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HAPPY THANKSGIVING



The NBGC Staff & Leaders, our Program Committee, Moms' & Dads' Clubs, Alumni and Board of Directors wish our members and families a HAPPY THANKSGIVING. We would also like to commend the coaches and players for the fine job and hard work they've put out since September. We have seen a lot of exciting football and soccer and appreciate your team spirit, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Thanks to the many parents who've been supportive, lining the fields to cheer for their sons and daughters.

Additional thanks go out to the volunteers who are working to make the day a success, from the 30 alumni officials to the parents and friends who are helping with the refreshments. Thanks to Entenmann's/CPC Baking Business in Milwaukee, WI, to Glenn Stahl for assorted arrangements, to Dale Grandys, Terry O'Malley and Rob Nabar of the Chicago Park District, to Jewel for getting our Turkey Toss prizes, to Vince Pollszczuk and to Jennifer & Candice and the NBGC Cheerleaders. Have a great day!



NBGC CLOSED FRIDAY & SATURDAY

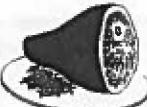


NBGC will be closed for clean up on Fri. Nov. 29th. We will also be closed on Sat. Nov. 30th. We will return at 3:30 p.m. on Monday Dec. 2nd with pre-season basketball games as well as uniform & skirt returns.

Sale

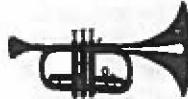
GET YOUR HOLIDAY HAM FROM THE NBGC MOMS' CLUB!

Orders Taken Nov. 28th - Dec. 13th



You can make your holiday dinner a success with a specialty ham at a price you can't get elsewhere! For less than you'll pay at those other ham stores, you can dress up your holiday dinner table with a fully cooked, defatted, spiral cut and smoked ham for just \$3.50 per pound. This same ham will cost over \$5.00 per pound elsewhere so you'll save over \$1.50 a pound if you buy from us.

The NBGC Moms' Club is sponsoring the sale to raise funds for the programs. Our hams are 5 - 10 and 14 - 17 pounds. Orders will be taken from Nov. 28th through Dec. 13th. Pick up and payment is Wed. Dec. 18th. Order forms will be available at the office. You can also call Mrs. Borgert at (773) 427-8385 to place an order or e-mail NBGC1931@aol.com. Spread the word to your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers!



NBGC FUNDRAISER THIS SATURDAY



NBGC Cheer Parents will be holding their fifth annual Fundraiser on Sat. Nov. 30th from 7:00-10:00 PM at Windy City Inn, located at Irving and Oakley. The cost is only \$17.00 per person (must be 21 and older) and includes food and drinks. The parents will also be holding split the pot drawings and raffles throughout the night. For more information, to contribute a dish or prize, or to purchase or sell raffle tickets, just call Bonnie at 773-463-1848 or bring it with you to the PARTY!



AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM IS HERE!

By Rolando Argumedo



Have you found your child struggling in a certain subject, or needing extra help or just looking for a quiet place to do their homework? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then NBGC is the place for your child. NBGC has started their After-School Tutoring Program.

The program will be held weekly, Tuesday-Thursday, from 3:30-5:30 pm. The program is open to all members who are in elementary school. A current and certified teacher, as well as volunteers will staff the tutoring sessions. If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer Tutor, please see Rolando during the above hours.

THANKSGIVING DAY SPONSORED BY BRENDA WEIGELT



NBGC is very thankful for the continued support of Mrs. Brenda Weigelt, who is sponsoring the Turkey Bowl Classics in the memory of her late husband and longtime NBGC friend, Johnnie Weigelt. Mr. Weigelt ran one of the largest catering businesses in the area, at Damen & Byron, and helped start the tradition of hot chocolate on Thanksgiving. We thank her for her generous support.

FOOTBALL - SOCCER - CHEER UNIFORM RETURNS ON THANKSGIVING DAY!

We would like to remind our players and parents that the NBGC football equipment, soccer jerseys and cheerleading skirts must be returned after your child's games on Thanksgiving. As outlined in the letter signed by parents at the start of the season, the uniform must be in good condition and on time to qualify for a full refund or donation credit. To save all of us a lot of time the NBGC leaders and Staff will be cleaning the helmets and uniforms but please sew any holes! Thank you for taking care of the uniform. What needs to be returned?

Football: Helmet with chin strap, all pads, all clips and screws intact, (Prep & Tribe), Team Jersey

Soccer: Team Jersey

Cheer: Cheer Skirt, All-Star Uniform, Poms

Damaged equipment or missing parts must be paid for in cash. Refunds can be picked up at the Clubhouse between 5:00-7:00 Mon. Dec. 2nd-Fri. Dec. 6th 5:00-7:00. After Dec. 7th there is a \$5.00 late fine which must be paid in cash. Basketball players must have returned their uniforms before gametime Dec. 7th in order to play that day. In addition we cannot present awards or pictures to anyone who has a uniform out or a fine due.

Many of our parents have been quite generous in donating their uniform refunds to NBGC as a part of the yearly Parent Financial Support Program. We ask each family for \$40.00 per year for one child in the program and \$60.00 for two or more. Donations are what keeps the programs running. It costs NBGC over \$15,000 to run the Fall sports, not to mention the investment of over \$30,000 in equipment.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE DECEMBER 14TH & 15TH



The NBGC Dads' Club will meet again on Wed. Dec. 4th at 7:30 p.m. The dads help out NBGC and the children in many ways ranging from coaching and working the Family Fest to making repairs and raising money. They would like to see you come out to a meeting and see what they're about.

Looking for a fresh, full tree to warm up the home can be a hassle. The NBGC Dads' Club wants to make it easy for you. They will be selling fresh-cut Scotch Pines, Frasier Firs and Douglas Firs - as well as roping and wreaths - in front of the Clubhouse. The sale will take place on Sat. Dec. 14th from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., and on Sun. Dec. 15th from 10:00 a.m. until sold out. The money raised goes right to the boys and girls programs, so you'll be helping your community if you buy a tree from NBGC instead of a streetcorner lot. The Dads' Club will set up for the sale on Sat. Dec. 7th between 8:00 a.m. and noon. They could use some help. Please bring your screw gun!

UPCOMING NBGC EVENTS

Dec. 4th	4th	Dads' Club Meeting at 7:30 PM
Dec. 7th	7th	UNIFORMS LATE AFTER TODAY!
Dec. 7th	7th	Tree Sale set up starting at 8:00 AM - Help needed!
Dec. 10th	10th	Moms' Club Christmas Party at 7:30 PM
Dec. until 13th	13th	Holiday Ham Sale
Dec. 14-15	14-15	Christmas Tree Sale
Dec. 18th	18th	Holiday Ham Pick Up/Payment
Dec. 23-26	23-26	NBGC Closed for the Holidays
Dec. 30-31, Jan. 1	30-31, Jan. 1	NBGC Closed for the Holidays



JUNIOR PUMAS vs. TWISTERS

FIELD 1 - 8:00 AM

By Mary Gallery

Nov. 28, 2002



The Pumas and Twisters have faced each other three times and each game was filled with friendly competition. The Twisters own this season series, winning two games to the Pumas one, but that doesn't mean the Pumas were ever dominated. The Twisters captured the first two games based on solid offensive performances from their entire team. The Twisters are incredibly versatile and their victories come when all players participate in the offense. Their first win came when **Mia Schexnider** and **Jessica Anetsberger** managed to find a hole in goalie **Michelle Weber's** tough coverage and the Twisters came back for more when they won their second match on a goal by **Anastasia Protopappas**. In the final game, the Twisters' offense was hard at work again, but Michelle Weber was unstoppable and the Pumas pulled off a great victory based on solid defense. Their meeting on Turkey Day should be full of twists and surprises.

The Twisters and Pumas may not be playing for trophies, but that doesn't seem to matter. Both of these teams are full of spirit that extends far beyond the goal lines. The Pumas may not have a grand strategy, but that hasn't stopped them from playing hard and having a great season. Led by captains **Chloe Rhodes** and **Severa Ziegler**, coach **Tracy Rhodes**, and parents with hot chocolate, the Pumas have more enthusiasm than any bunch of girls I've ever run into. Coach Tracy was just as new to the game as some of her players, **Karena Rodriguez** and **Alex McQueen-Frazier**, but everyone learned together and showed remarkable improvement. The Pumas work as a team, always trying new positions and helping each other learn. Their coach may say they won out of luck, but I'm certain it was because they all learned to play so well together. **Erin Scheffler** and **Julia Rodriguez** and **Sky Cubacub** and **Severa Ziegler** always know where to find each other on offense and **Erica Arce** is always ready with one of her big kicks. On the defensive end, **Michelle Weber** may be the toughest goalie around and **Karena Rodriguez**, **Elizabeth Pulido**, **Rosette Reynolds**, and **Alex McQueen-Frazier** did a great job keeping the ball downfield. **Meaghan Buino** always had a strong kick to send the ball soaring toward the other goal. **Cassie Kielnik** and **Erica Arce** are just about everywhere when they play midfield and **Denise Hearn** is a top-notch defender. The Pumas season is not just about winning however, although they will do just that on Thanksgiving because "Puma's Rule," it's been mostly about playing hard, having fun, and of course, the team hugs.

If the Pumas led the league in enthusiasm, than I'm confident in saying that the Twisters led the league in spirit. In the Twisters, we have a team that is determined to win and doesn't give up until the final whistle. Led by captains **Andrea Short** and **Monica Hurtado**, coaches **Todd Renn** and **George Protopappas**, and more enthusiastic parents, grandparents, and other friends, all with oranges, than I have ever seen on a sideline, the Twisters have learned a lot this season. Their offense, led by forwards **Molly Cinoman**, **Lila Perri**, and **Anastasia Protopappas**, operates out of the Scatter and Beehive formation, which matches their yellow jerseys quite nicely. Quick passes up the wings and strong throw-ins by midfielders **Haley Dempsey**, **Monica Hurtado**, and **Jessica Anetsberger** have begun the Twisters' most successful scoring drives. The Twisters' defense is "unstoppable," led by **Connie Andrade**, **Andrea Short**, and **Leela Simms**. **Mia Schexnider's** goal is virtually impenetrable. **Kristin Kattner** and **Jenice Campbell** have provided a spark of the bench for the Twisters. The Twisters are a team with the speed of **Andrea Short**, the power of **Monica Hurtado**, and the determination of **Haley Dempsey** along with the hard work and desire of all of their teammates. Coach Todd is very proud of the way his girls have improved, both their individual games and their team game, but he is most proud of the fact that no matter what they always have fun. Though the Twisters know they are going to "scare the Pumas to the hills" on Thanksgiving, everyone knows both teams will be smiling the whole time.

TRIBE SPARTANS vs. BOBCATS

FIELD 2 - 8:00 AM

By Tim Ward

On field 2 at 8:00 in the morning, the first game of the day is going to be a huge one. It squares off between the 2002 champion Spartans against an up and coming Bobcats team. This game is going to full of hard hitting, great defense, and awesome run games. Both teams thus far have done very well in the league overall this year. The Bobcats are young and have a lot of new faces and they clicked together and had a tremendous season turning around in the second half. This probably will be one of the best games of the day.

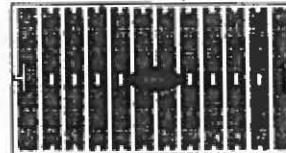
The Spartans have had an almost perfect season losing only one game all year, which is very respectable. The Spartans have a lot of the same guys from the past years and they have proved ready in all aspects in the game. The Spartans have the most well rounded team in the league. Every kid on the team is a great blocker, and tackler. This Spartans team has succeeded so well due to the coaching of **Phil Jensen**, **Joe Sanfilippo**, and **Joe Vaughn**. These three men are very proud of their team and what they have done this whole season. The usual starting lineup for the Spartans includes: **Eric Silva** at left wide receiver and left cornerback, **Ben Gonzalez** at left tackle and defensive end, **Edward Lewandowski** at left guard and defensive end, **Alex Gomez** at center and defensive tackle, **Anthony Ferrara** at right guard and defensive tackle, **Richard Krokson** at right tackle and right line backer, **Danny Mazon** at tight end and middle linebacker, **Sammy Jensen** at right wide receiver and right safety, **Eddie Ortiz** at quarterback and right cornerback, **Bobbie Miller** at wide receiver and left linebacker, **Mike Abernathy** at running back and left safety. The other players for the Spartans include: **Joey Vaughn** at center and defensive tackle, **Luis Cardona** at left tackle and defensive end, **Eddie Mercado** at left wide receiver and left linebacker. The Spartans are well known for the offense that they run out of and that is trips right and trips left with a single running back. The most often called plays for the Spartans have been handoffs up the middle, fake handoff bootlegs, and pitches right and left. The Spartans have the most deadliest running back combination there is. They are all unique in their own ways. **Eddie Ortiz** is a great all-around runner who has great power and speed and can make almost any defender miss in the open field, **Michael Abernathy** who has power and is a smart shifter, and **Mike Claudio** who is all out speed. When it comes for the Spartans to pass the ball they usually use **Eddie Ortiz** or **Michael Abernathy** looking for wide receivers **Danny Mazon**, **Bobbie Miller**, and **Michael Abernathy**. **Danny** has speed and size along with good hands, **Bobbie** has good hands and runs great routes, and **Michael** runs the screen pass to perfection and has great hands. The players that score most of the points for the Spartans are **Eddie Ortiz**, **Michael Abernathy**, and **Mike Claudio**. When it comes time for the Spartans to kick or punt the ball away they call upon **Danny Mazon**. The Spartans spend numerous hours working on blocking and blocking skills and it pays off for the team. The usual hard hitting blockers include: **Alex Gomez**, **Anthony Ferrara**, **Richard Krokson**, **Ben Gonzalez**, **Edward Lewandowski**, **Eric Silva**, **Danny Mazon**, and **Bobbie Miller**. The Spartans have numerous strengths in all areas in the game and they are blocking and staying with the play and executing well on offense, smart positioning, great tackling and good pass coverage. When asking the coaches who has improved most over the season they replied everyone has become 110% better in blocking, and **Eddie Ortiz** and **Michael Abernathy** have become better runners, and **Richard Krokson**, and **Anthony Ferrara** have become better tacklers. The Spartans felt that their toughest opponent this season was the Eagles because they are the ones who gave the Spartans their only loss. The Spartans said that they will win on Thanksgiving because they have the best blocking in the league, and the only thing that can beat them is themselves and they will be prepared for one more Spartans victory that everyone will remember them by.

The third and final game of the day features the up and coming explosive Tribe Bobcats. The Bobcats started off the season on a rough note and it looked like they were going to be in for a long season but they have been a big made big upsets in a number of games. The Bobcats were one of the more hardworking teams in the Tribe league who were always trying to find ways to improve their skills. The Bobcats are coached by **Angel Cortes** who has done a great job in turning this football team around. The captains for the Bobcats are **Jospeh Guiragossian** and **Justin Cortes**. Both of the captains have done a great job as well keeping their attitudes positive no matter what and making sure the team does the same. The usual starting lineup for the Bobcats include: **Justin Cortes** at left wide receiver and middle linebacker, **Julio Sanchez** at left tackle and weak line backer, **Frank Kiczula** at left guard and right defensive guard, **Max Pizzi** at center and left defensive end (**Max** had an excellent season after coming off a pretty serious broken collar bone), **Ruben Rodriguez** at right guard and left guard, **Roy Solis** at right tackle and strong linebacker, **Joseph Guiragossian** at tight end and right defensive end, **Matthew Hayden** at right wide receiver and right cornerback, **Carlos Olivero** at quarterback and strong safety, **William Ortiz** at running back and free safety, and **Antolino Contreras** at running back and left cornerback. The other remaining players include: **Sean Keil** at right tackle and right guard, **Zach Cohen** at fullback and cornerback, **Wemi Jemine** at running back and cornerback, and **Emmanuel Robledo** at halfback and cornerback. The Bobcats are mainly a running team and do it very well. The Bobcats run most of their formation out of the split back formation. Their most successful play has been the halfback counter either with **William Ortiz** who is known for his slashing abilities or **Antolino Contreras** who is known for his power. When it does come time to pass the ball they usually rely on the strength of **Roy Solis** to move them downfield. The usual receivers for the Bobcats are **Antolino Contreras** who has good hands and shows great speed or **Matthew Hayden** who shows how to run perfect routes. The Bobcats have scored their touchdowns through running the ball and most of the touchdowns were scored by **William Ortiz**. When it comes time for the Bobcats to either punt the ball or do a kickoff they usually call upon **Joseph Guiragossian** to boot the ball down field. Coach Cortes also wanted me to point out the outstanding job his offensive and defensive line has done for him this whole season. They include: **Frank Kiczula**, **Max Pizzi**, **Ruben Rodriguez**, and **Sean Keil**. The Bobcats strengths on offense and defense (continued on page 4)



**PREP EAGLES vs. COUGARS
vs. SPARTANS
FIELD 3 - 8:00 AM**
By Dan Ward

Nov. 28, 2002



Thanksgiving day will be a day of great joy, good food, and football madness at the Neighborhood Boys and Girls club. Everyone has worked so hard all year and Thanksgiving will be the culmination of those accomplishments. I am proud to say that all the Prep teams have tried their hardest and made a successful conversion from flag to tackle football. It was great to see all the teams having fun, yet playing a serious game of football. I was honored to ref all the Prep games this year and I want to send a big thank you to all the kids, parents, and coaches for making this year's football season a memorable one.

Bright and early on Thursday the 28th the Spartans, Cougars, and Eagles face off in a round robin to end their first year of Prep football. The Spartans, led by coaches Miguel Olivio and Jim Calkins and also the captains Miguel Olivio Jr. and Tim Jensen, have had an all around great year. They worked real hard and showed the rest of the league they were a force to be reckoned with. Their starting line up includes Rodney Stephens at left wide receiver and defensive end, Oscar Samayoa at left tackle and defensive tackle, Matthew Metry at left guard and defensive tackle, Alfredo Urlostegeul at center and cornerback, Orlando Perez at right guard and left-side linebacker, Miguel Olivio Jr. at right tackle and middle linebacker, Jeremy Spivey at tight end and cornerback, Tim Jensen at right wide receiver and safety, Michael Fernandez at quarterback and right-side linebacker, Edwin Vega at running back and he is a floater on defense, and Josh Ramirez at running back and corner back. The team also includes Misael Ramirez at tackle, Sam Rivera at quarterback, and Raul Sanchez at center. The offense runs out of the I and split back formations and have been deadly on their right and left sweeps. They have also been known to throw trick plays into their routine which have made many defenses stand around looking confused. Edwin Vega is the Spartans main runner and he uses his power and slashing skills to find a way into the endzone. Michael Fernandez usually handles the passing duties and he normally hooks up with Rodney Stephens or Tim Jensen who both have good hands, excellent speed, and good routes. The Spartans also have a great offensive line and a strong, commanding defense. I know the coaches are honored to work with such a great group of kids and they are very proud of their team. The Spartans have worked very hard this year and are very pumped up to get their Thanksgiving Day victory.

One of the teams the Spartans will face off against are the Cougars. They are led by coaches Jerry Johnson, Tom Van Den Bosch, and Robert Palushek along with captains Rex Ruskauff and Sam Bieber. The Cougars have become a much improved football team with many potential weapons in their starting lineup. Their lineup is as follows: Zach Johnson at quarterback/left wide receiver, Nikko Gonzalez at left tackle, Rodolfo Santillan at left guard, Rex Ruskauff at center, Ricardo Guzman at right guard, Bobby Palushek at right tackle, Joseph Zapata at tight end, Sam Bieber at right wide receiver and Michael Van Den Bosch at quarterback/running back. The team also sports Joseph Kloehn at left guard, Peter Savaria at defensive end, and Alex Rodriguez as their some-time quarterback and tight end. The Cougars offense usually ran out of the single back formation with a lot of power runs to the right and left. Michael Van Den Bosch led the team with his great running speed and good throwing arm. Michael's target of choice was Zack Johnson who has great hands. The Cougars had a real strong point on defense. Rex Ruskauff and Nikko Gonzalez were the defensive powerhouses on the line that made it hard for any team to run their way. They also had Michael Van Den Bosch and Zack Johnson playing deep to track down anyone that got away from their front guys. The Cougars are probably the team that improved the most over the season. They had some tough times but they filled the field with memorable ones. No one will forget Michael Van Den Bosch sprinting down the sideline holding up his pants racing for a 90 yard touchdown. The Cougars have been aching for a victory and I wouldn't be surprised if it comes on Turkey Day.

The last opponent in the round robin is the Eagles. The Eagles have had a fantastic year and it was all courtesy of their coaching staff which includes Jim McDonald and Luis Salinas. They also had great leadership from their captains Dylan Hicks and Marty Haderlein. The Eagles were a major threat on both offense and defense and their lineup shows just that. Estevan Avelar starts at left wide receiver and defensive end, Eric Avelar plays left tackle and defensive tackle, Cesar Perez is the left guard and linebacker, Jeremiah Vasquez is the center and d-tackle, Tim Gilardon is the right guard and d-end, Nathan Watkins is the right tackle and defensive end, Leon Jasso is the tight end and linebacker, Giovanni Salinas is the right wide receiver and cornerback, Dylan Hicks is the QB and free safety, Darian Garcia is the running back and strong safety, Marty Haderlein is the tailback and linebacker, Efren Siguendo is the fullback and linebacker, Mike Rooney is an offensive and defensive tackle, Nick Pepin plays guard and d-line, and Julian Wilbanks is the running back and safety. The Eagles very very successful using the split-T formation, especially when Marty or Darian was running the ball. Whenever the offense was in a slump they'd call their QB bootleg or a half back reverse which gave them plenty of yards. Dylan, Darian, and Marty handled the scoring duties while guys like Eric Avelar, Leon Jasso, Jeremiah Vasquez and Nathan Watkins took care of most of the blocking and tackling. The main reason for the Eagles' good running game is because their backfield has been together for three years and they all know how each other plays and how to work together. The Eagles are a great group of kids which I know makes their coaches and parents proud. They know if they can avoid simple mistakes and do what they're supposed to then the win on Thanksgiving is only fingertips away. Once again I'd like to thank everyone for making this years football season a great one. I had a lot of fun and I hope everyone else did too!



**JUNIOR ALIENS vs. ANGELS
FIELD 1 - 9:15 AM**
By Mary Gallery



The Angels and Aliens have squared off three times this season, each team with a victory and one game ending in a scoreless tie. Early in the season, the Aliens won big over the Angels led by the strong offensive play of Jessica Klenck and Irene Okubo's tough play in the goal. The Angels managed to squeak out a victory in the second meeting, winning one to zero on a goal by Alex Mendoza and their virtually insurmountable defense that came by mid-season. The teams' final meeting was a scoreless tie, proving just how tough these defenses are. If their defenses remain so solid, we will likely see a shoot out on Turkey Day to decide the championship.

The Aliens started the season on a tear and were virtually unstoppable in the first half. Led by Captains Jessica Klenck and Irene Okubo, and coach Paul Valadez, the Aliens are some of the toughest girls around. Many players were new to the game this year and everyone has showed improvement, especially Jessica Alvarez and Citiati Arroyo on defense, Daniela Fernandez at midfield, and Andrea Gilardon in the goal. The Aliens play smart and know how to set each other up on offense, relying on power kickers Jessica Klenck and Caitlin Ramirez to find the net. Grace Geremias gets her team off to a great start with her strong kickoffs and Ashley Seegert is quick and agile when handling the ball. Irene Okubo is a solid goalie who knows the game and is always ready for the ball, but she has to hand it to her defenders Yesenia Valadez and Grace Geremias who know the importance of their job and keep the ball on the other side of the field. But perhaps the Aliens strongest point is their solid bench, their subs who are just as capable as their starters. Nicole Przytulski, Ashley Bowe, Brisbely Corlano, Stephanie Benitez, and Alida Pecanin provide an extra boost to the offense and always hang tough. The Aliens will never forget the time they beat the elusive Twisters, but they are looking forward to taking on the Angels on Thanksgiving. The practice hard and play even harder and they believe they can beat any team in the league.

The Angels had a very different season, starting out slow and going the first six games without a victory, but when that victory finally came it was even sweeter and then the victories just kept on coming. Led by captains Alex Hicks-Hardiman and Lizbeth Bastidas, and coach Ray Prendergast along with many devoted parents, the Angels have certainly shown the most improvement in the league. Every team member of this very loyal team has shown improvement, especially Rachel Davis, Melina Nunez, and Sharon Avila. These girls worked especially hard to improve their skills and execution and really learned the game. The Angels play tough on both sides of the field, led on offense by the triple scoring threat of Vallarie Perez, Alexandra Mendoza, and Kelly Luna, and on defense by Kathy Infante and Analis Cruz and the smart play of Colleen Prendergast in goal. Lizbeth Bastidas covers the mid-field for the Angels tirelessly helping out on both offense and defense. And just like the Angels, when the subs come in the Angels keep on rolling. They would not have been able to turn their season around with the hard work of Melina Nunez, Sharon Avila, Sophie Brazilunas, Ashley Davila, and Rachel Davis. These girls never give up and they know they can handle any opponent, despite the fact that every other team poses a different challenge. The Angels are ready for Turkey Day not just because of all their practice, but because they simply love playing together. In the words of their coach, 'Their joy will carry them to victory on Thanksgiving.'



What Comes After Basketball?? FLOOR HOCKEY & VOLLEYBALL!!
Registration Mon-Thurs, January 6th - 9th 5:00-7:00 and Sat. Jan 11th 1:00-3:00





TRIBE EAGLES vs. FALCONS
FIELD 2 - 9:15 AM

By Tim Ward

Nov. 28, 2002



The second game of the day between the Eagles and the Falcons promises to be a great game. Both teams are very well disciplined and great hard hitters. They have a little bit of a grudge because some of the kids are good friends and even go to the same schools. The Falcons have one of the best defenses in the league and are prepared for the grind it out running the the Eagles expect to bring. The Eagles have a lot of the same guys from last year and have improved even more. They also have a great defense that has a bunch of hard hitters as well. Both teams will be ready to grind it out on both sides of the ball. Both teams also have tremendous coaches that work them very hard and expect highly of them and both of these teams have done so. This will be another great Thanksgiving day game.

The 9:15 on field 2 faces two very great defenses and powerful offenses. It is time for the Eagles to square off against the Falcons. The Falcons have had a pretty decent season winning a number of games but losing a couple critical ones. The Falcons have a very aggressive offense and defense that is known for their hard hitting. The Falcons are led by the young and aggressive Geoff Laughlin who has done an awesome job this year with these kids. The Captains for the Falcons are Brian Wasilk and Ismael Lozano, both who have played huge roles for this ball team. Brian and Ismael keep this team in line and never lets them get disappointed. The starting lineup for the Falcons are: David Juarez at left wide receiver and linebacker, Ismael Lozano at left tackle and right end, Seigfried Grell at left guard and defensive tackle, Nathan Krischer at center and tackle, John Brink at right guard and defensive guard, Mike Prodromos at right tackle and defensive guard, Brian Wasilk at tight end and middle linebacker, Jimmy George at right wide receiver and cornerback, Mitchel Arce at quarterback and safety, Erik Solls at running back and cornerback, TT (Jean-Luc) Williams at running back and cornerback. The remaining players for the Falcons include: Kody Quinn at wide receiver and safety, Keilthen McCulston at wide receiver and cornerback, Matt Preusser at running back and cornerback, and Earl Daley at tackle and defensive tackle. The Falcons have another talented and very trustworthy depth in their roster. The Falcons run most of their offense out of the strong side or shotgun formation. The plays coach Laughlin feels are successful are the strong left, dive left, strong left, and the slant pass. When the Falcons decide to grind it out through the running game they call upon three great running backs. They include Erik Solls who shows great quickness, is very shifty, and has great instincts on the field, TT Williams who is also very shifty, and has great cut back moves, and Jimmy George who is just straight power. When it comes time for the Falcons to throw the ball downfield they usually call upon Mitchel Arce or Brian Wasilk both who have amazingly strong arms. The usual targets are David Juarez who has great hands, Mitchel Arce looking for tight end Brian Wasilk who shows great speed and runs his routes to perfection and has the ability to adjust to the throws. The Falcons have a number of people that have scored numerous touchdowns and extra points. They include: TT Williams, Erik Solls, Jimmy George, David Juarez, and Brian Wasilk. When it comes time for the Falcons to kick the ball or punt it they rely on Ismael Lozano and Brian Wasilk for the kickoffs and Brian Wasilk and Mitchel Arce for the punts. When it comes time for the Falcons to grind it out they depend on a big offensive line that paves the way for the running game. The linemen include: Mike Prodromos, Ismael Lozano, David Juarez, Seigfried Grell, and Nathan Krischer. Coach Laughlin feels his team has many strengths and they include: On offense running up the middle with a heavy as a fullback blocking and also throwing the ball, on defense they are good at stuffing the run and he has great defensive ends that are great for containment. Geoff feels that a number of kids have steadily improved throughout the season and they include: Seigfried Grell who has become a better blocker and tackler, Jimmy George who has learned how to pound the ball through the ground game, Keilthen McCulston who has learned how to hit, block and tackle, and Nathan Krischer who learned this season how to snap regular and shotgun. The Falcons felt that this year the Spartans have been the most difficult teams for them to play because they are a hard hitting team and have strong runners. The Falcons believe that they are going to win on Thanksgiving because they have a couple of new offensive plays that should help them get in the endzone and they will be prepared to play an aggressive fast game.

First I would like to start with the hardworking Eagles. The Eagles were the only team in the Tribe league to give the defending champion Spartans their only loss on the season. The Eagles have been one of the most well disciplined and most hardworking team who practiced numerous hours throughout the week. The Eagles are led by Head coach Nick Novich and Captain Kyle Garcia and Co-Captain Eric Medrano. The normal starting lineup for the Eagles includes: Jonathan Del Valle at Left wide receiver and left cornerback, Kyle Garcia at left tackle on both sides of the ball, Jairo Clara at left guard and left defensive end, Joshua Cuevas at Center and right tackle on defense, Valente Contreras at right guard and right defensive end, Enzo Navarro at right tackle and left linebacker, Carlos Rodriguez at tight end and right linebacker, Carlos Paiz at right wide receiver and safety, Marc Monarch at Quarterback and safety, Eric Medrano at running back and middle linebacker, and Matt Harder at running back and right cornerback. The usual "subs" for the Eagles include: Jarred Garcia at running back and either cornerback or safety, Jake Hannett at safety and cornerback, Ismael Archuala at tackle and defensive tackle, Christopher Avila at wide receiver and safety, and last but certainly not least Jeremy Olvera who plays wide receiver and safety. The Eagles are a very unique team itself because of the fact that they have so much depth at all positions and all the kids are ready to step in at any time. The Eagles run most of their offensive formations out of the I formation. Coach Nick feels that the Eric Medrano Half back dive and the sweep either way with Matt Harder would be their most successful plays. Eric Medrano is known as a passionate player known for power and speed. Matt Harder is a determined runner who is known for his juke moves. Since both Eric and Matt do most of the running they are both the ones who score a majority of the touchdowns and extra points. When it comes to kickoffs and punts Valente Contreras is the one they call on to handle to kickoffs and Jairo Clara handles most of the punts. The Eagles spend a lot of time in practice working on blocking and they have a good number of linemen. Jonathan Del Valle, Joshua Cuevas, Jairo Clara, and Valente Contreras are known for doing their share on the offensive line. As for defense some of the same guys Kyle Garcia, Jairo Clara, and Valente Contreras. Coach Novich feels that the Eagles strengths on offense come from the numerous formations that they run, on defense it has been because he has taught the kids to be determined and contain. Coach Novich feels that their kicking game is one of the best in the league with Carlos Rodriguez handling most of the long snaps. The biggest improvements for the Eagles have been with Joshua Cuevas at center and defensive tackle, Matt Harder at cornerback, and Marc Monarch at safety. The Eagles feel that their toughest opponent this season has been the Spartans because of the good running backs, they are well disciplined and hard hitting, and usually don't make mistakes. The Eagles favorite memory from this season was beating the undefeated Spartans. The Eagles expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because they have worked hard all season and have become a real team that works together and communicates on the field.

2002 S.A.F.E NIGHT

KidStart Mayor Daley's 19th District YouthNet and the Mayor's Office of Substance Abuse Policy, in collaboration with the Neighborhood Boys and Girls Club and Paul Revere Park, will be hosting this year's S.A.F.E Night. This year's holiday fun will be held at the Neighborhood Boys and Girls Club on Sun., December 29th from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.. There will be games, music, food, a teen dance and more for families to enjoy.

S.A.F.E Night is a safe, alcohol-free, family event for people of all ages. Families can enjoy this fun, holiday event without the threat of violence, drugs or alcohol. We hope to see everyone there. Please call the YouthNet office at (773) 463-5360 to reserve your spot for this free event. Spaces will be limited to the first 250 people.

NBGC WINTER HOURS

Monday - Friday 3:30 until 8:00 p.m.
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TODDLIN' TUNES

Every Tuesday and Wednesday morning at the NBGC Clubhouse a special group gets together to sing and dance. They meet new friends and explore new discoveries together. You may be wondering just who they are, these littlest members of the club...our music kids of course! The NBGC Music class will be registering for the winter session the first week of January. Our volunteer instructor Jean Anderson will be able to answer any questions and take registrations at the clubhouse on Mon. Jan 6th, Tues. Jan. 7th and Wed. Jan 8th from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon. For more information please contact Bonnie at 773-463-1848 or email NBGC1991@aol.com.

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Include consistency and determination no matter what his team is still always in the game and ready to play their hearts out. The players who made a big improvement this year for the Bobcats was: Carlos Olivero at quarterback, Zach Cohen at defensive back and Wemi Jemine at fullback. The Bobcats felt that the Spartans were their toughest opponent this year simply because they were not prepared to the fullest to play them. The Bobcats expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because they have worked all year to get here and they want to prove to the rest of the league that they are ready for the challenge!

PREP BEES vs. LOCUSTS

FIELD 3 - 9:15 AM

By Dan Ward

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Thanksgiving day will be a day of great joy, good food, and football madness at the Neighborhood Boys and Girls club. Everyone has worked so hard all year and Thanksgiving will be the culmination of those accomplishments. I am proud to say that all the Prep teams have tried their hardest and made a successful conversion from flag to tackle football. It was great to see all the teams having fun, yet playing a serious game of football. I was honored to ref all the Prep games this year and I want to send a big thank you to all the kids, parents, and coaches for making this year's football season a memorable one.

As if the round robin isn't enough, the Prep champion Bees have a showdown with the fierce Locusts. Both of these teams are amazing to watch and they are very dedicated to teamwork and good sportsmanship. Even though the Bees clinched the championship doesn't mean the Locusts won't battle them to the end. The Locusts are headed by coaches William McClure, Steve Martin, and Tom O'Brien while Kareem Adewole and Adam McClure take leadership on the field. The Locusts are probably one of the most strategic teams and the coaches made sure the team fully understood the game. They are very well organized and work well as a team. Not one player stands above the rest. Their lineup shows how well balanced the team really is. Their lineup starts with Enrico Scott at left wide receiver and cornerback, Max Glassner at left tackle and defensive guard, Francisco Arias at left guard and defensive end, Aaron Medina at center and defensive guard, Joshua Stull at right guard and defensive tackle, Bernie O'Brien at right tackle and defensive tackle, Kareem Adewole at tight end and middle linebacker, Ross Uhler at running back and outside linebacker, Adam McClure at quarterback and cornerback, Jonathan De Jesus at running back and defensive end, and Kyle Potter at running back and outside linebacker. Amicar Morales also plays center and defensive guard while Leonardo Rojas plays wide receiver and cornerback. The Locusts' highly capable offense runs out of the wishbone formation and they are most successful with a fullback dive or a halfback wham. Jonathan De Jesus, Ross Uhler, Kyle Potter, and Francisco Arias all take turns running the ball because they all possess power, speed, and slashing capabilities. Because of all their options on offense no one person scores the majority of the points. Everyone contributes in one way or the other. Bernie O'Brien and Josh Stull lead the offensive line and clear big holes for the Locusts backs. When not running offense, the Locusts are busy stopping the run on defense. They owe this advantage to their two defensive ends. The Locusts always give 100% on the field and have great sportsmanship, if they keep that up come Thursday they could be the first team to topple the mighty Bees.

The last team to talk about is the cream of the crop, the Bees. The Bees have been undefeated all year and that's largely thanks to coaches Dan McCarthy and Tim Flaherty. These two coaches trained their players to play their hardest at all times and never give up. Many teams have come close to defeating them, but their ability to stick together and make plays happen put them on top. The Bees have an explosive offense and commanding defense. Leading the pack is Jake Poliszczuk at left wide receiver, Marty Cooney at left tackle, Paul Espiritu at left guard, Gary Dickerson at center, Gabriel McDonagh at right guard, Andre Morsy at right tackle, Sam Hobert at tight end, Zack Wright at right wide receiver, Sean McCarthy at quarterback, Tommy Kane at running back, Patrick O'Connell at tailback, Donnie Butzen at running back, and John Gonzalez at left tackle. The Bees are devastating when they run out of the shotgun, especially when they throw their patent screen play. One major advantage the Bees have over their opponents is their ability to pass the ball. Because they can throw on any play it allows their running game to kick into high gear. Tommy Kane hits all his holes clearly and Patrick O'Connell is great at breaking tackles. When the Bees have to go deep quarterback Sean McCarthy usually looks for Zach Wright because of his great speed and hands. Sam "The Beast" Hobert tears it up on the defensive line. The ball carrier doesn't have time to look for a clear path because Sam usually meets them right around the line of scrimmage. Even if they do get by Sam he has all his teammates backing him up who are all capable of laying down a hit. The Bees are very proud of their winning season and hope to keep it that way after the Turkey Bowl.

Once again I'd like to thank everyone for making this years football season a great one. I had a lot of fun and I hope everyone else did too!

SENIOR ANGELS vs. PUMAS

FIELD 1 - 10:30 AM

By Julie Dakers

We have all eagerly anticipated Thanksgiving Day. The Senior league is the first girl's league to come all the way through the ranks; from the Pebble league to young women they are today. It is kind of scary to think that I have watched these girls grow along the way, and many of them are now becoming leaders and taking placement tests for high school. I could say that it makes me feel kind of old, but instead as I myself reach new mile stones, will say that this makes me feel privileged. I am privileged that each values the club enough to come back year after year and these girls have set the precedent for the Pebbles and the Juniors below them, and all those yet to come.

It is almost inevitable that the weather will be the coldest of the year on the evening of the pep rally. Just the same, it is guaranteed that NBGC will produce massive amounts of hot chocolate (often mistaken for dark colored water), and more donuts than any child could ever imagine. The alums that come back to ref and watch, all the parents helping to serve the colored water, this is only part of what makes an NBGC Thanksgiving all that it is. It takes a lot from everyone, but I would especially like to thank the coaches who are there weekend and week out. From the laughs and giggles to the bickering and attitudes that they encounter, we really couldn't do it without them. So thank you to Glenn Stahl; from the Pumas, who has been around this place so long, that he can't even tell how long, because he ran out of fingers and toes to count on, a very long time ago! Thank you to Nina Kanoon, who went from mentoring all of the girls as a leader and team member, and has now gone on to become the Pumas assistant coach. Thank you to David Parks, from the Aliens, who jumped on at the last minute to help start the season. Thank you to Stacie Finlay and Kim Pawlowski, from the Wildcats, friends of mine who love me so much-they just have to love the club along with me!

The first game of the day is a face off between the Pumas and the Angels. Each of these teams has the advantage of years of experience playing together. Some of these girls have played together for over three years. A few girls have been added here and there, but even the teams' coaches have remained the same. The starting lineups for the squads are as follows; for the Angels we have Kiara Soto at midfield, Roxanna Mendoza at midfield, Raquel Flores at defense, Rodnesha Stephens at defense, Diana Uriostegui at forward, Ashleigh Lewandowski at forward, and starting as goalie is Vanessa Yanes. Coming in for the Angels, playing both Defense and midfield will be Kathi Jensen. The Angels squad has worked very hard throughout this season. The team feels that with Roxanna's power kick, and with Kiara's dribbling abilities that they are really going to give the Pumas a workout. Without giving away any of the teams secret plays, Tracy let me in on a few of the team's strengths. "As long as the girls remember to pass the ball, we should have no problems." While it may sound simple enough, the key to every one of the Angels' wins seems to be, how effective they are at playing as a team. This is by no means a one woman show. Rodnesha is one of the newest members to the Angels squad and has been a great asset to the team. The strongest scorers for the team this season have been Diana and Raquel. But offense is only half the game. If Ashleigh continues to work the way she has, and with Kathi and Vanessa on defense, the Angels really expect to show the Pumas whose number one. After this season of hard work, the Angels really can say they are number one, for they are the Senior League 2002 Soccer Champs.

The Pumas will not rest easy by any means. Speed has definitely been their key to success this season. Their starters on Turkey Day will be Lauren Corso and Alex Randle at midfield, Sophia Kanoon and Jasmine Anza at defense, Jessica Romero and Laura Mancilla at defense, and Sloban Stahl at goalie. Substituting in will be Samra Pecanin at defense, Ileana Little at forward, and Katie Butzen at goalie. The Pumas have really mastered a special play this season in which their goalie comes out of the goal. No defense seems to quite be able to adjust to it, this very creative way of giving the team extra power on offense at specific points throughout the game. Jessica has been one of the team's power scorers, but she never does it without some great assists from her teammates. A lot of those assists come from Alex and Sloban, who no matter how tired they always manage to hustle. Jasmine has come along way this season improving her ability to handle the ball and her drive to hustle. The team has really been plagued with team member conflicts this season, but they have really shown that they can still hang with the rest even if they only have 5 or 6 girls at a game. With Ileana's fancy feet and this team's determination, Coach Nina feels that "we expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because our team is determined and strong, and puts 110% effort into each and every game. I could not agree with her more."

Despite the standings prior to Thanksgiving, something tells me that these teams don't care anything about that. All that matters for these Pumas and the Angels, both packed full of spirit and pride, is knowing that they played their hardest on Thanksgiving Day. I have no doubt in my mind that they will do exactly that.

TRIBE BEES vs. LOCUSTS

FIELD 2 - 10:30 AM

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The final game of the day on the Tribe field has one of the oldest rivalries in the club facing off between the Locust and the Bees. The reason why this is a huge rivalry is because the majority of the kids playing on these teams go to the same grade school. The Bees had a slow first half but got things moving swiftly in the second half and even had a chance at the second half championship. The Bees have a very big defense and are very aggressive. the offense for the Bees is very mix it up it can go run or pass on any down. The Locust also have a good hard hitting defense that makes sure they tackle as a team. That is one thing the Locust of this year live by. The Locusts offense is very unique in which they run the wishbone with three powerful runningbacks. This one will be a game to watch!

The Locusts have had a pretty good season this year. They have had a lot of the same guys and are starting to actually get used to it. The Locusts have a very strong defense and are very consistent. The Locusts offense is a very unique offense for a gradeschool football league, they use the wishbone offense which you don't usually see until the college years. The Locusts are coached by William McClure and Gene Sikora who are two great coaches who put a lot of hard work and dedication into coaching. The Locusts two captains are Sean Stahl and Scott Krier. Both of the captains have played here for a number of years and are great examples of what a captain should be. The Locusts starting lineup includes: Derek Hearn at left wide receiver and cornerback, Syed Kalam at left tackle and defensive tackle, George James at left guard and defensive guard, Jimmy Lauletta at center and defensive guard, Nelson Rosario at right guard and middle linebacker, Sean Stahl at right tackle and defensive end, Torin Hopkins at tight end and defensive tackle, Chris Brundige at runningback and outside linebacker, Scott Krier at quarterback and cornerback, Eric McClure at runningback and defensive end, and Bill Miller at running back and outside linebacker. The other players for the Locusts include: David Miranda at offensive and defensive tackle, Richard Sikora at wide receiver and cornerback, Vince Millwood at center and defensive guard, Patrick McCarthy at offensive guard and defensive guard, and Jonathan Rodriguez at tight end and defensive end. The Locusts run most of their offensive plays out of the wishbone formation. Coach McClure feels that the most successful play has been anytime that Chris Brundige has the ball with little amount of time remaining. Chris Brundige is a slashing speedy runner and Bill Miller and Eric McClure were solid grind it out power runners. When it comes time for the Locusts to move the ball downfield through the air it usually comes from the arm of Scott Krier or Bill Miller. The usual receivers for the Locust include Derek Hearn who has good hands and runs disciplined routes and Nelson Rosario who has enough speed for the whole team. Chris Brundige was leader in touchdowns this year for the Locust and the Locust were happy to have him running for them. When it comes time for the Locust to kick the ball Nelson Rosario handles all of the kicking responsibilities. Coach McClure felt that his strength in his team came from his defense making sure that everyone got their pants dirty and were in on every tackle. The most improved players for the Locusts have been Bill Miller with his explosive tackles, Chris Brundige for his work on both sides of the ball, and Torin Hopkins who became the PAT kicker due to his hard work. Coach McClure was very pleased with his team this year because his team tried everything he asked them to do and he could not expect more. The Locust feel that they are going to win on Thanksgiving Day because they feel that they are due for a win.

The Bees have had a pretty successful season thus far. They have played great as a team all year and have molded together well. The Bees even had a chance to win the second half championship but couldn't surpass the defending champion Spartans. The Bees have a very solid defense that is led by the two captains of the Bees and they are P.J. Valladares and Michael O' Connell both of which are very hard hitting aggressors. The Bees are coached by Tara Flaherty, Dennis McNally and Curt Annis, who have done an amazing job with this football team. The usual starting lineup for the Bees includes: Michael Nurnberg at left wide receiver and cornerback, Ross Anaya at left tackle and left tackle on defense, Michael O' Connell at left guard and middle linebacker, Mitchell Annis at center and cornerback, P.J. Valladares at right guard and the other middle linebacker, Michael Cassidy at right tackle and right tackle on defense, Nick Haderlein at tight end and outside linebacker, Jacob Schaper at right wide receiver and safety, Dylan Gschwind at quarterback and strong safety, Matt Nowack at runningback and outside linebacker, and Joey Dickerson at runningback and outside linebacker. The usual subs for the Bees include: Adrian Brown at right tackle and right tackle, Tim Brown at left tackle on both sides of the ball, and Michael Nierman at wide receiver and cornerback. The Bees have a very well rounded offense in which they both pass the ball and run the ball. The offense for the Bees usually runs out of the wing formation and the power I formation. The most successful play for the Bees have been a double wide set with heavy back Michael O' Connell in the backfield looking downfield for a pass. The usual runners that carry the ball for the Bees are Matt Nowack who is very shifty and Joey Dickerson who is great at absorbing hits and is hard to bring down. When Michael O' Connell is in the backfield this usually means that the Bees are dropping back to pass and the usual receivers that's he is looking for is P.J. Valladares, and Matt Nowack both of which are very fast and have good hands. Matt Nowack and Michael O' Connell are the two players that led the Bees in touchdowns scored along with extra points. When it comes time for the Bees to punt the ball or kick it off they usually call upon Michael O' Connell to boot the ball downfield. The Bees have a very tough front line on both sides of the ball due to all the hard work put in by them. The linemen for the Bees include Ross Anaya, Michael Cassidy, Tim Brown, Adrian Brown, P.J. Valladares, Mitchell Annis and Nick Haderlein. When asking the coaches of the Bees what they thought their strengths are they said that their offense is the most unpredictable and their defense has the best well rounded tacklers. The Bees also felt that Michael Cassidy and Michael Nurnberg have made the most improvement over this season. The Bees also felt that the Falcons was their toughest team to face because they have a great team speed and they are the hardest hitting. The Bees believe that they are going to win on Thanksgiving because they have yet to play their best game and they are saving the best for last. This should be an interesting matchup between the Bees and the Locusts, this will also give bragging rights for a while at some of the area schools.



CADET FALCONS VS. COUGARS

FIELD 3 - 10:30 AM

By Carlos Mendoza

The Cougars play against the Falcons on Thanksgiving Day. The last time both teams met the Cougars lost. The Cougar team was missing some key players and it didn't help that their coach wasn't there. The Cougar team expects to win on Turkey Bowl Day because, "We have played too hard the whole season, not to win." The last game these two teams met ended in a Cougar defeat. The Falcons outscored and out hustled the Cougars. Both teams have grown a rivalry and the outcome of the game should come down to the last minute. The Falcons believe that they will win on Turkey bowl day for a couple of reasons. They believe they will be victorious because, "We got tough kids and smart players. We got a strong defense and an explosive offense," enough said!

The Cadet Falcon team has improved immensely from their first preseason games. They along with the rest of the league had no idea who the person next to them were, when they started the season. It was their first year that the children have seen and played with each other. This all changed throughout the season, soon the players formed a close bond with the team. The result was the Falcon players were always present at the games and practices. They had among the best attendance in the league. Helping the children acquire the close bonds that they had among one another and teaching them the fundamentals of football were coaches Ned Thoma, Joann Cihak-Thoma, and Joey Cihak. Captain Andres Nicodermus, and co-captain Steven Ramirez lead the Falcon team. Their favorite formation is the I-formation. The most successful plays that the Falcons run are handoff plays. Teams better watch out for the statue of liberty and double reverse plays. The quarterback duties switch off between Adam Thoma and Christian Cazares. They handle most of the passing and handoff duties. The quarterbacks love to give the ball to their running backs Gilbert Juarez and Nick Klenck. Nick Klenck is a very shifty runner and is quick on his feet. Gilbert is quick when he turns it up the field. When the Falcons put the ball in the air, the usual receivers are Adam Thoma, Christian Cazares, and Nick Klenck. Protecting the quarterback this year from sacks were the Falcon linemen Mark Morgan, Alex Alvarez, Andy Nicodermus, Gabriel Parra, and Steven Ramirez. The punting and kicking duties are given to Gabriel Parra, Adam Thoma, Nick Klenck or Christian Cazares. When the Falcons are on defense they look to their big men to make a play in the line. Playing on the line for defense is Emilio Avelar, Javier Lozano and Jaime Delgado. On offense, Mark Morgan and Alex Alvarez are a force to be reckoned with, they have been known to block two defenders. On defense, Andy Nicodermus needs to players to block him from getting the quarterback. The falcon strength this year on offense has been their running play. On defense, their strong defensive line has plowed through the opponent's line with no trouble. Andy Nicodermus is the most improved player from the Falcon team. He started the season playing very timid and later developed into an unstoppable defensive lineman. The Falcon team believed that all of the teams were their toughest opponents. (continued on page 8)



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FIELD 2 - 10:30 AM

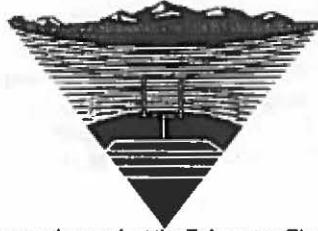
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The Locusts have had a pretty good season this year. They have had a lot of the same guys and are starting to actually get used to it. The Locusts have a very strong defense and are very consistent. The Locusts offense is a very unique offense for a gradeschool football league, they use the wishbone offense which you don't usually see until the college years. The Locusts are coached by William McClure and Gene Sikora who are two great coaches who put a lot of hard work and dedication into coaching. The Locusts two captains are Sean Stahl and Scott Krier. Both of the captains have played here for a number of years and are great examples of what a captain should be. The Locusts starting lineup includes: Derek Hearn at left wide receiver and cornerback, Syed Kalam at left tackle and defensive tackle, George James at left guard and defensive guard, Jimmy Lauletta at center and defensive guard, Nelson Rosario at right guard and middle linebacker, Sean Stahl at right tackle and defensive end, Torin Hopkins at tight end and defensive tackle, Chris Brundige at runningback and outside linebacker, Scott Krier at quarterback and cornerback, Eric McClure at runningback and defensive end, and Bill Miller at running back and outside linebacker. The other players for the Locusts include: David Miranda at offensive and defensive tackle, Richard Sikora at wide receiver and cornerback, Vince Millwood at center and defensive guard, Patrick McCarthy at offensive guard and defensive guard, and Jonathan Rodriguez at tight end and defensive end. The Locusts run most of their offensive plays out of the wishbone formation. Coach McClure feels that the most successful play has been anytime that Chris Brundige has the ball with little amount of time remaining. Chris Brundige is a slashing speedy runner and Bill Miller and Eric McClure were solid grind it out power runners. When it comes time for the Locusts to move the ball downfield through the air it usually comes from the arm of Scott Krier or Bill Miller. The usual receivers for the Locust include Derek Hearn who has good hands and runs disciplined routes and Nelson Rosario who has enough speed for the whole team. Chris Brundige was leader in touchdowns this year for the Locust and the Locust were happy to have him running for them. When it come time for the Locust to kick the ball Nelson Rosario handles all of the kicking responsibilities. Coach McClure felt that his strength in his team came from his defense making sure that everyone got their pants dirty and were in on every tackle. The most improved players for the Locusts have been Bill Miller with his explosive tackles, Chris Brundige for his work on both sides of the ball, and Torin Hopkins who became the PAT kicker due to his hard work. Coach McClure was very pleased with his team this year because his team tried everything he asked them to do and he could not expect more. The Locust feel that they are going to win on Thanksgiving Day because they feel that they are due for a win.

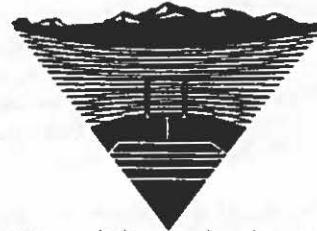
The Bees have had a pretty successful season thus far. They have played great as a team all year and have molded together well. The Bees even had a chance to win the second half championship but couldn't surpass the defending champion Spartans. The Bees have a very solid defense that is led by the two captains of the Bees and they are P.J. Valladares and Michael O' Connell both of which are very hard hitting aggressors. The Bees are coached by Tara Flaherty, Dennis McNally and Curt Annis, who have done an amazing job with this football team. The usual starting lineup for the Bees includes: Michael Nurnberg at left wide receiver and cornerback, Ross Anaya at left tackle and left tackle on defense, Michael O' Connell at left guard and middle linebacker, Mitchell Annis at center and cornerback, P. J. Valladares at right guard and the other middle linebacker, Michael Cassidy at right tackle and right tackle on defense, Nick Haderlein at tight end and outside linebacker, Jacob Schaper at right wide receiver and safety, Dylan Gschwind at quarterback and strong safety, Matt Nowack at runningback and outside linebacker, and Joey Dickerson at runningback and outside linebacker. The usual subs for the Bees include: Adrian Brown at right tackle and right tackle, Tim Brown at left tackle on both sides of the ball, and Michael Nierman at wide receiver and cornerback. The Bees have a very well rounded offense in which they both pass the ball and run the ball. The offense for the Bees usually runs out of the wing formation and the power formation. The most successful play for the Bees have been a double wide set with heavy back Michael O' Connell in the backfield looking downfield for a pass. The usual runners that carry the ball for the Bees are Matt Nowack who is very shifty and Joey Dickerson who is great at absorbing hits and is hard to bring down. When Michael O' Connell is in the backfield this usually means that the Bees are dropping back to pass and the usual receivers that's he is looking for is P.J. Valladares, and Matt Nowack both of which are very fast and have good hands. Matt Nowack and Michael O' Connell are the two players that led the Bees in touchdowns scored along with extra points. When it comes time for the Bees to punt the ball or kick it off they usually call upon Michael O' Connell to boot the ball downfield. The Bees have a very tough front line on both sides of the ball due to all the hard work put in by them. The linemen for the Bees include Ross Anaya, Michael Cassidy, Tim Brown, Adrian Brown, P.J. Valladares, Mitchell Annis and Nick Haderlein. When asking the coaches of the Bees what they thought their strengths are they said that their offense is the most unpredictable and their defense has the best well rounded tacklers. The Bees also felt that Michael Cassidy and Michael Nurnberg have made the most improvement over this season. The Bees also felt that the Falcons was their toughest team to face because they have a great team speed and they are the hardest hitting. The Bees believe that they are going to win on Thanksgiving because they have yet to play their best game and they are saving the best for last. This should be an interesting matchup between the Bees and the Locusts, this will also give bragging rights for a while at some of the area schools.



CADET FALCONS VS. COUGARS

FIELD 3 - 10:30 AM

By Carlos Mendoza



The Cougars play against the Falcons on Thanksgiving Day. The last time both teams met the Cougars lost. The Cougar team was missing some key players and it didn't help that their coach wasn't there. The Cougar team expects to win on Turkey Bowl Day because, "We have played too hard the whole season, not to win." The last game these two teams met ended in a Cougar defeat. The Falcons outscored and out hustled the Cougars. Both teams have grown a rivalry and the outcome of the game should come down to the last minute. The Falcons believe that they will win on Turkey bowl day for a couple of reasons. They believe they will be victorious because, "We got tough kids and smart players. We got a strong defense and an explosive offense," enough said!

The Cadet Falcon team has improved immensely from their first preseason games. They along with the rest of the league had no idea who the person next to them were, when they started the season. It was their first year that the children have seen and played with each other. This all changed throughout the season, soon the players formed a close bond with the team. The result was the Falcon players were always present at the games and practices. They had among the best attendance in the league. Helping the children acquire the close bonds that they had among one another and teaching them the fundamentals of football were coaches Ned Thoma, Joann Cihak-Thoma, and Joey Cihak. Captain Andres Nicodermus, and co-captain Steven Ramirez lead the Falcon team. Their favorite formation is the I-formation. The most successful plays that the Falcons run are handoff plays. Teams better watch out for the statue of liberty and double reverse plays. The quarterback duties switch off between Adam Thoma and Christian Cazares. They handle most of the passing and handoff duties. The quarterbacks love to give the ball to their running backs Gilbert Juarez and Nick Klenck. Nick Klenck is a very shifty runner and is quick on his feet. Gilbert is quick when he turns it up the field. When the Falcons put the ball in the air, the usual receivers are Adam Thoma, Christian Cazares, and Nick Klenck. Protecting the quarterback this year from sacks were the Falcon linemen Mark Morgan, Alex Alvarez, Andy Nicodermus, Gabriel Parra, and Steven Ramirez. The punting and kicking duties are given to Gabriel Parra, Adam Thoma, Nick Klenck or Christian Cazares. When the Falcons are on defense they look to their big men to make a play in the line. Playing on the line for defense is Emilio Avelar, Javier Lozano and Jaime Delgado. On offense, Mark Morgan and Alex Alvarez are a force to be reckoned with, they have been known to block two defenders. On defense, Andy Nicodermus needs to players to block him from getting the quarterback. The falcon strength this year on offense has been their running play. On defense, their strong defensive line has plowed through the opponent's line with no trouble. Andy Nicodermus is the most improved player from the Falcon team. He started the season playing very timid and later developed into an unstoppable defensive lineman. The Falcon team believed that all of the teams were their toughest opponents. (continued on page 8)

PREP BEES vs. LOCUSTS

FIELD 3 - 9:15 AM

By Dan Ward

Nov. 28, 2002

Thanksgiving day will be a day of great joy, good food, and football madness at the Neighborhood Boys and Girls club. Everyone has worked so hard all year and Thanksgiving will be the culmination of those accomplishments. I am proud to say that all the Prep teams have tried their hardest and made a successful conversion from flag to tackle football. It was great to see all the teams having fun, yet playing a serious game of football. I was honored to ref all the Prep games this year and I want to send a big thank you to all the kids, parents, and coaches for making this year's football season a memorable one.

As if the round robin isn't enough, the Prep champion Bees have a showdown with the fierce Locusts. Both of these teams are amazing to watch and they are very dedicated to teamwork and good sportsmanship. Even though the Bees clinched the championship doesn't mean the Locusts won't battle them to the end. The Locusts are headed by coaches William McClure, Steve Martin, and Tom O'Brien while Kareem Adewole and Adam McClure take leadership on the field. The Locusts are probably one of the most strategic teams and the coaches made sure the team fully understood the game. They are very well organized and work well as a team. Not one player stands above the rest. Their lineup shows how well balanced the team really is. Their lineup starts with Enrico Scott at left wide receiver and cornerback, Max Glassner at left tackle and defensive guard, Francisco Arias at left guard and defensive end, Aaron Medina at center and defensive guard, Joshua Stull at right guard and defensive tackle, Bernie O'Brien at right tackle and defensive tackle, Kareem Adewole at tight end and middle linebacker, Ross Uhler at running back and outside linebacker, Adam McClure at quarterback and cornerback, Jonathan De Jesus at running back and defensive end, and Kyle Potter at running back and outside linebacker. Amicar Morales also plays center and defensive guard while Leonardo Rojas plays wide receiver and cornerback. The Locusts' highly capable offense runs out of the wishbone formation and they are most successful with a fullback dive or a halfback wham. Jonathan De Jesus, Ross Uhler, Kyle Potter, and Francisco Arias all take turns running the ball because they all possess power, speed, and slashing capabilities. Because of all their options on offense no one person scores the majority of the points. Everyone contributes in one way or the other. Bernie O'Brien and Josh Stull lead the offensive line and clear big holes for the Locusts backs. When not running on offense, the Locusts are busy stopping the run on defense. They owe this advantage to their two defensive ends. The Locusts always give 100% on the field and have great sportsmanship, if they keep that up come Thursday they could be the first team to topple the mighty Bees.

The last team to talk about is the cream of the crop, the Bees. The Bees have been undefeated all year and that's largely thanks to coaches Dan McCarthy and Tim Flaherty. These two coaches trained their players to play their hardest at all times and never give up. Many teams have come close to defeating them, but their ability to stick together and make plays happen put them on top. The Bees have an explosive offense and commanding defense. Leading the pack is Jake Poliszczuk at left wide receiver, Marty Cooney at left tackle, Paul Espiritu at left guard, Gary Dickerson at center, Gabriel McDonagh at right guard, Andre Morsy at right tackle, Sam Hobert at tight end, Zack Wright at right wide receiver, Sean McCarthy at quarterback, Tommy Kane at running back, Patrick O'Connell at tailback, Donnie Butzen at running back, and John Gonzalez at left tackle. The Bees are devastating when they run out of the shotgun, especially when they throw their patent screen play. One major advantage the Bees have over their opponents is their ability to pass the ball. Because they can throw on any play it allows their running game to kick into high gear. Tommy Kane hits all his holes clearly and Patrick O'Connell is great at breaking tackles. When the Bees have to go deep quarterback Sean McCarthy usually looks for Zach Wright because of his great speed and hands. Sam 'The Beast' Hobert tears it up on the defensive line. The ball carrier doesn't have time to look for a clear path because Sam usually meets them right around the line of scrimmage. Even if they do get by Sam he has all his teammates backing him up who are all capable of laying down a hit. The Bees are very proud of their winning season and hope to keep it that way after the Turkey Bowl.

Once again I'd like to thank everyone for making this years football season a great one. I had a lot of fun and I hope everyone else did too!

SENIOR ANGELS vs. PUMAS

FIELD 1 - 10:30 AM

By Julie Dakers

We have all eagerly anticipated Thanksgiving Day. The Senior league is the first girl's league to come all the way through the ranks; from the Pebble league to young women they are today. It is kind of scary to think that I have watched these girls grow along the way, and many of them are now becoming leaders and taking placement tests for high school. I could say that it makes me feel kind of old, but instead as I myself reach new mile stones, will say that this makes me feel privileged. I am privileged that each values the club enough to come back year after year and these girls have set the precedent for the Pebbles and the Juniors below them, and all those yet to come.

It is almost inevitable that the weather will be the coldest of the year on the evening of the pep rally. Just the same, it is guaranteed that NBGC will produce massive amounts of hot chocolate (often mistaken for dark colored water), and more donuts than any child could ever imagine. The alums that come back to ref and watch, all the parents helping to serve the colored water, this is only part of what makes an NBGC Thanksgiving all that it is. It takes a lot from everyone, but I would especially like to thank the coaches who are there weekend and week out. From the laughs and giggles to the bickering and attitudes that they encounter, we really couldn't do it without them. So thank you to Glenn Stahl; from the Pumas, who has been around this place so long, that he can't even tell how long, because he ran out of fingers and toes to count on, a very long time ago! Thank you to Nina Kanoon, who went from mentoring all of the girls as a leader and team member, and has now gone on to become the Pumas assistant coach. Thank you to David Parks, from the Aliens, who jumped on at the last minute to help start the season. Thank you to Stacie Finlay and Kim Pawlowski, from the Wildcats, friends of mine who love me so much-they just have to love the club along with me!

The first game of the day is a face off between the Pumas and the Angels. Each of these teams has the advantage of years of experience playing together. Some of these girls have played together for over three years. A few girls have been added here and there, but even the teams' coaches have remained the same. The starting lineups for the squads are as follows; for the Angels we have Klara Soto at midfield, Roxanna Mendoza at midfield, Raquel Flores at defense, Rodnesha Stephens at defense, Diana Urlostegeui at forward, Ashleigh Lewandowski at forward, and starting as goalie is Vanessa Yanea. Coming in for the Angels, playing both Defense and midfield will be Kathi Jensen. The Angels squad has worked very hard throughout this season. The team feels that with Roxanna's power kick, and with Klara's dribbling abilities that they are really going to give the Pumas a workout. Without giving away any of the teams secret plays, Tracy let me in on a few of the team's strengths. "As long as the girls remember to pass the ball, we should have no problems." While it may sound simple enough, the key to every one of the Angels' wins seems to be, how effective they are at playing as a team. This is by no means a one woman show. Rodnesha is one of the newest members to the Angels squad and has been a great asset to the team. The strongest scorers for the team this season have been Diana and Raquel. But offense is only half the game. If Ashleigh continues to work the way she has, and with Kathi and Vanessa on defense, the Angels really expect to show the Pumas whose number one. After this season of hard work, the Angels really can say they are number one, for they are the Senior League 2002 Soccer Champs.

The Pumas will not rest easy by any means. Speed has definitely been their key to success this season. Their starters on Turkey Day will be Lauren Corso and Alex Randle at midfield, Sophia Kanoon and Jasmine Anza at defense, Jessica Romero and Laura Mancilla at defense, and Sloban Stahl at goalie. Substituting in will be Samra Pecanin at defense, Ileana Little at forward, and Katie Butzen at goalie. The Pumas have really mastered a special play this season in which their goalie comes out of the goal. No defense seems to quite be able to adjust to it, this very creative way of giving the team extra power on offense at specific points throughout the game. Jessica has been one of the team's power scorers, but she never does it without some great assists from her teammates. A lot of those assists come from Alex and Sloban, who no matter how tired they always manage to hustle. Jasmine has come along way this season improving her ability to handle the ball and her drive to hustle. The team has really been plagued with team member conflicts this season, but they have really shown that they can still hang with the rest even if they only have 5 or 6 girls at a game. With Ileana's fancy feet and this team's determination, Coach Nina feels that "we expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because our team is determined and strong, and puts 110% effort into each and every game. I could not agree with her more."

Despite the standings prior to Thanksgiving, something tells me that these teams don't care anything about that. All that matters for these Pumas and the Angels, both packed full of spirit and pride, is knowing that they played their hardest on Thanksgiving Day. I have no doubt in my mind that they will do exactly that.

2002 NBGC ALL-AMERICANS

Nov. 28, 2002

TURKEY TOSS RESULTS

The players listed below have been honored by their teammates and league coaches as All-Americans. They were selected based upon more than just skill. More important were the qualities of Leadership, Dependability, Commitment and Sportsmanship. An All-American will always give the team his best effort and will set a positive example for his teammates. Congratulations to all of you for your contribution to your team and to the Boys & Girls Club.

NBGC FOOTBALL ALL-AMERICANSCADET ALL-AMERICANSPREP ALL-AMERICANSTRIBE ALL-AMERICANS

Falcons: Andy Nicodemus, Nick Klenck, Alex Johnson, Christian Cazares, Adam Thoma

Spartans: Erik Perez, Johnny Lebron, Christian Soto, Martin Gibbons, Jacob Campbell

Cougars: Jack Ryan, Charlie Wright, John Anthony Dickerson, Alex Arias, Michael Scott

Locusts: Jack Dolan, Charlie Regalado, Alex Gabbard-Sheehan, Conner Prokaski, Alan Oskinski

Spartans: Timmy Jensen, Matthew Metry, Rodney Stephens, Michael Fernandez, Miguel Olivo Jr.

Locusts: Kareem Adewole, Kyle Potter, Francisco Arias

Bees: Tommy Kane, Gary Dickerson, Sean McCarthy

Cougars: Zack Johnson, Michael Van Den Bosch, Alex Rodriguez

Eagles: Leo Jasso, Dylan Hicks, Darian Garcia

Wildcats: Michael O' Connell, Ross Anaya, Matt Nowack, Nick Haderlein, and P.J. Valladares

Bobcats: William Ortiz, Julio Sanchez, Joseph Guiragossian, Antolino Contreras, and Carlos Olivero

Eagles: Eric Medrano, Matt Harder, Jairo Clara, Kyle Garcia, and Valente Contreras

Falcons: Ismael Lozano, Brian Wasilk, Jean-Luc Williams (TT), David Juarez, and Mitchell Arce

Locusts: Chris Brundidge, Sean Stahl, Scott Krier, Nelson Rosario, and Bill Miller

Spartans: Danny Mazon, Eddie Ortiz, Michael Abernathy, Mike Claudio, and Bobbie Miller.

NBGC SOCCER ALL-AMERICANSPEBBLE ALL-AMERICANS

Wildcats: Jacqueline Rodriguez, Mary Guiragossian, Jocelyn Rasmijn, Samantha Rivera, Morgan Prinn

Twisters: Gabriela Rodriguez, Nichol Phillips, Rosana Mulchrone, Jocelyn Parks, Vivian Moreno

Angels: Adriana Medina, Erika Perez, Abigail Thompson, Angella Starr, Fatima Rodriguez

JUNIOR ALL-AMERICANS

Angels: Alexandra Mendoza, Kelly Luna, Colleen Prendergast, Vallarie Perez, Anais Cruz

Aliens: Jessica Klenck, Grace Geremias, Yesenia Valadez, Caitlin Ramirez, and Ashley Seeger

Twisters: Haley Dempsey, Andrea Short, Monica Hurtado, Connie Nadrade, Jessica Anestberger

Pumas: Severa Ziegler, Erin Scheffler, Michelle Weber, Erica Arce, Sky Cubacub

SENIOR ALL-AMERICANS

Aliens: Samantha Garcia, Estefani Ceron, Claudia Garcia, Anna Parks, Krystal Starr

Angels: Ashleigh Lewandowski, Diana Uriostegui, Kathi Jensen, Kiara Solo, Vanessa Yanes

Pumas: Sioban Stahl, Lauren Corso, Laura Mancilla, Sophia Kanoon, Alex Randle

Wildcats: Amanda Kane, Alison Luna, Esther Poswal, Vicky James, Anne Gallery

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLING TRIP

Spread the holiday cheer on Saturday, December 21st! All NBGC Families and Friends have been invited by the Lincoln Square Chamber of Commerce to sing joyful songs for the holiday shoppers. Other stops may be planned but we need a volunteer coordinator to help facilitate the event. A bus or volunteer drivers with vans would be appreciated. A practice will be held at the clubhouse on Fri. Dec. 20th at 5:00. Anyone interested in joining us on Saturday can meet at the clubhouse at 3:15 or at Giddings Plaza at 3:45. Please complete a permission slip located at the NBGC Counter.



We had a great turnout of 102 teams - 4 more than last year - for the annual Parent & Son/Daughter Turkey Toss. Teams of parents and sons/daughters took turns tossing darts at paper turkey targets. There were some excellent scores, but most importantly there was a lot of parent & child fun. The winners are listed below. First and second in each age group received a turkey (one per family) for Thanksgiving dinner, and certificates were awarded for 3rd. Congratulations to the winners and to everyone who participated.

Discovery	Child	Adult	Points	Turkey*
1st	Ricardo Uriostegui	Maribel Uriostegui	12	Turkey
2nd	Julisa Hernandez	Hector Hernandez	10	Turkey
3rd	Aric Werstein	Candice Werstein	5	Certif.
 Cadet	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Freddie Pagan	Lydia Pagan	24	Turkey
2nd	Joe Szczecz	Joe Szczecz	23	Turkey
3rd	John Anthony Dickerson	Tim Ward	20	Certif.
 Pebble	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Nichol Phillips	Lisa Popularum	14	Turkey
2nd	Daniela Zermenito	Cathy Schulte	10	Turkey
3rd	Denisse Herrera	Maria Herrera	9	Certif.
 Prep	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Alfredo Uriostegui	Maribel Uriostegui	26	Turkey
2nd	Zach Wright	Brian Wright	19	Turkey
3rd	Michael VanDenBosch	Tom VanDenBosch	18	Certif.
 Junior	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Jessica Klenck	Annie Klenck	11	Turkey
1st	Jenice Campbell	Cecile Baggo	11	Turkey
2nd	Ashley Camacho	Lisette Camacho	7	Certif.
 Tribe	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Zach Cohen	Hilda Contreras	18	Turkey
1st	Valente Contreras	Mary Nickels	18	Turkey
1st	Tommy Nickels	Tracy Yanes	18	Turkey
 Senior	 Child	 Adult	 Points	
1st	Elizabeth Kmet	Joann Borgert	19	Turkey
2nd	Vanessa Yanes	Tracy Yanes	17	Turkey
3rd	Rodnesha Stephens	Tracy Yanes	14	Certif.
 Teen	 Victor Ramirez	 Gerardo Ramirez	 6	 Certif.

THANKS TO THE STAFF & LEADERS

The special group who really makes this Club work - makes all activities possible - is the NBGC Staff and Leaders. They officiate your games the best they can, like you play the best you can. They keep score, teach at practices and camps, try to keep your attitude a positive one and look for ways to help you play and get along better. Without these dedicated teens and young adults there would not be an NBGC!

Thank you to Program Director Bonnie Werstein, Assistant Program Director Brian Wright, boys and girls League Directors Julie Dakers, Mary Gallery, Phil Jensen, Carlos Mendoza and Tim Ward. They are here for you and your parents every day. We would also like to thank NBGC Executive Director Jim McNulty, Director of Development Bill Abplanalp, Administrative Assistant Sharon Clement, Volunteer Assistant Gloria Goerner, YouthNet Director Kris Santiago, YouthNet Outreach Coordinator Kate Mengler, YouthNet Assistant Chris Douglas and YouthNet Outreach worker Joanna Zevallos for their support.

The Leaders deserve our biggest "THANK YOU". Their job is difficult and often under-appreciated. They have the challenge of doing a public service for which their judgment is sometimes questioned. They handle themselves with poise and confidence, realizing that their work is appreciated when the kids grow up. Thank you to Senior Leaders Andrew Gschwind, Dan Jensen, Kiersten Sullivan, Dan Ward, Kevin Ward, Candice Werstein and Jennifer Werstein, and to Junior Leaders Jasmine Anza, Troy Brundidge, Pablo Cruz, Joey Dickerson, Maria Gomez, Elliott Gschwind, Erin Gschwind, Sean Gschwind, Ashley Harris, Amber Jotzat, Jackie Klenck, Katelyn Krey, Samantha Lazzara, Jaime Mendoza, Vincent Millwood, Manny Miranda, Maggie Nickels, Marc Patino, Thalia Quinones, Anthony Scaccia, Sean Stahl, Louis Uhler, Joel Uriostegui, Julia Uriostegui,

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FLAMES BASKETBALL GAME, SAT. DEC 14TH

Want to see a College Basketball Game? Help Cheer the Flames on to VICTORY? Then join us, the trip is free! Open to all families, admission and buses will be provided by UIC Flames. Permission slips can be found at the counter, a final head count must be given by Saturday, December 7th.

PRE-SEASON BASKETBALL GAMES

Mon.	Dec.	2nd	5:15	Senior Angels vs. Pumas
			6:00	Senior Aliens vs. Twisters
Tues.	Dec.	3rd	4:00	Prep Cougars vs. Bees
			4:50	Prep Falcons vs. Locusts
			5:40	Prep Eagles vs. Pirates vs. Spartans
Wed.	Dec.	4th	5:15	Junior Wildcats vs. Twisters vs. Hurricanes
			6:05	Junior Aliens vs. Pumas vs. Angels
Thurs.	Dec.	5th	4:00	Cadet Bees vs. Wasps
			4:00	Cadet Cougars vs. Locusts
			5:00	Cadet Eagles vs. Vultures
			5:00	Cadet Falcons vs. Spartans
			6:15	Tribe Bobcats vs. Spartans
			7:00	Tribe Eagles vs. Locusts
			7:45	Tribe Falcons vs. Pirates vs. Bees
Fri.	Dec.	6th	4:00	Pebble Twisters vs. Wildcats
			5:00	Pebble Angels vs. Wizards
			6:00	Pebble Aliens vs. Comets

* If you are not sure which team you are on, call Bonnie, Brian or your League Director (Phil, Mary, Julie, Carlos, Dan or Tim).

SHIRTS & NUMBERS ARE NEEDED FOR GAMES!

Basketball players will need an NBGC team shirt with ironed on numbers for each game. Shirts must be worn starting with the first pre-season game and numbers must be in place by Sat. Dec. 7th. Shirts are being sold at practices through your League Director (Pebbles - Phil, Juniors - Mary, Seniors - Julie, Cadets - Carlos, Preps - Dan, Tribes - Tim). They cost \$7.00 and it is a good idea to have two shirts.

BASKETBALL CAPTAINS TO BE CHOSEN

Girls and boys teams will choose captains at their pre-season games starting Mon. Dec. 2nd. Football and Soccer captains and co-captains are not eligible. The captains will be listed in the next Monkeyshines and will meet the in early December.

RULES FOR USING THE REVERE GYM

Park Supervisor Terry O'Malley asks for the cooperation of our members and parents in using the Revere building and facilities. He would appreciate your compliance with the following rules:

1. Only gym shoes are allowed on the gym floor. They must be clean and dry. Try to carry your gym shoes and change downstairs.
2. When walking from NBGC to Revere, please use the sidewalk which cuts between the buildings instead of walking through the mud.
3. Players are asked not go over to the park more than 15 minutes before the start of their game or practice.
4. Everyone is asked to wait in the balcony until the current activity ends, rather than to sit or stand on the stairs, around the lobby or downstairs.
5. All of your belongings are to be kept in a locker downstairs, or by your parent or friend in the balcony. Coats, caps, clothing, etc. are not allowed in the gym or gym lobby. It is a good idea to bring a lock as NBGC and Revere will not be responsible for lost or stolen items.
6. Food, pop, candy, gum, etc. are not allowed in the gym or balcony. Noise in the balcony must be kept to a minimum. Spectators who are negative toward the officials or any team will be asked to leave.
7. Misbehavior will not be tolerated in the Fieldhouse. The park staff can have you leave the building and miss your activity if you get out of hand.
8. Please do not leave the back door of the fieldhouse open.

GIRLS SOCCER STANDINGS - continued from column two

JUNIOR	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Angels	4	0	2	5	6	0	21
Aliens	1	1	4	5	6	0	17
Twisters	1	2	3	6	6	0	17
Pumas	0	3	3	6	6	0	15

SENIOR	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Angels	4	0	2	0	6	0	16
Pumas	4	1	1	0	6	0	15
Aliens	1	4	1	0	6	1	9
Wildcats	1	5	0	0	6	1	8

BOYS FOOTBALL STANDINGSFINAL FIRST HALF

CADET	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Locusts	5	1	0	6	6	0	22
Cougars	4	2	0	6	6	0	20
Falcons	2	4	0	6	6	0	16
Spartans	1	5	0	4	6	0	12

Final Round 1

PREP	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Bees	4	0	0	4	4	0	16
Locusts	3	1	0	4	4	0	14
Spartans	1	2	1	4	4	0	11
Eagles	1	3	0	3	4	0	9
Cougars	0	3	1	4	4	0	9

Final Round 2

PREP	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Bees	4	0	0	3	4	0	15
Locusts	2	1	1	4	4	0	13
Spartans	1	1	2	4	4	0	12
Eagles	1	2	1	4	4	0	11
Cougars	0	4	0	4	4	0	8

TRIBE	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Spartans	6	0	0	6	6	0	24
Falcons	4	2	0	6	6	0	20
Bees	2	3	1	6	6	0	17
Bobcats	2	4	0	6	6	0	16
Eagles	1	3	2	6	6	0	16
Locusts	1	4	1	6	6	0	15

FINAL SECOND HALF

CADET	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Locusts	5	1	0	6	6	0	22
Falcons	2	3	1	6	6	0	17
Cougars	1	3	2	4	6	0	14
Spartans	2	3	1	2	6	0	13

Final Round 3

PREP	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Bees	4	0	0	3	4	0	15
Spartans	3	1	0	4	4	0	14
Locusts	2	2	0	4	4	0	12
Eagles	1	3	0	2	4	0	8
Cougars	0	4	0	4	4	0	8

TRIBE	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Spartans	5	1	0	6	6	0	22
Bees	4	2	0	5	6	0	19
Bobcats	4	2	0	6	5	0	19
Eagles	3	3	0	6	6	0	18
Falcons	2	4	0	6	6	0	16
Locusts	0	6	0	6	6	0	12

GIRLS SOCCER STANDINGSFINAL FIRST HALF

PEBBLE	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Twisters	7	1	0	6	8	0	28
Angels	5	3	0	5	8	0	23
Wildcats	0	8	0	7	8	0	15

JUNIOR	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Aliens	3	1	2	6	6	0	20
Twisters	3	1	2	5	6	0	19
Pumas	2	3	1	6	6	0	17
Angels	0	3	3	5	6	0	14

SENIOR	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Angels	3	1	2	1	6	0	15
Wildcats	2	0	3	0	5	0	12
Pumas	1	2	3	1	6	0	12
Aliens	0	3	2	0	5	0	7

FINAL SECOND HALF

PEBBLE	W	L	T	ATT	SPTS	FOR	PTS
Twisters	5	2	1	8	8	0	27
Angels	4	3	1	3	8	0	20
Wildcats	1	5	2	6	8	0	18

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