

Mustang boys and girls to compete in weekend state playoff action

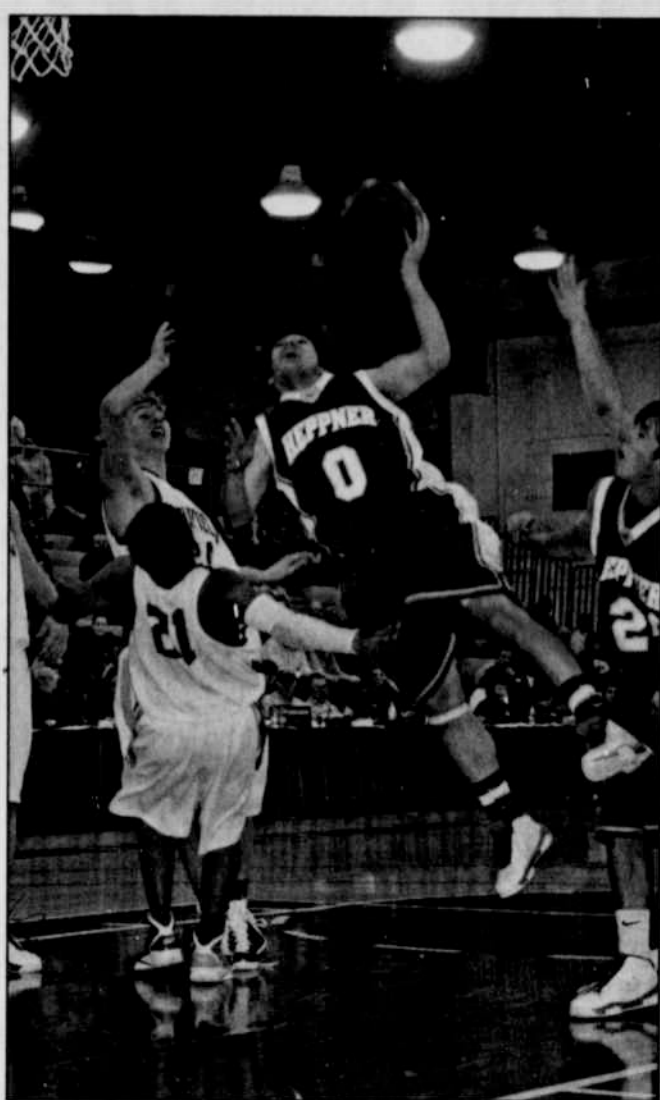
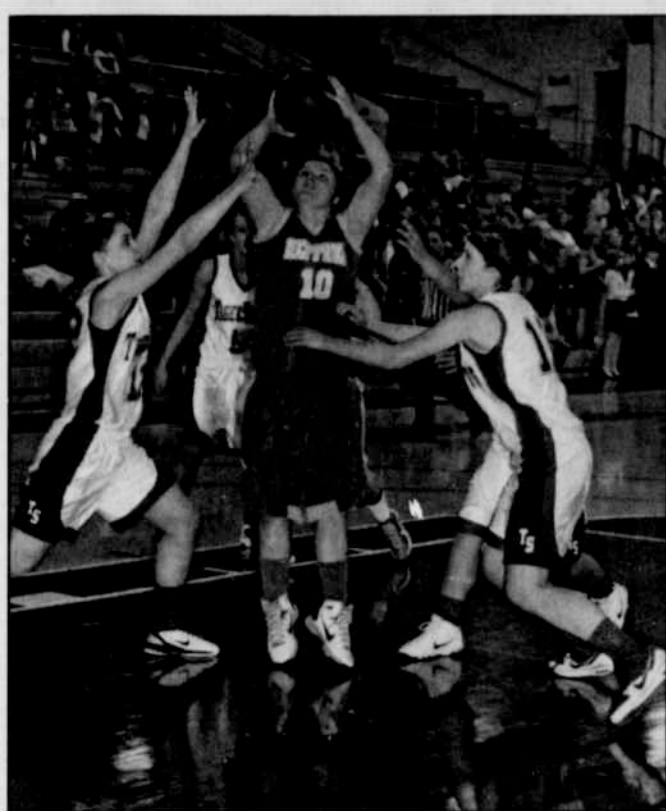
In Pendleton on February 18 the Heppner girls faced Elgin and hung on for a win in overtime in the first round of Blue Mountain girls' district play offs, extending their season into the state championship bracket.

The Mustangs led by three at the half due to their defensive effort. Both teams turned the ball over too many times but Heppner still held the lead by five at the end of third quarter. In the fourth quarter the Mustangs only scored three points as the Huskies scored eight to tie the score at 29 at the end of regulation. Both teams had looks at the basket but couldn't convert for the win.

In the overtime period Heppner picked up on offense and score 10 to Elgin's four to win 39-33.

Bailey Bennett led Heppner with 16 points and 16 rebounds. Alana Wilson had 10 points, eight steals, and six assists. Taighler Dougherty had six points and five steals for Heppner.

The varsity Mustang boys' team played Pilot Rock for the final slot into the state tournament, beating the Rockets 53-34. Heppner had their way with the short handed Rockets, pulling ahead to a 16-3 lead in the first quarter. Pilot



Pictured are: Bailey Bennett (top left), Jared Hedman (right), and Alana Wilson (bottom left) in district tournament action last weekend in Pendleton. -Photos by Sandy Matthews

Rock fought back with two good quarters of play but in the fourth quarter Heppner turned up the tempo, scoring 15 to Pilot Rocks' five for the win.

Cody Orr posted a double-double with 18 points and 18 rebounds. Jake Bowles added 12 points. Alex Pickles scored nine and Ian Murray had

eight for Heppner. On February 19 in Pendleton in the second round of district playoffs, the Mustangs faced Weston McEwen for the third time

this season, playing for third place in the tournament. The Lady Mustangs were playing better than the previous day. Leading the low scoring contest at

the half 18-16. In the third quarter Heppner failed to score, giving the TigerScots an opportunity to pull ahead by four. In the fourth quarter of play Heppner started to find the basket but it was too late as the TigerScot won the game 34-25. Bennett scored 13 and Lindsay Cutsforth had five points for Heppner. The Lady Mustangs finished right where they started, in fourth place in the league, and will travel to Scio to play the Loggers on Saturday, February 26, in the first round of state playoffs.

The boys' team played the Stanfield Tigers for third place in the district, losing to the Tigers 54-42 for a fourth place finish in the league. Neither team played really well as the first half ended 17-12 Stanfield. Heppner went cold in the third quarter not finding their rhythm until late in the period. A 24-28 fourth quarter for the Tigers sealed the win against the Mustangs.

Orr led all scores with 19 points and 16 rebounds. Pickles had nine and Murray scored six for the Mustangs.

The Mustangs will travel to Central Linn to play on Friday in the first round of state playoffs.

Good luck Mustangs!

Morrow SWCD to hold board meeting Ione coaches, players receive district awards

A Morrow SWCD board meeting will be held Wednesday, March 2, beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the Ag Service Center in Heppner.

Agenda items include: previous minutes, treasurer's report, written staff report, Connect 2011, WFD update, 2011-12 budget, and partnership reports.

Meetings of the Morrow SWCD are open to the public. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Janet Greenup at 541-676-5452, extension 109.

Juan Young Trust supports music for eastern Oregon Youth

The Oregon East Symphony "Playing for Keeps" program has received a grant for \$5,000 towards scholarships for music students for the 2010-11 season.

"The Juan Young Trust has been a long time supporter of the OES youth programs and many of our students would not be able to afford private lessons without these funds. We are extremely grateful to the trust for their ongoing support," said Lisa-Marie Patterson, OES Executive Director. The scholarship funds allow students to play in the OES orchestra, in lieu of a paying job, support

tuition for private lessons with local music teachers, provides funds to help with rental of instruments and tuition costs for the youth ensembles and retreats. The funds also support the annual Summer Music Camp held at Blue Mountain Community College each summer.

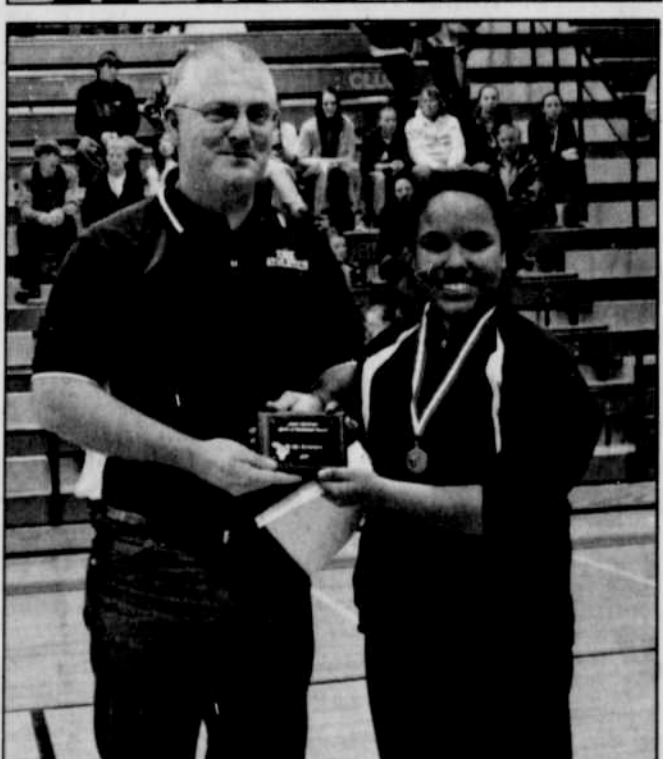
The Juan Young Trust provides grants to 501 (c) (3) organizations that promote the health, education and welfare of children under 21 years old, in the state of Oregon. For more information on the Juan Young Trust visit <http://www.gosw.org/juanyoung-trust>.



Top Photo: The Ione girls won second place in Big Sky District Tournament. The first round state playoff game versus Portland Waldorf will be played at Ione High School at 6 p.m. today, Wednesday, February 23. The cost is \$4 per student and \$6 per adult. Middle Left Photo: Ione Coach Mike Garrett earned the "Stan Flerchinger Memorial Big Sky Coaching Award" for Girls Coach of the Year 2011. Middle Right Photo: Big Sky winners from Ione for All League Team were Joanna Patton-2nd team all-league; Tanner Rietmann-2nd team all-league; Zac Orem-1st team all-league; Beth Morter-1st team all-league; and Shadow Kendrick-2nd team all-league. Not pictured are



Steven Holland and Adam Colling, honorable mention team all-league. Bottom Photos (L-R): Steven Begay, a senior from Dufur, and Shadow Kendrick, a sophomore from Ione, won the "Jason Halvorsen Spirit of Basketball Awards". -Photos by Paula Emmel



FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event

Morrow County will be hosting another Household Hazardous Waste event FREE of charge to County residents

Saturday April 23, 2011
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Lexington Road Dept.
365 W. Hwy 74, Lexington, OR

Accepted during the event:

Used oil (containers less than 25 gallons) Oil filters, Spent Antifreeze, Automotive batteries, Alkaline & rechargeable batteries, Propane Tanks (smaller than 25 gal.) Oil based paint, Paint thinners and solvents, Roof and asphalt patch, Adhesives, glues and contact cement, Caulks sealers and joint compounds, Lawn and garden chemicals and fertilizers, Pool chemicals, Household cleaners (including bleach, ammonia, furniture polish, toilet bowl cleaners, carpet shampoos) Sludge (soil contaminated with oil smaller than 25 gal. containers) Mercury thermometers, Florescent lamps, All types of aerosol cans, Used cooking oil, Road flares, PCB ballasts, Organic peroxides (hardening agents)

Items not accepted: Empty containers, ammunition, explosives, biological waste, radioactive waste.

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676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main

Ladies Night March 3rd at 6:00pm

Swiss Steak & Cheesy Potatoes
Judy Bushke & Darlene Lovegren

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