

Jr. Nat'l Team brings home trophy



Above front row; Chris Curtis, Ryan Sandstrom, middle row; Ryan Taylor, Brandon Orth, Josh Butcher, Anthony Traverso, Andy Graf, Jacob Alf, back row; Joey Brasure, Jerry Butcher, Joe Benes, Sven Sandstrom, Dillon Sohler, Dan Benes. Not pictured are T.J. White, Jacob Stevens, Jacob Levenseller, and Devon Purvee.

The Vernonia Junior National Baseball Team took home a fourth place trophy during the Banks Junior National Tournament held June 18 and 19. The team plays through July on Tuesday evenings at home and on Thursday evenings away.

The team has dedicated this season to Max White, a true baseball fan.

WGS student wins poster contest

Madeline O'Leary, a fourth grader at Washington Grade School in Vernonia, and Brianna Hill, a fifth grader at Hudson Park Grade School in Rainier, are the winners of the 2005 Conservation Poster Contest sponsored by the Columbia Soil and Water Conservation District (CSWCD). The students each won \$50.00 and a certificate.

Columbia County students from kindergarten through 12th grade were invited to participate in the contest; everyone who entered received a certificate. This year's posters, with the theme of "Celebrating Conservation," will be on display at the CSWCD booth at the Columbia County Fair in July. The winning entries will also be sent to the State competition.

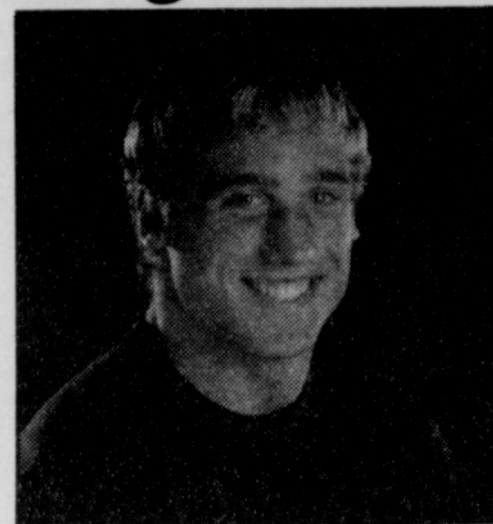
T. Gwin selected for wrestling award

Travis Gwin of Vernonia has been selected for a 2005 Oregon Wrestling Classic Scholar/Athlete Award. Gwin, who finished high school with a 3.2 grade point average, is the son of Darrell and Judi Gwin.

A three-time state wrestling finalist with a championship in 2004, Gwin recently returned from Japan, where he was on a wrestling cultural exchange

team. He has worked as a PTA volunteer as well as at wrestling camp and outdoor school. Gwin plans to attend either Southern Oregon University or Pacific University.

The award is based on a point system involving wrestling, scholastic and other activities. The grant amount awarded is given directly to college wrestling programs.



Brixey wins Wauna FCU scholarship



Wauna Federal Credit Union has announced the 2005 recipients of \$1,000 scholarships.

The Vernonia High School honoree is Kerstin Brixey, the daughter of Raymond and Tory Brixey, who plans to attend Eastern Oregon University in La Grande. Her major will be Education with a minor in Social Services.

The other recipients are Ann

Rinck from Rainier High School, Michael Moran from Clatskanie High School, Kyle Melton and Katie Melton who are both graduates from St. Helens High School, Casey Bushnell from Knappa High School, Sierra Hoppel from Warrenton High School, and Andrew Mattingly from Astoria High School.

VHS student receive awards on June 1

Outstanding Vernonia High School students were recognized at a ceremony on June 1 with the following awards:

Kerstin Brixey; student council president, Outstanding Leadership, most inspirational senior athlete award and the Senior Journalism Award.

Natalie Rombach; vice-president of the student council, a trophy for Randee Parker Yearbook Editor, American Legion Citizenship, athletic sportsmanship, Albert Brunsman Memorial, and Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete.

Aimee Rombach; student council secretary.

Amber Abney; student council Treasurer.

Kristin Cota; student body manager and CIM.

Chris Richardson; student council sergeant at arms and 4-Year Band Member.

Janelle Bashaw; student council foreign exchange representative.

Seth Brock; public relations on the student council.

Sandy Bevans; student council fire marshal and Computer Applications.

Samantha Gunter; Outstanding Student in Leadership Class.

Rocky Jones; Best Speech in the senior project, CIM, English and Mickey Bruers Memorial Golf.

Jason Hennessey; Best Physical Project in the senior project.

Kyle Suess; Over-all Best Senior Project, Physics, CIM, and Social Studies Modern Problems.

Heather Bassett; freshman service award.

Kevin Johnston; sophomore service award and mathematics.

Lindsay Lennen; junior service award.

Connor Flynn; mathematics, Outstanding Physical Science and English.

Kizzie Peirce; mathematics and CIM.

Sam Thornton; McEntire Math trophy.

Kayla Pollock; mathematics.

Hana Chrastinova; Outstanding Biology Student and Advanced Art.

Michael Calhoun; Outstanding Physical Science Student.

Burdette Robb; Environmental Awareness and Social Studies U.S. History.

Megan Perry; English.

Jeffrey Brewington; English.

Rhiannon Meyer; English.

Laura Brookins; English, CIM, and Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete.

Rebecca Knowlton; English (2).

Alex Barton; 4-Year Band Member and CIM.

Brandon Peura; 4-Year Band Member.

Ben Schorzman; John Philip

Sousa Band, CIM, and Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete.

Heather Hennessey; Choral.

Julie Hales; 4-Year Choir.

Megan Perry; Social Studies Global Studies.

Marissa Clement; Social Studies Global Studies and Computer Applications.

Dan Cicon; Social Studies Government and Graphic Design.

Jacob Rice; Advanced Art.

Jeffrey Brewington, Jr.; LRC

Most Diligent Student.

Larinda Botchie; Outstanding Journalism.

Karina Nelson; Computer Applications.

Brandon Frettim; Print Shop Team Member.

Andrew Senn, Print Shop Student Store.

Josh Tong; Industrial Arts Construction I.

Dakota Lee; Industrial Arts Construction II.

Kyle Elliott; Industrial Arts Metals and CIM.

Andrew Gritman; Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete and Terry Smith Memorial (most inspirational senior athlete).

Amanda Watts; CIM.

Brent Thompson; Most Inspirational Underclassman in Sports.

Travis Gwin; Outstanding Athlete.

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