted Kulongoski.

Tickets and are \$40 each



Ashley Shierling and Ariel Dalton, GED students at Mid-Valley Literacy Center, work on developing thier math skills in one of the classrooms at Luz De Valle Church in Keizer.

and available by calling 503-463-1488. The event begins at 6 p.m. and the Kroc Center is located at 1865 Bill Frey Drive in Salem.

"Our goal is \$50,000," said Ang. Sponsorships alone have raised more than 10 percent of that total.

In the years since its inception, MVLC has trained 550 tutors, served more than 2,000 students and started 40 tutoring centers in six counties. Twelve of those centers remain closely tied to MVLC while some have become part of other entities or struck out on their own. An overwhelming majority of students who have completed their GED through MVLC are currently in college or have found a job.

Studies estimate that \$1 invested in adult education will return \$33 to the community at large.

In addition to the typical services provided by similar entities, MVLC also provides vocation-specific training. Tutors recently completed a partnership for Pfeiffer Roofing to educate employees with jobspecific vocabulary. MVLC also partners the Providence Benedictine Nursing Center to tutor students on language, medical terminology, study skills and taking vital signs. To date, 90 percent of students who have gone through the program have passed their nursing board

"Now we are working with Cabinet Door Services to provide ESL training for employees to increase productivity and cut down on mistakes," Ang

Donations to MVLC at any time are used primarily to offset costs to students. It costs the center about \$200 per student, per term and the cost to students is \$60 as many are facing financial hardship.

Blanchet hosts variety show

Blanchet Catholic School is hosting a free musical variety show Saturday, April 25.

Instrumental, vocal, operatic, contemporary, classical, solos duets and more will be performed. A performance by Tippi Toes Dance Studio is also on tap.

Admission is free, but dona- Market Street N.E. in Salem.

tions, benefitting Salem's Center for Hope and Safety (CHS), are appreciated. CHS, a women's crisis center, can also use donations of old cell phones.

The evening is a senior service project for Elizabeth Hager and Katie Pratt.

Blanchet is located at 4373

Shred Day Saturday in Salem

The public is invited to bring their outdated personal documents to the 10th annual Free Community Shred Day Saturday, April 18, at Maps Credit Union's administration building, 451 Division Street, NE in Salem from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The event is jointly sponsored by Maps Credit Union and Iron Mountain. Participants are asked to limit their shred material to two medium boxes each so more people can participate in this free event.

"Disposing properly of outdated documents that contain personal information is one of the best ways to prevent fraud and identity theft. We are pleased to continue our long partnership with Iron Mountain to

offer this valuable service to the community," said Shane Saunders, vice president of development at Maps Credit

Iron Mountain will collect and shred all personal papers to safeguard their confidentiality. Maps Credit Union is offering its parking lot to host the event, which is expected to draw hundreds of attendees and thousands of pounds of unneeded person-

This year, the Maps Community Foundation will also be collecting cash and coin donations to support Doernbecher Children's Hospital as part of the Credit Unions for Kids Change a Child's Life coin campaign. The foundation will match all donations they receive at the event.

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Young Life auction April 27

Keizer Young Life, part of the national Young Life ministry, will host its annual fundraiser, Taste of Keizer, Monday, April 27, at the Keizer Civic Center.

Tickets are \$25 for individuals and \$200 to host a table. To purchase, visit www.keizer.younglife.org.

Dinner will consist of sampling from Keizer-Salem area restaurants Adam's Rib Smokehouse, Best Little Roadhouse, Better then Mama's, Big Town Hero, Burly's Chuck Wagon, McNary Restaurant, Original Pancake House and Shari's. An oral auction and presentation on the activities of Keizer

Young Life will follow the meal.

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