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SKSB dubs tech ed successful

By HERB SWETT
For the Keizertimes

Career and technical education programs are succeeding in the Salem-Keizer School District, the School Board learned at a work session Tuesday, Jan. 26.

Twenty-four programs are underway at high schools around the district and the Career Technical Education Center. Each of the programs is available at one or more high schools.

Offered at McNary are automotive technology (also McKay and Sprague), business technology, computer science (also West Salem), culinary arts (also North Salem and South Salem), graphic design, media production (also North Salem and South Salem) and sustainable energy.

Other programs are agricultural science (McKay), architectural and interior design (McKay), banking and finance (West Salem), cabinetmaking (North Salem), civil technology (Sprague), construction technology (CTEC and McKay), cosmetology (McKay), early childhood education (North Salem and West Sa-

lem), education and teaching (Sprague), emergency medical technician (West Salem), fire science (West Salem), health services (North Salem), manufacturing (CTEC and South Salem), nursing (McKay), physical therapy (Sprague) and pre-engineering (North Salem).

Presenting the information were Jim Orth, district coordinator for career/technical education, and Tony Frazier, chief executive officer for Incite, Inc., a Salem-based business that specializes in career training.

Orth told the board that 2,838 district students were enrolled in CTE programs in 2014-15 and that the graduation rate for students completing CTE programs was 92 percent.

Frazier discussed state and local strategies for CTE. The Oregon Workforce Board, he said, is customer-centered and focuses on customized solutions, building in-demand skills and talent development in youth. The Mid-Valley Workforce Board, Frazier said, is targeting the healthcare industry and advanced manufacturing.

Bethell honored for booster efforts

By CRAIG MURPHY
Of the Keizertimes

Danielle Bethell nearly missed her big moment at the Jan. 23 Keizer First Citizen Awards Banquet.

"We almost didn't come," Bethell said, referring to herself and husband Nathan. "My daughter was having a rough day today. She wanted us to stay home, so we almost stayed home. But I'm really glad that we didn't."

That's because Bethell was honored that night with the President's Award from Keizer Chamber of Commerce president Bob Zielinski.

"Some people know how to motivate others to get things done," said Zielinski, who shared Keizer First Citizen honors with wife Pam four years ago. "Others show up like worker bees and complete projects, doing anything and everything they can that is needed to complete the function. My choice of the person to receive the President's Award has both of these characteristics, plus this person has an amazing talent to be able to create a project by envisioning the good things that can happen in the community."

Zielinski also referenced Bethell's volunteering at the Keizer Iris Festival, at McNary High School Blue Day, Keizer Rotary and most recently as the leader of the MHS turf field project.

"So that gives it away, I guess," Zielinski said. "It's pretty limited who worked on all of those projects. She is the president of the McNary (Athletic) Boosters Club and one I'm very proud of."

During the introduction speech, Bethell figured Zielinski was referring to Ted Anagnos, a longtime Keizer volun-



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Danielle Bethell, president of the McNary High School Athletic Booster Club, is congratulated by Bob Zielinski, president of the Keizer Chamber of Commerce.

teer and contributor who won the President's Award in 1990 and the First Citizen award in 2001.

"This is unexpected," Bethell said. "Ted's the epitome of everything I look up to in this community. Thank you for all of your support."

Bethell, who recently started working as a financial advisor, said joining Keizer Rotary three years ago was a life changer for her.

"I joined Rotary because I had been looking for a long, long time for individuals that were like minded," she said. "David Smith is someone I met one day through the Keizer Little League project I had started. He said, 'You should become a Rotarian.' I said I don't know what that is. Isn't that for old people? He said come to a meeting and see what you think. So I did. I realized that was the place for me. So I joined that October and decided my first project would be gathering up groups of individuals in the community to redo the vandalized fields at Keizer Little League Park. It all kind of went from there. I have enough energy and I like to talk to people."

The way Bethell sees it, the desire to help a community is within everyone.

"I think people in general really want to help, but we all get so caught up in our daily lives of meetings and work to make the bills, keep the kids happy and all of that," she said. "We're not sure quite where to go. I'm not afraid to ask for help. I'm not afraid to ask anyone and everyone for anything they can provide to get something done."

For Bethell, that started with looking at her three children.

"I am filled with the most joy when I am able to help them make their dreams come true," Bethell said. "I started with the Keizer Little League project. My next big project after that was the turf field project, but I kind of fell into it. I wasn't really looking for it. There was a group of people formed to do the project. They were having some challenges getting the community really rallied. It goes back to I'm not afraid to ask for help and here we are."

Big projects don't intimidate Bethell. If anything, it's just the opposite.

"I get excited by a challenge," she said. "I lose sleep over determining if my timeline is accurate for it. Even right now, I'm working with McKay High School. I helped them form an athletic booster

club. We're working to establish a timeline to give them a turf field. That community has a lot of internal struggles. I see opportunity in that struggle. I can't wait. I already have a design for the field. We have engineers, a vendor. I'm very excited for that."

While appreciative of the award, Bethell emphasized that's not why she volunteers.

"I think awards are really awesome, but I'm not in it for the recognition," Bethell said. "I'm in it for the long-term experience."

Tax help at Dayspring

Starting this month, free tax services for local seniors and low-income residents will be available in the Salem area through AARP Foundation's Tax-Aide program.

In Keizer, Walk-in services with no appointments are available at Dayspring Fellowship Church, 1755 Lockhaven Drive N.E. The site will be open on Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The 10-week schedule began Monday, Feb. 1 and will operate through April 15.

Audubon tour at Staats Lake

The Salem Audubon Society will host a walking tour of Staats Lake on Saturday, Feb. 13, starting at 10 a.m.

Keizerite Rich Ford will lead the tour overlooking the loo to view various waterfowl that spend the winter in our area. There is little elevation gain on the tour which will make it accessible to most walkers and bird lovers.

The tour is expected to last about one and a half hours along the 1.5 mile path around Staats Lake. Attendees should dress for winter weather.

Staats Lake is part of Inland Shores, a private development. Attendees will be guests of the tour leader.

For more information contact Rich Ford at 503-510-9583.

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