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A guide to

TEENAGE REBELLION

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Students around the country, including Keizer, are taking to the streets to change the conversation around school safety, but students can feel especially vulnerable to the whims of adults who believe other priorities should come first.

The American Civil Liberties Union is spreading the word on how and when students can safely protest, and what to expect when they run afoul of the rules.

On Thursday, March 1, the ACLU held a live video seminar called Students! Know Your Protest Rights to inform potential student protestors in the wake of the shootings at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, that killed 14 students and three staff members.

Among many local protests throughout the country, two nationwide protests have been planned for March. The first, a walkout, took place on Wednesday, March 14. Students at Claggett Creek and Whiteaker middle schools and McNary High School took part.

The second major event will be the March For Our Lives protest on Saturday, March 24. Salem area students will take part in with a planned protest at the state Capitol. Supporters will gather at 11 a.m. at the steps to listen to speakers before the event begins at 11:30 a.m. The goal is to pressure Congress into passing stricter gun safety legislation.

“It’s important to engage with really hard issues.”

— Vera Eidelman,
ACLU attorney

of *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District* in 1969, when Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas wrote that neither students nor teachers “shed

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ABOVE: McNary High School students gather in protest in front of the school after walking out during class as a memorial to the 17 staff and students who died in a Florida shooting.

APRIL 1997:
Students walked out to protest the dismissal of Principal David Annala.

JANUARY 2005:
In solidarity with teachers negotiating for an increase in pay, students staged a sit-in in the McNary commons. Reporters were turned away at the door by staff, recording was disallowed, and many students received suspensions for their involvement.



MAY 2006:
McNary students walked out in support of immigration reform efforts.

OCTOBER 2017:
Students from McNary went to the steps of the Oregon Capitol to protest changes to mandatory reporting guidelines affecting teachers and staff in the Salem-Keizer School District. The following day, they held a sit-in in the commons area at the school.

NOVEMBER 2017:
McNary students held a walk out in support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program that offers some protections for undocumented immigrants who were brought to the U.S. as children.

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Keizer student activism timeline



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Group will celebrate Latino scholars

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Rev. Jose Dominguez was awarded a whopping \$75 scholarship when he graduated from Woodburn High School in 1978. But, it wasn't the amount of money that had the most resounding impact.

“It was the thought that somebody cared about my education. It also helped me believe that I could do it and it made me want to give back to the community,” said Dominguez at a recent Keizer City Council meeting.

Now the lead pastor of Keizer's La Luz De Valle, Dominguez and a group of local Latino leaders is hoping to do the same thing for some soon-to-be McNary High School graduates.

“We would like to be able to present 10 to 20 emigrant or bilingual graduates with \$100 scholarships,” Dominguez said.

The group presenting the scholarships is known as Latinos in Action Committee and its members are seeking

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to “manifest Latino representation in the community of Keizer on all levels of education and civic affairs.”

Dominguez, speaking as representative of the group, talked with members of the city council during its past two meetings as the group sought a waiver of rental fees and costs for a planned reception at the Keizer Civic Center. The council approved the request at its meeting Monday, March 5.

Dominguez said the members of Latinos in Action, which include City Councilor Roland Herrera, have been meeting informally for the past three years brainstorming ways to connect the Latino community with faith

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Actors in KHT's *Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon* rehearse for the whirlwind production.

Brothers Grimm coming to Keizer

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Michael Collins said playing all the roles in *Cinderella* in *The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon* is like doing wind sprints while acting.

He would know. Along with donning multiple colorful wigs in the Keizer Homegrown

Theatre show, Collins is also training for an IronMan triathlon and plays trumpet in the Salem Pops Orchestra.

Collins works for the Department of Justice and everyday for the last seven and half years has written an original poem.

“I'm always kind of juggling,” Collins said. “I am Please see GRIMM, Page A9

Four KPD recruits begin academy this month

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Keizer Police Department (KPD) Chief John Teague and Deputy Chief Jeff Kuhns both had high hopes for luring current police officers from other departments when the Keizer City Council enacted a \$4-a-month fee to pay for five additional police officers in 2017. Baiting the hook has proven more difficult than they planned.

“When we lose guys to Salem or Oregon State Police or to Portland, we hate it. The reality is that all of departments want to hire Spanish-speaking laterals, but that means other agencies are losing someone valuable, too,” said Teague.

However, the process is moving forward. Four members of KPD's reserve officer program will begin attending the police academy in March, Please see RECRUITS, Page A12

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