

Panther review

Calendar of Events

13 **Miss Gregg County Pageant**
9 p.m. at the Longview Fairgrounds

Spring Hill vs. White Oak
7:30 p.m. at Panther Stadium **14**

16 **National Honor Society Induction**
2:30 at L.L. Williamson Auditorium

Blood Drive
9 a.m. through 3 p.m. in the gym **17**

20 **Chick-fil-a Night**
4-10 p.m. at the Gilmer Rd. location

Homecoming
Spring Hill vs. Brook Hill
6:00 p.m. at Panther Stadium **21**

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Race for the County Crown

by Christian Adair

Tonight, at 9 p.m. at the Longview Fairgrounds, the Miss Gregg County Pageant will take place. This year's representative is junior Ashley Phillips.

"My inspiration in signing up for the pageant was to have an opportunity to represent my school in such a positive way," Phillips said. "I'm honored to have a chance at this title."

In the 2010 pageant, Brooke Davis won the title for our school, along with the spirit award. Although Amber Bennett won the crown in 2011, Gladewater received the spirit award.

"I hope I get the crown this year. Since we've won the past two years, there's a lot of pressure," Phillips said. "But, with the encouragement of our student body going insane, we have a good chance of bringing home the Miss Gregg County title and the spirit award."

The Miss Gregg County Pageant shouldn't be taken lightly. Planning for this pageant has been going on since the spring.

"I've spent a lot of time preparing for this competition," Phillips said. "Mrs. Kincy has been very helpful in the training process. She encourages me to stay positive and excited about the night."

Phillips says that her unique personality will set her apart from the other representatives and that she is very excited for the competition.

"This Miss Gregg County Pageant will leave an impact on me just by the preparation and poise," Phillips said. "But, if we bring home the crown and the spirit award, I know we'll be starting this school year off in a great way – united as Panthers."

The Spill Opens for Business

by Megan Hix

The Spill opened Wednesday, September 5th for all students and faculty members.

Since the beginning of the school year, staff members have been trained to use the machinery and learned the drink recipes.

"The first week of training was pretty hectic because I had to relearn everything from last year, along with a few new things," The Spill's assistant manager, senior Brenna Boudreaux said. "I'm glad training is over so I can start making drinks and earning money."

So far, the Dirty Drew and Mudslide drinks have been sold at special discounted rates and promotions like this will continue throughout the school year.

"We want to have a special cappuccino every week that we sell for two dollars," The Spill advisor, Holly Whittington said. "We also want to do special things for holidays, like having peppermint and gingerbread flavors."

This year, the spill will feature baked goods made by Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness teacher Dee Ann Coker.

"We are really excited to have Mrs. Coker bake for The Spill because it allows the students to have a variety of delicious choices," Boudreaux said. "It's a good addition to our yummy selections in the café."

You're Somebody's Type

by Shelby Lowell and Austin Haug

Carter Blood Care will be doing its semi-annual blood drive on Monday in the foyer of the high school gym. Students sixteen and older are eligible to donate blood. A parent's consent is required for any student if they're under seventeen. In order to wear a red cord at graduation, a student must give blood twice during their junior and senior years.

All the blood donated will go into Spring Hill's private blood bank. The blood in this bank is used to help anyone in Spring Hill who needs it at no cost.

"Usually the turnout is 40 to 50 people," blood drive organizer Charlotte Kincy said, "but we hope that everyone will come out and support it."

Varsity Volleyball Statistics

W- SH v. Lone Oak	2-0
W- SH v. Canton	2-0
W- SH v. Harmony	2-0
W- SH v. Quitman	2-0
W- SH v. Mabank	2-0
W- SH v. Van	2-0
W- SH v. Hallsville	3-0
W- SH v. White Oak	3-1
W- SH v. Pine Tree	3-2
Robinson Tournament	1st
W- SH v. Rosebud Lott	2-0
W- SH v. Reicher	2-1
W- SH v. West	2-1
W- SH v. Rogers	2-0
W- SH v. Milano	2-0
W- SH v. Lago Vista	2-1
W- SH v. Crawford	2-1
W- SH v. Carthage	3-0
L- SH v. Lindale	2-3
White Oak Tournament	2nd
W- SH v. Whitehouse	2-0
W- SH v. Lufkin	2-0
W- SH v. Elysian Fields	2-0
W- SH v. Athens	3-0
W- SH v. North Lamar	2-0
W- SH v. Robert E. Lee	2-0
L- SH v. Brock	0-2

Varsity and JV Football Start Strong

by Randell Collier and Matt Barker

- The Varsity team is off to a good start with a 1-1 record. The Panthers faced the Pleasant Grove Hawks in week 1 and edged them out 28-21. In week 2, they traveled to Athens where they received a disappointing 21-7 loss from the Hornets.
- The junior varsity has begun the season with an impressive 2-0 record having beaten Pleasant Grove 3-0 and slipping by Athens 7-6.

Come out and support the Panthers Friday as they face cross-town rivals White Oak.

Varsity Cross Country Hits Their Stride

by Londyn Bull, Kenzie Perry and Tobi Dillard

The varsity cross country team went through a few changes as Bobby Rush stepped up as the new head coach. The team consists mostly of sophomores with a few freshmen.

"Being the team leader after four years on the team is a big responsibility," sophomore Jacob Tomme said. "I know what's going on but it's also new to me in some aspects."

They have transitioned well, earning many individual medals in the two meets they have participated in.

"It's been fun working with the younger kids," Rush said. "After starting with them in junior high, I've learned that they are a fun group to be around."

Kase White placed eighth in the varsity boys' category at the Gerald Richey Invitational Meet this past Saturday and Samantha Morris placed twenty-third in the varsity girls'.

"I was definitely nervous being new to the team and the school," sophomore Destinee Thomas said. "But it's fun and worth it."

With goals to win district medals and qualify for state, the team will continue working hard in preparation for the rest of their season.

Sudoku

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			4	8				2
	6	7		9				4
		6			2			8
	9			7			1	
4			5				3	

Look for more games and brain-teasers in the upcoming issues of the Panther's Paw!

Since You've Been Gone...

- Mr. Lind has become our new principal.
- Don't be surprised to see a staff member with a beard.
- Don't go thirsty- bring your water bottle to class.
- Rain or shine, sleet or snow, students can wear shorts year-round.
- "I will be prepared to write sentences if I fail to bring my homework to class."
- We love our principal. Dress code changes include a shorter hemline for girls at 3 inches above the knee.
- Beware of lunch detention.
- Here's a tip: grab a hall pass before leaving the classroom.
- Trip, trip, hooray! Pride trips are available for those with good grades, behavior and attendance.
- Football pep rallies have moved to the new gym.
- Sleep in! Class starts fifteen minutes later this year.
- New Athletic Director Coach Chadwick has already led our teams to victory.
- The Blue Brigade has grown to 122 members, thirteen members more than there are in the senior class.