



Debaters Capture Sweepstakes Cup

Twenty-two debaters brought back from the Linfield College Speech Tournament at McMinnville the Grand Sweepstakes Cup signifying their first place in the over-all competition. In winning the Grand Sweepstakes Cup, Mr. Lewis' debate team swept the field with 21 of 22 debaters making the finals in their respective class, placing eight of nine teams in the finals, and taking three first place trophies, six individual first place cups, three second places, and five thirds.

After nine years of trying for

Ashland Senior Chosen National Merit Finalist

Bill Berninghausen has been chosen as a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. He is the only AHS student this year to receive this honor.

In order to qualify for the semi-finals, the student must have a score of 146 on the National Merit Test. Bill's score was 151. Then from the list of semi-finalists, the finalists are chosen.

College Board Test scores are required in order to be a finalist. Also the semi-finalist must submit a financial statement.

As a finalist, Bill is now eligible for a National Merit Scholarship. The scholarships range from \$100-\$1500 a year depending on the student's need. Bill will be notified by March 20 if he is to receive a scholarship. There are about 14,000 finalists applying for 1600 available scholarships.

Ashland Teachers Attend Workshop

Mr. Herb Lewis and Mr. John Gray, modern problems teachers at AHS, recently attended a two-day workshop on Family Survival conducted by the Oregon Civil Defense Commission. The workshop, held at the Medford Curriculum Center, lasted from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. last Friday and Saturday.

Ecology teachers from Medford, Ashland, Phoenix, Central Point, Eagle Point, Illinois Valley, Canyonville Bible Academy, and Grants Pass attended the conference to acquaint them with various civil defense methods which they in turn will relate to their students during a three-week instruction period.

During the three weeks following spring vacation, seniors at Ashland High will be instructed in such things as shelters and how to construct them, radioactive fallout and how to cope with it, reconditioning soil after it has been exposed to radioactivity, and how to decontaminate oneself.

the cup, the team took it with a fourth in junior sweepstakes and a first in senior sweepstakes. There were 65 schools at the Linfield Debate and some 1400 participants.

Honors Taken

Students bringing home honors from the two-day event are Mike Torressan and Bob Lawrence, first place in senior men's debate with eight straight wins; Teresa Krug and Jon Roberson, second in men's senior debate with a 7-1 record; Cathy Christy and Donna Hassell, first place in senior women's debate; Susie Barth and Jackie Peterson, third in the same debate.

In junior men's debate, Mike Lewis and Curtis White were finalists.

In the junior women's division, Ginny Lawrence and Carolyn Dickerson took the first place trophy, and two other teams, Jorya Kell, Linda Walker and Mary Alley, Paula Hofman, were finalists.

Individual Victories

Sam Everett copped first in humorous reading and was a

finalist in original poetry, with Susie Kapteya taking first in interview and third in original poetry, senior division.

Other individual honors went to Mike Torressan, first in salesmanship, senior division; Teresa Krug, first in salesmanship, senior women; Barbara Jones, first in salesmanship, junior women; Paula Hoffman, first in interview, junior women; Donna Hassell, second, senior women's interview; and Scott Weaver, second, junior men's interview.

Additional debaters placing in the tournament were Jon Roberson, third in senior men's extemporaneous speaking; Cathy Christy, third in both extemp and salesmanship, senior women; Chris Naablund, finalist in salesmanship, senior women; Carolyn Dickerson, finalist in interview, junior women; and Linda Wenker, finalist in after dinner speaking, junior women.

According to Mr. Herb Lewis, debate coach, competition to determine state speech tournament contestants will be held in Medford in the near future.

Jack Gruber Crowned 'King' at Cupid's Ball



Jack Gruber was crowned "King of Hearts" at the Cupid's Ball held recently at the junior high cafeteria.

Jack Gruber, senior, was crowned "King of Hearts" at the annual Cupid's Ball held Friday, February 19, in the junior high cafeteria. He was chosen from six candidates by the girls attending the dance. Dave Barger was the second senior candidate, Tade Farmer and Terry Clark represented the juniors, and Jack Farmer and Tex Willis, the sophomores.

At 9:30 p.m. the ballot was counted and Dave Lohman announced the winner, Teresa Vaughn crowned King Jack. A special dance for the "King" and his date, Tana Laird, opened the second half of the ball.

Cakes in the shapes of hearts and punch, provided by Vivian

Leigh, were served as refreshments.

The Cupid's Ball was sponsored by the Student Council. Kandy Korhase was in charge of the decorations, which featured heart "trees," big red cupid, and walls of pink and white crepe paper. Helping on the decorations were Tana Laird, Pat Lorton, Sally Rountree, Carolyn Wolfe, Margy Rucker, Linda Prescott, David Parsons, Carol Pennington, and Dave Lohman. Mr. Keith Mobley and Jim Gussette made the trees, and Mrs. Ruth Trost supervised the making of the other decorations. The Randy Huggdahl Trio, The Vanguards, played for the dance.

Mrs. Selma McAlister, Mrs. Jean Fowler, and Mr. Harry Wright chaperoned the ball.



Proud debaters cluster around the trophies they brought back from the Linfield tournament.

Most Valuable Students Chosen at Ashland High

Teresa Krug and Dave Lohman were chosen the Most Valuable Students of Ashland High School.

In order to receive this award, they submitted a brochure containing information about their school activities, grade point average, scholastic achievements, reference letters, and newspaper clippings concerning acknowledgments given them. Those

brochures were judged by an Ellis committee.

Teresa entered District competition and won it. She competes with 11 other girls on this level. She will receive a \$75 scholarship to any school of her choice in Oregon.

Teresa's activities include student body secretary, a member of National Honor Society, and she plays the clarinet in the school band.

Dave competed on the District level also, but he did not place. Dave's activities include student body president, a member of National Honor Society and DeMolay.

Jim, Dave Chosen Boys of Month

Jim Mayo has been chosen as the boy of the month for the month of January. Jim was chosen because of his work in FTA and for his suggestion of an honor study hall. Among his activities in school are Student Council, Interclub Council, French Club, and ILL. Also Jim is president of the FTA, regional historian, and point recorder for Thespians.

Outside of school, Jim is a member of the Young Democrats, and is the Ashland representative for the American Heritage Company. From June 28-August 29, he will study in Europe under the Foreign Language League program. Jim plans to attend either Oregon State or Lewis and Clark University and study teacher education or pre-medicine.

Dave Parsons has been named Boy of the Month of February for his work on such school projects as the Christmas Ball and the Cupid's Ball.

A sophomore, Dave is a member of the Thespian troupe and helped to organize the sophomore skit.

Pat Lorton Named Citizen

Because she has done so much to promote school spirit this year, Pat Lorton was chosen citizen of the six weeks. Pat is the AHS yell queen, a member of the Ski Club, Humanities Seminar, Student Council, Interclub Council, and past honored queen and state officer of Job's Daughters.

In her previous years at AHS, Pat has been a member of band, L.R.I., and G.R.A.

Last summer Pat and the other cheerleaders went to Rally Clinic at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, where they took first place in their division.

She is a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church, where she attends the senior Y.P.F. Pat also works in the church nursery.

District Wrestling Begins Today

Ashland High School hosts the district wrestling tournament here this year. Elimination matches will be run off today and tomorrow with the finals tomorrow night. Teams from Medford, Crater, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, and Ashland will compete with last year's winner, Grants Pass — and also state winner — trying for a repeat performance. Ashland boasts several good fast men in the middle and light brackets who could place high in the match.

Klamath, Crater Meet

At the Klamath Falls tournament two weeks ago, Coach Mobley's mighty wrestlers picked up 10 points for a fourth place. Klamath won the event with 37 points. Crater had 29, and Bend 25. Ashland took two second places due to the fine performance of Jerry Sessions in the 123-pound weight class and Ken Preston in the heavyweight class. Clayton Swartz at 106, John Wood at 130, Gary Hooper at 148, and Wayne Cullop at 157 finished with third places.

Showing gaining strength, the wrestling team lost to the Crater Comets 38-18. In an earlier match on January 20, the Comets gained a 48-8 victory.

In Varsity action, the results were as follows: 98—Ashland forfeited; 106—Crater forfeited; 115—Stewart Howton tied; 123—Jerry Sessions decided his man; 130—John Wood was decided; 141—Rod Georgianna was pinned; 148—Tade Farmer decided his man; 157—Wayne Cullop was pinned; 168—Gary Pennington was pinned; 178—Dennis Sorenson was pinned; 191—Ashland forfeited; and heavyweight—Crater forfeited.

In junior varsity action the Bears downed the Comets 17-8. Conley Gary, Steve Ross, Joe Whitsett, Gary Hooper, and Bill Fehrenbach won their matches.

Coming Events

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| Mar. 12 | Basketball at Medford |
| Mar. 13 | Basketball—Crater — Here |
| Mar. 16-17 | I.T.E.D. Tests |
| Mar. 19 | Basketball Banquet |
| Mar. 18 | Chorus and Orchestra Concert |
| Mar. 19-20 | District Debate at Medford |
| Mar. 22-23 | SPRING VACATION! |