The Heppner Mustang 63-23 entering the fourth boys' basketball team won quarter. The teams played its third conference game the last quarter close and in a row when they boys the final score of the game

was 69-30.

grounded the flight of the

Pilot Rock Rockets by a

score of 69-30. The Mus-

tangs' overall record is now

13-3 for the season and 4-2

in Blue Mountain Confer-

and raced out to a quick

lead in the game, leading

27-4 after one quarter. Great

defensive play by the team

continued to limit the Rock-

ets' scoring opportunities, and Heppner led 45-14 at

Mustangs worked on some

different defensive schemes

that they may need later on

in the season. They also

were able to take a look at

some other offensive sets

that they have been working

on in practice. Heppner out-

Heppner started fast

ence play.

halftime.

Mustang boys ground Rockets

Patrick Collins record-

ed another double-double

with 22 points and 13 re-

Colt Character winners announced



HES recently announced the Colt Character winners for November and December (see names **below).** –Contributed photo

Heppner Elementary School has announced Colt Character winners for November and December. The character trait was Managing Yourself, which included time, energy, thoughts and feelings. Next month You Want to be Treated; it includes empathy, respect, kindness and cooperation.

Colt Character winners is as follows:

ten): Keaton Coiner, Avree Lathrop, Claire Lindsay, Hailey McDaniel, Healy Hisler, Patrick Wolford.

garten/first grade): Mariah Combe, Caleb George, Faith Holsinger, Lily Nichols, Rylee Palmer, Maya Payne, Sophie Rodriguez, Tripp Stewart.

Mrs. Stewart (second erine Wilson. the trait is Treat Others as grade): Jackson Coiner, John Lindsay, Hallee Hisler.

Mrs. Coiner (third/ fourth grade): Irelynn Koll-The complete list of man, Landon Mitchell, Arianna Worden, Zandra art, Kylie Boor. Masterson, Kyler Wilson, Mrs. Morris (kindergar- Caden George, Ethan De- grade): Madison Ashbeck,

> grade): Hayley Akers, Bill Madelyn Nichols, Hannah Alldritt, Ty Boor, David Palmer, Jayden Wilson.

Mrs. Matteson (kinder- Cribbs, Lexi Gurinko, Perrin Furrer, Jacob Lentz, Paul Lindsay, Ireland Martin, Trevor Nichols Madison Palmer, Camryn Scrivner, Hailey Wenberg, Brooklynn Wilson, Kath-

> Mrs. Piper (fifth grade): Jace Coe, Cody Fletcher, ZaBrena Masterson, Blane Mahoney, Hannah Green, Aubri Rodriguez, Jett Stew-

Mrs. Dowdy (sixth Alexis Cutsforth, Hayden Mrs. Gibbs (fourth Hyatt, Marlee Mitchell,

Heppner students to compete in regional FBLA skills competition



Heppner FBLA participants (L-R) Rian Wizner, Taylor Hamby, Sophie Grant, Jasmine Garcia, Patrick Collins, Erica Nelson, CJ Kindle, Cara Arbogast and Ryan Smith. Not pictured are Caitlynn Bailey, Meranda Lemmon, Emily Cecil and Kaelyn Lindsay. –Contributed photo

More than 400 stu-scheduled. dents from 14 regional high

Participants will be Chicago this summer.

Competition begins at 10:00 a.m.

Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Concessions available.

LA GRANDE, Ore. tested in 40 different busi-Business Leaders of Amerand entertainment manage-Thursday, Feb. 5, at EOU. mock interviews are also

The top 10 finishschools have registered to ers from each event will assembly at 12:30 p.m. in 9-11. From there, the top McKenzie Theatre in Loso contestants advance to the Freewater, Nyssa, Ontario,

Heppner FBLA advisor Jeannie Collins says 13 Heppner students will be making the trip. Rian Wizner and Taylor Hamby will compete in Hospitality Management; Cara Arbogast will compete in busi-

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ness math and impromptu speaking; Sophie Grant will compete in business math; Meranda Lemmon and Emily Cecil will compete in Entrepreneurship; Caitlynn Bailey will compete in banking and financial systems and hospitality management; Kaelyn Lindsay will compete in banking and financial systems; Erica (EOU)—Several Heppner ness-related fields includ- Nelson and Jasmine Garcia High School students will ing agribusiness, computer will compete in desktop be among those attending problem solving, cyber publishing; Patrick Colthe annual Regional Skills security, global business, lins and Ryan Smith will Competition for the Future network design, and sports compete in sports and entertainment management and ica (FBLA) planned for ment. Public speaking and hospitality management; and CJ Kindle will compete in sports and entertainment management. Aside from Heppner, compete. The event culmi- compete at the state con- FBLA chapters from Baker, nates with a public awards ference in Portland April Elgin, John Day, Helix, Imbler, La Grande, Milton-

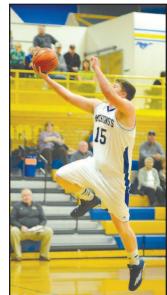
national competition in Pendleton, Stanfield, Union and Vale are participating.

in favor of the Rockets.

bounds. He also contributed 3 blocked shots and 1 steal. Logan Grieb had the hot hand from beyond the three-point line as he hit 4 of them on his way to 15 points on the night. He also had 6 rebounds, 3 assists and 1 steal. Weston Putman scored 14 points and had 5 rebounds to go along with 3 assists and 1 steal. In the third quarter the Ross Cutsforth chipped in with 6 points and 10 big rebounds in the game. Ross also had 4 assists, 2 steals and 1 blocked shot. Jesse Corbin had 5 points and 1 assist for the Mustangs. CJ Kindle had a good game



Jeremiah Petzoldt (left) and Caden Hedman show the Rockets what Mustang defense looks like last weekend. -Photo by Sandra Putman



Patrick Collins goes for the net during the game versus the Rockets. Collins was the Mustangs' lead scorer on the night. -Photo by Sandra Put-

had a good showing with 2 points, 2 rebounds and 1 assist. Kolby Currin netted 2 points in the game and Caden Hedman scored 1 point and had 2 rebounds. Jake Lindsay had 1 rebound and 1 assist and Kevin Murray came in and gave a good defensive effort for the team.

Heppner shot 47 percent from the field for the game and held Pilot Rock to only 27 percent shooting. Heppner dominated the boards as they outrebounded the Rockets 43-21. The Mustangs moved the ball well and looked to find the open man. They had 18 assists on their 26 baskets made in the game.

The Mustangs, who are currently the fourthranked team in the state, have a tough week ahead of them. On Tuesday night they play the number-three ranked Stanfield Tigers at home. They then travel to Irrigon on Friday to play the second-ranked Knights.

Mustang girls shot down by Rockets in league play

The Heppner Mustang girls' basketball team lost its Columbia Basin Conference game against the Pilot Rock Rockets by a score of 43-29. The Rockets are the top team in the CBC and have not been beaten in conference play.

Heppner struggled to score in the first half of play. The Rockets came out and shot the ball well. They made several three-pointers in the first quarter to jump out to a quick lead in the game. The Mustangs trailed at the end of the first quarter 19-5 and it was 33-11 at halftime.

The Heppner team came out strong in the third quarter and outscored the Rockets 11-6 to get back into the game. The Mustang girls also won the fourth quarter by a score of 7-4. Their second-half play was not enough to overcome the slow start in the first quarter. The teams played evenly in the last three quarters, but it was the first quarter that doomed the Mustangs. The final score of the game ended up 43-29



Above: Rylee Koleman (#12) looks for an opening in last week's tussle with the Rockets. Despite dominating the second half, the girls lost to the Pilot Rock team. Below: Kelly Wilson was one of the Mustangs' hot scorers over the weekend, contributing six points against the Rockets. -Photos by Sandra Putman

Leading the way in scoring for the Mustangs was Maddie Lindsay with 12. Kelly Wilson had 6 points and Paige Grieb followed with 4. Jessica Kempkin and Morgan Correa each scored 3 points in the game and Sophie Grant had 2.

The Mustangs take on the Stanfield Tigers on Tuesday night and then travel to Irrigon on Friday to play the Knights.





AY FEBRUARY 11π 5:30- 7:30 pm **Heppner City Hall** Boys ages 5-14 & Girls ages 5-16 ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE Bring birth certificate to verify ages **Questions** - Contact Jesse at 541-256-0740 OR Russ at 541-325-3635