

## Keizer's Cascade is a different kind of dept. store

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The new Keizer location of Cascade Farm and Outdoor opened its doors at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 1.

Free giveaways are planned for the first 500 customers on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 2 and 3.

Employees were bustling through aisles, sorting nuts and bolts, assembling display items and getting trained on the cash registers Friday, July 26.

Don Leber, Bi-Mart's vice president of advertising and marketing, said a lot of things came together for the business when it chose Keizer for its third location.

"We've been looking at locations throughout the northwest, but this site came available and we thought it would be a great opportunity to get a store along Interstate 5 and get into a bigger metropolitan area," Leber said.

Cascade Farm and Outdoor is a division of Bi-Mart and both are employee-owned. Unlike Bi-Mart, no membership is needed to shop at Cascade.

"We know how much our customer service is key to our success and our employees are



Some of the 35 employees of the new Cascade Farm and Outdoor sort through racks and drawers of nuts and bolts in preparation for the store opening on Thursday, Aug. 1.

the most critical aspect of that approach," Leber said.

Customers can sign up for an incentive program that au-

tomatically enters them to win a Traeger Grill, DeWalt cordless kit or a Yeti cooler.

Cascade got its start five

years ago in Walla Walla, Wash., where an empty Bi-Mart was converted into the first Cascade shop. Two years after that,

a second location opened in Coos Bay.

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## Trump pummels Dems in Keizer campaign giving

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President Donald Trump is receiving the lion's share of presidential campaign giving among Keizer residents.

Trump has received \$2,926.24 from Keizerites since the beginning of the year. That total derives from 37 con-

tributions, small and large, made by 12 donors.

Earlier this week, ProPublica shared quarterly reports from every state on campaign giving since the beginning of the year. Keizertimes culled the contributions from Keizer residents for this story.

Trump's biggest financial supporter

in Keizer made six contributions totaling \$600 since January. The largest single donation, \$375, from a Keizer resident also went to Trump.

For the Democrats, Sen. Bernie Sanders was the top fundraiser with \$555 from 15 contributions. Pete Buttigieg was runner up with \$400 spread over four contributions from

a single donor. Sen. Elizabeth Warren raked in \$346 from 16 contributions. Sen. Kamala Harris took in \$257.84 from a single donor and Amy Klobuchar raised \$190 from eight contributions.

Democratic contributions totaled \$1,744.84 overall. Harris took in the

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## Keepin' cool

Andy Hageman, 5, straddles a water spout at the splash fountain behind the Keizer Civic Center. The splash fountain is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 7 p.m. when the temperature is forecast above 75 degrees. It might be in heavy demand with a heat wave expected through the end of next week.

### YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

*'I feel like no one really cares, I feel like it should be a bigger deal'*

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At the end of her junior year, Kristel Thornton was stressed; unlike her peers who were worried about finals and summer plans, Thornton was worried about where she was going to live during her senior year of high school.

Thornton was born in Colorado and lived there with her grandparents until she was 9 years old, at which point she and three her siblings began to live with her divorced parents.

"Since the time I was like nine, I had to raise my two brothers because my parents were separated," she said. She and her siblings alternated weeks between their parents.

"We grew up really poor so we had no money to do anything," Thornton said.

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## Top goal for new MCFD chief: Greater awareness among residents district serves

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Kyle McMann started working for Marion County Fire District #1 back in 2001 as an Engineer/Paramedic. Through the last 18 years, he has also served as Engine Captain, Emergency Medical Services-Operations Captain, Battalion Chief and Deputy Fire Chief.

But he never thought he would be in the position he is now.

As of January 1, McMann has been serving as the fire chief of

MCFD1, where he oversees fire district operations as well as the finance division — which covers all aspects of budgeting and long range financial planning.

"I am very humbled and very honored to be chosen for this position," McMann said. "My career path was initially just to be an operations chief, to have the support of the organization and the board of directors is a dream come true. It's the pinnacle of my career."

Even though he is still working in the same building he has

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