

Lady Blazers take on Eastfield

NLC volleyball team played at the championship game for conference.

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The Lady Blazers played at the championship game for conference on Oct. 28 against Eastfield's Lady Harvest Bees at the Eastfield Campus.

The game ended with Eastfield winning (25-15) and North Lake finishing second overall in the conference and the nation.

The conference game lasted 4 out of 5 sets, and the Lady Blazers worked hard despite the adversity they faced throughout the season.

"We had an outside hitter that was having back issues, another with a concussion, which led to some adversity," head volleyball coach Cathy Carter said.

Love Riley, a returning player and outside hitter, had her challenges with being a little sick that week and having to push through.

"It was my team that helped me get to this point and push through [the challenges], the chemistry and our goals from the beginning [of the season]," Riley said.

The outside hitter was named co-Most Valuable Player of the Dallas Athletic Conference.

Coach Carter ensured her players pushed to be and do their best before the season started.

Carter said she built a tough preseason schedule in order to teach the girls how to play their best and compete well at any level.

Jocelyn Blassingame, another outside hitter, said the preparation wasn't only about being physically and mentally prepared.

Blassingame said: "Having the want and desire motivated us to go to the championships. We worked this hard and took all these wins, which led us to where we are. It was a mental game," Blassingame said.

In the winning set for the Blazers, the ladies felt like they were gaining their momentum back, according to Blassingame.

"The feeling of winning a set during the game was a bittersweet moment with us realizing maybe we can win this," Blassingame said.

The Blazers made it clear that they had no regrets about their decisions throughout the game; the Coach even said that she wouldn't have done things any differently.

"I never want to do anything differently; I coach with my gut and how I see the girls working, which led to the season playing



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Blazers hitter Love Riley is attacking for a kill in a game against Coffeyville Community College.

out very well," Carter said.

While there are no regrets about decisions made during the game, the players learned more about themselves and the game of volleyball.

"I learned that [the game] doesn't fall on me like I can count on my teammates to help me up," Riley said.

"No matter how much you think you have a disadvantage,

you always have a chance of winning. I have no regrets about the game," Blassingame said.

For any future players considering joining the team, Coach Carter has some advice.

"Do it for the love of the game; you gotta want to put in the work," he said. "You have to be dedicated to your team and creating confidence is key."



Blazer Basketball Schedule

Dec. 1: Southwestern Assemblies of God @ NLC
6 p.m.

Dec. 4: NLC @ Hill College
6 p.m.

Dec. 9: Loyalty College Prep @ NLC
1 p.m.

Dec. 12: Jacksonville College @ NLC
6 p.m.

Dec. 15: Redlands Community College @ NLC
5 p.m.

Jan. 6: NLC @ Grayson College,
4 p.m.

Jan. 9: Arlington Baptist University @ NLC
6 p.m.

Jan. 16: DFW Prep @ NLC
6 p.m.

Jan. 20: NLC @ Richland,
1 p.m. (Conference)

Jan. 24: NLC @ Cedar Valley,
4 p.m. (Conference)

Jan. 27: Mountain View @ NLC
1 p.m. (Conference)

Jan. 31: Eastfield @ NLC
6 p.m. (Conference)

Students celebrate World Series game

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The Texas Rangers won for the first time in the franchise's 63-season history, defeating the Arizona Diamondbacks 5-0 in Phoenix to secure the title in Game 5. After six innings, there was no score in the game and Zac Gallen, the starting pitcher for the Diamondbacks, was pitching masterfully, giving up no hits.

The Rangers have made World Series appearances, specifically in 2010 and 2011. They were defeated by the San Francisco Giants in the World Series in 2010. The next year, in 2011, they met the St. Louis Cardinals in the World Series but were defeated once more. These successive appearances were significant events in the franchise's history, emphasizing its competitiveness at the time.

The Rangers winning was celebrated with a parade held on Nov. 3 at Cowboys Way in the city of Arlington.

Dallas North lake college students share their opinions on Ranger's victory. North Lake College Baseball player Max Gidden said, "It was very packed and busy, and everyone was pretty positive."

He said his favorite moment of the winning game was "the turning point of the game," when Adolis Garcia hit the home run.

Baseball player Aldo Calvillo said, he was emotional, nervous and excited while watching the game. He was very proud when the Texas Rangers won because he has been a Rangers fan since his childhood.

Basketball player Brayden Willoughby, a student on the same squad, described the atmosphere of the procession by saying, "It was the most fun

I ever had, just seeing everybody there was fantastic."

He went on to say that even though he wasn't watching the game in live, the mood outside was the same since he attended every watch party around Dallas. Given that he said "he celebrated for four days," it is evident how amazing the experience was for them as a baseball team.

The fans shower their love on X, Facebook, and Instagram.

The hashtags like #TexasRangers and #RangerNation were used to connect with other fans.

Some fans slept on the sidewalks around the parade path in order to be the first ones to attend the event. An estimated 500,000 people showed up to celebrate the Rangers win.

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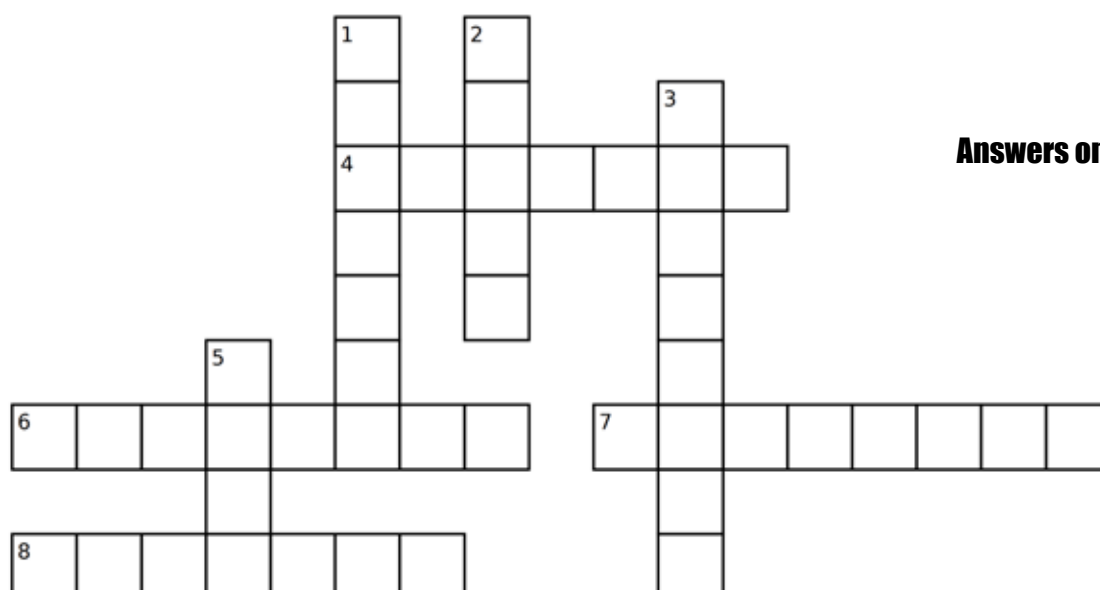
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Blazers' Crossword Puzzle



Answers on Pg.6

1. The type of milk used to make butternut soup
2. The animation studio that created Attack on Titan
3. The age you should put voting on your to do list
4. "Mankiller" refers to a Cherokee military rank like
5. Four ingredients used to make frybread are flour, sugar, salt and
6. Types of plays that Sherrie Boyd enjoys to do
7. What York uses to push the sage's smoke
8. Last name of student who said, "If one of us messes up, everyone messes up"