

GRASSROOTS GOVERNMENT

The Keizer Public Art Commission held its most recent meeting Tuesday, May 15, here's what was discussed:

Commissioners approved a Request for Proposal (RFP) for an artist to carve one or both of the tree trunks that are on the northwest corner of the Keizer Civic Center property. The trunks have been preserved in hope of creating cultural history poles by enlisting the services of a chainsaw carving artist. With an award of \$5,000 from the Oregon Cultural Trust, the group has \$10,000 to get the project off the ground. The cost of both poles is expected to be around \$20,000. Commissioners are hoping to

spur additional donations by completing one pole. The RFP could be released as soon as June 1. Artists will have 90 days to submit design concepts and budgets associated with carving one or both poles. Artists applying should be adept at carving a variety of subjects including animals, humans and agricultural scenes. In late 2017 and early 2018, the commission hosted a series of design workshops to come up with a list of potential ideas for the poles. Artists will be required to choose from the follow-

ing list of potential subjects: the school bell located in the Keizer Cultural Center, river rapids, representations of Keizer schools, fish, coyotes, the annual Iris parade, cows, baseball, hops fields, filbert trees, strawberry fields, the Blake log cabin, Wallace House, the words: pride, spirit and volunteerism; the Christmas tree lighting, the Keizer Police Department, the Keizer Fire District, music, eagles and ospreys, the Big Toy, geese and people working together. Commissioners will review the submissions at their September meeting.

School budget garners near-unanimous approval

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A 2018-19 budget proposal of \$1,147,797,142 for Salem-Keizer Public Schools received a favorable vote from the budget committee Tuesday.

A favorable vote on the bond measure and new revenue estimates from the Oregon Department of Education increased the amount from the original \$691,458,464. The revision includes two full-time nurses, four full-time counselors, a full-time equivalent of 3-3/4 behavior specialists, an additional \$1 million for elementary mathematics, and \$424 million more for the 2018 bond capital fund.

Final approval of the budget is expected at the June 12 meeting of the school board. The board makes up half of the budget committee and appoints the other members from the district.

The vote was 12-2, with negative votes coming from board members Jesse Lippold and Paul Kylo. Both of them also were the only committee members in favor of a motion by Lippold to terminate the district's employment of Educational Excellence and transfer the \$350,000 budget for it to increase the mentorship program and pay AVID teachers.

Lippold's position was that because Educational Excellence is a for-profit company, the \$350,000 would be better spent for programs under district control.

Asked after the committee meeting why he voted against adoption of the budget, Lippold said the composition of the budget that convinced

him that the district did not do everything it could for the students and teachers. Kylo left the building immediately and was not available for comment.

One proposed change to the original budget was unanimously approved. Kathy Goss, a board member, had moved that \$150,000 be transferred from the contingency fund to have health services fully funded.

The meeting started with comments from the audience. A long succession of teachers, including Keizer residents Nubia Green and Lindsay White, credited Educational Excellence for the strong academic improvements in the schools targeted for its help.

Although district employees normally are not allowed to comment publicly on dis-

trict political issues, the committee asked Superintendent Christy Perry, who supervised preparation of the budget, why staff had recommended that Educational Excellence remain in the budget. She replied that it had achieved the expected results of improving the underachieving schools.

Perry added that the employment of Educational Excellence involved both Title I and Title II federal funding. She said that terminating the program was doable under Title II but that she had doubts whether abandoning the program would keep the district qualified to receive Title I funds.

Several speakers from the floor also commented that transferring money to provide more health services was necessary for students.

obituaries

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Lyle Anderson

February 25, 1932- May 19, 2018

Lyle Anderson was born on Feb. 25, 1932, in Parshall, ND and passed away peacefully on May 19, 2018.

Lyle married DeNae S. Reuter on Jan. 25, 1957 and they settled in Salem, Ore. Lyle got his teaching degree at Oregon College of Educa-

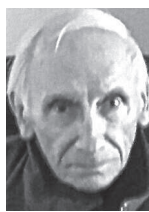
tion and after graduating they relocated to Creswell, OR for the offer of a one-year teaching position

at Creswell Middle School. He retired from there 27 years later. Shortly after retirement, they moved to Keizer to be closer to family.

Lyle's hobbies were golfing, bowling, yardwork and of course his trips to Reno and the casino.

Lyle was preceded in death by his wife DeNae in September 2013. He is survived by his daughter Kris Kahler, son-in-law Bruce Kahler and granddaughter Kari Kahler, and his extended family, Brandon and Nic Kahler, Kristal Clubb and their families.

A Celebration of Life Open House will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., on June 16 at his daughter's house in Keizer. Arrangements by Restlawn Funeral Home; online at RestlawnFH.com.



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Mail thief cuffed on Thorman

A Keizer man was arrested May 15 after being spotted rifling through mailboxes along the 900 block of Manbrin Drive Northeast.

About 11 p.m., Sgt. Jeff Goodman and Officer Kevin DeMarco responded to a report of a man going through mailboxes and tossing some of the mail on the ground. The caller was discreetly following the man and keeping dispatchers updated on his whereabouts. He was also spotted walking through yards of private residences.

The caller told police he believed the suspect was intoxicated. The officers arrived and confronted the man on Thorman Avenue Northeast and found him in possession of a \$50 medical bag stolen from a vehicle parked along Manbrin Drive Northeast about an hour before the call to 9-1-1.

The suspect was identified as Dustin Sky Belgard, 35. Belgard's name was run through a warrant check, and it was discovered that he had an outstanding warrant for his arrest issued by Salem Municipal Court for an alleged DUII.

Belgard was transported to the Marion County Correctional Facility where he was charged with mail theft, unlawful entry into a motor vehicle, third-degree theft, possession of burglar's tools, third-degree criminal mischief, and possession of a controlled substance.

MONDAY, MAY 14

- 7:43 a.m. - Shoplifting on 6200 block Ulali Drive NE.
- 8 a.m. - Vehicle theft on 1200 block McGee Court NE.
- 10:54 a.m. - Identity theft on 900 block Rafael Avenue N.

3:16 p.m. - Traffic accident at intersection of Chemawa Road NE and Stadium Drive NE.

8:59 p.m. - Warrant served on 4100 block River Road N.

10 p.m. - Reckless endangering, attempt to flee from police officer, driving while suspended and uninsured, and hit-and-run at intersection of Brooks Avenue NE and Alder Drive NE.

TUESDAY, MAY 15

- 8:26 a.m. - Traffic accident at intersection of River Road NE and Country Glen Avenue NE.
- 12:30 p.m. - Physical harassment on Lockhaven Drive NE.
- 1 p.m. - Vandalism on 5300 block River Road N.
- 9 p.m. - Sudden death on 5100 block Lacey Street N.
- 10 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 900 block Nightingale Court NE.
- 11 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 800 block Nightingale Court NE.
- 11:07 p.m. - Arrest for mail theft, vandalism, possession of burglars tools, theft from vehicle, and unlawful possession of controlled substance at intersection of Thorman Avenue NE and Brooks Avenue NE.
- 11:20 p.m. - Warrant served at intersection of Thorman Avenue NE and Brooks Avenue NE.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

- 2:30 a.m. - Vehicle theft on 5100 block River Road N.
- 11:35 a.m. - Theft from vehicle on 900 block Nandina Court NE.
- 2 p.m. - Trespassing on 4700 block Harcourt Avenue NE.
- 2:32 p.m. - Hit-and-run at intersection of Manbrin Drive NE and River Road N.

THURSDAY, MAY 17

- 2:15 a.m. - Bench warrant served on 5400 block River Road N.
- 5:40 a.m. - Arrest for failure to register as a sex offender

at intersection of Horizon Court NE and Cherry Avenue NE.

6:08 p.m. - Shoplifting on 4700 block River Road N.

7:18 p.m. - Assault on 1600 block Meadowlark Drive NE.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

- 6:08 p.m. - Shoplifting on 4700 block River Road N.
- 7:18 p.m. - Assault on 1600 block Meadowlark Drive NE.
- 12:50 p.m. - Hit-and-run on 500 block Chemawa Road N.
- 8:30 p.m. - Bench warrant served at intersection of River Road N and Glynbrook Street N.
- 10:28 p.m. - Arrest for possession of methamphetamine at intersection of Weeks Drive NE and Potts Drive NE.
- 11:06 p.m. - Warrant served at intersection of Weeks Drive NE and Potts Drive NE.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

- 2:13 a.m. - Assault on 100 block Triple Tree Circle N.
- 6:08 a.m. - Bench warrant served on 100 block Appleblossom Avenue N.
- 6:29 a.m. - Felon in possession of weapon on 100 block Appleblossom Avenue N.
- 7:59 p.m. - Warrant served on 3400 block Cherry Avenue NE.
- 8:10 p.m. - Warrant served on 3400 block Cherry Avenue NE.
- 11:26 p.m. - Warrant served on 4700 block Harcourt Avenue NE.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

- 1:25 a.m. - Arrest for DUII at intersection of River Road N and Sandy Drive N.
- 7:40 a.m. - Theft from vehicle on 5100 block Wittenberg Lane NE.
- 3:13 p.m. - DUII on 1200 block Ridgepoint Street NE.
- 3:54 p.m. - Burglary on 900 block Oakwood Street NE.
- 8:13 p.m. - Driving while suspended and uninsured at intersection of Alder Drive NE and Pleasantview Drive NE.

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