## CHS HAS TALENT



PHOTOS BY BRAD COMAN / NEVADA APPEAL Chandler Blueberg and Alexa Haight perform 'When We Were Young' Wednesday evening during the 2016 CHS Talent Show at the Carson City Community Center.



Wesley Sonnemaker sings 'Little Lion Man' during the talent show Wednesday evening.



The band 'Dreamers' performs an original song 'Incident' Wednesday night at the CHS Talent Show.

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"People have the perception that it's temperature."

While the snow will melt significantly at lower elevations, the deep snowpack at higher elevations will be less of an issue, he said, and will be less affected by warmer temperatures.

Explaining the process, California Department of Water Resources spokesman Doug Carlson added, "This time of year, the sun is still low, so melt is usually not much — even with a day or two of above normal

temps." And while snowpack depth may change substantially, water content likely will not see as dramatic of a loss. The snowpack becomes more dense rather than fully melting.

"I don't think we should be particularly concerned," Bardsley said regarding the snowpack and dry spell. "Surface conditions impact skiers more than the water supply."

Should the dry spell stretch into March,

however, he said that would be potentially "very detrimental" to the snowpack.

Current forecast models are calling for the high pressure system, which is keeping unseasonable temperatures and clear skies in the region, to potentially dissipate next week — allowing for storms to return.

"There's a reasonable chance of a wet end of the month," Bardsley said. "That might save the month."

Even if it remains dry, Bardsley suggested the snowpack water content could simply drop back to average.

As of Wednesday, Feb. 9, statewide snowpack water content was at 104 percent — down from 114 percent from Feb. 2 — according to the California Department of Water Resources.

The Lake Tahoe Basin remained substantially higher than the state average, however, with U.S. Department of Agriculture SNOTEL sites still reporting around 125 percent of average snow water content.

# Mayor and Navy League present medallion to Gov.

#### In Plain Sight Marketing

Carson City Mayor Bob Crowell, in collaboration with the Navy League of the United States Carson City Council, presented Nevada Gov. Brian Sandoval with a commemorative coin depicting both the recently christened USNS Carson City and the historic USS Carson City, a Tacoma-class frigate commissioned by the U.S. Navy from 1944-1945.

The USNS Carson City is the seventh of a fleet of 10 Expeditionary Fast Transport vessels being built for the Navy by Austal, a global defense contractor. The modern, multi-mission, non-combatant transport vessel designed for high volume, high speed ship is captained by Carson City native Capt. Bob Wiley and is going to be stationed in Spain.

"I am very honored," Sandoval said. "The coin is extraordinary, a work of art. It is a beautiful medallion I will treasure and display proudly."

Crowell was accompanied by his wife Susan, who served as the USNS Carson City's sponsor during last month's christening at the Austal shipyard in Mobile, Ala.; Clarence "Bud" Southard, president of the U.S. Navy League Carson City Council and a Nevada Veteran of the Month, who was accompanied by his wife, Carolyn, who served as the ship's Matron of Honor; and Donna Brand Moormann, retired Navy Commander and public relations chair for the Carson City Council.

"It was a pleasure to represent the Navy League and meet with the Governor to

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the area of manufacturing education while cutting the on-campus auto body collision repair course. Community member Jeff Basa suggested CHS could look into offering manufacturing through WNC while maintaining the on-campus auto body collision repair course.

Lewis said the auto body collision repair course offered through WNC would be a modified Jump Start program in which some students could receive college credit. A concern just seniors would be in the Jump Start program also was raised.

WNC CTE director Georgia White said the school looks at all students progressing and interested in one subject area to be enrolled in the Jump Start program.

A concern the WNC auto body collision course would offer certification also was raised as those noted the course WNC has been offering has



From left: Mayor Bob Crowell, Susan Crowell, Gov. Sandoval, Carolyn Southard, Donna Brand Moormann and Bud Southard at the presentation of the medallion commemorating the USNS Carson City and the USS Carson City.

present him with the medallion that speaks on behalf of the sponsor, Susan Crowell, and the Matron of Honor, Carolyn Southard, and all those that took part in the christening of the ship," said Bud Southard.

Southard said the group presented a Boston bronze plaque to the USNS Carson City emblazoned with the city seal at the christening. The 20-inch wide by 16-inch long plaque carries both the Navy League and Merchant Marine crests plus a layer of sandstone to represent Carson City as well as the Carson City shield which was designed by Captain Wiley. "This is a great day sharing



The side of the commemorative medallion depicting the USS Carson City. The USNS Carson City appears on the other side of the coin.

been nothing more than a "hobby" class in which those enrolled work on their own cars.

While that's been true in the past, While said the school is transitioning to make sure it does offer certification. It was reported at the meeting the course would offer ASE certification in four areas from painting and refinishing to auto body repair and mechanics and electronics. WNC's auto tech courses also offer certification.

Carson City Schools Assistant Superintendent Susan Keema said WNC's programs would offer CHS students more as far as certification is concerned and CHS students could receive up to 24 credits in WNC programs.

In addition, a concern was raised over the courses being held in the evenings, forcing students to choose between extra-curricular activities or athletics and the auto body collision courses. It was also asked if students in the auto body collision courses still would have to carry a full load of classes during the day at CHS.

Keema said it would depend on how many credits students would need to graduate, noting seniors have to take at least four classes and the auto body collision course would count as one of those classes.

Keema also said the district provides a bus for its students currently studying at WNC and also purchases tokens for its students to take the city's JAC transportation to WNC.

While making no promises, White said it's possible there could be an instructor available to teach a daytime course.

About the proposed collision auto body collision course at WNC, Keema said, "Is it perfect today. No." But Keema added the district would continue to "massage" such programs to make them as effective as possible.

Finally a concern was raised if the auto body collision repair course would last for the long-term at WNC.

"I'm very optimistic about maintaining the WNC partnership for a very long time," Lewis said.