

# KPD volunteers honored by council

# School approves new teachers, staff



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Keizer Mayor Cathy Clark, Keizer Department volunteers Traci Moore, Joseph Haggard and Jacki Wolf with KPD Chief John Teague.

By **ERIC A. HOWALD**  
*Of the Keizertimes*

The Keizer City Council honored a trio of Keizer Police Department (KPD) volunteers as the Volunteers of the Quarter Monday, Sept. 18.

Jacki Wolf, Traci Moore and Joseph Haggard all assist the department with fleet services and have done so for the past year.

"They inspect, restock, and clean vehicles inside and out, as well as troubleshoot mechanical issues, transport vehicles for ser-

vices, respond to a wide array of requests, and participate in planning and decision-making discussions" in addition to other duties, wrote Dorothy Diehl, KPD's community service officer, in a nomination letter. "Without the work of these

volunteers, the KPD would need to commit significantly more staff time and resources (to these tasks)."

Wolf is a retired teacher, Moore is a 9-1-1 dispatcher at Clackamas County, and Haggard is a retired medical equip-

ment field engineer who now runs a mobile canning business. "We get about half of a full time employee out of these three and it's our pleasure to recognize them," said KPD Chief John Teague at the meet-

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A supplemental general fund budget of \$479,480,091 was approved by the Salem-Keizer School Board on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

The general fund supplement will add eight reserve full-time teaching positions, three full-time drug and alcohol counselors, five full-time English language development teachers, and one full-time STEM (science, engineering, technology, and math) teacher.

It will also provide \$100,000 for attendance strategy support; add social workers, mental health staff, or additional counselors, for three full-time staffers; add resources for accessible educational materials; provide resources for elementary school physical education equipment and middle school athletics; enable hands-on science activities for kindergarten through fifth grade; add software licenses for middle school intervention courses; provide a full-time position for added translation support; add adjustments for behavioral learning; and transfer \$4.5 million to the 2018 bond capital fund.

The board also approved several grants, the largest of which was a \$406,884 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Grant from the Oregon Department of Education to expand secondary education programs. The remaining grants included \$20,486 from the University of Oregon for a freshman advisory at McNary High School.

Also approved was the second annual Safe and Welcoming Schools Resolution, aimed at assuring high quality for all students by not tolerating discrimination, hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, cyberbullying, or menacing of students.

The Spotlight on Success portion of the meeting honored Shirley Igou and Hsashi Uchida for their volunteer work with students at Keizer Elementary School.

It also honored district bus drivers for winning a statewide skills contest involving an obstacle course and a written test.

The board approved many personnel actions, including the following for the McNary attendance area:

- Hiring Angela Fitts, McNary, and Eduardo Rodriguez, Weddle Elementary School, as temporary full-time teachers.
- Hiring Rachel Martin, Weddle, as a first-year probation part-time teacher.
- Hiring MaCherie Doerfler, Valerie Duncan, and Matthew Williams, Claggett Creek Middle School; and Kalin Smoot, Keizer Elementary, as first-year probation part-time teachers.
- Hiring Jocelyn Hopper and Michelle Merritt, Weddle, as second-year probation part-time teachers.
- Hiring Deborah Crueger, Gubser and Cummings elementary schools, as a third-year probation full-time teacher.
- Resignations of Teresa Alfaro and Beth Malmsten as Keizer Elementary teachers.

# Senior casino trip planned

The Keizer/Salem Area Seniors (K/SAS) will be celebrating fall with a bus trip to Chinoook Winds Casino on Thursday, Oct. 19 at 10 a.m.

A \$15 ticket gets you \$3-off-coupon to any restaurant in the casino, a \$10 free slot play, and

raffle tickets for prizes during the bus ride.

Tickets are limited to the first 55 people who sign up at the Keizer/Salem Area Seniors, 930 Plymouth Drive. Any questions should be directed to Chairperson Val Jean Pease at 503-391-9093.

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