

More VHS students meeting Renaissance program requirements

Nearly one-third of the students at Vernonia High School were recognized at the first quarter Renaissance Assembly on November 21. Recognition in the Renaissance program is earned with a grade point average of 3.6 or higher, an increase in GPA of .5, or for perfect attendance. Each quarter Renaissance students receive T-shirts and their names are entered in a prize drawing.

Student performers provided entertainment prior to the recognitions awards. "Subcommittee" (Eric Weller, David Mc-

Murtrey and Waylon Buchan) performed *Carousel* and *Everything I Do*, and Jake Brock, accompanying himself on the piano, offered a moving rendition of *Simple Man*, portraying the anguish of being left behind after a relationship ends.

Awards for perfect attendance were presented to Krysten Brucken, Miranda Casteel, Shane Cutright, Samantha Gunter, Holly Hillyer, Jennifer Kinney, Jordan Love, and Jessica Westlake.

The following students earned recognition for academic

achievement:

Freshmen – Alex Barton, Tiffany Cutright, Brandon Frettim, Kolton Graham, Michael Hensley, Holly Hillyer, Royd Johansen, Rebecca Knowlton, Sasha Mack, Mollee Mitchell, Natalie Rombach, Kyle Suess, Torin Tierney, Amanda Watts and Jessica Westlake.

Sophomores – Erin Alessio, Malorie Baker, Megan Baker, Stephanie Bobbitt, Amber Bosley, Taryn Braseth, Myles Brock, Benjamin Brookins, Caressa Brooks, Waylon Buchan, Jenny Carlile, Tasha Dillon, Carrick

Flynn, Fred Fulmer, Melissa Grebenc, Ona Gregg, Carnin Hall, Sheana Hawes, Marta Heil, Joseph, Julie Johnston, Levi Johnston, Curtis Jundt, Marshall King, Belinda Krush, Abigail Nelson, Jessica Sook and Katherine Traylor.

Juniors – Rachael Bentson, Jesse Borst, Steven Brandner, Jacob Corey, Heidi Dudek, William Hales, Stephanie Hein, Shawn Hillyer, Michael Jenkins, Marcus Kintz, Trisha Lee, Stacy Lennon, Shawn Robertson, Jeremy Ruby, Shilo Stevens, Emilee Suess, Adam Tanner, Jessica Thornburg, Trisha Titus

and Eric Weller.

Seniors – Jennifer Bernardi, Antonio Cebola, Brandon Dennis, Luke Ellis, Nichole Gwin, Alexandria Hayes, Alisha Jundt, Bobby Lokken, Antonia Montanus, Sarah Pantoja, Megan Pattison, Rebekka Peller, Keith Rondo, Adelaide Schmitt, Brass Sears and Veronika Svobodova.

Trisha Titus was the winner of the assembly's grand prize drawing for \$150 worth of gift certificates at Washington Square. All student names remain in the drawing for the remainder of the school year.

Vernonia High School Honor Roll, first quarter '01

The following Vernonia High School students have been recognized for academic achievement in the first quarter of the 2001-02 school year:

4.0 Grade Point Average, Principals Honors – Alexandria Hayes, Alisha Jundt, Antonia Montanus, Veronika Svobodova, Shawn Hillyer, Joe Rea, Lacey Schilling;

Emilee Suess, Taryn Braseth, Benjamin Brookins, Carrick Flynn, Marshall King, Holly Hillyer, Tiffany Cutright.

3.50 - 3.99 GPA, High Honors – Brass Sears, Jennifer Bernardi, Sarah Pantoja, Rebekka

Peller, Luke Ellis, Adelaide Schmitt, Antonio Cebola, Nicole Gwin, Bobby Lokken.

Megan Pattison, Rose Peets, Edith Nelson, Rachael Benston, Stephanie Hein, Michael Jenkins, Jennifer Kinney, Shilo Stevens, Jessica Thornburg.

Eric Weller, Jesse Borst, Jacob Corey, Melissa Grebenc, Abigail Nelson, Katherine Traylor, Waylon Buchan, Alex Moeller, Caressa Brooks.

Jessica Sook, Justin Baer, Andrew Brookins, Kortni Hyde, James Maller, Jessica Westlake, Amanda Watts.

Royd Johansen, Natalie

Romboch, Alex Barton, Rebecca Knowlton, Kyle Suess, Torin Tierney, Elizabeth Bobbitt, Tiffany Snook.

3.25 - 3.49 GPA, Honors – Jessica Jackson, Jack Murphy, Katie Prpich, Jessica Dillon, Megan Peura, Charles Gendron, Jaki King, Nicole Swayze, Adam Tanner.

Brittany Kerns, Shawn Robertson, Paul Orlando, Jeremy Ruby, Candice Dalebroux, Josh Ward, Rene Ellington, Sarah Finley, Paul Johnston.

Curtis Jundt, Kala Rondo, Katy Taylor, Helena Shaffer, Julie Johnson, Kendell Nelson, Stephanie Bobbitt, James Benes.

Gina Cropp, Kristina Driver, Tara Gwin, Sasha Mack, Julie Hales, Christopher Richardson, Torie Clement, Brandon Peura.

Large crowd attends Fall Concert

The Fall Concert at Vernonia High School has become "an event" on the Vernonia social calendar, quipped band and high school choir instructor Bob Isted, as another record-breaking crowd attended the November 15 performance.

Most of the audience, including parents of the younger musicians, remained to enjoy the entire concert. Especially anticipated was a performance by the Vernonia High School Choir, which had been asked to perform at the Oregon School Board Convention's Small Schools Association breakfast.

The sixth grade band opened the concert with three familiar pieces, a traditional English roundelay, *Jingle Bells* and *Rudolph and Red-Nosed*

Reindeer. The Junior High Band followed with a performance of *Dr. Rockenstein* and Beethoven's *Ode to Joy*. Their concluding piece, *Slidin' the Blues*, featured the trombone section.

With the largest choir in many years, the twenty members of the VHS acapella choir performed *Let the Praise Go 'Round*, followed by the traditional *Deck the Halls*, then *Le Rose, Fronde Fiori*, which was sung in Italian. *The Joy of Love*, then *Soli Deo Gloria*, sung in Latin, concluded a polished performance.

The concert concluded with a rousing performance by the VHS Band. The first two pieces performed highlighted the talents of different sections of the band, with *The Emissary Fanfare* showcasing the horn section, and *Annabel Lee* featuring woodwind performers. *Soldier's Procession* and *The Sword Dance* were next on the program. Providing a rousing conclusion to the evening was *The Great Locomotive Chase*, a musical portrayal of the theft of a locomotive by the Confederate Army and their journey as they pulled up track and, literally, burned their bridges behind them.

Vernonia schools set holiday programs

Washington and Lincoln Grade Schools will present their holiday program on Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the WGS gym.

The holiday program at Mist School has been scheduled for Monday, Dec. 17.

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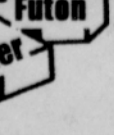
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