

# PARADE,

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this community event."

The Keizer Holiday Lights Parade sponsored by the Keizer Chamber of Commerce and the City of Keizer arrives on River Road North Saturday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m.

"We've had a number of groups and organizations sign up that haven't been part of the parade in the past," she said.

The line-up for the parade features several big name entries that are taking part for the first time. Newcomers include Comcast, Budweiser, Salem Electric, United Rental, Mallorie's Dairy. Band entries include McNary, South, Sprague and McKay high schools as well as The Beat Goes On.

The theme this year is *Wrapped Wishes*. Bethell said it was a take on the way she viewed the toy catalogs that arrived around the holidays.

"We would go through those catalogs and have everything circled by the end. We called them Wish-Me book. Christmas Day we got to find out which of those wishes was under the tree,"

she said.

Bethell is eager to see how parade entrants interpret the theme.

The Grand Marshal of the parade will be Gerry Frank. Frank, until recently, was owner of Konditorei in Salem. Frank has deep roots in the retail, restaurant, political, civic and business activities of the state and is also an author.

"He's a fan of all things kids and, when we talked about getting somebody to represent our target audience, Gerry was the logical choice," Bethell said.

In addition to the parade itself, the Chamber has enlisted several partner vendors offering food and drink during the parade.

Willamette Valley Bank, Yenne and Schofield, and Copy Cats will offer warm drinks as part of the event. The St. Edward Latino Youth Program will be serving up tamales. Lakepoint Community Church will have free cocoa at Remodeling by Classic Homes. Franz Bakery of Portland will serve grilled cheese bites at JC's Pizzeria. El Patron will serve tacos, quesadillas and Mexican hot chocolate.



Members of the McNary High School band march in the 2016 Keizer Holiday Lights Parade. The Celts will return again this year along with four other bands.

Staging for the parade begins at 3:30 p.m. on Lockhaven Drive North between McClure Street N. and River Road. The parade will start at the intersection of Lockhaven and River Road

and travel south ending at Glynbrook Street North.

River Road will close at 6 p.m. To make way for the Chamber's annual Jingle Dash, a 5K fun run, which begins at 6:15 p.m. The run will begin

at JC's Pizzeria, 4200 River Road N. Cost is \$17 to \$37 for youth, depending on the day of registration, and \$27 to \$37 for adults. Registration can be completed on the Chamber website, [www.keizerchamber.com](http://www.keizerchamber.com).

Participants are encouraged to dress up and compete for the best costume award. Cookies, hot cocoa, and coffee will be waiting at the finish line.

# City adds new faces to most committees, still has vacancies

The Keizer City Council appointed several new and returning members to various committees and boards at its meeting Monday, Dec. 8.

Appointees were:

- Budget Committee - Keith Blair, Don Clark, Kevin Dial to positions 3, 4 and 5, respectively.

- Parks Advisory Board - David Loudon, Clint Holland, and Wayne Frey to positions 5, 6 and 9, respectively.

- Keizer Planning Commission - Matt Lawyer to position 1.

- Traffic Safety/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee - Joe Tilman and Pat Fisher to positions 5 and 7, respectively.

- Isaac Matthews will join Planning Commission and Traffic Safety/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee as youth liaison.

- Brooke Ridgeway is joining the Art Commission and Parks Advisory Board as youth

liaison.

The city is looking for volunteers to serve on the following committees: Keizer Points of Interest Committee (one vacancy); Parks Advisory Board (one vacancy); Traffic Safety, Bikeways, and Pedestrian Committee (one vacancy); and the Stormwater Advisory Committee (one vacancy). There are also additional openings for youth liaisons available.

Applications and full descriptions of the work each group performs can be found at the city website, [www.keizer.org](http://www.keizer.org).

Applications must be returned to Deputy City Recorder Debbie Lockhart by Jan. 10 to be considered at the next meeting of the Keizer Volunteer Coordinating Committee.

# GROWTH,

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"The UGB influences how we look at parking and how much we require. Every time we open the code book, the UGB is a factor," Brown said.

This week, consultants from OTAC were in town interviewing groups of stakeholders about their vision for the future of Keizer. The interviews were held Wednesday, Dec. 6, and included representatives from neighborhood associations, the Hispanic community, members of the Keizer City Council, members of the Keizer Chamber of Commerce, the Keizer Planning Commission and citizens-at-large.

"What we will end up with is a report that compares and contrasts Keizer with other cities and how they dealt with their growth, and look at how it impacted livability and other issues," Brown said.

The report is expected in early 2018 and will be presented to the Keizer City Council.

Brown expected the largest contribution from the consultants to emerge from viewing Keizer with a broader perspective.

"They've done similar studies internationally and across the nation," Brown said.

In the meantime, Keizer continues to grow. According to the latest population numbers provided by Portland State University, Keizer now has 38,345 residents. That's a growth of about 2 percent (or 840 people) over the 2016 figures and nearly double the population the city had when it incorporated in 1983.

The results of the growth study, will be paired with the results of the Keizer Revitalization Plan. The Revitalization Plan, which Brown hopes to commence in 2018, will examine commercial areas in Keizer, primarily River Road north of the city limits to Wheatland Road and Cherry Avenue Northeast.

"When we have this body of information, we will be able to approach the council and ask what they want to do regarding UGB expansion," said Brown.

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By Charles Preston

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