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The Truth Somebody Has To Tell It

By Emily Sullivan

What is the truth? Do you want to know the truth about my editorial? Well, here it is . . . It hasn't even been a half of year, the semester is now approaching me and I am beginning to run out of ideas or opinions to spark a little bit of excitement in at least one person that reads this 700 word article. So, as I was sitting here, I just said, "To tell you the truth, I have nothing to write about." This comment sparked another frustrating and annoying question which is this : What is truth, trust, belief, confidence, faith, reliance, and all those other words that relate to believing in something? A month or so ago we were sitting in our class discussing what, to us, was the truth. Classmates were trying to stump the teacher at their best and their answers kept getting shot down with, "How do you know that is true? Prove it." The only thing that was agreed upon is that time keeps ticking away, no matter how much you don't want it to, or at that, want it to go faster. After agreeing upon this one very thing, I began to question many other things in my life, which caused even more frustration to arise, because never before had I doubted them. What is true to me, may not be true to you, yet one cannot go on living their life doubting everything and that is where trust comes into play.

Trust is the most important thing to me in any kind of relationship. Whether the relationship is with parents, teammates, friendship boyfriends, teachers, coaches, or whatever types of relationships I form in my life. Without the basis of trust I have nothing to expand the relationship from. Since day one we have all been taught to be able to associate the "bad guys" from the "good guys". That seemed so simple when we were younger. Every stranger was a "bad guy" and you didn't talk to him, take candy from him, get a ride home from him, or give him any important information about you or your family. Yet, when maturing, you begin to speak to these strangers and may eventually form long lasting friendships. Then, how do we know that we can trust them? Trust takes time. Yet, even with time, trust may not be established.

I believe the family, in my household, is a given when asked the question of who you trust the most. Yet, I have realized that in order to completely trust somebody they must begin to trust you. I have not led the most perfect life and have lost my parents trust with the trial and error system that most teenagers abide by. I have told small white lies in my life, but the thing is, I ALWAYS got caught in them. Yes, I laugh now, but at the time, I thought, oh geez, I will never see daylight or my friends again. My mom and dad have heard the worst of the worst and, now, after growing up, I realize that they would rather have me tell the truth than be off somewhere or with somebody that they were oblivious to. I have seemed to learn that the truth is the only way that one can truly trust another. Yet, the one thing that I did learn about trust, is without it, somebody is going to end up getting hurt.

This past year I have encountered a whole new outlook on truth and trust. It is kind of a humbling or disturbing experience, but also has caused me to understand that one cannot look to others for who to trust and who to believe. It becomes a scary thought when you begin to doubt your friends, yet, it is also scary when you begin to believe the rumors over a friend.

To trust somebody is scary because it puts your heart at risk. It can become a problem for some people who are afraid of being hurt. Sometimes I wonder, why do we trust people if this leads to pain and rejection? Yet, without trust a person cannot hold a healthy relationship. Everybody has one true friend that they confide their thoughts and emotions to, whether it be a classmate, sister, brother, mom, dad, teacher, coach, teammate, or best friend from first grade who moved away, we all let out our feelings. When one betrays this trust, it hurts and opens the eyes of the betrayed. Trust is a very fragile quality that is hard to find. The beauty is that when found, it is a very valuable characteristic to hold on to. It is a very frustrating and complex situation when one of the "good guys" betrays this trust. At this point in my life, I haven't quite figured out who there is to trust, it is a part of maturing.

With trust comes pain and with pain comes forgiveness. Forgiveness is a big word that goes with trust. One cannot live life expressing bitterness about everything and, in turn, must forgive. It may not ever be the same, but forgiveness may come along and change the outlook. Forgiving is a quality that many lack, but in the end, it is the only way to be truly happy.

There are many true friends that we will meet along our journey in life and understand they are the ones that we can trust through thick and thin. Each person that we meet, no matter if they bring tears, smiles, frustration, happiness, anger, or many other emotions all change us in a way that we probably will never realize. Yet, even others may help us to become the "true" person whom we are by showing us trust and the truth of life. "Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only the true friends will leave footprints in your heart." -Author unknown. There are many people out there that will leave footprints, but in order to find them you must put your trust into them.

Facing the Unknown

By Holly Mattson

The first time I have truly stopped to examine a period of change is now. No matter how prepared for change I feel I may be, the idea of leaving, that which is familiar to start anew, is both frightening and exciting. Change is feared, for one must venture into the unknown, or map out uncharted territory, so to speak. Although ignoring this change may be reassuring for the time being, I have found, that to not accept and invite change, and instead dwell on the past, is both detrimental to one's future and to one's character.

It is hard for me to know where I will be in five years, for even though I know what college I will be attending next year, I do not know where exactly my life will go. It is easy for me to want to stay home, where my parents have taken such great care of me, rather than willingly put myself in a new environment to fend for myself. Yet, although I may want this, I know that if I allowed such feelings to overwhelm my need for independence and the chance to move on, my future plans would be challenged, and possibly put on hold. Time would be wasted. I know that I must accept nature's course in that, the next life phase for me is to learn how to take care of myself, in order to begin to prepare me to be able to take care of others, (as my profession will ask of me, as well as my plan to one day have a family.) My entire life, my family has been helping prepare me for this moment, and if I were to choose to stay caught up in high school, and not be able to put this part of my life behind me as history, my future would be in jeopardy.

And, if I were to choose to remain focused on high school, and all that I will miss, or all that I may regret, next year I will become more self-involved then I may already be. If I only focus on these aspects of my life, or the past, and disregard that which is presenting itself to me, or what I can look forward to, I believe no one would want to really listen to what I have to say. My "character" would come off as someone who does not want to evolve, and change as a person, but rather remain static, in a sense, in order to hold on to old feelings. Yet, the ultimate idea of college contradicts this person: colleges look to recruit those who are willing to focus on the present, and future goals, and accept those who are willing to adapt to change, in order to grow from it.

So, yes, I am scared. I am scared to move on and to face the unexpected, for I cannot really predict what is to come next. But, I am as ready as I must be, to not allow my future or character be forced to change instead.

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Que Significan las Resurecsiones del Ano que Biene

Por Claudia Urrea

La resurecsiones del ano nuevo suelen ser muy importantes para las personas. Pues un ano nuevo es para muchas personas un comienso nuevo o una segunda oportunidad. Al desier esto lo que quiero dar por significado es que la resurecion o los propositos para el ano nuevo son muy importante, pues dan la oportunidad de que las personas sean mejores en el ano que entra que delo que fueron el ano pasado.

Cuando las personas tienen una resurecion para el ano nuevo usual mente es el poder ser mejor algo del ano pasado o un compromiso de ayudar alas personas alrededor de ellos. El poder aprender de los errores no solo de los errores de ellos mismos pero tambien de los errores de los demas para aser el ano nuevo mejor que el pasado es una de las mejores maneras de aser el ano que biene mucho mejor que el ano que paso.



Todas las personas tienes diferentes formas de desear que el ano nuevo mucho mejor pero algo si esta comprobado es que para que esos deseos se agan realidad no nomas depende de que ellos digan boy a ser mejor este ano pero tambien de que ellos agan todo lo posible porque se agan lo que prometieron. Lo que sea que prometan este ano para aser el ano entrante uno mejor acuerdesen de que tampbien depende de ustedes y de todo lo que ustedes agan para cumplir lo que prometieron.



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Los Eventos Mas Grandes del Ano Pasado

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El ano 2000 empeso con mucha antipasion de el famoso Y2K que termino siendo una falsa. Todas las preparaciones y todos los cuidados que se tomaron para la media noche del ano 2000 no sirbieron de nada, porque las computadoras no se desconpusieron, las bombas no explotaron, y pues; sobrevivimos. Junto con lo de el Y2K, muchos otros eventos cubrieron las paginas de notisias por todo el continente desde Bill Gates asta Elian Gonzalez. Una de las mas grandes controversias de las historia de los Estados Unidos fueron Time Warner y AOL. Ellos consigieron la compania mas grande del mundo de entretimiento y de reportaje del mundo por masomenos \$111 billones en acciones. Microsoft fue a courte para determinar siera un manapoly o no. Esto hiso que las acciones de Bill Gates bajaran de presio pero el hombre todabia es rico. El legendario productor de doughnuts Krispy Kreme se hiso publico en NASDAQ. Wall Street tubo una baja despues de los resultados de NASDAQ de un 099 por ano. 113 pasajeros murieron, junto con un hotel que fue destruido despues de que Air France Concorde buelo #4590 se estreyo poco tiempo despues de aber despegado. Fire Tire Company tubo que recuperar muchas de sus llantas cuando el numero de muertos llego a 160 y 500 eridos por llantas defectuosas casi todas encontradas en carros Ford SUVs. Las dos comanias Ford y Firestone se an comprometido en encontrar la cousa de el defecto de las llantas. Las pastillas anticonsetibas RU-486 resientemente fueron aprobadas por la administrasion de comida y drogas para ser usadas en los Estados Unidos. 17 nevegadores murieron y 39 fueron eridos en octubre cuando lansa bombas asesinos explotaron su pequeno barco serca del USS Cole. Documentos de paz entre Israeli y los Palestinians todabia estan en espera mientras se pelean violentamente. La cuenta de muertos es por lo menos 334, muchos de ellos Palentinians. La historia del barco Cubano que naufrago y dejo a un nino de seis anos en las horillas de los Estados Unidos duro mucho tiempo probocando que muchas personas se rebelaran. Elian Gonzalez el nino de seis anos fue recojido por parientes de Miami quienes protestaron, asta que la agencia federal recupero al nino y lo reunieron con su padre en Cuba.

Shawn Fanning, de 19 anos de edad, formo Napster despues de inventar el folder de compartir tecnologia. Napster esta haora en muchas de las computadoras de la nasion, con la abilidad de extraer toda clase de musica. Davio Kamicar, un Slavenian de 39 anos de edad, fue la primera persona que se tira de la montana mas alta del mundo, la montana Everest. Su desendiencia de 29,035 pies de altura desde el pico de la montana tomo por lo menos cinco horas. Este verano floresio con nuevos shows de television como Survivor, Big Brother, y who whats to be a Millionaire. Tambien este verano el presio de la gasolina suvio mucho y no a bajado. Este otono trajo un sobrepeso de politicos. Hilary Rodham Clinton gano las elecciones de senador en New York. Las elecciones del presidente tomo mucho tiempo por el recuento de el estado de Florida. Final mente despues de mucho contar se declaro que George W. Bush gano sobre Al Gore en el voto popular. Claro que la notisia mas grande del ano fue la del equipo de football de Pasco High School que gano 14-0 el 4A Campeonato del Estado.

La Temporada Empieza para el Equipo de Basketball

Tradusido Por Claudia Urrea

Escrito Por Kim Gonzales

Encuanto el equipo de basketball empeso la temporada. Las muchachas del equipo demostraron en el piso de juego lo que practica y dedicacion hacen para ayudar a un equipo. Los miembros del equipo trabajan bien juntos y lo demuestra durante el juego. Mientras que trabajan juntos cada uno lentamente esta aceptando su parte en el equipo. Como tenemos un equipo tan joven las muchachas de dies grado nos an demostrado que tienen que pararse y tomar la responsabilidad que nesecitan para mantener al equipo junto y jugar bien. Las jugadoras mas importantes de la temporada por ahora an sido Emily Haliday, Heather Wagner, and Shelby Ramirez. Cuales an ensenado gran dedicasion y determinasion en terminar el trabajo y terminarlo bien. El resto de los jugadores empesando y en el tiempo de juego depende en quien juegan y en cuanta dedicasion an puesto en practicas. "Las muchachas an estado asiendo un buen trabajo, y an mejorado su defensa. Mientras que trabajan juntas ellas ensenan un 99%." Dijo Coleman.

Su puntuaie asta ahora es tres a dos y todavia quedan 20 juegos en la temporada. Ellas aseptan que el equipo mas batalloso contra el que jugaran es Kennewick, despues Richland, y despues Kamikan. Se espera que hagan bien, mientras que salgan fuertes en la primera parte y sigan jugando fuerte y bien hasta el final. Los campitanes para el equipo son Jenny Neibel, Michelle Elliot, and Heather Wagner. Ellas se conosen bien y algunas an estado juando toda su carrera de basketball juntas. "Trabajamos bien juntas y estamos muy unidas, sabiendo como cada una juega y poreso podemos jugar bien como un equipo," dijo Shelby Ramirez.

"Deben mejorar en las practicas y jugar con mas fuersa y instinto. Ahorita estamos en un empieso un poco lento pero mientras que la temporada sige el paso se balebantando," dijo el entrenador Davis.

Cuando de repente te encuentres solo en una noche de viernes o sabado ben y apolla a las muchachas de el program de basketball y mira como las maravillosas damas perro nos demuestran como se debe jugar el juego.

Pop Star's Phoniness Shines At Music Awards

By Meagan Hines

After watching the American Music Awards recently, I reached a vital decision. I am going to bleach my hair, wear trashy clothing, and become a famous pop singer. It doesn't matter that I have no singing capabilities, those can be covered by voice mixing in the recording studio. All I need to do is get a little rhynoplasty, cake on some make-up, and I'm good to go. Yes, if you cannot tell, I am being sarcastic. The American Music Awards disgusted me with their pornographic, prerecorded, charades they claim as "musical performances." Is talent not a matter in music anymore? I don't know about the rest of the youth in America, but these processed voices just don't appeal to me. Let's take Britany Spears as an example. Although she has never sung a song live in one of her concerts or functions, I did once hear her sing along with a Boyz II Men song on MTV. That really hu-

mored me. She sounded absolutely ridiculous. Of course in the studio they make her voice tolerable, but still, she sounds like a little, whiney, crabby baby the way she strains her voice. She'll be mute by the time she is 40. Backstreet Boys, what a poor display. Look at them. These guys are supposed to be attractive? Oh yes, and their music... repetitive, simple, and poorly sung. I'll tell you right now, it's the 12 year old screaming schoolgirls outside of TRL that keep there record sales up. Their choruses may be catchy, but you cannot prove that a single one of them has an exceptional voice. I might clap for them at a fifth grade talent show, but that's about the extent of the appreciation I have for them. The sickest sight of all might be N*SYNC. No, it is. Although they didn't model the awesome trench coats like Backstreet, they did accomplish sporting complete ensembles

from Gen X Clothing next to Albertson's. Those tight, leather lined jean jackets, three-inch high hair, and vinyl pants were just so macho. Sorry girls, you have no chance with these dreamboats, they like men. Hey Justin Timberlake, how do you sing out of your nose like that? Remember when Pink first came out and nobody could believe that she was white? Well she was pretty white live. No, she was translucent. Screaming and trying to yodel doesn't make you a good singer. Her hair was cool though. If you like these groups or individuals, I'm sorry, it's just that they aren't natural, and to me, that isn't interesting or fun to listen to. I don't think I have even listened to the radio in about six or seven months. The songs Power 99 choose to play over and over do nothing but give me a migraine. Most of the people who can actually sing are rejected by the production companies because they either aren't attractive enough,

are too old, don't have sex appeal, or have poor composition. But I bet you Brittany doesn't write her own songs... she probably doesn't even know how to write. Yes, there are a couple semi-decent singers out there. Jessica Simpson did alright compared to those horrid entertainers. The ones who don't sing, perform so men and women can get their jollies. Musiq is also a new singer (unrecognized at the award show) who has kind of a D'Angelo sound. I'll admit he is good too. With the exception of a few others, these are the only people with talent in music today. Or should I say the only "musicians." Now they can't all be Jon B's (who happens to be the best singer on the face of the earth), but I would hope that soon I can turn on the radio again without hearing a screeching teenager brag about the powers she possesses over the opposite sex, or a bunch of boys, who sound like girls, doing the same.

Free Rides Don't Come Easy

By Sarah Johnston

College, college and more college. It's the only thing on our minds because we as seniors believe we are the most important thing since sliced bread. This is true. One of the biggest aspects of further education these days is finding a way to finance it. When I was little I always thought athletic scholarships were absurd. Just because a person can throw or jump or skip even, they get a college education for it? But now that some of my friends have received athletic scholarships I couldn't be happier for them. I want everyone to have as many opportunities as possible. But it makes my pursuit of applying and getting accepted to a University all the more frustrating.

As much as I hope and wish, I've come to the conclusion there will never be an award for academic mediocrity. Nor will I be offered a full ride scholarship for excellence and achievement in Dreamcast performance. So what is a girl to do? Go back in time and work harder? To do this I would have to study physics and science until I created a time machine, but the very same laziness that repels me from doing that is what got me into this hole in the first place. So I dug my hole and now I have to sit in it. And I want my cake and to eat it too. All of the familiar analogies apply.

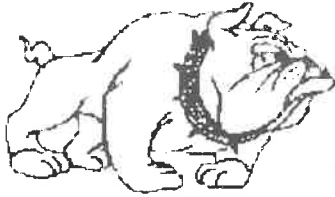
People always told me they have a scholarship for everything. If you have blue hair and you're Polish, they have an award for you. If you're father was a veteran who lost his eye and works for Burger King, they might have an award for you. But what about someone who has no outstanding differences, but still wants to go to college? I've applied for many essay scholarships, but the buck stops there.

Therefore in an attempt to better myself and extend my basis of knowledge to that of a University, I have started a fund appropriately named Send Sarah to College Foundation. Those of you who have received full ride scholarships can donate a small amount of money you're parents already had saved for you. No one is hurt, I get an education, smiles all around.



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THE PARTIES WILL GO ON...

Regular Times

There was a time when instead of handing out "Minor in Possession" tickets and ending students' sports careers that police officers would make you pour out the beer and go home. Those days are long gone, but partying is just as popular as it always has been. The idea of going where the police couldn't go to have a party was a great idea. My freshmen year the Big Flats Wildlife Reserve was the place to go because it is 25 miles out of town and somewhat inaccessible, but the Franklin County Sheriff figured out that we were going there and they killed that venue. Another out of the way place called "the chutes" suffered the same fate. What were the parties in the area going to do?

Somebody figured that the vast undeveloped area behind the Outlet Mall would be a great

place to gather. The area is too sandy for heavy police cruisers to get through and is only a few miles from town. If you had a friend with a four-wheel drive pickup and some refreshments for the party you were set. You could stay out there all night without worrying about the police hassling you. But a few bad apples had to ruin it for the rest of us. Over two dozen vehicles have been abandoned out there and surrounding farmland has been damaged by lost parties. This was enough to motivate the Pasco Police and Franklin County Sheriff to end the Dune Era with \$500 trespassing fines and constant patrol of the area. I think the police need to stop interfering with us because the party will go on.

When the police show up to bust a party there can be sev-

eral somewhat intoxicated drivers making a run for it. One or two police cars will not stop 50 cars after they bust up a party. Their efforts put more drunk, sleepy, and or scared drivers on the road like a frenzied hoard of intoxicated lemmings. Most teens make sure to have a designated driver, but there are always a few careless souls I don't want to deal with that situation. The efforts by the police are usually in vain because they catch few and scatter many. The party may have died in the Dunes but it *will* go on elsewhere.


Personally, I don't care much for drinking at parties. I have been to some "dry" parties that are lots of fun. As long as alcohol can be obtained there will always be the group that feels they need a beer or five to unload the stress of the school week or to lighten up the party. I believe that if the

police took the friendlier approach that if you are drunk stay until you are sober so that more accidents can be prevented. When the police check in on a party to make sure everything is under control and there is no violence or DUI's about to happen thing usually remain safe. Prohibition didn't work and neither will anything else of that nature. Tyrannical efforts by the school administration, Athletic Directors, and Police to abolish teen drinking do more bad than good. I believe that the more they pick at the wound the more it will bleed. There is a party happening every weekend everywhere and nothing can change that except for a societal change and that can take several decades, so leave us be.

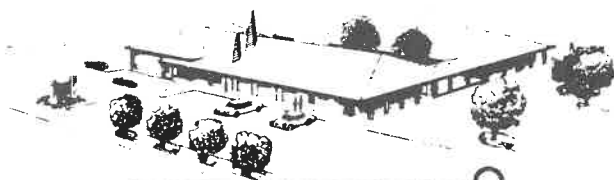
Are New Years Resolutions a Joke?

By Sydney Patrick

Lets face it: the truth about traditional New Years Resolutions is that they don't really work. It's been a given for quite some time now that the saying, "Out with the old, in with the new," is in step with the whole idea that January 1st is going to change everything, and is a chance for us all to start over. Now that doesn't necessarily mean that all of our problems we had on or before December 31st will just magically disappear, highly unlikely, and January 1st is in fact just another day, with just the exception of a new year. So we all buy into the "New year; New You" magazine cover telling us that this is where we make our New Years Resolutions to loose 50 Lbs. And they are going to tell us how to do it. Many of us preach our resolutions that we can't deliver, such as loosing weight, excising more, read more books, and giving back to the community more than we have been lately. Don't bite off more than you can chew is what we need to be telling our one mind track that says we are going to do all of these great things for ourselves that we couldn't find the time to do last year, or just the other day actually. We all seem to think that just because we make a list of what we want for ourselves in the New Year, it is going to happen for us in a matter of time, because that's how New Year Resolutions work. We can't wait for things to happen, we have to make them happen, we should all make that our Resolution instead of what the rest of the world is making. If you are really dedicated to your resolution and you are willing to put forth the effort to make it happen then keep your goal to yourself. It seems to me that those who "show and tell" their resolutions with everyone, and I mean just anyone, are the ones who only go as far as making the goal to share with others. I believe that New Years Resolutions are a good thing so long as you aren't using the tradition as a scapegoat by making a resolution and not keeping it, but instead looking at it as an opportunity to be a better person this year, and acting upon your resolution.



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TRUTHFUL COMMENTS MAY CAUSE MORE TROUBLE THAN THEY ARE WORTH

By Chris O'Neill

High school is supposed to be the best time of our lives. We are supposed to experience and try things we have never even thought of before. High school is also a time of rebellion and a time of growing up. Most of all high school is about having fun, learning and making friendships that will follow us forever. As I turn the cross roads of high school with one semester left and look to head to college next year, I look back on my high school days as fun moments that will always be remembered. But I will also remember all the times we weren't allowed to have fun.

Most of the fun in high school happens at school sporting events. So I thought. With 3 1/2 years of high school completed and one semester left I am still unsure why we have **ADMINISTRATORS** at games whose main objective is to look up into the student body to get someone in trouble. One would think that being an administrator at a school as large as ours that they would watch the game and have some school pride themselves, but time after time they are watching in the stands to get someone in trouble. I understand that it is their job to keep us in control and safe from harm, but 99% of the time we are standing and cheering, there is no harm in that. When the team gets some momentum going and the crowd gets pumped up, instead of letting us keep our team going, they shut us up and tell us to stop.

Pasco High has had very good sports program since I have been in high school. We have had two football teams win state titles and another one make the playoffs; volleyball at state and in the playoffs; girls and guys soccer going far in the post season and the guys winning a state title in 98'; the basketball teams fighting for playoff spots and the girls team making it to state back to back years; there are many others that are worth mentioning also. One thing that helps all these teams go as far as they do is because of the fans. Yea they have an extreme amount of talent and win the games on the field, but most athletes would tell you that they couldn't do it without the support of the fans.

This year my friends and I wanted to strike fear into the big 9 teams about coming to Pasco and play. We didn't want them to come over and think that it was going to be an easy win in any sport. The football team proved that and the fans were exceptional during this season and I have no complaints about this because all my friends were on the field (besides the crazy SENIOR GIRLS! you know who you are, and you all were great) and we couldn't really get crazy.

Now that basketball has started we wanted to bring a fear into the gym for all teams coming in. We want it to be a tough place to play where none wants to come. We are not allowed to do this though. Just doing the cheers along with the cheerleaders isn't enough at all. We need something to put us over the top and to be remembered by other schools. Administrators consider this to be rude and disrespectful. Which I agree it can be but they need to realize we are just teen-agers simply being teenagers. I mean since when is chanting "air ball" making us look bad, it just helps out the defense because it will have the shooter always thinking of his previous air ball. When beating a team that is supposedly better than us, what is wrong with chanting "OVERRATED," I mean aren't we telling them something they should know, if they were supposedly so good they should have come in and taken us out right? By chanting overrated we let them know that no one pushes Pasco around and we are also shrinking the big heads of other schools which media may have caused. If you watch a Duke- basketball game on TV, they have what is called the "Cameron Crazies." This group of students is loud throughout the whole entire basketball game, they have students that paint themselves, but they have chants that they do as a student body that strike fear into the hearts of the opposing players and crowd. I remember sitting at the football game at Fran Rish Stadium in Richland last year, the 4th quarter was filled with the chant "OVERRATED," not just by the students but there was even parents doing it. Or a couple years ago at a playoff basketball game at Davis when their whole crowd including elderly 90 year old grandmas were telling us to "Warm up the bus" and "drive home safely." Yea not letting us do these things does make our school look better than everyone, but is it really making us better than them? I don't think so. If administrators would just relax and realize that we aren't breaking any rules by chanting some of the stuff we chant. As I recall Mr. Wright and Mr. Steach don't tell people not to chant "Overrated," "AirBall," or "Drive Home safely." They do tell us that harassing comments of a racial or sexual manner will not be tolerated and you will be removed from the game. Personally "Drive home safely" is a nice comment to make, we are wishing them a safe trip home after we just kick their butts.

To all you staff members who are "in charge" at basketball games, relax a little but and let us have some fun and realize we are at the point that we don't really care to much, we want to get crazy and the games and we are! It helps the team when we are behind them rather than quiet. Schools do it to us when we loose we are just looking to return the favor and have a little bit of fun. Is that too much to ask?

P. S- This was no way intended to copy the article published in the Pryce Factor last year. This is just how most of my fellow students feel and to get the administration to relax.

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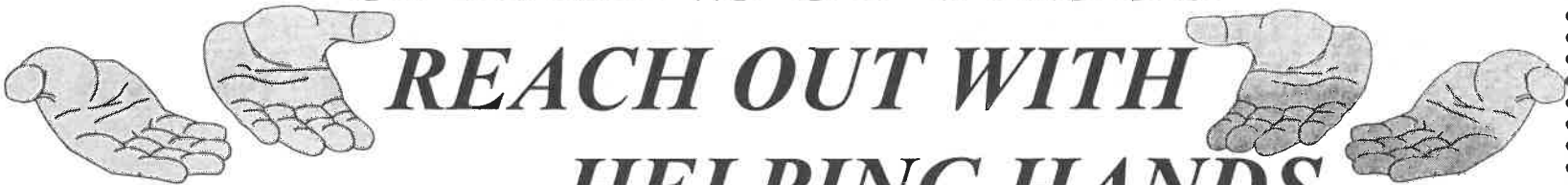
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CITIZENS OF PASCO REACH OUT WITH HELPING HANDS



Katie Jansen crochets an afghan for the Tri-City
Pregnancy Center
(Photo by Christine Nelson)

By Christine Nelson

The Holiday season has come and gone, and, as a result, many families in the Tri-Cities are feeling a little more cheerful. The season was a time for giving and helping those less fortunate, and many Pasco High students did just that.

The junior class provided dinner baskets for needy families for Christmas and Thanksgiving. The first eleven junior advisory groups donated food for Thanksgiving, the next eleven covered Christmas dinner, and the last eleven groups collected coins and bought gifts for the families. The students raised enough money to buy scooters, and, with the help of the Schwinn bike shop, several bikes and helmets. Costco, the Welch's juice company, and Oakdell egg farms also donated food. On December 23, the students delivered their gifts.

"The kids came back with a new appreciation for what was out there," says Ms. Northam, one of the coordinators of the project. "It definitely gives you a warm feeling."

Giving doesn't have to be limited to the Holiday season, though. There are many opportunities for students to serve others. Key Club, right here at Pasco High, is one example of the many activities that provide ways to help our community. Key Club delivers gifts at Christmas, volunteers at the Cable Bridge Run, and organizes dances for senior citizens. They have a lot of fun and make the lives of others a little bit brighter at the same time.

Another charity outside the school is the Tri-City Pregnancy Center. TCPC is dedicated to helping women get through their pregnancies. They offer pregnancy tests, counseling, doctor referrals, adoption referrals, post-abortion support, maternity and baby clothing, childbirth classes and parenting classes. The Pregnancy Center provides much needed support for women who may be having a difficult time with their pregnancies. The Center has many openings for volunteers. Volunteers can work as receptionists or janitors in the office, or they can help sort and clean donated clothing. Some volunteers are trained as counselors to help the women.

There are many charities in the Tri-Cities that need volunteers. Take a little time and give of yourself. It's guaranteed that it will be worth the effort.

PHS STUDENTS TEACH THE ROPES OF THE SLOPES

By Meagan Hines

For most students at Pasco High, weekend mornings consist of nothing more than sleeping in or watching cartoons. For Kelsey Schneider, on the other hand, waking up at 5:30 am, putting on three layers of clothes, and strapping her board to the top of the Expedition is her end of the week ritual. As you might have guessed, Kelsey is a snowboard instructor. She works at least once a week at Spout Springs, near Tolgate, Oregon. Her parents, who are veteran ski instructors to the area, introduced Kelsey to the job. "Tom (her boss) called my Dad one day and asked if I wanted to teach ski lessons. My Dad told him that I snowboard, which he thought was even better, because he only had one at the time." There are now seven instructors, including Kelsey, who teach snowboarding. Kelsey's agenda is somewhat complicated. Although much of the day is spent freely boarding, when she has a class, the guidelines are very strict. "First I have to teach them all about their board. I tell them what

the front and back edges are, explain their particular bindings, and tell them about their lead foot and how it relates to the way they will control the board." And that's just the beginning. "Next I teach them to skate, which they usually always have trouble with. It's good to have patience when teaching this!" Skating is when you have only your lead foot strapped in, and you step on your stomp pad (the rubber pad next to your rear foot binding) to get along flat areas with no hills. Kind of like moving on a skateboard. "Next I teach them the falling-leaf. This is where they are strapped into the board and just saw across the hill using a heel stop." Most beginners use this the whole day the first time they snowboard. Kelsey says the lesson usually stops here, but if they are fast learners, she will start to teach

them to carve. The lessons are about an hour to an hour and a half long, and she is paid eight dollars an hour. She has at least two lessons a day, and the rest of the day she is left to snowboard freely with her lift ticket included. "My favorite part of being a snowboard instructor is meeting new people and being able to snowboard for free. I snowboard and get paid for it!" Kelsey is a prime teacher, so if you ever need a lesson, don't hesitate to drive to Spout and ask for her by name. (Ask for me (Meagan) or Kelsey as a matter of fact, because we get paid more if you do!)



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THOSE WHO GET KIDS TO SCHOOL AND MAKE SURE THEY WORK IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

By Joyce Taylor

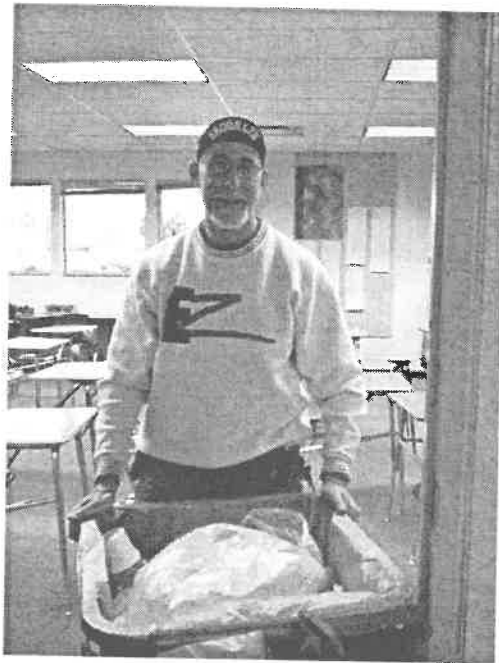
They're big. They're yellow. They're buses. For the poor unlucky souls who are unable to drive, the bus may be their only means of transportation. But fear not, for not all bus drivers are bad. A good example is the ever so interesting Charlie. Charlie has been driving buses for 5 years. When asked why he chose this career he laughed and said, "I wanted to start my own business, but I didn't have any money. So I went to bus school." His favorite part of the job includes having control over the radio and little breakfasts conveniently packed for him by his mother.

Upon arrival onto the school grounds and into the school, very few notice that the once littered grounds and trash filled hallways are now virtually clean. This is so thanks to our hardworking janitors who tend to our schools daily to keep it clean and in top-notch condition. The staff includes (the interviewed) Larry Stanley, Joe Luft, and Pat Ray.

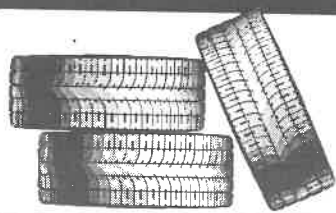
Larry Stanley, known famously as just Larry, has been working here for 9 years. Before his job here, he previously worked as a construction worker and was supervisor for Columbia Industries. He also had his own Janitorial Business. Larry says he's very happy to be here, "The kids are the best part. I'm really proud of the athletic teams and those who participate in school activities and work hard to keep their grades up." He adds, "The staff is wonderful also."

Joe Luft has been working here for 5 years and loves it. "It's a good job to have." He comments, "It's a great school." Like Larry, he's also fond of the staff.

Pat Ray has been the school's groundskeeper for 7 years. Before coming here, he took care of wheat and tended the family's cattle ranch. "I got tired of fighting bad weather and low cattle prices." He says. "I like running machinery so I came here and started out as a custodian." Ray graduated in 1974 and worked at Mark Twain for a while. He also likes it here adding, "It's nice. You have your good days and your bad."



Joe- a Pasco High Janitor (Photo by Amanda Foust)



Car of the issue: Jesse the Import Slayer

By Brandon Herres

Pasco High's car enthusiasts often suggest that I feature one car or another, and they always ask when I will do a feature on the school's fastest car. Jesse Howell's 1970 Camaro is yet to be beat on the street. This car has the looks as well as the power. It is too pretty to park in the treacherous school lot so it takes a special occasion to show up at PHS. Nonetheless, it can be seen where ever some rich punk in a Honda Civic needs to have his doors blown off.



I understand that Camaros after 1971 suck I should note, so if you have one don't think about asking for a feature. There is no way a stock 350 can run a 13.45 second quarter mile at 100 MPH (A '00 Honda Civic Si does the quarter mile in about 15 seconds at less than 90 mph on a really good day.) I have separated myself from Chevy V8's after the gas price hike but one night of cruising with Jesse in the Camaro almost makes the \$1.70 for a gallon of premium gas seem worth it. Although his best mileage has been 14 miles per gallon and he gets 3-4 MPG on an average race/cruise night he says the gas bill doesn't make him want to stop racing.

Jesse qualifies as a certified car nut. His Camaro parks amongst some of the fastest cars and trucks in the Tri-City area. The car never gets dirty; in fact, none of his cars ever get dirty. He is usually working on or racing one car or another. He is one of a group of people that do more than just drive their cars- he treats it like a good friend instead of an

inanimate object. Maybe guys like Jesse who spend hours working on cars may seem a little eccentric, but people spend just as much time on the internet or watching TV, wasting their time with nothing to show for it. Jesse has put a lot of work into his cars, and if you can see the Camaro in the cloud of tire smoke it will leave you in, I am sure you would appreciate it too.

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Zan, PHS' Local Band, Takes the Stage

By Amanda Foust

"Zan is coming."
"What's that?"

"**Zan (zōn) Japanese: To kill with a sword.**"

"Death by a sword is coming!?"

"No."

In fact, Zan is already here at Pasco High made up of six of 2001's most talented seniors. Born last year out of the remnants of a band called Nemesis, the group possesses a sound and style all their own. (Other members of Nemesis, Skyler Guzman and Ricardo Gutierrez, went on to form their own band, *Recoil*.) "It's not heavy metal but not alternative either," explained guitarist Phillip Beaudry, "we call it hardcore." "It's hardcore rock with elements of punk rock and tribal percussion," lead vocal artist Ace Michel added, "we play hard music with a comical edge." Chris Kalinowski, the band's percussionist comments, "I bring back the straight tribal beats. I add the culture to the group." Zan also features an unusual five-stringed bass played by Justin Traveler- "I'm a big block of man."

The band formed in September 2000, though it still lacked full group identity and a name. "It wasn't really Zan for the first three weeks. We kept trying to think of a good name, but it just wasn't working," said drummer JJ Turner. Early ideas ranged from *Toast on a Rail* to *Speculum* to *Sector 7-G* (the section in the nuclear power plant where Homer Simpson works). "One day, we were sitting in David's living room, JJ just said 'Zan', (zon)" said Phil. "And then I explained what it meant, and we all liked it," said JJ.

Their first show made for some laughable confusion. "It was a party somewhere in Finley. At first, we thought it had been cancelled because of the rain, but then we heard it was still on," said JJ. What they didn't know was that the party had been moved. They drove around a collective state of bewilderment for an hour until, "the guy who knew where it really was finally spoke up. He didn't say so in the first place 'cause he thought we knew where we were going," explained Phil. Since then, Zan has done a few parties and plans on performing at *Battle of the Bands* if it ever happens. They play in David Huber's garage. Right now, their favorite song to perform is *The Crown*. "Basically, it's a very long, hard love song," explained Ace. "Most of us worked on it. It's like our creative peak," said Chris. Another favorite is *No Faith* "Get some!" They plan to record once they have around 10 or 12 songs. "Next time we perform, I'm wearing a bathrobe and slippers," declared Phil.

Believe it or not, these guys have other notable talents as far a non-band activity. Justin bikes BMX, JJ works tirelessly at the marimba, and Ace is "one big drama king". Their music brings them together, and well, in the words of Chris, "we're as tight as a dolphins butt." "We tell each other everything," Phil commented. Stylistic inspiration for individual members include artists like Korn (old school), Bob Marly, Tool, Slipknot, and the timeless Jimi Hendrix. All of them claim a common appreciation for Soulfly. "I like and have every kind of music besides country and 'hey, I'm just in it for the money'," said Chris. Guitarist David Huber commented, "I like anything that is creative that goes out of its way to be different."

Any performing artist will say that music demands much time and grim determination, a challenge met by the members of Zan with a passion. Motives for such dedication are a rare and inspiring phenomenon. "I can express my views in an artistic way," said Ace. "The band is good anger management. I used to have an anger problem," explained guitarist David Huber, "I really like making music, and I get to yell a lot." They all agreed, "we like breaking stuff!" "Being in a band feels pretty," remarked Justin. JJ concluded, "it's all we love. It's our favorite thing."



Pasco Puts a New Twist on Grease*

By Tyler Shook

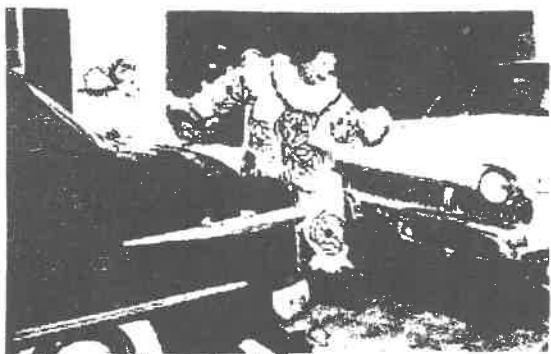
Grease Lightning! Yes, Grease is the official new winter play for 2001, and all the stars have been posted. It wasn't easy to get these parts though, the performers had to go through a vicious try-out. First, they had to sing in front of a crowded room at the top of their lungs. Then they had to read lines from the play book in front of a panel of judges. "I was dying up there, I felt like the whole world was watching me." Said Annita Arambula, who was cast as one of the Pink Ladies, "I can't believe I got a part." And she well deserved. There are

17 speaking parts and 16 non-speaking. Over 70 tried out. Ace Michel was the lucky one to be cast as leading male role, Danny. Next to him, as the leading female, is the ever popular returning star, Caitlin Smith. Jennifer Rossmeisl will play the crabby Rizzo, and the whining Frenchy performed by Jessica Henderson. Weirdo Marty will be by Kelly Patrick, and the crazy Jan by the lovable Kailene King. Other stars

in this production will be David Riddle (Kenickie), Nick Wright (Doody), Andrew Anderson (Roger), Pascual Verduzco (Sonny), Phillip Beaudry (Johnny Casino), Elizabeth Jorgensen (Patty), Dominique Gonzales (Chacha), Jordan Giesler (Eugene), Colby Fite (Vince Fontaine), Paul Francik (Teen Angel), and Becky Moffitt (Miss Lynch). Annita Arambula, LaFonda Jack-

son, Katie Jansen, Sulema Partida, Kim Wilson, Amanda Foust, and Anna Goranson will play the Pink Ladies. The suave, awesome, sexy Burger Palace Boys will be played by Paul Francik, Brian Meldrum, Ed Roan, Brian Geyer, Tyler Shook, Nick Gonzales, and Marcus Henry. All of these stars and side actors assure a remarkable recreation of

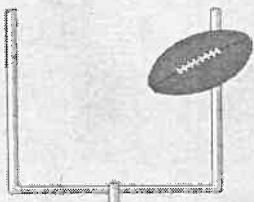
the admired Broadway play. Don't be fooled simple ones, this isn't the same as the movie. There are many new things for you to see and new people for you to watch. Be sure to come out to the opening.



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Super Bowl XXXV

How will this year's game match up to ones from the past?

By Kyle Lamb

The high school and college football seasons are over and now Super Bowl XXXV is on every football fans mind. Traditionally Super Bowls have ended up in blow outs. This was not the case in last years game as the St. Louis Rams defeated the Tennessee Titans 23-16 in which many people will consider the best super bowl ever played. The Titans fell just two yards short of the franchises first Super Bowl victory. However the Rams won't get a chance to win back to back titles this year after losing to the New Orleans Saints in the first round of the playoffs. Teams have won back to back Super Bowls only seven times in NFL history, starting with the Green Bay Packers winning the first two.

There has been many memorable super bowls and every football fan has their favorite, but it is hard to argue who had the best overall season in NFL history. The 1973 Miami Dolphins went 17-0 and won super bowl VII to complete the only perfect season in NFL history. They defeated the Washington Redskins 14-7 on January 14, 1973 in front of 90,182 people at Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles, California.

This years Super Bowl will be played on January 28, in Tampa Florida, home of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The Bucs will not get a chance to play a Super Bowl in their own stadium due to the severe beating they got from the Philadelphia Eagles. It's hard to say who will be playing in this years Super Bowl. It has been a year dominated by defenses and no single team has clearly shown that they are the best. Any team can win on any given Sunday and it has been proven so far in the playoffs. People love watching high scoring shootouts but I believe that the team that shows they have the best defense will win it all this year.

Students Took Advantage of Winter

Break to See the Latest Box Office Hits

By Nicole Gibbons

Winter break was an exciting one for you moviegoers. Many good movies came out...and some not so good movies. We've all seen a bad movie in the theaters, one that wasn't worth our time, or the five bucks that we wasted on it.

Marcus Henry - Castaway, First Knight

Kristin Rodriguez - Miss Congeniality & "Dude, Where's my Car?" Kristin said, "Dude, where's my car?" was so dumb...there was no plot line."

Allen Leibing - How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Danielle Lapp - Miss Congeniality

Ashton Rodgers - Miss Congeniality, Frequency, Mask of Zorro, First Knight, The Sting

Amy Andelin - Vertical Limit

Ashley Woodward - Family Man

Melinda Wamsley - Miss Congeniality, Multiplicity, The Next Best Thing, That Thing You Do

Laura Fluharty - Unbreakable

Angie Draney - Miss Congeniality

nality

Brittany Bleazard - Miss Congeniality & Vertical Limit

Brian Meldrum - "Dude, Where's my car?" & "What Women Want"

Jessica Henderson - Vertical Limit & Castaway "Vertical Limit was very good...I was on the edge of my seat the whole time."

Jesse Lamb - "Dude, Where's my car?", Family Man, Pitch Black, Final Destination, Road Trip

Nick Thompson - What Women Want, Cable Guy, 'So I Married an ax Murderer?' Conspiracy Theory

Liza Strebel - What Women

Want, The Grinch, Sandlot

Melissa Monson - That Thing You Do

Alisha Dett - Hollow Man

Kelsey Shoemaker - Miss Congeniality, Vertical Limit, Frequency, The Bachelor, Cider House Rules, The Next Best Thing, One in 60 Seconds

Katie Whitmarsh - Castaway, Art of War, Shaft

Donna Siamuthai - Dude, where's my car?, Home Alone, Anywhere but here "Home Alone was my favorite!"

Amanda Borey - Dude, where's my car?, The Replacements, The Patriot

Kyle Fielding - Vertical Limit,

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"GREASE" MAKES ITS DEBUT AT PASCO HIGH

By Christine Nelson

Ever since its Broadway premiere, "Grease," according to a song on its movie soundtrack, has been "the word." Many American stu-



Caitlin Smith as

Sandy

dents can randomly belt out entire songs from the famous musical.

The idea for "Grease" was born at a party. The creators, Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey, were tired of "traditional" show-tune types of musicals. They decided to do a new kind of show—one that was the opposite of what they saw being performed on the "Great White Way." On Feb-

ruary 5, 1971, in a small experimental theater in Chicago, an amateur cast gave the first performance of what would soon become an American legend.

The show was a hit. After several months, Jacobs and Casey decided that the show's full potential would only be realized in New York. The first few weeks

were shaky—the public loved it, but the critics weren't very flattering in their reviews. Then, the show was almost ignored for the Tony awards because the Eden Theater, where it was playing, was not technically a part of Broadway. Luckily for the show, the producers stepped in, and "Grease" earned seven nominations. Several years later, Grease held the record for the longest-running musical on



Ace Michel as

Danny

Broadway.

In 1978, the musical was made into a film starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John. (During the 1971 tour, John Travolta was cast as the nerd Doody.) The movie version of "Grease" was the top-grossing movie musical ever made.

A new tour of the musical began in 1993 and finished in 1999 at Cambridge in London.

This was part of the reason that Pasco High has been unable, until now, to perform the musical. When a musical is touring

nationally, high schools are not able to buy the rights and put on the play. However, the long wait is over—"Grease" will finally grace the Pasco High stage on February 14th and 15th.

Washington and Oregon Became the Set For a Few Well Known Movies

By Meagan Hines

Have you ever seen "The Basket"? It's a movie from a few years ago that was filmed in, you guessed it, Khalotis, WA! Well, maybe you didn't guess it, but it was. It's not often anymore that you see a movie that isn't set in a studio or out door set in Hollywood. If you pay close attention, most of those uptown New York movies all contain the same buildings, because they were made on the same Hollywood set at Universal Studios. Sadly, interesting movie settings are becoming extinct, but a few survive. "Air Bud 2: Golden Receiver" (stupid name!) was actually filmed in Vancouver. It was at a Washington school stadium that used to be used for little league games, and now is just used

for rodeos. "Kindergarten Cop" was filmed in Astoria, Oregon, and part of a driving scene was on

a highway that connects from Astoria to Portland. The oh so loved "Tommy Boy" was filmed in Olympia and in the Wenatchee National Forest. Although some

scenes were filmed in a studio, much of the movie (including the cabin setting) was all in Washington. Recently, the movie "10 Things I Hate About You" was shot mainly in Seattle, Renton, and Tacoma. "An Officer and a Gentleman" was filmed in Port Townsend, where a suite at the Tides Inn was named and dedicated, after a scene from the movie was shot in it. The coolest movie ever, "The Goonies", was also filmed in Astoria Oregon. "Hey you

Sadly, interesting movie settings are becoming extinct, but a few survive.

guys!!!" (a quote from the movie) That's for you Jake! The 80's movie "Roxanne" was filmed north of Spokane in Nelson, B.C. The town loved the main star so much they painted a mural of him on one of the main streets. "Say Anything" was filmed in Bellvue at Bel Square, as well as in Seattle. The tear jerker "Stand by Me" was shot in Cottage Grove Oregon. Yeah, I've never heard of it.

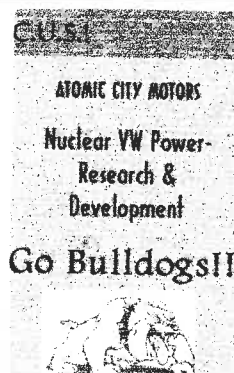
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SPORTS HIT IT HARD ALL YEAR LONG



By Meagan Hines

The past year in sports has been a year for old dynasties to survive, teams to break through from a drought to win a major championship, and perennial contenders to return to the throne of the champions. The dynasty of the New York Yankees and the Florida state Seminal football team stayed at the top in 2000. The Yankees, led by great pitching and veteran leadership, defeated the Mets to once again regain their all too familiar title. Bobby Bowden and the Seminals were number one in the polls again last year. Led by first round draft choice Peter Warrick, the 'Noles captured another national title. From 3-13 to super Bowl Champions the Saint Louis Rams did go in 2000. Dick Vermeil molded a team around a star core of Marshall Faulk, Isaac Bruce, and surprising MVP, Kurt Warner. Mike Jones stopped a run one yard short of the end zone to preserve the Rams victory. The Spurs powered their way to a championship to begin the post Jordan era. The twin towers, Tim Duncan and David Robinson, carried the Spurs through the season and into the championship game where they won soundly. Perennial contenders, competing to get to the big game each year, also came out on top. Tiger Woods, who is racking up titles at a break neck pace, completed golf's career grand slam in 2000. UCONN's men and women basketball teams both captured one of their numerous national titles in 2000. Marian Jones, a world class athlete, earned an amazing five gold medals in Sydney last year. But most of all, in the year 2000 the greatest sports event that occurred was in Tacoma. Pasco 20, Bethel 3.

Living Through the Big

2K

By BreAnne Hovley

The year 2000: filled with excitement and let downs. The year started out with the much-anticipated Y2K ordeal to be a farce. All of the preparing and caution put towards the turn of midnight for the year 2000 wasn't of use, because computers didn't crash, bombs didn't go off, and well; we all lived. Along with the whole Y2K thing, there were many events that covered news pages all over the country from Bill Gates to Elian Gonzalez.

One of the biggest convergences in U.S. history was Time Warner and AOL. They acquired the worlds top media and entertainment company for about \$111 billion in stock. Microsoft went on trial for considering if it was a monopoly or not. This made Bill Gates stock decline, but the man is still rich. The legendary doughnut maker

Krispy Kreme went public on NASDAQ. Wall Street took a decline after NASDAQ's record setting year in 99. 113 passengers were killed, along with a Hotel demolished after Air France Concorde flight #4590 crashed

soon after taking off. Firestone Tire Company had to recall some of their tires when the death toll reached 160 people and 500 injuries from faulty tires mainly found on Ford

SUVs. Both Ford and Firestone have pledged to

Investigate the cause of the defect. RU-486 abortion pill was recently approved by the food and drug administration for use in the U.S. 17 sailors were killed and 9 wounded in

"computers didn't crash, bombs didn't go off, and well; we all lived"

October when suicide bombers exploded their small boat along the USS Cole. Peace treaties were still halted

Between the Israeli and the Palestinians as they violently fought with each other. The

death toll was around 334, most of who were Palestinians. The story of the Cuban ship that wrecked and washed a six-year old boy upon the shores went on for ages and had many people in picket lines. Elian Gonzalez was taken in by Miami relatives who led protests, that is until federal agents raided the boys new home and reunited him with his father in Cuba.

Shawn Fanning, 19 years old, founded Napster after he developed the file-sharing software. Napster is now on most home computers nation wide, with the ability to download any music. The lawsuits that followed have been in the news ever since. Davio Kamicar, a 39 year old Slovenian, was the first person to ever ski down the worlds tallest mountain, Mt. Everest. His descent off of the 29,035-foot peak took

nearly five hours. This summer flourished with new reality television shows like Survivor, Big Brother, and who wants to be a Millionaire. Also this summer, the gas prices soared to incredibly high rates and haven't showed any signs of stopping any time soon. This past fall brought an overload of politics. Hilary Rodham Clinton won the New York Senate seat. The presidential election lasted far too long because of the recounts Florida had to conduct. Finally after weeks of recounting it was declared that George W. Bush won over Al Gore, for the people's vote. I was predicted to be the closest race in many years, but the closeness in Florida's electoral vote was unheard of. And of course, the biggest event of all this year was the Pasco High School football team going 14-0 to win the 4A State Championship title!

Year 2000

Technology Helps and Hinders in 2000

By Amanda Foust

In the beginning, God created the heavens and . . . the MP3?! How did that happen? Technology has made tremendous progress since the days of phonographs, muskets, model "T"s, and typewriters. People don't live forever and cheap metals still can't be turned to gold, but we can, however, live in space and fly military aircraft without pilots. The past year has brought much success in space, medical, entertainment, and computer technology, as well as setbacks.

In this world of conflict, imagine a stealth fighter being shot down in enemy territory without putting a pilot in danger. This is what the U.S. Air force envisions for its prototype, the newest breed of Unmanned Combat Air Vehicles (UCAV). While unmanned aircraft models had been focused on surveillance and reconnaissance, the new plane is capable of hitting enemy targets in actual combat mission, remotely controlled by the pilot. These aircraft can withstand higher G-forces than manned planes and take more data with minimal risk to humans.

In the 1940s, the first computers were massive conglomerations of vacuum tubes and punch cards, and only performing as many tasks as the modern simple calculator. Now, man has the Playstation 2, which supports 6.2 "gigaflops", whatever those are. Along with helping millions of Americans waste time (quite enjoyably), these game consoles also play CDs and DVDs. Wireless networking has crept into the home making publication and Internet highly accessible. In other entertainment advancements, the MP3 has come to power. These tiny computer files with near CD quality make the 21-year-old Sony Walkman appear gigantic. MP3 files are available everywhere but stores. Users can download files from web pages, rip them from compact discs, or swap them with friends.

In space, the final frontier, the year 2000 marks the habitation of the world's first international space station, "Alpha". But for every two steps forward, space programs took one step back in the name of Lockheed Martin. Anyone who has survived PHS integrated science at least knows that one mile doesn't equal one kilometer. Due to some faulty metric conversions (or lack there of), the mars spacecraft flew in too steep. It crashed and burned into the red planet.

The buzzword of medical technology in the new millennium is genetics. Last year, scientists isolated the gene causing breast cancer in, continuing pursuit of the cure. The genetic make-up of plants has been mapped, which provides new knowledge for more effective breeding of crops, whether genetically engineered or traditionally bred. Most recently, a mutation of a gene in fruit flies comically named "I'm not dead yet" can double the life span of fruit flies. Researchers claim that this discovery might lead to the development of drugs to help people lose weight and live longer.

In a year that began with the worst computer virus that wasn't, and ended with an unprecedented month-long election of a president, technology races to aid (and sometimes hinder) the endeavors of mankind.

World Issues From Throughout the Year

By Sydney Patrick

The year 2000 in the world was not the best of times for dictatorship. It seemed to be all about the cry for freedom with gunfire and protesters. The summer of 2000 had two tragedies concerning the Air France Flight 4590 when taking off from Paris' Charles de Gaulle Airport on July 25. While taking off the plane was taken over by tremendous flames, causing it to crash into a small hotel in a French town of Gonesse, nine miles from the airport. All 109 passengers on the plane were killed. Another tragedy occurred in early August a Russian nuclear sub *Kursk*, sunk to the bottom of the Barents Sea, and all 118 aboard the *Kursk* had perished.

The Middle East was in the headlines all year, all very similar with the story of tension and little hope. Earlier in the summer Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak engaged in a three-way summit at Camp David outside Washington with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and host Bill Clinton. While their discussions failed to forge a treaty, they instead welcomed their entire enemy's. Earlier still, an important and powerful man visited the Middle East, better known as the Holy Land, he came to plead all leaders to work for peace. His name was Karol Wojtyla who became Pope John Paul II in 1978. He came to seek a reunion between Catholics and Jews. In late March the most traveled pope in history made his greatest travel to the Holy Land and begged forgiveness and asked over and over again for peace. His visit apparently had no impact at all, as well as the mid-summer Camp David summit, when fighting eventually erupted between Arabs and Israelis in the autumn. This marked a tragic turn of events for the Middle East as on September 28, Israeli politician and former Defense Minister Ariel Sharon visited the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City. Here Palestinian protesters quickly led to violence, and in the following weeks rocks, firebombs and bullets claimed the lives of some 70bpeople and injured for than 1,800 others. My Mid November the death toll had risen to 270, most of them Palestinians. These incidents found the three participants in the earlier U.S. meeting in various binds. President Clinton was desperate for a large foreign policy victory to make his legacy look good, but he had a very short deadline; Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, who had given up his combined government when he met with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in July, was forced to hang tough against Palestinians if he wanted to keep power at all.

Weird Laws Enforced

By BreAnne Hovley

At 44 miles long and 52 miles wide, Jamaica is a huge tourist attraction. But there are a few things that the reader should know before they pack up and head to Jamaica. Just little things like what you need in order to get married there (because tons of high school students are likely to tie the knot now!) and other random laws for being in the country.

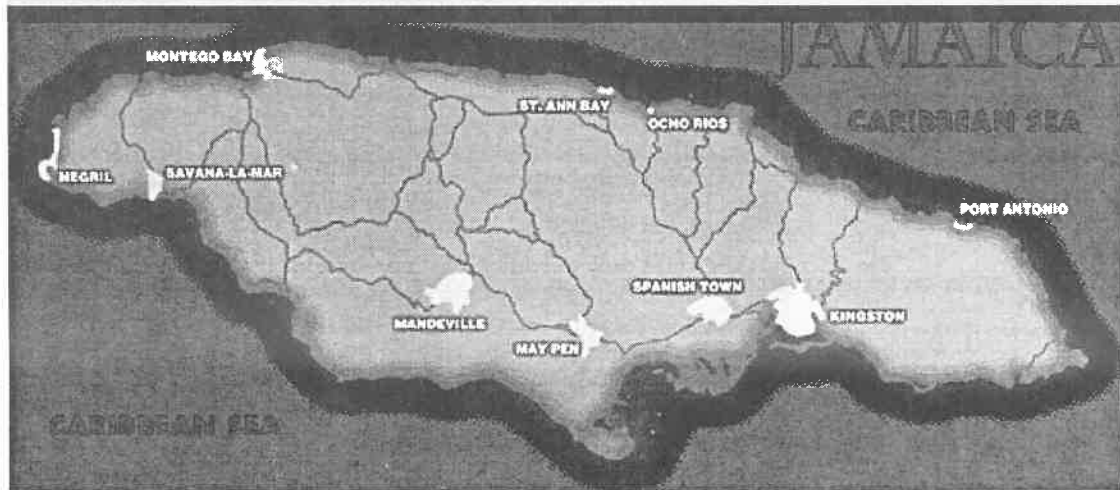
The only thing a person needs in order to go to Jamaica is a birth certificate. Just in case marriage plans for the future are headed for Jamaica, foreigners can't be married there for at least 24 hours after arriving, that is providing they already have an application for a marriage license. Italians celebrating their marriage in Jamaica must notify their embassy, and in order for it to be legal they must copy their certificate and send it to their em-

bassy.

There are over 843 cottages and over 153 hotels on the island, and animals are not allowed to enter the country (so don't bring your pets). The currency is \$1.00 US to \$35.35 Jamaican. An adult cannot bring into the country the following: no more than 50 cigars, no more than 200 cigarettes, or 12 fluid ounces of toilet water. A person also cannot bring in fresh flowers, plants, honey, fruits, meats and vegetables, coffee, firearms, explosives, and any drugs. Also, a traveler has to pay a tax of \$1500 Jamaican money when leaving, unless it was already calculated into their ticket.

So for any of you future students traveling to Jamaica, don't bring something odd like toilet water or meat, and get all of your arrangements in order if you are going to get married. Then, you will be ready for a nice warm vacation.

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Hot Spots for Chillin in Jamaica

By Kim Gonzales

Hot weather, nice beaches, beautiful blue waters, and the most enjoyable attractions around. Yes this would be the wonderful island of Jamaica. Jamaica's many attractions allow you to discover the true Jamaica; its people, culture, and its hospitality. The many tourist attractions throughout the Island provide for a great get a way.

Deep Sea fishing is one interesting challenge one might try. From blue marlin, dolphin, tuna, kingfish, and wahoo some of the many fish

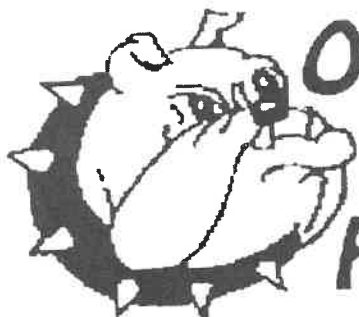
that you could observe. Along with fishing, one could also enjoy the salt spray and wind-blown hair while taking a cruise along Jamaica's glistening blue waters. You can spend the day watching the ocean life, snorkeling, and watching the sun set behind the amazing tropical sun.

Some natural attractions and sports include spectacular mountains for hiking, camping, and exploring, many rivers for rafting, and white water canoeing, close in off-shore reefs for scuba diving,

rafting, and mountain hikes.

Along with the interactive activities there are the historical sites that include several restored Great houses, Forts, working Plantations, Preserved Architectural Buildings from the eighteenth century, and some early settlements each with its own fascinating story or legend.

Jamaica's culture is centered around music there for many musical and dance activities are present for the tourist to participate in. There are Reggae and Dance Halls, as well as thriving dance theatre which puts on spectacular productions, a host of local plays and colorful festivals. Then of course last but not least, thriving nightlife abounds for ones enjoyment. As well, Jamaica has hotels and luxurious resorts to accommodate any ones needs. So if planing a vacation in the future think of the clear blue waters and mystical scenery of Jamaica.



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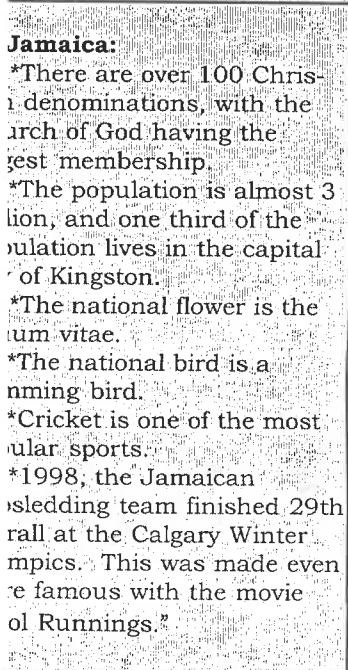
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By Mecque' Whitcomb

The country of Jamaica is known for its production of food widely used today in most countries around the globe. Since twenty percent of the Jamaican people are involved in agriculture production, they grow things such as bananas, sugar cane, citrus fruits, coconuts, coffee, tobacco, tropical fruits, and many other food

items. In fact, Jamaica is the leader in banana export and produces more than 350,000 tons of sugar per year.

Jamaicans are big on spices as well. They use nutmeg and Cheyenne pepper in all of their cooking. Jerk sauce is also used for dipping seafood, pork and other meats in. Some popular side dishes are boiled banana, boiled cornmeal, and cow feet.

On special occasions, Curry Goat is often served along with steamed cabbage. Jamaicans enjoy beverages such as carrot juice, beet root, and coconut water. Every Friday, everyone in the country goes to places like Kentucky Fried Chicken, Shakey's Pizza, and McDonalds for dinner.

By Ryan Orozco

In these winter months, one can't help but dream of warmer places...where the palm trees

sway gently in the warm breeze, the water hisses and crashes into the beach, the warm sand squishes in-between your toes. It seems a lot like heaven as you shiver your way to school in a not so warm car or bus. But wait 'mon' are you

forgetting anything? Oh yes, of course, the Jamaican music, setting the mood in the background.

Twanging and rambling on like no other, a Jamaican singer controls the whole environment around them. The beat and rhythm makes you feel happy and if there were two words that could describe the feeling you encounter when listening to Jamaican music they would be, total relaxation.

It amazes me how Shaggy,

he sounds as Jamaican as anyone, and the Baha Men have made it with their Jamaican/Rap style. Usually listening to Jamaican music in the middle

of January is a lot like listening to Christmas music in the summer, they just don't

go together. Yet they have harnessed the Jamaican style into their Pop style of music, and

made it big. I am no gypsy or anyone trying to predict the future, but it's a safe bet to say that

there will be others to follow their lead. There is not much you can say against Jamaican music, with an exception to "The song" which rocked stadiums everywhere, including our

good ole' Edger Brown, Who let the Dogs Out? But will it survive to next year? That thought probably troubles you, as it does the rest of us.

Amanda Foust

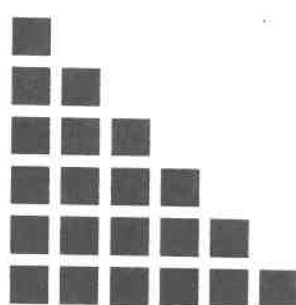
"Out of many, one people," is the motto of the Jamaicans. This illustrates the mosaic of their ethnic diversity; most citizens of Jamaica are of African-European decent. In general, citizens are friendly, outgoing and proud of their nation. English is the official language, but many enjoy the rhythmic lilt of the local dialect, "Jamaican Talk", which is a musically spoken mix of English, African words, and slang. It is customary in Jamaica to have an optimistic, carefree attitude toward life, facing problems by saying "no problem mon" or "Irie". They believe it's all going to work out eventually and everything is okay! Jamaicans enjoy humor immensely and can be extremely opinionated. Swapping stories (or "liming" as they call it) is a favorite pastime. Their cultural tradition is full of superstition and folklore. The spirit "Obeah" is said to take away what people take for granted (like health, wealth, love). So when asking a Jamaican how they are doing or feeling, it is customary for them to quickly reply "not too bad," or "could be better". They even have their own "spider man". He is wise, upright, and gets whatever he wants by being a cunning trickster, but only for the good of a moral. The stories of the spider man, or "Anansi", are used as parables to teach lessons.

amaican sports, as a tradition, always proudly incorporate the pattern for the national flag into their uniforms. This flag features a gold cross on a black and green background. The gold cross represents the sunshine that blesses the island, the green is for the lush vegetation that comes from the blessing of rains, and

black symbolizes the people and African slaves who were forced to flee to the island that won their freedom.

Of course, there is world-renowned Jamaican reggae. For the current teen generation, fashionable street dances with top of the line sound systems are all the rage. They drive on the left side of the road and on the right side of the car. Out of many people come one, and a rich culture of friendly Jamaican traditions to match.

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PAST PRESIDENTS GIVE STUDENTS THE DAY OFF

NO COMPLAINTS...BUT WHY?

By Christina Craig

When Presidents Day rolls around do you find yourself wondering why in the heck do we have the day off from school? Or why do we even celebrate this holiday?

To these questions, a history teacher might say that you are nuts, or even you need to pay more attention in their class. But to your fellow peers you are asking the same question that they are wondering themselves.

President's day is a mystery to some but a marvel to those who actually take the day. President's day is the day in which we honor two of America's greatest presidents, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. Lincoln's birthday falls on the 12, and on the 22 is George Washington's.

Why do we honor these two presidents' birthdays and not others? Because they both led the United States through some very tough times.

When Washington was born, the United States did not even exist. He was a very important man in history because he was the first president who fought for U.S. independence from Britain. He is also some times called the "father of our country." Abraham was a very important man in the U.S. history too. He was our sixteenth president. Sometimes he was called "Honest Abe" and the "Great Emancipator" for his honesty and belief in freedom.

When Lincoln was born he knew that he would grow up and become a great president. His family was poor, and he worked very hard to achieve his goal. When he was elected to Congress there were many arguments about slavery. But he was firm in his beliefs that

every person, black or white should have their freedom.

I can say that I am proud to celebrate this holiday, even though I was not sure of what it really meant. So when you have this day off from school, remember that it means so much more than just a day that you can sleep in.

By Ryan Orozco

Now that the circus of Decision 2000 has up and left our town, and after 36 days of mass confusion and debates, folks are going to have a president. The lucky candidate was George W. Bush, who squeaked out the win by a very small margin. To get there it wasn't so easy. He fought through the courts, and Al Gore's claims of victory. There were so many claims of injustice and tampering, it has taken a while for the courts to lay down the rules and essentially pick our president.

Al conceded in front of the country signifying his defeat, so what happens next? Great, someone finally won, and everyone can watch good old television again, but more importantly George W. Bush will take the oath of office. It will be the last step for him on his quest for the presidency. Tomorrow, January 20th, twelve years after his father, George Bush Sr., first took office. It will truly be a great day for the whole Bush family. The question now is, what's he going to do? How is he going to react to being elected by such a small margin? Will he follow through with his

promises that he made to the voters? Or will he compromise, acknowledging his slim margin of victory and try to please the people with moves which don't totally agree with his platform trying to be fair to everyone? From now on everything is going to be tough for him, not to mention the first ever 50-50 split in the senate, this country is indeed split in two. They call us the United States, but we are split in our liberal and conservative views.

America Finally Swears in a New President

Tri-Cities Celebrates the New Year

By Mecque Whitcomb

FIVE, FOUR, THREE, TWO, ONE...HAPPY NEW YEAR! Year after year, the ball dropping has been the main event for New Years eve. But this year around the Tri-Cities, many other events were going on as well.

First Night Tri-Cities was a huge success this year. First Night is a non-alcoholic family-oriented event. There was an opening ceremony parade, magician, ice carver, and many different bands all for entertainment for the evening. At midnight, Father Time led all the people back to the park to watch a large fireworks display that could be seen for miles.

In order to partake in this fun-filled night, a \$5 button was needed to get into all of the indoor events happening around the Howard Amon Park area. First Night is now in its fifth year in the Tri-Cities. The Power 99 Dance Machine hosted a dance for teens in a big heated tent, and the school with the most students attending won a free dance hosted by the Dance Machine. Each year, the First Night activities rotate between Richland, Kennewick, and Pasco.

West Coast in the Tri-Cities hosted a ballroom bash featuring comedian Mike Watters. There was dancing, a karaoke contest with prizes, and a few laughs, of course.

Go-Bowl in Pasco and Fiesta Bowl in Richland teamed up to create an all night bowling bash. In Pasco, people were able to bowl as many games as they wanted. There was a disc jockey to provide music with plenty of sparkling cider and noise makers to help ring in the New Year. At Fiesta Bowl, Monte Carlo bowling was going on for most of the night with cash prizes ranging from one to fifty dollars.

Last but not least, there were many private parties around the Tri-Cities that one could have been lucky enough to be invited to.

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WEATHER LEAVES PHS STUDENTS WRECKED

By Tyler Shook

It is time the snow and ice start to come and stay. The roads are going to be slick and accidents are going to happen. But if you drive safe and watch out for other drivers, you should be ok. Some of our students at PHS have already got a taste of what it is like getting in a wreck from the winter weather.

Kayla Dodson- "I hit some black ice, and I tried to stop, but I didn't, and I hit a curb. It broke my hubcap off. Now it shakes so bad when I drive."

Carolyn Luksic- "I got in a wreck."

Eric Levitt- "I hit some black ice and was sliding around and then two other cars hit me. I got a new car."

Jake Galstad- "I pulled out in front of a big suburban and it messed me up bad!"

Sydney Patrick- "I was going down road 36 and I couldn't stop, and there was a stop sign in front of me. There was a van and a big truck coming at me after I went through the stop sign, so I turned my wheel to miss the van and I hit the back of the van and broke my headlight. The van kept going."

Jamie Wright- "I slid off the road and into a ditch into oncoming traffic. I was so scared."

Ashley Wheatly- "All I know is she has to pay for it and that's all that matters."

Heartly Hosbager- "My car doesn't work too good, so I think I might get in one this winter."

Doug Vincent- "I got a new truck because my toy blew up, and I pushed it into the river."

Jose Lopez- "I was driving down Court Street, and I hit some ice, and I ran onto the sidewalk and just about hit someone."

Raul Gonzales- "I was riding with one of my hommies, and he wasn't watching what he was doing, and he hit a parked car on the East Side."

This winter could be a bad one for icy roads. So watch the road and be careful. The best thing you can do is not panic. When you panic you could get yourself in into more trouble then you are already in. Drive with your hands and 10 and 2 like the Drivers Ed teacher taught you so you have more control over your car. When you hit a patch of ice do not slam on your breaks. That would be the worst thing to do. Just be careful and drive slowly, but not too slow to cause the traffic to be backed up. Just use your head and watch out for other drivers. You may be good at driving, but there are always people out there that don't know how to drive on this kind of stuff, and they will panic.

Martin Luther King Jr. Continues to Echo Freedom



By Christine Nelson

As students and federal workers across the U.S. celebrate another day off, one must take a moment to reflect on the legacy of the man whose birth we celebrate on January 15—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Most know the story of his life. Born on January 15, 1929, he was the son of the pastor of one of the largest Baptist churches in Atlanta, Georgia. He eventually decided to follow in his father's footsteps and become a min-

ister. After graduating from Morehouse College in 1944, Mr. King entered Crozier Seminary as one of only six black students. In 1954, he became the pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama.

Times were difficult for black people. Schools were segregated, certain public facilities were off-limits, and if there were no "white" seats left on the bus, black people had to give up theirs.

It was an event on one of these buses that finally brought racial tensions to a boiling point. Rosa Parks, a seamstress, was tired after a long day at work and refused to give up her seat to a white man. She was arrested.

Black leaders in the community decided to form The Montgomery Improvement Association to see that blacks were treated fairly on public buses. The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. was chosen as their leader.

On December 5, 1955, a boycott of the bus system in Montgomery began. Black people began walking to their various destinations instead of facing continuing injustice on the buses. Almost a year and many Supreme Court battles later, on December 21, 1956, segregation on buses was declared illegal.

Rev. King went on to become one of the greatest civil rights leaders of the twentieth century. One of the most important aspects of Rev. King's

character was the fact that he constantly emphasized that everything his people did, whether a protest or a march, was done in a spirit of love and good will towards all men. Under King's leadership, people used many nonviolent methods of protesting. Even when spit on, beaten, or mocked, they were to remain calm and not react with violence. King won the Nobel Peace Prize for his effort in 1964.

On April 4, 1968, King was shot and killed on the balcony of the Lorraine Hotel in Memphis.

There is a plaque in the lobby of the hotel, now, with this quote from the book of Genesis: "Here cometh the dreamer. Let us slay him and see what becomes of his dream."

Thankfully, Dr. King's dream did not die. Although racism has not yet disappeared, the nation is beginning to see the days where "... black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, 'Free at last, free at last, Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!'"

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PHS Flips for Gymnastics

By Joyce Taylor

This year, gymnastics began with a rough start. But with hard work, the team has the potential to learn more difficult moves, and more dedication will improve the team's score. "The girls have very good dance skills and are fun

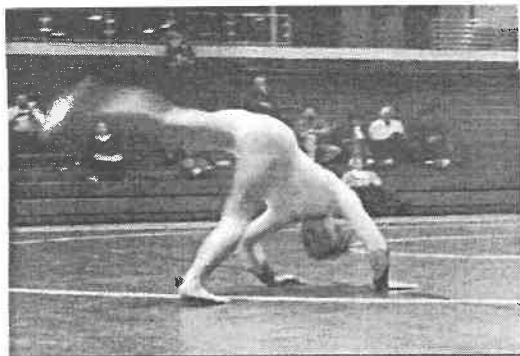
to watch," said Mrs. Stahl, the team's coach. When asked about the team's season, "Oh

GEEZ!" is what Rachel Swenson, a senior on the team, had to say. "It's really hard work and it's intimidating and scary to be out there because there are many girls out there better than you," she

added.

January 24 will be the team's last meet before districts, and it will be held at Hanford High. Districts will be held at Richland High on February 3. These girls need your support just as much as any

other sports team, so get out of the house on those stressful school nights and leave those



worries behind. Go and cheer on these girls who have been practicing their routines and working hard to perfect their performances all season long. Who knows, they may be the next Dominique Dawes or Shannon Miller.



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Pasco High Wrestles to the Top

By Mecque Whitcomb

This year's wrestling team has turned out to be quite a success. According to coach Bodner, "there is no difference in the team as far as talent, only the fact that we had a smaller turn out and we started without the football players." So far this season, the team is undefeated, and their success should continue throughout the rest of the season. Cody Sanford, who has been wrestling for 13 years, commented, "Wrestling makes me mentally tough." Wrestling has taught junior Tom Kinion and others on the

team to, "dig down inside and wrestle from our hearts." Coach Bodner attributes some of their success to the strong qualities that the wrestlers possess, such as discipline re-

lated to conditioning, a good work ethic, being physically and mentally tough, and dedication and nutrition. Earlier in the season, the team went to

the West Valley Invite with 11 wrestlers from PHS, and seven of them received first through fourth place finishes at the event. That right there proves that the team is dedicated and willing to put forth a lot of effort to have a successful season. Even Everson said, "wrestling has made me physically fit and I have gained endurance." Augustine Ramos added, "I always knew wrestling was good conditioning. And if you can survive Bodner's conditioning, you can survive anything."

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MATA MAKES A STATEMENT: ON
THE MAT, AND WITH HIS HAIR

By Jami Woodward

If you've been walking through the halls lately I'm sure you've probably seen a guy with a crazy "M" shaved in the back of his head. That guy would be the wrestling athlete of the issue, Eric Mata. Many of his teammates commented on Eric's hair and have all agreed that they like it very much. Not only is his hair great, but he is great as well. Mata, a junior in his third season of competition, is an all around good guy both on and off the mats. He is noted as a person who loves the sport of wrestling, goes the distance, and doesn't back down now matter how tough the opponent. His teammate Cody Sanford says of him, "He was held out for awhile and really wanted to come back. Now that he is back, he's been really strong for the team. He's a good leader and he gets everyone

going. Mata is always working really hard and he doesn't give up." Senior teammate, Ryan Dupuy states, "Eric is a strong asset for our team and we really enjoy having him. He's a great competitor and he hates to lose, so he does what he can to get the job done. That's a good quality in him—he's a real go-getter and works hard all the time."

Most of the time competing in a sport is hard enough, but wrestling is not your casual recreational pursuit. Besides the discipline, nutritional requirements, hard exercise, and many hours of travel, Varsity Wrestling Coach Bodnar states that "there is a side bar to all of this. Eric is a guy that has to learn things the hard way sometimes. He is a guy that will take it on the chin and deal with the consequences. I watched him deal with some

hard issues this fall. The issues are not the theme, but how Eric dealt with them is. His leadership in the wrestling room while the football guys were gone was commendable. You could see a definitely improvement in work ethic from last year and a sense of purpose about what he was doing."

Eric soon became one of the guys that was counted on to get things done. As he demonstrated a desire to do the "right thing," his wrestling began to improve. Mata has been in the finals in two tournament and was in the feature photo for the "Best of the West Dual Team Tournament." His team finished third and Eric won four out of five matches.

In closing, Bodnar states, "Congratulations Eric on not only improving your athletic performance, but also in becoming a better human being!"

Heather Hanson Walks the Beam for Her Team

By Keisha Leiby

Heather Hanson has a light shining on her in all of her performances. She has many qualities, her coach stated, but her motivation is what carries her and makes her strive to be better. Being one of the oldest on the team, it's hard not to be looked up to, and just like any other elder Heather is looked up to. Heather's coach said that her dance training and cheerleading has contributed much to the team, and has helped her to reach to the top. Not only is Heather a strong asset to her team, but she is an important part of our

school as SAC president. She is a constant person who is always willing to lend a hand in all that we do, and all that

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"True"
teammate.**

she does. She sets goals and she reaches them, and then begins again. Heather's determination shows us a path that

we need to follow, and she is a star in her athletics. Heather represents many qualities that we all have. She knows what's wrong and right, and she knows how to be a "True" teammate. Heather strives to be better in all that she does. Heather lifts her head high to the team, and looks ahead to the future. She wants to be better as a person, and as an athlete. She has a goal to make herself a role model for all that meet her. All of her teammates look to Heather for her advice, and her actions. Heather is PHS' athlete of the issue, and she is a true player.

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*Athlete of the
Issue:
Heather
Hanson,
Gymnastics*

SUPER FUN

SUPERBOWL TIPS

By Meagan Hines and Christine Nelson

For those who cared more about the outcome of the Presidential Election than the outcome of the Superbowl, a party on January 28 really wouldn't seem like that keen an idea. But who says a Superbowl party has to be about the Superbowl? Here are some things you can do to celebrate that game of games.

1. Form your own teams. Who needs the Superbowl when you can have your own mini-version out in the backyard?
2. Make your own commercials. Sure, they may never top the Budweiser frogs, but after seventeen bowls of cheetos people come up with some interesting stuff.
3. Eat. This is the part of the Superbowl that many live for.
4. Turn off the volume and

5. be the sports announcer. "He fakes to the left..."
5. Skip the party and watch "The Princess Bride" instead.
6. Make fun of the people who really care about the game. Make sure you cheer when their team messes up.
7. Buy a face painting kit and decorate each other with the emblems of your favorite team.
8. Have a cheese log sculpturing contest. Who ever does the best image of their team's mascot gets a pretzel.
9. Fill the bathtub with ice, and whoever cheers for the losing team gets to take a dip after the game.
10. Strip, paint yourself your favorite team's color, and streak down the street. You get to keep your cheese log sculpture if you don't get arrested.

Boys Ball it Up on the Court



Bulldogs take the ball up the court

By BreAnne Hovley

With six games under way, the boy's basketball team is going strong. They are 4-2 overall and 3-1 within the league. Senior Bryson Bogart says, "So far we have done good, but we started off slow to Richland." The boys do not have any serious injuries on the team so they shouldn't be slowed down

too much. Chris Ortiz commented, "The team is finally coming together and we're actually working as a team. Our outside shooting is coming back and should be in the top 3 in the big 9."

Mr. Guajardo, who has been the head coach at Pasco High School for 19 years, has

two swing players currently that suit up for every varsity game, John Bitner and Tyler Kelley. He only coached JV boy's basketball one year before being moved up to head coach. In the 1991-1992 season, Guajardo was the assistant coach at the University of Oregon. The team captains

are Raul Garcia and Chris Ortiz. These two guys are also main starters with Kris Groce. Guajardo said, "Actually everybody had done well."

"Pablo is adjusting to how he was playing against Gonzaga- he should be one of our best outside shooters," comments Raul Garcia. David

Shimek, at 6'8", said that, "Chris Ortiz can score on anybody in the league."

"Raul Garcia is a good leader to the team and contributes a lot," says Junior Marshal Smith. Bryson Bogart remarked that "We have good senior leadership; it really showed in the Davis game." That was also the game where Chris Ortiz scored 31 points for a season high.

As for the team, David Shimek says the team is "Great, except I wasn't athlete of the Issue!" Raul Garcia says, "The whole team is doing good, we're just now coming together as a team." So come out and support the fellow bulldogs as they shoot some hoops.

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LADY BULLDOGS KICK OFF A STRONG SEASON

By Kim Gonzales

"As basketball kicks off to a great start, our girls are getting out on the court and showing what time and practice does to help a team. The team works well together and it shows during the game time. As they work together, they each are slowly accepting their roles. Since we have such a young team, our sophomore girls have shown that they must step up and take the responsibilities they need to be able to hold the team together and perform well. The main starters for the team so far in the season have been Emily Haliday, Heather Wagner, and Shelby Ramirez. All have shown great leadership and determination to get the job done and done well. The rest of the players starting and playing time depends on whom they play and how well they have put forth effort in practice. "The girls have been doing great and defensively they have improved. As they work together the girls show 99%,"


quotes Coleman.

Their record so far is 3 for 2 and there will be 20 games in the season. They are expected to do well as long as they come out strong in the first quarter and play hard and well to the end. Captains for the team include Jenny Neibel, Michelle Elliot, and Heather Wagner. The team is very close with each other and a lot of them have played with each other all of their basketball careers. "We work together great and are real close and by knowing how each play we can play well as a team," says Shelby Ramirez.

"They must improve in practice and go harder with more intensity. Right now we're off to a slow start but pace will pick up as season rolls along," says Coach Davis


So if you're ever alone on a Friday or Saturday come and support your Girls Basketball program and watch the awesome bulldog ladies show us how the game is played!





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Wrestling Cheerleaders Show Their Stuff

By Brandon Herres

I promised my editors I wouldn't make fun of wrestling cheer and I really tried. After a year of absence the wrestling cheerleaders are back. Their new coach is Kerry Briggs and the assistant coach is former wrestling cheerleader Breanne Urlenbush. They had a good turn out but only six girls made it: Junior Michelle Lewis, Sophomores Maria Gonzalez, Lisa Langston, Kristen Boles, and Hope Garcia, and Freshmen Dominique Guerrero.

Wrestling cheer has been around for some time at Pasco High because the football/basketball cheer squad is unable to do both wrestling and basketball. The cheerleader appear to be doing a good job and they don't over do the yelling so the wrestlers are able

to hear the coaches. And one good thing about the wrestling cheerleaders is that they don't stand directly in front of the fans so they can't see what is going on.

One of the reasons that

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wrestlers have never been very appreciative of their cheerleaders is their tendency to drown

out the coaches' advice during a match. Wrestler Cody Sanford said, "We really didn't miss them last year." I have to admit that wrestlers and fans have given wrestling cheerleaders a lot of criticism, but the truth is they work hard every day on their cheers and they put a lot of time into supporting the team.



Sports Calendar

Boy's Basketball:

Jan 19 against Kennewick
HERE
Jan 20 against Richland
THERE
Jan 26 against Wenatchee
THERE
Jan 27 against Davis
HERE
Jan 30 against Walla Walla
HERE
Feb 2 against Kamiakin
THERE
Feb 8 against Moses Lake
THERE
Feb 10 against Eisenhower
HERE
Feb 16 against Southridge
THERE

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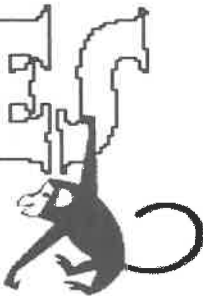
Wrestling:

Jan 19-20 "South Kitsap Invite" PORT ORCHARD
Jan 23 against Kamiakin
THERE
Jan 25 against Richland
HERE
Jan 27 "Sub District" DAVIS
Jan 29 "Pendleton 'C' Team Invite" PENDLETON
Feb 2-3 District Tourney
HERE
Feb 9-10 Regional Tourney SPOKANE
Feb 16-17 State Tourney TACOMA

Gymnastics:

Jan 20 Sehome Invite BELLINGHAM
Jan 24 Han./Kenn./Kam. HANFORD
Feb 3 District Tourney RICHLAND
Feb 10 Regional Tourney SOUTHRIDGE
Feb 16-17 State Tourney TACOMA

MONKEYSHINE



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THIS YEAR I RESOLVE TO.....

By Kyle Lamb

Year 2000 is over and the New Year, 2001, is here. How will Pasco High Students do things differently in 2001.

Steven Jenks- To not put up with stupid people.

Anothy Davis-To gets as much attention as possible.

Kyle Kania- To get a 4.0 and get a better truck than my brother, opps I already did.

Amanda Salinas- To talk to "that baller" before he graduates.

Brandon Kania- To help Walt Gable understand that when it is icy outside it makes it hard to drive.

David Hansen- To pass out somewhere safe.

Jeremy Spier- To be able to answer a question when asked.

Raul Garcia- To believe in myself.

Carolyn Luksic- To get in shape.

Kayla Dodson- I just want be a hustler baby and I want you to know, It's not where I've been, but where I'm about to go. I just want love yea!

Mrs. Mason- To be kinder and to find more time to spend with my son.

Lafonda Jackson- To not break people's glasses when I fight.

Sara Tamez- To not take crap from anybody or else they will get hurt.

Gabe Gutierrez- To put my foot down and quit getting walked over by Women.

Demar Weathers- To go to the movies with **Shelby Ramirez**.

Josh Garza- To play d-line for the 2001 bulldogs.

Steven Mata- Not to smoke anymore.

Zach Norton- To live until the next new years.

Spencer Murry- To get a new car.

Marc Mackay- Play varsity football in 2001.

Mark Dixen-To hook all the girls up with "53" and I want to give a shout out to all my boys. **Kyle Lamb** wants everyone to know that **Mark Dixen** "blings" the most.

Stephen Disdale- To bench 120 lbs.

Dallin Adamson- I want to get pecs the size of **Jeremy Bondermens** head and a stomach the size Of **Graffs**.

Chris Ortiz- To get **Ty** out of chapter 7.

Well that's a wrap on the New Year's resolutions. May all of you stay true to your word, and if not, who cares you always have next year.

Fare Well Billy Boy

By Sarah Johnston

Good ol' Bill. We all know him and we all... well we all know him. The 42nd President of the United States of America. Leader of the known free world for 8 years. Despite the hoopla stuck to his image at the end of his turn, lets not forget the good things he's done for our country. He helped stabilize Mexico's economic situation in 94, he placed limits on welfare, helped to balance the budget, and appointed more women to his Cabinet than any previ-

Of course, all guess for that feat none-

Obvi- faced a few the end of mistakes fied thou- that of any Not only pate in im- with other women, but he lied about it. With the whole world watching nonetheless. So it's hard to go beyond that to find any value in his presidency. But in all honesty, his personal life aside, our country wasn't too shabby with him at the helm. And looking at the brighter side, Jay Leno and Saturday Night Live would have been dying for material if it weren't for our great leader. So sure he eats like no other, he has sexual relations with women outside of his marriage, and he named his cat socks. (The evilest of evils committed). But our economy wasn't hurting, and America was once again quite the interesting place to reside. Can't ask for that much more.

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THE SPEED LIMIT GLOVE CHASE

By Chris O'Neil

This did not happen to me at all. I am just translating to you what was told to me through the eyes of the person it happened to.

It all started with another pain staking day in Mrs. Tate's class. Mr. Ben Davis (who turned 18 in December, this will be significant later when you realize that he acted like he was 18 months old) was called to the office during class and didn't make it back in time before class was let out. He also forgot that he left his precious Michael Jackson gloves whom he often tries to impersonate. I left with those precious gloves and later that evening Ben calls asking for his gloves back and I say "Ben I have no Idea where they are" and he replies with a simple "ok". 5 minuets later in typi-

cal Ben Davis fashion, he was at my house asking for the gloves, but I continue to play dumb and act like I don't know what the heck he is talking about. Ben leaves thinking that a Backstreet Boy (DV) has the gloves. Later on the night the Backstreet boy calls me and asks me about those gloves. I spill my guts and tell him everything and then I hear the laugh on Ben Davis in the background. The fairy had backstabed me and knows Ben knew I had the gloves now. I had to move fast. I then quickly delivered the gloves to an unknown accomplice. I drive away hoping to pass the crybaby on the way over when I see him and he makes an illegal U-turn and follows me wherever I go. Ben at this

point is raging in tears and will do anything to stay behind me. He is constantly pulling up to me at stop signs yelling and pouting, which makes me laugh even harder because I can see him and I can also see the tears flowing. He is now cutting corners, jumping curbs, cutting people off and almost endangering he and allot of others when there was a near fatal collision with a transit bus. I finally lose him and I see him at am\pm stopping at the pay phone to cry to his mother about the gloves being gone. Later there would be unexplainable pictures with siting of the gloves and then finally we would have it out after school when I handed him a box of tissues and told him to cry. CRY BEN! CRY.

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The Disease Society Tends Not to Address:

Racism Has Not Been Cured Yet

"This year, a record number of agencies—representing 84 percent of the nation's population—have provided information to the FBI on hate crimes. The statistics reveal more than 5,000 hate crimes based on race, more than 1,400 based on religion, and more than 1,000 based on sexual orientation. These statistics show what we long believed is true: hate crimes have long gone underreported, and we need surveys like this to understand the depth of the problem... I asked all 93 U.S. Attorneys to appoint hate crime coordinators and form local working groups to focus on what must be done to combat hate crimes." - Janet Reno



By Holly Mattson

Racism is still a problem today even though often the problem remains hidden. Walking through the halls, the slightest racial slur can be taken in offense. Most of the stories written about on this page may take place in other states, but things do happen near home. There was a black man murdered in the Tri-Cities not too long ago, Japanese students harassed to "go home", at Eastern Washington University, and I can recall a party my sophomore year when because of people's race, things got out of control. This is not saying that Eastern is a horrible college that promotes racism, or that the Tri-Cities or Pasco High are horrible places to put oneself into, but that we cannot be blind believing racism in not in effect. It still is everywhere. Here's what seniors LaFonda Jackson, Jesus Larios, Nam Truong, and junior Ashley Doherty think about racism at Pasco High today in regards as to whether or not it is a problem:

Reporter: Would you guys agree that Pasco High is the most racially mixed high school of the Tri-Cities?

(Everyone): Yeah, yes....

Reporter: Why do you think that?

Jesus: Because we got all kinds of races. We have Russians, we have Mexicans, we have blacks, we have Asians, and we have whites at our school, so basically all kinds of cultures and races at our school.

Reporter: Would you rather have been brought up in a

school that was more ethnically the same or do you think that being raised in a diverse community is better?

LaFonda: No...

Reporter: Why or why not?

LaFonda: Like this is better because somewhere else like as soon as you got out of school, and out into like the real world is more diverse, so this is better...I like Pasco High.

Jesus: You feel out of place if you go to a school and you're like the only race there, you feel like you're not wanted.

Ashley: I agree too, because I grew up at St. Pat's and we were all basically the same...

Nam: There was nobody there different from you...

Ashley: Yeah, and here you just get to know everybody, and like all the different people and how they were raised differently.

Reporter: Has that changed your guys' viewpoints on anything?

Jesus: No, not really, no...

Reporter: I mean like, do you think being with different races at school like makes you more open-minded?

LaFonda: Yeah.

Jesus: Yeah, you get to see how everybody's like, because if you're around people of your culture they all do the same things and you kind of get used to it. But when you're around people of different cultures you get to see how they do things and the way they work which helps you in like the business world and stuff.

Nam: Yeah you learn new things.

LaFonda: And you actually

know instead of like being around the same culture and like just *hearing* what people think about other people, but being around them you actually know how they are.

Jesus: Just learn by personal experience.

Ashley: People categorize. And then you know that it's not true if they say that somebody...by categorizing certain ways...when you're around them you find out that that's not true.

Reporter: Do you believe that race is still an issue in society today?

(long pause.)

Ashley: It is, but not as bad as it used to be.

LaFonda: Yeah...

Jesus: There's always racism but it's not like in your face kind of way, like KKK. It's little racial slurs every once in a while, little jokes, but nothing serious.

LaFonda: Yeah, it's not that bad. Its not like...

Jesus: You get it on T.V. every once in awhile...

LaFonda: Actually...it's not here. It's not really here. It's other places, like there's so many hate crimes going on. Did you hear about that MTV thing about it? It's everywhere else.

Jesus: It also depends on what race you are. Like Ireland: Protestants and Catholics. It's not really a big issue in the United States.

LaFonda: It's not an issue to us because it's not happening...

Jesus: At least not to us. That's why we don't see it.

Reporter: What other kinds of

ways to you see it being a problem in society?

LaFonda: Just like the hate crimes. I always see it on T.V.

Jesus: And like people categorizing people's cultures.

LaFonda: Like stereotypes...

Ashley: Mm, hm.

Jesus: Yeah, they say well this race is this way, and that race is that way, well not everybody's like that. Everybody's different.

LaFonda: So like, stereotyping is a big problem.

Jesus: Like say some black guy killed a cop. They're going to say well, all blacks kill cops.

Nam: You got to be in their shoes to know what they're like. You just can't just judge them by the way they look.

Jesus: Yeah, just because one guy does something that doesn't mean their whole race does it.

Reporter: Do you feel race is a problem at our school in any way?

(Everyone): Mmmm...

LaFonda: Ha...

Ashley: Sometimes.

Nam and Jesus: Somewhat.

Reporter: How do you see it being a problem?

Nam: People calling each other names and stuff.

Jesus: Racial slurs.

Nam: Yeah.

Jesus: That's the main problem we have. Racial slurs, and people like start fights...

LaFonda: People thinking...

Jesus: That's probably why...

Ashley: Like, people just talk...

Jesus: It's like nobody's fault...it's just people talking.

LaFonda: (keeps laughing...) I dunno, I'm like thinking. Is it a problem at our school? I don't know....

Nam: Like someone will say something to someone, and then it'll be told again differently.

LaFonda: I think that it's something like, I don't know how to say it, like a hidden problem? It's not like out in the open, like you wouldn't know it's going on unless it happened to us, so you really don't know.

Reporter: You think that minorities at our school feel uncomfortable at all?

LaFonda: I think some.

Jesus: Not all of them, because they all have special classes and stuff, and aren't getting left out.

LaFonda: I think that our, well not like made feel different by the school, but like some of the students do. Like the foreign exchange students sometimes...

Ashley: Yeah, but that's only if they like stay together and don't try to get to know people.

LaFonda: Yeah...Everyone just thinks they're weird then. But, they're not really weird!

Jesus: No, they're cool. But, like I've talked to some of the other students who aren't Hispanic and they say they feel like overwhelmed by the Hispanic population, that they feel like we're taking over. I've heard that a lot.

Reporter: So, do you think that's racist?

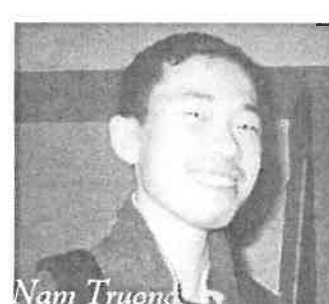
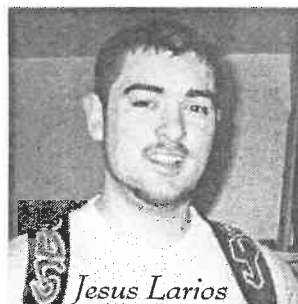
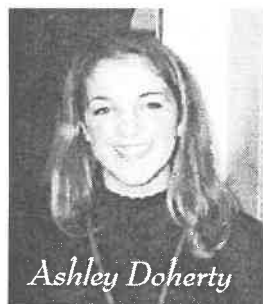
Jesus: Kind of in a way. Like, I've heard people call Pasco High like little Mexico.

Reporter: And do you feel offended by that?

Jesus: If it's directed towards me I do, but if it's directed away from me it doesn't really bother me.

Reporter: Kind of like what LaFonda was saying earlier, do you think that most people are

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ABC Lead Article:
HOUSTON, July 26---
Hate crimes against
Hispanics are on the
rise, underscoring a
troubling pattern of
harassment against the
nation's fastest-growing
minority group by law
enforcement and ex-
treimists, the National
Council of La Raza said
today.

blind to the fact, or are maybe to afraid to face, that racism is still a problem?

LaFonda: It's like, I don't know if they're blind to it, it's like they know...yeah...

Ashley: It's that most people don't want to admit it.

LaFonda: So yeah, they're blind to it.

Reporter: When raising your own children, is there a fear factor in bringing them up in a diverse school or would you rather them go to a private or boarding school of more of the same social class?

LaFonda: No, I would rather raise my child in a diverse community.

Nam: So that they could experience all the different types of...

Jesus: If they're brought up in a private school then they're not used to anything...

LaFonda: Yeah...

Jesus: they could be like, use the same words that might offend somebody if they come into a different school and be used to saying it. They wouldn't even know they were offending the person.

LaFonda: Yeah, so that way they can go through all the same experiences that we went through. Even though there's some good, and some bad, but regardless if they went to a school that was all the same they wouldn't have any bad experiences and when they finally had one, they wouldn't know how to handle it.

Jesus: You need to learn how everybody is, because when you go out into the real world alone, you need to know how it is. If you didn't, you'd be like a total stranger.

Ashley: You need to surround your kids by that at an early age so that they can get used to it.

Reporter: Why do you believe you feel the way you do about racism? What has formed your views?

LaFonda: Family.

Ashley: Family. My parents, that's how they've raised me.

Jesus: I think your friends too. It depends how your friends are too. If they're racist you know, you're going to be around it.

LaFonda: Even though you're like around it, first it must

STUDENTS ADDRESS RACISM AT PASCO HIGH

come from home. It depends on how strong of a person you are, and if you let others influence you. Like, I mean, I don't because my whole family is from Mississippi and I lived there the first part of my life, so I've been around a lot of racism from family, from older family members since they live in the south. But, then my mom was like, that's not right, so like I've learned from my mom. Then when my family comes down, I'm around it again, but I don't let it influence me, because it's like they don't know. Like, they're around a whole bunch of black people and aren't used to seeing white people. Like, they're still separate, it doesn't seem like it, but they still are.

Nam: You just have to be open-minded.

Jesus: Yeah, if you're around racists, that's probably the way you're going to be. If you get taught that that's wrong, and it shouldn't be like that, then you get brought up the right way.

Ashley: That's like the KKK, they are all raising their kids like that. They don't know, I mean the three year old saying all these racial slurs.

Jesus: Your lifestyle...

LaFonda: And sometimes an experience can make someone feel that way, like an encounter with someone else, like a bad encounter with somebody for instance, and like they did something to me that was racial, it could make me hate all white people from then on. But, it all depends on what type of person you are.

Reporter: Have you ever personally been affected by racism and if you have can you share the experience?

LaFonda: (laughs.) I'll tell my story. A student at PHS called me a racial name, man, I probably didn't handle it in such a good way. I got in a fight...but, it was...it wasn't over just that one comment, but that one comment basically started it, and then hearing from other people that that person was racist, like before that, before we were friends, and like I didn't know that's how they were. It was like hidden. We stopped talking, or whatever, and then I was called something racial so we got in a fight. *Fighting is bad!*

Reporter: What about anyone else?

Jesus: Well, I've never gotten to the point anyone's said a racial slur to me for me to fight them, but you get mad at the person that uses a racial slur, but you don't get to the point

where you fight them, because that doesn't make anything better.

Nam: You just let it pass. You know, like whatever they say to you, you just let it pass. Don't let it bother you, or affect you the rest of your life.

Jesus: Yeah, there is always going to be somebody out there who thinks it's all right. Say somebody calls you a racial name, and it doesn't get to you, but it might get to someone else. You never know who's going to snap, and who's not. When somebody says something to me, like stupid Mexican or something, I just let it slide and tell them there's going to be somebody out there if you say it to, they're just going to snap.

LaFonda: Yeah, I let it pass a lot.

Reporter: Has it happened before?

LaFonda: Yeah, like not like a lot. It has happened before, but it's like no big deal.

Jesus: You just laugh and walk away.

Reporter: Why?

LaFonda: Why is it no big deal? I don't know. It's just, because who cares?

Ashley: Usually you know they're just joking around.

LaFonda: Even if they're serious, it's like, ok, that's stupid.

Jesus: Like, what are you going to do about it?

LaFonda: It's just words.

Reporter: It doesn't bother you?

LaFonda: No. I'm like, oh well. If that's how you feel, then that's how you feel.

Nam: Yeah, it's like so what.

Reporter: So it's ok to joke about it?

Nam: Well, like if you're friends then you can joke about it...like me and Jesus.

Jesus: It's kind of weird, because people from like, I mean Mexicans call each other beaners, but if somebody from a different race said like, look you stupid jab, or beaner, you'd be like, what'd you say? And you'd get mad.

LaFonda: Yeah, you'd get mad.

Jesus: But, like someone making fun of their own race, it's like funny because they're just joking about each other.

LaFonda: But if it's like someone outside your race sometimes you think they're joking, or you know they're joking, but inside sometimes you think, man I wonder if they're serious? Or, that's messed up!

Jesus: Sometimes people see you joking with your own race and then they think they can

joke too, so they start doing it also.

LaFonda: (laughs) Yeah! One time I was walking down the hall and me and Sarah Gonzales, like we've been joking about this since like 5th grade because I thought she was white, and she told me she was Mexican, I was like so you're white and Mexican, and she's like yeah, why do you think Mexican's are dirty? And I was like no, so I've always called her a dirty, clear white person, and she's always called me a black girl. So she called me that one day and some guy sitting down, like she was sitting with, later on he was like, hey you stupid black girl. And he's like, I'm just joking. At first I was mad, but then I was like, no I don't care that much because he was just doing it since she was doing it. I don't know. It wasn't ok for him to do it! Just her. (laughs.)

Reporter: (to Ashley): What about you?

Ashley: It's just the same, I mean with anything racist, sometimes you just got to let it slide. But like, with LaFonda and that guy, I'd be mad! I mean, your friends can say that, but you never know what the true meaning behind them saying that is.

Reporter: Has there ever been fear?

LaFonda: No.

Jesus: There's only fear when someone threatens to kill you because of your race. That's the only time you should worry about fear. If somebody just says something that insults you, you don't really get scared, but if you see that a crazy person comes up and says well I'm going to kill all people from this race, or I hate them, I want to kill them, you get scared...you don't want to be around somebody like that!

Ashley: I think that if we were in another area, where more of the hate crimes happen then I would be scared, but not really here.

LaFonda: Yeah, we don't hear about them, so we don't really consider them.

Reporter: (to LaFonda) It's interesting hearing about your family in the south and how for them it's hard to be around a lot of white people. And then I think about like, "Save the Last Dance," that movie, and putting one white person in a big group. I think most the time people think of racism as only white people looking down on minorities, but can it be opposite?

LaFonda: Yeah, because I think that it can be opposite a



lot, because like whenever I like, I get it all the time, because you know like I'm the only black girl, like in our senior class, so everybody's always like, you're white now, you're white, you're white-washed, you got all these white friends. I'm just like, who cares. And then they're like, why don't you want to hang out with black people? And I mean, I do, but just...

Jesus: You get tired of hanging around the same race you want to try something else...

Ashley: More diversity.

LaFonda: And maybe I just like, it's not like I like white people more than black people, maybe I like their personality!

Jesus: There's always cases of people being prejudiced against their own race.

LaFonda: You get that all the time on Jerry Springer! (laughs.)

Reporter: How do you think we can contribute to helping stop racism in society?

LaFonda: Just....don't be racist and bring your kids up and let them know that that's not right. Because like, by the time our kids get older, everyone older will be dead that's like racist. If our kids aren't then...hopefully...

Ashley: It'll all be gone!

Reporter: But as Ashley was saying earlier about the KKK, they're raising their children of the same generation to believe the same way that they do.

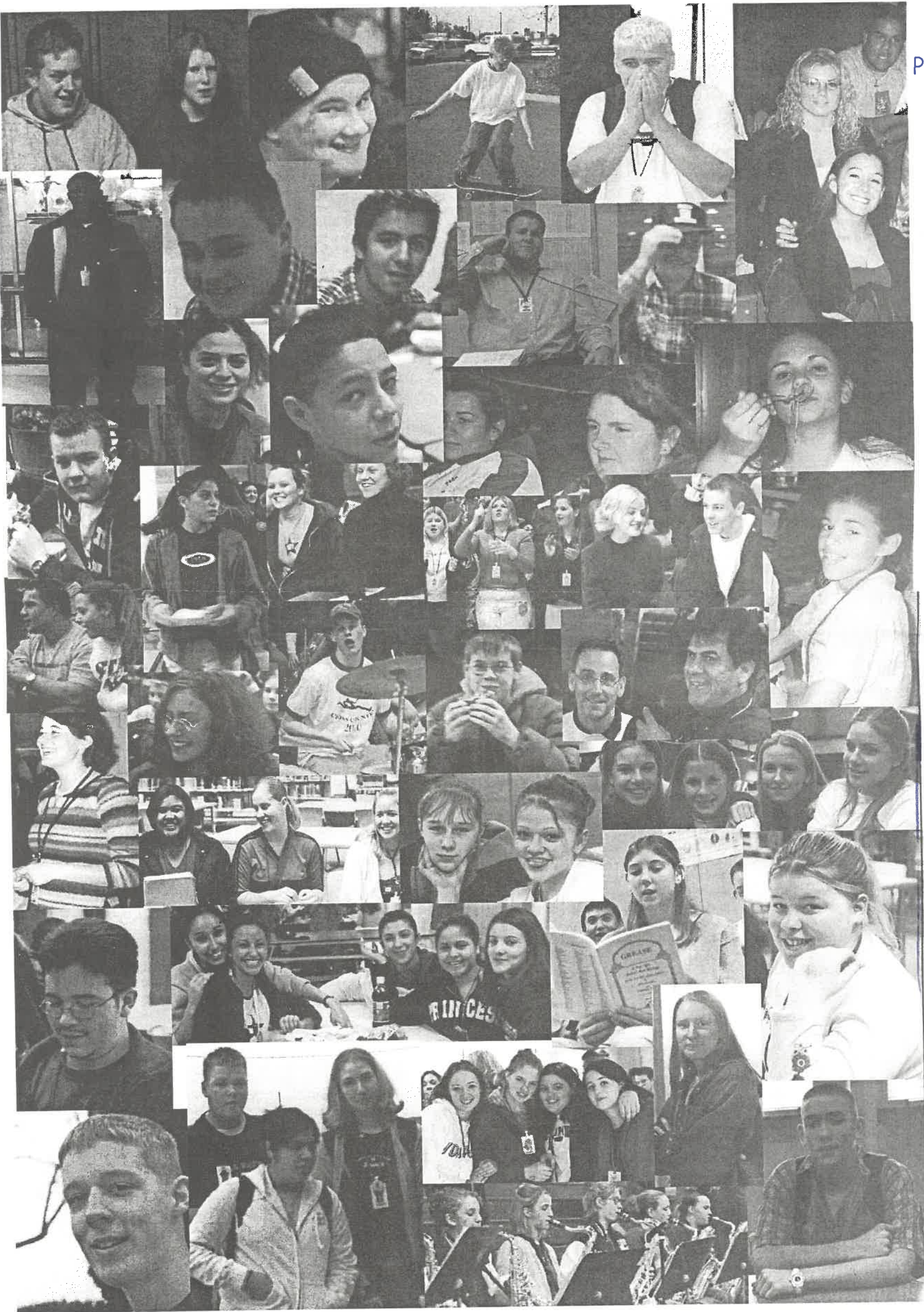
LaFonda: They're going to pass it on to their kids...

Reporter: How do you fight against that?

Nam: I just think that worse punishment for hate crimes.

Jesus: Somebody's got to teach the kids, if the parents aren't going to teach them the right way, there's got to be somebody out there to teach the kids that that's not right.

Ashley: Bring more awareness, like how MTV's doing right now. I just think the more aware you are, the more people will realize what they're doing.



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