

## Heppner JV Girls win last two games

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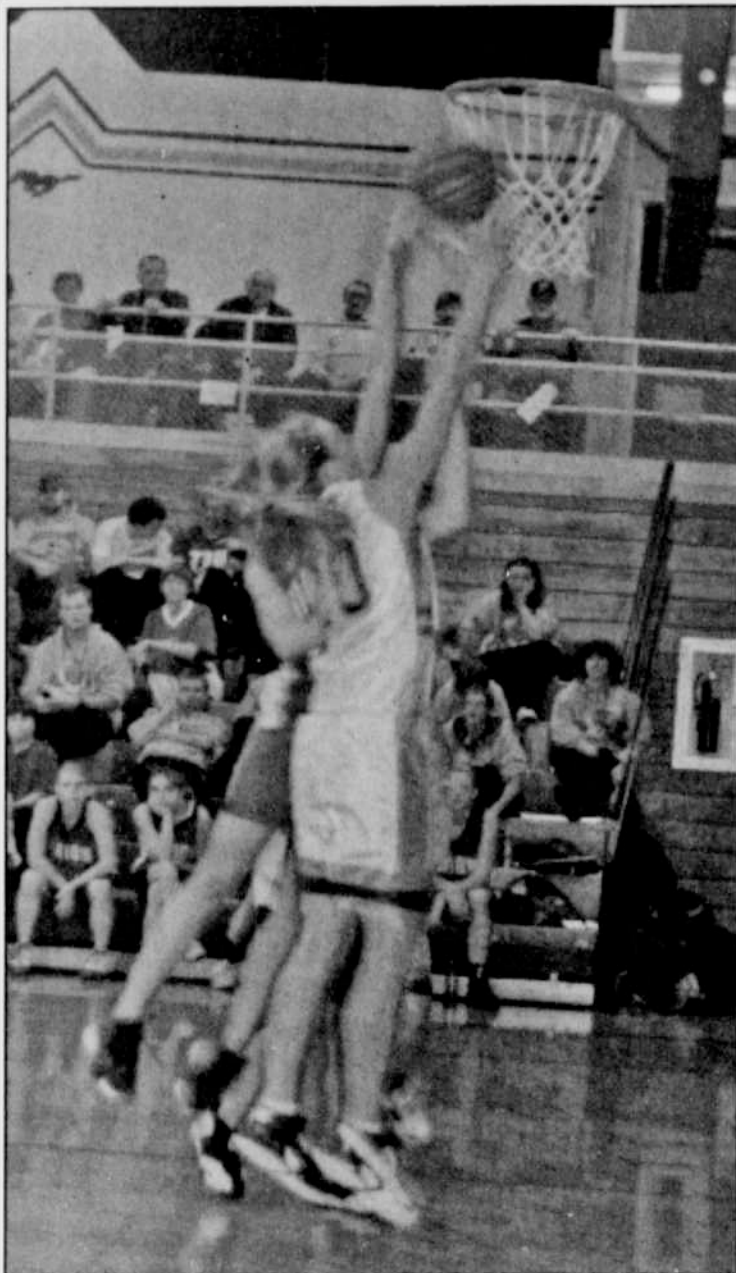
Heppner JV girls started their final wins on February 5 at Irrigon, with a final score of 32-30.

Heppner was behind the Knights by nine points going into the half. The girls came out in the third quarter and out scored the knights 12 to 2, giving Heppner the lead.

Kassey Wilson sank 17, Emily Thompson scored four and Lindsay Cutsforth, Kaylee Helfrecht, Keshawna Talamantes, Mercedes Garrett, and Tori Lovgren all scored two points each, and Brynna Rust sank one for the night.

Friday's game in Stanfield had a final score of 33-26.

Tori Lovgren and Keshawna Talamantes each scored six points and had nine rebounds between them. Taighlor Dougherty sunk four for the night and Kassey Wilson, Kaylee Helfrecht and Brynna Rust each scored three for the team. Lindsay Cutsforth, Emily Thompson, Melissa West, and Mercedes Garrett each contributed two points for the win over the Stanfield Tigers.



Kristen VanCleave takes a shot during a recent game. -Photo by Alita Nelson

## Ione Middle School girls take first place in tournament

After a triple overtime game, The Ione Middle School girls' basketball team defeated St. Mary's Academy this past Saturday at the Sherman County Tournament to earn first place.

Makenna Ramos and Lacey Thompson were high point scorers with eight points each followed by four points from team mates Shadow Kenrick and Mary Rietmann. Jordan Peterson also made her free throw to assist her team to a win. "It was an enormous team effort," said coach, Erin Heideman. "I'm extremely proud of the way these girls stepped up to the plate."

These were the last games of the season for Ione Middle School who finished the season with a 14 and 4 record including tournament play. "We had a great season and our team worked well together," said team co-captain, Makenna Ramos. "I will miss playing with this group when I go to

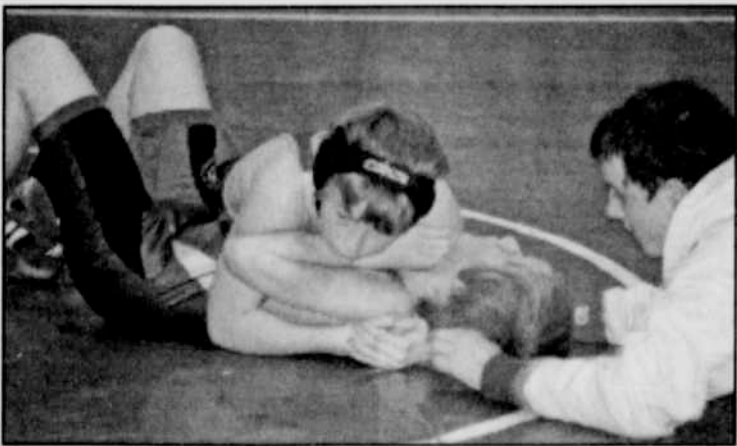


Pictured back row (L-R): Jordan Peterson, Becca Jepsen, Mary Rietmann, and Lacey Thompson. Middle row (L-R): Shadow Kendrick, Stacey Halvorsen, and Lily Sandford. Bottom row (L-R): Emily Holland, Makenna Ramos, and Jacqueline Juarez. Not pictured is Alisha Taylor.

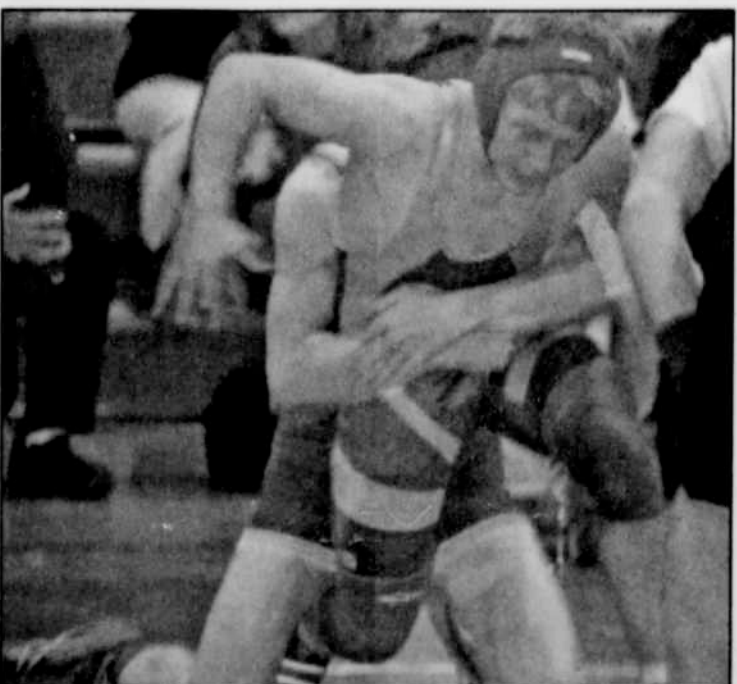
high school next year." There are 11 girls on the team and all of them are contributing to the success of the team. With four

eighth graders, four seventh graders and three sixth graders, everyone worked hard together to improve their team.

## JV wrestling in full swing



Aiden Wright goes for the pin during a recent match. -Photo by Alita Nelson



Curtis Martin fights to get away from an opponent. -Photo by Alita Nelson

## Oregon Assistance Commission accepting applications from IHS graduates

The Oregon Assistance Commission is accepting applications from Ione High School graduates for the Maryan McElligott Memorial Scholarships for the coming 2008-2009 school year. The fund awards scholarships to second, third and fourth year students attending post-secondary institutions that participate in the federal title financial aid programs. These scholarships are available to students who are attending schools either within Oregon or out of state.

Interested students may apply by completing the Oregon Assistance application online at [www.getcollegefunds.org](http://www.getcollegefunds.org). All submissions must be completed by March 1, 2008. Previous winners are eligible but must apply annually to be considered for the coming year.

## Heppner JV boys win 5 of 7 games in last two weeks

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The Heppner JV boys traveled to Enterprise with the Varsity on January 25.

The boys came out strong and took the lead the first quarter with a score of 18-9. By the third quarter the Mustangs were up by 23 points. In the fourth quarter, after letting the Outlaws do a little catching up, Heppner took the win with a final score of 51-36.

Dan White led the night with 10 points. Chris Lien, Jordan Hatfield, and Joe Pranger all put in eight points, and Ian Murray sinking three. Brett Harrison, Alex Pickles and Kyle Fuchs each dropping two points each to help with the Mustang win.

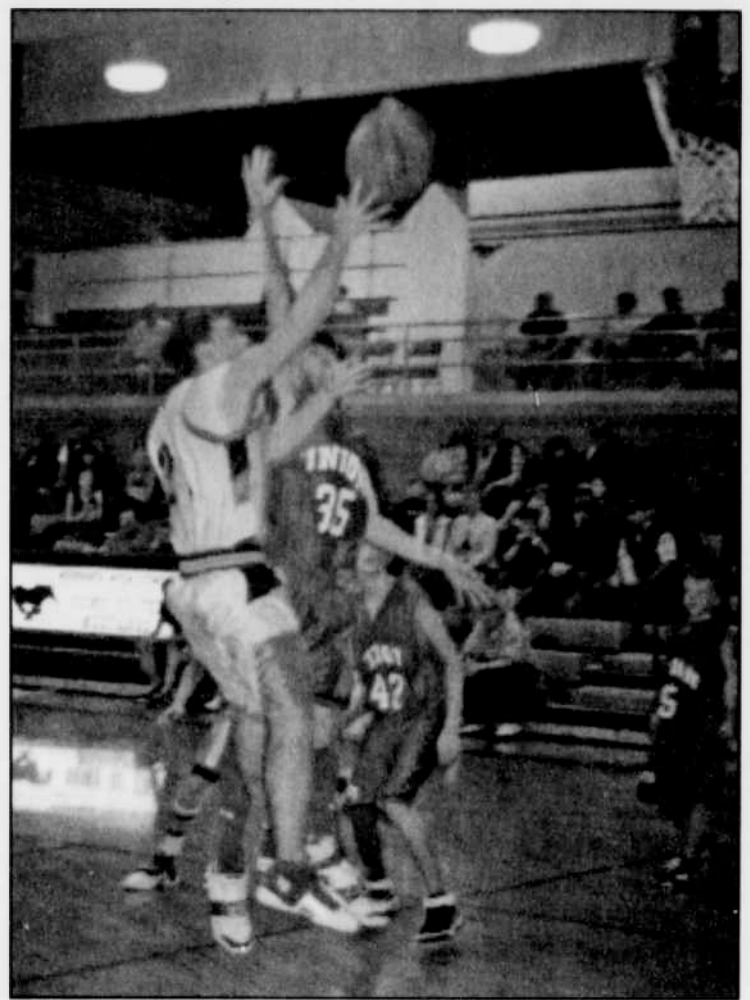
The next night Heppner JV went onto Elgin. Elgin led the game the first quarter by five points. By the half-time buzzer Heppner had taken over the lead putting the score at Heppner 15 and Elgin 12. By the end of the game Heppner had spread their lead to 13 points, making the final score Heppner 50 and Elgin 37.

Jordan Hatfield scored 15 for the night and Chris Lien sunk 14. Kyle Fuchs put in six and Dan White sank five for the night. Ian Murray had four, and Jared Hedman, Devin Robinson and Alex Pickles each sank two points to help with the Mustang win over the Elgin Huskies.

On Friday, February 1, Union made the trip to Heppner. Heppner had the lead all through the game, with a 12 point lead the first quarter, a seven point lead by the half and a five point lead at the end of the third quarter. Heppner was down by one point with three seconds left on the clock when Bryan Holland was fouled. Bryan Holland sunk both free throws giving Heppner the win by one, with a final score of Heppner 43 and Union 42.

Joe Pranger led the night with 17 points, Bryan Holland had 10. Chris Lien and Kyle Fuchs each scored four, and Jared Hedman, Alex Pickles, Ian Murray and Devin Robinson each scored two points to help with the Mustang win.

On Saturday the JV traveled to Weston-McEwen. Heppner led the game until the third quarter where the Tiger-Scots took over



Ian Murray puts up a shot against Union. -Photo by Alita Nelson

the lead with a score of Heppner 28 and Weston-McEwen 32. Heppner was not able to take the lead away from Weston-McEwen leaving a final score of W-M 46, Heppner 40. Bryan Holland scored 14 points, Kyle Fuchs sank 10 points, Joe Pranger put in five and Ian Murray had two points and Alex Pickles finished with one point.

On the following Tuesday the JV hit the road to battle the Knights at Irrigon. Heppner took the lead from the start and never looked back.

In the first quarter Heppner had 15 and Irrigon 0. By the half-time buzzer Heppner had let Irrigon score to put them at Heppner 17 and Irrigon 13. After the half Heppner came out and stretched their lead to 18 points, putting a final score of Heppner 40 and Irrigon 22.

Chris Lien led the charge with 11 points, Bryan Holland had eight points. Joe Pranger, Ian Murray, and Devin Robinson each sank five points for the night. Brent Harrison had three points, and Jared Hedman, Kyle Fuchs and Frank Meyer each put in two points to help with the win over the Knights.

Heppner then traveled to Echo to take the win over the Cougars. The final score was Mustangs 59 Cougars 23.

Alex Pickles and Ian Murray led the team with

14 points each and Frank Meyer had 12 points for the night. Jared Hedman sank 10 points. Kyle Fuchs put in five and Brett Harrison and Devin Robinson each sank two points for the win over the Cougars.

On Friday, February 8, Heppner went to battle the Stanfield Tigers. Stanfield took the lead early in the game and the mustangs just couldn't get it back, putting a final score of Heppner 38 and Stanfield 40.

Stanfield had a two point lead in the first quarter with a score of HHS 13 Stanfield 15, by the half it was HHS 22 Stanfield 23. Heppner was within one at the end of the half and was unable to get the lead leaving a third quarter score of HHS 32 Stanfield 30.

Joe Pranger led the team with 10 points and Ian Murray sank nine points for the night. Bryan Holland had six, Kyle Fuchs with five and Chris Lien had three. Brent Harrison and Frank Meyer each scored two points and Alex Pickles had one point for the night.

The JV Boys ended the season with a final record of 11-7. Final BMC League record was 10-4.

"We started the season 1-4 and came back to finish 10-3. The boys really improved individually and as a team during the season. It was a pleasure to coach them, and I look forward to their future," said Coach Grieb.

## Local Awana Club competes at Bible Quiz competition

Cade Arbogast, Bethany Van Cleave, and Daniel Van Cleave, members of the Willow Creek Baptist Awana Club in Heppner, competed this past weekend in the annual Awana Bible Quiz competition in Richland, WA. Other participating clubs were from Kennewick, Richland, Pasco, Yakima, Walla Walla, and Wenatchee.

Teams consist of one or two quizzers in each Awana handbook. Teams with two contestants have the advantage of having their points added together. Because the three contestants from Heppner are in different handbooks, they had to compete individually. Each contest began with 10 multiple choice questions from the Bible and Awana handbooks, followed by 10 speed-quizzing questions. Quizzers who correctly answered three speed-quizzing questions "quizzed out," earning a ribbon and addi-



Cade Arbogast, Daniel Van Cleave and Bethany Van Cleave show off their ribbons from the Bible Quiz competition.

tional points.

Bethany Van Cleave competed in the Second Book division. She correctly answered all 10 multiple choice questions and quizzed out, earning a perfect score. This was enough to earn first place in her division, even though other teams had two members. Cade Arbogast earned fourth place in the Third Book division. Dan-

iel Van Cleave quizzed out, earning enough points to place second in the Fourth Book division.

Awana is sponsored locally by the Willow Creek Baptist Church. It meets every Thursday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church building in Heppner. Children in grades K-6 are welcome to attend.