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Deadline looming for MKB scholarships

Applications for three vocational/trade scholarships from Making Keizer Better Foundation are available. The deadline for submission is May 29.

The Jan Cline Memorial and the Making Keizer Better Scholarships are available to those who plan to continue their education in a trade such as mechanics, plumbing, electrical or cosmetology.

The Jerry Bigler Memorial is available to those who will further their education in the automotive field.

Jan Cline was a Keizer resident and volunteer who served on the board of directors of Making Keizer Better Founda-

tion which stages the annual RIVERfair.

Each scholarship can be up to \$1,000.

Eligible applicants must have plans to pursue further education in a trade, be a McNary High School student or a Keizer resident. The Jerry Bigler Memorial is not exclusive to high school age students; Chemeketa Community College students who live in Keizer or up to age 30 are eligible for that scholarship.

Applications are available at the McNary High School guidance center or at the Keizertimes, 142 Chemawa Rd. N. For information call 503-390-6840.

Moms in spotlight at KFD breakfast

A large crowd and long lines filled the Keizer Fire District station for the annual Mother's Day Breakfast Sunday, May 10.

The event is a fundraiser for the Keizer Volunteer Firefighters Association.



KEIZERTIMES/Lyndon A. Zaitz
A. (from left) Marilyn Grenz, Julie Frazier, Megan Zaitz, Jordan Zaitz, Aidan Zaitz, Jennifer McNab Brost and Anna Brost.

B. Jennifer Gage with children Maggie, 4 and Ella, 6.

C. Mom Susan Gage with Gwen (on lap), 4, and son Dane, 18 months.

School Board plans for budget boost

By HERB SWETT
For the Keizertimes

The recent Oregon Supreme Court decision restoring most Public Employees Retirement System benefits was a concern of Monday's budget committee meeting of the Salem-Keizer School District.

Superintendent Kristy Perry said that, although the district's PERS expenses are set for 2015-16, the next budget would involve an estimated \$8 million to \$10 million in additional spending because of PERS.

Monday's meeting, while open to the public, did not include questions or comments from the audience. The committee will hear public testimony Monday and Tuesday

of next week and if necessary May 20 and 21 as well.

The district has its second successive budget increase. The 2015-16 proposed budget totals \$654,160,402, up from the \$621,356,557 figure for 2014-15.

Monday's meeting was largely a question-and-answer session, with administrators responding to questions from committee members. The first question was which of the 46 proposed additions to the budget would restore cuts made between 2009 and 2014. Perry said the 14 following additions would be restorations:

- Funding for textbooks and other instructional materials.
- Adding classroom teachers to reduce class sizes in middle

schools and high schools.

- Opening the Career and Technical Education Center.

- Increasing numbers of counselors at elementary schools and adding a counselor each at Sprague and West Salem high schools.

- Adding Instructional Support Cadre staffers to address critical student behavior issues.

- Adding funding to replace aging school library collections.

- Increasing library budgets.

- Adding funds for evening supervision at Sprague and West athletic and other activities.

- Increasing the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce contract for the Ready to Learn/Ready to Work partnership.

- Adding a custodian to each high school.

- Adding classified staff time to elementary school offices.

- Providing transportation for high school athletes after competition.

- Adding funds for the now-limited supervisor for technology position.

- Adding one full-time equivalent to the classified staff for the professional development office.

In answer to a question of what AVID Excel was, Perry said it was a supplemental middle school program, offered at the district's five Title 1 middle schools, which include Claggett Creek. All the middle schools and high schools in the district, she added, have AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination). AVID's chief executive officer is Sandy Husk, Perry's predecessor as superintendent, who met with Perry before the budget committee meeting.



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Lore Christopher greeted guests at the Mad Hatter Tea Party Saturday, May 9. The event was a fundraiser for the Keizer Art Association.

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