



Evergreen Public Schools

GOOD NEWS REPORT

Out and About



Pictured is the team from *Fisher's Landing Elementary School* – (l-r) Kim Muller, Debbie Linder, Michele Bennett, Lynn Halvorson and Gina Tashima.

Evergreen Public Schools' employees, friends and family members participated in the Eighth Annual Bowling Tournament to benefit Evergreen Citizens for Schools raising \$2,342.24. First place went to the '4 0'Clock Scholars' team from *Cascade Middle School*, with bowlers **Laurie** and **Curtis Metzger**, **Carl** and **Glenn Milhiser** and **Justin Fugleberg**; second place went to 'Maintenance Team 1,' with bowlers **Randi Thompson**, **Brian Longrie**, **John Day**, **Greg Evans** and **Jim Sullivan**. Thanks to ABM Janitorial and Crosley Lanes for sponsoring the event.

Student Awards & Accomplishments

Congratulations to the following *Mountain View High School* students who have been selected among 16,000 applicants as 2010 National Merit Scholarship finalists: (l-r) front row: **Ellerie Chen**, **Rona Ding**, **Riley Crabtree**, (l-r) back row: **Nicholas Passannante**, **Colin Milne** and **Bloor Redding**.



Shailah Ricketts from *Heritage High School* has been named a 2010 Young Women of Achievement Community Service honoree. **Ricketts** is currently is a member of the NAACP and is involved in volunteer programs for the Forest Service's Urban Youth Program, is member of the Advancement Via Individual Determination program and captain of her school's varsity volleyball team.



Evergreen High School's 'We the People' team was recently honored by the Washington Senate. The Senate passed SR 8684 to honor the three teams that placed at the state competition in December ; *Evergreen High School*, *River's Edge High School* and *Tahoma High School*.

Mountain View High School's (MVHS) Jazz Bands One and Two performed at the recent 48th Annual Clark College Jazz Festival, securing a first place finish for Jazz One and a third place finish for Jazz Two. MVHS soloists, **Trevor Jones** and **Riley Crabtree** both received recognition as outstanding soloists for the entire festival.

Shahala Middle School students competed in the US Dept. of Energy's Elementary/Middle School Regional Science Bowl sponsored by the Bonneville Power Administration. Out of fifty-nine teams competing, *Shahala's* team #1 finished 4th place. **Peter Lu** was named to the Science Bowl's All-Star team.



From (l-r) **Josiah Low**, **Sophie Cong**, **Waverley He**, **Peter Lu**, and **John Correy**. The coach is parent volunteer **Steven Lu**.

The T-Wolf Café at *Heritage High School (HHS)* was among 43 school stores that achieved Gold Level Certification as part of the DECA School-based Enterprise Certification program and will be recognized at DECA's International Career Development Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. This is the second year in a row that *HHS* has been chosen for this award.

The following students from *Evergreen* and *Heritage High Schools* will advance to the DECA State Career Development Conference: *Evergreen High School*: **Matthew Baird**, **Hannah Brotherton**, **Megan Bruckner**, **Elizabeth Ceja**, **Kelsey Henderson**, **Hannah King**, **Michael Lee**, **Andreas Martinson**,

Masha Polzova, Amanda Stephens and Angela Valdez. *Heritage High School:* **Hannah Terry, Mati Hendrickson and Nereo Garcia.**

Mountain View High School's debate team took first place in the sweepstakes division among 10 schools at the Ridgefield Spudder Speech and Debate Tournament in January. Congratulations to the following students: **Miranda Lan, Taylor McManus, Hunter Beetham, Louisa Fan, Bradley Lan and Connor Simons.**

Congratulations to *Union High School Jazz Ensemble 1* for being selected to perform at the Willamette University Jazz Festival a few weeks ago in Salem, OR. Outstanding musicianship awards went to the following students: **Taylor Swoverland, Kelly Campbell and Rachel Pitts.**



From (l-r) Eric Hou, Victor Chang, Ryker Gilbert, Jason Liu, Josiah Low, Ming Liu, Todd Parsons, Brian Hong, Peter Lu, Courtney Huss, Waverley He, Austin Chang, and Sophie Cong.

Students from *Shahala Middle School* participated in the Southwest Washington Chapter MathCounts competition at Clark College last weekend with the following results: In the individual competition - **Victor Chang**, first place, **Peter Lu**, second place and **Jason Liu** finished third. The team of **Austin Chang, Victor Chang,**

Brian Hong and Peter Lu won first place; **Sophie Cong, Waverley He, Jason Liu and Josiah Low** placed second; and **Ryker Gilbert, Eric Hou, Courtney Huss and Ming Liu** finished in third.

The following students from *Heritage High School* participated in the Southwest Washington Regional Future Business Leaders Association Winter Conference and will advance to the state competition in April: **Kyle Grissom, Dru Youngs, Anna Johanson, Michelle Siegal, Ashley Thompson, Josh Winward, Dakota Tinker, Stephen Wu, Cole Price, Chris Clow, Karissa Forwood, Brock Huddleston, Matt Nicholas, Sean Lim, Elvis Pring, Alexa Brittain, Zhanna Vuziy, Aysha Johnston, Tyler Holbert and Jake Smith.**

Serving the Community

Evergreen Public Schools students from across the district have been working on various fundraisers to help the relief efforts for the people of Haiti including: *Hearthwood Elementary School's* students and staff held a penny drive raising a total of \$894.31 for the American Red Cross and the Haiti Relief and Development Fund and *Pioneer Elementary School* raised \$500 for the organization. *Sunset Elementary School* partnered with Franz Bakeries for the Soles4Souls relief effort – collecting 971 pairs of shoes in four days! Students

at *Fisher's Landing Elementary School* raised close to \$6,000 to send to Haiti for medical help. "Helping Hands for Haiti" involved students making a paper cutout of their hand, writing their name on it and placing them around the outer perimeter of the media center. The goal was to simulate a giant "hug" for the people of Haiti and to collect donations. Principal **Joe Seagram** matched the amount raised by the classroom that donated the most.

Covington Middle School honor society students held a food drive collecting 2,785 canned and boxed items to donate to F.I.S.H. in Orchards.

School News

Riverview Elementary School siblings **Joshua and Luke Jensen** were cast as extras in the recently released film "Extraordinary Measures" featuring **Harrison Ford** and **Brendan Fraser**. The film was shot in and around the Vancouver, Portland Metropolitan area. Both boys have Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, a disease similar to Pompe disease, featured in the movie.

From (l-r) Luke Jensen, Brendan Fraser, Kiley McClay (from Centralia, also appeared in the movie) and Joshua Jensen.



Riverview Elementary School's students recently visited the Portland Rose Garden Arena to work on their basketball skills with legendary Harlem Globetrotter **Dizzy Grant**, KGW Channel 8 TV personality **Drew Carney** and **Joe Vithayathil** from KPTV Channel 12.



Scholarships & Grants

Mountain View High School senior **Ellerie Chen** and *Legacy High School* senior **Sheleena Giles** have been selected to receive the 2010-2011 Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship of \$1,000. This award, funded by The Comcast Foundation, recognizes high school seniors for commitment to community service, academic achievement and demonstrated leadership.

Staff Achievements

Evergreen High School (EHS) teacher **Christian Kaneen** has received a State Farm educational grant for \$1,000 for the *EHS* Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education Coalition program.

Congratulations to *Union High School* band teacher **Lewis Norfleet** whose composition “He With Reel” was commissioned by the Washington Music Educators Association. The piece was performed by the Washington All State Wind Ensemble at a recent conference.

Evergreen Public Schools’ nurses and employees participated in the annual “Stride and Ride” walkathon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) held earlier this month at the Lloyd Center Mall. ‘The Jensen Joggers’ raised \$7,400 in pledges towards research, equipment and MDA summer camp.



The ‘Jensen Joggers’ pictured with Luke Jensen (l) and Joshua Jensen (center), both boy’s suffer from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

Silver Star Elementary School physical education specialist **Brandi Bazarro** has been awarded the 2009 Physical Education Division Award from the Washington Alliance for Physical Education for her dedication to teaching physical education.