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Four More Years of Republican Rule

by Jason Alderson

Vice President George Bush became the nation's 41st president Tuesday Novemebr 8, defeating Governor Dukakis to assure four more years of Repbulican rule in the White House. All was not lost, however, for the Democrats strengthened the lead as the majority in both the Senate and the House. George Bush became the first vice president to be elected to the office of the presidency since the 1836 election of Martin Van Buren. Tuesday also marked the fifth time out of the last six presidential elections the Republicans have won.

As of Wednesday morning, George Bush had 426 electoral votes compared to Dukakis's meager 112. With 270 electoral votes needed to win, this was a sound

victory. Bush won 40 states, capturing the once thought Democratic south. Bush also controlled the western and mid-west states. Dukakis won about half of the north central states plus the states of Massachusetts, New York, West Virginia, Washington, Oregon and the District of Columbia. However, the popular vote wasn't as wide a margin, Bush received 54 percent of the vote compared to Dukakis's 46 percent as of Wednesday morning. With a margin of 8 percent in popular vote, it is evident that Dukakis's late lunge for the presidency improved his standing.

This final push, however, was not enough to overcome the lead Bush held prior to the election. Earlier in the year, Bush was behind by as much as 17 poll percentage

points. He was somehow able to overcome and win by a large electoral margin in the election. A major reason for the switch in public opinion can be attributed to the present state of the American economy. Unemployment is now 5.4 percent, the lowest is fourteen years. The stock market is up, and whenever the stock market is up, the incumbent president usually wins. The weaker U.S. dollar has created such a strong appetite for American goods overseas that U.S. exports have grown three times as fast as imports this year. Should this pace continue, the U.S. could show a positive trade balance in just four years. The strong U.S. economy was probably the determining factor for George Bush.

Nationwide it was a strong but

singular victory for Bush, with both houses of congress still in strengthened Democratic hands. As of Wednesday morning, the Democrats had 55 seats compared to the Republican's 43 seats, with two seats still undecided. It was the same story with the house. The Democrats have a commanding majority with 261 seats to their name, while the Republicans have 174. In the future the Republican minority in congress may hurt Bush, limiting his power of the veto and in passing bills.

Overall, while the voters clearly felt that the Democratic party was the best choice in the House and Senate races, they still felt that it was important for the presidential choice to be strong on defense, and more conservative in general.

Odyssey of the Mind: Put Your Brain to the Limit

by Jasha Droppo

Odyssey of the Mind is an extracurricular activity that gives students an opportunity to meet new people and solve interesting problems. It is a fast growing national program which was just introduced to Pasco last year to the class of '91, and this is their first year at the high school. In the program, teams of students compete by trying to solve problems better and more creatively than their opponents.

There are two categories of problems O.M. teams face. The first type is called long term problems. Each team has their long term problem months in advance. An example of a long term problem would be trying to make paper airplanes do a dozen different things, like launch out of a jar or carry a heavy object. To help themselves to reach solutions, teams bring in guest speakers, do research, and learn by experimentation, but they can get no help from the coaches. The long term problem is the most critical, having 200 points possible in competition.

The other type of problem is called spontaneous. Spontaneous problems are further divided into linguistic and non-linguistic types. In the linguistic problem, a question

is asked of the team, such as, "Name an exotic type of bird." Everyone in the team takes turns answering the question, and if one person is stuck,

the whole team is stuck and no one can help him. A common answer, such as, "Cockatoo," would earn only one point. A more creative answer, such as, "Dan Quayle," or, "Tweetie-Pie," would earn a possible 3 to 5 points, at the judge's discretion. Non-linguistic problems are usually of a hands-on type such as building a sturdy bridge from drinking straws within a time limit.

There are several reasons students have joined the program. One reason is that the team members learn valuable tools that can be used throughout life. The most obvious benefit is a development of problem solving skills. In their analyzing and

solving of each problem, a process is developed that the participants can later apply to different areas of their careers and lives. Another important benefit is learning how to work with other people. As with sports, the team members may not know much about each other at first, but this soon changes. They get to be close friends who know each other's strengths and weaknesses.

There are only two teams currently in existence at the high school. One is coached by Ken and Kathy Werst, and the other by Jean and Larry Martin. Their first competition will be regionals in East Wenatchee on March 11th. If they do well, the next

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Newton's

Law



by Dawn Newton

I've noticed something odd around here lately. Every which way you look, there's at least ten girls dressed so well they look like they're on their way to a fashion show, but it's near impossible to find two guys anywhere who aren't wearing jeans and t-shirts. Of course, some guys actually wear different-colored jeans, but even that's stretching it. (Most people have never seen a guy dressed up unless he's at Prom—even then, halfway through the night all that remains from a tux are the pants and an unbuttoned shirt.)

It seems like we women have been sold a line about what we "need". (I mean really— how many guys do you suppose worry about the differences between their winter and spring wardrobes? My guess is not a whole lot.) We might all feel the need to be our best, but women apparently feel that includes being the best dressed, and best dressed, of course, means most fashionable.

But really, do girls get better grades, better jobs, better lives, better whatever than men, just because they have better clothes? Not really.

There are dozens of magazines for women that emphasize fashion, like Mademoiselle, Vogue, and even tame specimens such as Redbook. I can only think of two men's fashion magazines—GQ (Gentleman's Quarterly) and Esquire, both of which probably more women than men actually read.

Don't get me wrong— I've fully bought into this whole thing, too. But why?

Well, let's see...

Basically, this seems to be a feeling that women have to look good for men. After all, women have traditionally been judged for their worth based on how good they looked. So, women shop for new clothes each season, match their shoes with their sweaters, have full sets of coordinated jewlery, etc., etc. And guys? Guys usually live on a few Levi's, some t-shirts, and some sweaters for cold weather. (This isn't even considering cosmetics, which are another deal entirely.) Now, who sells all these clothes? The most famous fashion designers are men—Ralph Lauren, Calvin Klein, Kenzo.... Is it all some profit scam by the men of the world?

I don't know, but maybe we should think about it....

Staff Speaks

by Jason Alderson

The United States has a new man sitting in the Oval Offices's leather chair. This new man will face opportunities and serious challenges and he cannot procrastinate. Even though at present most of the foreign and domestic policy faults are concealed, there are signs that they will surface rapidly in the near future. Let's take a moment and examine a two of these ailments the new president will have to cure.

Perhaps the greatest cancer affecting our nation is deficit spending. Our national debt is now well over a trillion dollars and climbing. The government now spends 18% of the budget, which is 4% of the gross national product, just to pay the interest on the debt. With such a heavy burden mounting, our government will find it almost impossible to bail itself out. Continuous borrowing makes our government dependent on domestic banks and other countries. This dependency on borrowed monies from foreign powers can lead to the manipulation of the United States. A large national debt also makes the financial markets unsteady. Another October crash could easily happen as early as this spring.

The second problem our President has to address is the deficiencies in our eduacation

system. The high cost of a education in this country shuts the doors on many students who wish to attend college or university. The lack of technical majors in education, compounded by the weeding out of students because of cost, is making the United States lag behind in a very technical world. The United States now has to import math majors from other countries because of the scarcity found here. This is just a example of a common occurence happening throughout the country. Once a leader in technology, we are on the verge of being replaced by the enterprising Asian and European countries. Even more far reaching is the trade deficit, which runs around 10 billion a month. The lack of a technical base, which is evident in the trade deficit, floods our country with imports. These imports make matters worse by taking away precious American jobs.

The two problems above barely scratch the surface of what the new President must face. If these two problems, perhaps, were just controlled it would eliminate many ailments that are derived from these. With these and other issues, the new President must be able to deal and act decisively if our country is to prosper and sail smoothly into the next century.

DECEMBER

2 Friday- Boys BB-H-Mead JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm , Girls BB-H-Mead JV & V-6:15pm, C Girls BB-T-Kamiakan-6:30pm

3 Saturday- Boys BB-H-University JV-5:45pm, V-7:30pm, Frosh Girls BB-H-Kamiakan-1:00pm, JV Wrestling-T-Kiona Benton-10:00am

6 Tuesday- Soph Boys BB-H-Richland-6:30pm

8 Thursday- Frosh Girls BB-T-Burbank-6:30pm, Frosh Boys BB-T-Burbank B-5:30, A-7:00pm, Soph Boys BB-H-Kamiakan-5:00pm, JV Wrestling-H-Riverview-7:00pm

9 Friday- Boys BB-T-Shadle Park JV-6:15pm, V-7:00pm, Girls BB-T-Ferris JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm

10 Saturday- Soph Boys BB-T-Moses Lake-1:00pm, Frosh A Boys BB-T-Moses Lake Frontier Jr Hi-1:00pm, Girls BB-H-University JV-5:45pm, V-7:30pm

12 Monday- Frosh & JV Wrestling-H-Tri-City AAA-4:00pm, Varsity Wrestling-H-Holiday Extravaganza 7:00pm

14 Wednesday- Mid Quarter Reports

15 Thursday- Jr & Sr high Xmas concert PHS Auditorium-7:30pm, Varsity Wrestling-T-Hermiston Invitational-7:30pm

16 Friday- Boys BB-T-Davis Soph & JV-6:00pm, V-8:00pm, Frosh A-6:15pm Armory, Girls BB-H-Davis C & JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm

17 Saturday- Boys BB-T-Davis Soph & JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm, Frosh A-1:00pm B-2:30pm, Girls BB-T-Richland Jr-6:15 V-8:00pm, Frosh-1:00pm, C-6:15pm

20 Tuesday- Boys BB-T-Moses Lake Soph & JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm, Girls BB-H-Moses Lake C & JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm

22 Thursday- JV & V Wrestling-T-Wenatchee-7:00pm

23 Friday- Girls BB-T-Eisenhower JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm, C-6:15pm, Frosh at Wilson Jr High-8:00pm, Boys BB-H-Eisenhower Soph & JV-6:15pm, V-8:00pm, Frosh at Stevens Jr High-6:15pm

30 Friday- Wrestling-T-Walla Walla JV Invitational-9:00pm

Introducing: Dear Sue

Dear Sue,

This summer my family hosted a Tri-City American Hockey player. We became very close and I started to like him a lot. He then got transferred to the Spokane Chiefs. I was upset and thought of him often. I miss him so much. What do you suggest I do?

signed, Lonely

Dear Lonely,

You don't mention what his feelings are for you. I suggest that you keep in touch and see each other whenever possible. If it's meant to be, then it will be.

Dear Sue,

There is a girl who used to be my friend. She is accusing me of saying things that I haven't said. She won't listen to my side of the story. What should I do?

signed, Confused

Dear Confused.

It sounds to me like your friend isn't being very understanding. Give her a few days to think about your friendship. If she still resists talking to you maybe you're better off without her. In the meantime, make some new friends and don't sweat it!!! She'll wake up and smell the coffee.

If you have a problem or concern, just write a letter to Sue and She'll answer you in the WASCO. Please put all letters in the WASCO room (Rm 263) or in Mr. Wright's box in the office.

Wreck of the Month Featuring: "Karey Dick's" Masterpiece



by Jay Greenwell

This month's wreck has really never been wrecked, but for the sake of everyone's eyesight, maybe it should have been. The car is a 1960 Ford Falcon Ranchero owned by senior, Karey Dick. The car has a six shift, three speed, six cylinder engine. Karey has had the car since the summer of '87 and she and her father have been working on the engine constantly. Karey has

done some work on the car such as fixing up the interior and sanding the body for a paint job which is planned for some time in the near future. She mentioned the colors of pink with green polka-dots...Give us a break, Karey!

Some other information about this month's pick: Karey has run out of gas once on Court street and has found the car's top speed to be 75mph.

Record Review: Vanessa Williams has "The Right Stuff"

by Noe'l Smith

Vanessa Williams's debut album is "The Right Stuff." It has already lived up to it's title by containing three top forty hits. The first hit was the title song. It is very upbeat and has already reached #17 on the pop charts. It contains lyrics like, "The right stuff baby/ I don't want to miss out on the right stuff/ have you got the stuff?" This selection has a super drum beat and jungle noises in the background.

The second hit selection is "Haven't We Both Been Here Before". It is a romantic slow song that states, "Your face, my door, haven't we both been here before/ Your touch, my hand/ Soft spoken words I understand/ Nights spent, days planned, I'm with you somehow." The selection is simply beautiful.

"Pressure" is the third release on "The Right Stuff". With lyrics like, "Pressure, pressure, can you feel the heat boy? I wanna know, are you just a weak boy? Pressure, pressure, I don't want to make you sweat baby, but you don't even know what pressure is, we haven't got started yet," it is obvious that this song is definitely danceable and bold. I liked "Pressure" because it showed an entirely different side to Vanessa Williams.

For those of you who are not aware, Williams was the first black Miss America. She was crowned in 1984 and decrowned in 1985 for posing in Playboy. Even though she had such an unfortunate ordeal in her life, Williams has made an amazing comeback as a performer.

"The Right Stuff" does an excellent job of showcasing Williams talent. She is capable of singing ballads as well as pop songs. You can have the opportunity of viewing William's performing talents on her videos for Pressure" and "The Right Stuff."

I believe Vanessa Williams is a great performer and "the Right Stuff" is a wonderful album. I can honestly say that I enjoyed listening to every song on it. "The Right Stuff" has definitely got the stuff!



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Odyssey

Continued from Pg. 1 competition will be a state match held in Ellensburg on April 29th. If, like last year, they are good enough to make it to the world finals, they will be competing in the University of Denver from May 26th to May 28th. You can find a complete list of the teams at the end of the article.

Students compete within four different age levels. The youngest category is division one, which includes kindergarten through 5th grade, followed by division two for middle school students, and the high school division, which is number three. Division four is for students attending a college or university.

Sports Spotlight

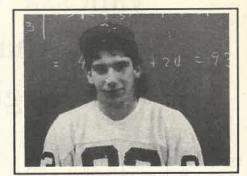
by Megan McDowell

One of this month's spotlighted athletes is Noe'l Smith. Smith is a senior this year and is a member of the cheerleading squad. She is the first cheerleader to be spotlighted for sports. Yes, cheerleading is a sport, and was introduced as so this year. This is Smith's second year as a cheerleader in both football, volleyball, and basketball. She was also a wrestling cheerleader for one year.

"Cheerleading is harder than most people realize. It requires a lot of endurance, coordination, flexibility, and leadership, but it's worth the time and effort that we put forth," stated Smith.

Smith is an enthusiastic and friendly member of the squad.





by Megan McDowell

Another deserving athlete for this month's spotlight is senior Wally Meckle. With previous participation in football and baseball at P.H.S, Meckle shows an athlete's ability to be spotlighted.

Meckle has been playing football and baseball for six years. For two of those years he was played j.v. baseball and varsity football. Last year, Meckle started football as wide receiver and this year he started as a tight-end. In baseball, Meckle plays the ever-so-popular centerfield.

Meckle states, "If this is my last year in football, I feel that I did my best and gave the team all that I could."

Football Wrap-Up

by Chad Gilley

As everyone knows, the football season has come to an end. All of the spectators are leaving the stands and the seat cushions are being put up for another year. However, this season will not be stored upon the shelf in the garage with all of those cushions. It was a long, hard season in which our team fought for everything that they got. The sad part is that they didn't recieve half of the credit they deserved.

The newspapers always picked someone else to win over Pasco, but this didn't phase the players. They still went out there and practiced every night and worked hard to win all of the games they did.

With a closing record of 5-4, not many would be impressed. However, if you look at the predictions from the so called "experts", we would have closed with 3-6 at the best.

Despite all of this, the season had many highlights. Prior to an injury, Andre' Wren had an excellent season as 3-1. After Wren was sidelined, Brian Lambert and Chris Baker stepped in to keep pushing the team across the line for the first down. Senior Stacey Edwards and junior Marvel Cooks had stand out seasons as well. They rushed for yardage and couldn't be stopped so many times. Soon, the opposing teams began concentrating on Edwards and

Cooks, allowing Lambert and Baker to pass at will for remarkable gains.

Lambert and Mitchell combined for 76 yards in the first half of the game against Walla-Walla. Baker stepped in during the latter part of the third quarter and went to the air. Just as the defensive opponents shifted for the pass plays, Baker scrambled for the needed yards. During the season, the offense played like this and constantly frustrated the other teams.

The defense was equally as successful. With Dean Nelson and Cory Nilson working together to make the sack that would turn the game around, the rest of the line presurred the run.

The team worked hard and put in long hours. Daily practice started at 3:00 p.m. and lasted until around 5:45 or 6:00 p.m.. Beyond that, there were also Saturday practices that ran from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 in the afternoon.

If you add all of this up, you get a whopping 19 hours a week. Add the games each week (where they must be for about 3 more hours) and it brings the total to 22 hours at the minimum. How many of us can afford to spend this much more time working each week?

The team worked hard for everything and deserves much more than what is given from the local media.

"Then I got that awful phone call."

"SHE'D NEVER CALLED ME BEFORE.
We'd just been together a couple of times.
So she tells me she's pregnant.
I mean, I didn't know what to say.
There's just this silence on the phone until

she asks if I died.

She sounds like she's burnt out on crying and you don't know what to do. It's like you're a blank.

The worst part is I wake up in the morning and it just rushes at me. Quit school. Get married. Run away from it. I don't know.

I didn't know then and I don't know now.

All I know is all the ways it shouldn't have happened. All those easy ways. But it's a little too late for that, I guess. Too late this lifetime, for me." Nobody has all the answers about sex. But keep in mind that a million teen girls get pregnant every year. Which means a million guys don't hear the end of it. Here's your choice. You can take responsibility when it's easy or you can wait until it's impossible.

Don't make a big mistake. If you need help or information, call us. That's what we're here for.



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Cross Country: Closing for the Season

by Chad Gilley

For those of you who haven't noticed, our cross-country team has represented us very well. As a team, we finished 4th in the Big-Nine.

The team was very hard working and put a lot of time in to do well. Many people don't realize that when you are in cross-country, it takes more determination and self confidence than most other sports. A runner not only participates in the group practice, but must also work on his/her running ability during there free time as well.

"If we don't work together when we practice, then we probably won't work together as a team during a competition. It just goes to show that the entire team must be involved even though this is basically an individual sport", stated senior Jeff Densley, who has been a participant in this sport for about five years.

The team placed high in many events this year. Among these was the Richland Challenge in which they placed third in group competition.



Junior Stacey Leaumont awaits her trip to the Orient.

On an individual stand point, some of the students had an excellent year. A prime example of this is junior Stacey Leaumont. Leaumont went to state competition, held at the Pasco Municipal golf course, and finished in 25th with a time of 18:23. This was a very impressive deed but it is not the end of her glory.

Leaumont has been invited to run in Orient. The dates are not sure but she states that she is very eager to go. She has been running for approximately eight years and says that it is a trying sport, but it has its good times as well (AS YOU CAN SEE!!!).

We wish Stacey the best of luck in the Orient and will be rooting for her!!!!

RODEO: The All-American Sport

by Chad Gilley

Remember when we were little? We were uncoordinated and always ran into the walls or tripped over our own awkward feet. That was the feeling that Scott Goodwin and Jed Shumway felt when they first began trying what so many people know as the cowboys dream: RODEO!!!

Goodwin and Shumway are both presently juniors here at Pasco High. Goodwin is seventeen and Shumway is sixteen years

Both riders agree that rodeo is a sport that takes a lot of determination and you must be serious about what you are doing.

"When we first started, our instructor was teaching us how to calf-rope. We were learning how to dismount and get to the calf. It was really hard because we would be moving so fast that once the momentum stopped we weren't ready and we would end up falling on our faces or doing somersaults. A few times we even got clotheslined by the rope," stated Shumway.

The two have both been riding since they were born. Scott was raised on a horse ranch and Jed was raised on a cattle ranch. They have known each other for approximately six years and have been good friends the entire time.

They have only been a team for one year, but have participated in single events for quite a while.

In the calf-roping event, the competitor must rope the calf around the neck and bring the horse to a stop. Next the rider must dismount and hustle to the calf. Once the rider reaches the calf, he then puts the calf on it's side and wraps the legs together with a small rope. The rider then throws his

hands in the air to signal the stop of the

Team roping is somewhat different. There are two riders and each has a designated job, but they must work as a team. One has to rope the horns and the other must rope the hind feet. At the end of this run, the horses must be straight and facing each other and at the completion of this, the clock is stopped. The fastest time of these two events wins.

As a team, Goodwin and Shumway compete in "team roping". Both feel that there isn't much competition in this event. They have competed throughout the state of Washington and went to Pueblo, Colorado for the National Finals.

In the single events, Goodwin has been competing in events such as calf-roping and steer wrestling. He stated that steer wres-

tling is the hardest event, but is also his best event. Goodwin was fourth in the entire state of Washington just a few years ago and was named the rookie bulldogger of the year for the state of Washington this year as well. Shumway competes in calf-roping when he isn't teamming and has quite a few honors to his name as well. He is currently the state champion in the team rope and fourth in state in calf-roping. He also had the honor of participating in both events at national competition.

Each year the National Rodeo is held in Pueblo, Colorado. This is the largest rodeo ever held and for those who enjoy watching this sport, it would be one heck of a good time!!

Megan's Comments-Volleyball Summary

by Megan McDowell

This year our volleyball team had a great season. Although we may not have ended like we wanted to, looking back, we accomplished a lot as a team.

At the start of the season, we as a team and as individuals set goals for the upcoming year. Some of our goals were; one, we would place in the top four teams in the Big Nine. Two, we would play as a team and be as positive as we could be, and three, that we would make it to state. Well, our first goal was met. At the end of our regular season we had a record of 7 wins and 1 loss. Our only loss being to Wenatchee in Wenatchee. It came down to the fifth game and our spirits were high but we couldn't pull out a win. We weren't defeated though. We ended the rest of our season with victory, and we were on our way to districts seated first in the league. This was the first time in Pasco's history that the volleyball team had won the league title.

Now, according to the second goal we had made we were very positive about going into districts in the first seat. Our team had a little trouble getting enthused though. It seemed as though it would take a miracle for us to be ready and enthusuatic about playing in the beginning. Our first game was very seldom ever one of our best, so we knew that to meet our second goal we would have to be on from the beginning. Districts is a tournament and unlike the regular season where we play best 3 out of 5, tournaments are the best 2 out of 3. This left very little time to make a comeback if one was needed. So our objective in going into districts was to be ready from the start.

Since we finished the season in first place, we had a first round bye, which meant we would have to play the winner between Moses Lake and Davis in the second round. We ended up playing and defeating Moses Lake in the third game. This meant that we would move on to the championship game against Wenatchee, who had moved up through their bracket.

By state rules every other year only one team is allowed a seat into state from the Big Nine, and we just happened to land on this rule at a very unfortunate time. The winner of the championship game would have a berth to state while the other team would end up with nothing more than a congratulation and a good-bye. Well, as most people now know, we were that very unfortunate team in that unfortunate year that had to say it's good-bye's one week early of state. As we say good-bye though, we would like to thank everyone who supported us throughout the year. Good-bye and thanx!



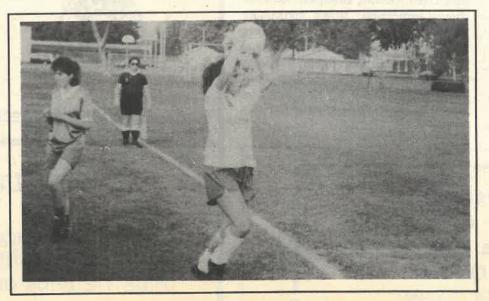
Girls' Soccer Record Best Ever!

by Chad Gilley

The field is being covered with the falling leaves and the girl's soccer team is putting up the cleats. Another season has come to an end and this year, the Dogs were given more credit.

After some problems last year with the inexperience of a new team and a new sport, the ladies have made a strong comeback. With the talents of the deadly duo (Norma and Rosa Peralta) and the efforts of other members such as Kelly Reich and Maria Brazil, the Dogs were hard to top.

The season has ended with a record of 9-4-2. One of the highlights of the year is the fact that they finished 4th in the Big-Nine standings. Throughout the season, the offense was led by Norma Peralta and Ketra Clark, while the defense was led by Rosa



Girls enjoy soccer action.

Peralta, Marci Welch, and Amy Bartell.

"Kim Crow did a great job at goalie," stated Rosa Peralta who plays defense. The leading scorer at the middle of the season was Darci Fitzpatrick, but due to an injury, she was sidelined for the remainder of the year. Darci is currently a freshman at McLoughlin Jr. High and enjoys the sport. The games were really intense and players pushed themselves the entire time. After losing to Kennewick, the girls came back to tie with Walla-Walla. Yet, they were unable to prevail over Wenatchee during there last game and lost by a mere point, 2-

After all of the long practices and the hours of time put in, the girls have earned and deserve a rest.

Kansas City, Here We Come!

by Kamille Thorne

"Kansas City Here We Come". This was the song that the Pasco FFA Livestock Team sang as they made their way to Kansas City November 5th for the National FFA Convention. This convention, held annually in Kansas City, is the site of the National FFA Livestock Contest. Each year the top 3 judges in the state of Washington travel the yellow brick road to Kansas City as the Washington State Livestock Team. This year, for the first time ever, the top 3 judges originated from the same school. These 3 individuals, who added a page in history, hailed from Pasco.

Todd Tippett, Trina Wells, and Mike Chubb, who claimed the title as the Washington State Livestock Team in late May, traveled to Kansas City this month with coach Buddy Miller and the remainder of Pasco's livestock team. The team left a week early to train in Denver and Kansas City with the nation's top judging teams.

Their first stop - Denver, Colorado, was the site of a National Invitational Livestock Contest. The team was invited to this contest after they won the State Livestock contest in May. Along with a respectable 7th place finish, the team gained the experience and confidence it would take to compete with the "top dogs" in Kansas City, according to coach Buddy Miller.

After a two day stay it was on to Kansas City. But it wasn't time for fun and play yet. The next few days

entailed long hours of training and studying in preparation for the national contest held on November 10. Pasco's entire livestock team, which also included Kamille Thorne, Lori Rudolph, and Tami Gardner, traveled throughout Kansas and Missouri training. They trained at locations such as; Kansas State University, Missouri State University, the St. Joseph Stockyards etc. Along their path, the team met and trained with teams from Oregon, Florida, Wyoming, and California (the eventual National Champion Livestock Team).

Finally the big day arrived. Thursday morning the team arose fresh with high hopes and determination. They traveled to Kemper Arena, which was not only the home of the Final Four Basketball Tournaments in 1988, but the site of the American Royal and National Livestock Contest as well. The contest, which began at 6:30 a.m., entailed 6 placing classes, 3 female selection classes, 3 grading classes, and 3 sets of oral reasons. It wasn't until 2:30 p.m. when the contest was officially completed that the

team released a sigh of relief. Now all they could do was wait for the results and hope that their efforts had earned them a gold medal. When that moment came two days later, it was a happy one. Not only had the team earned a gold medal, but they had clinched 7th place, Washington's highest performance ever!!! Todd Tippett finished 6th in the nation, the highest placing ever by a Washington judge! Mike Chubb also earned himself a gold medal, with a 12th place finish. Trina Wells, the third member of the team, received a silver

medal. Coach Buddy Miller was very happy with his team's placing and feels that they represented Washington very well.

Congratulations to the Pasco FFA Livestock Team and their coach Buddy Miller!!!

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More Than Meets the Eye

by Kamille Thorne

Wasco's featured club for the month of November is the FFA. The FFA is an agricultural leadership group here at PHS. This club, once known as the Future Farmers of America, recently went through a name change that eliminated that title. In an attempt to distinguish the FFA's image as a group purely for farm kids, the club will now simply be known as the FFA. Students may join this club if they are enrolled in either Vocational Agriculture or Horticulture.

Currently there are 60 members in this club, however more are expected to join. The FFA officers are as follows: president-Kamille Thorne, vice-president-Scott Johnson, secretary-John Hanses, treasurer-Kevin Wharton,

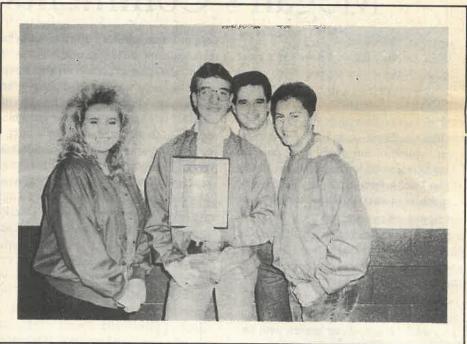
reporter-Scott Bailey, and sentinel-Todd Tippett.

Because agriculture is such a diverse industry, the FFA participates in a wide variety of activities. Activities include; public speaking, livestock judging, farm managment, chorus, band, floriculture, parliamentary procedure, horse judging, dairy judging, welding, showing animals at the fair, crops, accounting, job interviews, and

the list goes on.

The FFA is currently our nation's largest youth group and has produced many of America's finest leaders. Because the FFA is so large, it's activities are held all over the country. Those who become involved in the FFA will travel more than many people travel in their whole life!!! Pasco FFA students have traveled to Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Washington D.C., Oregon, and all over the state.

The FFA here at Pasco has become one of the strongest in the state. As you can see, Pasco currently dominates in livestock judging. However they have been very successful in other areas as well. In the past few years they have produced public speaking champions, proficiency award winners, dairy judging winners, meats judging winners, creed speaking champions, national chorus participants, strong horticulture judges etc. Many of Pasco's FFA members have credited there success to advisors Buddy Miller and Mike Smith. However tradition, parental support, and strong leadership from many of the FFA members have contributed to the success of the Pasco FFA!!!



Mike Chubb, Buddy Miller (coach), Todd Tippett, and Trina Wells show off plaque.



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Coming to America

by Paula McMakin

After five years of English in West Germany, Markus Buergin has finally put all his hard work to use.

Buergin has been in the United States since the 4th of August. He is staying with the Luerkens family for the rest of the year.

"When I first got to the States I arrived in St. Louis, Missouri. It was much to hot and humid while I stayed there an hour and a half so the customs office could straighten everything out," said Buergin.

Buergin was on the cross country team at Pasco High, and plays volleyball for a league in Richland. In addition, he enjoys playing the piano and guitar.

"I also love to take pictures, but I left all my photography equipment at home in Germany," added Buergin.

A couple of years ago in Germany, Buergin was learning all of the studies that we are learning here now. Buergin made it clear that he was not here just for the schooling.

"The United States History is probably the class I have learned the most out of since we do not study that in Germany," stated Buergin

"I chose to come to the United States because it seems like Europe and a lot of other countries are greatly influenced by the United States. I also wanted to come here to see other views. I feel you can learn a lot by seeing other views and finding the good and bad in them," Buergin said. "For example, in Germany evolution, although it is only a theory, is looked at like a law and we often forget is is only a theory. Where here only maybe half the people believe in evolution," he added.

One of the views Buergin has studied is restricting alcohol use. He believes that the law forbidding anyone under 21 to buy alcohol has made us ignorant to the use of alcohol. "In Germany most people drink for different reasons. I can't understand why that here in America people drink alcohol to get so drunk they get sick," commented Buergin. He doesn't want anybody to think that since the drinking and smoking age is younger in Germany he smokes or drinks.

"I quit smoking a while ago," said Buergin.

Buergin plans to graduate here and wants to learn to speak English very fluently. When he goes back to Germany he still has another 2 years of school left since he doesn't get any credits for taking a year of school here and there are 13 grades in Germany. He plans to go to a four year University in Germany and studying psychology or bio-chemistry after he graduates.

by Paula McMakin

"Its always been a big dream to come to America," says Daphne Frijling.

Frijling is a foreign exchange student from the Netherlands. Her mother, aunt, and uncle came to America the first year the foreign exchange program was started and now she is following in their footsteps as the fourth foreign exchange student to come to America from their family.

"I will never forget the first time my mom called me here. I had been in the United States for a few days and trying so hard to understand what everyone here was saying in English. When my mom called she started to talk to me in Dutch. It took me a few minutes for me to catch on. It really is hard for me to speak Dutch now, I can still write really good," said Frijling.

Frijling loves sailing. "I use to sail last summer every night after work. I was kind of hoping I'd meet someone around here that sailed so I could get a chance to sail." she said Frijling also enjoys jogging, playing tennis, and going to discos. "I plan to play tennis this spring for the school," stated Frijling.

"Everybody looks so different here. I was shocked to see so many fat people in America. I have gained so much weight since I've been here. Americans eat a lot of fattening meat. In the Netherlands we eat a lot of vegtables," said Frijling.

Bulldogs of the Month

This month's Bulldog of the Month is Mikala Silvers. Silvers has a 3.0 GPA and is involved in many extracurricular activities. She just finished up a great year of volleyball and is looking forward to basketball season. Silvers is very involved with Deca and would like to major in Business. Silvers was also this year's sophomore Homecoming Princess. Her future plans are to go to CBC for two years and then transfer to the University of Washington. When asked how her first year at PHS is going she stated, "I have had lots of fun this year and am looking forward to my next two years."





This month's Bulldog of the Month is Chad Herron. Herron is involved in football, basketball, and baseball. He is also a member of Deca. Herron has a 3.8 GPA. In the future, he would like to attend the University of Washington, hopefully on a scholarship. When asked how he likes his sophomore year he said,"Its been a lot of fun, I've met a lot of new people and I've had a lot of new experiences."





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