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"Don't Make Me Go!" Leaving for College Means Leaving So

Much Behind The football team ran to the sidelines, some rejoicing with tears, and counted down one last time to the fans. Yes, I said one last time. Well, for my fellow seniors and I. Sure, sure, we can come back, but it will never be the same as that a oment of complete happiness. Then, I guess that would explain the tears falling from the eyes of my best friends. No, not the ones on the **lield**, but the ones standing right next to me in the stands as I was in complete awe of our undefeated season. I saw the tears and questioned as to what was wrong. One answer was made out through the sobs and puffs as she barely made out the words of, "We . . . We (pause and a sob) will never be here all together like this ever again." Then again the reality that I have to pack up my stuff and venture out into the huge world without my friends, family, and caring teachers. It seemed somewhat ridiculous, I am sure to others, as they saw red eyes and puffy faces, holding hands as we walked out of the game. Yet, there was nothing to be sad about, except the fact that no longer will I have my group of support that I have had from day one. Change happens to everybody and it should seem like an exciting thing, but to me, I would rather stay in this perfect little world of mine! What am I going to do without the weekend girls nights, being up til wee hours in the morning for highschool football, road trips with everybody, routine phone calls, volleyball memories, donuts in the road that make me cry, and all those other stupid high school things that will always remain?

When the subject of leaving to college arises, I quickly find the quickest exit and get the heck outta there. I find myself stressing over where want to go and which college would suit me the best, but that is not the main concern. Don't get me wrong, I hope to find the best place for me, but that is not the reason for my stressing and confused and forlorn looks when asked which college I would like to attend. I merely don't want to leave. It isn't that I live in such a great and exciting town, because we all know that has nothing to do with my struggles. I would love to leave and travel to a place with a little more places to go besides the local theater and shopping mall, but in doing that I would love to take the life that

am living with me, along with the people and the things.

"Gosh I forgot to buy the posterboard," or "Dang, I can't memorize these words without the help of somebody," I say these phrases so commonly that it begins to disgust me. Yet, who do I look to for help . . . None other than my parents. These people have held my hand from day one and have formed my life and now when the time comes to leave I don't know if I will be able to make it. Yet, it is a little ironic because for the past five years I have been complaining frequently about having more freedom and for them to let go and cut me a little slack. Yet, now that time comes to live my own life and make my own decisions and it makes me a little bit nervous.

The most frightful thing to humans is the unknown. Why are little kids afraid of the dark? They don't know what is out there and I don't know what is out in my world. I have never experienced not having my parents to come home to at night. Who am I going to tell about the boyfriend and friendship problems and who is going to give me spare cash for the movies that night? It isn't that I don't want to experience new things, but my life at this point seems as good as it can get. When else can you eat mom's food, get dad's spare cash, go on weekend trips to state football games, have mom as your live-in counselor to tell it all to, and have girls nights every weekend?

I know that you meet life-long friends while away at college. But I have also met life-long friends at high school who I don't know what I will do without. These people have each had such a dramatic impact on my life. I don't want to lose these friendships. I understand that friends last forever, but it will never be the same as it is our senior year. Yet, we all also have to grow up and part, that is how true friendships are tested.

I have finally realized that someday I do have to grow up and pack up my stuff into a different room with a different bed with different carpet, but I also realized that life is about change. Without change, one cannot accomplish the goals they have set for themselves. I understand that I will always have my parents to chat with, my friends to talk to, but it will just be different. Change brings new experiences and knowledge that will guide me into becoming a stronger and more developed person. I just wish I could freeze this moment in time or just pack up everybody in my luggage and take them with me!

By Holly Mattson I still can remember the excitement of the State football game my sophomore year: packing the car for an amazing trip to Tacoma with my girl friends, frozen go-gurts for breakfast, and silly car games such as "what if," for four or more hours straight. Finally arriving, the energy level in the car was continuously escalating to the point we were ready to yell at the top of our lungs, "we're going to the state game tonight!" out the

window. Only being sophomores, we were just learning the true value of having an overwhelming sense of school pride, and pride in the hard work and determination of the devoted football guys. Since that wonderful day, and all the emotions that accompanied it, my friends and I have looked forward to the chance at the title again our senior year.

I am so proud of all the guys, and it has been amazing to watch my friends who I remember playing football and soccer with at recess since kindergarten, strive to accomplish their dream of making it to the state game for their last year of high school fame. All their hard work to excel both in class and on the field has paid off. Our last time around, and we are able to leave with a bang. Whatever the outcome may be, I can

honestly say I am proud of the team and the unity they have shown through-

Yet, what is even more amazing is the way this experience unites not only our school, but all our surrounding communities, as well. Pasco often viewed as the underdogs, or the school less likely to succeed, again comes out on top and now we not only represent Pasco, but the entire Tri-Cities and Big ▼ Nine as well. Not only Pasco alumni and students feel such pride, but Richland, Kennewick, and many other surrounding cities, turnout to the

games to show their support. No longer are we viewed strictly as competistion, but instead as a hometown team to support. My sophomore year, every time I drove by a billboard in Richland, Pasco, or Kennewick publicly congratulating Pasco's victory, or their support and encouragement for the

supcoming game, I felt true happiness and pride. And I don't even play football.

Basically, I just want to thank everyone for the support they show for our school, whether we are rlong-time rivals or not. For, this is a time for the entire Tri-Cities to celebrate the dedication of a rstrong team leading in both academics and team commitment.

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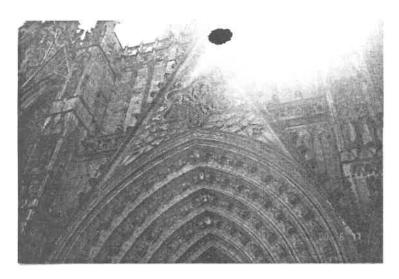
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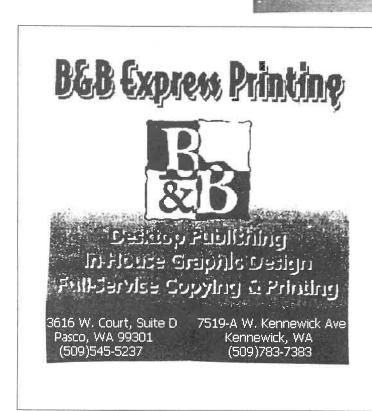
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By Catherine Sherwin m watching you fall apart And it's breaking my heart And as the tears begin to fall, one by one I only wish I was gone With the pain so lost in the past One foot ahead but I'm being pulled back The look in your eyes, I know you are fading But you continue to in your parading You hide behind anything but you are still seen The world around you is nothing like it seems I choke on tears As you start dying in your fears You reach out for me and I can only pull away Time has changed too much and we've lost yesterday I fight the tears, I can't let them fall And as I slip away I see the beginning of you losing all I can't watch you fall apart anymore

As much as I want to stay, I have to walk out the door.





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4 By Holly Mattson

And, a shout out to all those who have

IS SCHOOLA PLACE FOR CHURCH?

By Meagan Hines

Before I say anything, I want everyone to know that this article is strictly my opinion, therefore you should not be offended by anything I say, because it is only true to me. Now then, a little while ago, I heard a story about a girl and a guy in our school. The guy

mentioned that he ing no belief in God) the girl overheard. home and told her school and have a him, so that he may the school did not quest, as according to church and state, but that the demand was right did the girl and force a counselor to Did they really as-



was an atheist (havone day in class, and That night she went mom to call the counselor talk to be saved Obviously, comply with the rethe separation of I think it is ludicrous even made. What her mother have to preach to the boy? sume that the boy

would change his entire faith because a school official told him to? It is inevitable that people are extremely opinionated and hardheaded, and rarely do they change their mind as based upon the outlook of others. This is why I don't believe that church should be affiliated with school. Some people can become too insulted if somebody believes differently than them. I myself have been labeled an atheist just because I don't attend church on a regular basis. People have told me that I am going to hell because of this too. That doesn't bother me though, because of the fact I do believe in God (eliminating the accusation of me being atheist) and that I don't believe in a hell or Satan. Sorry, you can't scare me into your religion by saying I will go to hell, because I simply don't believe in one. This brings me to another interesting point. I occasionally attend different youth groups, because I am very fascinated by different religions. It has never failed that every time I go to one of these "gatherings" I am told that I must attend that particular church in order to be saved and live for eternity in the kingdom of heaven. At first I always tell them that I am just not interested in that specific religion, and this is when they become extremely holy. I have been told that if I do not repent at that very moment, the Devil will come straight up from Hades and take my soul. Some have said that on judgement day Jesus will tell me I cannot enter his heaven because I did not live for him. Thanks Jesus! Sorry, but I don't think that Jesus "punishes" people. He loves them! I have given up even trying to tell anyone what I believe, because people just don't seem to understand that I don't follow one basic faith. I do believe in God. I don't believe in hell. I do believe in reincarnation, but I also believe in a heaven. So I really don't have your common, everyday, by the book belief, but that doesn't mean I am an atheist. And because so many people have been offended by my

choice of principle, I really would rather not have it discussed any further than this particular editorial. There is no reason why people should be judged on what they do or do not believe, because you can never prove who is right or who is not. Show your Bible and I will show mine, you and you prove to me right. The day you do, I will pick a religion.



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What is Christmas all about?

By BreAnne Hovley

Christmas is just around the corner and everyone is preparing for it. Say the word Christmas and I think of neatly wrapped presents under the tree, singing carols in a flatbed truck with tons of people, homemade candy (my favorites are caramel, bon bons, and frosted sugar cookies piled with frosting), and family gatherings filled with laughter, tense aunts, and crying babies. All and all this is very good and memorable, but it is not the true meaning of Christmas.

One thing I absolutely despise is all of the stores that put up trees, ornaments, and lights the day after Halloween. That is two months of preparing for Christ-

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, God with us The Son of Israel."

-Amy Grant

Emmanuel, God with u

mas! Then, they rip it all down a couple of days after December 25. There is so much preparation that the actual day of Christmas is ruined and doesn't have much meaning.

Something as special as Christmas can't be anticipated for two months because it won't turn out as great as you built it up to be.

Emmanuel, God with us Emmanuel, Emmanuel, God with us The Son of Israel. And still He calls through the night beyond the days of old. A voice of peace to the weary

soul. This is a couple of lines from a Christmas song called Emmanuel, God with us, sung by Amy Grant. For me, Christmas is about giving and cel-

ebrating Christ. The best mass of the year is on Christmas Eve, the music is good, the church is standing room only, and everyone is in his or her nice clothes. At my church the lights are off and Christmas carols are playing in the background as everyone files in to attempt to find a scat. The whole alter is lit up with lights, flowers, and trees. Out of all of the masses of the year, I actually pay total attention at that one. I especially love when there is snow gently falling down on Christmas Eve

or morning.
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Another meaning of Christmas is the act of giving. I

have gone and helped deliver presents, food, and clothes (like the whole junior class is doing this year) to families who were less fortunate than I was. I think that is one of the best feelings ever to help someone else out because I know they need it more than me and are happy to receive it. I love buying gifts and wrapping them. I also love watching my mom, brothers, and dad open the gifts I buy for them. I don't know why, but it just seems like it is the one time of year that I can do something special for them, and I know it is my hard earned money that I just spent on their presents.

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Holiday Shopping Can

Make You a Scrooge

By Sydney Patrick

It's that time of year again when we all start seeing in red and green, and our ears start ringing in and out of Christmas Carols. While many anticipate this jolly season, there is one aspect to it that many dread to think about but can't avoid. It's the hectic and crazy holiday shopping time. Why does it seem like everyone waits until that day when you decide to do your holiday shopping at the mall and everyone else is there to join you?

So you get out there, and I'm assuming that you do most of your shopping at Columbia Center, considering it's the only Mall with significant stores in it in our area . . . oh forgive me, it's the only mall in our area. You whip out your list and are all excited about doing some shopping for others for once. You're walking down one of the main corridors decorated with Christmas cheer, whistling along to the Christmas tunes, and glancing at the window displays filled with (fake) snow and more Christmas spirit. Are you picturing this with me? Then, to your dismay

your toe gets ran over by a stroller with triplets in it. It's highly possible. You glance up from your list and realize the war zone you have just entered. There are loud kids running around everywhere

have a louder, more shrilling scream. You quickly dive into a store and land in a pile of clothes that haven't been attended to since the last customer knocked them off the table. The music is blar-

"It's going to be crazy out there no matter what time of day you go."

cutting people off, slow people walking in front of you, fast people walking behind you, somebody to your left, somebody to your right, and you seem to be stuck in between. You panic and let out a scream. However, nobody hears you because the baby a foot away from you proves to

ing, but you manage to block it out, and you find a nice cardigan that looks like a potential gift.

You head to the dressing room on a happier note. When you get to the dressing room, you turn right back around and head to the front of the store where the end of the line is, as you are informed by other shoppers who seem to have left their Christmas cheer on the door step. You instead crawl your

way over the huge sale rack mess to the checkout line, and again find the line much like that of an amusement park with splash mountain waiting for you at the end. However, in your case you find a

grouchy underpaid sales associate who hasn't had a break all day. Chaching, you've made your first purchase!

Don't let your holiday shopping spirit be brought down by these minor and major distractions; it's going to be crazy out there no matter what time of day you go. Here are some tips to help you get through this holiday shopping season: spread your shopping out (don't do it all in one trip), wear comfortable shoes and cloth-

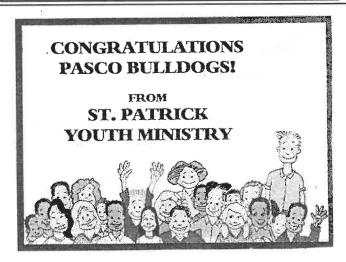
ing, wear clothes that are easy to change in and out of- that makes dressing room overloads go much smoother. If you know you are going to be getting several different items from various stores, ask for bags with handles, and then combine your bags together to make a smaller load. And lastly, keep a smile on your face with every purchase you make and every time you get your toe stepped on.



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Being a Freshman Has Its Flaws

By Kim Gonzales

Freshman year is the beginning of a whole new world as well as the beginning of a new start for each kid. All the useless stuff you did back in middle school is erased and you now are just another kid entering a huge school. I'll admit it right now there honestly is nothing great or spectacular about being a freshman. and everyone who has been through 9th grade knows that. Yes it is true there are so many more opportunities (not all of them good) friends, activities, and just a new kind of fun that you wouldn't be able to partici-

pate in when attending middle school.

Coming up to the high school is definitely an ego booster, ooo yes I am a big high schooler now I get to do high school things. Many kids just love the fact that they get to be around older, more mature kids. Well some of them anyway. The girls absolutely love the fact of the new guy possibilities and being able to check out those senior hotties as they stroll down the hall. Same thing for the guys. They live each day to walk by their perfect senior dream date girl who is the envy of all their freshman

girls. It also works to ones advantage when you know and are friends with older classmen. Just maybe if they are nice enough you might receive a ride to lunch instead of fitting the definition of the "freshman's who stay at school for lunch." Not necessarily a bad thing but as a freshman I knew how important it was to look cool and hang around with the older crowd. Even though at times that as well is not a good thing.

Being the young ones in the school sort of gives you the excuse to be irresponsible. "O I'm sorry I didn't know I was supposed to do that." Sound

familiar. Freshman year you are basically getting a first chance at everything that you do. Mistakes will be made and forgiven. To some extent at least. On the other hand Seniors are our role models. They should know better but freshman don't know any better, right??

Exactly, and an excuse to be irresponsible.

For most people freshman year is dreaded from all the hype people give you about freshman getting picked on and tortured. Totally False. My freshman year although somewhat of a hassle was quite an interesting adventure year round.

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What would PHS be like without ninth graders? About 10 years ago there were none at Pasco High. Elementary school was grades one through six, and junior high was seventh through ninth. Pasco was only a three-year high school, 10th through 12th grades. Today's middle school system throws the ninth grade straight into high school, not that they're complaining. Freshmen are an asset to the sports program as well as school spirit. "It would be weird not having them here just 'cause we're used to it," observed junior Noelia Fernandez, "they make things more competitive."

Many people think that the junior high system works better. Some PHS teachers remember the days when they were students, and Pasco still had junior high. First of all, it solved the high school over-crowding problem. "Not having the extra 700 students would be nice," comments Mr. Sommerville. The elementary schools would be more crowded, though, with sixth graders. "It was better because it gave you

"10th graders coming into a three year high school are far more mature," -Mr. Herron

another year to mature," said Mrs. Selvig. "Most freshmen are 14 years old dealing with seniors that are practically adults. 10th graders coming into a three year high school are far more mature," agrees Mr. Herron. "When I was a senior, I remember looking at the ninth graders on the first day of school. They all looked like they were about 11 years old." There's not as much personal attention in high school. Mr. Fuller explains, "At junior high they have tighter reigns on the kids; it's a more controlled environment. It lets them be top dog for one more year, forcing them to be

more mature.' Some students also see the advantages a junior high system could have. "It would

make the school a little less crowded," said Melissa Ullrich. Liz Caldwell also agrees, "It would be cool because ninth graders need some time to adjust. People get annoyed with them."

Four-year high school does have its benefits. "For one thing, it makes ninth grade realize that what they're doing really counts," comments teacher Craig Coleman. Classes like algebra and Spanish do count for high school

credit. "I like what we're doing now with the "R"-wing. It sort of gives our

freshmen their own place to develop a little more." Even though High schools would be less crowded with Junior High schools, but where would we be without the ninth graders?

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What Makes You Wanna SHOUT?

By Mecque' Whitcomb

Did you know that tobacco use is the most preventable cause of death, causing more than 400,000 deaths each year?? Well, the members of the PHS SHOUT group know, and they are trying to do something about it. SHOUT, which stands for Students Helping Others Understand Tobacco, has been established at PHS for about nine months now. Robin Clarke finds SHOUT to be an important group because, "it helps get the word out to people about how bad tobacco really is."

Some activities that the SHOUT group has been responsible for are the events during National Smoke out Week, such as the gum and suckers with facts on them, surveys and activities at lunch, and all the anti-tobacco posters that are decorating the halls. According to Sylvia Duran, "it's important for the students to educate their peers so that everyone understands how deadly tobacco can be." Corey Wakeley, who works for Tobacco Free Benton and Franklin Counties, commented, "the SHOUT program has been active in the local schools for about three years. Kennewick High School, Southridge High School and Kamiakin High School all have groups similar to the PHS SHOUT group." The Kennewick and Southridge groups did a "whiteout" activity earlier this year, which is similar to the "Every 15 Minutes" Program. The students whited out their faces, and were "dead" for the day. The students wore signs saying that they represented a person who died from tobacco use. This activity was successful and made students stop and think about what a huge impact tobacco has. "SHOUT makes me not want to smoke," junior Carly Arendt explained. Sylvia Duran added, "it makes me realize how bad smoking really is."

The SHOUT group has other events that they do throughout the year. In the spring there will be a sit in, where students fill up the smoking part of a restraunt so that the smokers can't sit there, then they give the manger information about second hand smoke. There is also the Soul Stomp, where the group gets a chance to talk with their local governor and senators about tobacco related issues, and Kick Butts day, along with many other activities.

If you would like to get involved with SHOUT, or get more information, talk with Mrs. Borey in room 248a.

Riding High In A Lowrider By Brandon Herres To be honest with you, I really don't pressive, but it will push the hig

To be honest with you, I really don't care for lowriders. Maybe it's because I have a prejudice against anything that won't make it out at the dunes. Maybe it's the fact that you have to wait behind them in the parking lot as they ease over the speed bumps or the fact that they can't keep up on the highway. There are always exceptions though, like Belen Trevino's 1968 Impala. The first thing you might notice is that it is twice as long as most cars in the lot. Nicknamed "The Boat," his Impala makes a big impression.

Belen inherited the car from his dad, who bought it when he was sixteen. The car has been lowered and fitted with Cragar wheels. The six-foot wide seats are covered in custom blue vinyl and the body has been painted white. The car hasn't been over customized, but has subtle trim like the fender skirts and spotlights to make it a little unique.

Belen said the V-8 engine isn't im-

pressive, but it will push the big yacht around at 70 if it needs to. When the Impala rolls by the song "Lowrider" by WAR plays in my head. The car seems to glide just a few inches above the asphalt and in true lowrider style he takes the speed bumps slow and at a little bit of an angle.

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By Christine Nelson

Hmmmm. Maybe the powers that be should create some awards for high school drama. Instead of the Oscars or the Tonies, they could be called.... The Bobs. The Bob award for best actor would be the highest honor any student could ever have.

There are several actors and actresses here at Pasco tinguished veterans of the PHS stage, while others are One of these fabulous talents is Ace Michel. Ace has was born in St. Anthony, Idaho, and lived there for 15 musicals and plays including his favorite. "Locarb and

was born in St. Anthony, Idaho, and lived there for 15 musicals and plays, including his favorite, "Joseph and role of the title character in "Oliver." After moving to tions as "Give My Regards to Broadway." His most re-

Acting is Ace's favorite thing to do— it "gives me a in order to play a character well, the actor has to figure ations. By knowing how the person would react, the acter.

David Riddle hails from Sunnyside, WA. David has such notable productions as "Damn Yankees," David Theater. After moving to the Tri-Cities, he was pleased His first play at Pasco High was "Ordinary People," in also loves to sing, so he will definitely be trying out for

Coming to us from Seattle is Synava McDonald-Jack-Astrid, a sorcerer's snotty apprentice in "The Worst High Remebering." She also participated in an acting class like David's, was "Ordinary People."

High who would deserve a Bob award. Some are disfairly new.
graced the productions of six Pasco High plays. Ace

graced the productions of six Pasco High plays. Ace years. While living there, he participated in a number the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." He also had the Pasco, he had parts in such memorable PHS produccent role was that of the father in "Ordinary People." chance to be someone else for a while." He says that out how their character would behave in certain situactor can do a better job accurately portraying the character can do a better job accurately portraying the

been acting for a long time. Along with appearing in also did a stint with the well-known Missoula Children's to find that he could continue to pursue his passion. which he played the troubled main character. David the musical.

son. Some of her favorite roles include the part of School Play in the World," and a guiding spirit in "The called "Acting and Reacting." Her first play at PHS,



"Actor, Ace poses for the camera" (Photo By Christine Nelson)

So they next time a dramatic production rolls around, make sure you snag some autographs. They might be worth a lot of money someday.

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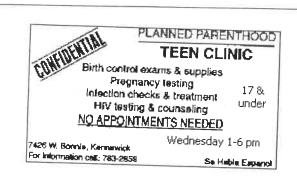
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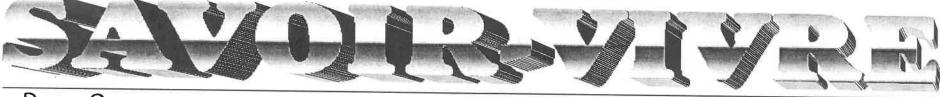
The Winter Dance this year is being put on by the ASB. It will be December 20. The theme is Winter WonderLand. The dance is in the A.C. \$7 without ASB, \$5 with. And it is from 9:00p.m until 12:00 P.M.



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Strange Christmas Customs and the Yule log.

By Joyce Taylor

The Christmas season is illed with many traditional, if not fascinating and amusing ustoms. In Cornwall, the ule Log was called The Mock. t was a great time of year for he children.

For not only was it Christmas, out they were allowed to stay ip until midnight to 'drink to he Mock'.

Sadly, the Yule Log has all out disappeared from the scene as of late - except in the orm of

akes. It was thought to have peen a Scandinavian custom, prought over the North Sea by nvading forces. It was a big vent to go out and choose the rule Log. The specially selected

og was covered with ribbons and dragged home with pride. Anyone meeting the procession had to raise his hat in alute, for it was a good omen. The log was then burnt for the welve Days of Christmas and he charred remains saved to use as kindling for the followng year's fire. And the charred emains served a double puroose, for it was also thought pokyrie, hearns aroad Jugik. to have been a good luck charm, which protected the house from lightning and fire. But of course, even the Yule Log had certain rules that had to be followed: no squinting

person or any flatfooted or barefooted woman could enter the room where the log burned.

In Devon, a similar custom is still practiced called the Ashen Faggot. A faggot is cut

bound with nine bands of green ash, preferably from the same tree. It is then burned on an

open fire which itself is lit by a piece of last year's faggot. The unmarried women of the household must each choose a band. The girl whose band is the first to burst into flames

the next one to be married. *Please note that in England a faggot is a cigarette.

In Yorkshire a custom called gooding, doleing, or mumping took place. The children of the

village would go 'begging' and singing while carrying a Christmas tree. Another Yorkshire Christmas Eve custom is the tolling of the 'Devils Knell'. It has been rung every year for the past 700 years. The knell is rung once for each year that has past since the birth of Jesus. It is rung in celebration of the Devil's departure from earth.

In Chitterne the mummers

visited all of the chief houses in the village. They wore headdresses made like miters with tinsel and colored paper. Their coats were covered with

ribbons made of calico or colored paper and they were armed with wooden swords.

The first known Christmas card was made by JC Horsley, RA in 1843 but was not printed

until 1846. The idea finally caught on and became popular in the 1860s. The Christmas stocking full of presents also came from America and was first mentioned in the Oxford Dictionary in 1854. The sleigh and reindeer arrived around the same pe-

Throughout much of recorded history, the English New Year was observed on the 25th of.

Decamber, hence, the date used by our all time favorite - the Inland Revenue! On that occasion.

you would attend a midnight service, which included the ringing of the bells. The first

was solemn for the old year. The second was a triumphant peal to welcome in the New Year.

DECORATING IS ONLY PART OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE FUN.

By Tyler Shook

Have you ever wondered where this idea of having a tree inside your house at Christmas time came from? Well there are a few legends that are told of how these trees became a symbol of Christmas. One legend says that Saint Boniface (680-755) started the custom of the Christmas tree, while he was a missionary to Germany.

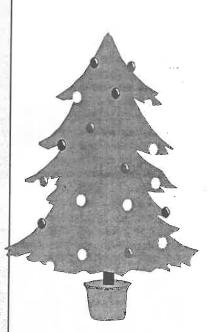
One Christmas Eve he told converts that the fir tree pointed pward to the Christ child, and urged them to take the tree into their homes as a sign of their new worship at Christmas.

> According to another legend, Martin Luther in the 16th century first put candles on an evergreen tree as a symbol of the stars in the sky on Christmas

The tree is first mentioned in German literature in 1600's From Germany the custom spread to other countries of northern Europe. Then in the 1840's it was introduced to England. German immigrants brought it to the U.S. in the early 19th century. After WWI the idea of having on outdoor community tree was introduced.

Christmas trees are around today because they are tradition of the season. Christmas wouldnt be the same if there wasnt a green Saule il ulcie wasili a giccii of white flocked tree to trim

with either an angel or star at the top. Where would all the presents go to if there was no tree to put them under? They would not go anywhere but it would be a little strange not to see a tree outside decorated.



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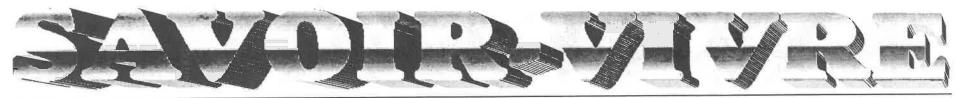
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The whole family unites as one as they joyfully engage in decorating the tree. It is usulay a gay time full of cheer when the tree is decorated. Many little kids love to hang ornaments and they also like to hang the angel on the top when their father hoists them above to hang it.

Wheather you Christmas tree is big, small, fake or real, green or white, trees are a symbol of the season and help give us all somehting to look forward to year after year. Kepp the season alive and go out and get those trees decorated. PS. Kepp those tress nice and watered and make sure not to have your lights on when you are not home. This will help prevent a fire and will also allow you to kepp you home nice and safe throught the holidays.



SANTA CLAUS CAME FROM A BIGGER PLACE THAN THE **NORTH POLE!**

By Mecque' Whitcomb

" Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care in hopes that Saint Nicholas soon would be there."

This is the beginning of a

tops of all the houses on his white horse. He drops little gifts down the chimney that land right into the shoes of good little children. That is absolutely amazing how such jolly tales can just be considered to be true and accepted by one and all. Do you really

On December fifth, Sinter Klaas's birthday, he leaves big presents on the doorsteps of houses with good little children in them. On the fifth, most places of business close early and large chocolate letters with the first initial of each

> person who is going to partake in the feast become the place settings. Everyone takes turns opening their presents and reading the poems that are attached to them.

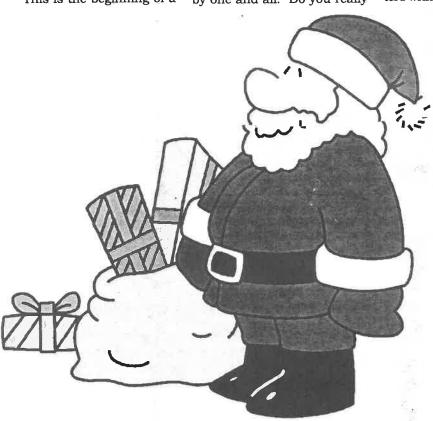
> Children have believed in Santa Claus for as long as the times can remember. Whether this jolly of a man be true or not, it makes for a great time with all the little children on Christmas Day and totally adds to the spirit of Christmas. Everyone enjoys the myth of Santa Claus and it's actually quite fun to play around with. Even many teenagers have been seen

at the mall, taking pictures on the lap of Santa. And why wouldn't they be? Santa is a great guy and deserves to be celebrated. Yes, we realize that Christmas does not revolve around good ole St. Nick, but around Jesus Christ. Still though, he's a fun man and always seems to bring joy and smiles to the faces of many.

The story of Santa Claus has developed tremendously throughout the centuries. Along with his big, jiggly belly, his beard of white, and the whole red suit get up, Santa has been joined by eight cute little reindeer who fly him all over the world in his sleigh to deliver presents to all the good children. Somehow Sinter Klaas's white horse transformed into eight little reindeer and everybody is happy. Not only are these reindeer capable of flying, but even one of them has a nose that lights up. Once again, amazing!! How do they come up with this stuff? Could one little nose really light up the whole sky so as to help Santa and the reindeer find their way through the dark sky? Maybe so because that's what the song says, and the songs are always correct.

All countries have different ways of celebrating Christmas, along with the different names they have given to the man formally known in America as Santa Claus. Whether he be called Papa Noel, Father Christmas, or St. Nick, he is all the same person and means just as much to every little child. Whoever came up with this stuff is certainly clever and has brought much joy and glee to the hearts of little children all around the world.

So whether you believe in Sinter Klaas or Santa Claus, make sure to be on your best behavior until Christmas. The famous song, "Nuttin' for Christmas" is sure to haunt many of you into being good all year round and hopefully it has done it's job. Otherwise, the oh so real Santa Claus will not be stopping by your house this Christmas season and you'll have to try again next



famous folk tale I'm sure we have all heard of. But where did Saint Nick really come from?? It doesn't seem that anyone has ever really questioned this; it has just been assumed to be so. The American Santa Claus is actually an adaptation of Denmark's Sinter Klaas. Sinter Klaas was born in Western Turkey and became the guardian of merchants, sailors, and children.

Each year Sinter Klaas arrives in a Dutch port and gives a speech to the people. He has an assistant who represents the devil. At night, Sinter Klaas makes tours on the roofthink that the gifts that were dropped down the chimney could drop directly into the shoes of little children? Hey, I'm not questioning the possibility of this, just simply won-

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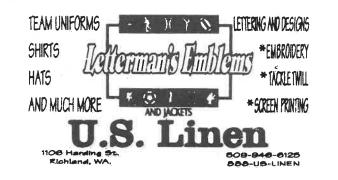
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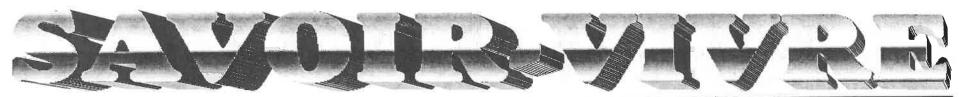
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PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS.

By Kyle Lamb

Christmas is the most celebrated holiday in the world. Have you ever thought about what it would be like to spend Christmas in Egypt, Ireland, or even the Holy Land? Most of you probably haven't but I'm going to tell you what it would be like anyway.

People in Egypt celebrate Christmas a little earlier than the rest of us. The Coptic Church is an Orthodox Church and in the Coptic Church Christmas is celebrated on the 7th December. Advent is observed for forty days and during this period people are expected to fast eating no meat, poultry or dairy products. Some people only do this during the last week of Advent.

On the Eve of Christmas everyone goes to church wearing a completely new outfit. The Christmas service ends at midnight with the ringing of church bells, then people go home to eat a special Christmas meal know as fata, which consists of bread, rice, garlic, and boiled meat.

On Christmas morning people in Egypt and other parts of the Middle East, visit friends and neighbors. They take with them kaik which is a type of shortbread, which they take with them to give to the people they visit and eaten with a drink known as shortbat. Meal knows as fata, which consists of bread,

In the hometown of Doug Vincent, Ireland, Christmas is more religious than a time of fun. Lighted candles are placed in windows on Christmas Eye, as a guide that Joseph and Mary might be looking for shelter. The candles are usually red in color, and decorated with sprigs of holly. Irish women bake a seed cake for each person in the house. They also make three puddings, one for Christmas, New Year's Day and the Twelfth Night. After the Christmas evening meal/ bread and milk are left out and the door unlatched as a symbol of hospitality.

Christmas in the Holy Land where Christ is believed to have been born is often full of traveler's come to celebrate Christmas. Here in a grotto there is a 14-

pointed Silver Star on the floor is where the birthplace is supposed to have been.

There are three Christmas Eves in the Holy Land. One on the 24th December celebrated by the Protestant and Catholic Churches. The second for The Greek Orthodox, Coptic (Egyptian) and Syrian churches. The third is the Armenian Church. At times, all three services are going on at the same Time, but in different parts of the church, as well as in different Languages.

For lunch they eat turkey, spiced with pepper, cinnamon and nutmeg and stuffed with rice, meat, pine nuts and almonds. Early in the evening, members of the Protestant church groups would go around singing carols. On Christmas morning children would open their presents before breakfast. After breakfast Protestant people would go to church, and visit friends to wish them a happy Christmas. The Catholic Church priests would come a bless water from which all members of the family would take a sip. The members of the Greek Orthodox Church Epiphany are very important. They have a special church service at which a cross was dipped into water to bless it. Reople would take the water home with them a Drink three sips before eating anything. One thing that is in common world wise is that Christmas is a family time. The holidays are a time to be with your loves ones and spend quality time with your

family. Dinners, brunches, and gift exchanges are many customs that familys through out this great world share. Church

gatherings wih your family is also a common trait of Christ-

These are just three different places in the world that celebrate Christmas different ways. Some people prefer to celebrate Christmas the same way every year and some people like to travel the world and Experience different ways of celebrating this great holiday. If it were up to me I would prefer to stay in the great city of Pasco, Washington and celebrate Christmas with my family and friends.

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DRINK UP: **CHRISTMAS EGG** NOG RECIPE!

By Holly Mattson and Chris O'Neill

Christmas is a time to break out all the old, traditional recipes. You can find this recipe at: http://www.indepthinfo.com/eggnog/recipesd.shtml

Basic Non-alcoholic Eggnog Ingredients:

12 eggs

1 1/2 cups sugar

1 quart cream

to taste vanilla dash of nutmeg

Directions:

Separate eggs at room temp. Beat yolks till creamed with about half of sugar, whites till peaked then add other half of sugar. Beat cream till stiff. Then fold all together. Add vanilla to taste - but remember that a little bit of vanilla goes a long way. Place into containers keep in refrigerator for at least one day. Shake before serving.



RISTMAS

By Sydney Patrick

Each Christmas, family and friends come together and have a good time, while reminiscing about past Christmas memories, and making new ones to tell in years to come. Whether your favorite memory is the Christmas feast being prepared, or the feeling you get when you first wake up Christmas morning, those memories will last you a lifetime. They are what makes Christmas so special. Here are just a few memories that Pasco students and staff are still laughing about now with their family and friends:

David Barber & Kyle Fielding- When we were little and David was fat, we used to play the tube game where we would be pulled around on a tube when it snowed, and David would jump on us, and it would hurt.

John Elfering- I was skiing, and I was going down this steep slope, and I was screaming because I was scared. I knew I was going to crash and I did.

CJ Black- My favorite memory is going to Canada with my family for Christmas. The whole family is there that we never get to see, and we have an all around good time.

Mrs. Mason- We wouldn't see the tree until Christmas morning, so it was a big surprise for us. My brother and I crawled under the buffet and watched "Santa" put all of the Christmas presents under the tree.

Kyle Kania- My best memory is getting a gun for Christmas. Andrea Upchurch- My brother and I went sledding, and there was this older kid who ran into my brother. He started to fight with him so I stuck up for him even though I was much younger than this kid.

Bryan Landry- When I was in 5th grade, I was so happy to get the "Home Alone Talkboy" from Santa.

The Meaning of **Christmas Varies** Among Many

By BreAnne Hovley

X-Mas or Christmas? Why is it that some people shorten what Christmas is really about? Putting the "X" in for Christ takes the religious meaning out of the holiday. Some Pasco High Students share what they believe the meaning of Christmas is.

Bryan Landry- "Presents, candy, food, and maybe being with family" Brandon St. John- "Family vacation, no school, food"

Karina Marquez- "The birth of Christ, and so that little kids can feel some

Mrs. Manterola- "Family gathering"

Amy Hanson- "Usually when family gets together and eats a lot - and then the other side that is the celebration of Christ's birth, which is actually the true meaning of Christmas."

■Tyler Bell- "Celebrate Jesus' birthday"

Sarah Gregory- "A time for family friends and fun"

Catherine Powers- "Birth of Christ and the celebration of his life" Katy Smith- "Reunite family and celebration of family memories" Amy Shimek- "The act of giving, loving, being kind, and sharing"



Many different Holiday Customs and Traditions are **Explored During the** Season



By Amanda Foust

It's almost time for Christmas break . . . I mean, winter holiday. Everyone knows what Christmas is whether they celebrate it or not, but few people know the stories and traditions of two other prominent wintertime celebrations, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. Knowing the traditions of others is important to our culture as a whole.

"Many people think Hanukkah is the result of a war with Syria, but it's not," comments Mr. Bickenhauser. It house, and entertaining fam- productive future. was actually the result of a ily and friends. They also eat Jewish civil war that occurred around 160 BCE (Note: BCE

stands for Before Current Era, which is culturally sensitive to non-Christians.) "As it turns out, the Jews were besieged in a Holy place, and they were left with only enough oil to keep the light, which symbolizes God, burning for two or three days. God kept the light burning for

In America, many Jewish families celebrate Hanukkah much like any other holiday by giving gifts, decorating the special foods and light the holiday menorah, called the

hanukiyah". It has nine candle holders, eight for each day the light burned in the temple, and one for the "shamash" candle, used for lighting the other eight. This is why Hanukkah is the "celebration of light". It is observed on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Keslev, traditions are designed to strengthen collective self-concept as a people, honor the past, evaluate present situaand commit to a more

"We all get together. with family. The first day is

for love, the second day is heart, and the last day is for relationships. Like if you're married or you're going out with someone, you go show your love for them. Also, we can't drink any alcohol."

Each day of Kwanzaa has a theme. "Umoja", the first day, means unity, and stresses the importance of family and community. On second day, "Kujichagulia", self-determination is emphasized and Kwanzaa is a time for being for remembering and obligation. "Ujamaa" means work

and responsibility; working to maintain business together. The word "Nia" means purpose, or building community to restore tradition. "Kuumba" is for creativity, focusing on making the community beautiful. "Imani" means faith, to believe in people.

The colors of Kwanzaa are red, green, and black. "Black symbolizes the face of our people. Red is for the blood our people shed. Green is for hope and the color of motherhood. people try to define common During Kwanzaa, seven candles interests. "Ujima", is the day are lit on a candleholder called the "kinara".

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Pasco Students Choose Their Top Holiday Tunes

By Meagan Hines

"Christmas carols are fun," said an excited Cameron Dehaven. They are quite enjoyable around the holidays- you cannot deny this. Yeah, they can get kind of annoying when you start hearing them right after, oh, Halloween. But you know when those tunes start playing, the presents will start rolling in! Here are Pasco High's top ten favorite Christmas carols:

1. Silent Night

Grandma Got Ran Over by a Reindeer

3. Jingle Bells

Little Drummer Boy

5. Feliz Navidad

6. Deck the Halls

I Ain't Gettin' Nothin' for Christmas

8. I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Clause

9. Oh Holy Night

10. All I Want for Christmas is You

If these don't put you in the mood for some eggnog and mistletoe, then you are dead. Go tune into one of those AM stations that play these songs all the livelong day, and get in the spirit. Humbug,

Winter Break Sends Bulldogs Cross Country and Beyond

By Kyle Lamb

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The Christmas season is here, and it's time to go on vacation. Here are what some Pasco Chris Ortiz- Medical insurance so I can pay for hospital bills

High students and teachers are doing over the break. Steven Jenks- going skiing on my days off of wrestling

Maria Agular- going to Atlanta

Mr. Gutleben- going to Puerto Vallarta as a graduation present for my daughter Gabe Gutierrez- anywhere but the wrestling room

Nick Chassin- going to shoot ducks at my secret spot

Kyle Kania- going to Mt. Bachelor to go skiing

Anthony Davis- going to Florida to try and help Gore win the election

Brittany Barton- going snowboarding at Mt. Bachelor

Kayla Dodson- skiing at Mt. Switzer

Shelby Ramirez- having a party at the Lambs' house, trying on football jerseys, then going David Hanson- A stun gun

Meghan Gray my friend Julie from California is coming to see me Tabitha Archuleta- I'm doing cheerleading, and in my spare time I'm going to California and Trevino to be open about their relationship the Rose Bowl Parade.

Haley Patrick- going to Oregon to see my grandma

Bryson Bogart- getting yelled at by Guajardo

Shawn Guarjardo- skiing at Apex Alpine, British Columbia to go skiing

Tanner Savage- hopefully going to the Orange Bowl

Eric Levitt- going snowboarding at Bluewood Ben Fox- going skiing a Big Mt. in Canada

Jeremy Spier- going skiing in Canada

Amanda Salinas- I am going to Seattle to shop Christmas eve then coming back down for already am. Christmas and do all the Christmas stuff, dinner and what not, and I am going to spend half of Christmas with my family and the other half with my best friends like we do for every holiday.

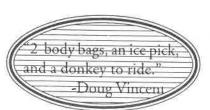
By Christopher O'Neill

Christmas is here and the shopping has begun. Many people around the school have begun to shop and they have also asked for many things. Here is what some of the students around Pasco High School have wished for Christmas.

Steven Jenks- a gun

Doug Vincent- 2 body bags, an ice pic, and a donkey to ride. Please do not ask me questions. I would also like a flagpole.

Coach Graff- 1 million dollars so I can do what I want.



Gabe Gutierrez- my 7 years back from Rachel Dilley Heather Wagner- Emily to play basketball and a CAR! Kyle Kania- a few baseball cards, a sack of marbles, (cough, cough) PEATEE! JT Maxwell- a Pennywise doll for #45

Meghan Gray- a camera to

take cute pictures

Belen Trevino- Meghan Gray

CJ Black- I want Nick Perez to get over Jamie Klippert.

Brian Boler- I want to win an Eminem look alike contest.

Tracy Spier- a slushy machine that makes banana and cherry flavors. I also love Eminem.

Mr. Shimek- I want EMC to go up 100 points.

David Shimek- I would like Bobby Bowden to realize that I'm a defensive end, not a defensive tackle

BT Shook- A chance!

Rachel Doherty- I want Raul to buy me a sapphire ring

Corey Osborn- Trade Cameros with Jesse

Kris Kalinowski- Hot chick in a Mrs. Clause suit, chestnuts roasting on an open fire playing in the background, and egg

Nick Gonzales- Racing stripes for the wagon.

for all the ankles I break. A new pair of shoes would also be nice. Plus a date with the crazy kids! Also, for #45 not to drink the HATERADE when I am on my double header.

Carissa Partida- A boyfriend

Dana Ellingson- Sergeant Bubs (Kyle Lamb)

Brandon Benson- A Hummer and a trip to Cancun with my girl

Ashley Woodward- Your mom!

Brian Dilley- A 7th grader Amy Shimek- Greg Bosch

Choda Boy- A new pair of Converse All-Stars

Dallin Adamson- A whip

William Hargrow- I would like Amanda Salinas and Belen

Danisha Tamez- A library car, Scooby Doo, and #32 Joel Ramos- Butter knife

Lauren Gonzales- Joel Ramos!

Brad Boler- I want the bulls to win the NBA championship. The colts to go to the Super Bowl. I would also like my feelings to change on finding a woman, because I have had some bad experiences in the past. I would like to be sworn in on January 20 as the president of the United States, because in my mind I





By Ryan Orozco

Who wants a job over Christmas Break? Wait let me re-phrase that, who has to get a job? Many of our older classmates and some of the younger are going to be snatching up jobs over the holidays, looking for some extra cash to spend during the holiday season. Also, stores are going to be looking for a little extra help to compensate for the holiday rush, perfect huh? That's where the newly assembled Pasco High Work force is going to come in.

Just step into a store this holiday season and look around you. Only one word can describe what is taking place around you.... Chaos. People jammed elbow to elbow, fighting for places in line, it's a wonder how the peace is kept. Which is more than can be said for the stores, which closely resemble a war zone. With clothes thrown every which way, and their hangers nowhere to be found. As well as toys in every department, except for the toy department of course. It, needless to say, is a lot of work.

The holiday rush has started long ago. Officially beginning the day after Thanksgiving, and the stores are going to be looking for a couple extra hands to handle the ruckus. So don't be surprised if you see a couple familiar faces behind the counters this year. There are also those who hold a job all year and wonder, what's the big deal? I take off my hat to them, good job. So keep a look out for your fellow Pasco students as you're out there holiday shopping this year. Say, "What's up" and maybe even conger up a conversation to get your mind off the ciaos that is all around you for a split minute. And all you looking and getting jobs, good luck and see you in

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CLASSIC CHRISTMAS MOVIES

By Sarah Johnston

As soon as the Turkey is cold after Thanksgiving, it's time for Christmas preparation. Lights, decorations, the whole shabang. The funnest part of the 4-month Pre-Christmas period is the constant Christmas television entertainment. There's the Grinch, the Claymation specials, and of course Santa Claus the movie (Dudley Moore at his finest). But the master of all holiday movies, the king of Christmas traditions, is the masterpiece known as A Christmas Story. There's nothing better than sitting down at the crack of dawn and seeing A Christmas Story played for 24 straight hours. A true day well spent.

This is not to take any glory away from the other Christmas classics. Santa Claus is coming to town has a special place in our hearts. But a Christmas Story has become the best of the best, and a timeless bit of nostalgia. We follow Ralphy in his comedic Christmas endeavors, which All NEW Price Plans include visiting Santa, fighting a bully, wearing his fabulous Bunny Pajamas, and best of all receiving a red rider B.B. gun and nearly shooting his eye out. It's got a bit of everything that is required from a genuinely good Christmas movie; violence, family quarrels, slight use of profanity, and a lamp in the shape of a leg. It has come into light that numerous students attending our learning institution have no yet had the pleasure of experiencing this movie. While disgusted and repulsed at this prospect, it is highly encouraged that you watch at least a few runs during the traditional 24 hour viewing, and continue to watch it every year after that. For those of you who cherish the movie as you should, keep up the good work. For no movie captures the excitement and reality of Christmas better than A Christmas Story. Amen. Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa and what not.

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Christmas just isn't the same without the Music

By Brandon Herres

It's Christmas time once again and it is time to break out those classic carols. Who else to better top the list of all time classic Christmas musicians than Washington native Bing Crosby? "White Christmas" is still one of the most timeless songs for the holidays. Other all time favorites by other artists include "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," "Jingle Bell Rock," and who could forget, "Grandma Got Ran Over by a Reindeer." Elvis ads to the list with "Blue Christmas." The Manhiem Steamroller Orchestra has been around for years and they released several Christmas albums.

If your are tired of the same old songs there are plenty of new albums and artists on the holiday scene every year. One of the best selling new albums is the one from Trans-Siberian Orchestra. They incorporate classical music with modern rock and roll to make some of the best Christmas music. Trans Siberian Orchestra takes modern and religious Christmas songs and makes them rock. They are widely known for their "Carol of the Bells" featuring Metallica.

No matter how hard you try to avoid them you are bound to have one carol stuck in your head this season. This may not be a bad thing because there is nothing like a holiday song to brighten your day. If the Grinch theme or "Jingle Bells" find their way into your head think of one of the timeless classics or modern tunes to get them out and put a smile on vour face.

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Wondering What To Do This Winter Break?



Most of the students at Pasco High impatiently await the derful arrival of freedom we simply refer to as "Winter Break." ugh commonly, when winter break comes, these students find uselves to be bored, with nothing to do but eat jars of frosting watch reruns of Jerry Springer. There are events around the Cities, however, that may just make your day:

Experience the exciting birth of Jesus'Christ by watching the Living Nativity! At Cathedral of Joy, December 15-17 and 19-23. Wear 38,476 sweaters, because part of it happens outside. ACTRA team roping is at Trac on December 16, along with the Cable Bridge Run (Brittir!), and the beautiful Desert Plateau Luminaria. I don't know about roping or running, but the luminaria is definitely worth seeing.

Break out your yarmulkes and dreidle, Chanukah starts on the eve of December 21!

Support your Pasco High wrestling team by attending their meet on December 22 and 23. What a fine way to spend the days before X-Mas!

December 25! Christmas Day! Run down stairs at 4 am, check your stocking, open your presents, then go back to bed and sleep in until dinner.

Kwanza starts on December 26, and ends January first. On December 31 is First Night Tri-Cities in Richland. Welcome in the year 2001 on January 1. Goodbye 2000, we had a lot of fun winning state!

Try not to be boring over winter break, and experience the interesting events our one horse town has to offer. What would you rather do, get out and have fun, or get cabin fever from wasting away in your house by your pathetic self watching Turner Classic Movies and eating a jar of three year old mayonnaise? That probably will never happen, but you should go to these affairs anyways!

Actins opportunities poppins up in the

Tzi-Gities

By Christine Nelson

The Tri-Cities sometimes seems like a barren desert in every sense of the word. Though there are plenty of fun things to do, teens sometimes feel that "cultural" opportunities in Pasco, Kennewick and Richland are extremely limited. But fear not, young thespians; "all the world's a stage, and the men and women merely players." Even in the Tri-Cities.

One group that budding stars may wish to join is called Ye Merrie Greenwood Renaissance Players. Every year, this non-profit company takes over Howard Amon Park in Richland and transforms it into a shire of Elizabethan England. Fairies flit, knights joust, peasants cavort and nobles parade during two days of non-stop fun. The Players begin rehearsals in the beginning of the year and perform in June. The players also tour and perform at Renaissance fairs in other cities. During rehearsals, actors learn to speak Elizabethan English (think Shakespeare), practice country dancing, sing (don't worry about sounding good—in a group

like that, everyone learn about the history of tory you read in a text-stuff they won't teach one is welcome, so if them a call at 783-7727.

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also provide many optors. They put on full cently, "The Last Night have consistently done productions. Auditions and are usually men-

tioned in Friday's "Around Town" section of the Tri-City Herald.

Although meant, for the most part, for the younger generation, the Academy of Children's Theatre frequently casts teenagers in their many productions. The goal of ACT is "to provide educational opportunities in the theatre arts to young people of all abilities and levels of interest; to produce quality theatre for and by the young with appeal to all ages; and to expose the community to diverse ideas and cultures." (According to their mission statement at www.acttc.org.) ACT presents four family plays each year, with young people working in everything from lighting and sound, and stage managing to learning the art of makeup. ACT also runs workshops throughout the year.

So, budding thespians, fear not—thy talents shalt not be wasted in you barren desert. Keep an eye peeled, and you're bound to be on your way to Broadway sooner or later.

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PHS Students Watching Out For Each Other With

Drug/Abuse Awarness

By Holly Mattson

Every year the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy keeps the WASCO staff updated on matters such as sexual assault within schools, and issues such as the date rape drug, being used outside of school. Most of us make it day by day without even noticing such actions, or even party on the weekends without the fear of such a drug. Yet, the scary truth is that both are very relative to many lives daily, creating victims of assault. Even if you may not personally have a problem with either issue, you must not be naïve and think, "it can't happen to me," because, too many people can tell you otherwise. It does happen, and it can happen to you, and both are issues that need to be acknowledged and discussed.

Dana Robinson, the woman in charge of getting this information out to our school, included in her letter, "When it comes to sexual harassment, the intention of what is said or done doesn't matter - the IMPACT does." Often jokes are said that unintentionally insult someone. Being socially sensitive includes being aware of the people's conditions around you. Obviously if you are in a room racially mixed, you wouldn't crack jokes about any minority. In the same way, one must be sensitive and respectful to the needs of students around them. People react in such different ways, too, that you may not be able to predict whether one will realize you're joking or not. Reactions may include fear, anger, frustration, helplessness, depression, humiliation and fear of being alone. Even if the action was unintentional, the impact and effect of carelessness is great.

Sexual harassment comes in many forms. They include: sexual comments, gestures, looks or whistles; name calling; sexual or "dirty" jokes; spreading of sexual rumors; displaying or distributing sexually explicit pictures, drawings or written material; and touching, grabbing or reaching for a person's private parts. If you, or anyone you know, is receiving such attenuous mentioned the most important thing to do is to speak out. If someone confides in you that they feel they may be being harassed, believe them. Harassment is a serious situation.

Identifying drugs is highly important. You must educate yoursell on what drugs are out there. "Roofies," (rohypnol and gammahydroxybutrate,) are drugs that make users relaxed, confused and spaced-out, often to the point of unconsciousness. They will completely take away all inhibitions, and if enough is taken, one can pass out for long periods of time, or even fall into a coma. Few cases have even ended in death. The scary aspect of this drug, is that one can easily slip it into a drink without the drinker being able to ever realize-it. It is odorless and tasteless.

The most common name for rohypnol is the date-rape drug, for many sexual assaulters use the drug as a weapon. Other slang names used to describe the drug include: R-2, Roaches, Rope, Mexican Valium, "G," Liquid X, Soap, Cherry Meth, Goop, Easy Lay, Scoop, Georgia Home Boy, Special K, Super C, Purple,

This information is not supposed to create fear necessarily, but make you aware they are out there. If you want any more information related to either issues, or want more information on what to do if you know of such instances taking place, you can contact WASCO's room, (Mr. Wright's room.) Anything that happens remains confidential, although any necessary actions to keep students safe will take place.

Sing Your Way Into Christmas With PHS Band & Choir

By Ryan Orozco

Wondering how to get into the Christmas spirit? Well, how about coming to the Pasco High Christmas concert? With a joint effort of the holiday band, concert choir, and the holiday choir (which consists of three choirs itself: jazz, chamber, and treble) it will surely be a great show. And it's also free, without any strings attached! The Pasco High School auditorium is going to be the place to be. The band is even inviting Pasco High alumni to come and play with them (talk to the Band teacher Mr. Mancinelli, ahead of time if your are interested in participating). The show begins at 7:30 pm, but it would be a wise idea to come early if you would like a good seat. This is generally the best-attended PHS concert. Attendance is usually over 1000 people. (and you thought I was joking when I

own traditions here at PHS, the choir will be singing, 'Simple Giffs' and will be doing a candle processional. So don't forget, Monday, December 18th in the auditorium, it will be worth your while....and then some.





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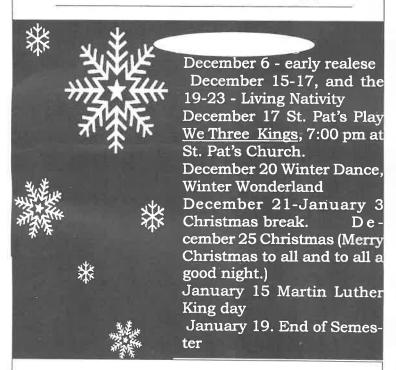
An Understanding Of The Electoral College

By Tyler Shook

With all the fame the Electoral College has taken up since this big misunderstanding concerning our next president, we are all a little bit confused as to what the exact role is that they play in choosing our president, so here is a look at all the commotion happening in congress right now.

In presidential elections, the people do not vote directly for the President and the Vice-President. They vote for electors who then cast formal ballots for these two offices. Each state has as many electors as it has senators and representatives in Congress. In many states, the electors' names do not appear on the ballot, but it shows the names of the candidates for whom the electors are pledged to vote. Each party nominates a set of electors in each state. The winning party in each state wins all seats on the electoral college for that state. A candidate may receive a majority of the popular votes, but not a majority of the electoral votes. A popular vote is the votes by the people in the country as a whole. These Electors meet in the State Capital on Monday after the second Wednesday in December. Each one casts one ballot for President and one for Vice-President. Next they are sent to Washington and counted on January 6th. To become President or Vice-President, they need a majority of electoral votes. If neither candidate gets a majority, the House of Representatives elects a President according to who has the electoral votes. Now that the election is almost done and we know who the next president of our country is, all this confusion of electoral colleges and popular votes can come to an end too.

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Are Slang Words Here To Stay?

By Joyce Taylor

Did you know that in the fifties, the average teen knew about 500,000 words, while today that number has plummeted to only 10,000? How could this have happened? As I stroll the halls and my way to my next hour class, the number of "she bes," "fennas," and "ain'ts" most of us are subjected to hearing are quite disturbing. Like slang. Is it really necessary? I'm not saying it's a bad thing, but I'm not saying it's good either. What kind of future are we going to have when some people can't even speak a single sentence in proper English? Certainly this does not pertain to all of you, but for quite a few it does. Another disturbing factor in this situation is how some students with such poor grammar tend to always point their fingers back and blame their teachers and/or parents for their lack of grammatical education. It's not their fault they're working long hours to put food on the tables and get you what you want or you don't want to pay attention in class. "It's fine when they're talking with friends," comments Mr. Scott, "as long as they're not infringing on anyone's rights." Which is a very good point. I sure don't speak proper English all the time and I'm sure everyone else in here doesn't either.

FESTIVE FUN WITH "FIRST NIGHT"

By Holly Mattson

The Public Relations Committee has organized another "First Night" for New Years Eve this year. First Night is an alcohol-free community celebration of the New Year with art, ritual, and festivity. This year, for the second time, the event will be held

in Richland, and this will actually be the fourth year of celebration for them.

At all Sunmart locations throughout the Tri-Cities, First Night buttons will be selling five dollars a piece. Once you have a button, you are able to visit any First Night venue offered throughout the day located at places such as: the Children's museum, Richland Community Center, businesses in Uptown, and along the Parkade, Richland Players Theater, Richland Suzuki, several banks, and other locations. The festivities begin at 1:00 in the afternoon in the Uptown area. Join in the fun at 4:00, witnessing a parade beginning at the Richland High Football Stadium continuing throughout the Richland area.

There will be a Teen Dance hosted by Power 99 at Howard Amon Park. Whatever school has the most attendees will receive a free Power 99 dance during the 2000/20001 school year.

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Nothing But

Net From Boys

Basketball

By Mecque Whitcomb

Nothing but positive comments and promising outlooks came from the players of the boys Varsity basketball team. Senior Pablo Valladares said, "We have a good team this year, after all most of us have been playing together since 8th grade." The teams goal this year are to go to state no matter what. Although some of the players on the varsity team got a late start because of football going to state, Coach Guajardo is convinced things will turn

out fine. He expects the guys to, "play hard, be good citizens, and be very competitive." During the summer the team played in a few tournaments. They went over to Gig Harbor and placed fourth out of 26 teams in a tournament there. According to senior Raul Garcia, "we are going to have to work hard so we can get to state this year." The next game is tonight against Davis at home, so go support the boys.



- Marshal Smith goes for a layup. Photo by Keisha Leiby -



By Holly Mattson

This year Jared Pisinger, with advisor help from Mr. Shimek, formed a hockey club. So far they have had three meetings, just beginning to form ideas of what's to come for the club. Secretary Nick Black says the

hockey club is, "still looking for new members, and is currently looking for sponsors." Much money is needed to get the club going due to the fact that hockey gear is so expensive. The club initially started with Pisinger bringing up the idea of the club at an ASB meeting.

At this moment there are only about four members, including recently recruited Jared Betker. Many more are expected to join soon. "I'm going to be in it because they are after my snapshot. Hockey's a fun game." Nick Black en-

courages people to join. "We play at Desert Ice in Pasco. <the new skate facility out by Broadmoor Outlet mall, > and it is a hockey team anyone can join. We play for fun and for the sport hockey.' Contact Mr Shimek Jared Pisinger, or Nick Black if you are

Our Gymnasts Will Make You Flip



Junior Elise Magula at the assembly.

Photo by Keisha Leiby

By Nicole Gibbons

The girls' gymnastics are off to a great start. Practice started, and they had a lot of girls try out. Many of them had more experience, and they are excited for the upcoming season.

Rachel Lamb, who's on the team, said, "I think the season will be alright, but I'm excited for it." She says that the team is talented, and they hope to do good this season.

Elise Magula said, "I think we'll do good this season, if we have the motivation to work hard and do good." Elise hopes to

make it to at least regionals this

year, if not farther.

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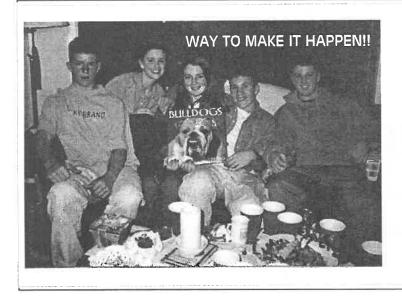
"They are working on difficulty, flexibility, and strength"

Mrs. Stahl, the gymnastics assistant coach, says that practices are going good, the girls are working on making up routines, and the coaches are incorporating skills that the girls know. They are working on difficulty, flexibility, and strength. They are also working on getting more difficult skills in dance and gymnastics.

There are a lot more girls on the team this year than usual, and that can be a good thing. There are more girls, so therefore, they can receive more points, and hopefully, win more meets this season.

Some of the team's goals are to improve their personal scores at each meet, and to get better and do more difficult moves as the season goes on.

Go out and support the team this season, they're going to be awesome. Good luck girls.





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By Chris O'Neill

It is once again its time to hit the mats and see who the top dogs are on the wrestling team. As always, Pasco always has a good squad with a lot of talented wrestlers. Wrestling proves time again that it is one of the most physically demanding sport . Wrestlers have to be in top notch shape. They also need to be self disciplined and be able to diet and cut weight. Many wrestlers run countless miles in heavy sweatpants and clothes, to sweat and work off those last few pounds needed to make weight for a match. " It is tough to do. We have to do it though, it makes us stronger and its part of the sport" senior Alex Marley said.

"This year we should be very good. We have some guys who are joining the team late because of football, but we will be tuff to beat after that" says coach Bodnar. "We should have a lot of wrestlers wrestling on into the post season, a couple of them have the potential to go all the way.

Ryan Dupuy, at 215 lbs, and Gabe Gutierrez, at heavy weight, are returning to lead the dogs back to state. This will be their fourth year on the varsity team and they are going to be the leaders, heart, and soul of the team. "I got a ring in football, that was great, now its time to hit the mats and show what I can do" Ryan added, when asked about the upcoming season. Gabe looks to take the momentum of his fourth quarter touchdown that sealed the state championship, for the football team onto the mats to do some damage.

Moses Lake is always the power in the Big 9, and they are the defending state champions. After Moses Lake it is a toss up though, with every match being crucial for placement in the post season. "They are going be very good as always, but we would like to give them all we can handle. Wrestle them at our house this year so our fans can help a lot," Coach Bodnar added when asked about the Big 9 schedule. "I hope to make it to districts and maybe even regionals" 160lb wrestler Alex Marley said.

This year looks to be an exciting season of wrestling. Our school has a lot of promising athletes who have the potential to go all the way. Like anytime they need support, so come on out and cheer them on to victory.



By Meagan Hines

Finally the ski areas have opened for the season, and we are all free to ski or snowboard on those dull and boring days of winter break, and the weekends after. There are a few sites near to our area that are prime locations for these exciting snow sports. Bluewood is the most popular to our locale, usually about two hours from the Tri-Cities, depending on road conditions and weather. There are only two lifts, but lots

of runs. It isn't really expensive, and it's pretty close. Spout Springs, in Oregon right past Milton-Freewater, is a little bit smaller. It is also only about two hours away, but is considerably less crowded and inexpensive, leaving you time, space, and money to board or ski at your will. They also have great snowboard instructors! If you're looking for a more thorough day of experienced snow boarding or skiing, it's

worth getting up a little earlier and heading to White Pass or Mission Ridge. White Pass is a ways past Yakima and usually gets more new snow, but last year it tended to be sticky and very pact. Which isn't very fun for snowboarding. Mission had great powder last year, and they have several lifts with numerous runs, but it's up in the mountains by Wenatchee, so the drive is very time consuming. Snoqualmie Pass is not suggested. It's too far and the runs are not interesting. If you are planning on spending a weekend or a couple days, Bachelor or Sun Valley are probably your best choices. They are quite expensive and further than any of the others, but they are the best vicinities near us. So strap on your boards or step in your skis, and get going.

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Girl's Basketball

Shoots and

Scores

By: Keisha Leiby

It's the season again. Time for girl's basketball. Time for blind refs to make their bad calls. The girl's varsity is looking good, and they're off to a great start. Senior Kristal Perez claims that her last year playing PHS basketball is going to be fun. All the girls get along well, and they are a very small team, but their aggressiveness makes up for it. Sophomore Shelby Ramirez says, "not much is new this year, Tracy's ovaries still hurt." "Davis helps the team out so much. Having two coaches brings two different opinions, and two different outlooks of the team." Her main goal this year is to beat Decatur next time they battle on the court. Coach Colman has many of the same views that the girls have. Along with different levels. "We're going to be champions." Colman expressed with

enthusiasm "With Elliott's athletic ability, and Wagners's improvement the team will go far." Communication is what brings the team together. Free spirits and focus bring high expectations to both coaches and the team. Power and strength is what bonds the team together all the rest of the teamwork will fall into place. The Kennewick Lions and the Pasco Bulldogs are predicted to be neck and neck in the Big 9; its going to be the only competition, but they'll take them on! We are the Bulldogs and we are



~Wrestlers at the Assembly. Photo by Keisha Leiby~

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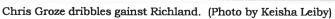
By BreAnne Hovely

Kris Groce is balling it up on varsity this year. The amazing thing; Kris is only a sophomore. Chosen as basketball's athlete of the issue, Mr. Guajardo stated a few qualities that make him stand out, "First of all he is a sophomore, and he has started every game and done well. Especially the first two games when we didn' have football players back." Kris's number, 12, isn't his favorite number, but it's close enough because it is 21 backwards. because it is 21 backwards. "They didn't have 21, so I had to take 12," says Kris. This is his first year on Varsity, although he played on the freshman A team last year and recalls that he the first time he picked up a basketball was when he was probably three years old. At the age of five, Kris was starting to play basketball on teams with seven year olds.

As a point guard, Mr. Guajardo says, "He handles the ball well and is a good sport. He shoots and passes the ball well." With just four games underway, Kris has about an 8.8 point average per game. The most points he has scored this year was when the team played their first game against The Dalles, where he scored 16 points. The most he has ever scored was at Steven's Middle School when he scored 36 points.

Since basketball is Kris' only sport, he has tons of extra time to practice his skills. During the off season he usually plays on 3 on 3 teams, or makes up his own AAU teams. Teammate Marshal Smith says that Kris "has good handles, and is the kind of guy we like taking up the ball." This summer he played with Pasco's summer league as they went to Gig Harbor for a tournament, Gonzaga basketball camp, and played at the Columbia Cup, hosted by Pasco. As for being a sophomore, the other guys are very "excepting, I hang around with most of the guys on the team." The best part of this year for Kris is getting to know the older guys and trying to win. David Shimek comments, "He's a hard nose player and he should contribure down the stretch."





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Jenny Niebel Balls it

up as Athlete of the Issue

By Mecque' Whitcomb

When it comes to sports, Jenny Niebel is an all around wonderful athlete. Jenny has been playing basketball for nine years, and she plays on the wing and post. Her goals for the season are, "to win and to play as a team." Jenny stands out above the others because " her game has elevated considerably and she is a hard worker." Commented Coach Ronny Coleman. She has been on varsity for three years, and according to Ann-Erica Whitemarsh, Jenny is, "a beast and an all around awesome person." Brittany Middleton commented, "Whenever she takes a picture, she can't smile, but she is a very hard worker and a good leader." Compared to last year, Jenny thinks the team is more "united" and she has been playing with them for more than a year now. According to Danishia Tamez, "She is really nice and funny especially with her famous line, 'oops, just kidding." You have probably seen Jenny out on the volleyball court in the fall and on the softball field in

the spring. Coach Coleman said the team has improved so much since last year because of playing a lot of basketbal during the summer and because the team spent time in the weight room. "They are just better athletes", commented Coleman. So far this year the defense has been playing really well, while the

"...you can always count on her to give 100%." -Michelle Elliott

offense has struggled a bit, but are doing good still. Sophomore Emily Halliday said "Jenny works hard, always hustles after the ball, and you can always count on her to give 100%." Michelle Elliott considers Jenny a good team leader and someone that she can look up to. Coleman thinks that Jenny is the hardest working kid in the pro-



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Kalynn Liebing- a free car wash and a new shirt to wear at state.

CJ Black- a football tee

Brian Boler-Kim, Haley, and a new knee (NO not Kim Gonzales or Haley Patrick)

Heather Hanson- a job at Coyote Ugly

Nick Perez- somewhere to go on the weekends and a girl that likes you back

Michelle Silvey- the song "It Takes Two Baby"

Belen Trevino- 6 inches taller, 100 lbs., and MAYBE that will give you the right to yell.

Nick Gonzales- racing stripes for the wagon HUNNY BUNS **Doug Vincent**- penny wise doll and some lotion to keep those legs silky smooth.

Kris Groce- a shield for this year in the Big Nine, so you don't get broke. Real ice, and a one on one game with Anton to realize you have along way to go son.

Chris Ortiz- the ability to make the hit while they are looking, and endurance for the double headers.

Jeremy Bonderman- a baseball to give to your many fans to sign, high school news paper editor, a diploma, to realize why your friends are turning the music up when you talk, and a size 15' Proback hat for whoever drafts you.

Sarah Johnston- the last two yards!

Caitlin Smith- a face eating contest and his name is NICK!

Graff and Company- NO MORE LET DOWNS (3-6)! And another ring you guys deserve it again.

Brittany Middleton- two members of the boys. How many more to plan on? They're not sold out yet

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Skyler Allen- Raul Vijil, for a Kodak moment

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Ashley Wheatley- you've been too bad little girl **Marshal Smith**- a roundtrip ticket to munchkin land

Jamie Wright- www. Brad Boler.com, check the site out, I hear its interesting.

Jacob Galstad- another ring, you deserve it.

Brian Dilley- a 7th grade girlfriend.

Jeremy Spier- the line "My dad will handle it."

Joe Scales- ANOTHER CAR!

Mikey Welch- some BIG feet to fill those shoes. Dayla Dougherty- stilts.

Tyler Shook- to GRACE the cover of GQ.

David Shimek- full time job at football camp, and All- American scout team.

Johnny Fairley- #9 on the volleyball team, and a baby-sitting job for life, NO JOKE!

Nolan Clark- a ride to lunch, and a match with Jeremy Spier. **Ameer Tillman**-Brian Boler, and some baby whipes (use them wisely).

JT Maxwell- some more corruption for your virgin eyes.

Tabitha Archuleta- some stability to last at the next state game. Barron Randolph- a mute box.

Kyle Kania & Emily Halliday- each other's phone numbers so you can talk.

Raul Garcia- Armorall for the dash.

Rocky Lozano- 5 more inches, so you can go D1! Chris O'neill - A swift kick in the pants

PHS CHEERLEADERS- a seat at basketball games that isn't right infront of the crowd.

Meagan Hines and Tabitha Archuleta- Cheer leaders of the year award.

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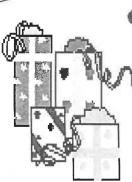
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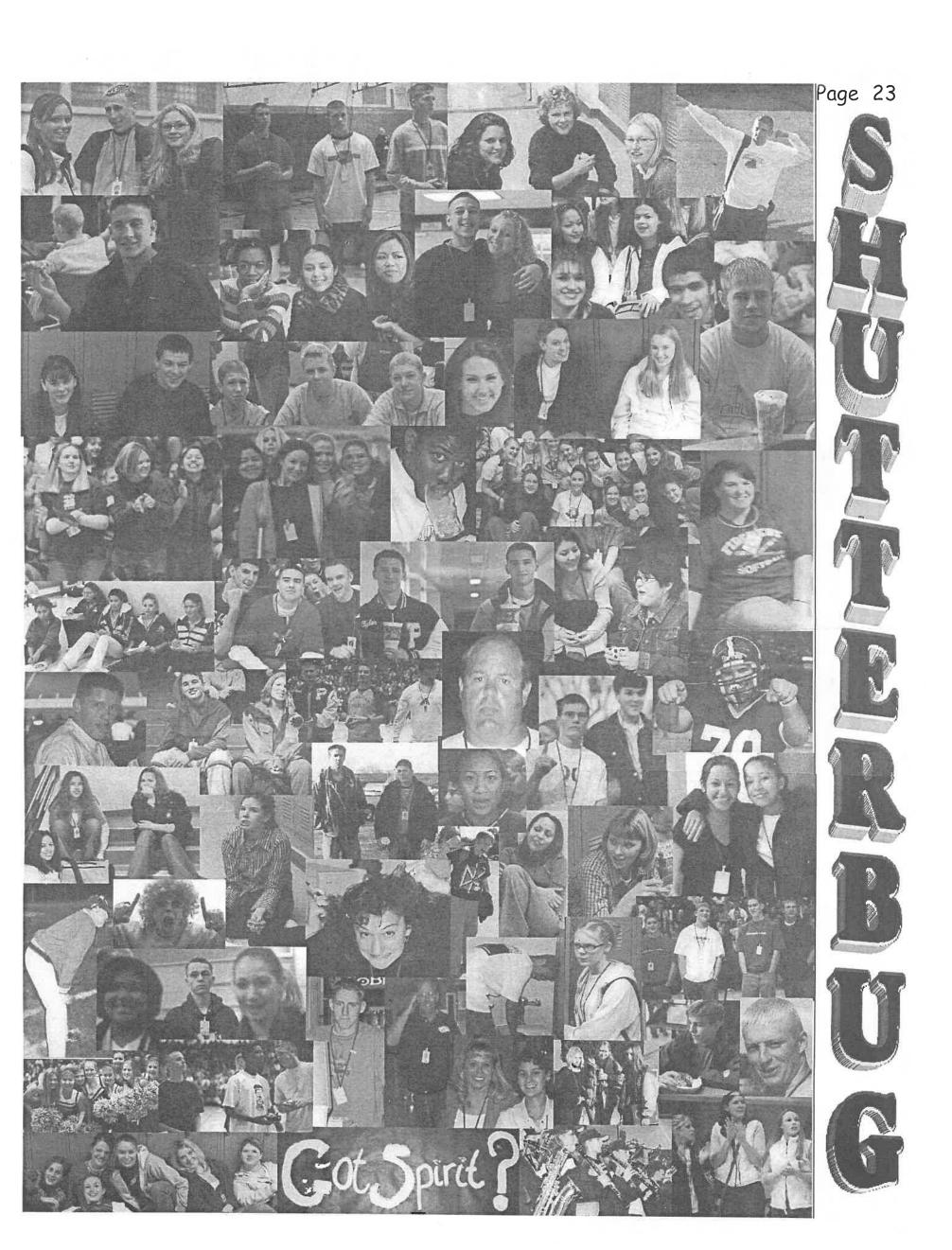
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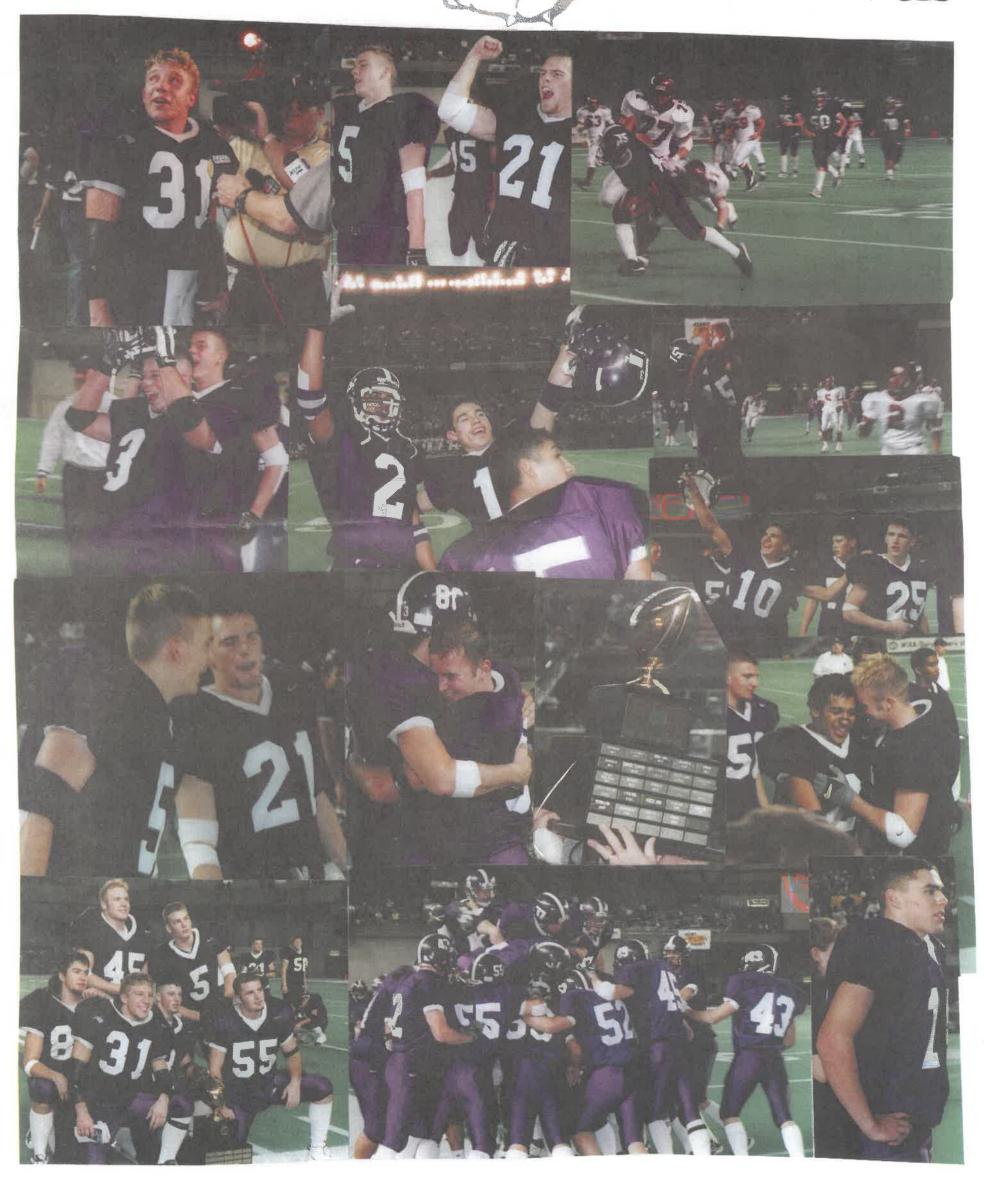






PASCO BULLDOGS BITE OFF ANOTHER STATE TITLE

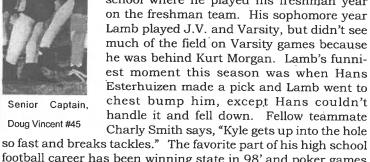




"I'm just happy to play with them, not against them," says Senior Rocky Lozano. He's talking about two of his senior football buddies #3, running back Kyle Lamb, and #45, linebacker

Doug Vincent. They are Wasco's Football Athletes of the Year. Coach Steve Graff chose them because they are the team captains and, "Have been an instrumental part of our success." Graff especially likes their work ethic. commitment to the team, and their "tenacity". He says, "They're good kids and fun to be around." The 1998 semifinal game against Cascade, when Vincent made some big plays, was Graff's favorite moment for Vincent. His favorite moment for Lamb was when Lamb came back from his knee injury.

Kyle Lamb has been playing football for about ten years, starting out with Grid Kids, moving to Mac football, and then on to high school where he played his freshman year Lamb played J.V. and Varsity, but didn't see much of the field on Varsity games because he was behind Kurt Morgan. Lamb's funni-

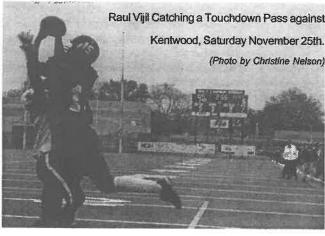


football career has been winning state in 98' and poker games at football camp. This last summer Lamb was out for a long time because he had to have surgery on his back for a hurniated disk. He made a return this fall, until he injured his knee and had to sit for a couple of weeks. Freshman Jared Till remarked that, "I thought Kyle would have sat out longer but he was back out there in three weeks. He's relentless.' "Doug's crazy..." says sophomore Ben Fox. Doug Vincent

Captain,

Doug Vincent #45

has been playing ball as long as his buddy Kyle has. The favorite part of his past three years on varsity has been playing and bonding with his teammates and winning state in 98'. Doug hopes to continue football after highschool, or maybe even track. In four of his high school years he has been to five or six away camps at Central and Wenatchee. Speaking of football camps, Doug's favorite moment was this summer at Central when Gabe Gutierrez disturbingly ran down the dorm hall and made a ruckus. The worst injury Doug has suffered in football was his sophomore year when he fractured his vertebrae in his back. Rocky Lozano says, "Dougie, wow, I'm glad to play with Doug. He's one of the best middle linebackers in the state- a great leader, I'm just happy to play with Doug and Kyle, not against them." " Doug is crazy and I like going against Doug in practice because you're going against the best," commented Charly Smith.



DOGS UNLEASHED IN

PLAYOFFS

Though they're reluctant to admit it, state has been at the back of every Bulldog football player's mind since summer training. After last year's post state champ letdown going 3-6, PHS football is back with a vengeanc position at the top of the Big 9. Post-season performance proved still more impressive. Their sweat, skill, merged to produce an unbeatable force. Teamwork paid off, talent was recognized, and desire grew with each victory. After the battle, only the Dawgs were left standing.

It began with the complete annihilation of the Greater Spokane league. Big 9 football dominated the regio with its second four-game sweep of the GSL in three years. What happens when Bulldogs and Bullpups g Bulldogs win. Pasco offense was off to a slow start, leading only 7-3 at half time. Defense played a huge part offense the ball in the third quarter with Doug Vincent recovering the fumble induced by Jacob Galstad and Pasco finalized the 33-3 win over Gonzaga Prep in the fourth quarter with Skylar Allen's 34-yd touchdown pas target, Raul Vijil.

The next round brought a 38-8 victory over Walla Walla. Pasco dominated the game from the opening play when Bulldog defense forced a fumble and recovered on Blue Devil's 25-yard line. There were a total of five interceptions. While defense was doing damage to their running and passing game, the offensive line was bedeviling Wa-Hi's defensive tactics. Ryan Dupuy recorded three quarter back sacks. "We set goals and do everything we can to make them happen," explains Dupuy. Gabe Gutierrez, Joe Scales, Doug Vincent, and Kyle Kania also made quarterback sacks. This was a phenomenal game for Kyle Lamb. Playing his forth game since the knee injury, he ran for 255 yards and four touchdowns.

After Pasco dealt the Braves their only defeat of the season, Kamiakin was back at Edgar Brown for a quarterfinal rematch. Again Bulldogs executed in fine style with the crushing 29-0 shutout. Skyler Allen, along with kicking a 37-yard field goal, took full



Kyle Lamb Running for Another 1st Down Against I

(Photo by Christine Nelson)

advantage of the single coverage of Raul Vijil. He scored a 17-yard touchdown. Defense kept the Braves' offense Doug Vincent, who returned an interception 32 yards. Kyle Lamb ran in two touchdowns. "Once we get two touch everything starts to snowball, and the game is ours from there," Lamb comments, "Offense puts points on the bo D' was amazing." In the final scoring play of the game, Chris Ortiz scored on a 29-yard pass from Aflen.

Finally, came that fated day when the Kentwood Conquerors met their first and final defeat at the paws of so Pasco earned their second state birth in three years with a score of 29-19 at the jam-packed Lampson Stadiu previous play-off games, everyone was kept wondering what the outcome would be until the bitter end, and Tri not disappointed. Vijil and Lamb left with two touchdowns apiece. Hans Esterhuizen intercepted a pass in the and Rocky Lozano tied a state playoff game record with three interceptions of his own. "We really started to con team," commented Nick Gonzales. And, as they say, the rest is history . . . state history.

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BULLDOG PROWESS

What a great year for being at Pasco High School! The football team has led us through some exciting ti sports season; ending with a huge success. All of this information is probably old news to the reader, but brag and mention that they won the State Championship twice in the past three years. This year's conc undefeated season of 14-0 (never been done in Washington as any level!) and we beat Bethel High School 20

Raul Vijil made a 4A state receiving record during the game at the Tacoma Dome. He had 204 yards! Ale record Raul also was named Offensive Player of the Game and made an amazing 75 yard touchdown at second quarter. Kyle Lamb scored the second touchdown 5:51 into the third quarter, making the score 1 course, the best and most surprising touchdown of the night was lineman Gabe Gutierez's 16 yard run off of a catch. This was a fitting ending to Gabe's senior season, considering that this was the first touchdown he has When questioned about his first thought after receiving the football Gabe answered, "Run, fatty, run!" And into the end zone he knew it was over and that they actually did it.

Number 1, Rocky Lozano, was honored with Co-Defensive player of the Game with his eight tackles. At one game Rocky was taken down by the help of his own teammates and was temporarily injured. Of course, the started chanting his name until he got up and walked off the field.

The championship game had many setbacks from the refs to having the wrong ball. Both teams had unc alls made by the referees, but Pasco seemed to have the brunt of the discretion in the first half with Chris (down called back and Marshal Smith's interception called out, (even though the replay clearly shows his bounds and after he landed did he fall out of bounds). By the end of the game Pasco had over five penalties yards taken away. Quarterback Skyler Allen had to use a brand new football because the team's regular, wa ball didn't have the stamp of the WIAA on it.

"Playing indoors was a lot hotter, that makes it a lot harder to breathe, you sweat a lot more, so you have hydrated, but you don't slip as much when you make cuts,"quotes #6 Marshal Smith. The guys didn't sho were having trouble by the way they beat Bethel, but it was about 72 degrees inside of the Tacoma Dome in freezing weather they are used to playing on.

One of the Fox sports broadcasters mentioned that, "It's basically a big garage with all the doors closed." Congratulations to our football team on an incredible season!

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WHAT'S NEXT?

By Kim Gonzales

Our football seniors have led us through thick and thin this year. Showing us what football is really all about, they have come out each game on top and played with dedication and love of the game. Each one takes Pasco football very seriously and you can see that as they go out on the field and bring us to the undefeated season we have had. As well as a chance to win the state title once again. As well as being leaders they have all learned to work together with the younger players on the team and build a football team that has been un-stoppable all season. Now as each one comes to the end of their high school experience they will part ways and begin to lead their own lives. Thefuture for this bunch of guys looks very promising as each and everyone has an idea of what and where they would like to begin the rest

Tyler Shook- Go to college somewhere maybe try to

Raul Vijil- either continue in football of soccer, not de-Computer animation and most importantly have fun!!! medicineor engineering.

Chris Ortiz- Go to college on full ride for basketball of

Brad Boler- go to college but unsure of where

Jonny Farley- go into the army in Oklahoma then in game. Texas. Then plans to go to Germany, Japan, or Hawaii

Plans to play baseball for CBC. Go into computers I just wanted to play right then. But like always, we had to wait. orsomething that makes money. Then take over for Bill

continue to play football and even baseball. Major in ex-games to get us prepared. otic dancing

Ben Davis- Go to college try to get into an academy such become a pilot.

this point. First choice would be Montana right now the worst. Waiting, that's all we can do. andplans to continue playing football. As well as majoring in agriculture or vocational arts.

or Eastern. Try to walk on for football as well as playing I can't wait to play. soccer. Wants to major in chemistry and pre-law

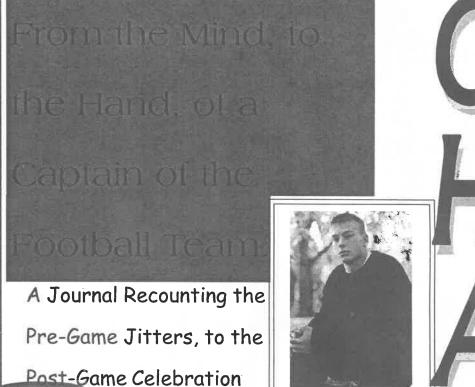
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not, major in business for trucking.

Health and nutrition.



Ever since we were in the seventh grade we dreamed of going to the play football. Plans to study in pre-med. and see what State Championship our senior year. Our senior year is here and we are going to the State Championship. Our dreams have become reality now.

Its Friday morning and it has finally hit me that we are actually cided on what school still looking. Most likely to go into going to state. Not to watch, but to play. All week long it just felt like we were practicing inside at the Soccer House for another game. All the fans David Hanson (Big Guy) - Go to college at UNLV plans are great to come out and cheer us on as we leave. All the treats and to walk on for football. Then go into some type of other stuff we got were great too. Now we are on the bus pulling out of Pasco with the long and torturous wait in front of us.

The bus ride is getting longer and longer. The movies seem like they football. If he doesn't receive scholarship he would like are on pause and we aren't going anywhere. We are all so pumped and to attend the art institute in Seattle- but he plans to be a ready to play. We hate the wait. We just want to play. Gladiator and Varsity Blues try to make the time go by faster, but it really doesn't work. I sit there just living the fact that we are really going to the state

Finally we get to the Tacoma Dome for practice. The feeling walking into the dome was awesome. As I sat there getting my ankles taped, I Charlie Smith- attend college at UW maybe walk on start to get nervous thinking about the game we had to prepare for, for somewhere for football. Plans to major in either law or tomorrow. Practice wasn't all that hard. We just did some walk through. Its all mental things we work on now, and getting used to the enclosed Tyler Hockaday- attend CBC then hopefully on to UW. area a little bit. As I got back on the bus after practice, I was so pumped

We just checked into our motel and are about to go get something to eat. I'm really not that hungry with all the butterflies I got in my stomach Nick Gonzales- Go to college at UNLV and would love to right now. Then after dinner we are going to the dome to watch a few

We came back to the motel and our hall looked like someone had David Shimek- Go to UNLV play basketball, backgam-just robbed us. There were purple and white streamers everywhere. Sitmon, and scan dollar bills for a job. Major in ting at the dome and watching those teams play made me get even more pumped and ready for the gam

It is now Saturday morning of the big game and I slept just fine. Now as West Point or Air Force. Football option always we have to go eat breakfast and then go to practice out in the cold and do staysopen. Get into intramural sports, and goal is to some more mental things to get ready...It was cold at practice and it was short and to the point. Some of us got to come back to the motel and rest Brandon Kania- Attend college unsure exactly where at and some went to the dome to watch more games. Sitting in the motel is

Finally we get to leave and go eat our pre-game meal. There is no way I'll be able to eat now...The dinner at The Spaghetti Factory was good. Agustin Ramos- Go to college thinking Gonzaga, WSU, The little I eat. But it is close to game time and the nerves are racing now.

STATE CHAMPS!!!!!!!!! We won, beating Bethal 20-3. Sitting in the Tanner Savage- Attend Princeton University and be-locker room waiting to go out for the game was hard to take. Some not being able to keep the Spaghetti down they just ate. Getting dressed I Kyle Lamb- Go to college which offers best football schol-didn't even think this could be my last time putting pads on. Concentrating on the game was too much for me to think about that. Taping my Gabe Gutierrez- Go to college at WSU hope to walk on ankles and doing all the necessities before the game, I just wanted them to go by quick so we could play. The two shots I took in the back to Ryan Dupuy- Attend BYU major in music or engineer- relieve the pain of a car wreck I was in about three weeks ago didn't even phase me. The adrenaline was too much. Pre game was fun. Getting to Rocky Lozano- work for dad or go to college somewhere see all the fans and TV cameras was great. In the locker room before the nearby. Would enjoy still playing football if possible, if game was hard. The seniors all got together to say one last prayer together. Tears came to my eyes as I finally realized that this was the last Steven Jenks- Go to work and then go on mission. Hope-time we would all play together. The game came and went so fast. This fully attend U of I or Ricks College. Major in whole trip went by so fast. The adrenaline pumped all game and it was computerscience might try to continue to play football. great to accomplish our dream ever since seventh grade. It's all over Doug Vincent-attend a 4 year college for football of track, now. It was hard to take off the pads for the last time. But we stuck maybe Arizona State, but unsure. Wants to major in together and did it. I've never been on a team that had this much love for the game and each other. It was great.

