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As we set off on our new adventure, we want to thank some ribbons again this year at Regionals. This year he was covering the material over mathematics of World War I. I muddled through and then I won a lot of ribbons at Regional Competitions. I did well in Science and Social Sciences, surprisingly,” Davis said.

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As we set off on our new adventure, we appreciate any and all input as we get through the first few rough patches to what we hope to be our “new adventure” and one of the greatest news resources through the first few rough patches to begin a new adventure.
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Boys basketball improving

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The Clippers played at Mount Vernon January 26. CCA was leading their shots and de- fending pretty well in general, but Mount Vernon was just one step ahead. The score at half was 27-20, Mount Vernon leading.

The second half was a fluctuating mess. CCA didn’t hit many shots in the third quarter, while Mount Vernon made 28 points. The 4th quarter was the complete opposite, the Clippers made 28 points while Mount Vernon made only nine. The final score was 54-64 Mount Vernon winning.

The Clippers hosted the game on January 24, against Maquoketa. Right away, the Clippers took their shots and de- fending pretty well, but the Clippers couldn’t get an offense together. The first half ended 15-25, CCA trailing by 10. The final score was 37-57, Maquoketa taking the win.

The game before was at Ben- ton on January 21. The Clippers just weren’t in that night. Ben- ton ended up leading by 21 at the half.

The second half was simi- lar. CCA just wasn’t scoring, and Benton was hitting most of their shots, and CCA was making just over 1/3 or their shots. The final score was 71-50, Benton winning, which wasn’t that true on January 17, against West Delaware at home. It was pretty back and forth for the first half, but West Delaware had the ad- vantage 24-27 at half.

The second half was a dif- ferent story. The Clippers turned on the burners and came back. It got pretty close in the last few seconds with West Delaware leading. But the Clippers went in to clutch mode and won it 54- 51. The leading scorers were Cal Miller ('16) with 15 points and Nile Rourke ('15) with 9 points. "It was a great team victory, ev- eryone played hard" said Cal Miller about the CCA victory.

The game at Central Dewitt on January 14 was a pretty close game. The Clippers came out strong and outscored the Sabers by five in the first quarter. Then the Sabers came back and tied it up at half 30-30.

The second half started off pretty much the same as the first. But the Clippers hit a wall scor- ing-wise. Central Dewitt won it 64-56.

Dyersville-Beckman hosted the game before on January 11. The Clippers worked hard to outscore the Blazers, but they were always one step ahead of CCA. The first half ended 34-41 Dyersville ahead.

The second half wasn’t as high scoring for both teams, but it was basically the same story. Dyersville was always one step ahead. The Clippers final score was 52-64, Dyersville.

The first game after Christ- mas break was on January 2 against Vinton-Shellsburg at home for CCA. Right away the Clippers worked and played well. The first half ended 23-24 with the Clippers leading. The second half was even better for CCA. They extended their lead to 10 and kept it that way. CCA won it 54-44. CCA's leading scorers were Mitch- ell Stoppel ('15) with 11 points and Drew Wagner ('15) with 10 points. "We played pretty well, we hit our shots, ran the floor, and got a lot of boards." Even though the Clippers are at a bump in the road, they still have a lot of season left. Not to mention the two games they have to make up. The Clippers have the talent to push through the slump and get back on track, they just need to have the drive to get there.

By Shayanne Koeth

January 23, the Clippers traveled to Benton where they lost to Vinton-Shells- burg 40-24 and to Benton Community 59-18. Without a full roster the Clippers have struggled to win duels but have had some success with individual wres- ters.

At 106 Lbs. Luke Wingert ('17) went 1-1 pinning Jacob Worthen (Vinton- Shellsburg) in 47. Unfortunately Luke got pinned in his second match by Tate Buck (Benton Community) in 18. Connor Murphy ('15) at 113 lbs. went 1-1 pinning Colton David of Ben- ton Community in 1:06. Earlier in the night Murphy lost 18-6 to Max Wengen of Vinton-Shellsburg.

Quinn Murphy ('17) also went 1-1 at 120 lbs. winning by fall over Bryce Ras- mussen of Vinton-Shellsburg in 38. Quinn Murphy also wrestled Keaton Sher- wood of Benton Community losing by tech-fall 17-2.

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