Story pole dedication slated for Saturday

The City of Keizer and the Keizer Public Art Commission will host a dedication of the story poles carved out of two trees on Chemawa Road NE that stand in City Hall Plaza. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18.

The story poles will be dedicated after a years-long effort. The original idea came from Public Works Director Bill Lawyer when the two fir trees reached the end of their life and had to be topped. Lawyer thought turning the remaining stumps into works of art would make a unique addition to the civic center campus.

Kim Steen and Bethy Melendy of the Keizer Public Art Commission will each dedicate one pole.

The two poles were carved by Kevin and Tyler Strauslin of Oregon 3D Art and Chainsaw Sculptures, working from designs presented by the arts commission.



The Keizer story poles outside of City Hall on Chemawa Rd. will be dedicated this Saturday.

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KCL reopening this weekend

The Keizer Community Library will celebrate its reopening and remodeled space with a ceremony and ribbon cutting on Saturday, Sept. 18.

The public is invited to attend the ribbon-cutting by Mayor Cathy Clark at 11:30 a.m. at the front of the Keizer Cultural Center, 980 Chemawa Road NE.

The event, scheduled to go until 3 p.m., will include tours of the updated library space, free library cards and refreshments.

Attendees are reminded about the library's firm adherence to face coverings and social distancing during the ceremony. Face coverings will be required before entering the remodeled space on the ground floor of the building. Face masks will be provided if needed.

 $Additional\ information\ is\ available\ on\ the\ library's\ website,\ www.keizerlibrary.org.$

KNOW holding fundraiser for basket program

The Keizer Network of Women's (KNOW) fundraising event, Percey Presents, returns this year after COVID-19 caused a cancellation in 2020.

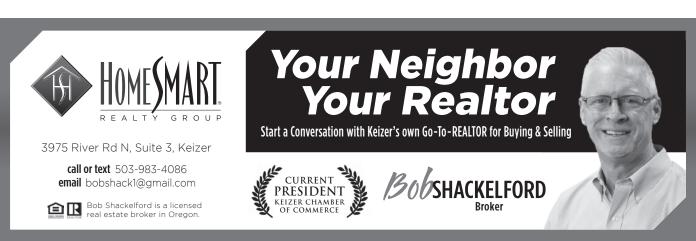
The event is on Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Keizer Civic Center. Percey Presents is a women-only auction that raises money for KNOW's annual Giving Basket Program, which provides toys and food for families in need.

The gift baskets are delivered to dozens of homes by volunteers each December. Men from the community have been recruited to volunteer to serve dinner. The 2021 theme is "Red Carpet."

"Do not shy away from the spotlight and wear your favorite jaw-dropping outfit to go with the show-stopping bags we're getting for you," wrote Corri Falareau, executive director of the Keizer Chamber. "This year, more than ever, we need support and attendance to provide a helping hand to the Keizer families who got hit the hardest by the devastating pandemic."

Tickets to the event are \$40 and are available at keizerchamber.com. Menu choices are peach-glazed beef brisket or lemon garlic chicken breast.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the event starts at 6 p.m.



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Where and how do you volunteer?

"I volunteer with CASA of Marion County as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for children in the foster care system."

Why do you volunteer?

"I love working with children and other people who have a passion for helping children."

What does volunteering do for you?

"Volunteering lets me help children in foster care in a way that works for my family."

How would you get others to volunteer in their community?

"I would let others know how rewarding a few hours of their time spent volunteering is!"

Do you know a volunteer in our community that should be spotlighted in the newspaper?
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