



Go 'STANGS!!

February 2014

Home of the Mustangs

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all of the parents who increased academic communication with our teaching staff this past month. As with any opportunity for parents to visit with staff about their child's progress, I hope you have found it valuable and rewarding. I have received positive comments from both staff and parents about this newly refined commitment to work together. Educational success requires partnerships that make a difference, and a parent's role is the largest one with ensuring students meet their potential. I look forward to the next chance we have to support our students together.

As we approach progress time during the second trimester, I would like to remind parents to continue to monitor your student's grades on Parent Assist and if you would like to meet with any or all of your student's teachers, please make contact with them. If you have not logged onto Parent Assist, I encourage you to do so. You may contact our office for instructions and your password if you are unsure how to do so. Parent Assist affords you the opportunity to not only look at current grades but look at individual or missing assignments, quiz and test grades. You may also monitor your student's attendance and contact teachers by email.

Parent-Teacher conferences are here and it is our hope you will attend in an effort to extend communication. Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 4pm - 6pm and Friday from 8am - 3:30pm, our staff is available for conferencing. Please take this opportunity to learn, listen, inquire, and celebrate successes and the challenges that your son/daughter has or needs to overcome.

Lastly, we are in the midst of the cold and flu season. If your student is home ill please contact the attendance office the day of his or her absence so that the school and teachers are notified. We are trying to improve our school wide action with homework requests that benefit students and parents alike. Just as a reminder, once a student reaches 10 or more unexcused absences in a row, the student will be dropped from enrollment and will need to be re-enrolled. We have some students that tend to bounce around this attendance threshold and I am asking for your help with tracking and making an attempt to hold your son/daughter accountable for their school attendance. It should also be noted that if your student is between the ages of 7 and 18, and has unexcused or excessive absences that can be determined by ORS 339.925 you as the parent may be fined \$150.00. After the third offense for students in age 7-14, the parent may be fined for up to a maximum amount of \$720.00 under ORS 163.577. Please check your student's handbook for an in depth look at our attendance policy. Our main goal is to see students walk across the stage in four years and in most cases, poor attendance negatively affects the student's ability to learn that which is required to attain credits and the essential skills needed for graduation. Hope the rain finds you happy!

Respectfully Submitted,

Daye Stone, HVHS Principal



**Special points of interest:**

- Drama Club - Thursdays
- Driver's Training- Tuesday and Thursday
- After School Tutoring- Mon/Wed
- Presidents Day 2/17 No Classes

Hidden Valley High School



Class of 2014



Dear Senior Parent:

June 3, 2014, Graduation Day!



**IS YOUR SENIOR ON TRACK TO GRADUATE?**

It is each student's responsibility to make sure that they are taking the necessary classes to satisfy graduation requirements as well as meeting the OAKS standards in reading, writing, and math.

It is at this time that I am inviting you to participate in supporting your student's progress towards graduation by **asking to see their transcript**, verifying that the credits and classes are being met, as well as participating in **Parent Teacher conferences** on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

If your senior is not on track to graduate, I am asking that you call the Counseling Department at 862-2124 to set up a conference where we can explore options.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Amy J Lieser, Counselor Hidden Valley High School



## Upcoming Graduation Projects

**January 30**– Senior parent meeting @ 6:30 pm at Hidden Valley. This meeting is to discuss the Graduation Package. This consists of Senior Superstars, Baccalaureate and the All Night Graduation Party.

**February 1–April 16**– **Each senior is encouraged to pay \$40 towards the graduation party. With everyone's contribution\*\*, we would raise approximately \$5,500. To entice students to get their money in early, we are having a drawing for a brand new 36 in TV!!! Students who bring in their money will have their name entered into the drawing. The winning ticket will be drawn at the assembly before Senior Superstars.**

**April 18**- Senior Superstars is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the All Night Party. It is a competition between Hidden Valley and North Valley with competitive games being played. At the end of the night, a trophy is rewarded to the winning school. This night is a BIG deal. Decorations need to be made, t-shirts and tickets need to be sold, games need to be chosen.

**June 1**- Baccalaureate is an intimate graduation ceremony held at Hidden Valley. It is a time for seniors to openly share what high school meant to them. Seniors and their families are welcome. Refreshments are served.

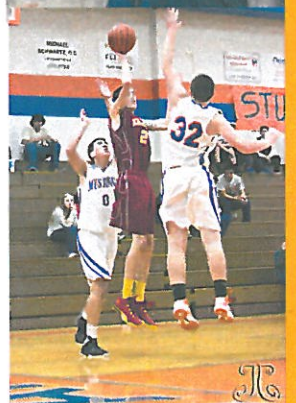
**June 3**– Graduation at Hidden Valley. @ 7 pm. An All Night Graduation Party beginning at 12 am to 5 am at the YMCA. We need to raise approximately \$10,000 for this event. At this moment we have about \$2,000. As you can see we need to fundraise, fundraise, fundraise.

Decorations need to be done, gifts bought and wrapped and, of course , tear down.

There is a lot to do. With much help, a lot can be accomplished in a little time . Please come to the meeting Thursday night to find out how you can help. If you have any questions, please call Liz Elkins at 541-862-2124.

\*\*Not every student is able to afford \$40. If you would like to sponsor a student(s), please contact the school.

# Hidden Valley Sports



## M U S T A N G S

A lot has been happening in the world of sports at Hidden Valley. The Girls Bowling team, coached by Rex Hart, has an **undefeated season!!** The boys bowling team has had 5 tournaments and has improved each team. Every basketball game has been super exciting with close endings. A note from Head Coach, Stu Burgess, "Mustang wrestlers placed 3rd out of 18 teams at the Sutherlin Classic last Saturday. Our goal was to place higher than 4th. It feels good to reach a goal. Chance Anderson was champion, Ben Haley, Derick Boice, Jared Hoppins placed 3rd. But, it took everyone winning a match here and there for our success."

If you find yourself at any HVHS sporting event, please email pictures to Liz Elkins at [elizabeth.elkins@threerivers.k12.or.us](mailto:elizabeth.elkins@threerivers.k12.or.us). You may find yourself featured in our monthly newsletter.

Support our athletes by attending their games. Below is a list of the upcoming events for February:

- 1st: Equestrian @ Jackson County Expo
- Swimming @ North Medford High School
- Wrestling @ Douglas High School
- Bowling Districts @ Caveman Bowl
- 4th: Boys/Girls Basketball @ Hidden Valley
- 5th: Wrestling @ Klamath Union High School
- 7th: Boys/Girls Basketball @ Phoenix High School
- 8th: Wrestling @ Cottage Grove High School
- 11th: Boys/ Girls Basketball @ Hidden Valley
- 14th: Swimming Districts @ Coos Bay
- Boys/Girls Basketball @ Hidden Valley
- 15th: Wrestling District s @ North Valley High School
- 18th: Boys/Girls Basketball @ North Valley
- 20th: Boys/Girls Basketball @ Hidden Valley (Senior Night)
- 21st: Boys/Girls Basketball Playoffs @ Hidden Valley
- Bowling State Tournament @ Lava Lanes
- Swimming Varsity State @ TBD
- 28th: Equestrian @ Jackson County Expo

For specific times and directions, please see our website at [www.skylineoregonconference.org](http://www.skylineoregonconference.org)



# Hidden Valley FBLA

January 24, 2014



**HVHS FBLA 12-Time Current State Champions in Business**



## Recent!

On Wednesday the 22nd of January Hidden Valley Future Business Leaders of America implemented their fire education day. On this day students partook in an assembly that educated students about the career of being a firefighter. A small group of students also partook in the first enrichment which had extrication, extinguisher training, timed turnout course, hose pull, and a crawl hall. The goal of this project was to educate students about fires and firefighting. In the next month we will also be having job shadows for FBLA members at three of Rural Metro's stations. We would like to thank Applegate Fire Department, Williams Fire Department, Rural Metro Fire Department, Indian Creek Dismantlers, and Oregon Department of Forestry for making this day as big of a success as it was.

On February 1st 113 kids will be on a bus to Cottage Grove High School to compete in everything from taking a test to public speaking. This event will help us prepare for state. It will be a fun and exciting trip for everyone who goes.

This year's American Enterprise team is conducting a Business Boot-camp, where our HV FBLA chapter is partnering with Lincoln Savage Middle School's Leadership class in order to benefit their school, and local nonprofits in our community. The American Enterprise team's main focus is to show students the importance of nonprofits and grants in our community. Students have been coming every Tuesday to HV (since January 15th) to learn a different lesson each week that will help them become leaders. On the sixth and final week, February 18th, there will be a competition called Fort Triumph at Lincoln Savage. At this competition students will compete in teams against each other for a \$500 grant to help fund an activity or project that they think would be beneficial at Lincoln Savage, as well as another opportunity to present the nonprofit of their choice with a grant of \$1,000. This project is where the leaders of Hidden Valley and the leaders of Lincoln Savage are coming together to benefit our community.

## What is upcoming?

In April, FBLA members from all over Oregon will be competing in FBLA competitive events. Hidden Valley High School's FBLA chapter will head up a day early as they do every year to go to a family fun center, eat at the spaghetti factory, go bowling, and have a blast! The day after, we will begin to compete in the competitive events for two days in a row and announce the people who will be moving on to the national level competition. Our chapter will also be going for our 13th consecutive state title! Wish your FBLA chapter luck!

**It is time to prepare! Lock in and Mud football will be taking place this February! During lock in, students will have the opportunity to be at school all night long, playing games, talking, and NOT sleeping! All activities are being planned by the chapter officers and Mr. Pendleton, so be prepared for something fun! In mud football, we will play "flag" football in the mud (if that part was not obvious). If you plan on participating wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.**

Students can still join. See Mr. Pendleton in Room D6.

# Enrichments

*Enrichment classes are going strong during our 2nd trimester. We have new classes being offered. They are: Hebrew, Spanish Refresher, and Self Protection. Our Quartet enrichment class was featured in the November/December Harmonizer magazine. Below is an excerpt of the article:*

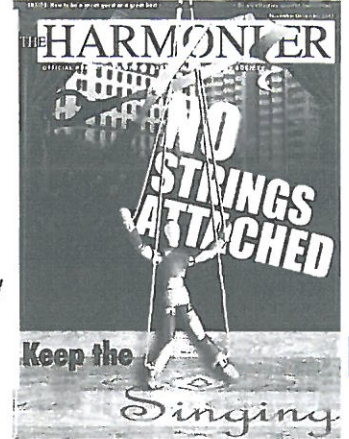
For students of one high school, a twice-weekly a cappella class taught by members of the Rogue Valley, Ore., Chapter is the only singing option available from the school. About three dozen students signed up for the a cappella elective after the school released its band teacher, who had also been teaching choir. The chapter stepped in, having already built a strong working relationship with the school superintendent during seven years of teaching singing in elementary schools. The chapter is doing its best to bridge the musical gap while encouraging the



**Bob with a mixed quartet**

district to hire a full-time music educator. The students wanted to learn something contemporary, so the chapter commissioned

famed arranger Kirby Show to create mixed voice versions of "When I'm Gone" ("The Cups Song" made famous in the movie *Pitch Perfect*) that are suitable for high school voices. (Donations from community leaders were already in hand.) The students can't wait to perform it for their peers. The chapter, which now owns the rights to the song, is looking at ways it could someday be available through the Society. Kirby Show, meanwhile, is creating barbershop arrangements of contemporary songs specifically for widespread release by the Society.



Featured is Danielle Parrish, Dominique Nielsen, Mayson McLoyd, Brandon Kersten

*If you would like to invest your time and teach an enrichment class, please call the school at 862-2124.*



**Remember to call the office when your student is sick or going to be gone**



## "POULTRY IN PARADISE!"

**Tone Deaf Quartet**  
Cook Islands Tour Benefit Concert

**Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00PM**  
Riddon Valley High School  
"In The Commons"  
651 Murphy Creek Rd, Grants Pass

**SUGGESTED DONATION**  
Adults \$10 / Students \$5

Proceeds Benefit Tone Deaf's Cultural Exchange @ Riddon Valley High School  
More info call 541-862-1100 • [www.facebook.com/ToneDeafQuartet](http://www.facebook.com/ToneDeafQuartet)

*Featured Artist of the Month*  
Haley Notter



# Counseling/Career Center

Progress Reports will be handed out Monday, February 3

Schedule for Conferences  
Thursday, February 6 and  
Friday, February 7  
\*No Classes February 7\*

Thursday	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Library
Friday	8:00 – 11:30	Classroom
Lunch	11:30 – 12:00	Lunches
	12:00 – 4:00	Classroom



You can check your students grades and attendance anytime by visiting our website at [www.threerivers.k.12.or.us](http://www.threerivers.k.12.or.us).

Parents-Parents Vue

Please call the office to receive your activation code.

## Seniors apply for the following Scholarships:

- RCC Foundation, deadline 3/03/14 [www.rccfoundation.org.awards](http://www.rccfoundation.org.awards)
- Oregon Student Access Commission (OSAC) – 480+ scholarships administered by the State of Oregon. Apply by Feb 18<sup>th</sup> and they'll check to be sure your application is complete and enter your name in a drawing for multiple \$500 bonus scholarships. Deadline to apply is March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. [www.oregonstudentaid.gov/scholarships.aspx](http://www.oregonstudentaid.gov/scholarships.aspx)

**See College/Career Center for information on scholarships and for help applying to colleges.**

Feb. 14 & 15	Southern Oregon University is having their Preview Weekend
Feb 17	OIT Tech Trek Day OSU Spring Preview PSU Viking Visitation
Feb 22	WOU Winter Preview Day
March 1	EOU Spring Preview Day