



EVERGREEN HONORS STANDOUTS - Students of the Month for May at Evergreen Elementary School were treated to a pizza and soft drinks at Pizza Pit in Cave Junction last week. Students are (not in order) Kristopher Clayborne, Taylor Moore, Christina Sanders, Kel-

sey Downey, William Keeling, Jay Tetone, Clifton Reynolds, Andrew Steelman, Marcella DeLaBarcena, Gina Adams, Sierra Heikka, Cheyenne Johnson, Brittany Mosely and Stephanie Neuman. The students were honored for deportment and scholarship.

Cougar athletes recognized for achievements

Illinois Valley High School athletes received numerous awards during a recent presentation for spring activities.

Awards included those for “Scholar Athletes,” who must maintain a minimum grade-point average of “B” while participating in sports.

Scholar Athletes

*Boys golf: Daniel Lebowitz, Trevor Murphy-Mannix, Nick Greener.

*Girls golf: Alex Eaton, Samantha Heller, Katrina Manzone, Ah Rom Yoon, Savanna Bergstad.

*Softball: Ricci Coultas, Kim Hamilton, Kelsi Snook.

*Baseball: Kevin LaPierre.

*Track: Jon Riley, Jesse Lorentz, Sam Green, Patrick DeCelles, Aaron Badgett, Jake Tardie, Kim Hamilton, Emily Dudley, Anah Peckham, Jessa Fairbanks.

Varsity Softball Letters

Becky Boatman, Tiffanee Griffin, Meghan Jackson, Jessica Ragsdale, Kelsi Snook, Angelique Miller, Samantha Hoskins, Ricci Coultas, Kim Hamilton, Erika Riley, Catherine Sullivan.

Varsity Participation Awards

Bailey Rugg, Brigitte Rocha, July Sheridan.

*Most Valuable: Kim Hamilton.

*Most Improved: Tiffanee Griffin.

*Most Inspirational: Ricci Coultas.

*Cougar Pride:

Brigitte Rocha, July Sheridan.

*Skyline Conference First Team: Kim Hamilton, pitcher.

*Skyline Second Team: Ricci Coultas, catcher; Erika Riley, infield; Jessica Ragsdale, infield; Kelsi Snook, first base; Tiffanee Griffin, outfield.

*Skyline Honorable Mention: Meghan Jackson, infield; Angelique Miller, outfield.

*Coaches’ Award: Justine Johnson, Kevin Lumpkin, Kent Johnson, Beth Boatman.

Varsity Baseball Awards

Mike Bertsch, Danny Carter, Ryan Eldred, Anthony Hoskins, Sim Lonewolf, Alton Steinhoff, Lonnie Box, Joel Dierkes, Austin Hocker, Mason Madden, Ryan Warner.

*Offensive Player of the Year: Anthony Hoskins.

*Defensive Player of the Year: Ryan Eldred.

*Coaches’ Award: Alton Steinhoff.

*Skyline Conference Honorable Mention: Mike Bertsch, Anthony Hoskins, Alton Steinhoff.

*Coaches: Scott Carnes, Derek Brimhall.

*Stats: Sheena Cole, Tara Gates.

JV Baseball Awards

Graham Baker, Liang Lee, Chris Martin, Roman Riggins, Wescott Lynch, Joseph Escalona, Tony Derda, Robert Mackey, Jacob Murphy, Josh Taylor, Robert Bell, Kevin

LaPierre.

*Top Bat: Kevin LaPierre.

*Cy Young Award: Graham Baker.

*Coaches’ Award: Tony Derda.

*Most Improved Player: Roman Riggins.

*Coaches: Graham Baker, Tim Norman.

Girls Golf

Varsity Letters

Alex Eaton, Katrina Manzone, Samantha Heller, Savanna Bergstad, Ahrom Yoon, Lisa McLean.

*Most Valuable: Alex Eaton.

*Most Improved: Samantha Heller.

*Most Inspirational: Savannah Bergstad.

*Coaches: Mike Durrant, Mark Higgins.

Boys Golf

Varsity Letters

Daniel Lebowitz, Mike Heald, Casey Taylor, Brian Seagren, Nick Greener, Trevor Murphy-Mannix.

*Most Valuable: Daniel Lebowitz.

*Most Improved: Mike Heald.

*Coach: Neil Josselyn.

Equestrian Team

Varsity Letters

Kaylah Arnett, Angel Cavalla, Chrystle Crawford, Brandon Mann, Brent Rollins, Danielle Simpson, Tiffany Thom, Kelsey Arnett, Emily Harris, Echo Reagan, Clayton Simpson, Brook Sullivan, Alice Weber.

*Most Valuable: Kaylah Arnett.

*Most Improved: Tif-

fany Thom.

*Horseman Ship Award: Emily Harris.

*Sportsman Ship Award: Brandon Mann.

Coach: Alicia Rollins.

Track Varsity Letters

Mike Pagnotta, Jesse Lorentz, Sam Green, Nathan Unger, Aaron Badgett, Dalton Reagan, Rory Kaberline, Kim Hamilton, Jessa Fairbanks, Anah Peckham, Jon Riley, Josh Pope, Caleb Renno, Patrick DeCelles, Jake Tardie, Ben Green, Jeremy Pope, Kirsten Wood, Emily Dudley, Shannon O’Grady.

*Skyline Conference First Team: Jon Riley, javelin; Kim Hamilton, javelin; Jesse Lorentz, 100m; Jessa Fairbanks, 300m hurdles.

*Skyline Second Team: Mike Pagnotta, long jump, 4x100 relay; Jon Riley, 4x100 and 4x400 relays; Jesse Lorentz, 4x100 relay; Caleb Renno, 800m, and 4x100 and 4x400 relays; Sam Green, 300m hurdles, 4x100 relay; Kim Hamilton, long jump.

*Skyline Third Team: Josh Pope, shot put, javelin; Kim Hamilton, 100m.

JV Track Awards

David Skidmore, Cole Valentine, Bill Haskins, Destiny Heiser, Rebekah Peckham, Shannon O’Grady, Josh Bennett, Jeremy Pope, Anthony Miller, Roxi Holmes, Nicole Navarro. Coaches: Bob Thornhill, Perry Sheehan, Bill Yeoman.

Budget for firefighting criticized by senators

A U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) report criticizing current wildfire suppression budget practices recently was released by U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), Larry Craig (R-Idaho) and several colleagues.

In the report, Wyden, Craig and other members of Congress identified problems created by the practice of transferring funding from one project to another within agencies when those agencies have insufficient budgets for fighting wildfires.

During the past two years, federal agencies charged with preventing wildfires have been forced to borrow funds from other, unrelated projects to pay for firefighting.

This leaves vital fire prevention projects -- such as hazardous fuels reduction and watershed restoration -- “under-funded and undone,” which contributes to continuing fire dangers.

The GAO report states (in part):

“Transferring funds for wildfire suppression resulted in canceled and delayed projects, strained relationships with state and local agency partners, and

difficulties in managing programs.

“These impacts affected numerous activities including fuels reduction and land acquisition. Although transfers were intended to aid fire suppression, some projects that could improve agency capabilities to fight fires, such as purchasing additional equipment, were cancelled or delayed.”

Said Wyden, “Year in and year out, we fight for adequate resources for fighting and preventing wildfires; year in and year out, those resources are cut out of the budget.”

“In order to properly control fire,” said Craig, “we need to treat our lands before a fire starts. We must enact a funding mechanism that allows the agencies to manage our lands, including proactive measures such as the Healthy Forests Restoration Act.”

The report recommends setting aside off-budget funding specifically for emergency purposes, either in agency-specific accounts or in a government-wide account.

The full report is available online at www.gao.gov.

19th Annual Antique Tractor & Engine Show at Pottsville
**Sat., June 19 - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
Sun., June 20 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
‘Parade of Power’
‘Finger Pickin’ Good’ - Blue Grass Band
Food Booths - Wagon Rides
Tractor Pulls at 2:30 p.m.
‘Skills of Yesteryear’ events & exhibits
1942 Case 50 Raffle
Flea Market - both days
For information phone (541) 479-2981

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
June 14 - 18
10 a.m. - 12 Noon
Pre-school - 6th Grade
Sponsored by
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and
IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST Churches
to be held at the
Immanuel United Methodist Church
200 W. Watkins Street
Info - 592-3475

Golf News
Women’s Golf
On Tuesday, June 1 the Illinois Valley Women’s Club held an 18-hole scramble. Winners:
1st place, Marjorie Culbertson.
2nd place, Bertha Miller.
I.V. Golf Association
The I.V. Golf Association Board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 15 at 6 p.m. at the golf course clubhouse.
Meetings are open to the public. For more information phone 592-3525.

YOUR HEALTH 101
TRCH Free COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES


Orthopedic Surgeon James Dowd, M.D., Greentree Orthopedics, P.C., will update you on the advances in total hip and knee replacements. Find out how these procedures may improve your quality of life.

Thursday, June 24, noon to 1 p.m.
Three Rivers Community Hospital
Cascade Conference Rooms
Featuring James Dowd, M.D.
Please call (541) 955-5419 to register.

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TO ALL THE GOOD PEOPLE IN CAVE JUNCTION:

This is to apologize for all the gossip about my husband, Jeff Weaver. To all those who have loved, liked, disliked or didn’t even know him: Jeff Weaver did not deceive me (Connie Weaver).

He is not gay and never has been. I had mental and physical breakdowns. To all the people I’ve loved in this wonderful community of Cave Junction, please forgive me, for being so direct. I was so mis-directed by my own mind.

Jeff Weaver may not be perfect, but I still love him, and we are going to work on our relationship.

And please listen to one more thing. There is a wonderful person in this community. He is cute, short, fiery, spirited, kind, smart, and giving — and he has never been anything to my husband but a very good friend. His name is Doug.

Please forgive me, Doug. I’ve always enjoyed your presence in my life. Maybe one day you will find it in your heart to be my friend again, because I’ve always loved you as a good friend. So Doug “Cruiser”, please forgive this temporarily disconnected, insane woman (me) for including you in something you had nothing to do with. Jeff Weaver is blessed to have such a good friend as you.

I’ve learned to not assume bad things. Because all our lives are filled daily with ups and downs and emotions. I’m learning to enjoy all the beauty in everything around us all. God has given me so much to be thankful for.

Humbly,
Connie Weaver

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