

# Many students honored at Vernonia Principal's Awards assembly

The Vernonia High School Principal's Awards Assembly was held June 1, in the VHS gymnasium. Awards in each subject were handed out, as well as a few special ones.

The OASSA Honor Team awards were presented by Principal Mike Durbin. These awards went to seniors in a number of subjects. Recipients of the OSSA Honor Team awards were:

- Music - Kristin Francis
- Math - Brian Robertson
- Language Arts - Kathy Crawford
- Science - Colin Tierney
- Vocational Education - Brennen Bernal
- Spanish - Ani Mllitzer
- Social Science - Kelly Basaka
- Physical Education - Justin Johnson
- Fine Arts, Visual - Kathy Crawford
- Performing Arts - Tabetha Kintz and Kristin Francis
- Alternative education awards were presented by Heidi Herb. Recipients were:
  - Integrity Award - Jessie Doane
  - Most Improved - Kody Watts
  - Best Attendance - Kody Watts
  - Outstanding Life Skills - Corey Kennedy.

Awards for students in the Learning Resource Center were presented by Judi Gwin.

Dedication to Academic Achievement - Kelly Basaka

Improved Self-Growth - Jeremiah Haverland

Most Persistent - Brian Collins

Student Council and Leadership adviser and English teacher Patty Dickens presented awards to the Student Council, and the Outstanding Leadership Student awards.

Recipients of these awards were:

- President - Leslie Finamore
- Vice President - Steve Potter
- Secretary - Jessica Soderback
- Treasurer - Katrina Jeffers
- Student Body Manager - Lori Dailey
- Foreign Exchange Representative - Myriam Gendron
- Public Relations - Andrea Pinedo
- Fire Marshall - Jake Brock
- Sergeant at Arms - Jason Busch

The Outstanding Leadership Student awards went to Leslie Finamore, Lori Dailey, Andrea Pinedo and Steven Potter.

Awards for Computer Applications and Personal Finance were presented by computers teacher Joan Mezger. Shawn Hillyer received the award for Computer Applications and Bryan Dinger received the award for Personal Finance.

Secretary Jan Bernardi presented the Outstanding Office Aide awards to two students, Holly Murphy and Jeremiah Haverland.

Librarian Dana Hyde presented Media Aide awards to Janet James and Casey

Weller.

Mathematics teacher Randy Shockey presented the Informal Algebra and Geometry awards. Recipients were:

- Informal Algebra 1 - Jaki King and Aaron Beethe
- Informal Algebra 2 - Marilyn Schmidlin

Geometry - Kayla Hennessey and Jacob Corey

Advanced mathematics teacher Sheri Burleson presented the next group of awards in mathematics, as well as Quiz Bowl awards.

Recipients of the math awards were:

- Algebra I - Sarah Johnston
- Algebra II - Brass Sears and Alex Hayes
- Pre-Calculus - Matthew Brookins
- Trigonometry - Elisabeth Brookins
- McEntire Math Award - Matthew Brookins

The Quiz Bowl awards went to participants April Bamburg, Elisabeth Brookins, Matthew Brookins, Cassian Flynn, Blaine Vandehey and Brass Sears.

Most Valuable Quiz Bowl Team Member - Brass Sears

Teachers James Brookins and Kurt Victor presented the next set of awards in science.

Recipients were: Physical Science - Eric Weller

Advanced Biology - Elisabeth Brookins and Brass Sears

Chemistry - Alex Hayes

Biology - Shawn Hillyer

Spanish teacher Wil Martir presented the foreign language awards for Spanish I to Elisabeth Brookins and Robert Smith; Spanish II to Janet James.

Band and chorus director Bob Isted presented the following awards to music students:

Best Director - Brian Robertson

Most Valuable Band Member - Christy Benes

4-Year Band Member - Brian Robertson, Arron Forster and Brian Collins

John Philip Sousa Award - Blaine Vandehey

Yearbook adviser and freshman/junior English teacher Jennifer Calvert presented awards for yearbook, Introduction to Literature and American Literature.

Randee Parker received the award for Yearbook Editor, as well as a new award that will bear her name: the Outstanding Yearbook Student.

Introduction to Literature - Rachael Bentsen

American Literature - Elisabeth Brookins

Sophomore English teacher Patty Dickens presented the award for Outstanding sophomore in Language Arts to two students, Brass Sears and Melissa Templin

Senior English teacher and journalism adviser Ward Nelson presented the Alvilda Hearing English Award, spelling bee awards and two journalism awards.

Recipients of these were: Alvilda Hearing English Award - Randee Parker

Journalism - Elena Majbova

Senior Journalism Award plaque - April Bamburg

Columbia County Spelling Bee - 2nd place, April Bamburg; 3rd Place - Charles Gendron

Nelson also presented the Senior Project awards:

- Best Oral Presentation - Fawn Cecil
- Best Research Paper - Elena Majbova
- Best Physical Project - Jared McWhirter
- Over-all Best Senior Project Plaque - Erica Hobart

Outstanding Senior Project Honorable Mention - Tabetha Kintz, Randee Parker and Bridget Titus

Cici Bell presented the Xerox Award for Humanities to Elisabeth Brookins.

Awards for health and physical education were presented by instructor Bob Bruce. Recipients of these awards were:

Health 9 - Rachael Bentsen

Health 10 - Everett Brown

Physical Education Students of the Year - Kim Normand and Matt Brookins

Male Weightlifters of the Year - Curtis Golson and Bryan Dinger

Female Weightlifters of the Year - Abby Pond and Erica Hobart

Social Studies teacher Steve Calhoun presented awards for:

CIM Prep Social Studies Award - Rachael Bentsen

Global Studies - Jennifer Bernardi

Modern Problems - Randee Parker

Teacher Scott Finlay presented awards for:

Government - Casey Weller

U.S. History - Elisabeth Brookins

Psychology - April Bamburg

Tools for Success - Ani Mllitzer

Doug Tesdal presented awards in various areas of art. Recipients were:

Photography - Randee Parker

Advanced Art I - Kathy Crawford

Computer Graphics - Kathy Crawford and Doug Hillyer

Pottery - Brennen Bernal

Recipients of service awards for each class were:

Freshman - Heather Forster

Sophomore - Alicia Normand

Junior - Christy Benes

P.E.O - Colin Tierney and Matthew Brookins.

Athletics awards were presented by Principal Durbin, Brookins, Finlay, Athletic Director Jane McClellan, and Sergeant Wilson of the Army Reserve. Recipients of these awards were:

Army Reserve, Scholar-Athelete medallions - Matthew Brookins and Casey Weller

Mickey Bruer Memorial Golf Award plaque - Brass Sears

Brunsmann Memorial Award trophy - Elisabeth Brookins

Most Inspirational Underclassman in sports - Brass Sears

Terry Smith Memorial trophy

- Bryan Dinger  
Outstanding Athlete trophy - Blaine Vandehey  
Principal Durbin presented

the Northwest Principal's Award, a framed certificate and \$100 to two seniors, Andrea Pinedo and Brian Robertson



Randee Parker was stunned by a trophy in her name that will be awarded yearly to a deserving student on the Memorial staff. Teacher Jennifer Calvert presented the award to Parker.

## Clinic set for future cheerleaders

The Vernonia High School cheerleaders are again holding summer clinics for young people ages 5-12. The clinics will be on Tuesdays starting June 20th, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Anderson Park.

to Jamboree, at which time the students will participate in the Jamboree parade with the cheerleaders. Cost for the clinic is \$5 per person, with family rates available.

The clinics will continue up

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