

Weekly Update

A Weekly Review of Achievements & Activities in Cleburne ISD
January 12-19, 2016

45 Presented With Diplomas in TEAM School Winter Graduation Ceremony



Superintendent Dr. Kyle Heath presents Charnese Niles with her diploma, as one of 45 students honored in TEAM School Winter Graduation Exercises held Thursday. Retired U.S. Army Colonel Jerry Mangrum, who also served 27 years as a vice-president with Tandy



Corporation, was the commencement speaker in ceremonies held at The Heights Church.

Graduates Brandon Huggins and Maria Ramirez, right, were named recipients of the Farris Whitehead Award, an honor presented at each graduation in memory of the late Rev. Whitehead, who pastored the church for many years. The character award recognizes two students for their hard work, generous nature and compassion in reaching out to others. They are pictured with TEAM School Assistant Principal Loyd Smith and Principal Georgann Storm. Read more on the CISD website!

School Board Recognition Month Celebrations



John Finnell



June Bates

Seven school volunteers who make up the CISD governing board are getting the VIP treatment in their visits to elementary campuses in conjunction with School Board Recognition Month. On January 11, John Finnell Day was celebrated at Adams, along with Don Bonner Day at Marti. June Bates Day took place at Irving on Friday and Trustee Wendell Dempsey was welcomed at Santa Fe Tuesday. Elizabeth Childress Day is scheduled on Thursday at Cooke Elementary and Gerard will also be celebrating Teddy Martyniuk Day. Mike Witte Day will be observed January 29 at Coleman.



Don Bonner



Wendell Dempsey

Please View Our School Board Recognition Month Video on the CISD Website!



Melanie Looper

Melanie Looper Named to All-State Band

Cleburne High School senior Melanie Looper was selected for the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Band following auditions January 9 in Midland. Looper, who is a drum major in the Golden Pride and a member of the clarinet section of the CHS Wind Ensemble, was named to the 5A Symphonic Band. She has advanced to the Area level in the All-State audition process all four years at CHS, and was a member of the All-State Band as a sophomore. The six CHS students who auditioned at the Area level in the All-State Band and All-State Choir process were honored at last night's school board meeting.

Texas A & M Singing Cadets Perform at Smith Middle School



The Texas A & M University Singing Cadets made a special appearance at Smith Middle School Wednesday to perform for students involved in the SMS choir and band programs. Following the concert, Smith students had the opportunity to visit with the “voices of Aggieland”



to learn more about the university and its variety of programs. The Singing Cadets were brought to Smith through the efforts of the Johnson County A & M Club.

Campus Spelling Bee Competitions Underway in Preparation for Area Contest February 10



Irving Elementary Principal Joel Blalock leads the applause for campus Spelling Bee Champion Janelle Carrizales, center, and alternate Autumn Casillas. This is Carrizales' third year to win her school's spelling competition. All CISD elementary and middle school spelling bee winners will advance to the Area contest involving public and private school champions from across Johnson County. This year's county contest will take place February 10 at the CISD Central Offices.

Cleburne Rotary Club Presenting Dictionaries to All CISD Third Graders



Members of the Cleburne Rotary Club have been the guest speakers at third grade assemblies, including those at Irving, left, and Coleman, during which they presented students with dictionaries for use at school and home. Providing dictionaries for third



graders has been an ongoing project of the local Rotary organization and its efforts to promote literacy and assist students in increasing their reading, vocabulary and writing skills.

Golden Pride Bingo Night February 8

Golden Pride Bingo Night, sponsored by the CHS Band Boosters, will take place February 8, beginning at 6 PM in the CHS Cafeteria. The \$15 entry fee will include 10 games of Bingo and pizza. Proceeds from the event will assist with the Pride's travel expenses for their trip across the pond to march in the 2017 London New Year's Day Parade.

Lady Jackets Take San Marcos Soccer Tournament Championship



The Cleburne HS Lady Jackets came away as undefeated tournament champions at the three-day San Marcos soccer competition. Cleburne posted a 17-1 tournament record, allowing only one goal to be scored by opponents in four matches. The first home soccer game of the season for both the Lady Jackets and the Jackets will be January 26, as they take on Crowley at Yellow Jacket Stadium.

Coming Events . . .

Thursday, January 21 Coleman Elementary Science Night with the Perot Museum, 5-7 PM
CHS Baseball Parent Meeting 6:30 PM Lyceum

Friday, January 22 CHS Basketball at Aledo 5/6:30/8 PM

Saturday, January 23 Jacket Swim Team at District Meet Mansfield ISD Natatorium
CHS Winterguard at Lamar HS Contest Cleburne performs at 1:34 PM
Middle School All-Region Band Concert 2PM Joshua HS 21 Smith/Wheat Students Performing

January 29 is the last day to order the 2015-16 CHS Yearbook!