



# MAROON HIGHLIGHTS

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## Homecoming Recap

### Back in Blackwell!

Jace Calfy

The Homecoming theme was **Back in Blackwell**, inspired by one of the more popular albums produced by AC/DC, *Back in Black*, which was released on July 25th in 1980. Homecoming shirts with the theme were sold by the Jr Class.



### Maroon Spirit and Miss BHS Class of 2022

By Tanae Wood

On October 8th, we honored the candidates and those who were chosen as Miss BHS and Maroon Spirit for the Senior Class of 2022.

Charleigh Haskins is this year's Miss BHS and runners-up for the honor are Anna Tripp and Ella Garrett. The Maroon Spirit for the Class of 2022 is Mathew Davis. Runners-up for Maroon Spirit are Kahle Lambert and Christian Mora.

The selection each year of Maroon Spirit and Miss BHS is a ongoing tradition that has carried on for many decades. There are many qualifications for selection of Maroon Spirit and Miss BHS. The person selected must be a Senior boy or girl with a 3.0 grade point average or better.

The Senior Class chooses a senior boy and girl that meets the following qualifications: Dependability, Service, Leadership, and Patriotism. After the seniors vote, then the faculty votes between the top three girls and guys chosen by the Senior Class. This Honor is special. They not only have to impress their friends but the faculty as well. Each of the students delivered excellent speeches and represented BHS very well at our three assemblies during the week of homecoming festivities.

### Homecoming Football Royalty

By Ella Garrett

Along with honoring Maroon Spirit and Miss BHS, Blackwell High School crowns a Football King and Queen before Friday night's homecoming football game each year.

Christian Mora and Anna Tripp are your 2021 Football King and Queen. Football escorts and attendants for the senior class are Ryan Fuentes, Emily Grove, Tabor Steelman, and Raven Gummow. Junior escorts and attendants are Peyton Jones, Kynsley DeWitt, Peyton Lennon, and Bostyn Chamers. Last are the sophomore escorts and attendants which are Zaine McDonald, Keitlynn Rios, Gavin Schuetz, and Maddie Weidman. Congratulations to all selected for this special honor.

Homecoming week ended with the Junior Class winning the floats competition and a 21-2 victory for the Maroons against Hennessey.



### Bond Election Coming Soon!

By Tanae Wood

There is an important election coming on November 9th. The November bond election is for the modernization of our Blackwell High School campus. If you would like your voice heard, please remember to vote in the upcoming bond election!

# Here's What's Going On...

## Homecoming Guest Speaker Chief Warrant Officer five Richard Tiu

Blackwell High School was proud to welcome home Chief Warrant Officer five Richard Tiu, Class of 1996, as the Master of Ceremonies for the Homecoming Assembly. He is the son of Kerry and Linda Wood of Blackwell, and attended Blackwell Public Schools since second grade. While at BHS, he lettered in Track and Football.

After high school, Officer Tiu entered the U.S. Army in October 1997 and enlisted as the Petroleum Supply Specialist. In August of 2004, he was accepted into the Army Warrant Officer Program as a Rotor-Wing Aviator (a Blackhawk Pilot) and later transferred to become an Unmanned Aircraft System Technician.

Chief Warrant Officer five Richard Tiu has completed the highest primary military education and attended Columbia Southern University to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Occupational Safety and Health, and at Central Texas College he completed a degree in General Studies.

Chief Warrant Officer five Richard Tiu has been deployed once to the Multi-National Force, Observation, Sinai, Egypt, and once to operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan; He was deployed three (3) times to Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq.

Officer Tiu is currently stationed in Hawaii with his family at the U.S. Army Pacific Command, managing all Unmanned Aircraft System activity in the Pacific area of responsibility.

## Maroons Never Quit: BHS Football Striving to Get Stronger!

By Christian Mora

This year's football season started off slow for Coach Parker and the coaching staff. The coaches and teammates have been working around the clock to improve not only their play on the field, but also the culture of BHS Football. According to Coach Parker, "We've been working on fundamentals, We need to learn to compete as a unit and play through the whistle. We also need to work on mental toughness and when we get knocked down, we get back up and keep playing hard."

Practices have been long and difficult. The team is trying to perfect every play to the highest extent to show progress when on the field. Staying positive, on track, and locked in has been the goal for the Maroons and it is paying off! Starting with a 21-2 win at Homecoming and followed by a win at Newkirk—the Maroons are coming on strong!

BHS hosts Chisholm Friday night and is looking for their third straight win!! Kickoff is at 7 pm at Wheeler-Houston Field.



Left: The scoreboard shows the final score of the Homecoming game. .

## Softball Season Summary!

By Christian Mora

The Lady Maroons wrapped up their season with a 13-19 record. They went to districts and faced off against Kingston. They lost their first game, and won their second game 7-2. Unfortunately lost their last game 11-6.

The Lady Maroons ended their season with a loss to Ponca City.

The lady Maroons are currently in off season and working to perfect their craft for next year.

## BHS Band Marches On!

By Jace Calfy

The Blackwell High School Band has recently marched once again at the State Fair Parade. Out of the many bands that competed in the State Fair Parade, the BHS Drum Line scored second place.

The Band has also traveled to the Tri-State Marching Competition and scored a two. The scoring system, when it comes to marching, is a scale from one to five, with one being the highest and five the lowest.

## Students Chosen for BancFirst Bank Board

By Ella Garrett

BancFirst has announced its members for the 2021-2022 Student Bank Board. There are a total of 20 senior class members for this year's bank board.

Once a month bank board members meet at BancFirst to discuss how to properly budget, take out a loan, set up a bank account and so much more! It is not only a great way to learn about the importance of taking care of your finances, but also good instruction on making wise decisions when it comes to your hard earned money.



"Our Best to You"—Eight former Miss BHS honorees and their graduating year: Angela Clark Davis '92, Valerie Clark Montgomery '97, Mindy Johnson Tripp '99, Laura Wooderson Sappenfield '01, Kenzee Peetoom '16, Lydia Asford '19, Madison Kincaid '20, Merik Edgar '21, Charleigh Hasikins '22.

'Passing Down the Crown'

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