

HJHS grade 6-7 girls take Champion honors

The Heppner Junior High track team wrapped up the season with strong final performances from many athletes to finish high overall in team and individual standings at the Junior High Championship track meet on May 7.

The sixth and seventh grade girls took Champion honors from the 10 schools participating, with every girl placing in her events. The 6th-7th grade team consists of: Catherine McElligott, Erin Price, Nikki Fritz, Ashley Wolff, Brynna Rust, Whitney Smith, Kristen VanCleave, Jodessa Chapa and Hollie Whatley. "These girls are a determined, multi-talented group that exhibit strong work ethics. They gave a lot of themselves all season, winning team titles and the championship title is well earned and deserved," said track coach Susan Hisler. The girls won eight out of 14 events.

The sixth and seventh grade boys, the eighth grade girls and the eighth grade boys all took third places.

Events champions included:

Catherine McElligott (6th-7th grade girls' team) who set the New School Record for the 800 meter with a time of 2 minutes 41.98 seconds. The record was last set in 1995 by Abby Kahl with a time of 2 minutes 42.20 seconds. McElligott also had champion times in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 54.27 seconds and in the 1500 meter with a time of 5 minutes 27 seconds. The record was last set in 1995 by Brooke Boyer with a time of 5 minutes 47.71 seconds.

Kristen VanCleave (6th-7th grade girls' team) took the champion spot in the javelin with a throw of 85 feet 7 inches. VanCleave set the NSR at 88 feet 4 inches on April 9, 2004. The record was last set by Cyde Coil at 75 feet 5 inches in 2003.

Cyde Coil (8th grade girls' team) was the undefeated repeat champion in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet 10 inches, which is a personal best.

Brynna Rust (6th-7th grade girls' team) had champion places with a time of 14.06 seconds in the 100

meter; 19.76 seconds in the 200 meter; and a personal best of 13 feet 4 inches in the long jump.

Nikki Fritz (6th-7th grade girls' team) took the champion place with a jump of 4 feet 4 inches in the high jump.

Lane Bailey (8th grade boys' team) had champion places in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.23 seconds and the javelin with a throw of 139 feet 2 inches.

Matt McCabe (8th grade boys' team) had champion places in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet 3 inches and in the discus with a throw of 113 feet 5 inches.

Chris Wellington (6th-7th grade boys' team) had champion places in the 200 meter with a time of 27.04 seconds and in the 400 meter with a time of 1 minute 1.06 seconds.

Spencer Palmer (6th-7th grade boys' team) had a champion place in the javelin with a throw of 111 feet 4 inches.

Other event places include:

(6th and 7th boys) Wellington- long jump and 4th- 4x200 relay; Palmer- 800 meter, 3rd- 1500 meter and 5th- triple jump; Dalton Wellman- 7th- 4x200 relay #2; Ben Wood- 4th- 4x200 relay; Mark McCabe- 6th- 4x100 relay and 7th- 4x200 relay #2; Johnathan Hendricks- 6th- 4x100 relay and 7th- 4x200 relay #2; Tyler Robinson- 6th- 4x100 relay and 7th- 4x200 relay #2; Matt Holland- 3rd- 200 meter, 3rd- high jump, 3rd- 4x200 relay and 7th- 100 meter; Joe Pranger- 3rd- 4x200 relay; and Grant Smith- 6th- 4x100 relay and 7th- 4x200 relay #2.

(8th boys) Bailey- 2nd- high jump; Matt McCabe- 4th- shot put; Nacho Elguezabal 3rd- shot put, 6th- 200 meter and 8th- discus; Nathan VanCleave- 2nd- shot put, 4th- high jump, 4th- discus and 7th- 200 meter; Jason Houweling- 5th- 1500 meter and 7th- 800 meter; Taylor Hodges- 5th- 100 meter hurdles and 7th- javelin.

(6th and 7th girls) Fritz- 6th- 4x200 relay and 8th- 200 meter; Rust- 5th- 100 meter hurdles; Kristen VanCleave- 3rd- 400 meter; 5th- 800 meter and 6th- 300 meter hurdles; Erin Price- 2nd- 1500 meter and 2nd- 800 meter; Jodessa Chapa- 6th- 4x200 relay and 7th- 1500 meter; Hollie Whatley- 6th-



6th-7th grade team members: (Back Row L-R): Sixth graders Ashley Wolff, Hollie Whatley and Erin Price, and (Front Row L-R): Sixth graders Jodessa Chapa, Catherine McElligott and Brynna Rust.



8th grader Matt McCabe



8th grader Lane Bailey



8th grader Cyde Coil



7th grader Spencer Palmer



6th-7th grade team member, sixth grader Nikki Fritz.



6th-7th grade team member, seventh grader Whitney Smith.



7th grader Chris Wellington



6th-7th grade team member, sixth grader Kristen VanCleave.

4x200 relay; Ashley Wolff- 5th- javelin; and Whitney Smith- 2nd- high jump, 6th- 4x200 relay and 7th- shot put.

(8th girls) Coil- 2nd- javelin; Taylor Kempas- 3rd- 800 meter, 7th- long jump and 8th- 400 meter; Baillie Keithley- 3rd- 4x200 relay, 3rd- 200 meter and 8th- 100 meter; Kelsey Fox- 4th- discus, 6th- shot put and 7th- 4x100 relay; Afton Betsinger- 5th- shot put and 7th- 4x100 relay; Katie Kilkenny- 2nd- high jump, 2nd- shot put and 4x200 relay; Kylie Doherty- 3rd- 4x200 relay, 3rd- high jump and 6th- 100 meter hurdles; Kelsey Wolff- 7th- 4x100

relay and 7th- 800 meter; Kate Kendrick- 3rd- 4x200 relay and 7th- 4x100 relay; and Kendra Rayburn- 4th- shot put, 5th- discus and 5th- javelin.

Over the Tee Cup

Thirteen women braved the cold and wind on May 11 for Over the Tee Cup play at Willow Creek Country Club.

Pat Edmundson took low gross of the field. Lynnea Sargent took low net of the field. Sheila Piper took least putts of the field.

In flight A, Virginia Grant took low gross; Betty Christman took low net; Carol Mitchell took least putts; Piper took longest putt; and Edmundson was closest to the pin.

In flight B, Luvilla Sonstegard took low gross; Suzanne Jepsen took low net; and Loa Henderson took least putts.

In flight C, Kandy Boyd took low gross, Pat Dougherty took low net and Dorris Graves took least putts.

Piper had a chip in on hole 14.

Upcoming events include the 18 Hole Visitation on Tuesday, June 1 and the Jo Pettyjohn Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13.

McCabe to be sentenced in embezzlement case

Morrow County District Attorney David C. Allen has announced that Sonja McCabe, accused of embezzlement from various local organizations, will change her plea and will be sentenced this Friday, May 21, at 2:30 p.m. at the Morrow County Courthouse.

McCabe previously plead not guilty to charges.

Allen said that he was not at liberty to discuss the details in the change of McCabe's plea.

St. Patrick's Senior Center news

On May 26, the Seventh Day Adventists will host the St. Patrick's Senior Center noon meal. The menu includes BBQ beef, mexi-corn, vegetable tray, fresh fruit, buns and brownies.

Monday, May 24, will see registration begin for the dedication ceremony for World War II veterans at 12 noon. Following will be recognition and comments by the mayor and visiting commanders of the American Legion.

Plans are completed for the Sunday, May 30, Memorial Day dinner taking place in the Center dining room. The meal will be held

at 1 p.m. A complete roast beef and turkey dinner will be served with the cooperative help of churches who furnish particular items on the menu. The Center provides the main entrée and beverage. The cover charge is \$6 per person. A welcome by the mayor and a short program is planned.

On May 31, at 1 p.m., there will be a graveside service for Ellen Melissa Campbell, a former resident of Heppner and the St. Patrick's apartments. The service will be held at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery and a reception for family and friends will be held at the Senior Center at 2 p.m.

Local students provide support for local soldier



Justin Raver (left) and first grade teacher, Sherry Matteson (right) mail a package to Justin's mom who is serving in Iraq.

When Justin shared with his first grade class that his mom was in the war, his class decided they could do something to help. Mrs. Sherry Matteson's class sent goodies and wrote letters to SPC 4 DeeAnna Raver who is stationed in Iraq.

Some of the children advised her, "Please do a good job fixing those helicopters" and "Be safe and hurry home." While others wrote, "Justin is my best friend" and "My horse had a colt."

Justin also shared some pictures from Iraq. The first picture showed his mom beside a helicopter and the second was a picture of a kitten in a helmet.

SOLV works on Heritage Trail and Irrigon riverside cleanup

"The survey work for the Morrow County Columbia River Heritage Trail is progressing nicely," said Carla McLane, Morrow County planning director for SOLV.

"Several surveyors have completed their work while others are just getting started. It is anticipated that the survey will be completed by the end of June."

The participating surveyors are: Keith and Brit Primm, Primm Land Surveying; Denny Edwards, Edwards Surveying; Ron McKinnis, R.V. McKinnis Engineering; and Judson Coppock, Coppock Surveying. Additionally, Dave Krumbein, BMCC Instructor, will be bringing his current engineering class into the field to complete a section of the trail. The

funding for this survey project was graciously provided by the U.S. Forest Service with the surveyors contributing a significant portion of their time.

There will also be a SOLV Down by the Riverside event in Irrigon on May 22, starting at 9 a.m. The focus will be on the section of the Columbia River Heritage Trail from the Irrigon Marina Park east to the County Line. Rick Yardley is coordinating this event. There are free t-shirts and lunch, provided by the Irrigon Market, for the first 40 volunteers.

For more information contact Carla McLane, Morrow County planning director at 922-4624, or email cmclane@co.morrow.or.us.

Births

Ramiro Gabriel Alvarez- a son, Ramiro Gabriel, was born April 28, 2004, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston, to Brenda and Javier Alvarez of Irrigon.

Samantha Marie Saunders- a daughter, Samantha Marie, was born May 2, 2004, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston, to Tanya Flake of Ione.

Harley Ann Anderson- a daughter, Harley Ann, was born May 4, 2004, at Kadlec Hospital in Richland, WA, to Colin and Erin Anderson of Heppner. She weighed 6 pounds and 6 ounces and measured 19-1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Marcia and Charlie Anderson, Heppner, Ann Kramer and George Benson, both of Wrangell, AK, and Joan and Clyde Melton, Celestine, IN. Great-grandparents are Kay and Frank Anderson of Heppner.

Tucker Andrew Ashbeck- a son, Tucker Andrew, was born May 6, 2004, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston, to Michele and Andy Ashbeck of Echo.

Memorial Day dinner planned

A Morrow County Memorial Day dinner will be held Sunday, May 30 at 1 p.m. in the dining room of the St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner.

A time to meet and greet friends and relatives is planned to start at 12:30 p.m., with a welcoming ceremony and program following.

Dinner is provided by the Senior Center and churches in the community. The cost of the dinner is \$6 for adults, \$3 for school age children and preschoolers are free.

The menu entrée includes a choice of sliced turkey breast or roast beef, with a dessert of homemade cobbler and ice cream.



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