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Columbus Day Discussed

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Monday was Columbus Day. Its is a national holiday in which Christopher Columbus was credited with discovering the new world including America in 1492. Over 500 years have passed since the discovery and his trip is still celebrated by our nation's citizens. Bray said Columbus' real claim to fame is opening trade routes.

Mrs. Bray's class said they would honor her with a national holiday if given the choice.

They said that because they believe she is awesome.



Madill High School teacher Michelle Bray instructs students in her history class. Photo by Heather McQueary & Ellie Skinner.

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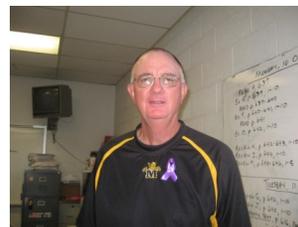
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Picking Purple Paramount to Purpose

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Madill High School will be decked out in purple this Friday during what is being called a purple-out in support of anti-abuse awareness. Purple t-shirts for the event have already been sold for \$15 each.

Mrs. Dodds sent out a message via telephone over the weekend to encourage faculty and students alike to wear purple throughout the week and especially on Friday. Money raised from t-shirt sales will go to the Marshall County Family Support Services.



Coach Hoppers wears a purple ribbon. Photo by Ellie Skinner

Fitting Team Finishes Fifth at Tulsa Contest

The Madill FFA fitting team finished in fifth place at the Tulsa State Fair. Members of the the team are Levi Shelby, Talon Alexander and Will Shelby. The fitting team competes in the area of preparing animals to be ready

Students of Month Selected

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Four students have been tabbed as students of the month for October at Madill High School.

These students are: Kady Huffstutlar, freshman; Kaylen Sweat, sophomore; junior, Macci Clement; and Miranda Bray, senior. Students are nominated and voted on by the faculty of the high school.

Students receive a certificate.

Students with the highest point totals win for that month.

Madill High School will be choosing students of the month through April of this school year.

In May, students of the year will be selected from the previous students of the month.

Students must maintain eligibility, be an example by following school policy and model school spirit in and out of the classroom setting to be nominated.



MHS students of the month are Kaylun Sweat, Kady Huffstutlar, Macci Clement and Miranda Bray.

MHS Blood Drive Approaching

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The Madill High School student council is sponsoring a blood drive with the Oklahoma Blood Institute on Oct. 27 in the high school media center.

The drive begins promptly at 8 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m.

Donors will receive either an OU or OSU t-shirt and will have a chance to win Bedlam football tickets.

The Madill High School student council sponsor is Michelle Bray. The council is also involved in the community.



The blood drive is set for Oct. 27 at the MHS media center. File photo

Erwin, Moore Commended by AP®

According to a letter sent to school administrators by College Board, Madill High School teachers Nicole Erwin and Jennifer Moore made significant contributions at the 2011 AP Reading in June for the College Board's Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) and Educational Testing Service.

High School AP teachers joined forces with college faculty who teach in the same discipline to score 412,666 exams



in Louisville, Kent.

The letter noted that careful evaluation of students' work by these faculty members and other highly qualified professionals is one of the most important aspects of the AP Program.

Many AP teachers report that participating in the AP Reading is an incredibly valuable professional development experience.

Madill Claims Second at Pre-State

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The Madill cross country teams ran to a runners-up finish at the pre-state meet in Edmond last Friday. Arturo Flores was the boys' top runner. He finished fourth. Lindsey Gregory was the girls' top runner. She also finished fourth.

The cross country teams also ran in the annual Reuel Little Classic run at William Ray Memorial Park in Madill last Saturday. They run at Hurst, Texas on Oct. 15.



'Cats Blast 'Horns Last Friday

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The 'Cats converted three Lone Grove first-half turnovers into 22 points to pull away from the Longhorns last Friday and win a key district 3A-2 contest 52-15 on the road to move to 4-2 on the year.

Sophomore defensive back Samuel Bond's interception on Lone Grove's first drive set the tone. The 'Cats moved 30 yards in five plays capped by Caleb Muncrief's 6-yard touchdown run with 8:51 left in the first quarter. Lone Grove answered just one minute later on the strength of a 63-yard scoring run by Bellavigna. It was tied 7-7 when Muncrief punched it into the end zone on a 3-yard run at the 2:27 mark of the first. Lone Grove took the lead 15-14 at the 9:03 mark in the second quarter on a 6-yard run by Bellavigna and a two-point conversion run by Jake McLannahan. Madill regained the lead with Buddy Tyner's 6-yard run with 7:26 left in the second period. Cody McAfee caught the conversion pass to make it a 22-15 Madill advantage. Luke Chapman's pick came near midfield as the ball spun out of the receiver's hands right



into his. Muncrief's 16-yard TD rush capped that drive and Madill led 29-15 after Arturo Flores' extra point with 4:43 left to go in the first half. Holden Cass picked off a pass on the next 'Horn drive. Once again, Madill marched to pay dirt finished off by a 6-yard TD pass to McAfee from Paten Bond. Madill led by the score of 36-15 at halftime. The 'Cats essentially slammed the door on the Longhorns by taking the third quarter's opening kick, melting 4:31 off the clock, then scoring on a 9-yard run by senior Jake Vinson at the 7:29 mark of the third. Madill added a safety with two seconds left in the third on a blocked punt out of the end zone to boost the Wildcat lead to 43-15. Bond took off on a 20-yard TD run with 5:43 to go in the game for Madill's last score of the night. Madill's defense held Lone Grove's vaunted rushing attack to 200 yards on the night and just 13 passing yards. Madill piled up 256 yards on the ground and 88 through the air. Muncrief led the rushing charge with 151 yards and Jackson Clement caught three passes for 58 yards to lead in receiving. They host Sulphur this Friday.

Alumni Game Set Saturday, Parent-Teacher Conferences Next Week

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Snake Arbuckle and Howard "Shorty" Marsh are names one may not recognize but they were football players at Madill High School before 1920.

In fact, they were on the 1916 squad that won Madill's only state title for football.

On Saturday, other former Madill players will take to the gridiron at 7 p.m. on Alumni Field for an alumni game.

In other news, the first nine weeks is coming to a close and a parent-teacher conference is slated for Oct. 18 after school until 9 p.m.

All parents are encouraged to attend the conference.

Parents were mailed a password and login to the new website for grades called wengage.com

Fall break will be Oct. 19-21.



Picture from a collection of MHS photos preserved digitally on computer by alumnus Darrell Ard now living in Richardson, Texas

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**It's a great day to
be a Wildcat!**



Quick Notes

Pet Vaccination Clinic Slated Thursday

The Madill FFA Chapter will hold a pet vaccination clinic on Oct. 13 at the ag building after school. Call 795-5027 for more information.

Hartin Collects Tulsa Win



Judge Hartin won division I reserve champ maintainer with his exhibit at the Tulsa State Fair last week. Photo submitted by Allen Serner by iphone