



# Knighly News

Glen Cove High School's Student Newspaper

Homecoming Issue 2022

& much more inside!



Barbara Benitez Vasco

Homecoming and the week leading up to it are undoubtedly one of the most exciting times of the year here at Glen Cove High School. Some teachers become a bit more lax as the week goes by, knowing their students will soon be too busy buzzing with excitement to quite pay attention during class. Said students instead dress up to match whatever Spirit day it is to have some fun at school (my personal favorite was Pajama Day). Football players can be spotted throughout the week talking about the game and getting hyped for the game of the season. Much fun was to be had this week and many students took advantage of its perks.

Would Homecoming really be the same without Spirit Week? Organized by the Student Senate, Spirit Week was a success this year. School spirit was shown for these five days, whether people were dressed up or not. Throughout the week, there were cowboys strutting the halls, people cozied up in pajamas, and each class sporting their respective class colors. Ms. Anderson, one of the librarians, was handing out little trinkets (squishies) to students who showed up dressed in the Spirit Day theme, so hopefully many of those who did dress up went to the library. One great part

## A Knight to Remember

by Grace Guillen & Phoebe Pinder

of spirit week is when the class hallways are decorated. Streamers fluttering, banners on the walls, and bright colors lighting up the hallways. Students could be spotted working together and demonstrating leadership to make their class hallways look great. The week was then topped off with the pep rally. Having shortened periods put many students in a good mood as they were rushed outside at the end of ninth period. It was a gorgeous day out as the sun shone down on Glen Cove High School's bleachers and football field. GCTV had their equipment set up and ready to go, as the Student Senate put the finishing touches on posters and organized the timing. As the students streamed in and sat down at the bleachers, Student Senators handed out red, green, and white beaded necklaces. Necklaces were everywhere, being thrown into the crowd and to the football players. Though there was a small 10-minute delay at the beginning, once it got started, everything went well. Jaida Campi, a Student Senator, said, "Pep rally ran really smoothly, I think everyone did a really good job."

The senators introduced each fall sport's team captains. They each gave small speeches. Many were very charismatic and got the crowd cheering and smiling. There were a few different events that were not done at last year's pep rally. For example, musical chairs. Though Mark LaRocca may have cheated by pulling the chair away at the last moment, he did end up getting that musical chairs trophy. Teachers were also pried in the face: Mr. Bilder, Ms. Anderson, Mr. Contorno, Mr. Norris, Mr. Dottin, and Mr. Guallpa all volunteered to be subjected to a sweet dessert being shoved into their faces. They were all met with tremendous cheers from the students. There were also the cheer and kickline teams, putting on two impressive performances that showed off their skills and hard work. When the drumline marched their way onto



King & Queen: Aidan Costello, Ellie Knobel

the football field, the students let out a huge wave of cheers. They coolly and nonchalantly played their music as they made their way down the length of the football field. And, of course, there was Gavante White's rap. As he rapped the crowd clapped along and added their own adlibs to his performance. Overall the pep rally was a success, and it served as a nice break from classes and really helped to get everyone pumped up for the homecoming game.

Following the yearly tradition, homecoming was preceded with a parade and a carnival set-up by the Student Senate. Many young children were able to participate in this and had much fun prior to the game. Colorful bouncy houses and tents covered the soccer field near the track. Just like Pep Rally, the weather was gorgeous as it was a beautifully sunny day. The morning was neither too hot or too cold, making the parade a wonderful experience for those who attended. Plenty of bright faces from Glen Cove could be spotted at the parade, including young cheerleaders and our very own Homecoming Court. When band teacher/marching band director, Mrs. Rifkind was asked how she was feeling about the day, she had this to say, "You know I love a good parade! We're excited, we're ready to go, [the band]"

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has been practicing. It is beautiful out today; could not be a better day for homecoming.”

Kickline and band were front and center, leading the parade along its route to the high school. Many people were in the audience and were cheering as students marched. Pride in the community was palpable and the excitement was through the roof. When one football player was asked how he thought the game would go, he had this to say, “Hopefully they can win this game. I have faith in them and if they just focus and do their job, they can probably win.” The parade is truly a time to get local residents and students excited about the game

As always, the game started off with a performance of the Star Spangled Banner from the marching band. Despite the football game not going their way, many students could still be heard cheering for their team. Going along with this display of school spirit, many of those in attendance could be spotted in all black attire thanks to the theme of the game: Black-out.

The band really helped work the crowd and kept spirits up with many Go Big Red!s and musical interludes between quarters and during timeouts. Then there was the spectacular halftime show. Cheer, kickline, drumline, and the band all made halftime something amazing to watch. As the cheerleaders flew in the air, people screamed in support of their friends and their school. The kickline had a completely different performance from the pep rally, and impressed the crowd a second time around. Drumline and band lifted spirits and filled the football field with great music.

One cheerleader, Natalia Piasta, said “It’s been really fun, I love the energy from everyone in the crowd.” Just like during the pep rally, tremendous applause was given to each of the performances. And after all of this, the homecoming King and Queen were announced. Homecoming Court consisted of male students Jake Casale, Aidan Costella, Agostino Facciolo, Rodni Leftwich, and Michael Markoulis while the female students were Nicole Annunziata, Caralena Genova, Gabriela Joya, Ellie Knobel, and Brooke Tran. The regal winners were Ellie Knobel and Aiden Costella (congrats to them!). The King and Queen were crowned and showered with applause and congratulations.

Many, many pictures were taken by proud parents. Despite the result of the game not going Glen Cove’s way, Homecoming and Spirit Week was a smashing success.



*Bustin’ a move at the Pep Rally with Gavante White & Anthony Lambert-Watkins*

## Comic by Phoebe George



Warning!  
This Game Review May Contain Spoilers For The Game

# UNDERTALE

If you wish to play/watch Undertale yourself please do so before reading this review.

If you are familiar with the indie game scene in any capacity, Undertale is a name you are very familiar with. Released on September 15th 2015, Undertale has shot up into the stratosphere of popularity and still holds strong today! Undertale was created almost completely solo by Toby Fox, with some help from other artists such as Temmie Chang. As a game, Undertale is regarded as one of the best RPGs out there. Graphically, Undertale falls into the category of 8-bit, which although isn't everyone's taste, has proven to draw in a plethora of fans. Graphics isn't the main allure of the game though, the unique story is what solidly propelled Undertale into gaming history.

For brief context, Undertale starts in a story book fashion, with a sequence of drawings that are presented and we learn that monsters and humans once lived together on the surface peacefully, but after tensions and wars, monsters were forced into a place called "The Underground", a cave system under Mt. Ebott—the primary location of the game. Legend has it, if you climb the mountain, you may never return. So of course, you play as a child who dared to climb and ended up in the aforementioned Underground dwelling of the monsters. Up to this point you may be thinking to yourself, "this doesn't sound too different from other games!" What sets it apart from your standard RPG? Well, in Undertale, you have a choice whether you fight the monsters you encounter, or spare them. While this alone is unique for its time, the individuality of this game goes even deeper.

Due to my lack of a gaming computer, I usually discover videogames through YouTube, Undertale was no different for me. I discovered Undertale through YouTuber "Jacksepticeye," and for a long time after that, Undertale occupied each and every corner of my brain. It took me a while to figure out what was so different about this game to make me so enthralled with it, and as with many others, I soon figured out it was the writing. The game is unlike any other game for many reasons, but what reeled me in was the unique way Undertale carried out their saving, loading, and resetting functions. These functions are vital parts of the storyline.

In conjunction with how many monsters you decide to kill, all of your actions, no matter if you've reset the game, have an effect on every playthrough, making each save file you open unique. Now this is what

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## Film Review Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure by Colson Martone

Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure, what a most tubular movie. A movie about two dudes Bill S. Preston Esquire and Ted Theodore Logan are trying to start a most triumphant band called Wyld Stallyns even though they don't know how to play. At the beginning of the movie you see Rufus, a most excellent dude, in San Dimas CA, 2688 and his job: help Bill and Ted to pass their history exam.

Bill and Ted are in danger of flunking most hanusly for their history report. In the next scene, you see Bill and Ted at a K-Mart studying and asking strangers questions in history and then out of nowhere they see a telephone booth come out of the sky and they encounter Rufus. Bill and Ted realize that the telephone booths are time machines and Rufus takes them to Austria in 1805 when the French try to take over Europe. Napoleon sees the telephone booth and then gets knocked into the booth by an explosion and accidentally goes with Bill and Ted back to present day San Dimas.

Once the duo grab Napoleon, a journey around history and hilarious run-ins with historical figures ensues. Outlaw Billy the Kid, famous philosopher Socrates, Sigmund Fruend, Ghenghis Khan, the cantankerous Ludwig van Beethoven, Joan of Arc, Abraham Lincoln and a cast of historical characters all join Bill and Ted in the time machine as jet around from era to era. The boys soon realize that these historical figures can be the key to passing their dreaded history exam and actually learn a little something in the process. Each time travel episode holds plenty of hijinks and goofy comedy that will keep you entertained and waiting for the time travel episode to happen. Some of the references might not be recognizable to younger audiences, but are still funny nonetheless.

makes the game so integrally interesting to me. All of this in combination with the masterful character development, plot movement, and underlying secrets make Undertale one of my favorite games of all time.

Now, this review is not in any way shape or form a comprehensive summary of Undertale. If any of this interests you, I implore you to go play or watch this game for yourself. I hope you enjoyed reading my review, and believe me, Undertale has so much more to offer than what I've written.



When Bill and Ted get to the highschool they begin their presentation with Socrates saying how great San Dimas is but Ted has to interpret what Socrates is describing. After that, you see Sigmund Freud helping Ted out with his anxiety/problems in life. Then they introduce Genghis Khan, in which he gives a demonstration of his skills with a battle scythe. After that, Bill and Joan of Arc have a sword fight demonstration. Then they have Napoleon explaining his battle map to Bill and Ted, but Ted intervenes and disagrees with him, Napoleon has a temper tantrum and he ruins the battle map. After that, they show Ludwig van Beethoven showing off his musical capabilities.

To finish their presentation they have President Lincoln say his thoughts about San Dimas. Bill and Ted take all of the historical figures back to their time periods and return to San Dimas. Bill and Ted are practicing in Bill's garage, Rufus appears with two British princesses for Bill and Ted. Rufus then leaves the princesses with them and goes back to 2688. But don't worry, there's two more movies for me to review and they are both most triumphant and most excellent.

Be most excellent to each other, party on dudes!!!

Music Review  
beabadoobee-“The Perfect Pair”

by Grace Guillen



In the mood for something new to listen to? “the perfect pair” by beabadoobee (yes that’s how it’s spelled) may be something worth listening to. And while I would review the whole (incredible) album, “the perfect pair” should do for now.

This song is indubitably perfect with a stunning vocal performance from Bea (beabadoobee) as she tells the story of a couple struggling to communicate. The walking bass line, drumset, and guitar all work together to make just the perfect instrumental to harmonize with Bea’s voice to perfectly encapsulate the narrator’s feelings of exhaustion and helplessness in the relationship. Piggybacking on the instrumental, towards the end of the song a solo for the bass can be heard if you listen closely. What upsets me the most about this song is the fact that the solo is almost inaudible. The drums and guitar are basically the same volume as the bass, but it’s harder to hear because the bass plays low notes and is just generally hard to hear.

In terms of lyrics, this song is incredibly catchy and easy to listen to; learning the lyrics is relatively easy. Bea’s diction is incredible and every word she sings is easily understood by the listener. The lyrics easily convey the song’s story and message, so the listener easily picks up what is going on.

The overall vibes of this song are immaculate and they make me personally feel sick in an amazing way; the sensation is indescribable. If it doesn’t make you feel this way, that’s also valid in terms of how you want to vibe.

Rating: 9.5/10 (louder bass)

## Centro América y su Independencia

By Yeldi Pineda Rivera

El 15 de septiembre es un día importante para todo Centroamérica porque se celebra la independencia de los países centroamericanos. Le llaman independencia porque en 1821 se separaron finalmente de ellos mismos. Todos los años, en mi país El Salvador desde el principio hasta finales de septiembre, se inician los actos cívicos que se realizan en la escuela de cada comunidad o pueblo, donde todos los estudiantes de diferentes grados tienen que apoyar el acto cívico. En el acto cívico se presentan las diferentes comidas típicas de nuestro país, los bailes típicos, y cosas importantes como el escudo nacional, el ave nacional, la flor nacional, entre otros. Otra cosa importante que hacen en el mes de septiembre, es que a cada grado le asignan un país de centroamérica y cuando le asignan ese país todos los estudiantes del mismo grado se deben unir para preparar las comidas típicas, trajes típicos, bebida, postres, y todo lo que represente al país que

que se van a graduar, van a este evento también con su uniforme, que es una falda o pantalón beige y camisa blanca y corbata negra. Así mismo, algunos estudiantes, si quieren, pueden vestir el traje típico. Por otro lado, las chicas de la banda pueden salir bailando con trajes diferentes. Siempre asignan un lugar alejado para el encuentro y comienzan a desfilar en dirección a la escuela para dar inicio al acto cívico.

En Estados Unidos, el mes de septiembre comienza la celebración de la hispanidad, donde también hablan de todos los otros países hispanos. Nuestra escuela siempre apoya mucho a los hispanos sobre lo que podemos hacer. Todo lo que nos proponemos, ellos nos ayudan a realizarlo y nos hacen sentir cómodos en todo los sentidos. Es bonito que haya un mes específico en la escuela para los hispanos para que todos veamos y sintamos que somos importantes, no más que los demás, pero que nos toman en cuenta en todo lo que hacemos.



les ha correspondido. Pero el día más importante de septiembre es el 15 porque todos los estudiantes deben vestir su falda, pantalón de uniforme, camisa manga larga blanca y corbata. También a los de mejor calificaciones, tienen que vestir formal si son varones tienen que vestir con traje y si son niñas con chaqueta. Los maestros les dicen quien lleva el primer, segundo, o tercer lugar. Los que son elegidos en primer lugar deberán vestirse (los chicos) con saco, camisa y pantalón de vestir y ( las chicas) con chaqueta, falda y corbata.

Ellos llevan una bandera representando los países y también al final del año les dan un reconocimiento. Los de último año, que son los

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# 3 GCHS Artists Chosen for Nassau County Art Guild



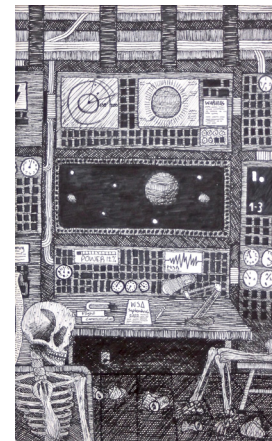
Left-right: Mr. Hudson, Mr. Nadel, Mrs. Prudente, Phoebe Pinder, Mr. Lombardo, William Santamaria, Mrs. Palazzo, Natalie Monsale and Mrs. Padilla

The Glen Cove HS Art Department received some good news recently; three students artwork was selected to be featured in the 2022 Nassau County Art Guild student competition. The students and parents will be attending the opening, which is located on the border of Port Washington, where awards will be given live on November 6th. Natalie Monsale, Phoebe Pinder and William Santamaria are all very excited to

receive this honor. William shared his surprise about finding out his art was chosen; "I couldn't believe it, I always thought of sketching as a way of passing the time," he said.

Will also wanted us to know about an organization that he founded dedicated to helping kids obtain art supplies who were victims of abuse: [www.Santas-Sleigh.org](http://www.Santas-Sleigh.org)

*Any donation is greatly appreciated.*



William Santamaria



Phoebe Pinder



Natalie Monsale



## Astrology

by Veronica O'Regan

### What does your moon sign say about you?

**Aries moon-** going to be super passionate, and even reckless.

**Taurus moon-** satiated by cozy environments, delicious meals, and expressions of luxury.

**Gemini moon-** a person who is constantly changing—much like the moon itself.

**Capricorn moon-** really wants to provide for the people they care about but in practical, material ways, as opposed to emotional.

**Sagittarius moon-** someone who's always looking for new experiences and very kind.

**Scorpio moon-** careful, private, and well equipped with boundaries.

**Libra moon-** naturally very charming and also appreciate being charmed by people.

**Pisces moon-** cognizant of staying grounded in reality, as fantastical thinking can wind up getting them hurt.

**Cancer moon-** strongly embodies nurturing, caretaking energy.

**Leo moon-** really thrives on recognition and admiration above all.

**Virgo moon-** intellectual, particular, and practical

**Aquarius moon-** avant-garde artist types who are independent, humanitarian-minded

## Glen Cove Alum has "Brush" with Fame

by William Romeo

As we celebrate Glen Cove High School Homecoming, we want to spotlight the work of Knight alumna and artist, Sharon Sprung. Sprung graduated from GCHS in 1971 and went on to study at Cornell University, National Academy of Design and Art Students League. She developed an interest in art at a young age and developed a passion for working with oil paint.

While Sprung's work includes still life and cityscapes, she is most well known for her Portrait work and is particularly drawn to painting portraits of women. She was commissioned by the White House Historical Association to paint former First Lady Michelle Obama's official White House portrait.

Sprung states in her Artist's Statement on her website that she has been most influenced by Caravaggio, Velezquez, Egan Schiller, and Kathe Kollwitz. She writes, "I believe in the transformative powers of painting; that the luminosity of pigment and medium is as manifest as the surface of the soul."

She is only one example of the greatness that Glen Cove schools has produced over the years and we are proud of Sharon and all of our GCHS Alumni.



# Glen Cove Knights “All Fun-n-Games”

by William Romeo

While kicking off the 2022-2023 school year, Mr. Hudson, the school’s new principal, announced that a new event would be taking place during the last Friday of each month. This event, dubbed “Glen Cove Knights”, would be a chance for students to come together for a couple of hours and entertain themselves with a variety of activities. Students are able to sign up for GC Nights using the Eventbrite ticket link (attendance is limited) on the Glen Cove Schools website.

For the new principal, this event was a long time coming. “[Mr. Hudson] wanted something for students to look forward to and hang out and feel safe”, said assistant principal Ms. Prudente, who helped to coordinate the event. Mr. Hudson, who gave some of his time to the Knightly News while at the event, said, “growing up here, and also having a son here, there’s not much for teenagers to do on a Friday or Saturday night.” He stated that he has been wanting to do this “for a number of years”, as during his time as a Dean at Baldwin High School, there was a similar event that occurred every other week. He wanted to bring the students of GCHS the opportunity to socialize and have fun on a regular basis.

The activities were split up into two different groups at the inaugural night on September 30th; tabletop games, and physical games. The tabletop games present included Foosball, Ping Pong, Connect 4, and Knock Hockey, while the physical games section included Basketball and Dodgeball. As I made my way around the event, it looked like everyone found a comfortable place to relax and

enjoy themselves. Brothers Nathan and Benjamin Napalitano, who were present at the event, took a moment to speak to the Knightly News and had some positive responses.

“I think it’s pretty cool,” said Ben. “I’m having fun; I think this is an awesome idea by Mr. Hudson.” Nathan reciprocated these thoughts, and stated “Glen Cove Knights, so far, I gotta say, is pretty amazing.... all these games right now are pretty awesome.”

Students present at the event were also asked for their feedback and what they’d like to see going forward with Glen Cove Knights. “Maybe you could take, like, student submissions for the tracks”, stated one student in regards to the music. Another group of students remarked that “they should add more games”, and “maybe have some food available [at the venue].”

Overall, the atmosphere and reactions of everyone that attended the event seemed positive and Mr. Hudson is looking forward to making it a new tradition for Glen Cove High School students.



# Glen Cove Volleyball Spikes For Success

By Julia Petrizzo

After a long summer break, fall sports are back in session, including our Glen Cove High School volleyball team. Many of the girls were overjoyed to be back this year, along with some of the new freshmen from the class of 2026. This year the JV team consisted of five sophomores and ten freshmen. Our varsity volleyball team consisted of six juniors, one sophomore and seven special seniors. Among these seniors are Maria Espino, Allison Salinas, Ellie Knobel, Natalie Fuchs, Brooke Tran, Katie Juarez and Sara Martschenko. Each of these girls have been contributing to the team in their own ways throughout the years on the team at Glen Cove. Captains Brooke Tran, who was mentioned in the Knightly News last year as one of the school's top athletes, and Allison Salinas are both excellent leaders on the team and set a great example for the future of the volleyball program.

Throughout the season, the teams have participated in different events including a JV volleyball tournament that was hosted at the Glen Cove High School. For the past 5 years, this event has been different from other strictly varsity tournaments and is an exciting experience for the girls to have during their season.

Each of the games were played without a referee; scrimmage style. Throughout the day, the varsity team was there offering a helping hand and support for their JV sisters. The varsity team was also selling goods, t-shirts as well as special raffles. Unfortunately, the JV squad did not come out with a win, but their team spirit and perseverance lead them into close games that could've gone either way.

Varsity captains Brooke Tran and Allison Salinas had an amazing season this year and played their hearts out at every game. Tran as setter and hitter has shown her skill and dominance on the court and shined through her amazing plays and great team spirit. Same goes for Salinas as her position, libero, had her "diving" her way into numerous wins and digs for the team.

Both teams battled their hearts out this season and are striving for another great season next year. Both coaches, Mr. Carbone (varsity) and Mr. Kearnes (JV) makes a fun and exciting environment for the girls and provides them with the tools they need to succeed as an amazing volleyball player. To the girls, it seems that it won't be the same without their seniors next year and some tears during their senior night ceremony were shed.

*GC JV Squad with Coach Kearnes*



*GC Varsity Squad with Coach Carbone*



*GC Varsity sets up winning shot*

# GC Varsity Drops Homecoming Game Against Manhasset

By Matt Bailey

Building on the momentum of a festive pep rally and an overall homecoming Saturday, the Glen Cove football team was looking to make two straight homecoming wins vs Manhasset. Unfortunately, things didn't quite go as planned.

The Indians scored two times in the first quarter and survived a potential Glen Cove second-half comeback to win, 28-8, at the J. Cameron Maiden Field. A well-executed end around and a 22-yard touchdown reception from Manhasset's James Lapina had the Indians off and running, leaving the Knights in a hole early from which they could never get out of.

Glen Cove, however, did fight back, thanks to a wonderful Jacy Johnson 9-yard touchdown pass to Christian St. Eloi as well as a two-point conversion courtesy of a Johnson run to cut the lead to 14-6 right before halftime.

To Johnson, the score really picked the team up and gave them a chance.

"I felt like we had the momentum heading into the second half and might've had it in the bag," the sophomore quarterback said. "However, once they went back up by two scores in the fourth

quarter, heads started to go down."

The frustration of not tying the score in the second half was definitely felt by head coach Steve Tripp. It was a little disappointing to not take hold of the game since we got a first down (in the fourth quarter) and then fumble," said Tripp. "It's been a tough road and we haven't been able to get any traction." St. Eloi was an impact player on both sides of the ball on homecoming Saturday, catching the aforementioned touchdown and recovering a fumble, snagging an interception and making big plays on fourth down to stop Manhasset scoring drives. For the senior, he took it in stride.

"I guess I can say it was one of my best games, but I wasn't thinking about it as the game was going on at the time," he said. "I usually look at the halftime score or second half start as being 0-0."

The Big Red was looking to build on last year's triumphant 68-29 homecoming clobbering of Roslyn, where an early 7-7 scoreline transformed into a 46-7 halftime lead and the team never looked back. Some of the faces from that game have moved on, but some still featured in the loss to Manhasset.

The 2022 season has not gotten off to the

start that was hoped with only one win in the first seven games. The previous game, a 16-8 setback to Division, saw the Big Red score in the fourth quarter to cut the deficit, but found that final drive to tie the game elusive.

Their one triumph this season came in the form of a 44-28 victory against Valley Stream. The Knights were down 21-8 at halftime, but then stormed back by scoring 36 points in the second half to win comfortably. The hero that day was senior Chaaya Letellier, who rushed for 271 yards and four touchdowns. Johnson was also a major factor, with touchdown runs of 42 and 48 yards respectively. Injury woes have also hit the team, as Letellier and Adel Waly have been sidelined with leg injuries. For these two in their senior season, fate has not been kind, which limited what plays the offense can run.

"Losing those two players forced us to juggle the lineup and move players around," said Johnson. "It hurts us since we have to adjust to a new style."

Well as they say, there's always next year.



GC Defense moments before the snap

## JV Proving Big Red's Future Can Be Bright *By Matt Bailey*

Break up the Glen Cove JV Football Team, who have raced out to a 6-1 start and are poised to contribute to the varsity team in 2023. Led by head coach Tom Smith, the team has shown versatility by recording touchdowns by nine different players and having an overall "next man up" mentality when a player goes down. Leading the charge on offense has been running backs Taha Waly and Da-

vin Young as well as wideouts Javier Cota and Elias Benitez. On the other side of the ball, defensive stalwarts like safety Peter Satchell, defensive end Josiah Mingo and linebacker Dylan Pirayatawong have made opposing offenses earn every yard and have recorded an impressive shutout vs Division. For coach Smith, the vision is clearly spelled out.

"Building this foundation will be the key

for these players to contribute right away as most prepare to play at the varsity level next year. We hope through hard work and the desire to be better than we were yesterday will continue to drive these players for next year and the years to follow," he said.

**Job well done!**