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McNary leadership makes hard decisions about where to give

By ERIC A. HOWALD Of the Keizertimes

Riley Hamilton wasn't sure what to expect out of his visits to Family Building Blocks and Home Center for Teens, but it ended up being a big surprise.

"I didn't think it would be a highlight of my day or week and it was the best part of my spring break," said Hamilton. "There are so many people struggling and these organizations just reached out to help without expecting anything back."

Hamilton visited the two non-profits as part of McNary's Community 101 project. In the project, Celtic leadership students are tasked with making recommendations for distributing \$5,000 in grant money.

"It's difficult because we have to say no to some people," said Jennifer Lopez, communications officer. "Sometimes

All-day kinder meetings at Keizer schools

All Keizer elementary schools are hosting an informational meeting about allday kindergarten, which will begin this fall.

Meetings will be held Tuesday, May 12, at each school, from 6 to 7 p.m. RSVPs are requested and can be made by calling the main office where the child will be attending.

Presentations include what a typical day is like, what parents can do during summer to help their child be ready for kindergarten and a tour of the school.



Organizations received	ving Communit	t y 101	grants
Autoro Club		¢	200

Aware Club	\$ 200	
McNary Lacrosse Club	\$ 800	
Liberty House	\$1,000	
Community Action Partnership of Oregon	\$1,500	
Salem-Keizer Education Foundation	\$ 500	
Family Building Blocks	\$1,000	

up to \$1,500.

fore," she said.

Hamilton.

said.

In addition to helping out

"I've grown because of it. I

others, Lopez has discovered

wasn't into talking to people.

I've gotten better at commu-

nicating with people. Also, I've

learned about having to help

other people and that's not

something I thought about be-

ers was the biggest lesson for

ful than it seems originally," he

The generosity of oth-

"People are a lot more help-

new talents in herself.

they just don't line up with the group received about 10 appriorities of the students." plications this year. Six of those were recommended for grants

Each year, participating students send out a survey to all students at the school asking about the issues which they care most deeply. This time around, mental health, drug abuse and bullying rose to the forefront, but priorities change from year to year.

"The bullying was kind of a surprise because it happens to adults. We received an application from Shangri-La, which helps adults with disabilities and they get bullied, too," Lopez said.

Lopez has taken part in the Community 101 project for the past three years and the

Register for Iris Car Show

Preregistration is underway for the Keizer Elks Lodge #2472 Show and Shine Car Show on Sunday, May 17.

The show will be held at the club at 4250 Cherry Ave. N.E. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in conjunction with the Keizer Iris Festival.

There were will be six categories: Stock-pre 2000, stock 2000 and newer, custom, pre-2000, custom 2000 and newer, trucks, muscle cars 2000 and newer.

Stock classes are limited registration.

The Keizer Community

Library and Keizer Heri-

tage Museum presented four

special awards to long-time

volunteers during the annual

Volunteer Appreciation event

on Sunday, April 26, to rec-

only to three minor changes including after-market wheels, stereo, engine dress up items. Bodywork, custom paint, lowering, body kits and graphics are not allowed.

The \$25 entry fee includes a tee shirt and a dash plaque. Additional shirts are \$15 each. Entry forms are available at the Elks Club, Keizer Chamber of Commerce, or via Email (benjamatic@msn. com).

There is limited space, so organizers encourage early

The library presented the

first Art Burr Library Cham-

pion Award to Art Burr, name-

sake of the new award, which

will be presented annually to

a person or organization in

pitals.

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move from Keizer City Hall

to the Keizer Heritage Cen-

ter. Shortly afterward, Art was

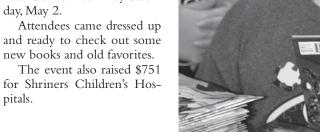
instrumental in forming a

Blue Ribbon Committee to



Free comic book day a hit at Tony's

While Avengers: Age of Ultron was setting records at the box office over the weekend, Tony's Kingdom of Comics was packing in customers for Free Comic Book Day Saturday, May 2.



Above: Cole and Brandon Cayman as Hulk and Captain America.

Right Oswaldo Huerta peruses the selection of free comics.

Keizer Library and Heritage Museum honor volunteers the library in 1999 by buildwhen he became co-director ing bookcases for the library's with the late Steve Prothero,

> Prothero Computer Center. The Keizer Heritage Foundation presented a "Director for Life" certificate to Blue Ribbon Committee

namesake of the library's new

ing at the museum.

The library honored Stella and Leroy Horsley, who have been involved with the library since its inception. They were an essential part of an early that was charged with finding more space and growth for the library. The city council named Stella Horsley volunteer of the quarter at that time. Leroy and Stella have done a variety of work for the library, from convincing the Keizer Lions to allow book sales and storage at their facility, to currently managing the checkout desk at semi-annual book sales at the Keizer Civic Center. Leroy was president and Stella was secretary/treasurer of the library's board of directors for several years.

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ognize dozens of volunteers who donate their time and talents for the two organizations housed in the Keizer

recognition of extraordinary service to the nonprofit, allvolunteer library. Burr began volunteering at

Heritage Center.

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explore options for a suitable library location, including a stand-alone site. The committee worked closely with city leaders and the Heritage Center Foundation, culminating in doubling the floor space at the Heritage Center and additional collaborations with the city of Keizer. Burr served as voluntary library director from 2008 until 2011,

Evelyn Melson Franz, who attended the old school house that became the Keizer Heritage Center thanks largely to her efforts to save and restore the building. After renovation was complete, Evelyn helped to set up the clerical organization for the museum. She also began collecting historical documents, photographs and items for research and view-



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