

Enterprise FFAers earn state honors

Twenty-two Enterprise FFA members were among nearly 3,000 who attended the Oregon State FFA Convention in the Deschutes County Fair and Expo Center in Redmond March 24-28.

Enterprise participants came home with a number of awards as part of the program of events.

Eleven students achieved the State FFA Degree honor, given to those who meet exemplary financial and leadership requirements.

Among those were Wade Isley, Kobe Ketscher, Reagan Bedard, Riley Gray, Eliza Irish, Brycen Locke, Brett Greenshields, Trevor McPetridge, Dylan Staigle, Gracie Carlsen and Reece Christman.

National FFA Agricultural Proficiency Awards honor FFA members who, through supervised agricultural experiences, develop specialized skills they can apply toward their future careers.

Among the Enterprise honorees were the following:



Courtesy Stephanie Shofield

Bycen Locke of Enterprise FFA accepts his National FFA Agricultural Proficiency Award at the Oregon FFA Convention in March.

- Kacie Melville, Diversified Crop Production, district and state winner; Claire Beck, Goat Production, district and state winner and Diversified

Livestock production, district winner and state placer; Aaron Schaafsma, Specialty Crop, district and state winner; Bycen Locke, Turf Manage-

FFA AUCTION IS APRIL 20

Enterprise FFA will host its annual auction 6:30 p.m. April 20 in the MP Room at Enterprise High School. The events includes the helping hands sale, Fourth Annual Cow Calling Scholarship Contest and a spaghetti dinner for \$5.

ment- district and state winner; Whitney Evans, Outdoor Recreation, district and state winner; and Zyler Hermens, Beef Placement, district and state winner.

Isley and Beck were also candidates for state FFA office. Isley finished in the top 10 for state president and Beck finished in the top 25 for chapter media coordinator.

• Ketschercher placed sixth in the state in the FFA co-op quiz, which encourages Agriculture students to become familiar with the purpose, organization and function of agricultural business management curriculum.

Beck and Kacie Melville

were finalists for the State Star award, awarded to those who have mastered skills in production, finance, management and/or research. It is the highest FFA SAE award reserved for the top eight students in the state.

Melville earned her star in Ag Placement and Beck was awarded Star Farmer honors.

Trent Bales came home with a \$1,000 scholarship from the Oregon Fairs Association.

The convention theme was “Don’t Back Down,” a concept woven into many of the weekend’s events ranging from debate challenges to marketing competitions.

Missoula Children’s Theatre production coming

Somewhere in desert country, the inhabitants of West Sandy Bottoms are preparing for the highlight of their year — the annual race between the mammals and the reptiles.

If you want to find out who wins, plan to attend the Missoula Children’s Theatre performance of “The Tortoise Versus the Hare — The Greatest Race” 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at the OK Theatre in downtown Enterprise.

Student actors ages kindergarten through high school from across the area have been spending the week preparing for the performances, complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup.

A tour team arrived Saturday with a set, lights, costumes, props and make-up — everything it takes to put on a play except the cast. After audition, a cast of 40-60 local students is chosen and the show is rehearsed throughout the week. All shows are original adaptations of classic children’s stories and fairytales. Also included in the residency are three enrichment workshops presented by Missoula’s directors. Creativity, social skills, goal achievement, communication skills and self-esteem are all characteristics taught through the participation in the program.

The Missoula group’s 34th consecutive residency in Wallowa County is sponsored by Kristin Ruckdashel and Erin Baynes with support from the Wallowa Valley Arts Council, Joseph Charter School, Wallowa School District, Darrell Brann and Family of the OK Theatre, the Chieftain, Wallowa Valley Online and KWVR.

Enterprise Junior and Senior High School Honor Roll

Enterprise Junior and Senior High schools have reported their honor rolls for the third quarter of the 2016-17 school year.

7th Grade

Rosie Movich-Fields, 4.00; Johanna Wells, 4.00; Alona Yost, 4.00; Sophia Espinoza, 3.86; Bailey Vernam, 3.86; Jada Gray, 3.71; Asiya Salim, 3.67; Jackson Decker, 3.61; Destiny Barney, 3.50; Jesse Duncan, 3.50; Kodie Kiser, 3.43; and Gideon Gray, 3.33.

8th Grade

Claire Farwell, 4.00; Amber Lund, 3.95; Aubrina Melville, 3.9; Grace Collins, 3.83; Casidee Harrod, 3.80; Kasey Duncan, 3.78; Charlie Evans, 3.76; Brianna Micka, 3.71; Flynn Nave, 3.71; Arian Latta, 3.67; David Salim, 3.57; Trace Evans, 3.55; Chaya Garland, 3.43; and Katrina Haines, 3.33.

9th Grade

Deedee Duncan, 4.00; Natalie Goldsmith, 4.00; Anna Moholt, 4.00; Tishrei Movich-Fields, 4.00; Katie Olson, 4.00; Drew Widener, 3.95; Gracie Niezen, 3.90; Emrie Thorne, 3.90; Jadon Garland, 3.86; Kaylie Melville, 3.81; Beth Anderson, 3.76; Zion Mark, 3.76 Ella Anderson, 3.66; Shyla Jenkins, 3.62; Sydney Rouse, 3.57; Wesley Johnson, 3.52; Foster Hobbs, 3.50; Ashlyn Gray, 3.47;

10th Grade

Adagia Latta, 4.00; Darby McTee, 3.86; Sarah Everts, 3.81; Gianna Espinoza, 3.76; Shane Lund, 3.71; Deidre Schreiber, 3.62; Jake Coggins, 3.61; Riley Masters, 3.60; and Lexie Gasset, 3.55.

11th Grade

Gracie Carlsen, 4.00; Riley Gray, 4.00; Eliza Irish, 4.00; Madison Plew, 4.00; Cole Farwell, 3.95; Rachel Frolander, 3.95; Jimmy Wells, 3.95; Heidi Niezen, 3.94; Sebastian Hobbs, 3.83; Reece Christman, 3.81; and Rylie Hayward, 3.78.

12th Grade:

(6 classes excluding TAs and Study Centers) Jordan Collins, 4.00; Whitney Evans, 4.00; Jacob Everts, 4.00; Wade Isley, 4.00; Kacie Melville, 3.90; Sarah Aschenbrenner, 3.57; and Gwen Jensen, 3.55.

Seminar looks at Gut-Brain connection

A subject that is at the forefront of health news is being discussed at a free seminar 6:30 p.m. Fridays, April 8 to May 5 at Enterprise Seventh-Day Adventist Church at 305 Wagner Street, Enterprise.

The seminar will examine the “Gut-Brain Connection” and how diet can help over-

come depression, anxiety, obesity, overeating, anger, lust and many lifestyle diseases.

The seminar, which is divided into five Friday night sessions, will discuss:

- How lifestyle can combat chronic diseases like diabetes, heart disease and others.
- How to eat till you are

comfortable and still lose weight.

- How you can to avoid counting carbs or calories ever again.

- How the gut-brain connection can help you overcome anxiety and depression.

- How what you eat can make you happy or de-

pressed.

- All about the diet of the world’s longest-living people.

Topics include digestion matters; addiction in the brain; gut bran connection, weight loss, the full factor; and depression and how to eat.

Joseph Charter School kindergarten registry

Joseph Charter School is hosting its Countdown to Kindergarten registration for the 2017-18 school year 5:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, in Mrs. Shetler’s room at the school.

The event includes an evening of exploring the kindergarten classroom,

meeting the teacher and administration, registering and seeing what Joseph Charter School has to offer.

The school asks prospective enrollees to bring a birth certificate and shot record.

Call (541) 432-7311 to register for this event.

Scholars earn honors

Area students were among the 509 named to the dean’s list for the winter 2017 term at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande:

Kyle Hogg, McKenna Miller and Stephanie Simpson of Enterprise; Shayna Cooper Amy Roseberry and Jocelyn Tanzay of Joseph.

- Jennifer Harmon, an offi-

cer in the Parole and Probation Department of Wallowa County Sheriff’s Office, recently graduated from the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. A ceremony was held in Salem April 7. The academy is nationally recognized for its innovative training programs.

Harmon was one of 20 to receive certification.

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