



Evergreen Public Schools

# GOOD NEWS REPORT

## Out and About



Union High School basketball players were recognized at an all-school assembly last Friday for winning the 3A state championship game.

## Awards and Accomplishments

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has named *Evergreen Public Schools (EPS)* as a 2010 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year for outstanding energy management and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. *EPS* Board President **Victoria Bradford**, Facilities Manager **Reg Martinson** and Resource Conservation Manager **Dave Cone** attended an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. last week to receive the award.

**Sarah Shenk** from *Heritage High School* has been named as a 2010 National Merit Scholarship finalist.

Student artists in *Evergreen Public Schools* were recently recognized at the ESD #112 Regional High School Art Show: Regional Awards - **David Smith**, *Heritage High School (HHS)*; and **Andrew Lore**, *Mountain View High School (MVHS)*. Staff Choice Award - **Will Story**, *MVHS*. ESD 112 Awards - **Jamie Winter**, *HHS*; **Erin O'Hara**,



Andrew Lore

**Andrew Lore** and **Michael Bojanowski**, *MVHS*; **Megan Pool** and **Robyn Dean**, *Union High School (UHS)*. Honorable Mention Awards - **Derek Julian**, **Erin Michalak**, **Kelly Do**, **Kyla Daniels** and **Sarah Jennings**, *HHS*; **Carly Walker** and **Mark Nance**, *MVHS*; **Ethan Doerr** and **Reis Warman**, *UHS*.

Students from *Mountain View High School* placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the 2010 four-by-four math contest administered by National Assessment and Testing. The team was made up of three four-person groups. The students who participated were: **Gabe Heuton**, **Scott Locke**, **Kuei-Ti Lu**, **Yang Liu**, **Liya Mo**, **Nicole Pan**, **Shao Fan Liu**, **James Yan**, **Rohith Nagari**, **Lisa Zeta**, **Rachel Kim** and **Rochish Togare**.

Students in **Lee Emmert's** digital photography class at *Heritage High School* have joined the Spontaneous Smiley Project, <http://www.spontaneousmileys.com>. Students are challenged to find smiley faces in everyday objects and share them on the project website. The class is part of the Career and Technical Education program and student submissions from **Emmert's** class can be viewed at <http://immunemedia.com/>. For every download of a Smiley image \$1 is donated to Operation Smile – a non-profit raising funds for people in need of surgery by the sponsor of the website. *HHS Smiley's* have raised \$109 for the organization.



The Lower Columbia River Music Educators Association Senior Division Solo and Ensemble Contest was held last month at *Heritage High School* with the following results: First place - **Sean Law**, **Hannah Graves**, **Eric Singleton**, **Ted Davis**, *Mountain View High School*; **Moriah Hasan** and **Casey Swart**, *Heritage High School*; **Michael Lee**, **Brenna Priebe** and **Gideon Arnett**, *Evergreen High School*; **Kishan Patel**, **Rachel Stenberg**, **Katherine Tadlock**, **Ryan Masson**, **Christina Arroyo**, **Natalie Parks**, **Avalon Ligman**, **Minseon Song**, **Maxwell Senf**, **Sunjay Cauligi**, **Christina Arroyo** and **Natalie Parks**,

*Union High School.* These students will advance to the Washington State Solo and Ensemble Contest to be held April 23-24 at Central Washington University.

The following students from *Frontier, Shahala* and *Wy'east Middle Schools* participated in the recent Southwest Washington Regional History Day competition at WSU-Vancouver and will compete at the state level in May: **Sophie Mortenson, Christiana Lee, Carly Knight, Jacob Bejarano, Keegan Griffie, Jacob Starkel, Pentitila McKinnon and Madison Snaric** – *Frontier Middle School*; **Jonathan Feng, Jason Yu, Carson Heideman, Jake Rosumny, Andrew Harrah and Ben Morasch** – *Shahala Middle School*; **Emma Walton, Emily Leland, Ethan Knight, Mary Yang, Christopher Mitchell, Holland Vuu, Maggie Altenhof-Long, Abby Kadrmas, Carter Danforth, Joe Howard, Sam Howard, Ben Howard, Anna Klug, Heather Klug, Meg Wailer, Kasy McCabe, Jessie Wilmoth, Lauren Cushner, Melisa Ljuca, Tia Norris, Hanna Walton, Reed Middleman, Jared Berg, Kristen Lum, Dylan Bongiovanni, Britney Beaudoin, Cassie Biley, Hayley McCarthy, Romessa Ahmed, Neesha Goldbole, Shika Kalevor, Katie Kibota, Annie Song, Sam Kesala, Shelby Stanwood, Willow Larson, Erin Bray, Quinn Hanlon, Marcus Boyd, Brandon Proffitt, Samantha Tipton and Austin Dearborn-Jones** – *Wy'east Middle School.*

Congratulations to the *Union High School* Science Olympiad team for placing second at the Regional Science Olympiad held earlier this month at Lower Columbia River College. The team will advance to the state competition at Western Washington University next month where they'll compete for a spot at Nationals.

The online edition of *Heritage High School's* newsletter - *The Howler* has received national recognition. Editor-in-Chief, **McKenna Hoecherl**, recently wrote an article called "Green careers surfacing for students," which was about the Green Career Fair that was organized by *Heritage* FBLA students. **Hoecherl's** article was selected for the National Edition of 'My High School Journalism' newsletter.

The following DECA students participated at the state competition and will attend the National Career Development Conference April 23-28 in Louisville, Kentucky: **Kelsey Henderson, Masha Polozova, Amanda Stephens and Angela Valdez** – *Evergreen High School*; **Rachael Alvick, Melissa Gipe, Ashley**

**Thompson, Hannah Terry, Tashawna Gordon, Emily Perez** and the Gold Certified Team led by **Billy Alley** – *Heritage High School*; **Ashley Dupuy, Lynnea Sosa, Cody Laughlin, Brent Eastes, Melanie Pesut, Jing Xue, Liya Mo, Torrie Powell, Bloor Redding and John Russell** – *Mountain View High School*; and **Darryl Mason, Karen Keniston, Jessica Chow, Gabrielle Lucey and Emily Willeman** – *Union High School.*

Congratulations to *Mountain View High School* debate team members who participated in the Puget Sound District National Qualifier Tournament in Olympia earlier this month. **Jing Xue, Hunter Beetham, Louisa Fan, Casey Keyes, John Sousa, Edwin Shultz and Wei Kong** will advance to the National competition which will take place June 13-18 in Kansas City, Missouri.

### Serving the Community



The Environmental Action Club from *Mountain View High School* organized a 'Teens for Jeans' clothing drive and received donations of more than 208 pairs of used jeans that were donated to local homeless shelters. Students **Kaitlyn Lee, Jack Bernatovicz, Adriel Henriksen, John Russell** and **Adrienne Hurst** organized the event.

Students from *Silver Star* and *Burton Elementary Schools* participated in the Jump Rope for Heart event last month, with *Silver Star* raising \$2,200 and *Burton* \$3,184 for the American Heart Association.

The *Evergreen High School (EHS)* chapter of the National Honor Society held a Talent Show last month with 25 acts showcasing students and staff. The show raised \$1,729 for the Saul Haas Fund at *EHS* to help students in need at the school.

The *Home Choice Academy* raised \$118 for the American Red Cross to help the aid efforts in Haiti.

*Endeavour Elementary School* held a penny drive last month, collecting \$537.74 for UNICEF relief to Haiti and \$224.52 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The *Heritage High School* girls' and boys' basketball programs raised more than \$1,000 in a 'Hoops for Hope' fundraiser in February. Each player shot at least 500 free throws - with the proceeds going to aid relief in Africa.

Special Education students from *Heritage High School* held a school-wide personal hygiene drive for Open House Ministries, collecting 447 items to donate to the shelter.



The *Columbia Valley Elementary School* student council held a book drive recently, collecting 3,003 books for the Giving Box Free Book room at the school. The books are free to any student at *Columbia Valley Elementary*.

### School News



*Covington Middle School* and *Orchards Elementary School* received a donation of musical instruments from the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation and The Amphitheater at Clark County. The two schools were among four schools in Clark County to receive new and refurbished instruments worth \$150,000.

Bonneville Power Administration employee **Mike Hulse** visited **Linda Lebard's** chemistry and forensics



classes at *Heritage High School* last month. **Hulse** helped groups of students construct simple motors with paper clips, batteries, copper wiring and magnets and spoke to students about careers in engineering.

### Staff Achievements

Congratulations to *Evergreen Public Schools* transportation department for being recognized by *School Bus Fleet* magazine as one of its



2010 Great Fleets Across America. The annual series profiles five outstanding pupil transportation operations around the country and highlights their safety practices, innovative training programs and open lines of communications.

Thanks to quick action by *Marrion Elementary School* teacher **Sheryl Born**, who performed the Heimlich maneuver on a second grader – a piece of hard-candy was dislodged from the student's throat.