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Bedlam Boxtops

The annual bedlam boxtop for education challenge ended with a landslide win for OSU fans. The OSU Cowboy fans collected 2,655 boxtops while OU Sooner fans collected 918 boxtops. Go Cowboys!

**Best Personality
 (Selected by their peers)**

Freshmen:

Trevor Norman
 Hannah DeHaas

Sophomores:

Jesse LeClair
 Callie Lane

Juniors:

Sheldon Kihega
 Kiley Belair

Seniors:

Ty Miller
 Kayley Tah-Delodge

**I Love My Job . . .
 Just Call Me Mr. Clean!**

I have a new job and I love it! I work for Frontier Public School as part of the Vocational Rehabilitation program. It is a new program this year and it is fantastic. I clean Mrs. Weckstein's, Mrs. Scherman's and Mrs. Nelson's room during 6th hour. Then I work Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays after school for one hour and catch the tutoring bus home.

During school, when I go into a classroom, the first thing I look for are big pieces of trash and I pick them up. Mrs. Kincannon taught me this last year in preparation for this job. I vacuum the rooms

and clean the student desks every day. However, I wipe the computers and their tables and big counter only once a week. Also, I always check the pencil sharpener to see if it needs to be dumped.

After school, I take all the trash out of the middle school classrooms and I vacuum all the middle school hallways. Once I collect all the trash, I take it out to the dumpster. Then my one hour is up and it is time to go home and finish my homework.

I can only work 10 hours a week but that is better than nothing. I love my job.



Mr. Clean Sophomore CJ Williams helps make sure students and teachers have a clean school that they can be proud of.

Photo by: **Jennifer Nelson**

By **CJ Williams**, Writer

Frontier Print Media Staff

Honored in 2014 Gallery of Excellence

The 2014 Frontier yearbook was inducted into Walsworth Yearbook's 2014 Gallery of Excellence. The Gallery of Excellence is a showcase of the best yearbooks published by Walsworth. Only a small percentage of yearbooks are selected for the Gallery each year.

Yearbooks in the Gallery demonstrate comprehensive coverage, innovative design

and superior copy and photography, and are used nationally as idea generators. These yearbooks are often displayed at regional, state and national conventions and workshops. Covers and spreads from many of these books are used as examples in Walsworth's education materials, such as the *Possibilities* idea book, *Idea File magazine* and the *Day-by-Day*

calendar.

Gallery books ignite the creativity in other yearbook staffs. The induction of a yearbook honors the staff's dedication and hard work. Congratulations to the 2014 Frontier Print Media staff for this tremendous achievement.

By **Don Walsworth**, Walsworth President



Well Done! Congratulations to the 2014 Mustang Print Media staff.

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Most Likely to Live in a Haunted House (Selected by their peers)

Freshmen:

Ayo Harjo
Madison Westbrook

Sophomores:

Austin Sawyer
Coyshayta Shotton

Juniors:

Caleb Webster
Janice Waters

Seniors:

Che' Deer
Endonnis Tohee

Make Mistakes?

The proactive approach to a mistake is to acknowledge it instantly, correct and learn from it.

~ Stephen Covey

Frontier 4-H News
Noble County 4-H Has Talent

Sixteen members performed in nine acts and/or announced the acts for the annual Noble County 4-H Has Talent. The small act (Charity Pulliam, Jaelyn McCormick, Taelor Baetz, and Kiley Belair) and the large act (Hunter Buchanan, Grace Williams, Laramie Kodesh, Shelbi Wilkins, Kolton Wilkins, and Shelby Siler) both received Grand Champion and will represent Noble County at the NW District 4-H Has Talent competition in Fairview, Oklahoma on January 24, 2015.

Follow us on Facebook at Frontier Fourth and on the Frontier Public School's website. You can find the 4-H link under the Organizations link.

Frontier Ag Booster
Chili Cook-off

Twenty-one 4-H'ers participated in the Ag Booster Chili Cook-off and Auction by making chili and donating/displaying auction items. Grace Williams received 1st place, Taelor Baetz received 2nd place, Kelby Linn received 3rd place, and Shelbi and Kolton Wilkins received the table décor award.

By **Grace Williams, Reporter**

Lance West ...
Mustang's Best Teammate

Lance West was voted "Mustang's Best Teammate" by his peers because he keeps a positive attitude and always encourages others. Lance works hard each day in practice and shows a lot of heart and competitive fire. Lance won't let anyone beat themselves up about a mistake. He always encourages them to get better. Congratulations to Lance West for being voted "Mustang's Best Teammate."

By **Eli Horinek, Writer**

4-H Upcoming activities:

- December 5 - Noble County 4-H County-wide Lock-in at the Perry Fairgrounds 7:30 PM - 7:30 AM
- December 8 - 4-H Day at Oakwood Mall in Enid, OK registration due
- December 8 - State 4-H Record Book workshop at the Perry Fairgrounds at 5:30 PM
- December 12 - County 4-H Ambassador applications due in Perry, OK by 4:00 PM
- December 17 - Club meeting/Christmas Party in Frontier Alt. Ed. Classroom at 3:45 PM
- December 19 - Noble County Spring Livestock Show nominations due (contact Mr. Henderson)

By **Grace Williams, Reporter**

Leader in Me -- 7 Habits Crossword

Down	Across
1) The habit of Personal Responsibility	1) The habit of Creative Cooperation
2) The habit of Mutual Benefit	2) The habit of Personal Management
3) The habit of Empathic Communication	3) The habit of Personal Vision
4) The habit of Daily Self-Renewal	

Be Proactive ...

Your Path to Independence

Because no one will influence your life more than you, it is important that you make a plan for your life and take action so you can meet your goals. This is called being proactive and it is the cornerstone for success.

This year students are being introduced to the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens through the Leader in Me program. They learn how to become ef-

fective leaders and how to take control of their life and take responsibility for their actions.

Learning to be proactive is a personal victory and the foundation for the other 7 Habits. So use your opportunities, free will, and hard work to change yourself, your circumstances, and in the end your life. Be Proactive!

By **Winona Breuninger, Writer**

BRRRRR.....IT'S GOLD OUTSIDE!

Donate coats to the Frontier 4-H Coat Drive!

Where: Frontier School drop sites located near the entrances

What: Gently used coats, jackets, hoodies, gloves, mittens, and hats

When: Until noon on Friday, December 19, 2015



December Birthdays

High School

Sheyenne Butler
Hannah DeHaas
Alyssa Hall
Ibuki Hara
V'fastv' Harjo
Kyle Lane
Rachelle Plumley
Alexander Pohawpatchoko
Houston Primeaux
Charity Pulliam
Jaysen Ratliff
Gabriel Rhodd
Ian West
Lance West

Middle School

Zavius Burgess
Raymond Cerre
Brandi Rushing
Shelby Siler
Saria Urbina
Daniel Warrior
Grace Williams
Mamie Younge

Elementary

Anias Black
Derek Black
Avery Butler
Brody Coats
Jessiekah Cook
Luke Draffin
Karsin Edwards
Davane Gibson
Kaitlyn Harman
Melvin Harragarra
McKinnlee Hawk
Gabriel Lieb
Ezra Lindell
Delilah Murner
Briana Neely
Cameron Pettit
Stoni Pipestem
Haidyn Plumley
Rachel Ramirez
Katlyn Ruff
Daniel Rushing
William Smith
Nevin Warrior



Peer Pressure

It's Your Life, It's Your Choice

Have you ever done something you didn't want to do because your friends were pushing you to do it? Well that's peer pressure. Everybody encounters peer pressure every day, some just ignore it and some give in to it. "I just ignore it and let them know that I'm my own person and I can make my own decisions," said Eli Horinek. "I don't let people push me around, and I stick up for myself," said Kelsey Hawk.

How people deal with peer pressure is the key to either giving into it or ignoring it. It is tough to be the only one who says "no" to peer pressure but you can do it and your life may be better because you did.

There are several ways you can handle peer pressure, walk away from a bad or dangerous situation, avoid those people who might lead you to do things you don't want to do, have a response in mind for commonly ask for request. If you give in to peer pressure it may change your life in ways you can't imagine and put your future in jeopardy. Before you make your decision think about the outcome of your actions. Can you live with the consequences? Remember it's your life and it's your choice.

By **Jesse LeClair**, Writer

More Than Just a Bench Warmer

Is it just the starters who are important to the team, or just the substitutes, or are benchwarmers important too? Why do benchwarmers continue to hang in there day in and day out, year after year knowing they will have few opportunities to play? The answers are simple.

Benchwarmers are important because every good team needs a support system. They are the people who help hold the team together

Mustang Inspiration

Mustang Inspiration is about **INSPIRING** students to **DO GOOD** things in our community and helping them to be the **BEST PERSON** they can be.

You can access the blog through the Frontier home page. ~ Link is coming soon.

By **Karryssa Williams**, Designer

Mustang & Lady Mustang Basketball
Highlights and Statistics

Glencoe: November 18, 2014

Frontier opens against the Glencoe Panther at home. The girls got their first win.

Boys - Nolan Childs shoots the lights out, hitting 5 three pointers. The boys ended their game with a loss 77-100.

Girls - Alivia Molina started off her senior year with the game of her life! She scored 20+ points, and was dominant on the boards. She got fouled at least three times while shooting layups and still managed to finish strong. She then went to the free throw line to add more points to her team's total. Alivia Molina fouled out in the 4th quarter with 6 minutes to go, followed by Thristian Young and Janice

Waters-Romero. The girls were victorious over Glencoe with a final score of 65-60.

Ripley: November 21, 2014

Boys - The boys picked up their first win against the Ripley Warriors. Justin Collins got 12 rebounds against Ripley. The Mustangs won 57-30

Girls - Kristan Molina hit Buzzer beater off the lady mustangs Box play at the end of the 3rd quarter. Michaelanne Nelson went out with a knee injury during the second quarter, giving more playing time to the bench players. The Lady Mustang won their game 47-26.

By **Tori Harris**, Writer

team, the ones who keep the team going," said Alivia Molina. Benchwarmers hang in there and the experience is great. Being a benchwarmer builds more character than you think. Quitting is the easy option but when you quit you not only hurt yourself but you hurt your teammates. When benchwarmers look back on their high school career they have the experience of being a part of a team and they have learned how to put others before themselves.

By **Atalie Hatchett**, Writer

January Birthdays

High School

- Kiley Belair
- Katherine Bennett
- Jaron Black
- Kaleb Bottger
- Winona Breuninger
- Teri Buntt
- Nolan Childs
- Atalie Hatchett
- Kelsey Hawk
- Colton Lane
- Austin Sawyer

Middle School

- Keeya Collins
- Amy Lane
- Xeneca LeClair
- Dante Lightfoot-Petrie
- Maelah Pratt
- Martha Ramirez
- Bobby Rhodd
- Anna Sawyer
- Kolton Wilkins

Elementary

- Skyla Alexander
- Kiara Black
- Madison Black
- Parker Case
- Alyssa Childs
- Josie Gottfried
- Malikhi Hernandez
- Maria Orr
- Samuel Pruett
- Brayden Rexford
- Hannah Tackett
- Kirklyn Warrior
- Clayton Williams
- Isaac Williams



Take Action

If you're not making mistakes, then you're not doing anything.

I'm positive that a doer makes mistakes.

~ John Robert Wooden



Stone Soup. Third graders join in the cooperative spirit of the Stone Soup folk story as they make stone soup and share it with their parents.

Photo by: **Katie Bennett**

Lifes Most

Embarrassing Moments

We've all had embarrassing things happen to us in school and while they all wish to stay anonymous here are a few stories from some of our Frontier Mustangs.

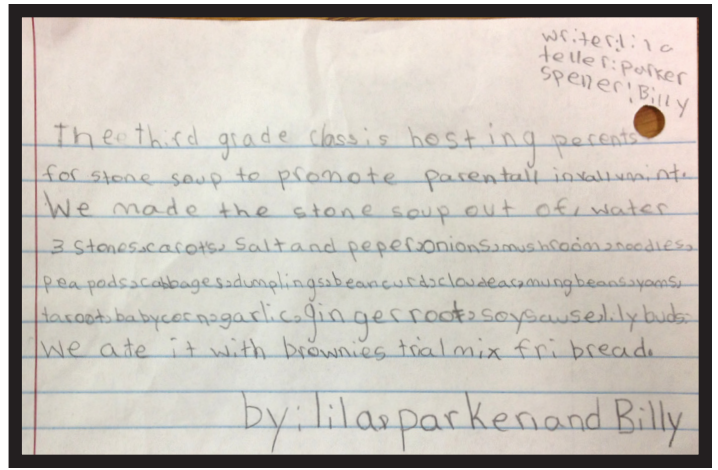
"One time in class I was going to sit down and somebody pulled my chair out from under me. I fell in slow motion and awkwardly squatted to the ground while the whole class watched."

"We were in gym class playing dodge ball and I went to pick up a ball while running and lost my balance and face planted in front of the whole gym class."

"During silent reading time I had a coughing fit and while I was coughing I accidentally farted. My class laughed at me for the rest of the week."

"I was walking to my table in the cafeteria and I slipped and fell on a green bean and dumped my tray all over myself. What made it even worse was the group of girls dying with laughter right next to me."

By **Janice Waters-Romero**, Writer

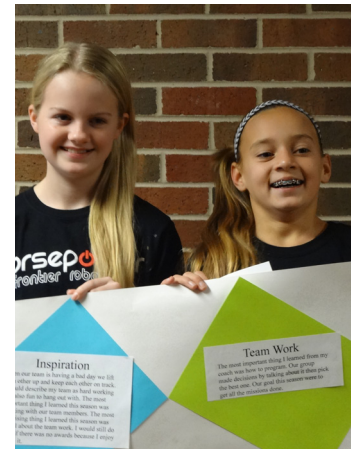


Technology Student Association Highlights Leadership, Science, Technology, and Engineering

The Technology Student Association (TSA) is an incredible organization to be in. Students have the opportunity to do several hands-on activities and get to go on TSA trips with our awesome instructor, Mr. Bell. Members also get to build Lego robots, write programs to operate the robots, and get to name them.

Each year our TSA chapter is proud to represent Frontier at numerous leadership trainings, mini-conferences, and the state competition. Our club generally brings home several awards and trophies. In January our TSA organization hosts its annual mini-conference. Chapters from around the state come to compete in middle school and high school events. If you love technology and want to be

part of an amazing organization TSA is the club for you.



State Qualifier. Kelby Linn and Audrey Kincannon explain Core Values at the Middle School Robotics State Qualifier.

Photo by: **Alan Bell**

By **Jamie Hutchison**, Writer

Hosted by
Frontier Inter Tribal Youth Council



Hand Game



- Location : Frontier School
- December 17, 2014
- Begins at 5:30
- All Students & Family invited
- Concessions available



Craziest School Experience . . .

No Day is Ever the Same!

What is the craziest thing that has happened to you as a school teacher?

Mr. Gottfried "One day I was at school and there was shoot out across the street from the school between a drug dealer and the police."

Mrs. Humble "Between classes I ran to the office and when I came back a couple minutes later my students had taken twine and wrapped it numerous times around the desk – tying all the desk drawers closed. I still haven't figured out how they did it in such a short period of time. My desk looked like a giant ball of twine."

Mr. Williams "I was setting at my desk when I heard something in the hallway. When I looked up I saw two students carrying a doe deer down the hallway."

Mrs. Faye "During homecoming week (duck dynasty day) someone took my fake duck for ransom."

Mrs. Treat "I would have to say the craziest thing that has happened to me would be getting a phone call two nights before school started letting me know I would be teaching high school English. I'm use to being around elementary and middle-school students, not high school seniors. But I was up for the task though."

Mrs. Romine "When I was student teaching I noticed a little girl had fur on her hands. I asked her what it was and she simply said, "Squirrel fur". Confused, I asked her to explain and she told me, "When I was waiting for the bus this morning I saw a pile of fur in the road. I tried to pick it up. Turns out, it was a dead squirrel." We promptly sent her to wash her hands."

Ms. Rachenda "I used some habanero peppers in a still- life drawing and a few kids ate them - almost choking from the heat! I told them they were too hot to eat."

Mr. Sinor "One of the craziest things that happened to me happened in 1985. I had just taken the girls basketball job at Kremlin- Hillsdale. The night before my first day, I was a little nervous about being late my first day of school. The next morning my alarm went off and for some reason I thought I had overslept. I jumped out of bed, took a shower, shaved, and got dressed for school. I hurried out the front door and walked across the street, and then I realized something wasn't right. First, it was still dark and second, there was nobody else there. Apparently I had dreamed the alarm went off and that I was late. I didn't tell a soul what I did."

By Callie Lane, Writer

Alivia Molina

Lady Mustang's Best Teammate

Alivia Molina is the Lady Mustang's choice for "Best Teammate." She encourages others with a constant smile and high fives. Alivia works hard, showing a lot of hustle during practice and games. Instead of letting negative things get her down she works on them. Not only

does Alivia motivate her teammates she shows self discipline and keeps her team and winning in mind. Congratulations Alivia Molina for being voted "Lady Mustang's Best Teammate."

By Eli Horinek, Writer

Teacher Highlights

Get to Know Your Teachers

Coming from Perry, Oklahoma is Mrs. Scherman, our new middle school math teacher. This is her first year to teach at Frontier. Mrs. Scherman was born on November 3 in Frederick, Oklahoma. What she likes most about teaching is working with kids and she just likes Math. As a student her favorite subject in school was math. She enjoys figuring out puzzles and working with numbers. She also enjoys spending time with her three sons and watching their activities. Her favorite hobbies include, gardening and cooking. In her high school days Mrs. Scherman was a tomboy/nerd. The furthest place she has ever traveled was to Niagara Falls, Canada.

Mrs. Hatchett was born on August 9 in Perry, Oklahoma. She has taught at Frontier for 9 years. Before coming to Frontier she taught at Perry and a little school called Sumner. What she likes best about teaching is that she loves students. In her spare time she enjoys going to

all her children's and student's extracurricular activities. Her hobbies include reading and woodworking. In her high school days she liked Spanish and she was also a very quiet and shy person. The furthest place she has ever traveled was to Vancouver, Canada.

Coming from Wanette high school is Mr. Gottfried. He was born in God's country, Stillwater, Oklahoma on December 13. He has taught at Frontier for 3 years. His favorite hobby is playing pool. When he is not at work he enjoys hanging out with family. What he likes about teaching is seeing the light come on and someone getting it. While in high school his favorite subject was Criminology. He liked the way the subject dealt with various things he found interesting. The furthest place he has evertraveled was to Yuba City, California.

By Tavia Clark, Writer



Worrying about family, friends, and school can be stressful and make us feel overwhelmed. Do you know how to recognize the signs of stress? You might find you are fighting more with friends and family members. Perhaps you are having trouble concentrating and finishing the things you start. Or you might always be tired because you are having trouble sleeping. These are common signs that you are experiencing high levels of stress that are impacting your everyday life.

So what do you do about stress? Here are a few simple things you can do to make

your life less stressful. Know your limitations. Getting involved in too many things can cause you to be too busy and raise your stress level. It is okay to say "no." Eating right, exercising, and getting plenty of rest are all great ways to lower your stress level. Taking deep, slow breaths can help you relax. Finally, it is okay to ask for help. Don't keep things bottled up inside. It is important to talk about the things that concern you. Family, friends, and teachers are all great resources.

By Chshayta Shotton, Writer

Sports Superstitions

Do They Really Impact the Final Outcome of a Game?

Superstitions are popular and vary from person to person. Some superstitions live on because they've been passed down from generation to generation such as walking under a ladder, knocking on wood, or carrying a lucky rabbit's foot. Superstitions are very common and date back to early man's attempt to explain nature and his own existence.

It seems athletes from all levels of competition have their own articles of clothing and routines they have to follow before a game or big event, and if they don't follow these ritual(s) they believe they will have bad luck or have a bad game. But are sports superstitions embraced here at this small rural school on the Oklahoma plains?

Information gathered from several Frontier athletes was very intriguing. While players Callie Lane and Katie Bennett claim they have no sports superstitions they are clearly in the minority. Over half of the players interviewed said they believe in various types of sports superstitions. "Yes, I do believe in superstitions. I

don't know why but it helps," said Jaysen Ratliff. So what inspires our players to "Mustang Up" for their given sport? Articles of clothing, hair styles, routines, and even music seem to motivate the Frontier Mustangs.

Following special routines were the most common type of sports superstition embraced by our athletes. If Alivia Molina wipes one shoe during a basketball game she has to wipe the other one then squeak both her shoes on the floor. Eli Horinek has to eat spaghetti or pizza the night before each basketball game. "I always have to be the last one to shoot before going to the huddle to start the game, and after half time," said Kristan Molina. Stetson Roubeaux and Che' Deer have to use the same free-throw routine every time they shoot. Alexis Romero said "When I tie my ankle braces, for basketball, I have to have the ties on the inside of my brace."

Our baseball and softball players also have special routines they follow to bring good luck. During the playoffs, Abi-

gail Ruff wears the same hairstyle and the same sliders, Tavia Clark prays before she goes up to bat, and Jesse LeClair uses the same bat while playing baseball. Athletes believe that these routines bring them good luck and help them have a good game.

It Seems clothing superstitions can bring good luck or bad luck to a player. "I will never wear anything with the Adidas name brand because I believe it brings bad luck due to all of the injuries seen in both the NBA and NCAA," said Justin Collins. Other Frontier athletes claim to possess lucky articles of clothing. Kaleb Bottger has lucky socks, while Eli Horinek and Lance West both have lucky sliders. Lady Mustang, Tori Harris, has to wear the same nail polish throughout the whole softball season.

Oddly music made the list of sports superstitions here at Frontier. Sheldon Kihega says music makes him play better, as if a mysterious power embodies itself from within the lyrics of the songs. "I have to listen to the same order of songs, fol-

lowed by the wearing of lucky sock and sliders. I also think of past experiences as a way to bring about a sense of luck. I do this every game in order to help me play better," said Jaysen Ratliff.

Is it possible the belief in sports superstitions can actually impact the outcome of a ball game? Does a player remembering, or forgetting to wear his/her lucky socks or follow a special routine impact their ability to play? Research indicates it does. It all comes down to the power of the mind. Sports superstitions seem to work because they give players confidence, which boosts the belief in their own abilities, resulting in improved performance. Whether it is something a player wears or something they do for good luck, it is obvious that the belief in sports superstitions is alive and well among our athletes.

By Che' Deer, Kristian Molina, and Abigail Ruff, Writers

Mustang Straight Talk

Questions from Teens ~ With Answers by Teens

Dear Mustang Straight Talk, between life at home and life at school I feel really stressed out and tired which makes it hard to focus. Signed ~ Stressed and Tired

Dear Stressed and Tired, as teens we have many struggles in life. Whether it's our parents fighting, stressing over an upcoming test, or being afraid you'll mess up in the big game, just know it's all going to be okay!

It is easy for us to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of life and that stresses us out. We need to learn to focus, we

have to take time out of our busy schedules and just take a breather.

When we don't take time to get rest and take care of ourselves our problems seem magnified and we have a tougher time dealing with everyday issues. Taking a breather will help you calm down and collect yourself.

Focusing on the positive things going on in your life will help us maintain a positive attitude and will help improve your mood and make your days less stressful.

So, the next time you feel like the world is going to end

remember to think positively and get some rest.

Dear Mustang Straight Talk, I sometimes have trouble balancing my schoolwork, school activities, and social life. Often I get so overwhelmed and frustrated with homework that I want to cry. Signed ~ Frustrated at Frontier.

Dear Frustrated at Frontier,

Most students at one time or another experience frustration over everything they have to do. We are typical teenagers trying to make it through this tough roller coaster called high

school.

Prioritizing activities and making a plan will help you accomplish your goals. Spend less time on social media and try to start homework as soon as possible. This will help overcome the frustration of procrastination.

Take advantage of after school tutoring opportunities and try not to be sad. If you make a plan and use your time wisely you will find that you can accomplish more in less time.

By Mustang Straight Talk Staff