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## Lady Celts win Westview tournament

By **DEREK WILEY**  
*Of the Keizertimes*

McNary was the best of 16 volleyball teams, winning a tournament played Saturday, Oct. 1 at Westview High School in Portland.

"We played well," Lady Celts coach Bruce Myers said. "We didn't play down to the competition. We got better as a team. Overall, defense was much better than it's been and our serving has improved dramatically."

MHS started out by going 4-2 in pool play and then dominated Benson 2-0 (25-5, 25-6) in the first round of the bracket. The Lady Celts topped South Albany 2-1 (25-16, 22-25, 15-3) in the semi-finals.

"We got on a roll," Myers said. "Everything was falling right in place. They made a couple of mistakes and we capitalized. We stayed assertive.

We didn't back off and kept pressuring them."

McNary defeated Tigard 2-0 (25-21, 25-15) in the championship game.

"They're (Tigard) a solid team," Myers said. "They didn't have any one solid player but were somewhat balanced. We were just consistent all day. If we stay focused on our side of the net, good things are going to happen."

In Greater Valley Conference play, the Lady Celts defeated North Salem 3-1 (25-16, 20-25, 25-16, 25-8) on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Sydney Hunter had 20 of the team's 35 kills as well as three aces and nine digs.

Shaylee Williams added eight kills.

Katelyn Kolb led McNary with 20 assists. Haley Debban had eight digs and four aces.

The Lady Celts play at Sprague Monday, Oct. 10.



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 McNary's varsity volleyball team defeated Tigard 2-0 Saturday, Oct. 1 to win a 16-team tournament played at Westview High School in Portland.



KEIZERTIMES/Derek Wiley  
 Whiteaker quarterback Rian Canini threw a 43-yard touchdown pass against Straub.

## Whiteaker remains unbeaten

Whiteaker Middle School's varsity football team stayed unbeaten with an exciting 34-28 win at Straub on Thursday, Sept. 29.

After several big plays for both teams, Whiteaker scored with just seconds left in the second quarter to send the game into halftime tied at 20.

After some key defensive adjustments and led by its undersized offensive line, the Wolverines came out strong in the second half and built a 34-20 lead.

Straub had a chance to tie the game in the fourth quarter when it was driving and down just one score, but Whiteaker linebacker Rian Canini caused a fumble that was recovered by cornerback Quentin Camenisch.

WMS capitalized on the turnover when on the ensuing drive Martin punched it in from one yard out to give the Wolverines the 14 point lead that held until Straub scored a touchdown with just four seconds left in the game to provide the final margin.

Whiteaker rushed for 242 yards, led by Martin's four touchdowns.

Head Coach Tom Larimer praised Martin's effort and toughness, saying "Ian has been sore all week since cramping up last week, and we weren't even sure until warmups he could even play. This was an example of a kid giving every ounce of effort he possibly can—and then some—when his team needed him most."

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## McNary shuts out Vikings

By **HERB SWETT**  
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McNary whipped Forest Grove 24-0 at home Friday, Sept. 30, improving to 3-2 and leaving the Vikings winless.

Josiah Gilbert was the Celtics' star, scoring two rushing touchdowns, throwing a touchdown, and intercepting a pass. AJ Johnk kicked a 21-yard field goal and three extra points.

Johnk's squib kickoff started the game, and the Celtic defense kept Forest Grove from getting anywhere with the ball. A punt from Cole Hammond went out of bounds at the Viking 44-yard line, and a run by Brendan Van Voorhis got McNary to the 35. Forest Grove held the Celtics to no gain on the next two plays, but on fourth down quarterback Josiah Gilbert ran to the right all the way into the end zone. Johnk's kick gave the Celtics a 7-0 lead with 8:44 left in the first quarter.

Soon after the second quarter started, Lucas Garvey intercepted a Forest Grove pass at the McNary 15.

A few plays later, the Vikings got the ball back on a fumble and had first down and goal to go at the Celtic 8. Tackles by Kolby Barker and Gilbert held the visitors, and McNary had the ball back at its 11-yard line.

Again the Celtic offense faltered, with a pass from Tyler Ellertson being picked off by Chino Davis at the For-



KEIZERTIMES/Eric A. Howald  
 McNary junior Jose Solorio caught four passes for 48 yards Friday, Sept. 30 in a 24-0 win over Forest Grove.

est Grove 9. But the McNary defense forced another punt. This time, the Celts got somewhere. After a pass from Gilbert to Van Voorhis put the ball on the Forest Grove 20 and two short gains got the ball to the 3, Gilbert ran up the middle for McNary's second touchdown. Johnk kicked for

a 14-0 Celtic lead.

McNary got the ball back quickly, with Gilbert intercepting a pass and taking the ball to the Forest Grove 4. The Celtics soon found themselves with fourth and goal at the 4, and Johnk kicked his field goal in the closing seconds of the game.

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## Boys soccer team tops West Albany, Sprague

By **DEREK WILEY**  
*Of the Keizertimes*

McNary's boys soccer team got its first Greater Valley Conference win of the season, knocking off West Albany 3-1 on Thursday, Sept. 29.

Switching formations and playing an additional forward, the Celtics scored all three of their goals in the second half.

"It gave us more power up front and that paid off," McNary coach Miguel Camarena said. "The important thing for us is to create opportunities, which has been done. We're practicing daily the finishing part and that paid off the last

game."

The Celtics scored their first two goals off corner kicks. Jesus Lopez headed in a Bryan Keo corner in the 45th minute.

Gustavo Villalvazo then nearly headed in another corner kick just six minutes later but a West Albany defender was able to save it on the line. However, Javier Zepeda was there to finish.

McNary extended its lead to 3-0 in the 70th minute when Zepeda passed to Luis Lopez, who then found the bottom corner of the goal.

The Bulldogs scored their

only goal with about five minutes left to play.

The Celtics then defeated Sprague 3-1 on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Zepeda scored two goals and Jack Baez had the third. Michael Reyes, Jose Vazquez and Q Gamble each had assists in the victory.

Goalkeeper Sebastian Lopez had three saves.

McNary's defense has allowed just two goals in its last three conference games.

"That is what we're looking for, us not to allow goals and us to create and score goals," Camarena said.

## Powder Puff



KEIZERTIMES/Derek Wiley  
 McNary senior Kelsey Alvarez carries the ball during the first half of the Powder Puff football game played Wednesday, Sept. 28. Blocking is Brittany Brown. On defense is Lizzie Bryant. The juniors defeated the seniors 42-34 in double overtime. The fundraiser made about \$5,000 for the McNary science and health departments.