

Athlete of the Week BOYS BASKETBALL

Name: BRYCE BRUNER

Week: NOVEMBER 28TH—DECEMBER 3RD

Reason: HIS IMPROVEMENT ON HIS GAME PLAY WITH DEFENSE IN PARTICULAR. HE HAD A GAME HIGH OF 14 POINT AGAINST OAKLAND.



Name: SKYLAR MCLANAHAN

Week: DECEMBER 5TH-DECEMBER 10TH

Reason: HE WAS OUR LEADING SCORER IN OUR GAME VS DEL NORTE AND PLAYED THE BEST DEFENSE HE HAS PLAYED DURING HIGH SCHOOL.



Name: CHASE NELSON

Week: DECEMBER 12TH-DECEMBER 17TH

Reason: HE CAME OFF THE BENCH AND PROVIDED SOME 7 BIG REBOUNDS AND 2 STEALS FOR OUR FIRST WIN AGAINST NEW HOPE. HE ALSO SCORED 2



Name: CODY BOX

Week: DECEMBER 19TH-DECEMBER 24TH

Reason: HE WAS ABLE TO GET HIMSELF MORE AGGRESSIVE IN HIS OFFENSIVE PLAY AND WAS OUR LEADING ASSIST MAN.



Name: CALEB HESS

Week: DECEMBER 26TH-DECEMBER 31ST

Reason: CALEB WAS A GREAT LEADER ON THE COURT FOR US DURING OUR HV TOURNAMENT.



Name: SKYLAR MCLANAHAN

Week: JANUARY 10TH-JANUARY 14TH

Reason: Skyler lead our team in scoring in all 3 HV tournament games and lead in 2 of those games in rebounds.



Little League building broken into ... again

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Illinois Valley's Little League just can't catch a break. Last week, once again, the Little League's building at Jubilee Park was vandalized. Little League supporters have lost track of how many items the building has been broken into in recent years.

"There's nothing there of value. It's senseless. They are just making a huge mess," said Little League organizer Shelley Davis. "Though they did burn some things this time, so we have the state fire marshal working on this case now."

The city of Cave Junction tends Jubilee Park and is forced to spend endless time and resources trying to keep up with the damages done to city property on a regular basis.

Cave Junction's city recorder, Ryan Nolan, said "They break in all the time. This time they broke into the snack shack and the Little League's shed. Weekly, the city is doing

repairs to the bathrooms and other structures, cleaning up vandalism and painting over graffiti. And especially the last few years, there's been a lot more vandalism here."

The effort to protect the park and keep it clean and wholesome for families and children ebbs and flows with the seasons and varying levels of community involvement. Often, a rash of park damages brings volunteers out to help keep an eye on the park and prevent criminal activity.

"Unfortunately we can spend a lot of money putting in cameras to protect a shed or the bathrooms, but it doesn't really accomplish anything, damaging a \$200 piece of equipment at the park won't get anybody in very much trouble, even if they're caught," Nolan added.

"Our best results have been spending more money making the buildings less accessible. At this point they are just damaging the walls," Nolan said. "Hopefully people can help Little League purchase a cargo container to make it much more difficult to break into."

McLanahan named to All-State football



Congratulations to Skylar McLanahan for being named to the second team 3A All-State football team. He was honored in the position of Returner. This is our first All-State player in two years at IVHS.



(Photo by Dan Mancuso, Illinois Valley News)

Skylar McLanahan makes a lay-up during a home loss to Gold Beach Saturday, Jan. 21.



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