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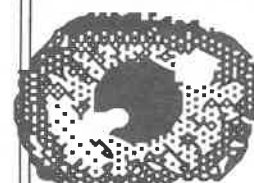
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Homecoming : Back to the Good Old Days

By Tyler Spurgeon

Talk to anyone that has lived in Pasco for more than fifteen years, and you will find that Homecoming is steeped in tradition; some of which have been lost or become less important. The first Homecoming in the state was held at Pasco High School in the fall of 1947. It was initiated by a student named Howard Ritter, who felt that something was needed to unite the student body. What this one student started became a community-wide event of great import among all who lived in Pasco.



One of the most notable traditions was the Kennewick Rivalry. Since the early forty's it had been the biggest game for Pasco High. Every Veteran's Day at 1 O'clock in the afternoon, the two teams would pour onto the field at Edgar Brown Stadium, the

stands overflowing with many more people than just students and parents. When Homecoming first began, it was decided that the Kennewick Rivalry would be a great time for it to be held.

Everything began building around the game. It started with a vote by the football team's Senior Honor Guard choosing a Queen and Princesses. The Homecoming Court was then announced, and then crowned at a Coronation Ceremony. This was an important event that people from all over would come to participate in. The Court then

had an afternoon Tea, where past classes were invited and recognized, along with prominent community members and parents.

The next big event was the parade and bonfire the night before the game. The whole community would turn out to cheer on the parade as it wound its way through much of downtown, ending at the old McLoughlin. There the bonfire was put on by the Sophomore Class. There was a competition to see if the fire pile could be bigger than the year before. The wood was old furniture, pallets, and other burnable

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Pasco's Gang Myth Debunked

By Whitney Fox

As a student at Pasco High School, I am frequently asked by adults and people from across the river, "Don't you get scared going to school in a gang-infested town?" My immediate response is usually disgust, "What an uninformed person! They're the ones that are giving Pasco the bad rep!" But then I calmly answer, "Actually, I don't think I've ever seen a gang fight or gang violence," hoping that I'm the one who is informed. It's hard to understand why gangs exist, and separate fact from hearsay, but it's important to dispel any unfounded fears and restore faith in a community that is being affected by constantly plummeting social and familial values. In an attempt to understand gangs, my eyes have been opened to the

harsh reality of gang violence, as well as being informed of many in the community who understand that "all is not lost", and a single person can make a difference in dealing with this horrible plague that has been a part of society since the late 1800's.

To sheltered souls like myself, the necessity to understand why people join gangs is foremost in importance, as well as being very foreign and complex. An officer with the Pasco Police Anti-Gang Unit, Richard Aguirre has been working with gangs for two years. In explaining why young people are lured to the gang life, he stated, "When the

family can't provide the values, they think they're getting them from their friend." Often, the parents of the youth are working so hard to provide for the family—often working two or three jobs—that they neglect to give their children the guidance for which all adolescents yearn. With all the stress of working, the parent has forgotten to give the child that

**"When the family can't provide the values, they think they're getting them from their friend."
- Gang Unit Officer Richard Aguirre**

which benefits most-time. The youth sees an older neighbor, friend, or relative who seems to "have everything together", and goes to him to receive the guidance, camaraderie, and friendship that he is not getting at home. This is not to say that the

parents do not love the child—they love them very much—and often parents seek assistance in dealing with their gangster child, but usually it is too late and they feel they have lost touch and control with their child. For some kids, the parental example has

been set to be in gangs—some kids are second and third generation gangsters—and the father or parent raises their youth to be violent and irrational in dealing with anger. A common myth about

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How do you feel about the safety in our school?

Gilbert Ramirez 9- "The only reason I wouldn't feel safe is because I wear baggy clothes and I'm a Mexican."

Jaime Quintero 10- "Yes, I feel safe. They (the police) help keep people out of trouble."

Chad Bodnar 11- "Yeah, I feel safe, but cops bug people too much, especially about the parking."

Luis Arceo 12- "Yes, I feel safe. No one's going to take out any knives and stab anyone."

Where Have All the Hard Workers Gone?

By Whitney Fox

Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having, except as a result of hard work.

-Booker T. Washington

Americans are lazy. In fact, High School students, especially, are lazy. With the great technological advances in our day and age, we have lost the quest to learn and understand new things, expecting knowledge to be handed to us on the silver platter of computer soft-

ware, fax-modems, and Internet. I think this laziness began at the end of the golden age of industry in America, in the early 1900's. The Carnegies were making fortunes in steel, Rockefeller in oil, and Morgan in the thriving new railroad system. The great wealth these families accumulated were then passed on through the generations, and instead of having to work for your bread, you got it with butter and jam, and delivered

to your bed. The whole idea of inheriting wealth was not avoidable; one cannot pick who his parents are or how successful they may be, but was an idea that readily gained acceptance as a career, writing off that Harvard education as a test in endurance, and sitting back as the money poured in. Being wealthy is not a bad thing at all. In fact it can be a good thing, as long as it is gained honestly, and is put to healthy intentions.

Since the end of World War Two, the trend has been to receive government support in finances, shelter, and health care. While the new programs of the New Deal provided jobs and helped instill confidence in a troubled country, they began a dependence upon outside forces to maintain standard of living. Instead of expecting entitlement of rights by the government due to lack of education, natural disasters, health care benefits, and all the other rights we as citizens of the United States of America expect to receive, we should help ourselves first, by learning *how* to work, and then we'll receive the benefits of extras as luxuries.

Perhaps since most of us grew up in the 1980's, the era of credit cards, we never had the feeling of having to work before we bought something, and as a result, a lot of Americans are lazy, as well as in debt. It is amazing that when I want to buy something, and my parents tell me I have to pay for it with my own money, I take better care of the object when I finally attain it after a lot of hard work. You have to work, and then you get what you want. Students in high school need to take the initiative with their school work and everything they do, without expecting parents or teachers to save them all the time with extended due dates, and re-tests. It is about accepting responsibility and becoming accountable for your actions. A lot of kids in high school have already learned these real-world tactics and have a step-up in life over those who have not learned these basic survival skills. The downward spiral of lack of initiative and laziness can only take a change for the upward when instead of giving man a fish, we start teaching him how to fish.

Clarification

In the premiere issue of the WASCO, a letter to the Editor was published that contains a few inaccuracies which we wish to bring to your attention. Since some members of the staff signed the letter, it becomes a responsibility of the WASCO to clarify those inaccuracies. It was recommended that the Consumer Education class incorporate a checkbook/budgeting unit. The Consumer Education class does include a checkbook/budgeting unit. Also, no personal offense was intended, and we regret any harsh feelings the letter caused.

Letters to the Editor

Dear WASCO,

I would just like to comment on the article "THE LIFE TIMES OF THE SICK AND TWISTED" in the premiere issue of the WASCO. I think this article was quite amusing. (Actually, it was downright funny!) I really liked the story and I am looking forward to the next issue! I really want to know what will happen to George the linebacker and little Johnny with his "schedule".

Thankyou
Jennifer Peters

An opinionated Junior

Dear Editor,

I would like to comment on an article I read in the September 30 issue of the WASCO. I am rather displeased with an article entitled THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THE SICK AND TWISTED. It was sick and twisted. The language portrayed in this article disturbs me. Throughout it, I find words like "Damn" and "Dammit". Oh, and I "loved" the little way the writer censored one three letter word with selective symbols such as @ and \$. Real cute.

I fail to take it in that any counselor at P.H.S. would tell a student to "don't let the door hit their butt on the way out". I also doubt that any teacher here would have a nervous breakdown in the middle of class as to yell what a bunch of idiots they are and that their brains consist of tapioca pudding. This article could add to a list of just a few reasons that Pasco has a bad name. Clean up your act.

Sophomore,
Paula Wallin

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gangs is that they represent their ethnic group and culture. Such is not the case. Often gangs are made up of people who have a low socio-economic history, possess weak English-speaking skills, or don't feel like they fit in with mainstream high school activities, groups, and sports.

So what do people find when they have attained member status? After a usually violent and painful initiation, a sense of security among people that are all doing the same thing develops, and relationships are formed for "life", however short it may be. Gang members often intimidate people, as fear is a chief motivating factor for joining, and they feel like they have satisfied a few of the basic needs of human beings, such as gaining power, and belonging to a group. They also fulfill a need to survive, as the gang becomes their main focus and in a sense, family. Often non-gang friends are cast aside, as well as all levels of formal education, because they differ from the gang's objectives. Those gang members that are not seriously injured or killed often lack employment opportunities from patterns of alcohol and drug abuse, as well extensive police records.

Pasco High School administrators are very aware of gang activity, in their desire to provide a productive, safe atmosphere for all Pasco students. Falsely, many people believe police officers are in the building strictly to curb any outbreaks in confrontational gangs. In actuality, the officers are present for security purposes. Schools all over the country are employing police officers to make school safe and enforce school policies and codes. One

characteristic of gang activity is "signing", using hand signals to tell which gang one belongs to, and can result in expulsion, not merely suspension. Principal Ray Reynolds takes a hard-nosed approach to disciplining gang members, many of which are enrolled in school and do not cause any problems. "If I find out about it, I'm gonna get 'em."

Officers and administrators working together are maintaining a stiff upper hand on gang related activities. Apparel, formerly linked to gang membership, has now become a fad, glamorized by Hollywood's all-too-cool portrayal of gangs, as well as MTV. In addition to controlling dress standards, the gang situation can be helped by action-minded individuals who understand the difference one person can make. The experts agree that educating parents before discipline problems get out of hand, often while the youth are in elementary school, is the first step in gang prevention. People live up to others' expectations and if we continue treating gang members as delinquents, they will act as such. The Pasco Task Force for a Safe Community is an organization that sponsors positive activities and programs that promote youth, family, and community involvement to address the needs of youth and families in homes, schools, and communities. Currently, the Task Force is developing and implementing community programs such as "Home Court", a recreation alternative for youth at Captain Gray elementary, "Paint the Town", a graffiti clean-up program, and "Adopt-a-Block", a community beautification project. In addition to

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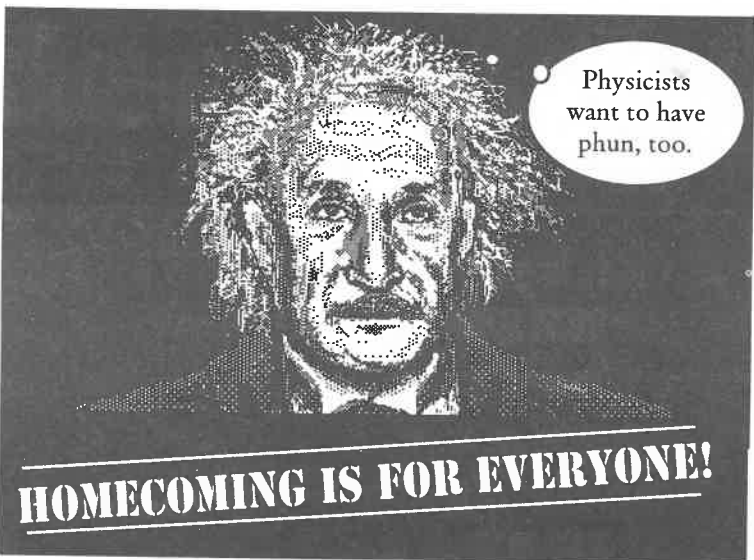
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Homecoming: Party Time

By Mande Hewett

It's that time again... You know, when all the girls start talking really sweet to all the guys and all of the guys start talking really sweet to the girls, or well... you know what I mean... Yes it's Homecoming! That lovely time of the year when you get to dress up in an outfit you don't want to be in (and in addition, paid too much for), and dance around for a few hours.

But seriously, what is this business called Homecoming? It's not just the dance, if you were thinking that it was, it's supposed to be the last home football game of the season, that last chance for all those sweaty guys to strut thier stuff on thier own field, yummy! (But, you know) This year's game is going to be on October 21, the Friday before the dance. And Pasco's Purple



People Eaters will be playing Moses Lake.. yeah, anyhow. Oh, and make sure to look for all of the before game festivities including the making and judging of the class floats, and the parade that they and the Homecoming

Princesses will be in (oh don't forget the band).

Now, back to the dance. This year S.A.C. is going to try something new, they're having the dance in the brand new cafeteria. The colors chosen by the Home-

coming committee are Royal Blue, White and Silver...pretty aren't they! Now, get ready for this.. the theme this year is "Heaven in Your Eyes", can you wait to see the decorations!!?

Prior to the dance and everything there are a few deals to get you all excited for the "big game". #1 Coronation Assembly: this is where you finally get to see who (as if it was questioned) won the title of princess, queen, etc. #2 Spirit week: during the entire week prior to the game you dress weird, a different weird each day. #3 The Bonfire: essentially what they do is take a bunch of wood and burn it while having the band play the fight-song. It's great I've gone. #4 The Homecoming Pep Assembly: in a nut-shell, "Go Pasco!"

Now, look to see exactly what is when at the little calender, yes.

Becky the Experienced

By Lizy Mendez

Alright, last issue we featured Boy Wonder Ian Foster, but this issue it's Female Phenomenon Rebecca 'Becky' Warren, also a wonderful spirit wandering the halls of Pasco High School. Becky is completely engrossed in what is the fantastic creation known as our high school. Becky, like Ian, is also at the end of the social chain as a freshman. Becky has been led to believe that there is more freedom here than Middle School, but we all know the truth. Becky says she felt like a 'prisoner' in middle school, gee, you'd think she grew up in communist Russia where she was forced to wait in line for 4 hours for a roll of toilet paper. Her favorite class is Science with Gutlaben. Her brand of hair cleanser is 'Body Cology', but she's not an enviornmental activist, maybe when she's a sophmore, she'll have found her cause, but she's still young. Becky is not completely inactive, she takes dance at Tri-City Academy of Ballet, so she's and aristic as well. Her mother as well as other various members of her family cut her hair and by golly, she likes it that way! There is, however, a tragic



note to Becky's all too familiar story.....for some mystic, unexplainable reason, Becky does not have a locker. Justice must be served, next time you attend mass, light a candle for Becky, BE STRONG, BECKY!!!!!!!!!!!!

Teachers ... Yeah, Yeah, Yeah!

By Mande Hewett

O.K. I know, I know... you're sick of teachers and you don't exactly want to read about them in your school newspaper in addition to having to see them everyday. But it's only right that you know the truth about them...

Mrs. Bakkeu/Carter, oh what a fine lady she is. All the way from Chad Hill, Minn. Cong. Glen Gandy, and here to Pasco. What does she teach? Well, since she's only here for one period, she teaches a single class of reading, then we have to share her with the freshmen-to-be over at Stevens. As far as college, this mother of

three recieved her undergraduate degree at the University of Northern Colorado, and her graduates degree at good ole' Cal. State. What was she before she decided to take on the task of teaching? A disc-jockey and an actress, why the change? Good question. Aside from all the teacher responsibilities that she has to take care of, Mrs. Bakkeu/Carter enjoys movies and sleep... When asked what she thought of Pasco, this was her reply, "It's a difficult adjustment", and that she thought it was, "very friendly."



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ASB Coolkids, You Have to Like Them

By Wendi Wiggins

It was my privilege to go around the school and interview some of our student leaders. The first one I had the honor to speak with was a boy named Kyle Vierck. For those sheltered few out there that don't know Mr. Vierck he is our junior class Vice President. Speaking with Kyle I found out that he was a very busy boy. Not only is he out there helping run P.H.S., but he's also involved in other activities such as football, and soccer. He also has a job as a D.J. at 88.1FM. WOW!!! While in office, Mr. Vierck plans to help fellow offic-



become our Junior Class president. Talking to Jenny, not only as a reporter to an interviewee, but as a friend to friend, I found out that Jenny wants to further her schooling years and attend college at Gonzaga. Realizing that she was not Catholic, I questioned this. She said it was because she likes Spokane. Being in office, she plans to "have fun" and she wants to have a Mr. Pasco High pageant. As I was leaving Jenny, she wanted to put out a little advice for those who need it and even for those who don't. "Don't put your hands where they weren't meant to be."

Pat Racsa: that name needs no introduction, but for all those who don't know, he holds the office of ASB secretary. I asked Pat if he plans to go to college. He wants to go, but he's unsure



ers raise money for "cool stuff" like a senior trip but mostly to "make this school the best place it can possibly be!" In closing, Mr. Vierck wanted us all to know "Class of '96: it's all good."

The second outstanding leader I talked to was Jenny Haralson Walsh II. Being Freshman and Sophomore Vice President, you knew she was bound to move up the leader ladder and now she has



A young Pat Racsa in his political prime.

of where. Pat is also busy with other activities such as tennis, Key Club and being the Vice President of announcements. He's a janitor at his parents office, a waiter at The King and I, and Cub Scout Master for Pack 169. (What a guy!!) While conversing with Pat I found out what he was planning on doing for his class. One of their main projects is the Christmas dance. When I

Being a member of Pasco High you can see just how privileged we really are to have such great and outstanding student leadership. So next time you see one of them give them a hug, or a nice pat on the back, and maybe even a nice big warm thank you! I'm sure they'll appreciate it and it will make them feel like we appreciate them!



OBEY YA MASTAH!

asked for a quote this was the reply, "Don't just be the best you can be, but do some more.....till it hurts, or else bound to drizzown." (Take that as you want!?)

What is SAC and Why Does It Exist?

By Mande Hewett

In our last issue, you may have noticed the articles done on a Miss Latoya Johnson, Miss Kati Price, and Miss Amy Fluharty. And in addition to noticing this, you also may have seen the lovely abbreviation S.A.C., of which you had no clue as to what it meant. I'm here to tell you.

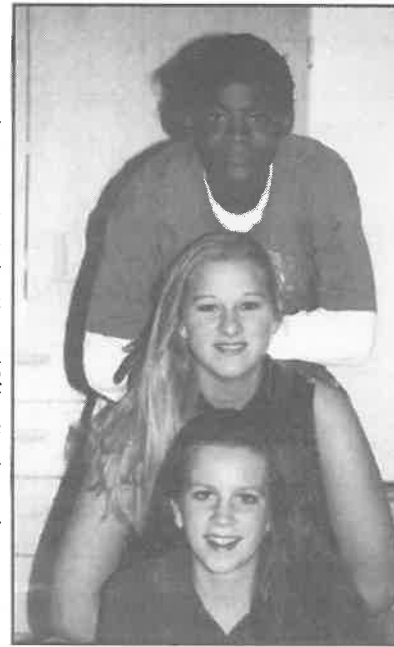
S.A.C., Student Activities Council. What they do: well, not much, but it's not quantity that counts it's quality. S.A.C. is the group that throws this lovely thing happening very shortly

called Homecoming. What do they do for Homecoming? Well... the list is endless!! But, to name a few of the burdens they bare: they take care of the voting for all those pretty little princesses, coronation and the assembly that goes along with it, the bon- fire, spirit week, the kick-off assembly and the parade. So when all of this razzle-dazzle is done and over with, you know who to thank. (oh, make sure to take a look at the informative little calender we have for you concerning homecoming).

Another of the great activities this student council takes care of, is the Student and Teacher of the Month awards. Really what happens is that a student writes an essay about a teacher that they think is deserving of the award, and then the S.A.C. decides exactly who will win the battle. Essentially the same thing happens with the Student of the Month, only viseversa. And yes... S.A.C. coordinates ALL of this!!

The final thing that you'll see S.A.C.'s name written all over is

the Teacher Appreciation Week. Of course, since this doesn't happen until the Spring, they haven't exactly put it on thier agenda, so all that President Latoya had to say was, "Last year they just handed out stuff to the teachers each day, this year, we're going to do it much better!" Of course, Latoya did have a little devilish grin on her face, so you better watch out teachers... severa. And yes... S.A.C. coordinates ALL of this!!



RAH Club: School Spirit Required

By Francisco Zurita

Here at Pasco High we have been blessed with a group of students that are so energetic they have the ability to get the entire school all excited.

What is the name of this group you say? R.A.H. Club!!!!

R.A.H. Club is a club that is directed by three officials. They are: Jennifer Corley, Danielle Huston, and Lorena Mendez. Jennifer Corley is the director of the meetings that take place every Tuesday in the aerobics room at 2:45p.m. In this club, the officials are a group of students are in charge of making poster that are hung in the halls at Pasco High. The poster are made to advise the students about certain sports events that any Varsity team is performing, and also sup-

port the teams in general. R.A.H. Club is also in charge of decorating the team players lockers once a year. This is done so that the estudents will know who the players are. And another project of R.A.H. Club is the "Rooter Buses." They rent buses and charge a price to transport students to the game, and entertain them on the way there. You'll also see R.A.H. Club's name all over the "Pep assembles." And in the Spring for the final feat of the yare they put on the "T.W.I.R.P." dance, which if you don't know what it is, you'll find out later. So, now when you see a beautiful poster hung on the halls, you will know who made it and we hope you will appreciate it.

By Francisco Zurita

Aqui en Pasco High estamos bendesidos con un grupo de eneticos estudiantes los cuales tienen la abilidad de animar a la escuela entera.

Y ¿Cual es el nombre de este club? Digistes R.A.H. Club!!! R.A.H. Club es un club dirigido por tres oficiales quienes son Jennifer Corley, Danielle Huston, Lorena Mendez. Jennifer Corley es la directora de las reuniones que se llevan acabo cada Martes en el aerobics room a las 2:45p.m. En este club los oficiales junto con otro grupo de estudiantes estan encargados de hacer los carteles que son puestos en las paredes de todos los pasillos de PHS y Bulldog Too. Los carteles son hechos para avisar a los estudiantes de ciertos eventos deportivos de

cualquier Varsity Team, además de apoyar los equipos en general. R.A.H. Club también se encarga de decorar los casilleros de los jugadores de fútbol americano. Para así los estudiantes conozcan quienes son los jugadores de los equipos de fútbol americano. Otro proyecto del R.A.H. Club son "Rooter Buses", en los que rentan un autobus y hacen un pequeño cobro para transportar a los estudiantes a un partido de fútbol y entretenerlos durante su viaje allá. Tu veras el nonbre de R.A.H. Club todo alrededor the "Pep Assemblies". En la primavera hacen el baile "T.W.I.R.P." en cual si no sabes que es mas tarde lo sabras.

Así es que cuando veas un hermoso anuncio ya sabes quién lo hizo y espero sepas apreciar tal trabajo.

Eighth Wonder of the World Teaches at PHS!



By Lizzy Mendez

In the school year of 1992-1993 I loved Biology. And I owe it all to one man...one great man-our own Mr. (kool) Klei. I felt it was only appropriate to pay tribute to such a teacher that has inspired my soul to continue breathing and living life at it's most facinating. And now, En Masse's expose' of one of the most influential men of my 10th grade year, a time when I would have believed anything I was told of Biology. Mr. Klei has but one hobby he would care to discuss-Baseball, America's favorite sport that has inspired the country as much as Mr. Klei has inspired me. His favorite food is dessert, the tempting treat at the end of the meal that is so anxiously anticipated, much like how I anticipated Biology 7th hour. It appears as though he has a very typical family consisting of 4 children, 3 boys and 1 girl. He is the father of these children, so I wonder if these offspring are destined to become as great as him, if that is in fact possible. For some reason, I found it surprising that such an immortal type

figure watches television, but he likes to watch 'Married With Children'. Mr. Klei's favorite science activity is Organic Chemistry (which also happens to be my favorite science activity as well, coincidence- yes, completly). Anyway, his favorite element on the periodic table is Carbon-obviously if his favorite science is Organic Chemistry, silly gooses. His most memorable experience is when one of our new teachers, Ms. Selvig, misspelled the term DNA incorrecly in the 7th grade, hey it's understandable, anyone can make such a mistake, really, poor dear.

Many students beside myself have a fascination with Mr. Klei, a co-student of mine also has a few words to say: "He is an amazing person, he really is, and full of surprises. When I had him for science in 7th grade, I thought he was a big, huge nerd, but now I think he's cool," says Alyson Weakley. Anyway, we all should love Mr. Klei because he'sGREAT!

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KEY Club: I'ts All Good

By Francisco Zurita

"Caring is Our Way of Life" - the K.E.Y. Club motto and certainly it's agenda. K.E.Y. Club is one of the largest clubs at P.H.S., established in 1954 the advisor since 1968 has been Mr. Dong. K.E.Y. Club is supported by the Kiwanis Club of Pasco. The K.E.Y. Club is catagorized as a service club, for its purpose is to serve P.H.S. and the community, in an attempt to better the both of them. Throughout the year KEY Club does several projects to both raise money, and spend it. One of the largest of these projects is the giving of toys to the Special Education students of the Tri-cities. The students write letters to Santa Claus, within thier classes, of what they want for Christmas. K.E.Y. Club takes these letters, (prior to Santa getting them that is), and on a Saturday morning spends well over \$2000 on toys.



By Francisco Zurita

KEY CLUB es uno de los mas grandes clubs de PHS, formado en 1954, y el cual tiene como avisor desde 1968 a Mr. Dong. Key club es patrocinado por los Kiwanas de Pasco. Este club se cataloga como un club que sirve a PHS y a la comunidad. Dentro de la comunidad este club realiza una obra de lo mas satisfactoria, ya que ellos juegan un papel de Santa Clos del siglo veinte. ¿Por qué? Porque ellos van a la escuela de educación especial para niños con deficiencias mentales en Pasco y al Ben Franklin Developmental Center en Kennewick para tratar de motivar a los niños a que le escriban una carta a Santa Clos. i A caso no es esto de lo mas

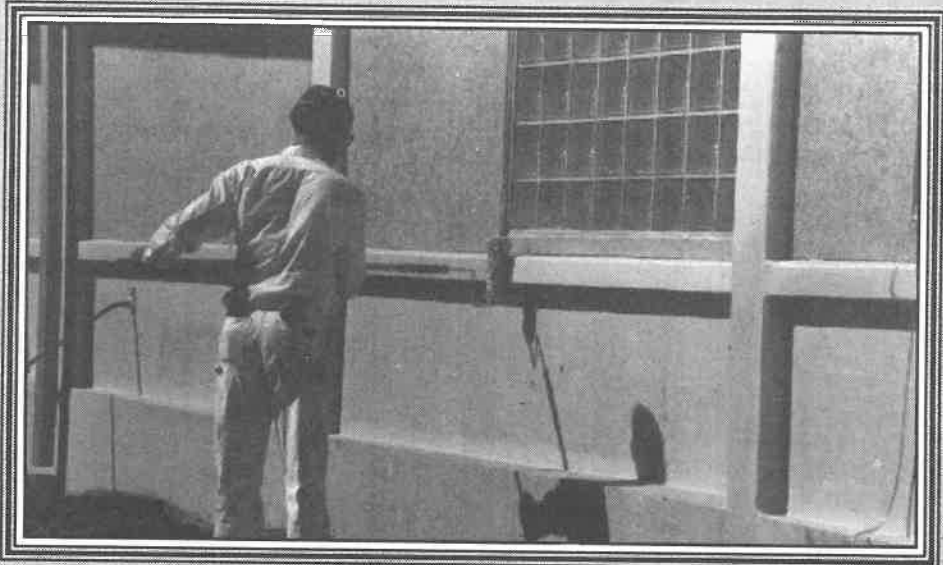
They then wrap them, and dress up as Santa, Mrs. Claus, Frosty, and the elves (and the boys, if your Mr. Brown) and deliver all those toys.

Now don't think that K.E.Y. Club is just a Pasco High thing, because its not. K.E.Y. Club is an International thing. There are millions of members out there doing good deeds. Just here at Pasco there are well over a hundred members.

Right about now, you're probably wondering why all these kids do all this good stuff, well obviously they do it just to feel good. But here at Pasco they get a special reward, at the end of the school year, all of those members who have contributed an outstanding amount of effort get to go on a weekend trip to the ocean.

Now you know that K.E.Y. Club is more than just another locksmith group.

Construction Bads



By Aimee Renee Leaumont

As you all know, Pasco High has been under construction for a long time, and there are a lot of things that irritate the students. Aside from the main problems, such as busing to Bulldog Two and having huge sections of our school ripped to shreds, there are many other things that seem really annoying. One thing that I personally have a problem with is the fact that in the shop hall the girls bathrooms do not have stall doors. In the other new halls the restrooms that do have stall doors have door locks that are just enough off that you can't seem to get them to lock. To me this problem is ridiculous. I mean we just had the restrooms redone, why can't they get it right?? Another thing that bothers students is the fact that they can't figure out how the clocks

work. I mean how long does it take to fix the clocks? My second hour class does not have a clock that lights up and gives you all kind of screwed up signals, nor does the intercom work in this class. Due to this little problem, my whole intergrated science class misses the anouncements every day. Another thing that makes absolutely no sense is the fact that the gym is not going to be purple and white when they finish it. I talked to a lot of people about what bothers them about the construction and here is what they had to say about it.....

Jennifer Corley- senior-"I think that they need to follow through with what they promise, especially with the gym, for assemblies".

Niki Hastings-senior-" Too many fat workers with plumbers butt".

Kim Norton- sophmore-"I don't like the detours, and when I am trying to sneak through the construction area, they know its me everytime because of my back pack".

Kathren Kelly-Junior-"I think that the gym should be done by now, it seems like they are working around it and not on it".

Lui Myers-senior- "It stinks, and it takes too long to get from one place to another!

Eulogio Zarate-sophmore-"It smells bad, they need to get Lysol"

April Fluharty -Freshman-"Why do the construction workers smoke all of the time"???

Brandon Chaney- Junior-" It is hard to get around, because of all the detours!!

Homecoming Calendar
Monday, October 12
Dorm Day
Coronation at 7 P.M.
Tuesday, October 18
Western Day
Wednesday, October 19
Purple & White Day
Bonfire (I.D. required) 8-12 P.M.
Thursday, October 20
Hair Day
Friday, October 21
Forget Your Decade Day
Assembly
Homecoming Football Game
vs. Moses Lake
Parade in St. Pat's parking lot
Saturday, October 22
Homecoming Dance 9 P.M. - 1 A.M.

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By Dustin "Foul Mouth" Kidd,
Patrick Maverick Racsa, and
Blaine Fitzgerald Wiggins

Top 5 Ways to Get Arrested

- 5) Bring a marker to school
- 4) Wear overalls with both straps down
- 3) Go to the bathrooms and miss.
- 2) Make obscene gestures to a police car at 11:34
- 1) Stay out past curfew wit' da fellas

Top 5 License Plates

- 5) RULDS2
- 4) NE14T
- 3) TLCASAP
- 2) NO FEAR
- 1) RULDS1

Top 5 Things to Eat Alone

- 5) Pork & Beans with Rocky Mountain...mineral water
- 4) Jello with Peanut Butter Crunch
- 3) Costco Reeser's Burritos
- 2) Top Ramen wit' yo homies col' kickin' it.
- 1) Caramel covered Danish rice cakes

Top 5 Cool Words

- 5) Fahrvegnugen
- 4) Lollapalooza
- 3) Wienerschnitzel
- 2) Chattahoochie
- 1) Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious

Top 5 Freshman Sayings at PHS

- 5) Wassup du'
- 4) First 3 classes, and then I'm outta Sears
- 3) Nah, really, that chick wuz dishin' me the glass eye
- 2) Guess what, I made JV
- 1) Mr. Chapa ain't here. Gimme the stink bomb!

Top 5 Censored Profanities

- 5) Heck!
- 4) Darn!
- 3) Gosh!
- 2) Fetch!
- 1) Shoot!

Top 5 Things Dusty Hates

- 5) A song being played on the radio 12 times in the same hour (Whuzzat? OK95?)
- 4) Self-righteous people
- 3) Censorship
- 2) Really bad seafood
- 1) Writing an article continued from last issue and being told to do Top 5 Lists instead

Top 5 Things You Will Always Hear When You Turn on OK95, Not Necessarily To Our Liking

- 5) "I Swear"
- 4) "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?"
- 3) "Stay"
- 2) "I'll Make Love to You"
- 1) I love him/her aaaaaaaaalot!

AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, THE...

Top 5 Reasons Not to Go to Homecoming

- 5) The last time you missed Saturday Night Live, your parents grounded you for a month
- 4) Your favorite episode of "Star Trek" is on
- 3) Bright flashes of light (light show) put you in a trance
- 2) You have to make a song dedication on OK95
- 1) Your mom can't go

"Wiggy" Speaks Out

By Blaine Fitzgerald Wiggins IV

I like to think of myself as a positive, down to earth, forward thinking individual when it comes to life as it were. If my favorite baseball team is losing 19-1 in the bottom of the ninth inning, I'm the kinda guy who says, "Hey, they're still good people on the inside." If I were to get mugged and beaten to a bloody pulp while out on a leisurely stroll one brisk Saturday night, when I became concious again I'd get up and say, "You know, I feel bad for young chaps like that. They just don't have any direction in their life." Pretty angelic, huh? But, for all the optimistic notions in my loving head, there are always those things I just can't stand. Over my three and a little under a

fourth years of higher learning here at P.H.S., I've acquired some dislikes, if you will, some disenchantments with everyday high school life. I feel it is my duty, as both a journalist and all around good guy, to share these peeves with you.

Is it just my absentmindedness or did somebody forget the doors on the stalls when they "rebuilt" the new wings? Isn't that the same thing as making an ever complacent Port-O-Potty without the entry way? I mean, I realize we are becoming less and less modest as the years progress, but lets analyze this. You just get back from a wonderful lunch of 7 Layer Burritos from the ever chic Taco Bell. As you frantically run from your "in the boonies" parking space, around a pile of loose

sidewalk, under a moving crane, and leap frog over some overly obese man in a hard hat, you slowly feel the big "D" word coming on. And I don't mean defense. As you enter through the doors, you see the word "restroom" in the distance. "Will I make it?", you think to yourself as your run turns into a butt clenching gallop. As you reach the bathroom you feel a great relief to think that in a matter of minutes you'll be safely seated on a throne of white porcelain encased by walls of greyish-blue metal. As you turn into the bathroom you start to loosen the old belt. As you sit down to "take care of business", it slowly sinks in that you don't remember opening a door to get to where you are now. You finally realize what's happening when your buddies Brian and P-Dog, in there washing their hands, hold a conversation with you that involves eye contact. You run out of the bathroom utterly humili-

ated. Sounds fun.

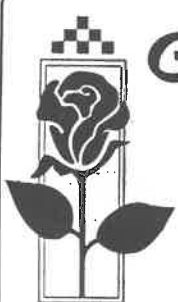
As I put that awful bathroom mumbo-jumbo aside, I think of a "thing" that has lately had me asking the question, "WHY?" Let's talk about this recent surge of people dying their hair. I don't know, call me crazy, but I don't think purple hair is, let's say, meant to be (sorry Eric). When I saw this first case of missing natural hair color I thought someone either lost a bet or fell asleep at a party. I guess when I get right down to it, it's not that I dislike it or even the fact that someone took the next step into different. I think it just might have something to do with my childhood. I remember those crazy Sunday afternoons at home. My mom always dying my hair when my room wasn't clean. It hurts deep down.....

Does a "head nod" mean "Hi" in "cool" people language? You know what I mean. You're walking cheerfully down the hall and you see an acquaintance ap-

proaching on your right. You happily open your mouth and say, "Hi Elden!" Instead of the ever complacent responses of "Hi" or "Hola", Elden proceeds to do the ever popular, impersonal head nod. I HATE THAT!!!! If you're to lazy to actually say hi back to someone, you don't deserve the raw pleasure of a friend period. Knowledge is King.

Why do people drive with their heads at a 45 degree angle? Not to mention their driver's seat almost parallel to the street. I don't know, call me cautious, but I have this strange disliking of not being able to see over the dashboard when I'm driving. I guess I'd just feel I was missing out on something. Like scenery for one. Innocent pedestrians in a crosswalk for another. Here's a tip guys: the way you drive SUCKS!! Any Questions?

So on that ever resilient note, I'd like to say thanks for the listening to my ramblings about the goings-on about "stuff" in PHS or lack thereof, in the case of doors in the bathroom. Just remember, my birthday is December 18. Oh yeah, and if there is one good thing about the bathrooms of PHS, you can never lock yourself in the stall.....just Woodward.



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EXTREME SPORTS: QUICKLY RISING IN POPULARITY

By Kristi VanBatavia

Football, basketball, baseball, and volleyball have always been (and always will be) America's all time favorite sports. Yet, other more extreme sports are quickly rising in popularity (rodeo, cliff hangin', snow boarding, whitewater rafting, sky diving, and extreme dirtbiking...to name just a few). Today, it seems, more people are engaging in the sports that bring them face to face with Death itself. You'd think that people would shy away from the danger involved in extreme sports, but it's that very thing people get attached to.

"When you're out there doing this stuff, the thrill is in pushing it right to the edge... Walking that thin line. When I'm launching my bike off a jump, I know that if I don't do everything just

so, I could be a hurtin' unit. You just hold your breath, work the bike the best you know how, and hope you'll land it. It's a challenge, and it feels good when you do it right." So says Drew Harris, a junior, who often hits the dunes 4 by'in', dirt biking, or 4-wheeling. According to Matt Henderson, an extreme snow skier, "It's me versus nature, and I'm the only one that can control the outcome, that's why I do it."

Extreme sport talent is acquired. Whereas, a star line backer is born with size, and a star wide receiver is born with speed. Extreme sport talent is acquired through very painful trial and error. Anybody with guts and perseverance can do it, and do it good. So, what's your excuse?!

B.A.S.E. JUMPING BLUES

By Heather Kinion

On October 18, 1990 St. Paul's cathedral in London, England was filled with tourists as usual. In the Whispering Gallery, 102 feet above the Cathedral floor, a man in a regular hang-gliding parachute climbed over the railing, floated to the ground, and scrambled quickly from the building. "He just climbed over the rail of the gallery and dove off. A few seconds later he was gone," is how 19-year-old American tourist James Bryant described the scene to People Magazine.

The 21-year-old who jumped and a group of his friends spent over a year planning for the jump. They are experts in BASE jumping. BASE stands for Building, Antennae, Spans, and Earthbound objects (such as

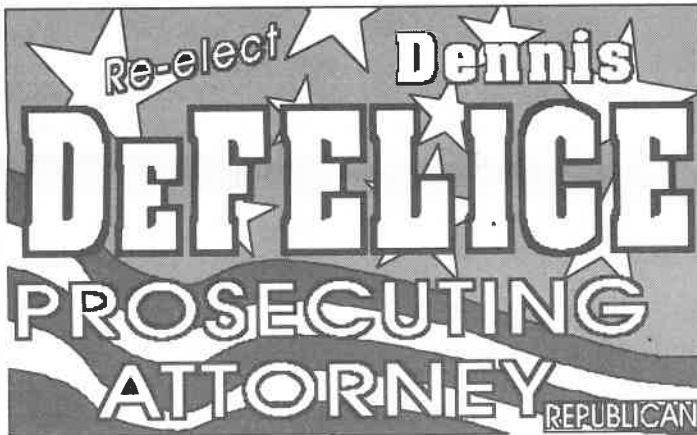
cliffs). BASE jumping is highly illegal, because of the extreme danger involved, but has been a more frequent occurrence in recent years.

In September of 1991 an attempt to BASE jump off Mt. Everest in the Himalayas failed. The group who tried it had BASE jumped off Mt. McKinley in Alaska, Cho Oyu in the Himalayas, Mount Blanc in France, and ridden whirlwinds in Namibia in Africa and Tibet in Asia. The thrill of the jump is what drives BASE jumpers to do it even though a common consequence is one month to a year in jail. If BASE jumping sounds interesting to you, think first about the consequences and then about your own personal safety!

THE ADDICT

By Allison Atwood

Floating through nice, not yet groomed snow and thinking about absolutely nothing, your ecstatic that the season has finally come. This means getting away from all the odd incidents that happen at school and skipping school every Tuesday for the rest of the snowboarding season. Being a fellow snowboarder, I've figured out why someone would want to get up at 5:00 a.m. in the morning in the arctic cold and drive for an hour or two to a ski resort. Anyone who snowboards knows it's a total addiction. Just like anything else one can get addicted to, it might make you do something you don't want to do at first, but while you're doing it it's incredibly intense. (Sort of like biting your fingernails) Whether



Dennis DeFelice met Chuck Wallace of Pasco after Chuck served as a juror in the trial of the two killers. This is what Chuck has to say. "I was very impressed with Dennis DeFelice in this trial. Apparent was evidence of long and arduous preparation - all well presented. Also, as he developed his case, it became clear that much of the investigative work was done under his supervision. Dennis showed he had the ability to sort the issues and present them to the jury. He always showed keen knowledge of all of the facts. I urge you to vote for him."

Former Pasco High School students Marcelino Santoyo and Cesar Guzman talk to Dennis DeFelice about their plans to attend C.B.C. this fall. They were two of the nine survivors of the shooting attack on the pick-up they were in on Boat Race weekend last year. They met Dennis when he successfully prosecuted the two men who shot and killed their friend. They know by Dennis DeFelice's bold actions that he is committed to equal treatment of all crime victims and to aggressive prosecution of violent criminals.



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TION: SNOW BOARDING



it's racing down a mountain breaking eighty with every precise carve, or boarding down and finding that ultimate side in a run and achieving the most torqued position possible, it is all an addiction.

Just like in every exteme sport you will always run into confrontations with the opposing side. This being, on a mountain, skiers versus snowboarders. Snowboarding is one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S. and there still seems to be a few of those veteran skiers who feel like "their" ski resorts are being terrorized by those baggy-wearin', chain-wearin', 50 layer-wearin', shaggy-haired, abnoxios snowboarders. I do admit that there still out there, but we're overlooking still that some of them are on skis. So if skiers would consider not running down our half-pipe and snowboarders wouldn't run over skis when a skier is down, the whole mountain would be a much happier place.

All in all snowboarding is a great sport. I would advise anyone who is dreading the long winter ahead to adventure out and try it for a weekend.

In closing, here is a little some-

thing for us snowboarders at Pasco High waiting patiently for that first fresh powder day:

**"If you
love
something,
set it free.
If it loves
you,
it'll come
back to
you.
If it
doesn't,
hunt it
down
and
ride it!"**

- Unknown

MAN, BEAST, DUST!

By Jaime Mahaffey

Experience the excitement and heart-pounding action of the American Rodeo. Ride the wild side!

Saddle Bronc Riding. Rodeo's oldest event, saddle bronc riding is an exercise in style and finesse which demands perfect timing. Modern day professional competition evolved from the need to "break" or tame wild horses so they could be used as saddle mounts in the original cowboy's range work.

Saddle bronc riding matches a specially bred bucking horse and a delicately balanced Pro Rodeo cowboy who must stay aboard for 8 seconds to make a qualified ride. the cowboy uses a PRCA (Professional Rodeo's Cowboys Association) approved. Saddle

with stirrups and a 6-foot braided rein which he holds with one hand only. Saddle bronc riders are disqualified if they touch themselves, the horse or their equipment with their free hand.

Bareback Bronc Riding. Meaning just that, a wild 8-second ride on a powerful bucking horse without the benefit of a saddle reins or stirrups. Bareback riding is one of the "rodeo bred" events as no self-respecting cowboy would ever attempt to break horses on the range with only a "suit case handle" for a hand hold.

Bareback bronc riding, one of the most dramatic events in rodeo, is a contest between a wild bucking horse, and a strong willed Pro Rodeo cowboys deterimed to stay aboard until

the 8-seconds whistle.

Bullriding. Certainly one of the favorite spectator events in all of rodeo, at the same time the most dangerous and the most often entered event in the sport. Bulls are considered harder to ride than bucking horses, in light of violence and unpredictability of their leaps as well as the tendency to abruptly sprin right or left with no let up in bucking power.

PRCA Rough Stock (Saddle bronc riding, Bareback bronc riding, and Bullriding) matches incredibly powerful and often vicious bucking bulls and horses against determined riders who often mentally pump themselkves full of enough "try" to record spectacular riding feats 8-seconds in the rodeo arena.

TRY BULLDOGGIN' THIS BIKE

By Kristi Vanbatavia

Imagine this: You are sitting atop your KTM 250 SX Super Suspended dirtbike. You are at the peak of a horrenduos mountain gazing down the trail- No, change that- The Cliff! The available traction surface of this terrain is rated excellent...for any insect with 250 legs! With a casual glance you estimate that there are approximately 30 fallen trees, 8 boulders, and several mudholes strategically looming along the trail. You not only plan to finish this Las Vegas Supercross race, but you plan to be the first across the finish line! You are out to bring Mother Nature and your competitors to their knees. NO FEAR! At the sound of the pistol, you start your bike and launch it over the first obstacle in your path (a fallen tree, 4 feet in diameter)! You land the jump perfectly! As you bask in the glory of it all, you fail to see the fatally sharp hairpin turn ahead. You careen off the trail only to land 40feet below on another section of the track. You risk a glance behind to discover that you just bypassed 200feet of the trail. Your competition is nowhere in sight!...

NO!...This isn't just a dream!

For some... it's a reality! It's not the fear of the sport that turns people on...It's the satisfaction that results from expertly landing a jump or mastering an extremely difficult hairpin turn!

If you think the fair carnival is breath catching, hop on the back of a dirtbike and you'll get the ride of your life. After this experience, bungee jumping will seem as lame as the Merry-Go Round. If you've ever launched a 295lb beast off a 40ft drop...you'd know exactly what I'm talking

about! It's thrilling! It's dangerous! It's death defying! It could be fatal! So...whats stopping you? ...Would you happen to be afraid?

**"YOU ARE OUT TO
BRING MOTHER
NATURE AND YOUR
COMPETITORS TO
THEIR KNEES."
- KRISTI VANBATAVIA**



Stuff To Do On Homecoming Night

By Karlyn Duncan

Homecoming is coming up in about two weeks and there are a lot of people planning on attending. I went and took a poll to see where the action would be before and after Homecoming and what the people who aren't going are planning on doing.

I asked quite a few people who attend this great school what they planned on doing before heading over to the dance. All of them basically said that they planned on going out to dinner. Some of the more popular places that were named were The Boulevard in Kennewick, the Red Lion in Pasco, and Red Lobster also in Kennewick. A few even said that they planned on cooking dinner at their house for their date (must be a little broke in the cash flow area). They better be good cooks, wouldn't want to give their dates food poisoning, which might put a damper on the rest of the evening.

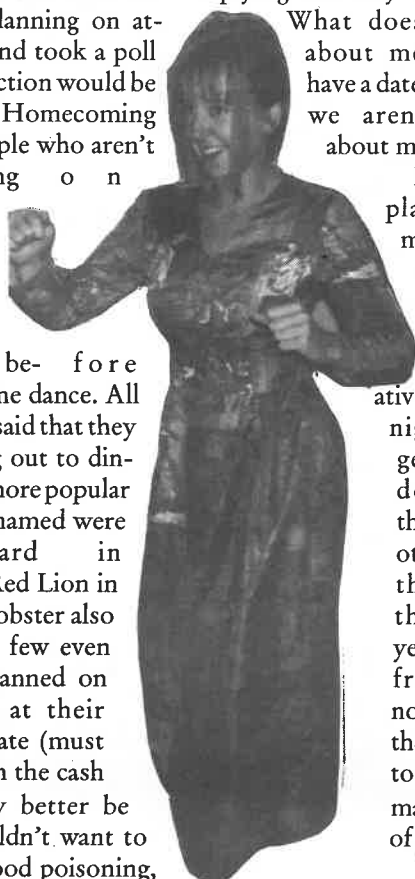
When I asked the people who are not attending Homecoming this year I got mostly blank stares and answers like "I don't know". Some people even got

offended when I asked the question. They were acting like I was implying that they have no life.

What does that say about me? I don't have a date either! But we aren't talking about me.

If you are planning to miss Homecoming this year, do something creative with your night, don't get yourself depressed—there will be other dances throughout the school year. If other friends are not going either, then get together and make a party of your own.

Well once again you have heard what your fellow classmates are doing in these days and times. If you are going to Homecoming, hope you have a great time.



Left: Mande Hewett dances the night away at Homecoming.

Above & Below: Mande gets fat instead of going to Homecoming



Homecoming

Entertainment in Itself

By Rachel Bagley

The homecoming dance is more entertaining than we, as a student body, are led to believe. We assume the fun part is going out to dinner with our date and our friend and their date, and our friend's date friend and his date, but isn't all the excitement fulfilled after entering the cafeteria doors? Just the chance to be surrounded by crate paper and balloons in a room which is normally the headquarters for Pizza Hut pizza and frozen green salad, is thrilling enough for me. But for those of you who are not easily amused, just think of all the other benefits of going to the dance part of Homecoming.

If you get sick of your date, at any time, you could go hang out with Mr. Reynolds. I'm sure he'd be more than happy to show you some dance steps or sing you a little tune. Or maybe you'd prefer Mr. Chapawho could first ask you where you should be and why you aren't there. Another plus of going to Homecoming is the really, really, longer than long line for pictures. Some people just don't realize how lucky they are to be spending half of the night in line. It gives us each an opportunity to expand our minds and exercise our cranium with "travel sized" games which are educationally stimulating (games not included). Then you could boogie

down to the theme song to the "well-known reality show" COPS.

To top off the whole evening, you could go back to your place, but only if your parents are home. If they aren't, avoid taking your date there. It's morally irresponsible and WRONG! But then again, if your mom and dad are there, you could join them in a game of yahtzee and some rootbeer floats. Now, doesn't that sound like the perfect Homecoming night?

"My So-Called Life": An Inaccurate Portrayal of the High School Experience

By Alyson Weakley

Among the new fall TV shows, there is one by the makers of thirtysomething, a show that I have always loved, that I had great hopes for, called "My So-Called Life". This one was even geared toward my age-group, so I was pretty excited. However, the first time I saw it I knew there was something seriously wrong. I don't think that the writers of this show have even entered a high school in over 30 years, nor did they probably talk to a high school student in any process of the development of it. I mean, do we honestly talk like that? In short, choppy sentences? Are we really that distant and sullen? Are there boys who hang out in the girls' bathroom where everyone smokes on a regular basis? I really don't think so. What ever happened to the idea of writing about what we know? I know that these guys can write well. They just obviously know nothing about high school. The one redeeming aspect of the show is the father. He is great and caring, and he really loves his daughter. The only problem is that she treats him like crap, not to mention her "nerdy" neighbor who is in love with her who she ignores or emotionally abuses at every opportunity. I really dislike that girl. I, for one, would much rather watch Mad About You. Or almost anything, for that matter.

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DUSTIN'S FIRST SHOW "IT HURT MY EARS."

By Alyson Weakley

Candlebox, yet another of those amazing grungy Seattle bands that seem to be proliferating like crazy lately, was kind enough to grace us, the lowly Tri-Cities, with their amazing presence. This concert, or "show", as these deals are often referred to, took place on Sunday, October 2nd at Richland High School. Although many PHS students were unable to attend the event due to the fact that it was on a SCHOOL NIGHT, I was able to find one extremely cool and daring fellow who did go. This was, of course, WASCO's very own Dustin Kidd. He was not originally planning to go to the concert, but when a friend who had tickets was unable to go, Dustin said to himself: "Hey, why not?" And so it began.

After picking up a couple of buddies, Dustin was on his way. His first impression of the show was "backpacks, lots of backpacks," not to mention smoke and dyed hair. Dustin, planning ahead as usual, made sure to pin his keys inside his shorts to ensure their safety, and did not

bring his wallet in, ever cautious of the unknown. Once inside the gym, he sat on the bleachers for awhile to wait. While he was

waiting, his friends discussed whether or not to go into "the pit". For Dustin, of course, there was no question about it. NO WAY. The whole idea of jumping around in a confined area with a bunch of sweating, smoky, combat boot-wearing freaks is just not

his idea of fun, I guess. Crazy boy. So Dustin sat. And he watched. He watched as the cloud of smoke near the ceiling grew into a blinding mass of lung cancer, and all the while he listened to strains of Soundgarden and "a bunch of other cool stuff" on the PA system.

And at 7:00, with a flash of lights and a sudden rush to the stage, the first band, Mother Tongue, began. Poor Dusty was sitting on the floor and didn't notice that everyone had gotten up and was moving around. It was rather frightening, but most of all just "very peculiar". Dustin didn't like Mother Tongue that much, except that during one song, entitled "Burn Baby", they

lit their cymbals on fire. "That was the only cool thing," he commented. He was, however, quite impressed, or fascinated, with The Pit. "I saw people jumping around, and there were people flying everywhere. It was kinda cool."

The next band, Flaming Lips, were a little better than the first band, according to Dustin. They dedicated a song to the first student at Richland High who was kicked out of school for smoking pot. Dustin said that "that wasn't cool". He also made sure to note that someone threw a shoe onto the stage, along with other various pieces of clothing.

Before Candlebox performed, Dustin said that it got "real dark", and there was a little light show. He said "It was cool, but it got kinda boring." The lead singer was wearing a Richland Bombers t-shirt, Dustin relayed to me with disgust, but he said that "they were good, they were really good. They got the crowd pumped up." He said that by this time the pit was quite large. "Almost everybody was doing it." They played their hit MTV songs, as well as some new songs. On a final note, Dustin had this to say: "It was enjoyable; a very good experience. We went to Taco Bell afterwards, and I smelled like smoke. And then I went home." And then he went home.

"If I had it to do all over again, I would do it just the same. Except maybe, this time I would head down into the pit, or I would have bought a stylin' shirt or something different. Because as we all know, different is good."

- Dustin Kidd

"Student Talent Abounds at Pasco High"



A Prisoner of Homework
by Brita Hillesland

I'm trapped in schoolwork;
It surrounds me on all sides
holding me prisoner.
As I complete an assignment
a small opening begins to
appear,
but as I leap for it
another assignment jumps in
its place,
slamming me back harshly.
A light shines through a
crevice in the wall of studies;
I reach out through it and
grasp the enjoyment of making
music,
and for that moment
I am almost at peace,
But the work is still there
and sucks me back
Letting the music linger for a
moment,
then fade away with my
happiness.
And again I am trapped
with scarcely the will to exist,
A prisoner of homework.

Once shall be upon a time.
In the near future of my mind.
There will be a great young
man.
Who is a John Wayne fan.
his hair will be a deep dark red.
And I'll love him till I'm dead.
his eyes will be the deepest blue
like the ocean's darkest hue.
he will be tall
and in all in all
he will be my best friend
until...the end

-Trisha Mae Fort

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My name is Blaine.
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Rayon.
Silk.
Scrunchies.
Elvis is my mom.
My name is Blaine.

Blaine Fitzgerald Wiggins IV

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Good Old Days

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items collected from around town and donated by businesses. Often a symbol of Kennewick High, such as a stuffed football uniform, was burned in effigy.

Saturday was the big day. It would start with the Homecoming Football game. This event was eliminated in 1981 when Big Nine coaches refused to build the whole football schedule around Pasco's Homecoming Game. They felt it was unfair that we always waited until the end of the season to play Kennewick.

After the game, all the girls would go to get their hair and nails done, getting ready for the big dance. The dance was always held either in the gym or cafeteria.

I believe, as Howard Ritter did, that we need something to unite out student body. Homecoming has lost a lot of its appeal that it once had. Could we accomplish this by putting more emphasis on some these old traditions? Or maybe by creating new ones? Thoughts for next year's SAC president.

What new traditions could we have? I feel we should put more emphasis on the volleyball game the week of Homecoming, making it our Homecoming Volleyball game. There should be lunch-time activities during the week, with such events as Powder-Puff Football, which is an all-girl football game. There is also the Buff-Puff Volleyball,

with all-guy teams. There's the famous Jello-wrestling, which has caught on in high school's all over the state.

This year Richland was able to talk us into playing them on Saturday afternoon for their Homecoming game. If we could work out a similar proposal with our Homecoming games, I think we would have a lot more potential for Saturday events. Some such events could be a Tailgate Bash. After the game we could have a giant parking lot party, having everyone with trucks or hatchbacks opening up their cars, turn up their stereos, bring food, play games, and have a grand old time. Local businesses could set up booths advertising different student-oriented services.

Throughout all the activities that we have, I think we could make an effort to try to incorporate the community as much as possible; maybe even going as far as actually inviting prominent members to different activities.

Seeing the great traditional background our Homecoming now has, and seeing how much of the traditions aren't as prominent as they once were, I see a lot of potential beyond what we now have. Am I saying Homecoming isn't good now? No, I know from experience that it takes a lot of hard work, and I am sure I will have an enjoyable time. I just thought I might offer some suggestions to help improve this great school we call home!



The Masquerade Ball was held in the Activity Center on Saturday, October 8, 1994. Most attendees wore costumes, ranging from zombie monsters to the king and queen Flower and Bee ensemble, Katie Bruce and Kelly Herron. It was a fun-filled evening for all!

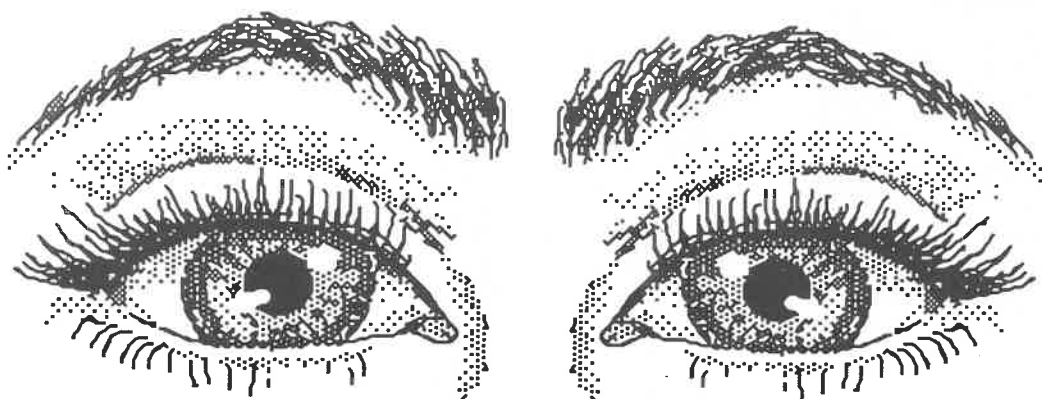
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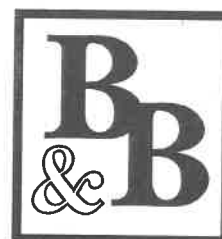
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Cross Country Gets Pumped Up

By Karen Wilcynski

"It's gotta be the bus trips to and from our meets. Listening to Metallica, The Doors, and Van Halen, along with trying to tick off Mr. Fuller. But that's not all...I kind of enjoy having no Friday night social life because we need to prepare for Saturdays meets." With a bit of sarcasm in his tone, Jeffery Baker describes the highlights of the cross country team. "Actually once I was going to go out on Saturday night, but we left someone behind at Miners and had to turn back from Selah." When asked what he thinks about right before the race is ready to begin, he said he asks himself why he about to run three miles at a six minute mile pace.

As for the rest of the boys cross country team, there are 5 positions for Varsity. The first four positions are held onto by Alex Frank, John Kerr, David Hall, and Eric Thronson. The fifth position is switched around for each meet. Eric Thronson has the number one spot and was undefeated until his injury. "The boys team is doing great, I'm proud of them." Mr. Fuller added.

And while the boys team is off to a great start, the girls team is somewhat down in the slumps. The team has a major shortage in participants. On the upside however, there are a few more girls getting cleared to start running. So good luck to you all. Their first and only meet is on November 13 at road 36, so we should all be there to support them!



Soccer: More Than Just a Game

By Blaine Fitzgerald Wiggins

As I sat down to write this article on the ever impressive game of soccer, I decided that, instead of the usual "Sally, Jean, and Mo each scored a goal, and the goalie was pretty good, and there was lots of kids watching, and it was exciting, and there was a checkered ball, and a scoreboard, and grass....", you get the point. Instead of all that mumbo jumbo of sorts, I've taken on the task of showing you, the readers abreast, a few elements of soccer.

Let's start with the "S" of soccer. This stands for probably the most exciting element of the game, **SCORING**. Our ladies have made a habit of doing this numerous times a game, led by Freshman Deseray "the Flash" Daugherty and Junior Christie Horning. In order to be a quality team, you obviously need lots of scoring. The Lady Dogs are 3-0 in League. That's quality.

Let us move on to the Big "O" of soccer, **OFFENSE**. The Bulldogs, coached by Rich Stephenson, take great pride in an awesome offensive attack. The team is full of great quickness and even greater abilities. "Offense is a mindset" says Junior defender Kati Bruce. "Concentration is essential. Each player out there is a part of a fine tuned machine. If one person doesn't do their job, the machine can't score."

As we move on to yet another element of the game we call soccer, "C" is for **CLEATS**. That's right, cleats. Although this

might seem minor, when you get right down to it, you just can't play a game without those crazy cleats. How fun would it be to watch the game if girls were falling down right and left due to lack of traction? Not very, let me tell you. The majority of the ladies said they love their cleats. "It's like their a part of me. Heck, sometimes I sleep with them for the comfort they give me," says Sophomore Right



Fullback Deanna Pardini. Moving right along once again, the next "C" is for **CHEERS**. What would soccer be if after a winning penalty kick by junior midfielder Mandy Fitzpatrick, the crowd sat there with blank looks on their faces? No applause. No yelling. No noise. No nothin'. It just wouldn't be the same. Senior fan Patrick Racs said this about cheering: "I feel I owe props to

the ladies of soccer for all the fun and good times they've given to me. When you see such all-out hustle, you can't help but cheer until your pancreas is inflamed. I love these girls."

"E" is for maximum **EFFORT** put forth every second of every minute in the game. When the game is over and you go down to congratulate, say, your girlfriend, and she looks like she just ran a bajillion miles, it's because she put forth a great effort. Isn't that what it's all about?

Lastly, the "R" of soccer is probably the keystone to the game: **RUNNING**. Junior stopper Anna "The Dream" Cooper says, "To me, running is the most intense part of the game I love. The feeling of the brisk air in my face as I streak down the sidelines is one of the most exhilarating things I could ever comprehend." So true, Anna, so true.



Compiled by Jennifer C. Potter and Karen Wilcynski

While wandering the halls of almighty PHS we have stumbled upon some prestigious performers who so kindly gave us a few minutes of their stressful scholastic school day to give us some inside thoughts on Bulldog fall sports.

"Without the snap of the ball, the play would never start, without the play there's no game, without the game there's no Friday night football, without me there is no Dusty Lamb...(har, ha, har)"
-Josh Sundblad

"The game against IKE was alright. I was disappointed 'cause I wanted a 4-0 record, but they are ranked fifth in state. I feel pretty good though because we beat them two out of the five games. That's better then none."
-Allison Atwood

"The team has a lot of talent, but to win any meets everyone has to put forth their best effort."
-Jeff Baker

"We've had a few setbacks, but we're back on track. We WILL make it to playoffs."
-Javier Delgado

"I'd rather play to win than to play for glory. I get nervous out there, but I know I just need to push the ball up the field."
-Deanna Pardini

"It's hard work and dedication that helps make the team better... at practice."
-Neil Smiley

"Linemen work very hard, and when we're at the playoffs it will be because of hard work."
-Graham Coffeen

"I was exhausted and in complete disbelief."
-Dusty Lamb, in response to the penalty after a touchdown against Wenatchee

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Tamez Goes Down Under

By Blaine Wiggins

In all my meager 18 years of living, I've heard of many things being "down under". A plethora in fact. Kangaroos, Koala Bears, Aborigines, even Rescuers. But Baseball? Who ever heard of Americans playing baseball in Australia? Nobody told me about it. Until 2 weeks ago that is. Enter Daniel Tamez. Daniel is a Junior here at P.H.S. and is, in fact, planning on going to Australia to play the game he loves, baseball. When Daniel found out about the tryout at Lapierre Field in Kennewick on August 2nd, he was one of the first ones there at 9:00 a.m. Many area players attended this opportunity of a lifetime but only thirteen made the final cut. Eight kids from Kennewick, two from Richland, and three from Pasco, including Nick Osman and Jerry Quintinilla, were the lucky few. Daniel says he and his family have been working diligently to raise the \$4,000 needed to make the trip. He mentioned especially the hard work his mom has done in order to help him raise money. Daniel seemed surprisingly sincere when he said he feels great about being away so long. The team sets out on their incredible journey early December 14th and arrives home, just in time for the presents, early Christmas Eve. The team will be playing ball and sightseeing exclusively in Brisbane and Sydney. Daniel mentioned that he thought the Australian teams should be pretty good but nothing his team of stars can't handle. With him pitching, playing catcher or third base, this team should be pretty hard to beat.

I asked Daniel if he had any superstitions or what not and he stated, "I like to sit on the bench while the other team is taking infield. It might sound crazy, but I talk to myself and think of what I need to do to help the team." Daniel is an exceptional pitcher, which he demonstrated at this years Babe Ruth District Tour-



nament in Clarkston, Washington. Daniel twirled a 1-hitter for the victory. When I asked him his favorite memory of baseball thus far, he mentioned the incident that happened in a recent game. Tamez broke an opponents metal bat by jamming him with an inside pitch. Talk about a powerful pitcher! At 5'11 and 175 pounds, Daniel is a pretty good sized lad. He throws right handed and his working on perfecting the art of switch-hitting. Daniel says his parents have been a great supporting cast through the years. He has been coached by his father two different years and will be with him again in Australia, as his dad watches him play.

Daniel is well known for his athletic talents. From Little

League on up the line, Tamez has been a member of the post-season All-star team. This summer he plans on playing for the ever impressive Pasco Sun Devils, of which I am a member myself. He would of played this past summer but he missed the age cut by 4 days!! Daniel hopes to use his baseball talents to get him into college and get him an education.

Basically, this young buck known as Peppermint Twigs to all of his counterparts, has spent the last 10 years perfecting his baseball abilities. Go ahead and give him a big "Texas Whoomp" if your eyes happen to gaze upon him while strolling the halls. He's put a lot of work into becoming the athlete he is today. Good luck Daniel!



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Former PHS Athletes Continue Athletic Careers With Pride

Compiled by Jennifer C. Potter and Karen E. Wilcynski

Athletics here at Pasco High School have a long standing tradition of success and pride. Carrying on this ethic are many former Pasco High athletes that continue to play sports after their high school career. Playing sports at the college level is an impressive accomplishment and we proudly recognize some of Pasco High's former athletes.

Amy Whitmarsh: Columbia Basin College Women's Soccer. Along with former PHS soccer players Diem Luu and Patsy Bolson, Whitmarsh is playing on the first ever CBC soccer team. With intense practices and lots of depth, they plan on winning the NWAAC. Their next home game is October 19, 4p.m. at CBC. The team has set high goals and "should win state, no questions asked."

Mike Button: Columbia Basin College Golf. Mike will be one of the few Sophomores on the men's golf team this spring. Currently he is practicing a lot to prepare for the upcoming season. While the competition is "twice as hard and way more intense" the team should be one of the top two in the Northwest Conference.

Stefanie Johnson: Seattle University Women's Soccer. "College soccer is so much more intense, it has a significantly higher amount of dedication and concentration, and its much more time consuming. Our team is like a family and I'd say we're

together more than not. On and off the field. The awards and benefits are again significantly higher than that of simple high school soccer. There's a big change from high school to college—it's like a whole game here." Stefanie is starting as a walk-on, and is doing very well.

Matt Potter: Seattle University Men's Soccer. Potter is a second year starter for the Chieftains this year.

His freshmen year he was leading the team in scoring and finished the season third after separating his shoulder. He's back this season playing a vital position at mid-field and forward.

Darcy Fitzpatrick: University of Washington Women's Soccer. Due to surgery on both knees this summer, Fitzpatrick is redshirting this season. The Huskies are currently ranked eighth in the nation and Darcy plans on returning next fall to play.

Tiffany Scott: Spokane Falls Community College Volleyball. I had the pleasure to go and watch the CBC vs. Spokane Falls volleyball game a few weeks ago. Might I add the Spokane Falls tore up CBC. A lot of the victory goes to Scott's superior contributions to the team. The all-star player had a great game, and ob-

viously is needed on the Spokane team. The team has a positive outlook for the rest of the season.

Shannon Callaway: Shoreline Women's Soccer. Callaway plans on playing for Shoreline's

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- Lucy Armijo

Club team, in addition to currently playing on a women's team with University of Washington alumni soccer players. She also plays on a Nordstrom's team in a co-ed league.

Heidi Hultgren: Whitworth College Women's Soccer. The two Pasco rivals had an experience in playing each other: Heidi vs. Stefanie (aka Whitworth vs. Seattle U.) And so I heard, "what an experience it was" Seattle U. came out the victor. Whitworth has a bright future ahead of them. Hultgren is starting and doing a great job.

Scott Bond: Walla Walla Community College Football. Bond is a transfer from Montana State and is playing quarterback this season.

Matt McKinstry: Walla Walla Community College Football. Despite a dislocated shoulder this season, McKinstry is still playing linebacker. Also a transfer from Montana State, he has racked up a few fumble recoveries and two pass interceptions. He is being recruited by many

larger schools and hopes to continue playing after graduating from Walla Walla.

Mandy Gustafson: Spokane Falls Community College Women's Soccer. Gustafson is starting at goalie and doing fantastic. She got an athletic scholarship and is off to a great start at her first year at college. Spokane Falls has a great program, and as a team they are expected to do well.

Lucy Armijo: Highline Community College Volleyball. Lucy had a few words of wisdom to share. "You realize you never know enough about the game. You don't get second chances—so you work harder to perfect your personal game. It is more time consuming and you need to be more focused. I miss Mr. Steach, take advantage of him because you won't realize what a good coach he is until you leave." The volleyball team is so much better than their opponents, which makes it difficult for Lucy to play at a level that she could be at. Her brother commented that she could be playing for a 4 year college and get a much greater challenge but papers were late, etc. The team is doing well, and is definitely out to fight.

Antoine Butcher: Central Washington University Football and Track. Butcher is currently ranked fifth in the CFA for punting and he also plays tightend for the Wildcats. In addition to football, Antoine threw the javelin for the track team last spring. He barely missed nationals, but

will try again this spring. As a sophomore this year he is majoring in Environmental Engineering.

Debbie Sporcich: Close to graduating from University of Oregon. She has completed her four years and is planning to play basketball internationally. She had tried out for the Olympic teams but discovered an unexpected injury. So she is near recovery and is going to try out for the international teams.

Deanna Sporcich: University of Tulsa Volleyball. Sporcich missed thier first ten matches due to injury. She returned as a starter and the team is looking to improve their record of 2-11.

Doug Dorton: Eastern Washington University Football. Dorton is starting and playing special teams for kickoff and punt return. He also plays defense for Eagles. He has played a valuable role on the team so far this season. Eastern is a team to stay on top of this year because they are expecting to do well.

Phil Racsa: Johns Hopkins University Tennis. When interviewed about tennis, Phil said, "College tennis is at a different level. You must sometimes travel over 400 miles at a time. However, the greatest attribute are the free warm-ups and three pairs of shoes."

Kentin Alford: Central Washington University Football. Alford is playing defensive back for the Wildcats this fall.

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"Feared Medicine of Loss" Heals PHS Football

By Jennifer C. Potter

Without consulting any sports psychologists, psychoanalysts, or anyone at all for that matter, one may venture to think that losing can actually be a healthy thing for a sports program. While no coach or player may readily admit it, there really are positive and beneficial aspects to losing. PHS football enters this scene as the "feared medicine of loss" they have taken is going to help them throughout the remainder of this 1994 season.

Pasco High Football has overcome two early season heart-breaking, nail-biting, fist clenching, extremely controversial losses and has displayed their pride in a big "W" against highly touted Kelso. A complete team effort capitalized on Kelso's turnovers to beat this state ranked team.

Senior outside linebacker Brian Woodward agreed that this win was vital, "The win against Kelso really helped to build our confidence. We know we're a good team with playoff potential, but we needed this win to prove it to ourselves."

Not only did the Dogs relinquish their confidence, but they proved to the rest of the state



that they are determined to overcome obstacles to continue their hunt for playoffs. With this triumph, the Bulldogs have also beckoned the rest of the Big Nine that they have some tough, relentless competition when facing Pasco on the field.

Fellow Senior outside line-

backer Brad Fritz added, "After the Kelso game our team realized their potential. After winning a football game I feel pain. Every part of my body hurts, but I don't care. I love that feeling because I know that I gave everything that I had to the team, and THAT is a wonderful feeling."

And to sum it up with the wisdom of Josh Sundblad: "On the field I feel nothing but that 'Friday night rush' - after the game I become dreary and sore, but it's all good 'cause football is Faaaaantastic!"

"We know we're a good team with playoff potential, but we needed this win to prove it to ourselves."
- Brian Woodward



Volleyball Aiming Towards State

By Whitney Fox

The Pasco Bulldogs Varsity Volleyball team is taking the league in a frenzy, beating their opponents typically in three straight games, and leaving the crowds breathless. Although the Lady Bulldogs have been playing at McLoughlin Middle School, many supportive fans turn out to see set after beautiful set, and kill after powerful kill, as Pasco continues to take the Big Nine unaware. On September 29, many of us witnessed one of the best comebacks in volleyball history, although the Eisenhower Cadets, with several outstanding hitters and a great setter, escaped the Bulldogs' clutches in the fifth game. Ike was up two games to none, and with a total Bulldog effort, Stefanie Smillie, Allison Atwood, Holly Whitmarsh, and Jo Dockstader lead the way, along with key plays from the bench in Kelli Olberding, and gave Eisenhower a run for its money winning two straight games, making the fifth game a tense tiebreaker. Getting down in the beginning, the Bulldogs

were unable to break the Cadet's concentration, and were left disappointed. Jo Dockstader, sophomore on the Varsity squad believes that the Bulldogs still have a chance at taking first in league play, depending on how the rest of the season goes, "If not first, then definitely second. We can definitely beat Eisenhower in post-season play."

The next stepping stone for the Pasco Volleyball was a tournament in Wenatchee, on October 1. The Bulldogs took second in a tournament hosting teams from Seattle, as well as several AA schools. The only team to beat Pasco was Wenatchee, who benefited from home-court advantage, as well as a Pasco team, who according to Melissa Mackay "lost intensity", during the final game.

It's hard to predict the future, but based on the past, Bulldog competitors better watch out. Melissa Mackay, junior setter for the Bulldogs, talks about post-season play with optimism, "If we play hard and work together, we will beat Ike!" Melissa expresses high hopes for Pasco, and the team places State competition as their highest goal. Sophomore-team setter, Staci Barber, sums up the excitement of playing volleyball, "My biggest thrill is the taste of victory that drips off my tongue every time we thrash our opponents."

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