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LEFT: Head coach Jackson Vaughan is all smiles after another conference tournament championship. RIGH T: Samuel Vargas plucks the strings of his tiny violin.
FOURTH ROW
LEFT: New Fire Marshal Ty Darby comes to McMinnville after working nearly 15 years with Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue. RIGH T: McMinnville Soroptimists work on decorations for tables at their Summer Solstice Women Who Wine event.

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By Ossie Bladine, Associate Publisher

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As it has for many years, the News-Register’s annual “Best of Mac and the Yamhill Valley” magazine is a celebration of those time-honored economic and community principles. Our “Best of” contest represents about 100 News-Register Community Partners businesses along with many other participating advertisers. Many have earned bragging rights this year by being voted as “favorites” in a local survey. However, every business included in this publication is the favorite for many residents and visitors alike. Browse for your old favorites, and find some new favorites.

Of course, we want your focus to be on the businesses within this publication and in our twice-a-week community newspaper, as they choose to spend their marketing dollars locally while simultaneously supporting local, independent journalism. But more than that, this publication is presented to encourage locals to always be conscientious, be conscious and to use their conscience while spending their dollars.

We hope you will keep this 2023 “Best of” as a year-round reminder to do even more to support these and other Yamhill County businesses that serve so many community needs.

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March 26, 1957. Ron Courtney, center, a member of the Tie-Rods, leans under the hood of his modified 1951 Ford to make an adjustment as other members of the group watch. At left is Paul Prescott and at right, Scott Compton. Courtney values the car at $6,000, considering time and materials. The hot rod group boasts 26 active members devoted to safe driving and better cars.

March 28, 1957. A thorough inspection of cars, which will be driven in the Mobilgas Safety-Economy run at McMinnville High School, is made by members of the Tie-Rods. Here, three members of the group test a car which will be driven by Gordon Hall, third from left. Checking the car are Coy Howard, Dave Ryals and Bill Kizer. High School students participating in the run will drive a course of 98.8 miles through Salem and along the freeway, returning on Highway 99W. Scores are computed from gallons consumed for the given distance in relation to the weight of the car. Drivers are also assessed one-tenth of a gallon for each driver error.

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Middle: August 17, 1939. Processing of Yamhill County milk products started at the new $100,000 McMinnville plant of the Farmers Cooperative Creamery this week. Cooperative President Herman Bernard pours the first can of milk into the vat.

Bottom: October 21, 1955. Glassblower Jim Barbour, shapes experimental field emission tube under watchful eye of Dr. J. Kenneth Trolan (left) and Dr. W.P. Dyke, at Linfield College physics department. Linfield physicists have developed much of their own equipment during electronics research in field emission.
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Middle: April 27, 1968. Working out on the Universal Gym at McMinnville High School are (l-r) Jim Fuller, abdominal board, Jac White (partially hidden), leg press, Gene Stobbin, high pulley, Dave Wallace, low pulley, Mike DeRaeve, hip flexor, Dennis Hinchman, shoulder press and Mike Ingram, chest press. The gym has 10 “stations”, which can be used simultaneously and was financed by the government through the Title I program and arrived two weeks ago.

Bottom: June 21, 1967. Joe Dancer, McMinnville city administrator, receives a pin denoting that he reached the six gallon donation level at the Tuesday visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile. Giving him the award is Jean Carpenter, executive secretary of the county Red Cross chapter.
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Left: August 22, 1961. Mrs. Jim Beard of McMinnville assists her daughter, Lori, 6, as the young miss looks through the wide selection of coats at Montgomery Ward in downtown McMinnville. Lori toured several stores in shopping for clothes and school supplies in preparation for her entrance into her school career as a first grader this September when school opens.
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