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Congressional Silver Medal

Congressman, Tom McClintock, recently presented the Congressional Silver Medal to Oak Ridge student, Tiffany Wong. Ms. Wong was awarded for her extensive volunteer service, personal development, physical fitness, and exploration. She helped the local community through El Dorado County Youth Commission, El Dorado County Teen Court, the California Association of Student Council, and the US Naval Sea Cadets. She also applied her piano skills in public service by playing with Sierra Symphony and organized a group of young artists playing at local senior centers. This past summer, Ms. Wong contacted the El Dorado County Mental Health Division after she identified a great training that they offer called “Mental Health First Aid.” The free, interactive training will arm the public with skills to help identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance abuse disorders. She urged and coordinated to bring the “Mental Health First Aid” Training to our schools in El Dorado County. She was fortunate and grateful that she received full support from her Principal, Mr. Aaron Palm. “Oak Ridge High School is so proud of Tiffany and all that she has accomplished. She is a true asset to our school and our community” said Mr. Palm. After a few months of coordination with the program’s trainer, Stephanie Carlson, the El Dorado Union High School District offered the training for free to all administrators and counselors from the entire district. Ms. Wong plans to continue this journey working with the County Youth Commission and the Board of Supervisors. Her next goal is to bring Mental Health First Aid to teachers, students, and parents of all schools within El Dorado County. Congratulations Tiffany!



Indian Education Project

The El Dorado/Amador Counties Indian Education Project “Title VII” serves the academic and culturally related needs of Native American students grades K-12, attending public schools in the two county area. They offer free tutoring, computer labs, resource materials, monthly cultural activities, and much more to Native students and community members. Union Mine student, Virginia Hefner, has been involved with the project since she was in the second grade. Over the years, she has stayed connected to her Native culture while developing many wonderful leadership skills. She was asked by Chairman, Fredrick Clarin, to serve on their Parent Committee. She was selected to serve on the Committee by a unanimous vote. Fredrick Clarin, said “ Congratulations to Ms. Hefner on this great honor!”

Jon Schamber Invitational

The El Dorado High School (EDHS) Speech and Debate Team recently competed in the 35th Annual Jon Schamber Invitational at the University of Pacific. 320 competitors contended at the tournament and triathlon. With Coach Nicholls at the helm, 3 of their 14 teammates ranked in the top 10 and they also took 3rd place in Varsity Duo. “All the time Coach Nicholls sacrifices for the team has inspired me to try my best at every tournament,” said a Freshman Speech and Debater. Congratulations to the EDHS Speech and Debate Team!



Poetry Out Loud Competition

Poetry Out Loud is an annual poetry recitation competition in which hundreds of thousands of high school students from every state and territory in the United States perform classic and contemporary poetry that they have learned by heart. The aim is to encourage the study and appreciation of great poetry. Students engaged in the program not only learn about their literary heritage, but also build self-confidence through mastering public speaking skills. Congratulations to Independence High School student, Ciara Melton-Fielder, the 2016 El Dorado County Poetry Out Loud finalist and winner!

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