



Holiday Concert

Students from the Vernonia High School and Middle School performed in the annual Holiday Concert on December 12 to a standing-room only crowd in the Schools Commons. Directed by SeungJin Bae, the audience was treated to traditional and non-traditional holiday classics, that included performances by the Beginning Middle School Choir (left), the High School Band (bottom left), and the Middle School Choir (below), along with performances by the Baroque Recorder Ensemble and the High School Choir.



VHS Winter Sports Report

Boys Basketball – The Loggers have started their season with mixed results posting a 2-2 record in non-league play before losing 86-61 against Mannahouse Christian Academy on December 16 in their opening game of Northwest League play.

The Loggers opened the season by hosting the Vernonia Tournament on December 6-7, falling in the opener 56-50 to Umatilla, before defeating Gervais 51-42 to take 3rd place in the tournament.

On December 10 the Loggers traveled to Colton and defeated the Vikings 49-35.

On December 13 Vernonia hosted Santiam, falling 79-39.

The Loggers were scheduled to travel to Knappa on December 18, and host Neah-kah-Nie on December 20, before taking a holiday break. The Loggers resume play on January 7 at Faith Bible.

Girls Basketball – The Lady Loggers split their four non-league games to open the season, going 2-2.

Vernonia won their opening game of the season as hosts of the Vernonia Tournament, beating Umatilla 59-39 on December 6, before falling 58-24 to an aggressive Gervais squad in the tournament championship game on December 7.

The Lady Loggers lost at Colton 40-38 on December 10 before defeating visitors Santiam 55-29 on December 13.

Vernonia kicked off Northwest League play on December 16 at home against a previously undefeated Mannahouse Christian squad, losing 51-47.

The Lady Loggers played away at Knappa on December 18, and will host Neah-kah-Nie on December 20. They will travel to compete in the Tillamook Tournament January 3-4 and then resume league play on January 7 at Faith Bible.

Wrestling – The Loggers competed at the Deven Dawson Memorial Tournament in Harrisburg on December 6, where the team finished 7th out of 17 teams. Top wrestlers for Vernonia included Brandon DePue, who took



Brooklynn Walters

2nd place at 113 pounds after notching a win by fall, a win by decision, and a 12-2 major decision win, before falling in the final 5-2; Patrick Fletcher's 3rd place finish at 113 after recording two wins by fall; Wyatt Jones, who finished 3rd at 132 after winning two matches by fall and a 6-4 decision in his last match; Austin Sicard's 3rd place finish at 145, winning two matches by fall and an 11-5 decision; Cutter Barklow, who took 4th place at 182 after winning two matches by fall; and Pete Crystal, who bounced back after losing his first match to pin his next four opponents on his way to winning the consolation bracket and a 5th place finish at 152.

On December 14 the Loggers took 2nd place at the Warrenton Invitational. Fletcher and DePue finished 1st and 2nd at 113, with Fletcher winning three matches all by fall, including the championship match over DePue; Jones won the 126 pound bracket, recording three wins by fall; Austin Sicard finished 2nd at 145, winning two matches by fall; Crystal took 4th at 152, winning three matches by fall; and Barklow finished 4th after winning four matches at 195, all by fall.

The Loggers will compete at the Clatskanie Tournament on December 28.

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