

# Ione Speech and Debate takes fourth at state



Members of the Ione Speech and Debate Team pose with their trophy after the state tournament. -Contributed Photo

After clinching its second consecutive district title, the Ione Speech and Debate team traveled to Western Oregon University in Monmouth to compete in the state tournament. Ione took 11 students covering three different styles of debate, Student Congress, and five different individual events.

Dennis Schmidt and Kevin LaRue went 1-3 in Public Debate, Tiana Camarillo and Alex Carlson went 2-2 in Public Forum Debate, and Mary Gates went 3-1 in the preliminary rounds of Lincoln Douglas Debate advancing to octo-finals, while Ronney Wilson, Tom Holland, and Jeremy Coleman competed in Student Congress. In the individual speech events, Brenna Rietmann competed in both Impromptu Speaking and Extemporaneous Speak-

ing, and Matt Coleman just missed advancing to semi-finals in Radio Commentary. Highlights among the speech events included the Dennis Schmidt advancing to semi-finals in Expository Speaking and Mikey Raible advancing to finals in After Dinner Speaking. Raible competed in his final round in front of an audience of 600 where he came away with a second place medal.

In Speech and Debate, all competitors from all schools (1A through 6A) compete head to head in all rounds. After all points are tabulated, the Oregon Schools Activity Association (OSAA) then calculates a 6A champion, a 5A champion, and a 4A/3A/2A/1A champion. So for team sweepstakes, Ione competes with schools up to a student body of 850. This year, when all the calculating was done,

Ione emerged fourth in the "Small Schools" division.

In only its third year on the circuit, the Ione team has made huge strides. The team attended 16 tournaments over three states this year. Coach Jim Raible credits the hard work and dedication of the students, raising roughly 80% of its own expenses by running the concessions during fall and winter sporting events. Raible also acknowledges the organizational skills of team secretary Brianna Peterson and the support of the staff, the administration, and the Ione Booster Club. "Speech and debate has changed the lives of these young people. They have made friends not only from Oregon, but from all over the western United States. They have learned to respect diversity, think critically, and speak intelligently."

# Mustangs win big at Columbia River Invitational

The Heppner Mustang boys' and girls' track teams both came home with team titles at the Columbia River Invitational in Boardman on May 2. The boys' team won their first trophy of the season with a one point win over Arlington. The girls beat second place Umatilla by over 40 points. Both teams were at full strength for the meet. The meet served as a warm up for the Blue Mountain District track meet which is May 9 in Stanfield.

Quinn Chick and Jordan Hatfield led the boys' team. Hatfield finished in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles and in the triple jump. Quinn Chick finished second with season-best times in the 100- and 200-meter dashes. Chick also placed fourth in the high jump. Eric Vogel finished first in the 3000-meters and third in the 1500-meters. Bryan Holland was second in the 400-meter dash and fourth in the 200-meter dash.

The girls' team had five first place finishes and three second place finishes on the day. Erin Price was first in the 100-meter hurdles and the 200-meter dash. Jodessa Chapa was first in the 3000-meters and Catherine McElligott was first in the 800-meters. The 4x400 relay team (McElligott, Price, Brynna Rust,

Frida Arevik) ran a season best time and also finished first.

Complete Heppner results:

**Boys:**  
100m - 2) Chick (12.06), 10) Curtis Martin (12.44), 15) Brandon Garcia (12.64), 20) Kim Cheng (12.97); 200m - 2) Chick (24.52), 4) B. Holland (25.09), 6) Martin (25.26), 16) Cheng (26.99); 400m - 2) B. Holland (55.00), 11) Conner Pappas (1:02.06); 800m - 5) Spencer Palmer (2:26.18); 1500m - 3) Vogel (4:47.97), 5) Seth Palmer (4:59.76), 9) Cody Nelson (5:20.43); 3000m - 1) Vogel (10:42.98), 3) Nelson (11:34.14); 110m hurdles - 1) Hatfield (17.00), 5) Andrew Bara (19.50); 300m hurdles - 1) Hatfield (42.55), 7) Bara (51.83); 4x100 relay - 3) Heppner (Sp. Palmer, Chick, Holland, Hatfield), (47.41); 4x400 relay - 2) Heppner (Garcia, Martin, Se. Palmer, Cheng), (4:12.13); Shot Put - 5) Jordan Wright (38' 4"), 6) Mark McCabe (38' 2"), 8) Deniz Kalyon (35' 8"), 21) Pappas (27' 3"); Discus - 6) Sp. Palmer (102' 1"), 7) McCabe (99' 3"), 11) Wright (88' 10"); Javelin - 6) Garcia (125' 5"), 7) Wright (125'), 14) Martin (100' 8"), 22) Alex Pickles (84'); High Jump - 4) Chick (5' 2"); Long Jump - 7) B. Holland (17' 10.5"),

18) Pappas (13' 3"); Triple Jump - 1) Hatfield (40').

**Girls:**  
100m - 3) Price (12.29), 4) Rust (14.02), 7) Carmen Lee (14.32), 8) Kelsi Putman (14.37); 200m - 1) Price (26.96), 5) Arevik (29.46), 7) Putman (29.98), 17) Kolleen Chapa (33.91); 400m - 3) Arevik (1:05.62), 5) JoAnna Patton (1:09.02); 800m - 1) McElligott (2:31.40); 1500m - 8) J. Chapa (6:14.41); 3000m - 1) J. Chapa (14:26.73); 100m hurdles - 1) Price (17.45), 5) Vivian Thompson (19.62), 8) Weise (21.72); 300m hurdles - 2) Rust (52.23), 4) Thompson (57.70); 4x100 relay - 3) Heppner (Arevik, Putman, Lee, Rust), 54.54; 4x400 relay - 1) Heppner (Price, Arevik, Rust, McElligott), 4:20.59; Shot Put - 8) Keshawna Talamantes (29' 2"), 13) Ashley Wolff (23' 7"), 16) Luisa Horsten (21' 6"), 17) Daisy Victorio (21' 1/2"); Discus - 3) Talamantes (98' 8"), 8) Wolff (65' 11"), 10) Horsten (61' 3"), 11) Victorio (61' 1"); Javelin - 4) Talamantes (94' 6"), 9) JoAnna Patton (77' 7"), 13) Horsten (68' 6"); High Jump - 2) Patton (4' 6"), 3) Weise (4' 4"), 5) Lee (4' 2"); Long Jump - 2) Lee (14' 5"), 8) Thompson (12' 10"), 13) Weise (10' 9.25"); Triple Jump - 3) Thompson (28' 6.5"), 5) Patton (25' 6.25"), 6) Weise (23' 8").

# National Nurses Week 2009 - "Nurses: Building a Healthy America"

By Molly Rhea

The work of America's 2.9 million registered nurses to save lives and to maintain the health of millions of individuals is the focus of this year's National Nurses Week, celebrated annually May 6-12 throughout the United States. This year, the American Nurses Association has selected "Nurses: Building a Healthy America" as the theme for

2009.

Often described as an art and a science, nursing is a profession that embraces dedicated people with varied interests, strengths and passions because of the many opportunities the profession offers. In Morrow County you can find nurses working in the emergency room, the hospital, as public health nurses, in clinics, and in patient's homes for home health and hospice. We have many roles - from staff nurse to nurse practitioner to administration - and serve all of them with passion for the profession and with a strong commitment to patient safety.

Today's nurses must have the strength to care for patients during times of disaster and crisis; the commitment to remain involved in continuing education throughout their careers; and the compassion to provide hands-on patient care at the

bedside - as they have done throughout the centuries. At 2.9 million strong, nurses represent the largest group of health care workers in America, and we have the power to achieve much-needed reform in nursing and in health care.

Not a week goes by that I do not marvel at the dedication and resilience of the nurses I work with on a daily basis. Their knowledge and compassion seem boundless. I would like everyone to take time out during National Nurses Week to thank nurses for what they do and to remind the public just how vital our nation's nurses are to patients, their families and society. Annually, National Nurses Week begins on May 6, marked as RN Recognition Day, and ends on May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, founder of nursing as a modern profession.

## Red Hat no host luncheon to be held

A Red Hat no host luncheon will be held at noon on Thursday, May 21, at the Willow Creek Diner and Bakery.

You do not have to be a member to attend. All interested ladies are encouraged to join us.

## Senior Center Menu

Heppner Christian Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, May 13. The menu will include tilapia with parmesan, rice pilaf, peas and carrots, mermaid salad, hot rolls, apple crisp.

## Ladies evening golf to begin

Thursday Night Ladies Golf will begin on May 7. Check-in time is 5:15 p.m. and start time is 5:30 p.m.

## HES/HHS to hold spring concert

The Heppner Elementary and Heppner High School spring concert will be held on May 28 in the HES gym beginning at 6 p.m.

## Marriages

Morrow County Clerk Bobbi Childers has released the following report of marriage licenses issued:

-May 4: Jared Dean Eckman, 28, Heppner and Trisha Kay Adams, 27, Heppner.

*Trisha Kay Adams  
and Jared Dean Eckman*

Together with their parents  
*Mike and Tonia Adams  
and  
Kenny Eckman and Judy Eckman*

Invite you to share in the joy when they exchange wedding vows and begin their new life together on Saturday, the ninth of May, two thousand and nine at five o'clock in the evening Ruggs Ranch, 55549 Highway 207, Heppner, Oregon Reception to immediately follow

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Jared Dean Eckman & Trisha Kay Adams  
*Saturday, May 9th*

Megan Kae Bailey & Kyle Richard Snow  
*Saturday, May 30th*

Shelley Kathryn Rietmann & Adam Ashley McCabe  
*Saturday, June 27th*

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Be aware that Morrow County will attach a \$10.00 fine to anyone not complying with this County Ordinance. Thank you for your time and understanding.

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