

Sports



(Photo by Dan Mancuso, Illinois Valley News)

Seniors Jovany Sanchez (left), Mack Epple and Will Worley during the ‘Pink Out’ game Feb. 1. at Ken Mann Memorial Gymnasium at IVHS.

IVHS hands out sports awards

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The Illinois Valley High School’s 2012 - 2013 winter sports awards ceremony took place Monday, February 25, as student-athletes eagerly waited for and subsequently claimed various plaques and honors.

The first round of honorary mentions went to the Scholar Athletes.

Among the cheerleaders who scored above a 3.4 GPA were Miranda Stiles(4.0), Edilet Rodriguez (3.8), Torun Zook (3.8), Patrick Allen (3.6), Chawna Crawford (3.6), Cyanna Miller (3.6) and Allyssa Torrence (3.4).

In girls’ basketball, the scholars were Amanda Brooks (4.0), Jazmine Hancock (4.0), Monica Meng (4.0), Kynan Nordal (4.0), Natalie Wellen (4.0), Kimberly Crow (3.5), Samantha Frederick

(3.5) and Alexandra LaFlamme (3.5).
The scholars among boys’ basketball players were Lander Nordal (4.0), Kade Doyle (3.75), Will Worley (3.75), Steven Barfield (3.6), Keith Lewin (3.6) and Nick Hoelzle (3.5).
In wrestling, the scholar awards went to Sabrina Noel (4.0), Brandon Parker (3.8), Logan Miller (3.5) and Amber Webb (3.5).

In the next award event, plaques were given out to athletes who were considered most valuable, most improved, and most inspirational.

In cheerleading, the most valuable plaque went to Miranda Stiles, most improved went to Torun Zook and most inspirational went to Edilet Rodriguez. Miranda Stiles and Cyanna Miller both received captain plaques.

In JV cheerleading, Gabriela Curiel was awarded the most valuable plaque and Brenna Janoski received the plaque for most improved.

The girls’ basketball team’s most valuable plaque went to Jazmine Hancock, most improved went to Naviya Dixon, most inspirational went to Kimberly Crow and Natalie Wellen received a special coaches award plaque.
The boys’ varsity team’s most valuable plaque was awarded to Mack Epple, most improved went to Conrad Davis and most inspirational was received by Nick Hoelzle.
In boys’ JV, Kade Doyle received the most valuable plaque and Elijah Davis received the plaque for most improved.
Lastly, SCL All Conference Awards were awarded to three athletes on both boys’ and girls’ varsity basketball teams.
The girls’ First Team award went to Jazmine Hancock, Second Team was awarded to Kimberly Crow and Alexandra LaFlamme was awarded Honorable Mention.
For the boys, First Team went to Mack Epple, Second Team was awarded to Chaise Robbins and Zach Welch was awarded Honorable Mention.

Five wrestlers place at state tournament

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Illinois Valley High School wrestlers took to Portland on Friday, February 22, to compete in the state tournament held at the Portland Memorial Coliseum.

The Cougars managed to place ninth out of 42 competing schools in the 3A division with 85.5 points and five of the seven boys were able to place.

“We didn’t do too badly with what we had,” said head coach Jay Miller. “It wasn’t

what we’d planned on, but it’s what we ended up with.”
Glide ended up taking first in the tournament with 205 points while Willamina took second with 180 points.
Placing third with a pin in 2:57 against Edwin Villalobos of Willamina was Logan Miller at 145 pounds. Miller also took on the number-one seed from Rainier, Sean Shipley, but lost 3-2.
Placing fourth in the 132-pound weight class was Brandon Parker, who lost 9-6 against Michael Loomis of Glide.
In the 160-pound weight class, TJ Hughey

also placed fourth, losing 8-5 to Trevor Hunt of Willamina.
At 170 pounds, John Britt took home another fourth-place finish for his match in which he lost 6-5 against Mikel Farley of Glide. In the 120-pound weight class, Eric Miller placed fifth.
“We had one freshman up there that did exceptionally well,” Miller said. “He picked up some wins up there which is important for an athlete his age.”
With the state tournament now behind the Cougars, the season is over but the boys still have the option to wrestle in various tournaments in

Oregon and California which aren’t sanctioned by the Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA).
Coming up in April is the Reno Worlds Tournament, which is in the style of freestyle and Greco-Roman wrestling, as compared to the folk style the kids use in the OSAA. There are also a number of summer programs.
“But, they’re expensive and it really depends on the boys’ interest,” Miller said.
Miller will be coaching again next season and he’s looking forward to working with a solid core of four returning state placers, plus some promising fresh talent from Lorna Byrne.

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March 1 @ 2

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Friday
March 1, @ 5:30pm
Taylor's
Country Store


Saturday M 2,
6 pm

Now and
Then Trio

Every Wed Open Mic Night
From 6-8 p.m. with
Jim Nolan

Pool Tourney
Saturday
7 p.m.
Cash Prizes

Sportsman
Tavern

Kate's
Redwood
Bar and Grill

Moms Sunday Dinner
March 3,
3 pm

Stop in and see
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&
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Friday March 1
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