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## AN INDEPENDENT, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE CHICAGO BOYS \& GIRLS CLUBS



Are you scrambling to put together that special family dinner? Maybe you are planning an Easter Party, Family celebration or just want to plan ahead for Memorial Day or a graduation. Well then, let NBGC helpl/ You can make your family dinner a success with a specialty ham at a price you can't beat

For just $\$ 3.25$ a pound you can dress up your dinner table with a fully cooked defatted, spiral cut and smoked ham. This same ham will cost almost $\$ 5.00$ a pound from any store or ham company. Our hams are 12-14 and 14-16 pounds, so you can save $\$ 18$ or more!

Ham orders will be taken from March 16th through April 1st. Ham pick up and payment is on Wed. Apriil 8th from 2:00-7:00 pum at NBGC. The sale is sponsored by the NBGC Dads' Club and all proceeds go toward the childrens' programs.

Just call Mrs. Borgert at 773-348-4248 weekdays from 9:00 AM 6:00 PM, or fax it to NBGC any time at 773-463-1853. Your support is appreciated.


The NBGC Moms' Club will tum the clubhouse into an authentic Italian Restaurant for one night when they host their annual "Spaghetti Dinner" The gameroom will turn into "Little Italy" on Sat. March 28th when "Mama Gloria" Ottesen and her crew prepare a delicious family-style meal of spaghetti in sauce complete with fresh bread, a crisp salad, drink and ice cream dessert! The dinner price will be a real bargain, just $\$ 5.00$ for adults and $\$ 3.50$ for kids you can give mom a night off from cooking and you'll be supporting the girls and boys programs at the same time! Circle the date on your calendar and bring the whole family.


## hompay ege HUITT COMANG Girls \& Boys Invitedl

The annual NBGC Egg Hunt, for girls and boys 9 and under, will take place on Sat. April 11th at 10:00 AM. We'll have 2,000 candy-filled plastic eggs scattered throughout the park and plenty of nice prizes for the lucky winners. The hunt will be held rain or shine, and everyone should bring a basket or bag for collecting eggs. Tell your friends and neighbors and circle that date on your calendar!

We'll be looking for some help to make the event a success. We need some people to fill the plastic eggs with candy, to hide the eggs and supervise the hunt. If any moms or dad can help in any area, please call Jim McNulty or stop by the office. Our volunteers so far include Jovi Argumedo, Diane Wegner asd Barbara Kanoon.

## MOM \& DAD, MRE YOU A MEMBER?

We are interested in knowing which parents are members of the United Food and Commerical Workers International union. We will be asking them for a contribution, and a list of our parent members can make a difference. On our list already are Glenn Stahl, Kathy Resendiz, Diane Wegner, Vicki Cochran, Didi Kohlndorfer, John Scharenbrock and William Fairholm. If you are a member, please call or stop by the office and talk to Jim McNulty or Allen Cushing. Thanks!


DID You mass spranc sPORTS SIGN UP? LASTCHANCE ONAPRIL 25TH

Are you a victim of "Spring Fever"? You know the symptoms. You just gotta play catch, hit the ball around, practice pitching at the schoolyard. Well we have a lot of other boys just like you with the same "fever". The best remedy is to sign up for baseball!

If you missed baseball sign up you are not alone. We'll finalize our rosters after one last sign up on SAT. APRIL 25TH from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM Just bring your mom or dad, a $\$ 25.00$ uniform deposit and birth certificate. The Cadec League is for 3rd \& 4th graders born between 9-1-87 and 8-31-89. The Prep League is for 5th \& 6th graders born between 9-1-85 and 8-31-87. Games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at $4: 15 \mathrm{PM}$. There are currently 44 Cadets and 26 Preps.

If you missed $12^{\prime \prime}$ softball sign up just bring your mom or dad, and birth certificate if a new member, on Sat. April 25th. The Junior League is for 3rd-4th-5th. graders who will play slow pitch on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The Senior League is for 6th-7th-8th graders, who will play fast pitch on Mondays and Saturdays. There is no fee to join.

The Tribe Basketball League is open to 7th through 9th grade boys born between 9-1-82 and 8-31-85. There is no fee for Tribes and 59 are signed up so far. Games will be played twice a week in the late afternoon/early evening.


The regular season comes to a close in a couple of weeks, and we want to remiad everyone that floor hockey does not and with that last gamel We will have post-season play for all teams, including the championship playoffs and toumament. The games will open on Tues. March 31st and the schedule will be announced after your last regular season game.

All-Star Day takes place the week of April 13th. We'll have All-Star games for each league, as well as Parent and Son games for the Cadets, Preps and Tribes. We invite everyone to attend the games, whether playing or not.

Because our annual Egg Hunt falls on the second Sat. of April, the AllStar games are being moved to weeknights. The-Preps and Tribes will play on Tues. April_ 14th and the Caders on Thurs, April 16th us for lunch between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM.


NBGC would like to recognize the following Leaders who've earned Leader of she Month awards. Each received a certificate in recognition of their hard work, progress and dedicated efforts during the month. Congratulationsi

NBGC Leaders are members who are about 13 years old and approaching Sth grade. Boys and girls can apply by stopping by the office and talking to Jim. The Leaders have the responsibility of running the gameroom, games, practices and other activities. Although the girls and boys carn some money for their work, based on performace and effort, the real benefits of becoming a Leader are the training and potential of earning college scholarship money.

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| WEES CROWNED <br> FIRST HALL CHAMPIONS <br> By: Ricardo Solis | $\{$ |  |

This past Saturday we saw the Cadets play the final games of the first half. There were a few good games and a lot of great action by everyone especially the goalies.

At 1:15 we saw the Bobcats defeat the Pirates with a final score of 1-0. Leading the Bobcats to 5th place with this victory was Rebbic Miller with his goal late in the second period. Playing great defense for them were Micaljon Assmar, Marcelo Cervantes, Lucas \& Marco De la Rosa, Angel Delgado, David Ridgeawy, Tony Staggs, Salomon Morales and Dana Harris. Leading the way for the 6th place Pirates were Daniel Billings, Michael Garcia, James Gilbert, Salvador Orciz, Jonathan Quiles and Joel Rivera

The 2:00 game pitted the Eagles and Falcons. The final score of the game was 2-0 in favor of the 3rd place Eagles, by defeating the Falcons which finished in 4th place. The Eagles were led to victory by Mare Patine who scored their first goal in the first period, Joseph Aluise scored their final goal late in the third period to ensue their victory. Playing great "D" were Brandon Baron, Emmanuel Cervantes, Keany Kohlndorfer, Fricy Kraneis, Reid Mullin, Sean Arteaga and Dominic Aluise. Playing great for the Falcons were Eddie Boyce, Nicholas Chovanec, Andrew Elliott, Michael Kelly, Nicholas Schreiber, Raymond Torres, Bnias Waslik and Richard Abfall.

The final game of the day was the most exciting match up of the day. The Bees and Locurse faced each acher for the second cime within she past three days On the prioc game the locursc had defeated the Ree 10. to give them theic first loss of the sesson. On Saturdas, the Locusts gave them another great game and were so close on deferting them again bur the Bere acted fast, and were able to tic the game l-h Since the Bees were tro poincs ahead of the locinsts in che smadings so a win or a tie would crown chem the lst half Champs. The Locusts goal was scored by Louis Uhler early in the second period. But Tom Sliva scored late in the game for the Bees to tie the score. This game was played great on both sides of the court. Playing great for both teams included (Bees) Kevin Beck, Joseph Dickerson, Robet Govas, Sean Gschwind, Tod Hamis, Nathan Krischer, James Pctruzzi, Michael Pfest, Kyle Welsh, Brian McCoskey, (Locusts) Matt Butzen, Michael Daker, Tim Geschrey, George Kanoon, Vincent Millwood, David Mirands, Mart Powell, Matt Resendiz, Sean Srahl, Dan Wegner and Nicholas Wessel.

Just a reminder chat we are now nking sign ups for Baseball, and all boys in 3rd and 4th grade are more than welcome to sign up. YOU WMLLBE RITCHING THIS YEAR. NO MORE TEEN.

| \% | PREPS END FIRST HALF By: Tony Ramines | \% |
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The first game of the day saw the Eagles take on the Spartans. In the first period the Eagles jumped ahead as Francisco Trujillo shot one right pass the Spartans defense. This put the Eagles up 1 to 0 at the end of the first period. In the second period the roles switched as now the Spartans were on a quest. Robert Anguino lead the waya as he scored 2 goals to put the Spartans up 2 tol at the end of the second period. In the third and final period the both tearns struggled back and forth but the Stephen Capusi nailed one for the Eagles. This tied up the score 2 to 2. The Spartans reacted to this by Dennis Fisher scoring a goal to put them up. It came down to the final moments but it was Stephen Capusi for the Eagles who tied the score up. The final score was 3 o 3. Doing a great job for the eagles were Raul Solis, Jaime Solis, Michacl Pratt, Charlie Santiago, and Nich Baron. Doing a great job for the Spartans were Chris Couch, Derrick Dominguez, Kevin Morris, Eric Flores, Jaime Mendoza, A.J. Navarrete, Adam Billing, and Ruben Urquiza.

The second game of the day saw the Locusts take on the Bees. The Locusts took the lead early on as they were up 2 to 1 at the end of the first period. Leading the way were Carlos Lema and Kevin Ward. Scoring for the Bees was Luis Cervantes. In the second period the Locusts continued as Josh Iverson shot one in for the Locusts. This put the Locusts up 3 to 1. In the third period the Bees managed to get one more goal in but the Locusts managed to keep up their defense. It was Luis Cervantes who scored again. The final score was 3 to 2 Locusts. Doing a good job for the Locusts were Dan Ward, Alex Lemon, Matt Leaske, Roger Lamado, and Manuel Miranda. Playing for the Bees were Jon Wesley, Elliott Gschwind, Andrew Gschwind, Jason Jenkins, Jeff Otto, Nich Nutoni, and Miguel Parreta.

The final game of the day saw the Cougard take on the Falcons for first half championship. The first two periods were a back and forth struggle as both teams were playing excellent defense. The moment of truth came in the third period as the Cougars broke the silence as Rick Ludwig shot one right in the right spor for the goal. This put the Cougars up 1 to 0 . The Falcons tried to catch up but the Cougars just kept on doing what they were doing. Finally time expired and the final score was 1 to 0 Cougars. Doing a great job were Alan Bennett, Jimmy Ridgeway, Sean Barnes, Adarn Sciles, and Matt Shepard. Doing a great job for the Falcons were Didier Guadarrama, Charlie Suarez, Jose Torress, Joe Cihak, Angel Lopez, Sergio Rengifo, Milan Zivanovich, Jr Tellez, Victor Tellez, and Kevin Barszcz.


## PIRATES WIN FIRST

 HALF CHAMPIONSHIP By: Asturo RadillaThe Pirates clinched the 1st half the Thursday before. In the first game the Vikings beat the Eagles 9-4. The Viks dominated this game taking a 8 -2 lead after the 2nd period. Leading the Viks were Sergio Solis 5 goals, Ruben Solis and Carlos Mendoza 2 goals 1 assist, Ricardo Roman and Jeffrey Montesdeoca added an assist each. For the Eagles Tommy Schreiber 3 goals and Nick Delgado added a goal. Playing hard for the Eagles were Anthony Ramos, Chris Thompson, and Joe Kollab. Players of the game were Ruben Solis and Tommy Schreiber.

The next game featured the Pirates and Cougars. The Cougars have had a hard time scoring against the best defensive team in the league Pirates. The last time these two teams met the Pirates won 7-0. This day wasn't different as the Pirates won 10-0. The Pirates scored 7 goals in the 1st period and closed it out later in the 3rd. Leading the Pirates were Andrew Johnson 6 goals, Robbic Aguilar 1 goal 3 assists, Paco Galicia 2 goals, and Phil Jensen added a goal. Playing hard and not giving up for the Cougars were Jason Frumkin, Chucky Ridgeway, Kirk Sandberg, Bobby McClanahan, William Serment, and David Arteaga. Players of the game were Andrewy Johnson and Phil Jensen who combined for the shutout and Kirk Sandberg.


The Cadet and Prep meetings of last week were rescheduled because of the weather. We'll talk about the drive for the playoffs and complete our annual Fitaess Contest on Mon March 16th. Everyone can eam a ribbon or trophy!

| Mon. | March | 16th | 4:15 <br> $5: 15$ | Cadet Bobcats, Bees \& Locusts <br> Cadet Eagles, Falcons, Pirates |
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| Mon. | Mar. | 16 th | 4:15 | Prep Cougars, Bees \& Locusts <br> Prep Eagles, Falcons \& Spartans |



## ALL-STAR VOTING COMINGI

Cadets, Preps and Tribes will vote for Floor Hockey All-Stars starting March 17th. The voting will be done following a game. The All-Stars will face off in mid-April after the playoffs! They will receive ribbons and all parents and members are invited to join us for lunch right after the games. Don't forget about the Parent \& Son Challenge games. You can sign up with Ricardo (Cadets), Tony
 give your team $100 \%$ by coming out for the last week and getting yourself set for post season play! The Cadets will finish on Wed. March 18th and the Preps on Fri. March 20th. We'll give your 3 on 3 team a chance to practice for the big tournament!


Since the turnout for Tribe hockey practices has been so poor, we are going to start using the time for something new - indoor soccer! Whether playing floor hockey or not, Tribe members are welcome to come out Eridays at 6:00.PM. Bring a friend!

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## SENIOR GAMES SNOWED OUT

The Senior Girls Volleyball games from Monday, March 9th were postponed because of the severe weather. Mother Nature was good to us all winter, but wanted to show that she still had her stuff? As a result the games will be made up over the next two Mondays. Please review the schedule in the acrt column and be prepared to play doubleheaders!

## KARATE NEWS!



The NBGC Karate Class works out twice a week under the direction of Senseis Joss Anayas and Mae Anayas. Boys and girls 7 and older are welcome. A parent must bring the child to a class, talk to Mae and sit in on a class. If you like the class, you can sign up and get started. The class is made possible by the generous support of Herb Veith State Farm, located at Irving Park and Bell, and is offered free of charge. The group meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-7:15 PM. Karate will be off for spring break March 24th \& 26th.

Coming to class last week were Nick, Mark, Ashley, Nicole, Theresa, Ismael, Tyler, Marco, Alex, Top, Gabriel, Javier, Alexa, Corine, Jesse, Janira, Brian, Erwin, Anthony and Ana.

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| Aliens | 0 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
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## JUNIORS TRYING FLOOR HOCKEY \& SOCCER!

For the next few Wednesdays we'll have the gym at $5: 10$ for floor hockey and soccer. We are going to try a different sport next winter and want your input. Please come out and try both activities and tell us which you enjoy the most. We'll still start volleyball between 5:30 and 5:40 PM and will remain on schedule.


Paul Revere Park's Junior Hockey team won the part of the championship this past Wednesday by beating Gill Park 2-0. NBGC is proud to have their players tepresent Revere Park. The road was tough as they went 40 . In the first game Revere beat Emerson Park. In the 2nd game Revere beat Wrightwood Park 17-0. The periods are only 8 minutes each too. In the semifinal game Revere beat Hamlin Park at Hamlin_6-4. On Wednesday Revere played Gill Park at Gill and won 2-0. Scoring both goals was Danny Jensen. Also on this championship team were Phil Jensen, who made unbelieveable saves against Gill, Paco Galicia, Andrew Johnson, Steve Kottra, Jason Frumkin, and Kirk Sandberg. We need to win 3 games to win the citywide championship! The games will be played next week at Horner Park. Congratulations guys, and good $L U C K I /!$ As soon as I know dates and time I will post them next to the counter.

| Wed. | Mar. | 18th | 5:30 | Twisters | vs. | Aliens |
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|  |  |  | 6:15 | Twisters | vs. | Panthers |
| Wed. | Mar. | 25th | 5:30 | Aliens | vs. | Panthers |
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| Wed. | Apr. | 1st | 5:30 | Panthers | vs. | Aliens |
|  |  |  | 6:15 | Panthers | vs. | Twisters |
| Wed. | Apr. | 8th | 5:30 | Twisters | vs. | Aliens |
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| Mon. | Mar. | 16th* | 5:30 | Twisters | vs | Chargers |
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| Mon. | Mar. | 23rd | 5:30 | Chargers | vs. | Panthers |
|  |  |  | 6.00 | Panthers | vs. | Twisters |
|  |  |  | 6:30 | Chargers | vs. | Twisters |
| Mon. | Mar. | 30th | 5:30 | Panthers | vs. | Chargers |
|  |  |  | 6:15 | Panthers | vs. | Twisters |
| Mon. | Apr. | 6th | 5:30 | Twisters | vs. | Chargers |
|  |  |  | 6:15 | Twisters | vs. | Panthers |
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-Special schedules to make up for games postponed March 9th

## DIscovery News

Br: Rolando Argumedo, Jr.

Last Saturday the Discovery kids had fun, despite my absence. Great fun was had by all in the gym as we played kickball. The kids enjoyed this game and looks forward to playing it outside on the fields when the weather becomes nicer. In the Coference Room the kids played Martha Steward. Each member received a Mr. or Ms. Potato Head. The top of the potato was cut, and then seeds were added. Hopefully, with the sun's love in the spring our Potato Heads will grow. In addition, the kids were making their own flower pots. The kids were given a cup with dirt in them and asked to plant their seeds in the por. Let hope they will all grow to be as beautiful as their makers. In the Discovery Room the kids made kites and centerpieces. The members were given a diamond shape paper and decorated it. Some drew animals and funny faces (Bonnie). When they were all finished streamers were added. Lastly, the kids made centerpieces. Each were given a white piece of paper and they added designs to it. After that, it was rolled up and streamers were also added. You can see our kites and centerpieces in the Discovery Hall of Fame. Winning our weekly raffles were Socorro Martinez and Max Witherspoon.

Just a reminder our "Bring A Friend Day" is next Saturday, March 21th. Your friend can either be a male or female, however, your friend must be a 1st or 2nd grader.

Enjoying the activities without me were:
Vikings- Joseph Couch, Alex Gomez, Ethan Johnson \& Eric Silva Pirates- Jesse Flores \& Sammy Jensen
Bees- James Gill, Max Witherspoon, Scott Potter, Jake Rodriguez \& James Lauletta
Locusts- Russell Geschrey, Hector Couty, Nick Haderiein, Scott Krier, Tom Nickels IV, Jake Rosen, William Schneider, Jr., Michael Hatter \& Robert Uhler
Courgars- Tim Mcnamara \& Michael Van Den Bosch
Falcons- Junior Brewer \& Raul Ramirez
Eagles- Bryan Arguelles, Branden \& Kyle Lisciandreno, Joshua Paley, Erik Solis, Daniel Kelly
Bobcats- Michacl Prodromos \& Max Macaluso
Panthers- AnnaLiese Eaton, Dorothy Gill, Chelsea Gschwind, Elizabeth Kmet, Meagan Rodriguez, Victoria Slevers, Sioban Stahl \& Francisca Acededo
Twisters- Kelly Mcnamara \& Samantha Prodromos
Angels- Raquel Flores, Kathi Jensen, Socorro Martinez, Shani Mendez \& Nadine Sumulong
Aliens- Jaimy Creson, Veronica Ramirez \& Crystal Couch

## ALL-STAR VOTING SOON

Girls will vote for ceam All-Stars after their games on Mar. 23rd \& 25th. The All-Stars will take the floor against the league champions on All-Star Night in early April. All-Stars will receive ribbons at the game. We also are planning a Parent \& Daughter game. Everyone is welcome to join us for food and snacks after the games.




##  <br> One of everyones' yearly favorites is the annual 3 on 3 Hockey

 Tournament. In just one month we'll be holding tournaments for the Cadets, Preps and Tribes. You can get a group of your teammates together and shoot for the trophies! The Cadets will play on Wed. March 25th at 4:00, the Preps on Fri. March 27th at 4:00 and the Tribes on Fri. March 27th at 6:00.All that you'll need is 3 or 4 of your players from any team to join with you. There is a maximum of 5 players per squad. Sign up will starts today so talk to your teammates and friends! Non-members are also welcome. Here are the sign ups to date.

## Cadet_League

Falcons I: N.Chovanec, R.Abfall, B.Wasilk, M.Kelly, A.Badagiacco
FalconsII: E.Boyce, A.Elliott, N.Schreiber, R.Torres, M.Torres
Pirates I: J.Quiles, D.Billings, K.Buchman, M.Garcia, R.Russotto PiratesII: S.Ortiz, S.Mazur, J.Rivera, J.Gilbert, W.Calams
Bobcats I: T.Staggs, D.Harris, A.Delgado, M.Cervantes, D.Ridgeway
BobcatsII: M.Assmar, S.Morales, M.De la Rosa, L.De la Rosa
LocustsI: M.Resendiz, M.Daker, M.Powell, V.Millwood
LocustsII: D.Wegnet, S.Stahl, D.Miranda, L.Uhler

## Prep League

Falcons 1: Angel Lopez, Jose Torres, Jr. Tellez, Charlie Suarez, Joe Cihak Falcons 2: Victor Tellez, Kevin Barszcz, Sergio Rengifo, Didier Guaderrama Cougars 1: Sean Barnes, Allan Bennett, Jimmy Ridgeway, Matt Shepard Cougars 2: Rick Ludwig, Bart Grudzinski, Adam Stiles
Eagles 1: Stephen Capusi, Jaime Solis, Francisco Trujillo
Eagles 2: Raul Solis, Nick Baron, Michael Pratt
Spartans 1: Kevin Morris, Derrick Dominguez, Jason, Chris Couch
Spartans 2: Jaime Mendoza, Robert Anguiano, Steven Kentala, Dennis Fisher
Spatans 3: Ruben Urquiza, Adam Billings, AJ Navarette, Erick Flores

## THANKS FOR CIRCUS TICKETS!

We would like to thank Tony Morizzo of the Lawrence Funeral Home, located at Lawrence and Austin, for the very generous donation of over 230 ( $\$ 20.00$ each) tickets to last night's performance of the $S$ hriner's Circus. We had a large group of NBGC families and friends who enjoyed a great time, free of charge. Mr. Morizzo has kindly donated these tickets to us for about 8 years and we are grateful for his subdort.

NBEC WIMTER HOURS
The members and their families are welcome to use the gameroom whenever we are open, as long as you follow the simple rules for using equipment and playing games. You may notice the hours have been shortened an hour Monday through Thursday. This is the result of a budget cutback. With more parental support and contributions, we hope to restore that hour next year.

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Monday - Thursday 3:30 until 7:00 PM
Friday 3:30 until 6:00 PM
    Saturday 8:30 until 3:30 PM
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The NBGC Moms' Club out together a beautiful cookbook a few months ago filled with recipes from parents, neighbors and friends. Most of the books sold out around the holidays but we have 50 left! If you would like a copy, stop by the office. They are just $\$ 8.00$ and worth every penny!

 Lorell Thom 12 pts. Territh Loureiro and Dore Kutsogianis scored 6 pts.

Our second game pitted the Wildacts against the Bengals. Both teams came out with their claws sharpened and ran the floor non-stop. The Wildcats had the height and outside shooting advantage, while the Bengals had the defensive pressure and ball handling skills on their side. The Wildacts controlled the first half, getting second chance points and building a 25-12 lead. The Bengals battled back early in the second and closed to within 5 points, but the Wildcats toughened up and surged ahead to post a $45-33 \mathrm{win}$. Dustin Hoffman keyed the Wildeat attack, hitting four three pointers and scoring 24 pts. Melvin Holder had a big game with 10 pts., followed by William Maldonado (6) and Arnulfo Ruvalcaba (5). The Bengals played another strong game, but the height factor made the difference. Donny Flores led the effort with 11 pts. Also playing well were Gilbert Ruiz (9), Marco Lopez (5), Jose Rojas (4) and James Dizon (4).

We saved the best for last when the Eagies met the Swoosh. Both teams entered the game 2-0, knowing that only one of them would leave undefeated. The teams have quite a rivalry and tied for the first half title. A playoff game will break that tie after the regular season closes. Both teams came out running full throttle and attacking the basket. Everyone on Swoosh scored in the half, as did 6 of the 7 Eagles. By the intermission Swoosh held a slim 17-15 lead and both teams earned a two minute break. In the second half the Eagles came out determined. They turned up the defensive pressure, forced some turnovers and converted the easy lay ups. Billy Oliveros took over and scored 14 pts. in the half to propoel the Eagles into the lead and sole possession of first place. The final score was $40-30$. Billy "Basketball is my life" Oliveros paved the road to the top spot with 15 pts. Angel Popoca added 9 pts., and a great effort was turned in byLuis Bultron (6), Mike Lindquist (6), Jason Gonzalez (2), Erik "Smooth As Silk" Velasquez (2) and Michael Feliciano. The Swoosh were down, but are not out. Chris Trifkovich had a welcome return to the lineup and scored 11 pts. Tim Wangerin added 7 pts . and William Flanagan, Brian Matza and Chris Matza each added 4 pts.

On Thursday the Pippen Division race took an interesting turn. There are three teams tied for first place and the other three teams are just two points out! This is a legitimate 6 team race!! The day opened with the Maniacs and Bulldogs. The Maniacs have struggled this season, but looked like a first place team on this night. They came out strong, running the floor with confidence and crashing the boards. Their inspiration came from Conrado Vera, who forgot his gym shoes and had to sit the game out. The game was close in the first half with the Maniacs leading 13-11 at the break. In the second, though, they were on fire. The Bulldogs went cold, missed a lot of lay ups and were beaten 44-35. Bolfin Paiz and Brian Rene led the winners with 12 pts. each. Also playing well were Eddie Fernandez (9), Arturo Montes (6) and John Griffin (5). Leading a solid effort for the Bulldogs were Juan Monroy (11) and Todd Richards (10). Working hard were Otto Hurtado (5), Jese Rojas (5), Raymond Nieves (4) and Arturo Salinas.

In the second game the Bees took on the Wolves. The Wolves were a few minutes late because of college night at Lane Tech, missed warm ups and were out of synch during the first half. Turnovers led to the Bees taking a solid 21-11 lead at the half. In the second half, though, the Wolves pulled out their claws and attacked. Luis Bucaro had the hot hand and pulled the Wolves back into the game. After tying the game several times and taking a short-lived one point lead, the Wolves were hungry and on the brink of victory. The Bees recovered, though, and battled back in front. (continued in column 2)


| Tues. | Mar. | 17 th | $7: 00$ | Swoosh | vs. | Sounz Deep |
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|  |  |  | $8: 20$ | Bulls | vs. | Wildcats |
| Tues. | Mar. | 24 th | $7: 00$ | Swoosh | vs. | Bengals |
|  |  |  | $7: 40$ | Wildcats | vs. | Sounz Deep |
|  |  |  | $8: 20$ | Bulls | vs. | Eagles |

END OF REGULAR SEASON

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| Thurs. Mar. | 19th | 7:00 | Bulldogs | vs. | Dragons |
|  |  | 7:40 | Wolves | vs. | Maniacs |
|  |  | 8:20 | Purple | vs. | Bees |
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They held off a Wolves stretch run and posted a $41-35$ win, pulling them into a tie for first place. John Smiros (13) and Tim "Guerito" Ward (12) led the Bees. Also adding to the victory were Brian Mounts (5), Dan Zavala (5), Ashour Haji (4), Steve Lucio (2) and John "No Foul" Skaar. Victor and Luis Bucaro led a great rally for the Wolves with 15 pts. each. Howard Aguada (5) and Panit Treesara also gave a great effort.

The day closed out with a big game between the Dragons and Purple Rain. The Dragons were undefeated and could put themselves in the driver's seat for the second half race. Purple Rain dropped a heartbreaker last week and needed a victory. Purple Rain came out strong and took charge early. The Dragons started cold and had trouble dealing with the height advantage of Purple Rain. At halftime the score was 17-8. In the second half Purple Rain shut down the Dragon machine with tenacious defense. They forced numerous turnovers, dove for loose balls and dominated the boards. When the smoke cleared Purple Rain had drenched the Dargon fire 33-16. Shawn Thomas led the winners with 14 pts., including a three pointer at the buzzer. Contributing to the win were Zack Ross (7), Valentine Crespo (6), Eric "I Need New Glasses" Ayala (4), Jose Valencia (2) and Francis Manalo. Randelle Villabar led the Dragons with 8 pts. Others who played hard were Cong Ngo (2), Dwight Aquino (2), JonJon Alvaro (2), Lemuel Censon (2) and JR Dagan.

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