

MHS club debuts 7th book

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For three years Emma Snyder couldn't wait to open the box and begin flipping through the pages of McNary Write Club's latest book.

Not this year. "This club has been my lifeline through high school so leaving it is definitely bittersweet," Snyder said. "Knowing that this will be the last book was definitely a mixed feeling. It's the work I'm proudest of but I'm not ready to leave yet."

Pencil-scratch Philosophy, the Write Club's seventh and largest book yet, features work from 23 writers over 140 pages, concluding with Snyder's poem *Coin Collector*.

"It's something that I worked on for four years before I really had the experiences and language to share that message," said Snyder of *Coin Collector*, which is about her own struggles with anxiety and depression. "I went through four to six years and I'm just coming out of it and I thought that it's an area that not many people talk about and they need to talk about. I thought if my writing could help someone else that's going through that, that was something I should do."

Snyder has been writing since middle school but back then her poems were always funny and quirky.

"I got into an argument with my table partner who said those are great but you can't write anything serious and those are the only things that count and since then it was like I bet I can," Snyder said. "I'm holding a grudge since middle school."

The past four Write Club books are proof of Snyder's progress.

"High school was such a big area of self discovery for me, from getting through



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ABOVE: Write Club members tear into the boxes containing their latest book, *Pencil-scratch Philosophy*. RIGHT: Hanna Lawson, Laura Gillespie and Eben Mayer check out their work.

middle school and having those experiences there, just getting to a point where I am happy with my life and happy with the place that I'm leaving school at," Snyder said. "So I'd like to think that my writing shows that."

The book was also the final one for senior Parker Kehret, who submitted a poem, short story and film script.

"It's been a really good place to find what I like to do," Kehret said. "I like to write and this has helped me cultivate that. I'm just going to really miss the people. I've really made good friends here."

McNary junior Lauren Murphy has three pieces in the book, including the poem *Dear Education*.

"It is written to all of the teachers who helped me become who I am," Murphy said. "I wrote this to all of the teachers who encouraged

me to start writing, which for a really long time I had bad hand writing. I was really self conscious about my writing so it's for all those people who helped me get to where I'm at now where I can write and be confident in the stuff that I write and actually feel good enough to submit at word slams and good enough to submit into a book that will be kept forever."

Along with new work by Write Club members Snyder, Kehret, Murphy, Anne Farris, Brooklyn Flint, Laura Gillespie, Michael Hitchcock, Hanna Lawson, Rose Nason and Adrien Weathers, the book also

features contributions from the club's writing contest winners Sara Arnsmeier, Ellie Auvinen, Eliana Berg, Paris Boyd, Hannah Eggert, Brady Ellis, Abrahan Garcia, Emily Lettenmaier, Layne Ling, Eben Mayer, Cade Olson, Natalia Smith and Raina Working.

The front cover was designed by Lawson and the back by Farris.

Paperback copies of the book are available at the Keizertimes office for \$5.



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Today in History

Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, often cited as the first "concept album," and as the inspiration for other great pop stars of the 1960s, from the Stones and the Beach Boys to Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye is released. It was the Beatles' eighth studio album and would come to be regarded by many as the greatest in the history of rock and roll, and oceans of ink would be spilt in praising and analyzing its revolutionary qualities.
— June 1, 1967

Food 4 Thought

"Fashions fade, style is eternal."
— *Yves Saint Laurent*, fashion designer, died June 1, 2008

The Month Ahead

Continuing through Sunday, June 10
Shout! The Mod Musical presented by Enlightened Theatrics. Set in London during the swingin' 60s, this show chronicles the liberation of five women who redefine themselves in the face of changing attitudes toward gender roles. Visit enlightenedtheatrics.org for showtimes and tickets.

Continuing through Sunday, June 16
Pentacle Theatre's production of *Cabaret*. Plays through Saturday, June 16. Visit pentacletheatre.org for show times and tickets.

Friday, June 1
21st Annual Golden Onion Awards. 4 to 10 p.m. at Ken Collins Theatre in McNary High School.

Saturday, June 2
Walk For Hope & Fun Run. Benefits the Union Gospel Mission in their mission to change lives through meals, shelter, and other types of care. The 5k walk begins at 10 a.m. at Salem Riverfront Park. Teams can register at ugmsalem.org/walkforhope

Tabletop games for grown-ups at the Salem Public Library, 2 to 4 p.m. Heritage Room, 585 Liberty Street S.E. in Salem.

Annual Photography Show exhibition at the Enid Joy Mount Gallery at the Keizer Cultural Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. NE. Artists' reception in Saturday, June 2, from 2 to 4 p.m. keizerarts.com.

YMCA Inspiration Dance Company's Earth Suite Recital. 6 p.m., Elsinore Theatre, 170 High Street SE in Salem. Tickets are \$11. Visit elsinoretheatre.com for tickets.

Monday, June 4
Keizer City Council meeting, 7 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Whiteaker Middle School's year-end choir concert, 7 p.m., at Dayspring Fellowship, 1755 Lockhaven Drive N.E.

Thursday, June 7
Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association meeting, 6:30 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Friday, June 8
McNary High School Class of 2018 graduation, 2 p.m., Oregon State Fairgrounds Pavilion.

Saturday, June 9
Salem-Keizer Community Uke Party. 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Willamette Valley Music Company in Salem and Uptown Music in Keizer.

World-wide Knit Day at Salem Public Library, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 585 Liberty Street S.E. in Salem

Sunday, June 10
Keizer Elks Lodge's Flag Day Ceremony, 1 p.m. 4250 Cherry Avenue N.E.

Monday, June 11
Keizer City Council work session, 6 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Tuesday, June 12
Keizer Parks Board meeting, 6 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Wednesday, June 13
Keizer Planning Commission meeting, 6 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Thursday, June 14
Traffic Safety, Bikeways and Pedestrian Committee meeting, 6 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Monday, June 18
Keizer City Council meeting, 7 p.m. Keizer Civic Center.

Add your event by e-mailing news@keizertimes.com.

Elks mark Flag Day June 10

On June 10, at 1 p.m., Keizer Elks Lodge will celebrate Flag Day in a public ceremony.

In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14th. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has celebrated the holiday since the early days of the organization. In 1907, the B.P.O.E. Grand Lodge designated by resolution June 14th as Flag Day, and mandated observance of Flag Day by every Lodge in 1911.

The Elks prompted President Woodrow Wilson to recognize the Order's

observance of Flag Day for its patriotic expression.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day and in August 1946, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday; however, it is at the President's discretion to officially proclaim its observance.

looking back in the KT

5 YEARS AGO

Girls take district track title
The McNary High School varsity track and field teams made the district championships seem easy last week. McNary's girls took first overall and the boys took second.

10 YEARS AGO

Random robbery?
Not so, police say
A Keizer mans story alleging he was stabbed by a Hispanic male this week didn't add up, police say. "There was no crime scene... no witnesses," Capt. Jeff Kuhns said. It turned out the man made up the story to prevent the real assailant, his girlfriend, from being caught. She was later arrested for the stabbing.

15 YEARS AGO

Firefighter earns OFS award
Firefighter Dan Woolley has served for three decades. He was picked to receive an Award of Excellence at the Oregon Fire Service Annual Awards Banquet. Woolley, 53, said the award came as great honor.

20 YEARS AGO

More cops on the way, thanks to federal grant
The federal government is going to help police Keizer, handing the city a \$450,000 grant to hire six more officers.

maze

Maze by Jonathan Graf of Keizer

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28% - Right after graduating college/graduate school

15% - Right after graduating high school

15% - Before they are 30 years old

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