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GWA- Sportsmanship the "Pasco" Way

By Amy Mathews

In the beginning of the school year there was a meeting held to promote positive Big Nine spirit. Students and faculty from all over the league participated in the activity in an effort to solve existing problems.

Athletes shared their views on what could be changed to make attending sporting events more enjoyable for both the crowd and those involved. Obviously the eight other teams did not pay attention or think that the rules applied to them. Instead of Sportsmanship the Big Nine Way it has become Sportsmanship the Pasco Way.

There have always been certain rules and regulations that the schools must abide by, and Pasco has seemed to have the least of the problems. Over all, our students have always conducted themselves in a manner that is respectable. But

this year it has been more noticable as we visit opposing teams.

As the basketball season has come to a close, I have witnessed every Big Nine crowd in action. Moses Lake expressed their poor sportsmaniship, when they threatened our crowd and team with bats and fists. Not all schools act in such an immature way, but they sure do come in a close second. Our girls and boys teams have been put through it all. The most common is the famous, "Airball! Airball!" Not only is this rude, but the crowd is yelling AGAINST our team, not FOR their team. They make up stupid names for members of our team, chanting them while the athlete has the ball. I have even heard other cheerleaders chanting, "Miss it! Miss it," while we are shooting a free throw.

Pasco students follow the rules

and have always been courteous towards the visiting team. As far as I know, there was no trouble when Moses Lake came to Pasco. Our crowd cheers for our team, because they know that by yelling against the opponent we don't help our own team. I have never heard our students yell names towards the opposite side of the court, or other similar behavior.

Not only does Pasco share their pride through the crowd, but also by the athletes themselves. When our guys team played Davis, at Davis, I saw one of their basketball players shove a Pasco player and swear at him in anger. Although no foul was called, the Pasco student remained calm and shrugged it off. This action made the guy even more upset since he didn't receive the reaction he had hoped for. I know that this has happened often in

probably every sport, and on the average the Pasco student acts very responsible.

In basketball it is an often occurrence for several of the athletes to fall on the floor at one time. Many times I have seen a Pasco teammate help someone up off the floor, even if he isn't from our team. They even give them an occasional pat on the backside to wish them "Good Luck." This shows true sportsmanship, a quality I have only seen in Pasco.

Pasco is truly abiding by the Big Nine rules, and it doesn't go unnoticed. I have had parents from the other team comment on how polite our staff and students are as hosts. If we continue to support our teams in with a possitive attitude, no one can say that we don't have "SPORTSMANSHIP THE BIG NINE WAY"

GWA- The Graduating Blues

By Rosario Diaz

As each day passes, the goal that I have been working for all my life comes closer and closer. Ever since a child in kindergarten I have looked forward to the day that I will graduate. In elementary the days dragged on and the school week felt like it was never ending. I use to wake up each day and force myself to overcome the temptation of staying home and watching cartoons because I knew that being at school everyday was essential for me to get to Jr. High.

When the time came to move on the Jr. High I was proud that I had accomplished what I had set out to do. It gave me confidence to proceed to my next goal which was to get to High School. At Jr. High I worked hard and tried to get the best grades that I possibly could and had to make sure that everything necessary would be done in order for me to graduate. I did not want an ob-

stacle to get in my way and prevent me from graduating.

During the course of my sophomore and junior years I had the same attitude towards graduating. The sooner I would graduated the sooner I could get on with my life. However, now as graduation day gets closer everyday I do not anticipate it as I did before. New problems and feelings arise and I am now skeptical of the idea of leaving this school and never coming back.

While most seniors are bursting with anxiety to graduate and leave this school for ever, I on the other hand seem to be dreading the day that I will no longer have an excuse to keep coming to P.H.S. Leaving this school will prove to be a much more difficult task than it is made out to be. For thirteen years we have been accustomed to get up each morning and come to school, every summer we leave and in the autumn we would come back. After

I graduate this summer instead of having to come back to school and see my friends instead I will have to go on and begin making my life.

That idea scares me the most. Although I have always been confident in myself I sometimes doubt my abilities. I fear that once I am out there in the so called real world I won't be able to deal with all the responsibilities that I will have. Even though my parents have always been supportive of what I do I know that I will have to stop depending on them for everything. Instead I will have to fend for myself and learn to cope with the daily problems that life has. In short I know that I will have to grow up.

Another sad aspect of graduating is the fact that I will never see my friends on a daily basis. For some people it may not be so difficult to leave the people that you have grown up with. But as for myself, it will hurt to say good bye. These are

all people whom we have jumped rope or played football with or whatever the circumstances might have been. I have known some of these people since I was in kindergarten and other I have just recently gotten acquainted with. Nevertheless, all of them have become a part of my life in one way or another.

At this time of the year all the seniors are dying to leave this school and leave it far behind. At one time I also felt this way, that was before I began to notice how quickly time was beginning to go by. Then I realized part of me was not ready to leave this nest of security and head down the road to begin my career. Graduating is a wonderful part of life, even though it has a sad side to it. That day will mark a new beginning in my life. At this point however, I am going to enjoy every minute of my carefree days at high school and make wonderful and lasting memories for my future.

Letter to the Editor

I, as well as many others, was personally insulted as a student of Pasco High to read an article in which one of our newspaper correspondants condemns a large part of our student body so blatantly. In the fourth sentence of his over-verbalized editorial, Dan Mills is quoted in writing "Most of the people sitting down [at games] are normally the type of people that don't try very hard in anything they do anyway."

This statement led me to think in two compromising directions. On one hand, cheerleaders are avid supporters of crowd participation. But what kind of positive inspiration is our reporter going to muster by criticizing a large part of our student body. I imagine Mills was arguing on behalf of our cheerleaders, who I must say try very hard to cheer on our players. However, readers, please understand our reporter informally labled you who sit as lazy, half-assed good-for-nothings. If the purpose of Danny Mills was to support cheerleaders, which I imagine it was, I fail to

understand why he chose such harsh words to describe our student's participation. After all, to defend the students who choose to sit, and I must say I sometimes fall into this category, I have seen many students who sit go through high school getting straight "A"s and scoring well over 1000 on their SATs. This proves that not everyone, and actually very few that sit are the stereotypical "losers".

Maybe if our correspondant worked a little harder in his own quest for knowledge and logic, which I hope is a fundamental priority at PHS, he would come to very different conclusions.

I understand that an editorial entitles on to his/her own opinions, but hasn't our school newspaper evolved into a mere 12 pages of opinion with little actual news? In a city with a poor role model such as the Tri-Cycle Herald, I can only bid the correspondants of our own school's newspaper good luck. There might not be much to follow, but it's in this absence that personal enrichment must be sought.

Brian P. Roach

WASCO Speaks: Chivalry No Longer Existent in the 90s

By Bill Davis

Chivalry is, basically, defined as valor, gallantry, fairness, and or basic courtesy. Today, many relate this term to the days of Camelot with knights jousting to their death over a fair maiden. But seriously, chivalry is the way a gentleman treats a lady in courtship. When the performance of chivalrous deeds are in question, many refuse to recognize what the entire concept is about.

Basic courtship today, takes place on a more casual level. Over the years many males have simply forgotten how to treat the 'fair' ladies, not to say that all 'ladies' are fair, or if males have to go to their death in a jousting fest or anything, it is just that chivalry is not exercised as it once was. Whatever happened to the 'open-the-door, scale-the-battlements, or throw-the-coat-over-mud' routine? Have males lost their touch according to code 91 in the Chivalry handbook? Or have times changed for the 'casual' activity?

With the previous question in mind, I asked around and monitored various couples in the halls on how they treated each other. I

talked to many 'fair' ladies who wish that their barbaric boyfriends (new or old term here?) would treat them like the term 'chivalrous' defines. I noted that many males treat their damsels like laboratory cadavers. For example, it is not uncommon for such chivalrous 'gentlemen', to utter profanities toward their, so called, loved ones. Indeed, it appears times have changed. The politeness that the male ego should endure, many times, appears to have been lost.

In my opinion (for whatever redemption value it's worth), chivalry must be performed in the formal dating stage of courtship. There should be a fine line drawn where formality exists as well as the good friendship that is necessary in a successful relationship. Chivalry must exist, or all moral and ethical values that have been our foundation will cease to function. Perhaps the answer lies within the individual. Then again, perhaps the mental and emotional level of your basic high school student is not mature enough to comprehend the term of 'chivalry'. The answer lies within. Ask yourself, and perhaps you will find your answer.

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Key Club: Maintaining the Spirit of Giving

by Victoria Nicacio

Key Club is a community service organization affiliated with the Kiwanis. Jeff Dong is the advisor and has been for 23 years. Pasco's program has always been really strong and this year the club has more than 50 members.

Key Club raises money by selling programs at the high school athletic events. This money is spent to benefit the community in many ways.

This year Key Club has donated money to the Ronald McDonald Houses in Spokane and Seattle.

The club also donates to Special Olympics and to the Pasco Invite.

Key Club participated in a program this year to replant trees in Yellowstone National Park. Members sold trees which were then planted in a special section of the park.

Their largest program is the annual giving of presents to all the special education children in Pasco. First, members receive a list of what each child wants. Then the club goes on a giant shopping spree at Grigg's, using the money they've earned. At a later date, the club

members and faculty get together and wrap presents. Finally, the members dress up like Santa, Mrs. Claus, a helper, or Frosty, and deliver the presents to all the classes. This year the club donated 247 presents and spent about \$1500 on this project alone.

Key Club also helps out when a local crisis occurs. They've gotten clothes for a girl whose clothes were destroyed in a fire, helped serve dinner at the retirement center, and also adopted a family at Christmas time. This family re-

ceived not only food, but clothes and presents as well.

This club is not all work and no play, however. At the end of the year, all club members with enough credits are eligible for an all-expense paid trip to the Oregon Coast. Members earn credits by participating in projects the club has. Key Club raises all the money for this trip throughout the year. This trip is a well deserved reward for students who so selflessly donate their time and energy to a good cause.

Idaho Teachers Learn ODE

by Joanne Barber

On Friday, January 25, teachers from Twin Falls, Idaho came to the Red Lion to learn about the ODE program. Four teachers from Pasco, including Mr. Fleshman from Pasco High and Mrs. Barkhurst from Stevens Middle School, who teach this program, were there to explain the purpose of ODE. Most of the teachers responded well to the program's curriculum and the change of attitude toward the students. The benefits from the policy, such as the group

work, the retesting, and the extensions all were readily greeted and all held open to the process.

There was a teacher panel who explained ODE and taught it to these newcomers as well as a student panel consisting of two students from Pasco High, Joanne Barber and Patricia Burgess, and three students from McLoughlin.

Most of the teachers wanted to know how the students liked the program and how it helped their studies. This was to keep their hopes up for the coming school year.

"Grease" El Producto Musical de PHS

por Yovani Aguilar

Grease, la obra musical del momento, es un ensayo basado en canciones y ritmos de los años 50's. Esta obra que es mas que divertida, relata los acontecimientos generalmente sucedidos en las escuelas superiores acompañada de romanticismo, momentos alegres y por supuesto, rinas entre diferentes grupos de estudiantes. Como muchas obras, Graase fue un tanto predecible, ya que tuvo un final feliz y todo resuto de una manera agradable.

La obra trata de dos estudiantes que se conocieron en la playa durante las vacaciones de verano. Pero al terminar estas, ellos creyeron que todo había acabado pero se volvieron a encontrar en la misma escuela. Mas no contaban con la serie de problemas que se les presentarian debido a las amistades que ellos tenían; pero al parecer todo resulto de una manera

agradable para los dos y todo termino como ellos lo deseaban.

Esta obra la cual se presento los dias 27 y 28 del mes de febrero tubo la participacion de muchos estudiantes y maestros. Asi como de otras personas que decearon que esta obra tuviera una buena culminacion. Ellos se prepararon en manera de coreografia, musica, actuacion y baile a fin de reflejar ante el publico una buena imagen.

Dentro de la obra, se sintio entre los estudiantes una emocion de alegria, ya que el poder compartir con otros la oportunidad de trabajar juntos; nos une, y nos ayuda como estudiantes a estrechar las ralaciones con otros grupos.

Esta obra que reflejo un buen aspecto, y agrado a el publico se debio a todas las personas que hicieron que esto se realizara. "Esta obra poseyo todas las cualidades para hacer pasar al publico un momento agradable".

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Teen Parents at Pasco High

By Joshua St. Aubin, Joanne Barber and Heather Spurgeon

During our interviews, we thought that everyone would almost be in tears when reminded of the struggle between their parents and the agonizing 9 months that they spent wondering what would become of their life after the birth of their children. Most of the young parents did just the opposite. Most were rather proud of their children and fully accepted the fact that they now had to be responsible parents. They all realized that the time to be a kid was over and the time to be an adult was here in which, their teenage years were going to be spent on raising a child.

Tammy Zavaleta is a senior here at PHS and a teenage mother. She has a daughter of one year named Alexandria. She is very proud of her daughter, although her feelings were the same like every teenage girl who has just found out she was pregnant. Tammy said she felt very scared and had a lot of mixed feelings about life. She had said that she wanted to wait for the right guy just like any other girl. One option she considered was abortion, "I'm

glad that I didn't do it," she said. Tammy had the money to go, but never got around to going.

Tammy's parents were hurt and upset because they thought they could trust her, as well as her boyfriend. They had her move out of the house for a week so their nerves could calm down as well as accept the fact that their daughter was pregnant.

Tammy now gets money from the state to take care of Alexandria. As for school and her sports, her grandparents take care of her during the day and her mother takes care of Alexandria while Tammy is at practice. She plans to go to CBC for two years and then go to a four year college. Tammy now feels that having Alexandria was worth it.

Niki Lyman is a mother of a year old boy named Kris. She said that her parents were very disappointed and that her father was even worse off. Niki said that she had mixed feelings and was very confused on what to do. She had an ultimatum on whether to give it up for adoption or keep it.

Kris is watched by Niki's mom during the day and whenever she goes out. Niki plans to go to CBC for two years to become a kindergarten teacher. Niki as well, feels that Kris was worth it.

We decided to interview some fathers to get a whole view of teenage parenting. One of the fathers said that he didn't know what to do when he found out. But, he left the decision up to the mother on what to do with the child.

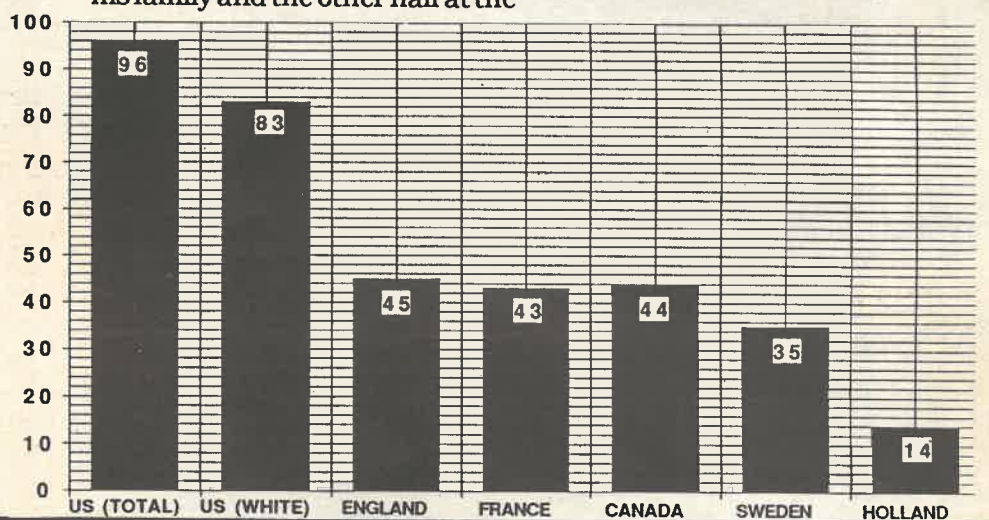
His mother cried for about a day and finally accepted the fact she was going to be a grandmother. Now, his mother doesn't trust him but, lets him live his life. He now thinks that it wasn't worth having a child but, he doesn't regret what he helped to do.

Chris Penny was going into his junior year when his daughter, Taylor Penny was born. He is very proud of Taylor and tries to spend as much time with her as possible. He said that she spends about half a year with Chris and his family and the other half at the

mother's house. He said that he kind of tripped out when he found out she was pregnant. After a while he was able to accept the fact he was going to be a father as well as his parents. His parents were expecting a grandchild sooner or later. He said that he always uses birth control and said, "I always practice safe sex, I was just one of the unlucky ones." After college he plans to get custody of Taylor.

Brian Luchi is a father of a girl born September 1, 1990. Brian said, "I am proud of my child, but I'm not proud of having a child." When Brian found out, he was at work. He said, "I didn't know what to do. I was scared and confused." Both Brian's parents and her parents wanted her to have an abortion, but she decided not to go through with it. He doesn't get to see her a whole lot, except for on the weekends and after school. He was able to witness the birth after five hours of labor. His advice to others is, "If you can't get married, then wait to have kids."

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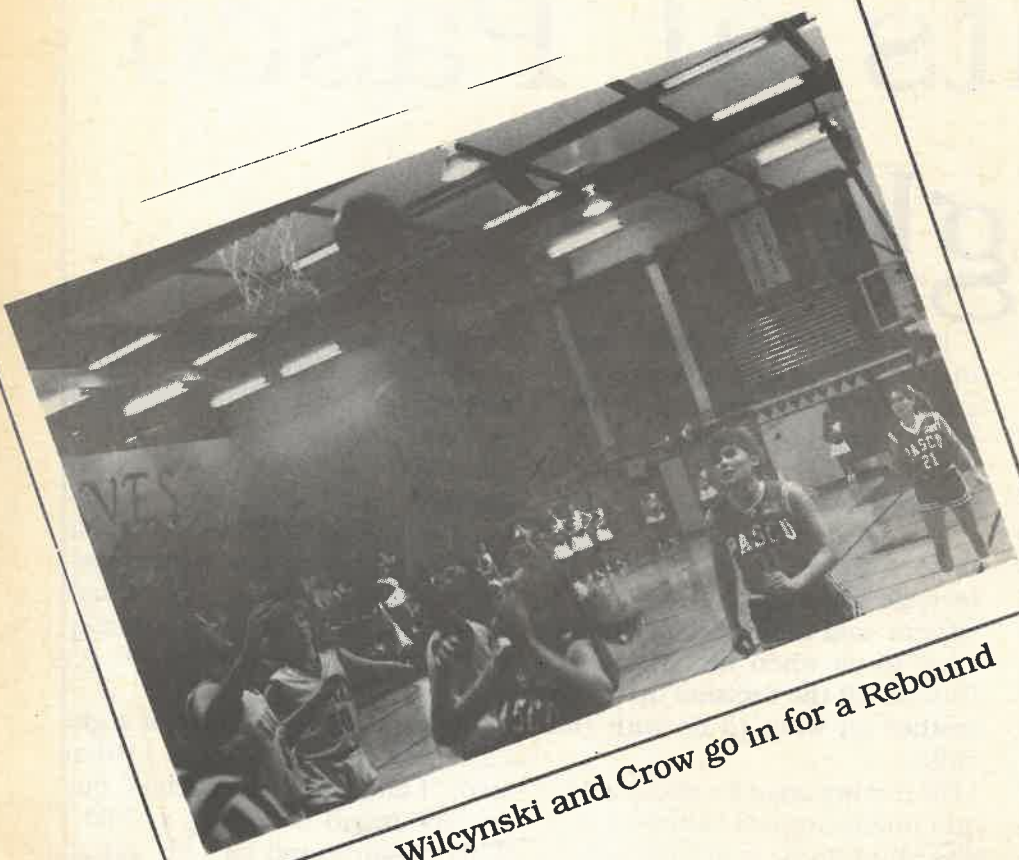
- 1 in 12 females get pregnant each year
- 1 in 3 pregnancies are repeat pregnancies
- 4 in 10 teens will be pregnant by age 20
- In 1989, 15,589 teen pregnancies reported
- 5,554 were teens 17 years and younger
- 8,057 live births
- 58 still births
- 7,466 abortions
- 2,100 had miscarriages

- 4 in 10 pregnancies end in abortion
- 1 in 40 babies born to teens placed for adoption
- Pregnancy rate for teens in WA is slightly below the rate for US
- Pregnancy rate for teens in WA is twice the rate for Canadians
- Pregnancy rate for teens in WA is 2-3 times the rate in other countries

Teens are more likely than 20 yrs & older to...

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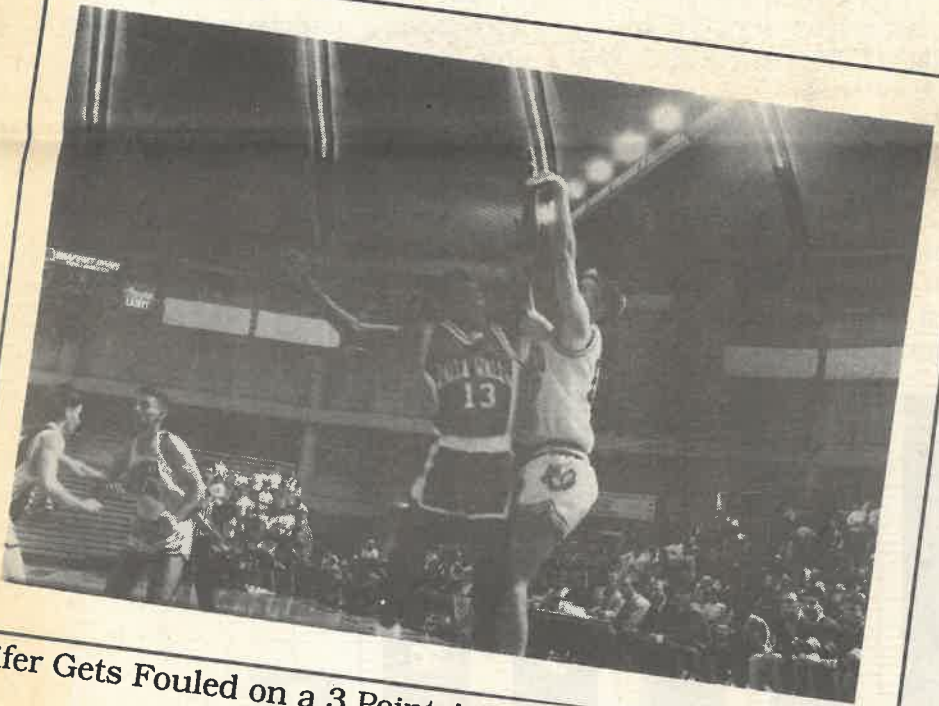
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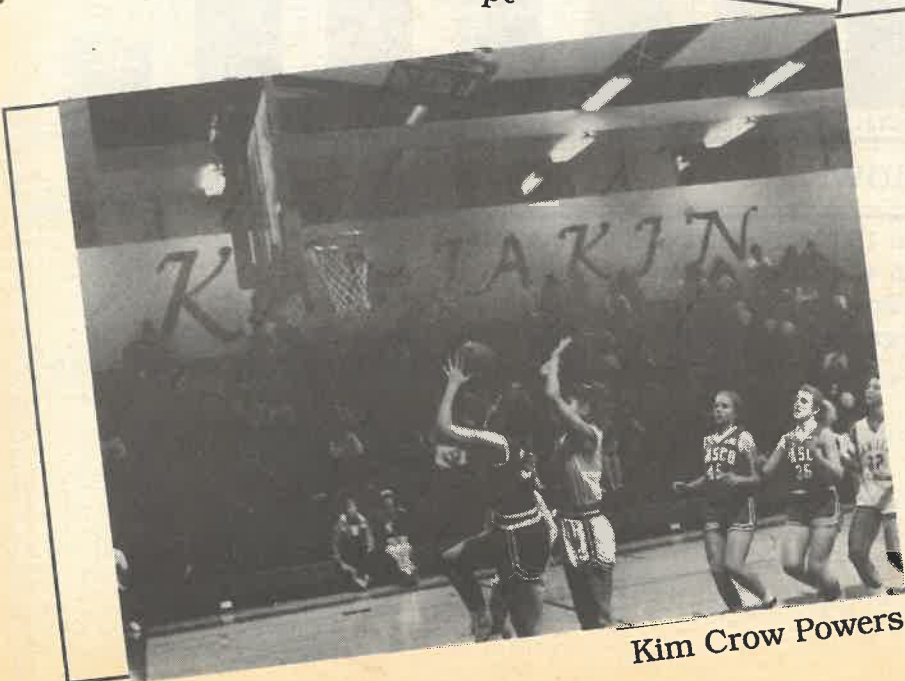
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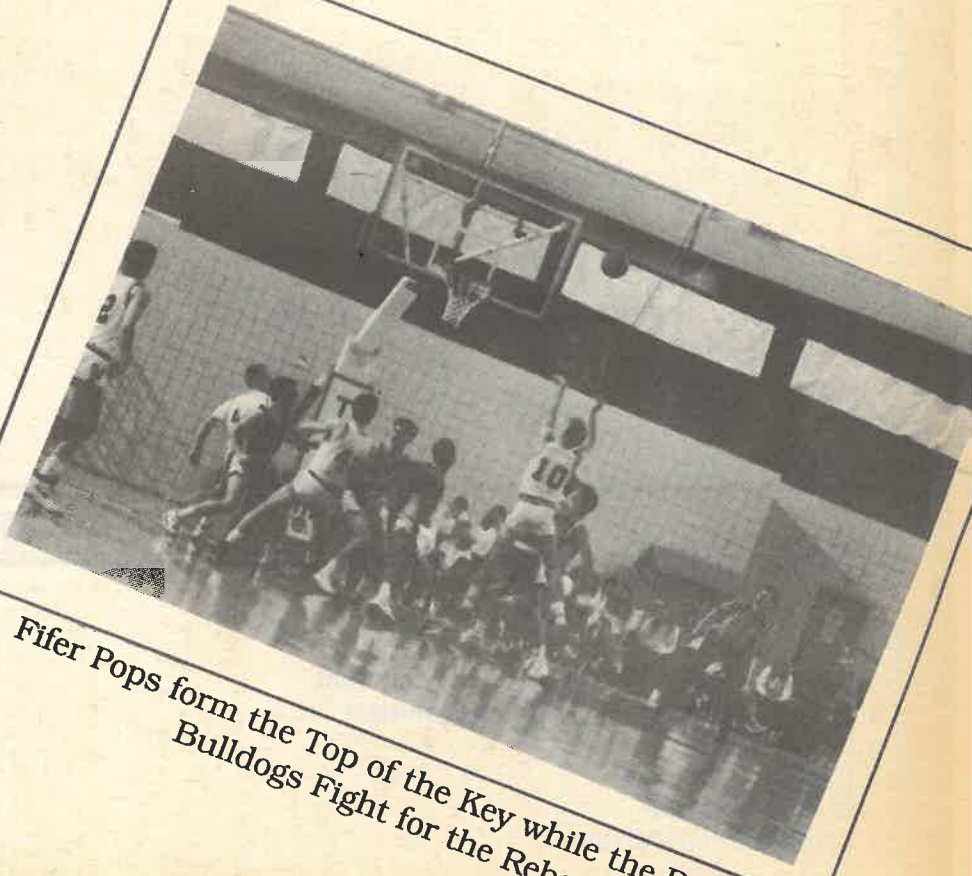
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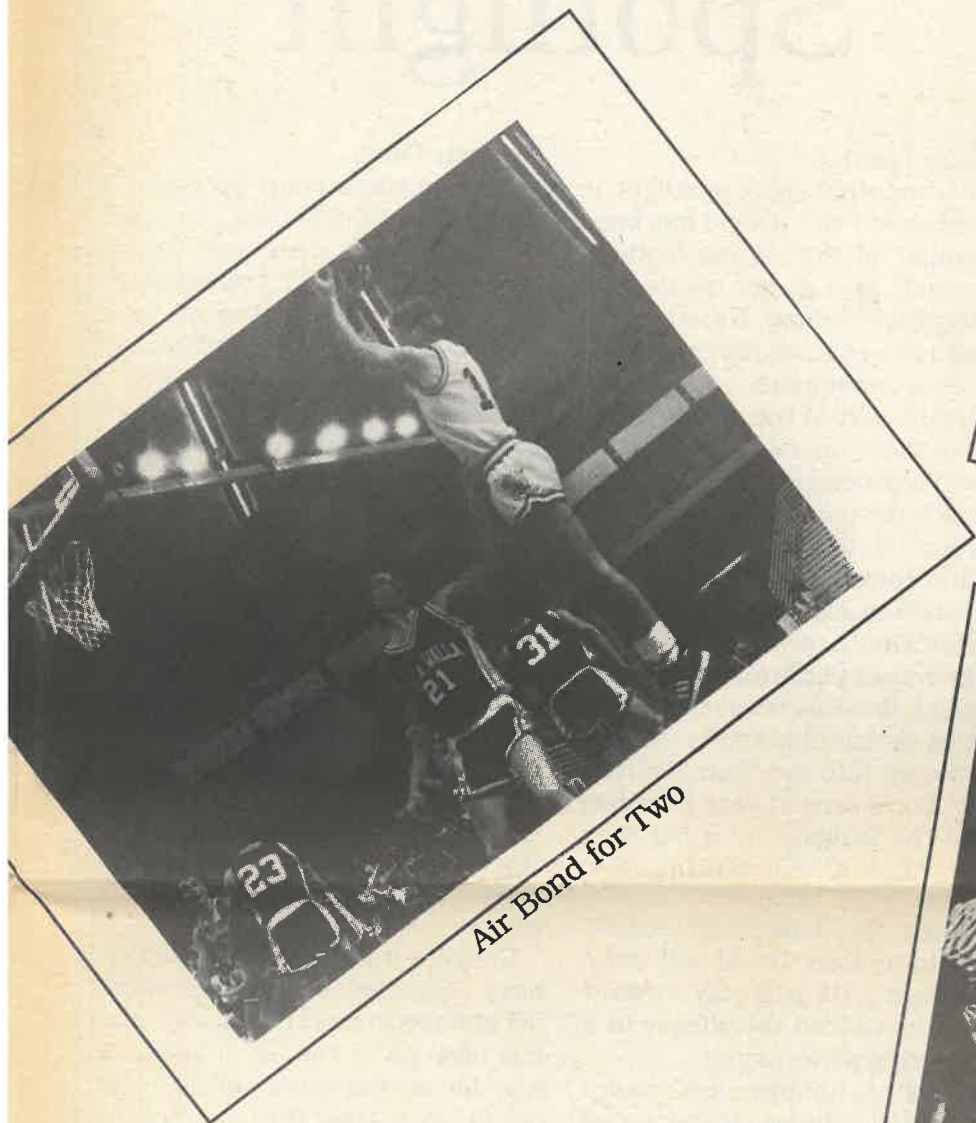


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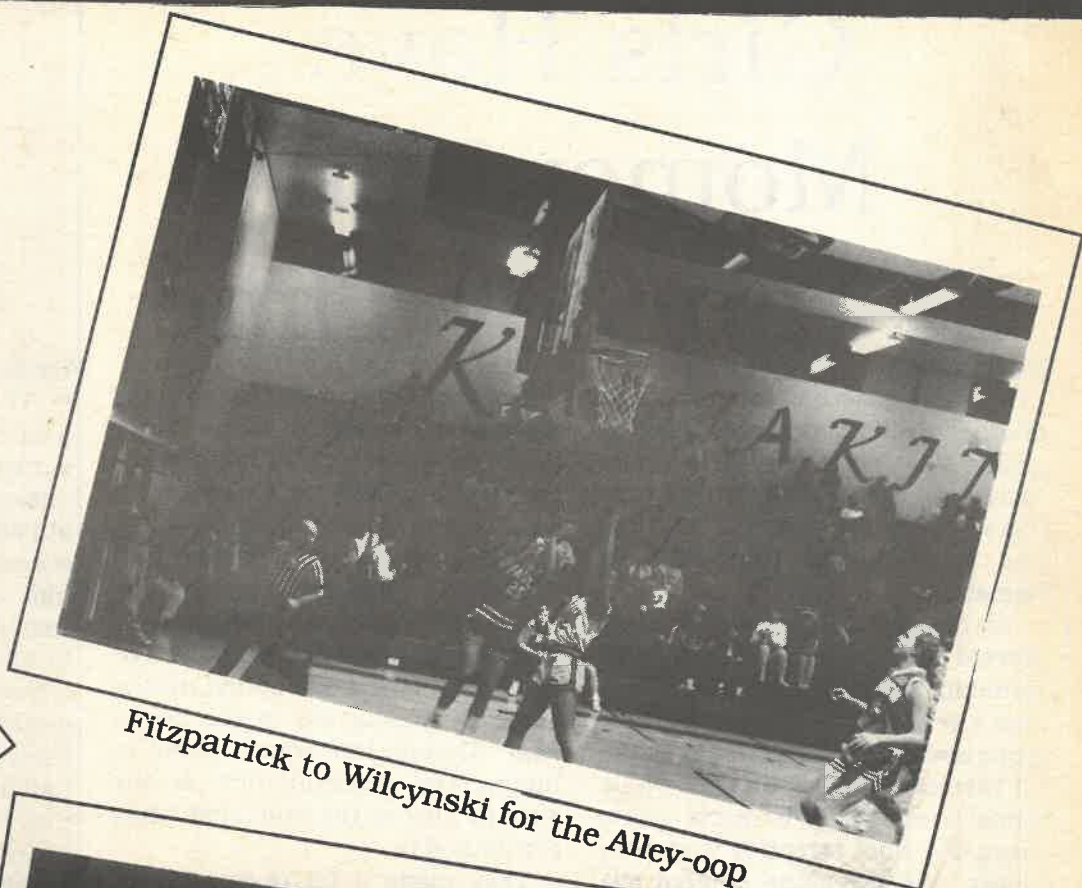
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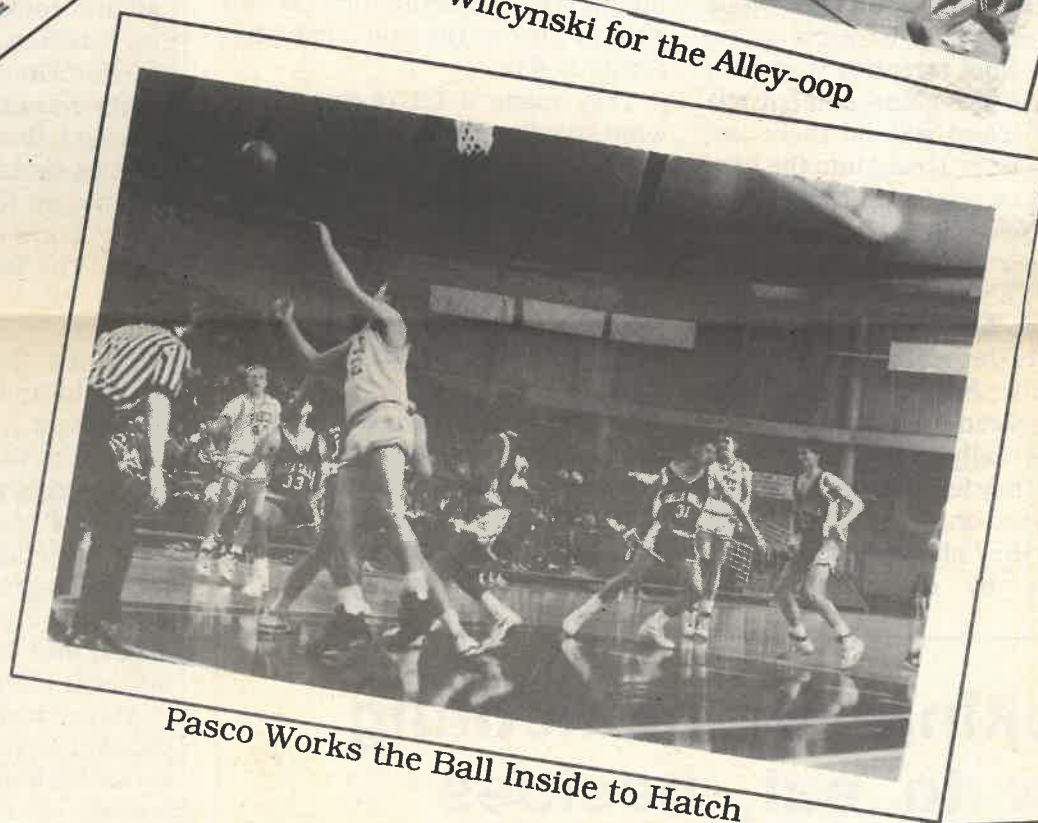
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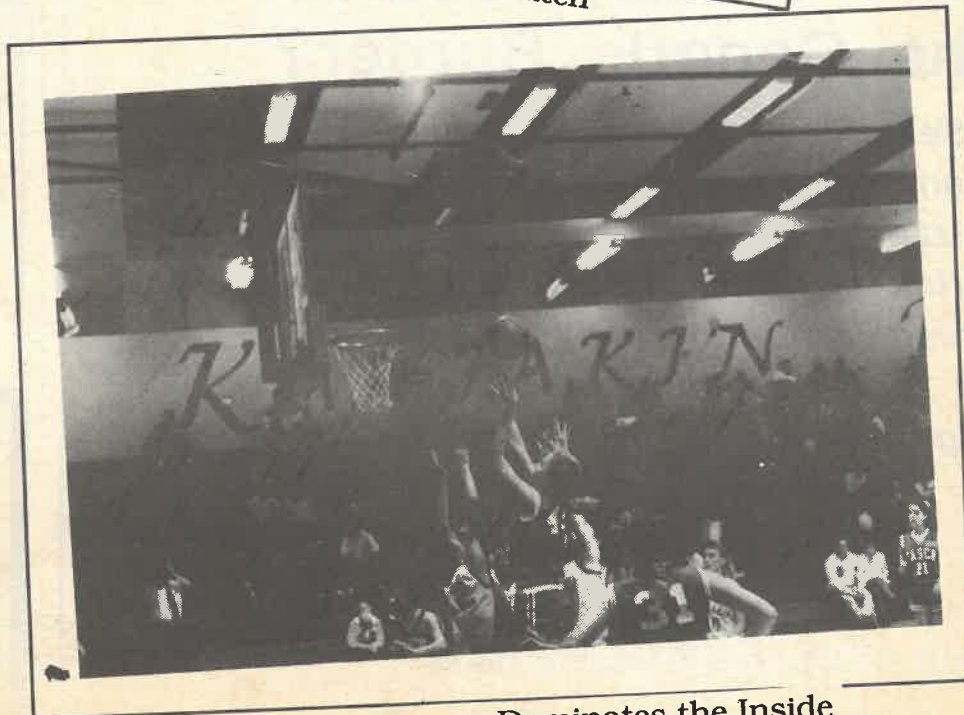
Fitzpatrick to Wilcynski for the Alley-oop



Pasco Works the Ball Inside to Hatch



Scotty Shoots the Winning Free Throw



Deanna Dominates the Inside

Girls Have Momentum at Tourney Time

By Dan Mills

The girls basketball team has had another exciting season! After a pretty slow start the girls really turned up the heat making it past two very talented teams in Districts and now into the Regional Tournament.

In the district tournament they started out against a explosive Kamikin team at Kamiakin! This was a very very very excellent game and the crowd well they spoke for themselves. Through the whole game it was neck to neck, going down the final stretch it was even closer. As the game entered the forth the crowd was on there feet and going wild! Going into the final minute, Pasco was up by two and and it came down to the two clutch free-throws by Darcy Fitzpatrick. Darcy, with nerves of steel, nailed one of two free throws giving the Pasco Girls the sealed victory. Also in the game, Kim Crow and Twila Braxton scored 16 points a piece. This game really go the team's spirits high. They felt unbreakable. So they stepped into the next game, this time they showed their aggressive play by demolishing the

Wenatchee Girls and going into the regional tournament as the third seed. In the regional tournament, they went to Spokane looking for a win. As they started into the game all the players were ready and "PUMPED!" But as the game came to the half, the Pasco girls felt a bit of frustration setting in. The Central Valley girls had opened up the game by pulling out to the 25-19 lead. Though that wasn't about to budge, the determination of the girls to play to the end, that, they certainly did.

They made a bit of an attack, whittling the central lead to four points at the end of the third quarter. So, it was time for the final period, and Pasco was down by four, they were still very much alive! But, by the end of the fourth, Pasco had out-scored Central by three points, leaving them one point short.

The difference in the game was free throws, Pasco knocking down 4 of 8, while Central knocked down 16 of 25. There's no doubt the girls put out a great effort. I'm sure they will come out on top next time.

Sports Spotlight

By Scott Bond

This month's sport spotlight is junior David Fifer. David has been a member of the varsity football, basketball, and soccer teams here at Pasco High School. He lettered in soccer as a freshman and in basketball as a sophomore. Fifer is an important part of the performance in all of these teams.

David has been the starting point guard for the past two seasons. On the court he is able to handle the ball and control the team so that it may function as one unit. Last year his efforts had a positive effect on the teams overall performance as they clenched the Big Nine title. His abilities contributed to the team as they moved into the State Tournament. For a second year Fifer has helped the Bulldogs to a Big Nine title, District Championship, and Regional appearance.

After the basketball season comes to a close, David will move into soccer. He will play forward and hopes to lead the offense in a high scoring performance.

Most of his hobbies also require some athletic ability. Water skiing is David's greatest talent. He also enjoys saving little children as they thrash and scream in the water at the local public pools.

David has many qualities that should inspire young men like him to use their abilities to their fullest extent.

By Scott Bond

This month's sport spotlight is junior Darcy Fitzpatrick. She has been a member of the girls varsity soccer team for three years and the girls varsity basketball team for a year. Soccer is her best and favorite sport having played it for eleven years. However she has only played basketball for five and half years.

Darcy participates on many different soccer teams throughout the year. She plays on the school team, a club team from Seattle, a boys team from Walla Walla, a State team, and a regional team which she was chosen for at a regional camp she attended in Colorado. This team was planning on touring in Tokyo but because of the war in the Persian Gulf the trip was cancelled. On all these teams she plays many positions; sweeper, center midfield, and right or left wing.

Colleges from all over the states have contacted Darcy concerning her abilities in soccer. Although she has been given the opportunity to play for several other colleges she would like to enter the University of Washington. Her main purpose for wanting to attend this college is because her regional coach will be coaching there.

Besides being involved in sports Darcy like to go to the movies and spend time with her friends. She enjoys herself most when she is out on the field playing soccer.

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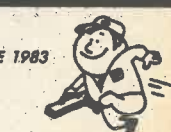
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Boys End Season in Big 9 Dominance

By Victoria Nicacio

The boys basketball team ended their regular season play with a loss to Richland. This dropped Pasco to 13-3 in league play. Needless to say, the end does not reflect on the rest of the season. The boys clinched the league title in the preceeding game with a win over Kamiakin.

The doghouse was packed for the game which would decide who was the best. The last time Pasco and Kamiakin met, the dogs escaped with a narrow victory. This game, Pasco's usual dominance was lacking. We were playing without John Cazier, who was still out with the chicken pox. We were down by 6 at the half and by 5 at the end of the

third quarter. The dogs got back in the game by starting the zone press in the fourth quarter. The crowd really got into the game after an ally-oop play from David Fifer to Scott Bond. The dogs hung on for a victory.

The district championship game could have been a rerun from last year. Pasco, repeating league champions, played Walla Walla, who was again second.

Last year, the devils shocked the dogs by claiming the district title. Pasco fans were almost shocked again this year.

The score at the end of the first quarter was 20-11. The dogs had taken control. A blowout seemed possible when the dogs led 27-16 at

half-time. But then the third quarter, which must have been jinxed, started. The dogs went to pieces. They were cold, cold, cold. They missed free-throws and lay-ins.

Their low shooting percentage allowed Walla Walla back into the game. With 20 seconds left in the game the dogs were down by 1 point. With 16 seconds left, Robert Booth fouled Lance Sappington. This sent the devils to the line and Robert to the bench. Sappington made one of two shots to put Walla Walla in the lead by 2. With 4 seconds left in the game, John Cazier passed the ball to Scott Bond, who was under the basket. Scott made the basket and got fouled. As hundreds of Pasco fans

held their breath, Scott calmly stepped to the line. He sank the shot to put Pasco in the lead by 1. Walla Walla got the ball inbounds and tried a 60-foot Hail Mary shot. The ball hit the back of the rim as the time expired. The dogs had won! We are district champions!

The team is led by a group of talented seniors. The seniors are: Kentin Alford, Robert Booth, John Cazier, Matt Clark, Gregg Fieger, Anthony Guy, Raul Henandez, Chad Herron, and Ron Jablonski. Chad made first team All-Conference and John made second team. The team is completed by juniors Scott Bond, David Fifer, and Dan Hatch. Scott made the All-Conference honorable mention team.

Spring Sports Preview

By Traci Wilcynski

The 1991 Bulldog track season is fast approaching, and Kevin Kennedy says, "We were district champs last year, and we can easily do it again."

Returning sprinters include: Ochoa, Carasco, Glasow, Leaumont, Aldous, Cooks, Hurley, Lugenbeal, Nelson, White, Guice, and Durham. Our distance runners from last year will be: Herr, Hall, Kennedy, Gomez, Davis, Carey, DeShazo, and Barrett. Our returning jumpers, pole vaulters, and throwers will be Shulins, Brockway, Clark, Beltran, and Welch.

The tracksters open the season on March 23 and have their meets on March 30, April 5, and April 18. The Pasco Invite on April 13 is the early season highlight.

SOCCER

With many of our players just closing out their indoor soccer season, they are already in top form for the season ahead. J. Robles, J. Tippet, and D. Valadez returning from last years team, and a crop of younger players gaining valuable experience, this years team has high hopes. Also returning to this years team are: M. Potter, N. Lynch, T. Kidwell, D. Fifer, M. Hammer, and C. Silvers.

"I think this will be our best season ever," stated Jose' Robles. They are all looking forward to a successful, and fun season. Their first game will be at Kamiakin on March 12, along with a jamboree sometime to follow.

GOLF

Along with our other athletes, the golfers are looking forward to their upcoming season. Their first meet is scheduled for March 14 at Shanna-pum Golf Course.

"I am very optimistic about the season. We have four lettermen back: Jeff Maulden, Mike Wilcynski, Mike Button, Greg Jablonski; and Laura Peterson for the girls," said Coach Brown. "We should place second or third in league if we peak correctly."

Kamiakin, this year, will be the team to beat in the Big Nine. Our golfers will compete against them on April 29, which will be an important part of their season.

TENNIS

The Lewiston Invite on March 15 and 16, in Lewiston, Idaho, will provide the first indication of the talent of this years Bulldog tennis squad. The jamboree next Tuesday is their only opportunity to tune-up before the Lewiston Tournament. Their league season begins Tuesday, March 19 with a match against Kennewick.

With returning singles players such as, McNickle, Higginson, Clark, VanHoy, and Racsa, and their doubles returners such as, Racsa-Manon Laliberte', Robisch-Burgess, Michelle Laliberte'-Gustafson, Monson-(yet to be named), and Bleasard-Archibald, they should compete really well, and have a successful season. "Right now, probably my biggest standout will be Melissa McNickle," said Mr. Dong, the varsity tennis coach. "I expect my team to be in the top three."

SOFTBALL

"I think that we have a good shot at the district title," stated Tara Young, when asked for an appraisal of this years Bulldog softball season. With several returners from last years varsity, the Dogs look promising for the upcoming season.

The Bulldogs start their season on March 16 at Hanford High School before starting league play at Kamiakin on the 29th. This years team will be noted for their super-spirited

teamwork and all-around positive attitude.

Returning players include: Somers, Hull, Crow, Zavaleta, J. Young, T. Young, and Hussey.

BASEBALL

Fresh off their first district berth in several years, this years Pasco baseball team opens their season today, March 8th, with a game against Sunnyside at 3:00. The Dogs hope to equal, or better last years fine performance with improved play in 91.

Returning from last years team are seniors Jablonski, Herron, Balcom, Cazier, and Alford. Juniors returning are Bond, Johnson, and McKinstry with many others coming up from last years JV.

Shortstop Scott Bond said, "We will compete. Richland will be real good." They open their league season on Tuesday, April 2 against Kennewick. They open their season with four non-league contests, all at home against Sunnyside, Cheney, Hanford, and Hermiston.

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Bulldog Profiles

By Shereonta Davis

This month's bulldog profile is Damian Martinez. Damian is involved in S.A.G.A. and takes a variety of honors classes. Damian first heard about S.A.G.A. over one of the announcements and decided that he wanted to take part in trying to deal with the gang problem, which is mainly what S.A.G.A. is all about. S.A.G.A. stands for Students Against Gang Activity. I asked Damian what they usually do in S.A.G.A. and he answered by saying, "We're not really active right now but when I first joined the program we were having fund raisers." Damian seems to be enjoying being a part of a group that is really concerned about taking charge and trying to do something with the people who seem to be making things bad for others. Damian has been in S.A.G.A. for about three months now.

The honors classes that Damian is taking are Honors Geometry, Honors Chemistry, Honors English, and A.P. Biology. The thing that really made Damian interested in being in all of those honors classes is the simple fact that it would look good on his application for college and it would also look good on his transcripts. Damian says that he was ready to take on those honors classes, he also says that they are lots of fun! I asked Damian if the honors classes were hard and he responded by saying, "The honors classes are of course a little bit harder than the regular classes." Although the honors classes may be a bit harder, Damian seems to be handling things just fine. What I mean by this is the fact that in the honors classes that Damian is tak-

ing, he is managing to get A's in all of the classes! Way to go Damian!!

The next thing that I asked Damian was whether or not he was involved in any sports, and as a matter of fact he is planning on joining track but he's really not sure what events he wants to compete in. As far as hobbies are concerned he really doesn't have any. The reason that Damian doesn't have any hobbies is because school takes up most of his time. But on the other hand Damian does enjoys listening to music. Music consisting of all kinds. Damian doesn't really have a strong preference for any type of music but the kind of music that he doesn't like is country.

Last but not least I asked Damian what his future plans were and his response was, "I plan on going to college but I'm not sure which one and when I go to college I plan on getting a medical degree and become a heart surgent." After taking all of those honors classes Damian plans on majoring in medicine or biology. Well Damian I wish you all the luck in world. Hang tough!

Damian Martinez



Kurese Silva

By Shereonta Davis

The second bulldog profile is on Kurese Silva. Kurese is involved in RAH Club, German Club, and she is a wrestling cheerleader. I asked Kurese what they did in RAH club and here's what she said, "We mostly plan dances, paint signs for spirit week and for sports. The RAH club also plans things for the assemblies." Kurese really enjoys being in RAH club and has been in it since the beginning of the year.

As for the German club, well there's not too much going on. But lately they've been discussing scholarships, planning a trip to Germany, but the trip won't be for the whole German class there will be just a selected few who will go. In the spring they plan on going to Levenworth. Not bad plans huh? Kurese really enjoys the German club and is glad that she joined.

Kurese as I mentioned before is also a wrestling cheerleader. The things that Kurese enjoys the most about being a wrestling cheerleader is the fact that she gets to spend time talking with friends. The thing that she really enjoys about being a wrestling cheerleader is travelling. Kurese says that now that she's a cheerleader for wrestling she also would like to be soccer state for the guys.

Last but not least I asked Kurese what her future plans were and her response was, "After high school I want to go to the Navy so that I can go to college afterwards. I want to major in Marine Mammal Biology and go to the San Diego University. I also want to be a Brain Biologist and work at the San Diego zoo or at Sea World. Kureses good luck to you for your future plans. You can do it!!

Gabriel in America

By Jami DeWall

If you ever have a conversation with this foreign exchange student, make sure that you don't talk very fast because he is still learning English. Gabriel Nagore is one of the three foreign exchange students from Spain. During his stay in America, he is living with the Putz family in Richland. He says that his host family is really nice and enjoys experiencing American culture. He joined the foreign exchange program basically to learn English. His parents told him if he wanted to learn the language properly he could go to America. Now that kinda sounds like a lot of money to be spending for English lessons, but if it makes it easier, what the heck...

Gabriel is getting credit for the classes that he is taking here at PHS. That's why he is taking some hard courses like Physics, Math Anal, and American Literature. When he gets back to Spain he will have one year left before he plans on attending college. When I asked him what he liked the best about the United States, he replied by saying the people are very friendly and nice. Amazingly, he likes the Tri-Cities, although the things they do in Spain seem to be a lot more fun than here.

His host family consists of two brothers and a sister. It's quite a difference from his real family in Spain where he only has ne younger brother. Gabriel is not sure what he wants to become, but if he had the opportunity to come back to America he would certainly do it. In Spain, Gabriel plays a form of European handball. Well, we wish you the best in America and we hope you have a fun time learning English.


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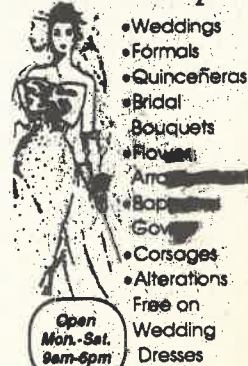
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THE EDGE:

The Nature of Dissent

By Kris Tefft

As some may have seen or heard, my last article caused quite a bit of controversy between myself and teachers. This was nothing shocking, though, since I'm used to inadvertently annoying at least one group of people with my articles, and last month, sadly enough, it was the teachers. Some of the teachers were apathetic, others were engaged in quiet (or not-so quiet) disagreement, while a small minority of the teachers took the article to be a personal attack on them. This included one of my own teachers, who subsequently refused to acknowledge my existence for a short period of time, until the matter was somewhat straightened out. Any reaction similar to this, to any article similar to mine is wrong, if not foolish.

Before I expand on anything else, however, it seems only proper to fully explain the facts behind the story entitled "A Wimp's Guide for Responding to Criticism". The story was written, due to a poor understanding on my behalf, as though I agreed with what was said. It seemed as though I was glorifying what is indeed emotional stupidity. This couldn't be farther from the truth, though, and that is why I tagged on the warning at the beginning, so that it would be clearly stated that I didn't agree with the article. Its sole purpose became to inform the readers of a typical student's gut-reaction to being lectured as I often am, and was in no means meant to inflame any teachers, even though it did, as some were deeply insulted.

It was at this point that the foolishness surrounding the editorial really got out of hand. Only when one of my own teachers, who I hold respect for, refused to speak to me or my advisor simply because he disagreed with my article, was I able to put the whole matter into proper perspective.

I am a student, and in the case of WASCO class, a student of journalism. Such editorials are my further

attempts at learning how to better my communication skills, because I plan for a career in journalism. If it were not for this simple fact alone, I would think that many teachers would understand and not become so inflamed by an article, realizing that I will make mistakes throughout my life, and it is only from those mistakes, such as last month's that I am able to enrich myself. I am not always going to be right in what I do or say, and it is alright for someone to disagree, in fact it is quite healthy to be disagreed with, because if everyone agreed, the world would see little or no progress. However, when people are insulted and persecute me because of my opinions, then it becomes time to step back and analyze the course of events. It is the nature of dissent that people are allowed to disagree without being stigmatized and shipped off into the concentration camps of their own opinions.

As well, it was said and will always be said that what I write shouldn't be printed, whether it's because of its inspiration, opinion, inflammatory nature, or whatever. This censorship, however, is a greater evil than anything I could possibly write. Whenever you submit yourself to censorship or the advocacy of such, then you have submitted yourself to every other sin of a totalitarian state by conveying, either spoken or nonspoken, that your opinion is correct and no others should be heard. This tendency is the nature of men, but only small men fear small words.

To conclude, mine is nothing but a small voice with a big thesaurus behind it. It is the blast of weather that knocks you back and makes you see where you were standing, and makes you wonder if you couldn't be standing on higher ground. As such, there is no need for my voice to be either feared or squelched, or for that matter, celebrated. For as it is, all weather need not be feared, squelched, or celebrated.

Guest Review:



By Mr. Beltran

Listening to music is one of my favorite means of relaxing, therefore, when I was asked to review Mariah Carey, I could see myself straining my ears attempting to cover the loud bass beat. To my surprise and those near me we endured three or four listening sessions.

Mariah Carey starts off by singing "Vision of Love" which is truly a very nice mellow song about a dream that she has about a guy giving her all the love she needs, great lyrics. The next song, "There's got to be a Way" shows us that this young lady can sing about a diverse group of subjects. In this song she sings about world problems as well as love and broken relationships. While listening to the other songs such as "Someday," "Vanishing," and "All in Your Mind." I could not help but feel the swing of the beat, and the motions that young people go through while dancing to this

type of music. The only hard thing I found was attempting to help keep beat and motions while driving the Yakima. Oh yea, my first session with Mariah was on my way to the Sun Dome. As a matter of fact, I believe I listened to "All in Your Mind" twice. That girl has a voice that won't quit. I thought that at the end it was a triumph hitting a high note, until my son corrected me and said it was she.

The other songs, "Alone in Love," "Prisoner," "Sent from Up Above," and "Love Takes Time," are really enjoyable songs in which Mariah puts all her heart into.

I truthfully enjoyed listening to the tape, on a scale from one to ten, I rate her an eight. She can surely rest in my glove box along with my other tapes like Randy Travis, Vicente Hernandez, and Reba MacIntire. Great tape guys and girls, buy one.

She ain't country but she sure can sing.

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on competition between
Kennewick and PHS.)

Guest Review

By Mrs. Ames

Wilson Phillips, who are they? That was my response when I was asked by the WASCO to review the group. I was interested in hearing the group when I heard that they were the daughters of Brian Wilson and Michelle and John Phillips, for I had enjoyed the Mommas and the

Pappas, and the Beach Boys for years.

After listening to Wilson Phillips, I realized I had enjoyed their music before but didn't realize the groups name. I found the music had a good beat and I enjoyed the lyrics, for they were easy to follow.

Tesla Remakes Acoustical Classics

By Laurie Humphrey

Lately it's become very trendy for rock bands to unplug their amps and play an acoustic song, TV appearance, live set, etc. Some groups, like Warrant, actually need to hide behind the electricity. Others, like Tesla, can carry this approach off reasonably well. During the summer of 1990, they joined this "au natural" bandwagon and played 5 all-acoustic shows at various clubs around the country. The fourth set, at the Trocadero in Philadelphia, was recorded, released under the name "Five Man Acoustical Jam," and is currently climbing the charts.

The album is comprised of an extremely interesting combination of covers and classic Tesla songs that almost everyone can appreciate. The first release, "Signs," originally recorded by The Five Man Electrical Band in 1971, is a better-than-expected cover, but is definitely being overplayed by our friends at MTV and local radio sta-

tions. Other good remakes include "Lodi," originally by Creedence Clearwater Revival, and "Mother's Little Helper," by the Rolling Stones. These revamped versions did not offend me, as so often is the case with covers.

But more valuable to Tesla fans are the versions of their own songs. "Love Song," which brought them success in 1989, sounds so much better live than with the aid of all the high-tech studio equipment. Lesser known songs like "Gettin' Better" and "The Way It Is" are just as good. The one song I don't like on this album is "Comin' Atcha Live," but there's no way they would have left it off, as it is their traditional show-opener and one of the group's favorite songs.

I'm kinda sad that this album is doing so well 'cause once one hits the Top ...oh 30 or so, I find it hard to admit I like it. Yet there have been exceptions to this rule before, and this will probably be another.



Hamlet "Will'st Disappoint not"

By Bill Davis

"To be, Or not to Be!" This month's movie review explores a unique field in today's screen plays. Hamlet, Prince of Denmark is an excellent example of the movie industry's will to diversify. With such films as Batman and Dick Tracy portraying comic book themes, Hamlet goes into the traditional old English style and brings the audience into a Shakespearean tragedy that could only before be experienced in a live theatre. The leading role of Hamlet is played by Mel Gibson. One usually expects Mel to play a comedy or action adventure type of role. However it is not so in this case. Mel Gibson captivates the audience in a stunning and superb performance. After reading the play, I was suprised on how accurate the film was. The use of old English, straight from the written Shakespearean works,

keeps the viewer on his toes trying to understand the symbolism in the monologue as well as dialogue.

'Hark unto thee' The story of Hamlet is about a Danish prince whose father has just died. His mother weds his uncle and he undergoes a series of events that lead to a climactic ending of deceit, betrayal and tragedy. Now, I refuse to reveal the rest of the plot, for it is you, in your senior year or sometime before you die, who must read and see the play for yourself.

However, one word of advice: English WARNING: This film, Or play for that matter, is not for your below 400 verbal SAT or 20 ACT level student. One must work hard to comprehend the symbolism of each scene. To close, Hamlet is one film that you will not soon forget. Experience it for one'self, thine will'st dissappoint not. Adieu.

Car Corner



By Manon Laliberte

About two and a half months ago, Stacy Barbour, a sophomore at Pasco High School, bought a blue Ford EXP. She bought it because it was small in size and she paid between four and five thousand dollars for it. When it gets warmer

outside, she wants to repaint the bottom trim and get the trunk fixed. Stacy is very excited to get her licence on March fifteenth. "I hate getting rides with everyone else. I feel like a bum!" Good luck Stacy, we're rooting for you.

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