



# MHS exPRESS

## Varsity wrestling to attend regionals

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Following excellent placing at junior varsity state, the Marlow High School varsity wrestlers are traveling to regionals on Friday, February 19.

“The freshman boys did awesome at junior high State,” Kizarr said. “Tyler Eaves won, and he beat two guys that had previously beaten him. He has improved a lot!”

Head coach Andy Howington said that despite their ages, the team is evolving.

“We are a young team,” Howington said. “The boys need to wrestle their best and perform well. We are getting there!”

“The team shows promise,” freshman Matt Branum added.

After placing fifth at junior varsity state, freshman Devin Brisco said it only better prepared him for varsity regionals.

Brisco wrestles at 132 pounds.

“It gave me more experience,” Brisco said. “My goal for not only myself but also my team, is to make it to state.”

After suffering from an injury early in the season, freshman Broedy Jessen is being forced to set out the season but has not left his team without support.

“I feel bad for not being able to wrestle,” Jessen said. “I am going to support my team as much as possible and do anything I can to help them out.”

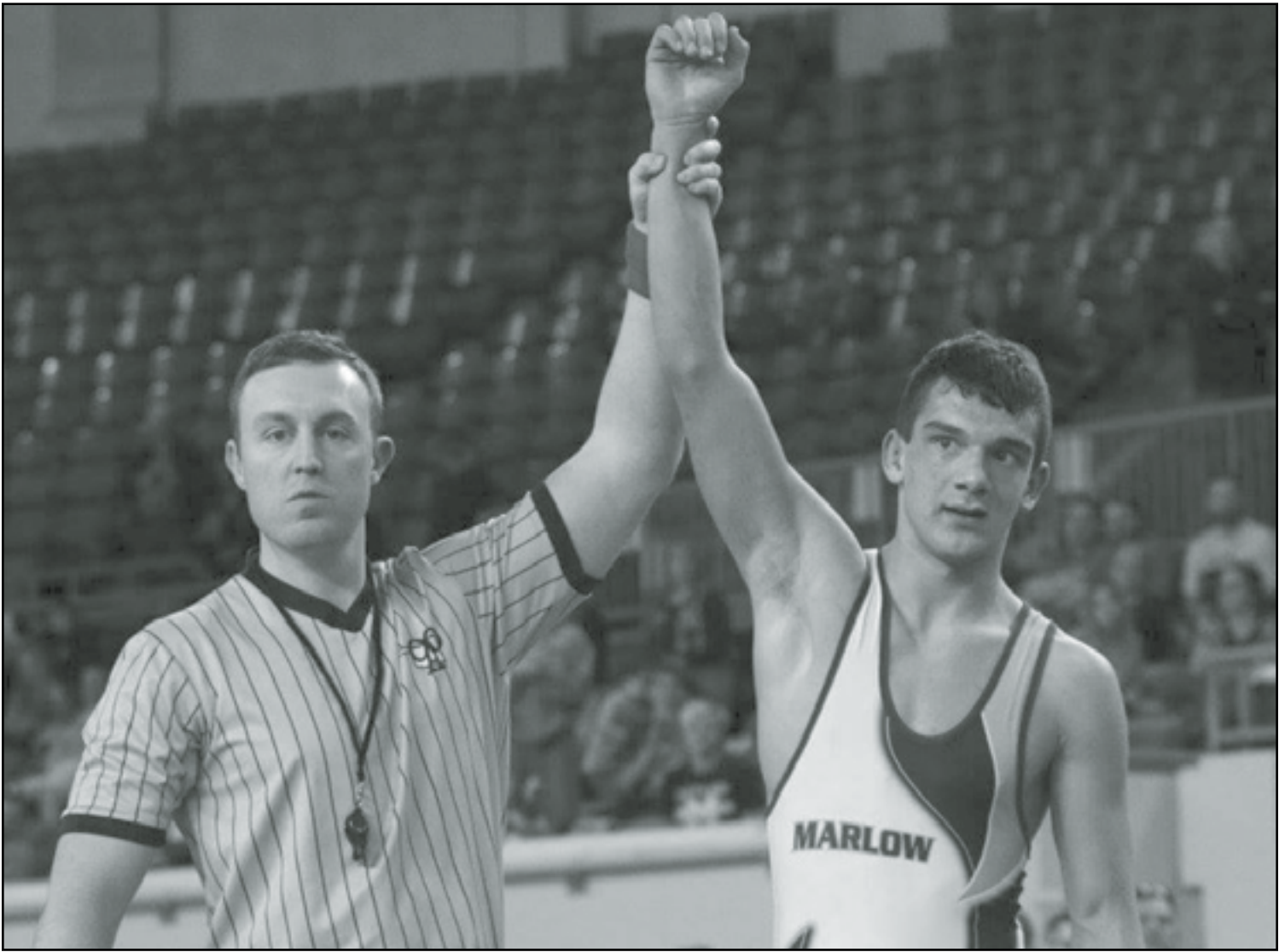


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Sophomore Noah Loyd wrestles at 132 pounds and said that regionals is going to be a challenge.

“Regionals is going to be a tough tournament,” Loyd said. “I feel like we are prepared for it, though.”

Sophomore Logan Branum finds comfort in the result.

“I am nervous because I know that it is going to be hard,” Bra-

num said. “You just have to convince yourself that you are going to be okay no matter what.”

Branum wrestles at 120 pounds.

Leading the team as a junior, Seth Young has faced many adversities this season.

Young lost 39 pounds in one month in order to wrestle this season.

He now wrestles heavy weight at 285 pounds.

“Him losing so much weight shows that he is not afraid to step up,” Howington said about Young.

Young added that his new position as a leader is strange.

“It is weird being the leader of the team,” Young said. “Not too long ago, that was me. Now it is my turn to be a role model, and I am going to do my best to fulfill that.”

“It has taken hard work and dedication,” Young added. “That is definitely what coach has put us through.”

Being a first year coach at Marlow High School, Howington has made quite the impression on the team, both on and off the mats.

“Howington brings the team up a lot,” freshman Logan Hammond said. “He likes to get the

job done, and he cares about our future in wrestling and our development as a person.”

Away from regionals, Young and Jessen agreed on one mutual goal.

“We want to make Marlow wrestling what it used to be.”

## “1984” is a true modern classic

a review by Cole Cloyd

“1984” is an exciting novel written by George Orwell which holds powerful themes that hold true to the modern day.

“1984” is set in an alternate world where, following a nuclear war, the world is set into three super nations that control what remains of the world. “1984” takes place in the nation once called Britain, which is now named Oceania. Oceania is split into three classes: the upper-class Inner Party who control the nation, the middle-class Outer Party who work the majority of educated jobs, and the lower class Proles who are uneducated and work manual labor. However, all three are controlled by a higher leader only known as Big Brother who monitors all the classes and threatens to wipe them from all of history should they cross him. To prevent such acts of subversive thinking, Big Brother and the Inner Party use different ministries to control the populace through propaganda. The protagonist, Winston Smith, is a member of the Ministry of Truth, which manipulates the news to sway every article in favor of Big Brother and erase people from history. Winston holds antagonistic feelings towards the government that constantly monitors its citizens, and he is forced to hide his feelings while living in a dreadful society.

Since its publishing in 1949, “1984” has remained a decisive and a great reflection of society. “1984” is well written as it fully envelops the reader in the bleak existence the characters exist in where their lives mean nothing in the grand scheme of the political intrigue that surrounds them. Despite being well written, “1984” may be difficult to comprehend thanks to the amount of jargon George Orwell created when he wrote the novel. The jargon itself is even called “newspeak” in the context of the novel. Numerous terms include “doublethink,” “thoughtcrime” and “telescreens” which are all terms that are prevalent throughout the novel. Thankfully, explanations for said terms exist in most modern editions of the “1984.”

“1984” is a masterpiece of literature that provides great social commentary. It is a thrilling adventure that leaves the reader thinking.

## Sophomore basketball player dominates court

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Hoping to sink one in for her team, sophomore Brooke Morrison is confidently dribbling down the court.

Morrison has an important position, the post, on the Lady Outlaw basketball team.

“The purpose of the post is to mostly get rebounds and block shots,” Morrison said. “It’s a very contact-oriented position and I have to be very aggressive.”

Although she is dominating the court now, multiple surgeries on her nose earlier in 2015 had Morrison wondering if she would be able to play.

Morrison had two broken nose cases, had a deviated septum, and cysts that caused airway blockage in her nose. These caused the doctors to perform a total of nine surgeries in a single

day on her nose.

“I was overwhelmed a little, but I had a lot of support from my family, friends and teammates,” Morrison said.

After a month long recovery, Morrison found out she would have to wear a clear mask over her face to protect her nose from potentially breaking again.

“It was hard wearing the mask at first,” Morrison said, “I would get so frustrated, especially when Coach Reimer would get onto me for not wearing it at times when I should have been!”

Even after the operations and long recovery, Morrison said that her teammates gave her the encouragement to work hard.

“My team always gives me advice on how I can improve,” Morrison said. “We all make sure not only to play for ourselves, but also for God.”

When asked what her favorite thing about playing for the Lady



Outlaws, Morrison simply said because the team is a family.

“We have so many different people with different personalities. Morrison said, “It makes every day interesting and fun.”

As for another positive fun in her life, Morrison always turns to her faith.

“I give all the glory to God,” Morrison said, “I play for him and that motivates me to get better and better every day.”

## Reaching around the world

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Writer

Extending their reach around the world, Marlow High School students are helping girls in need.

Marlow High School Family and Consumer Science teacher and adviser for the Marlow chapter of Family, Career, Community Leaders of America, Tamra Huddleston found out about the Dress a Girl Around the World project through the chapter’s president Sara Folmar and was determined to help others through this project.

“This project shows girls that it’s not all about us or the models, but it’s about the girls receiving the dresses and that we send these dresses with love,” Huddleston said.

In this project, students from both the Family and Consumer Science classes and also the FCCLA members made their own dresses to send to girls in the country of Vanuatu where the people do not have the opportunity to receive things as often as people in other countries.

“This project just seemed so relevant to my students in my classes because we could exchange pictures of us making them and also of the girls receiving them. It just made sense to me and at that point I knew that this was what we were going to do. I could involve not only my FCCLA students but also my FACS students as well,” Huddleston said.

Huddleston also added that helping the students make the dresses and watching their excitement as the dresses came together was her favorite part of the project.

Huddleston said that she had spent a few days researching the Dress a Girl Around the World project once Sara Folmar had brought the idea up to her.

When asked how she found out about the project, Sara Folmar, the FCCLA Marlow chapter president, said that she found out about it at camp.

“My state officer and I were talking, and I told her that I wanted to do something to help other people in



other parts of the world. She told me about how she made some dresses and sent them to another country, and I knew I wanted to do that,” Folmar said.

Folmar has been preparing this project since she found out about it over the summer and has dedicated an abundance of time to it.

“It’s the fact that it shows girls that it’s not all about them, that there are other people out there that need help and that we can help them with what they need,” Folmar said when asked why she wanted to specifically do this project.

FCCLA Marlow chapter vice president, Blair Brantley, has also been preparing for this project with both Huddleston and Sara Folmar.

“This project teaches girls how to put effort into something other than themselves and how to do something for someone else which can make a difference for someone in another country,” Brantley said.

The Dress a Girl Around the World project sends dresses to eighty-one countries and have delivered over 300,000 dresses to girls all around the world and now with the help of Marlow, fifty more dresses are being added to the list.

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