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Mum Sales

By Bah Blu Moo



Clarksville FFA has been fundraising by selling mums to make money so students can attend leadership conferences, camps, and conventions. Starting in September, the students sold mums to the community. The FFA was very proud of their success and they are happy that the mums have sold out fast.

FFA members really appreciate all the people who bought the mums. So far FFA is doing well after fundraising and receiving the things they need for class and for events. Members are excited to see what the school year has for FFA. They are hopeful they will be able to attend the conventions as the school year continues.

Clarksville Wins Against Pottsville

By Kaden Dougan

The Clarksville Panthers won 37-14 against the Pottsville Apaches on September 18, 2020 to improve their football record to 1-1 on the season, and avenged their hurtful loss to the Ozark Hillbillies. The Clarksville Panthers came out onto Metheny Field for their home opener with spectacular defense in the first half as they were up at halftime 10-0 thanks to a 45-yard field goal from Eh Shee with 30 seconds left in the first half.

The second half the Pottsville Apaches scored first and made the score 10-6 but missed the two-point conversion. The Panthers responded with a touchdown on their first drive of the second half and made the score 17-6. The Pottsville Apaches got the ball again and went the distance and made the score 17-12, but missed the two-point conversion again. The Panthers raced down to the middle of the field, but fumbled the football. Pottsville recovered, however they did not score thanks to an interception by Jaylin Wright that almost went for a pick six. The Panthers scored a touchdown after the interception and made it 24-12 towards the end of the third quarter.

The Apaches got the ball back at the start of the fourth quarter, but didn't score as Miles Castleman intervened with an interception. He returned the football for a 65-yard pick six and made

the score 31-12 halfway through the fourth quarter. The Panthers got the ball back after the Apaches punted it. The Panthers had the ball at their own 20-yard line when there was a bad communication on the snap and the ball flew in the end zone for a safety which gave the Apaches two points and made the score 31-14. Pottsville was stopped by the Panthers on the next possession and was forced to punt.

Arthur Alvarez had a big run on the next Panther possession scoring a touchdown and making the score 37-14, but the PAT was missed. The Apaches got the ball back with little time remaining in the game and they turned the ball over again. The Panthers took a couple quarterback kneels and they ran down the clock.

The Panthers rolled on to a 37-14 finish and will host the Vilonia Eagles, which are 2-1 on the season. The Panthers will play that game on Friday, September 25.



CHS Band Adapting to Covid-19

By Aaron Fraga



With Covid-19 still hanging around and no vaccine in sight, many school activities and extra-curricular classes are being held back due to having to follow the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) guidelines. The CDC is an organization responsible for the health security of America and works hard to fight diseases while encouraging citizens to do the same. Among these activities, the CHS Band has been affected greatly by the virus as it has forced them to delay summer band, a two-week event that gives the band a head start on the school year, until it eventually had to be canceled. However, the band is not willing to give up without a fight as they are finding creative ways to satisfy the guidelines in order to have a great year of music.

When school began in August, it has been noted that the special masks that band students need will not arrive in time for football season. These special masks have flaps in the front which can be lifted up so the player can put their lips on the mouthpiece and close the flap whenever they are not playing. Many school bands across the state have come up with a solution to this long wait time: get a mask, cut a hole in it, and use that

mask whenever they have to play on their instruments at school. Technically speaking, the CHS band is not breaking any rules because guidelines allow room for flexibility, they highlight the best and most recommended methods, but they are not required.

Another solution to a problem came to them rather conveniently. Air-flow from outside helps vent out the virus and the band room happens to have a great way of having a constant air-flow. The band room has a rolling car door entrance at the back of the room that leads outside. Even though this was not used later on, it was the perfect solution to that problem. Despite their efforts, the greatest hurdle thrown at the band happened before the beginning of this school year.

During summer, the CDC guidelines originally stated that bands can meet as long as they are six feet apart and wear masks. Masks can be taken off when playing an instrument and must be put back on when not playing. Suddenly, the CDC decided that masks must have flaps in front of the mask-these are the special masks

that were strongly recommended by the guidelines. This abrupt change late into the month before school has delayed summer school indefinitely. There was no time to wait for the order of 50+ special masks, especially during these times.

Many other school related activities were also facing these problems and are trying their best to make the most of it. The CHS band is still fighting to have a great year of music despite all the restrictions brought upon them by Covid-19. Through hard work, they are determined to play great music while following the CDC guidelines even if there are outside factors that will try to stop them.

