

## PARENTS: Info session on youth and social media

Salem Alliance Church will be holding a event for parents and kids on the harmful effects of social media.

The event is being hosted by a small group of moms in the community who support #SAVETHEKIDS

Admission is free and this informational session will take place on October 17 at 7 p.m.

A Spanish translator will be available.

Collin Kartchner, an internet crusader and youth advocate, founded the organization and will be speaking at the church. For more information on him and the organization, visit savethekids.us.

You can also visit the Empowering Parents | Saving Kids Facebook page.

### obituaries

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## Donna Louise Isham Major

June 5, 1944 - September 10, 2019

Salem - The world has lost a special lady. Joining her heavenly father on September 10, 2019 — her oldest son's birthday, due to kidney failure.

She was born on June 5, 1944 in Salem, Ore. to Kenneth (Red) and Lorene Wanless Isham. Preceded in death by her parents Red and Lorene, husband Loyd, sister RaVerta — and just 13 days ago, her sister Pam.



D. Major

Donna attended Brooks Elementary and Gervais, High School. She was a compassionate lady, working in many fields of special care of elderly and challenged people — Shangri-La and Fairview, among several others.

On January 14, 1962, she married her high school sweetheart, Loyd Ray Major. Losing her husband on Dec. 27, 1982, she continued to raise four children alone: Loyd Alan Major, Ranie Major Klepper (LeRoy), LaDona Major Shelton (Dale), Tony Major (Meghan).

Her grandchildren include: Anita (Annie to her Grandma) Major Rist, Christina Kimbel Munjar (Dan), Nathan Kimbel

(Jessica), Michael John Major, Mathew Shelton (Casy), Cassey Shelton, Anthony Blackstone, Timothy Major, Marissa Major, Rebekah Major, and little Khristian Major. Great-grandchildren include: Dylon Munjar, Josie Munjar, Ashton Kimbel, Kalen Kimbel, Logan Shelton, Ryder Shelton, Brayden Shelton, and Kinston Shelton.

Also surviving are her sisters Dorene Isham (George Standish) and Shirley Isham Enriquez, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was so devoted to her family, she would give her last penny if they were in need. Donna loved visiting and talking to anyone who would listen. Donna was an outspoken person who was eager to debate almost anything. Her love for dogs followed her throughout life, leaving MaLady, her sole companion. She had a special love for butterflies. Little things meant a lot to her and she treasured any gift or memento.

Internment at Brooks Catholic Cemetery in Brooks, Ore. — part of her great-grandparents DLC. Service is pending.

Contributions may be made to the Cemetery or Willamette Valley Hospice.

# Lalack takes over as new McNary AP

By MATT RAWLINGS  
Of the Keizertimes

After saying goodbye to Susanne Stefani — who had been working at the school for 13 years, but left to take the head principal position at Stayton High — McNary High has brought in Tyler Lalack to be the new assistant principal of the school.

With construction and seismic upgrades starting this summer and continuing through the school year thanks to the Salem-Keizer Bond Project, Lalack is joining the McNary staff at a pretty exciting time.

“It’s exciting to see all the opportunities coming forth in Keizer and to have McNary be a beneficiary of the bond project,” Lalack said. “Having the community supporting education here in Keizer is very inspirational from an educator’s standpoint. There’s a really strong teacher-leadership core here at McNary, which greatly helped my decision to come here.”

Lalack comes to Keizer from the Dallas School District, where he spent 15 years in multiple positions, including a football and baseball coach at Dallas High School. He had been the assistant principal Lacreole Middle School for four years before taking the same position at McNary.

Even though he left a small school district to join the Salem-Keizer School District — which is the second largest in the state — Lalack appreciates the small-town vibe that Keizer provides.

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McNary asst. principal

Keizer is still their own community and I think that there are a lot of supports within that. There’s a really strong, one-high school community feel to it,” Lalack said. Lalack is also excited to be working alongside McNary head principal Erik Jespersen.

“(Jespersen) is a very innovative thinker and he has a plan of where he sees education going for the students in Keizer,” Lalack said. “He’s

very detail-oriented and he develops teacher-leaders.”

As an administrator, Lalack takes pride in making sure students and staff know that he is in their respective corners.

“I see myself as a facilitator for teachers and an ear for students. I need to make sure the teachers are getting what they need, but also make sure that I am listening to the students to and hearing what their experiences are like,” Lalack said.

One of goals that Lalack has as assistant principal is to continue to make sure that McNary is an inclusive environment for students with special needs. He is also passionate about making sure each educational program has diverse numbers.

“As McNary continues to develop courses of study, we want to make sure each course is inclusive and represents our diverse student

population. A historical educational example would be with upper level math and sciences being under-represented by females. As a school, we can review our courses of study, inform our students of options, and provide learning opportunities for them that they may not be aware of,” Lalack said.

While he has experience as an assistant principal, Lalack wants to soak up all the knowledge he can about the school environment in his first year at McNary.

“Even though I’m not a first-year administrator, there is still a lot to learn. But everyone is very welcoming and open, which makes it a comfortable work environment to take risks and ask questions. Seeing how welcoming people have been is very noticeable and appreciated,” Lalack said.

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