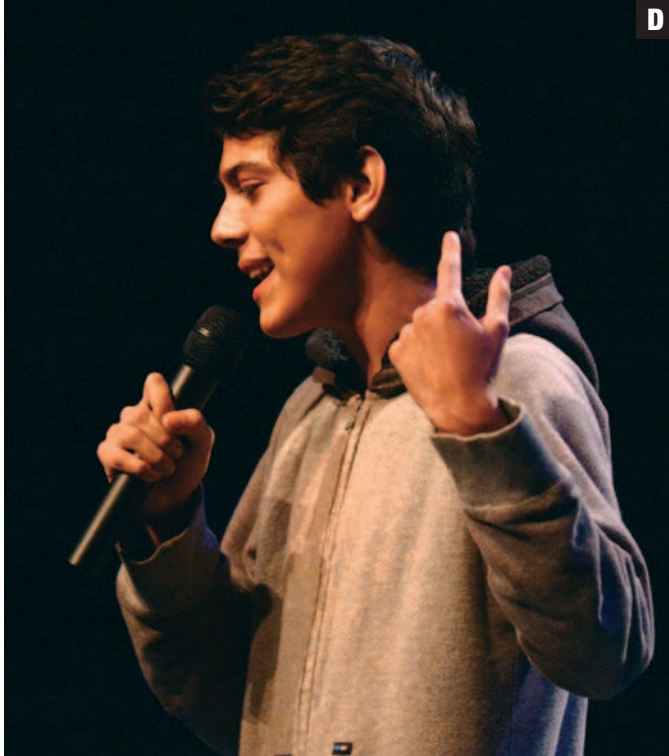


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Celtics show off in talent show



With acts ranging from stand-up comedy to martial arts and vocal stylings, the McNary High School Celtics staged their annual talent show Friday, Feb. 26.

Winners were: first place, Tyrell Kennedy (beatboxer, senior); second place went to River Hari accompanied by Noe Aguilar Lopez on piano (both seniors); and third place went to Jaret Brown (stand-up comedian, senior).

A: A group of McNary freshmen perform in a lip sync battle while judges pick the winners. B: Jasmine Ruiz performs as part of a dance duo with Yasmine Brisenno. C: Austin Dang performs Ed Sheeran's *Thinking Out Loud*. D: Adrian Sanchez raps.



McNary AVID to expand with help of Nike grant

By HERB SWETT
For the Keizertimes

Five grants to the Salem-Keizer School District, totaling \$391,569, were approved by the School Board on Tuesday.

The largest, \$266,806 from the Oregon Department of Education, is a Title III carryover that provides services and staff development to assist English language learners.

Also coming from ODE are \$21,203 to help neglected and delinquent youth transition to further schooling and prevent at-risk students from dropping out, and \$12,441 to provide educational services to students in in-program schools, an alternative for court-adjudicated students in grades 6 through 12 who have academic and behavioral deficiencies.

The other grants are \$45,876 from the Nike College and Career Readiness Program, supporting AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) expansion in McNary, McKay, North Salem and South Salem high schools; and \$45,270 from Western Oregon University for teachers to take courses in teaching English as a second language.

The board also approved far more teaching and administrative contracts than usual. For the McNary High School attendance area, contracts were approved for 19 people at McNary, 19 at Claggett Creek Middle School, seven at Whiteaker Middle School, five at Clear Lake Elementary School, seven at Cummings, one at Forest Ridge, four at Gubser, 15 at Kennedy, seven at Keizer, 13 at Weddle and one for a teacher at Forest Ridge.

In other business, the board approved a resolution proclaiming the week of March 7 through 11 as Classified Employee Appreciation Week.

Preceding the regular meeting was a board work session on charter schools. Although the board cannot take action at a work session, board members agreed that charter schools should be tied to the district's strategic plan.

Director Jim Green noted that Salem-Keizer has the largest numbers of English language learners and students below the poverty level of any district in Oregon. He urged that those facts be addressed in the case of any application for a charter school. Other directors present agreed.

"We don't want cut-and-paste applications," Superintendent Christy Perry said.

The district has four charter schools: Optimum Learning Environments, Keizer, for grades 1 through 5; Howard Street Charter School, Salem, for grades 6 through 8; Jane Goodall Environmental Middle School, Salem, for grades 6 through 8; and Valley Inquiry Charter School, Salem, for kindergarten through fifth grade.

The first district budget committee meeting will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the board's usual meeting place, the Support Services Center at 2575 Commercial St. SE, Salem. The budget committee consists of the board members and seven other district residents.

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RIVERfair

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RIVERfair, the community event, will be held at Keizer Rapids Park on Saturday, August 13.

Vendors are now being signed up for this one-day event that will benefit Keizer organizations and fund vocational scholarships for Keizer students

10' x 10' vendor space is \$75— \$50 if paid by June 1, 2016

Call 503-390-6840 or visit riverfairkeizer.com to get information or get a registration form.

RIVERfair is presented by **Making Keizer Better Foundation**, a non-profit organization

Rotary food drive ongoing

The Rotary Club of Keizer kicked off its annual food drive with a presentation by Marion Polk Food Share on the importance of cash and food donations to feed hungry people.

The partnership between Rotary Clubs and MPFS has been going on for 17 years. MPFS is focused on providing nutritious food throughout Marion and Polk Counties. They provide food to local food banks which distribute the food. Faith Lutheran Church and Dayspring Fellowship are food bank locations in Keizer.

Several sites are collecting food: Keizer City Hall, Keizer Fire District, Boucher Jewelers, R. Bauer Insurance, Oregon State Federal Credit Union, Loren's Sanitation and First Tech Federal Credit Union.

Anyone wishing to make a donation of nutritious packaged food can do so during business hours. David Smith at First Tech Federal Credit Union is the chair of the food drive.

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