Athletic Board Report March 21, 2012

Middle School Girls Track

Our middle school girls track teams are having an excellent season! Our 800 and 1600 meter relays are blowing past their competition. The girls are beginning to find their knack and excel at both their individual and team events. Our field events are improving and getting better with each meet. The girls are having success in their events and enjoying track along with learning what it is all about!

Autumn Brown

Middle School Boys Track

Ozona ms track is in full swing and we are having a blast. We have 46 kids in our track program this year and we have done some great things. Our 8th grade distance kids have consistently been in the top five in each of our meets with Noe Medina winning the 2400 in all three meets that we have ran in, also Alan Landa and Kalen Perez have finished no less than 4th in both the 800 and 1600 with Noe also finishing in the top four as well in the 1600. Ben Badillo is also undefeated in the 400 with a personal best of 55 sec. Bryce Martin has been our hurdle guy finishing no less than 3rd in both 110 and 300 hurdles. All three relays have competed very well with 2 top three finishes in the 800 relay and 2 wins in the 1600 relay with a tem best 4:08. On the 7th grade side we have also had some success with Weston Fay leading the way with 3 top three finishes in both the shot and discuss. Our relays we have moved around a few time for various reasons but they have shown improvement with each meet. Thomas Fay has also emerged as a great field event guy with top 4 finishes in both high jump and long jump. We as a coaching staff are having a blast coaching and teaching these young Lions and watching them go as athletes and young adults.

John Esparza

Boys Powerlifting

Michael Vargas will compete at the Region 1 Powerlifting Meet on March 10 in Sundown. David Kennedy

Girls Regional Powerlifting

Jenny Venegas placed 4th in the 148 pound class at the Region 1 Girls Powerlifting meet. Her performance was highlighted with a 345 pound deadlift, and a 710 pound total. Daisy Guerra placed 5th in the 105 pound class and set personal best in the deadlift and bench press. Elizabeth Kennedy finished 6th in the 105 pound class and also set personal best in the deadlift and bench press.

Todd Iglehart/David Kennedy

Boys & Girls Golf

Both teams played at Bentwood Country Club on March 5. Michael Hill was low medalist on the boys team and Jessica Borrego was low medalist on the girls team. All golfers were disappointed with their scores and are working hard to improve. We will compete at Iraan on March 19 with the boys and then on March 20 with girls. David Kennedy

Tennis

Ozona tennis has been participating in many tournaments this season. Jenny Venegas and Kramer Hall have had a strong showing in doubles winning the first flight of the Fort Stockton Team Tennis Tournament. They also won two of the three mixed doubles matches at the Regional Team Tennis Tournament. The rest of the team continues to work hard and improve every day.

Chrissie Cooper

Girls Track

The Ozona Lady Lions Track Team got off to a good start at their first meet in Sonora. They finished 6th place, on the heels of Brady, with only four girls present at the meet. They run at home March 9th.

Erik Thormaehlen

Boys Track

The Ozona Lions track team kicked off the season on February 13th with running workouts during the athletic period and after school. With various sports going on during the spring, we have to organize our workouts so our athletes have the opportunity to participate in multiple sports. On Monday and Wednesday, our workouts are held after school and multisport participants are released at 4:30 to attend practice with their second sport. On Tuesday and Thursday we have our running workouts during the athletic period and have field events after school. This gives our multisport athletes time to practice field events before being dismissed at 4:30. The Lions track team has participated in two track meets with at least 25 athletes competing in each meet. We are proud of our young men for choosing to sacrifice time and effort in order to achieve success in the total program. *Todd Iglehart*

Baseball

As of March 7th the Lions Baseball team has a record of 3-5. Our most recent victory was a 10-5 win over Eldorado on Tuesday March 6th. After a slow start to the season, things are starting to come together little by little. We have traveled to two tournaments this season accumulating a record of 1-5. Although the record doesn't show our improvements throughout the year we have made great strides. Some of the bright spots for the year have been a come from behind victory over Reagan County, a close ballgame with Ft. Hancock despite being shorthanded 5 starters and individually Jayton Rodriquez being named to the All-Tournament team at the Crane Tournament. We begin district play on March 20 at home against Sonora. *Ray Talamantes*.

Softball

The lady Lions are heading into District play after tournament season and preseason games. In regular pre-season games the Lady Lions have posted a 3 win 1 loss record. In tournament play the Lady Lions have posted 1 win and 5 losses. The Lady Lions went to Midland and participated in the Midland Lee/ Midland High West Texas Classic competing well against Coahoma and Lamesa but took it on the chin VS. 5A teams – El Paso Hanks, Odessa High and tough state ranked Andrews. Due to Spring UIL band activities the Lady Lions were not able to fully participate in the San Angelo Umpires Tournament. The Lady Lions defeated Menard in the first game and lost to Junction in the second game.

The Lady Lion will participate in the Junction Tournament March 8th and 10th and then kick-off District play against Grape Creek at home on March 13. The Lady Lions are looking to fit all of the pieces together before District play and compete for a playoff spot.

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