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**THE BIG GAME**  
at The Lights!

**Sunday, Feb 2**  
3:30pm Kickoff  
Doors open 3pm

**FREE ADMISSION AND DOOR PRIZES TOO!**

**LIVE STAND UP COMEDY**  
**Lights, Comedy, Laughs!**  
**Saturday, Feb. 8**

DJ SANDHU & BRENDAN GAY will perform at 7pm and 9pm. Admission is only \$10. Ages 21 & over only. Reserved seating for this show. Purchase tickets at box office or at our website.

**Sensory Sensitive Show** ONLY \$4  
Saturday, FEB 15, at 11:00 am  
MOVIE: SPIES IN DISGUISE [PG]

Special showing for kids and adults with Autism or other sensory sensitivities.

**Today in History**

In San Diego, Doug Williams of the Washington Redskins becomes the first African-American quarterback to play in a Super Bowl, throwing for four of Washington's five touchdowns in an upset 42-10 victory over the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XXII. — *January 31, 1988*

**Food 4 Thought**

"As big a deal as the Super Bowl is, it's not the most important thing going on in the planet."  
— *Tony Dungy, former NFL coach, football commentator*

**The Weeks Ahead**

**Through Saturday, February 8**

Pentacle Theatre presents *Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express*. Visit pentacletheatre.org for show dates and tickets.

**Friday, January 31 – Tuesday, February 25**

Keizer Art Association presents its annual McNary High School Art Show at the Enid Joy Mount Gallery. Artists' reception 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb.1. For gallery hours visit keizerarts.com.

**Friday, January 31 – Saturday February 1**

The third annual Willamette Valley Quilt Festival will be at the Linn County Expo Center this year. There will be a raffle for a free sewing machine that will also help feed those in need. Show hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. admission is \$7 each day and kids 12 and under have free admission. Tickets are available online at willammettevalleyquiltfestival.com/ or at the door.

**Sunday, February 2**

*The Play of Daniel*, a medieval mystery play with the Boston Camerata, an ensemble of vocalists and early music instrumentalists directed by Anne Azema, 2 p.m. Tickets required. 503-362-3661. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Salem.

**Monday, February 3**

Keizer City Council meeting, 7 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Tuesday, February 4**

Free admission all day at Hallie Ford Museum of Art, 700 State Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Keizer City Charter Review Task Force meeting, 6 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Thursday, February 6**

Stories in the Stacks at Keizer Community Library, Keizer Cultural Center, 10-11 a.m. For pre-school children accompanied by an adult. Stories, crafts and music. keizerlibrary.org.

Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association meeting, 6:30 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Thursday, February 6 – Saturday, February 8**

Portland Winter Light Festival transforms the City of Roses into a city of lights. Designed to bring light to the wintry darkness, the free festival returns every winter with imaginative works that combine light and technology to create interactive experiences.

**Monday, February 10**

Keizer City Council work session, 6 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Tuesday, February 11**

Keizer Parks Advisory Board meeting, 6 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Thursday, February 13**

Traffic Safety Bikeways and Pedestrian Committee meeting, 6 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

West Keizer Neighborhood Association meeting, 7 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Friday, February 14 – Sunday, February 16**

Keizer Homegrown Theatre presents *Love, Loss and What I Wore*, by Nora Ephron and Delia Ephron. Keizer Cultural Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. N.E. Performances at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday. Tickets are \$15; free with an Oregon Trail Card. keizerhomegrowntheatre.org.

**Tuesday, February 18**

Keizer City Council meeting, 6 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Thursday, February 20**

African-Americans in Oregon: A Unique Legacy at Chemeketa Community College's Salem Campus, Building 2, Room 179, from 6 - 9 p.m. Professor Dr. Julius McGee, from Portland State University, will explore the policies and decisions and examine how Oregon's history impacts Oregon today.

Greater Gubser Neighborhood Association meeting, 7 p.m., Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

**Friday, February 21 – Sunday, February 23**

Keizer Homegrown Theatre presents *Love, Loss and What I Wore*, by Nora Ephron and Delia Ephron. Keizer Cultural Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. N.E. Performances at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday. Tickets are \$15; free with an Oregon Trail Card. keizerhomegrowntheatre.org.

**Saturday, February 29**

Salem Lifestyle Show at the Salem Convention Center, 200 Commercial st. S.E. on from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Local businesses will showcase what they have for the upcoming spring and summer seasons. There will be free seminars, demonstrations, samples and door prizes throughout the day.

**CITIZEN: Reflecting on years of service to Keizer**

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Monster Cookie Metric Century Ride, which is now the oldest group ride in Oregon. In addition, Hersch has served on a number of committees and boards that advise and make recommendations to the Keizer City Council.

Hersch and Mary Ann met on a double date, but they weren't dating each other that fateful night. Hersch grew up in Keizer, Mary Ann grew up in Salem and they had attended school together for a short time at St.Vincent's in Salem.

Hersch had seen his mother, a nurse, get involved with the community in a variety of ways, but credited a former civics teacher, Vic Backlund, with helping infuse him with the desire to volunteer. Mary Ann had watched her father engage civically through the Lions Club. The couple found their own motivator to get involved when the Salem-Keizer School District sought to classify their son as developmentally disabled.

"At the time, my mom was still a nurse, Mary Ann's father was a guidance counselor and I was a disability specialist. That was what got us going. We said, 'No,' and stepped up to get involved," Hersch said. "We wanted to watch our own kids, but we also wanted to get to know their teachers one-on-one."

They started off by attending and later leading, parent-teacher groups at elementary and middle schools. By the time their oldest was graduating high school, the Sangsters were leading the McNary High School Athletic Booster Club and Mary Ann was the volunteer coach of the school's equestrian team.

"We had to have a calendar on the wall and pencil in everything. Working with the

students becomes a priority and there's a lot of quick re-shuffling to make sure you can do it," Mary Ann said.

The couple were such fixtures of Celtic life, a former athletic director, Mike Magan, awarded the couple varsity letters in return for their service.

Mary Ann said her time with the equestrian team was the best of all her years as a volunteer. One year, her team won a highly-coveted sportsmanship trophy.

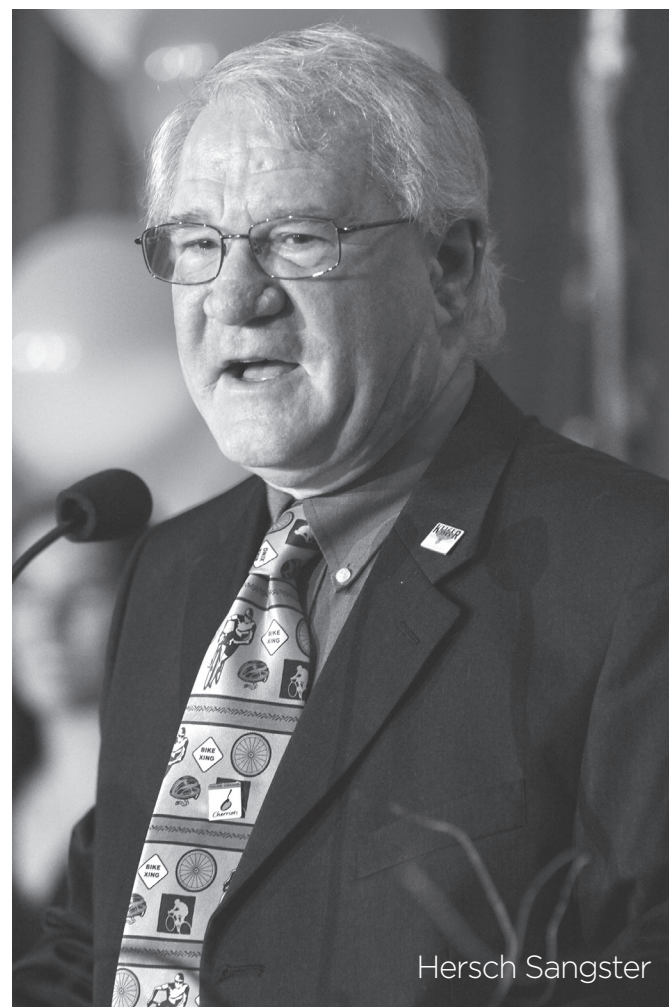
"It was a good experience and I did it for about three years, but the payoff went on for a lot longer," Mary Ann said. She jokes about it being an undertaking with hormones coming at the team from both sides of the saddle.

Both said working with students in a variety of capacities gave them a renewed appreciation for teachers and the gargantuan obstacles they overcome daily.

By that time, Hersch had already started getting involved in city government. The Sangsters lived on Maine Avenue off River Road North for 38 years and their home became the epicenter of discussions when the city started planning what types of shops might be placed at the intersection with River Road. Herch and Mary Ann hosted an informational gathering at their home with then-mayor Dennis Koho, and the city manager at the time.

Koho took a shine to Hersch and told him it was time to get involved on a larger scale. Koho was instrumental to getting a bikeways committee established in the city and Hersch was one of the first appointees.

Cycling had long been a way of life for Hersch. Growing up when Keizer was still a rural community on the outskirts of Salem, the primary



Hersch Sangster

mode of transportation was by bicycle or hopping onto a flat-car of a passing train. (He had a technique and this story is not meant as an endorsement of such shenanigans.)

Cycling around Keizer led to membership in the Cycling Club at Oregon State University and, later, the Salem Bicycle Club. For Hersch it's still his preferred mode of transportation.

While Mary Ann's greatest sense of accomplishment came from the equestrian team, Hersch's, unsurprisingly, has to do with bikes and it's represented by the 2002 Alice B. Toelclips Award in a trophy case at the Keizer Civic Center.

The award was given by the Bicycle Transportation Alliance in appreciation for starting a free bike helmet program in Keizer. Hersch was chair of the Bikeways Committee when

the program began in 1997.

"I was talking with David Dempster, who has been part of that same group for a long time, and we think we've given out somewhere around 6,000 helmets since the program began," Hersch said.

Hersch was humbled to be honored as Keizer's first citizen, but he's not planning on halting his involvement anytime soon. He's got plans to install a bike repair station at Kennedy Elementary School and he's still chasing his own great white whale of a project: getting new bike racks installed at McNary High School.

"The racks that are there are the same ones we had when I was a student in 1972. It's going to happen," Hersch said.

If the first citizen moniker gets him a bit more traction to reel the beast in, so be it.

**MCFD1 will seek levy increase**

The Board of Directors for Marion County Fire District #1 unanimously approved a resolution asking voters to consider additional funding for emergency personnel, apparatus and equipment.

The proposal will be on the May 19 primary election ballot for the communities of

Four Corners, Middle Grove, Pratum, Macleay, Brooklake, Clearlake, Labish Center, and Chemeketa College Station.

Call volumes have increased an average of 5.2 percent per year for the district and overlapping calls account for 55 percent of all calls.

In many cases, the district must rely on mutual aid from neighboring agencies, which takes longer to reach people in an emergency.

"The fact is that we need more firefighters to respond to calls," said Fire Chief Kyle McMann. "More calls also mean added costs for apparatus and equipment. Fortunately, we're ahead of these issues before they become a

real problem."

The district developed a strategic plan last year to respond to increasing emergency response times. The plan identified how the fire district would address challenges to service while reducing impacts to taxpayers. Short-term, the fire district would hire two firefighter/paramedics to improve staffing, which would expand hours of service for a unit in service to the public.

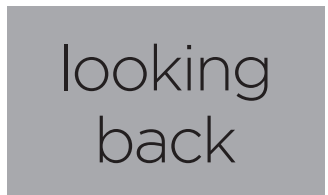
A portion of the levy funds also would be set aside to pay cash for replacement apparatus and equipment. Paying upfront for the capital items saves taxpayers money compared to financing them

and paying interest.

Chief McMann says that the district will require additional personnel in the long-term. The board of directors wants to pay off a bond before asking taxpayers to consider another levy.

"We're being very strategic in how we do this to minimize any tax increase for property owners," said Chief McMann.

The resolution asks voters to consider increasing the district's operating levy from 71 to 99 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value. The 28-cent increase equates to \$4.67 per month (\$56 per year) for the owner of a home assessed at \$200,000.



**5 YEARS AGO**  
Hurdles still to clear for Area C proposal

Approval at the Keizer City Council level does not mean apartments and a retirement community in Keizer Station Area C are a done deal. Previous decisions were appealed to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA), which forced changes to plans that at one point included a 116,000 square foot commercial space.

**10 YEARS AGO**  
Girls win fifth straight game

The Lady Celts varsity basketball team continued its winning ways with a 47-33 win over Redmond on Tuesday. With the win, McNary (5-0, 10-5 overall) maintained its one game advantage over the Lady Titans in the standings.

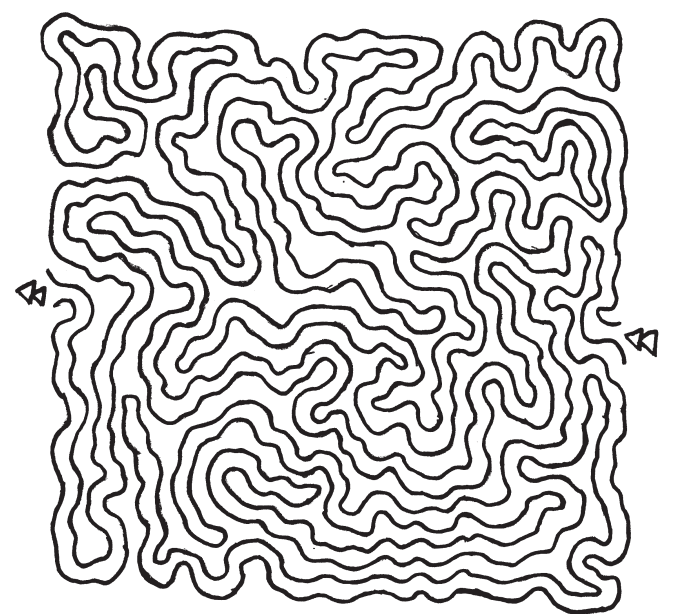
**15 YEARS AGO**  
Expert on board for River park

The quest for a regional riverside park in Keizer gained a new ally last week. Dan Miller, a community planner with the National Parks Service's Rivers and Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, visited Keizer last week to meet with advocates of the proposed River Rapids Regional Park.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
Boys win a pair

With the league season almost half way complete the McNary boys basketball team is right where it needs to be, tied for a playoff spot. The Celtics moved up in the standings and would make the playoffs if play stopped today in the Valley League.

**maze**



Maze by Jonathan Graf of Keizer

**sudoku**

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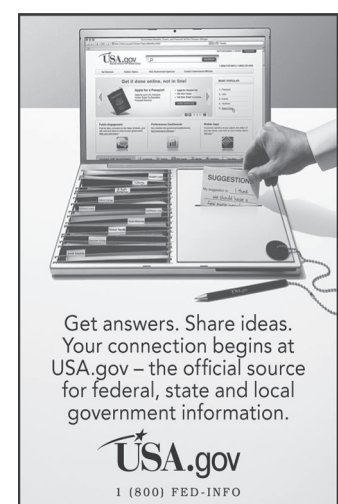
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incident shows Ebbs' husband, Jason Ebbs, stepping in and pushing the father back into his seat while other customers at the Ebbs' table rush in. After exchanging words with the man, Jason appears to attempt to separate all the parties involved.

Jason is a math teacher at McNary and the head coach of the wrestling team.

Trisha was arrested for disorderly conduct and was processed at the Marion County Jail, she was then released. An investigation is ongoing. She was placed on administrative leave from her job at North Salem High School Monday, Jan. 29. Jason Ebbs was placed on administrative leave at McNary on Tuesday, Jan. 30.



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