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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. We'd also like to thank 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 and to Jennifer & Candice and the NBGC Cheerleaders. Have a great day!



NBGC CLOSED FRIDAY & SATURDAY

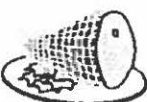


The Club will be closed for clean up on Fri. Nov. 24th. We will also be closed on Sat. Nov. 25th. We will return at 2:30 a.m. on Monday with the YouthNet After School Program, the start of pre-season basketball games as well as uniform & skirt returns.



GET YOUR HOLIDAY HAM HERE!

Orders Taken Until Dec. 16th



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 Christmas or New Year's dinner table with a fully cooked, defatted, spiral cut and smoked ham. This same ham will cost \$4.89 a lb. or more at those baked ham stores, so you'll save over \$1.50 a pound if you buy from us. Our hams are 5 - 9, 12-14 and 14-16 pounds and the cost is just \$3.50 per pound! You can save between \$19 - \$25!! The best part is that the profit goes to the girls and boys programs. The NBGC Moms' Club is sponsoring the sale. Orders may be phoned in to Mrs. Borgert at 773-348-4248, faxed in to NBGC at 773-463-1853 or via e-mail to NBGC1931@aol.com. Pick up and payment takes place on Thurs. Dec. 21st from 2:00 - 7:00 PM and orders are taken from now until Dec. 16th.



MOMS' CLUB NEWS

By: Angie Jensen



All moms are invited to our monthly meeting. The next one is on Tues. Dec. 12th at 7:30 PM. The moms are having their annual Holiday Party and all moms are welcome! The moms are also working hard to raise funds for your kids. If you are not a "meeting mom" you can still help by supporting these events and getting others to do the same.

1. Entertainment Books - The NBGC Mom's Club has two different Entertainment books for sale. The big book is \$25 and has many coupons and money saving offers including fast food, restaurants, movies, car rental, hotel discounts, entertainment, etc. The small book is \$10, making it a great stocking stuffer, teacher or grab bag gift. Come in and inquire at the counter or ask any of the Mom's Club members.

2. Coming soon!!! Benefit Days at Dominick's - On December 4, 5, 6 Dominick's is sponsoring benefit days for NBGC. For each slip turned in at the register the Club will receive 5% of your purchase. The slip can be redeemed at any Dominick's, so pass them out to family (at Thanksgiving Dinner), friends, neighbors and co-workers. Look for these slips in upcoming copies of the Monkeyshine. Extras are available at the Counter.

3. Looking for a great Stocking Stuffer? The Moms have Fruit Pie Candles for just \$5.00! These life-like candles come in six different flavors, including strawberry, blueberry and apple. If you need that perfect gift for mom, grandma or a teacher this it is!



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 and helped start the tradition of hot chocolate on Thanksgiving. We thank her for her generous support.



UNIFORM RETURNS START NOV. 27TH!
FULL REFUNDS GIVEN UNTIL DEC. 2ND



We would like to remind our players and parents that the NBGC football equipment, soccer jerseys and cheerleading skirts must be returned within one week of Thanksgiving. The return dates are from Mon. Nov. 27th through Sat. Dec. 2nd. As outlined in the letter signed by parents at the start of the season, the uniform must be returned clean, in good condition and on time to qualify for a full refund or donation credit. This is a busy holiday for all of us, so please don't forget about the uniform. You'll save us a lot of work and we'll enjoy our holiday even more! Thank you for taking care of the uniform.

1. The jerseys and skirts must be washed clean of mud and dirt.
2. The helmet must be scrubbed free of dirt and scuff marks inside and outside. Please leave your light "L" attached. **DO NOT USE A METAL SCRUBBING PAD OR AN ABRASIVE CLEANER ON THE HELMET! Soft Scrub is the best cleaner.**
3. The chin strap, all helmet pads, all clips and screws must be intact.
4. Damaged equipment or missing parts must be paid for in cash.
5. After Dec. 2nd there is a \$5.00 late fine which must be paid in cash. Basketball players must have returned their uniforms before gametime Dec. 2nd 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.



UNIFORM RETURN HOURS



Mon. Nov. 27th through Fri. Dec. 1st from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 2nd from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sale

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE DECEMBER 11TH & 12TH



The NBGC Dads' Club will meet again on Wed. Dec. 6th at 7:30 p.m. The dads help out NBGC and the children in many ways ranging from coaching and working the FamilyFest 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, Fraser Firs and Douglas Firs - as well as White Pine roping and beautiful Balsam wreaths - in front of the Clubhouse. The sale will take place on Sat. Dec. 9th from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., and on Sun. Dec. 10th from 9:00 a.m. until ?? The trees are between 6 and 8 feet tall. 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 street corner lot. Every tree includes a free fresh-cut and free lie-down. Shop early for the best selection! The money raised goes right to the boys and girls programs, so you're helping your community when buying from NBGC!

FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR BASKETBALL???



SEE BONNIE OR
BILLY TODAY!!!



The Prep Bees vs. The Eagles

Field 1 - 8:30 AM

By: Sergio Solis

Nov. 23, 2000



The Bees are a very tough and very quick team, quick to make a tackle, and quick to break away for a fifty yard touchdown run. They are coached by a group of guys that did a great job throughout the whole year... **Jim Potter, Curt Annis, and Bill Nowack**. The Bees captains and leaders of the team are **Joe Santiago and Donnie Butzen**. Their offense had the most success when working out of the single back formation with strong side flankers. Their most successful play this year was the fake reverse pass which gained them a lot of yards this year. The Bees best runners were **Eirick Allen** who is a fast slashing runner, while **Brian Jotzat** is just a straight up power runner. Handling most of the QB responsibilities was **Eirick Allen**. His usual receivers down field were **Joe Santiago, Matt Nowack, Shawn Abernathy, and Donnie Butzen** all fast receivers with great hands. Scoring most of the Bees touchdowns this season was Eirick Allen, and adding most of the extra points were scored by **Dylan Gschwind**. But all made possible by the great surge up front of the Bees offensive line led by **Nick Haderlein, Tim Brown, Mitchell Annis, Matt McCarthy, Scott Potter, Chris Hodges,** and tight end **Matt Nowack**. Most of the Bees kicking duties were handled by **Brian Jotzat and Donnie Butzen**. Most of their power comes from the great pressure up front of the defensive line led by **Dale McPeck, Chris Hodges, Nick Haderlein, Tim Brown, Matt McCarthy, and Scott Potter**. The Bees strengths on offense were how the substitutes were equal to the starters. Their strengths of defense were fast players who made good solid tackles. The Bees feel that their toughest opponent this year were the Bobcats, "Because we just don't match up well against them." The Bees expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because "This is the game that we have been playing for all season, nothing else matters."

The Bees will have to deal with one of the most dominant defenses in the league. They were coached by a couple of great people who did an outstanding job with the team this year... **Julie A. Rivera, Vincent Rivera, and Robert Contreras**. The team has two very talented and outstanding captains in **Greg Artim, and Jonathan DeValle**. Most of the Eagles success came from running out of the powerful "I" formation and their most successful plays this year have been the fakes. The Eagles best runner was **Greg Artim** who was a very fast and shifty runner who was able to make tacklers miss. Greg also handled most of the Eagles passing duties along with **Jarred Garcia**. Their most impact receivers were **Carlos Paiz, Alex Vasquez, Jarred Garcia, and tight ends Alex Colon, and Daniel Rasillo**. Scoring most of the teams touchdowns this season was **Greg Artim**. Which wouldn't have happened if it weren't for the great blocking from the line led by **Eric Rivera, Valente Contreras, Ryan Irazzary, Jairo Clara, Gabriel Ayala, Ryan Stevens, Raphael Garcia, and Daniel Rasillo**. Most of the kicking is done by the great leg of **Valente Contreras**. The Eagles great defense is led by the great defensive line consisting of **Valente, Jairo Clara, Daniel Rasillo, Eric Rivera, Ryan Stevens and Ryan Irazzary**. The Eagles strengths on offense are quick hands and quick hands and feet. And of course on the defensive side the great big "D" line. The Eagles believe that their toughest opponent this year was the Spartan team because they were undefeated. The Eagles are confident they will win on Thanksgiving Day because "We play with great heart, as a team and are a bunch of great football players."



TRIBE LOCUSTS VS. BOBCATS

Field 2 - 8:30 AM

By: Phil Jensen



The first game of the day for the Tribes will be played between the Tribe Locusts and the Tribe Bobcats. Both teams have experienced coaches, and talented players that have played great all year. Both sides are showing equal talent and experience which should lead to a very competitive and challenging game. With all that said, lets find out a little more about each team.

The Tribe Locusts are a well disciplined team and are coached by: **Glenn Stahl, Nick Powell, and Tom Geschrey**. The Locusts are lead by captains: **Sean Stahl and George Kanoon**. The locusts run their plays out of the Shotgun and "I" Formations which have lead to most of their touchdowns this year. Their most successful plays of the year have been Quick Screens and Halfback Option Passes. The Locusts running game consists of **George Kanoon** with great determination, **Vince Millwood** with power running, and **Louis Uhler** as their "shifty" runner. The Locusts passing duties are handled by **Tom Morahan and Dan Wegner**. When the Locusts look to the air to pass, they call upon: **Tim Geschrey** who runs good routes, **Sam Felshman** with good hands and a size advantage, **Matt Powell** also with good hands, and **Nelson Rosario** is their "speedy" receiver. Scoring most of the Locusts points this season were **Tom Morahan and Tim Geschrey**. Kicking and punting duties are handled by **Dan Wegner**. The Locusts feel that **Sean Stahl, Patrick Perkins, Antonio Arana, and Zak Morris** are their stronger Offensive linemen. On the Defensive side of the line **Joe Hernandez, Chris Moreno, and Fernando Sanchez** are their stronger players. The Locusts say their Offensive strengths are that they're undersized, but intelligent. And their Defensive strengths are gang tackling and determined pursuit. The most improved players on the locusts are the 7 out 15 players who have never played football before and have learned and improved greatly throughout the season. The Locusts toughest opponent this year was the Bees because they have the best 8th graders in the league and good running backs. The Locusts greatest memories are that "The seven old Locusts have gotten along real well with the new players." and that they know it hasn't been a good season, but they've always given it that "never quit" Locust effort. The Locusts expect to win a T-day because "They'll give it their best effort and there's always next year!"

The Tribe Bobcats are coached by well respected: **Leon Rallings, Jesus DeLa Rosa, and Sam Elayan and Josh** as their assistants. The Bobcats have been led all year by captains **Lucas DeLa Rosa and Jesse Colon**. The Bobcats have had a strong defense all year, but haven't been able to put up enough points to stay in key games. The Bobcats run their plays out of the "I", Pro, and Spread formations. The Bobcats feel that their pass plays to the tight end, and pitch sweeps have been very successful in gaining a lot of yardage this year. When the Bobcats need to run the ball they have **Carmelo Cabrera** who's shifty, quick, and stylish all-in-one, handle their running duties. When the Bobcats look to pass, they have **Jesse Colon** handle all their passing plays. When Jesse's looking to the air, he looks for key receivers **John Heinzman** who has quick feet, good hands, and runs good routes, and **Johnny Johnson** who is an aggressive player with good hands. Most of the Bobcats points have been scored by **Jesse Colon and Andre Gonzalez** throughout the year. The kicking duties are handled by **Justin Watmaugh and Carmelo Cabrera**. The Bobcats better offensive linemen are: **Leon Rallings Justin Watmaugh, Marco DeLa Rosa, James Hill, and Jonathan**. When it comes to defense, the Bobcats have a good rush that consists of: **Lucas DeLa Rosa, Xenon Zigler, Johnny Johnson, and Joey Rodriguez**. Some of the Bobcats better offensive strengths are that their offensive line is big, fast, and strong. Their defensive strengths are that they're quick off the ball and have very good tackling techniques. The Bobcats feel that their most improved players this year are **Xenon Zigler** who's improved on the defensive line, and **Carmelo Cabrera** who has improved greatly at running the ball. The Bobcats' toughest opponent of the year were the Bees because they're quicker, faster, and have executed their plays better than all their opponents. Their greatest memory of the year was when they struggled hard to earn a victory against the Spartans. The Bobcats expect to win on Thanksgiving because "The team will execute, out hustle, and make crisp hard tackles on all opposing runners." Lets hope for a great game with good sportsmanship and most of all.....have fun!!!



**NBGC'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET OCTOBER 20, 2001 AT THE WHITE EAGLE
COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED - TALK TO BILL ABPLANALP OR JIM MCNULTY**





JUNIOR ALIENS VS. HURRICANES
FIELD 3 - 8:30AM
 By: Mary Gallery & Julie Dakers



The Hurricanes and Aliens have met several times this season with the outcome being different each time. Turkey Day will bring a very unpredictable outcome, giving each team an equal opportunity at a win. Both teams are ready to go!

This season the Junior Aliens have been led by coaches **Pat Kane** and **Dan McCarthy**, as well as team-captain **Esther Poswal**. Throughout the season, the Aliens have improved and grown. They work together better and understand the fundamentals of soccer more and more each game. All of the girls have a great time playing together. **Hilda Solano** has been a leader for the team both in the goal and as forward, while **Anne Gallery** has led the defensive efforts. **Megan McCarthy** has been the leading midfielder, handling the majority of kickoffs for the team, while **Hilda Solano** has been the Aliens' leading scorer. Coach Kane also feels the girls have really improved in listening to his and the other coach's instruction over the course of the season. He feels that with all of his girls, the Aliens can beat any team. Kane is confident that with enough teamwork and effort, his girls will be victorious on Thanksgiving. The Aliens starters on Turkey Day will be **Cristina Robledo**, **Esther Poswal**, and **Samantha Martorano** as midfielders, **Anne Gallery** and **Megan Carlyon** as defenders, **Megan McCarthy** and **Hilda Solano** as forwards, and **Amanda Kane** as goalie.

The Hurricanes have a wonderful time this season, led by coaches **Angie Jensen** and **JoAnn Thoma**, along with captain **Mariah Madson** and co-captain **Nia Schexnider**. Their main focus this season has been defense, using this strategy to capitalize on offensive opportunities and prevent their opponents from scoring. The Hurricanes have been led on offense by **Nicole Figueroa**, **Melissa Fett**, and **Nina Schexnider**, while **Thelma Arevalo** and **Kathi Jensen** have led the cooperative effort on defense. **Cory Bieber** has been a wonderful goalie who was always well protected by her defenders. The Hurricanes are great passers and their forwards know how to be ready in front of the goal. Coach **Angie Jensen**, said of he team, "We expect to do well on Thanksgiving Day because we play well together. Above all else, we have fun." The teams favorite memories of the season include practices with parent volunteers **Robert Arevalo** and **Douglas Trejo**. The taught the girls valuable soccer skills and how to have fun during the games. The starters for the Hurricanes on Turkey Day will be **Miriam Cuzco**, **Klara Soto**, and **Diana Uriostegui** as midfielders, **Thelma Arevalo** and **Kathi Jensen** as defenders, **Melissa Fett** and **Nicole Figueroa** as forwards, and **Nina Schexnider** as goalie.

As we all hold our breath and watch from the sidelines to see what the outcome of the Turkey Cup will be, the Aliens and Hurricanes will go head to head in competition. Both the players and their coaches are extremely optimistic of the outcome of the game and have vowed that no matter what happens they will have a great time.



3 ON 3 HOOP CLASSICS COMING



NBGC will hold the 3 on 3 Holiday Hoop Classics between Christmas and New Year's. The big event will take place in the Revere Park gym. All you need is to get 3 or 4 teammates to join together and take on the opposition. Trophies will be awarded to the top teams (if the participation is good).

Tournaments will be played in the Pebble, Cadet, Junior, Prep, Senior and Tribe Leagues. The members of your team must wear their regular NBGC shirts and clean, dry gym shoes. We expect to have at least two entries per team. Talk to your teammates. More details after Thanksgiving!

BASKETBALL CONTESTS IN DECEMBER
WILL YOU BE "MR. OR MS. BASKETBALL"?

The annual NBGC Basketball Free Throw and Achievement Contests will be held between Christmas and New Years. Girls and boys are invited to toe the charity stripe in the FTC and take 25 shots, aiming for a trophy or ribbon. In the BAC you'll be tested in four skills - free throws, jump shots, lay ups and under-the-basket shots. All members who total 2,000 or more points under the scoring system, which is handicapped by age, earn trophies. The top scorer earns the title of "Mr. Basketball" and "Ms. Basketball" for a year! We'll have more details after Thanksgiving.

TEAM PICTURES SHOULD BE HERE A FEW DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS!



Call Dec. 18th



DON'T FORGET TO CALL US...WE CANNOT CALL ALL OF YOU!

MAKE YOUR HOLIDAY DINNER A HIT WITH A DELICIOUS HAM FOR JUST \$3.50 A POUND!!
 SEE PAGE ONE FOR DETAILS.



THANK YOU TO OUR COACHES



One of the most important pieces of a football team is the coaching staff. They are the guiding force, the ones who provide Leadership and Discipline. They are asked to teach, in their coaching and example, the very ideals upon which NBGC was founded in 1931 - hard work, discipline, fairness and loyalty. *Thanks to this special group the NBGC idea continues to work 70 years later.*

We should all be grateful for the time and effort of the coaches, doing their best for every single member of the team. The attitude of fair play and sportsmanship is one which should be carried onto the field by every player. As adults we can only hope that the atmosphere we have tried to create at NBGC will stay with them once they leave our fields.

Pebble League

Maria LaGrimes (Hurricanes), **Melissa Arzola**, **Juan Castillo** and **Jeff Van Hoy** (Panthers), **Jose Hernandez** (Cheetahs)

Junior League

Patrick Kane (Aliens), **Angie Jensen**, **JoAnn Thoma**, **Robert Arevalo**, **Douglas Trejo** (Hurricanes), **Jeff Van Hoy**, **Kathy Resendiz** and **Glenn Stahl** (Panthers), **Jose Hernandez** (Cheetahs)

Cadet League

Jimmy Hicks, **Cindy Hicks** and **Leon Jasso** (Eagles), **Mike Okoniewski**, **Carl Berger** and **Kari Michals** (Pirates), **Mike Cooney** & **Kirk Davis** (Cougars), **Dan McCarthy** & **Jim Potter** (Bees)

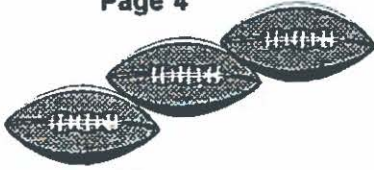
Prep League

Julie Rivera, **Vince Rivera** and **Robert Contreras** (Eagles), **Phil Jensen**, **Joe Sanfelippo** and **Joe Kordik** (Spartans), **Michael Cooney** & **Phil Cooney** (Bobcats), **Bill Nowack**, **Curt Annis** & **Jim Potter** (Bees), **Nick Powell** & **Chuck Stiles** (Locusts)

Tribe League

JoAnn Thoma & **Mark Behzad** (Falcons), **Frank Agular** & **Marilyn Maldonado** (Spartans), **Leon Rallings** & **Jesus DeLaRosa** (Bobcats), **Tony Watts** (Bees), **Glenn Stahl** (Locusts)

FOOTBALL & SOCCER UNIFORM RETURNS
CHEERLEADER SKIRT RETURNS
MON. NOV. 27TH - SAT. DEC. 2ND



**THE THREE WAY GAME
SPARTANS, BOBCATS, AND LOCUSTS
FIELD 1 - 9:45 AM
By: Carlos Mendoza**

Nov. 23, 2000

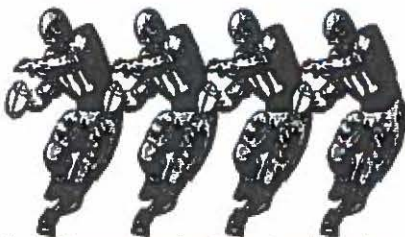


The Spartans ended the season as the champions. They won all three rounds of the season, but the Bobcats and Locusts were not that far behind. All three teams competed very well against each other. These three games should be very competitive.

The Spartans are coming out of a strong season and look good going in to the turkey bowl. They are coached by **Phil Jensen, Joe Sanfelippo, and Joe Kordik**. The Spartans are lead by captain **Sammy Jensen** and co-captain **Eric Silva**. The Spartans work their offense out of the "I" Formation. They have beaten teams by using sweeps to the right, left, or middle. **Eric Silva** calls the plays from the quarterback spot. His favorite runners are **Bobby Miller** who slashes and fakes the defense and **Eric Silva** who also runs the ball usually powering his way across the field. The Spartans receivers are **Bobby Miller** and **Eddie Ortiz** who both have good speed and hands to catch the ball. None of the Spartans touchdowns could be scored if it wasn't for great blocking from **Billy Hughes, Billy Miller, Alex Gomez, Joey Vaughan, and Daniel Kelly**. Causing trouble for the opponents on defense are **Josh Porrata, Anthony Garza, Nick Quiles, and Rodney Stephen**. The kicking and punting duties are left to **Daniel Kelly**. Their strengths have been good blocking, tackling, intelligence, and containment. They are a very good disciplined team with a lot of heart and desire. **Rodney Stephens** and **Joshua Porrata** are people to look for as they improved a lot during the season. *Their toughest opponents have been the Eagles because they were always fired up and never gave up till the game was over. The Spartans are the smallest team in the league, but have tried hard all season long. They expect to win because they try their best on every play and never give up and practice good fundamentals.*

The Bobcats have played hard all season long and it will pay off on Thanksgiving Day. They are coaches by **Michael Cooney, Phillip Cooney, and Tom Lauletta**. Taking charge every game are captain **Michael Cooney** and co-captain **Jacob Rivera**. The Bobcats run their offense out of the "T" formation. They have been very successful this season by using QB sneaks and passing. Giving handoffs and passing for the Bobcats has been "QB" **Jacob Rivera**. His favorite running backs have been **Billy Miller** and **Joshua Paley** who give opponents trouble. The Bobcats love to go to the tight end **Michael Cooney** and wide receivers **Mike Prodromos** and **Timmy McNamara**. The offensive blocking is done by **Nat Mendina, Javier Reyes, Max Pizzi, and Ronald Jotzat**. Getting in on every tackle are **Greg Orlich, Kevin Ogunjimi, Richard Tovar, and Victor Alicea**. *They have shown much improvements and leadership this season. The teams that have given them trouble have been the Locusts and Spartans. They expect to win on Thanksgiving Day because no team can stop them if they play together as a team.*

The Locusts have played hard all season. They are led by Captains **Jarred Stiles** and **Russ Geschrey**. The Locusts run their offense out of the Shotgun-Spilt Veer and rely on **Scott Krier, Jarred Stiles, Hector Couty, and Tommy Nickels** on running the ball. The line that opens up big holes are **Chris Brundidge, Chris Powell, Patrick McCarthy, and Alex Benitez**. When the Locusts back up to pass they depend on the strong arm of **Scott Krier** who is looking for **Derek Hearn, Michael Black** and **Jarred Stiles**. The strong defensive line is led by **Miguel Osterling, Russell Geschrey, Jimmy Lauletta, Peter Garcia** and **Robert Uhler**. The Locusts call on **Scott Krier** for all their kicking duties. The Locusts coaches are **Nick Powell** and **Chuck Stiles** and they said, "they expect to win on Thanksgiving 'cause we' da bomb! Who let the dogs out??? We've saved our best play for the third round and now it's time to put it all together!"



**TRIBE THANKSGIVING
BEES VS. FALCONS VS. SPARTANS
FIELD 2 - 9:45 AM
By: Gilbert Ruiz**



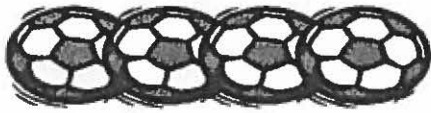
Today for our Thanksgiving classic we have a three way round robin. Each team will play each other one half. The top three teams are the Bees(1st), Falcons(2nd), and the Spartans(3rd). All three of these teams have been competitive all season long. This will be very interesting to watch.

The first place Bees had an awesome season this year. They were unbeaten all season. They went 12-0. The team was lead by Coach **Tony Watts**, Captain **Jason Jenkins**, and Co Captain **Dante Sable**. One reason for the success that the Bees had was for their offensive line. On the offensive line was **Kevin Beck, Elloit Gschwind, Shawn O'Connell, Dan Copi, Troy Brundige, and Dante Sable**. These boys were able to make holes and hold their blocks to give the Q.B. the ability to make plays. The Q.B. for the Bees was **Jason Jenkins**. This young man has great talent he is not afraid to try to switch things up on the field. Out wide for the Bees was **Mike Singh, Ben Nadel, and Joe Dickerson**. The Boys in the Back Field were **Oscar Mc Adams, and Mike O'Connell**. They know how to find a hole and get up field quick. **P.J. Valladares, Loren Rodriguez, and Stephen Copi** helped the Bees to Championship. The Bees always came out to play with great attitudes.

The Falcons had a very good season this year. They came in second place this season. Their record for the season was 6 wins, 4 loses, and 2 ties. They were awesome on both sides of the field. The Team was lead by coach **Joann Thoma**, and Captains **Brian Wasilk, and Greg Segura**. This year the Falcons great defense they had **Greg Segura** at the middle line backer and stopped a lot of good plays. The Defensive line was a very talented group of kids. Lead by **Josh Bigbear, Brian Wasilk, Kyle Garcia, Cesar Perez, Joe Cihak, and Urian Penate**. They Also has a strong backfield on offense, with **Anthony Badaglaco, Jack Salicete, and Wilfredo Cardona**. Out wide for the Falcons were **Dan Guzman, and Mitchell Arce**. The Q.B. **Joe Hernandez** was sometimes careless with the ball but during the end of the season he started to pick up his game. He started to really understand his position. That helped the team out during crucial times. The always came out to play with determination.

The Spartans were also great contenders in the Tribe league. They were one point behind the Falcons in a close third place. Their record for the season was 6 wins, 5 loses, and 1 tie. The Team was lead by coaches **Frank Agular, and Marilyn Maldonado**. The Captain for the Team were **Peter Miller, and Mike Agular**. The Spartans had a huge offensive line with **Rosendo Andya, Alvero Valle, Emmanuel Sims, Max Ruskuff, and Mike Agular**. The Q.B. for the team was an outstanding athletic young man. **Peter Miller** is one of the best Q.B.'s in the league. Out on the wings they had **Jordan White, and Wilfredo Gonzalez** that made huge plays down the stretch. They also had great defense lead by **Freddy Quesada, Joel Uriostegui, David Agular** and **Raymond Hogan**. The Spartans played very hard and strong all season long.

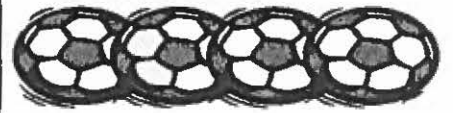
This will be a very interesting game between all three teams. I feel that it could go either way between the match ups. I wish the best of luck to all the teams and a Happy Thanksgiving to all.



JUNIOR CHEETAHS VS. PANTHERS

FIELD 3 - 9:45 AM

By: Mary Gallery & Julie Dakers

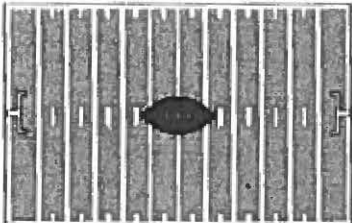


Today brings many unpredictable outcomes, one of which is the Junior Panthers Vs Cheetahs game. The Cheetahs already hold the title of the "2000 outdoor soccer champions." That however is not going to stop the Panthers from coming out in full force.

The Junior Panthers were led this season by coaches Jeff Van Hoy, Kathy Resendiz, Glenn Stahl and team captains Rebecca Campbell and Dana Hatter. On Turkey Day the Panthers plan on coming out strong with an evenly balanced offense and defense, a 2-3-2 set up, where all the players will play the whole field...talk about being tired. On offense it is expected for them to come out strong, moving the ball quickly on counter attacks. With a team that is "full of personality and heart" as quoted by coach Van Hoy the team goal for the day is to stay focused on the ball and the game, in order to keep it going strong to win. It has been a long season and with any season comes hard work. The most improvement this season has been seen in Dana Hatter who has improved her overall technique and field awareness, Katie Butzen and Chelsea Gschwind have improved in their aggressiveness, and Katelyn Krey has added to her individual ability with great leadership skills, team and tactical awareness, and setting up a wonderful assist earlier in the season. On Turkey Day the starting line up for the Panthers is Katelyn Krey, Sloban Stahl, and Chelsea Gschwind as midfielders. Lauren Corso and Paige Resendiz at Defense, Sophia Kanoon and Dana Hatter as Forwards, and Katie Butzen as Goalle. Cheering on their starting lineup awaiting their turn at battle is Rebecca Campbell, Leslie Annis, Jasmine Anza, Skyler Larrimore, Marisol Garcia, Amanda Golec, and Heana Little.

The Cheetahs have been led this season by Coach Jose Hernandez and captain Stefany Bernabe, along with co-captain Jessica Staples. The Cheetahs have run a highly effective offense in the "Sling Shot" formation. The leading scorers this season were Tracy Flores, Faith Hernandez, Jessica Staples, and Stefany Bernabe. Coach He knows his girls are capable of playing every position and all of the girls have a chance to play on every part of the field. The Cheetahs always work together and are able to anticipate where the ball will be and get into position. Most of all, they want to win. Though many of the girls played together last year, all of the new girls have fit in well and all of the Cheetahs have learned to play as a team. The Coach can't wait for Turkey Day and knows his girl will come out on top. They having been waiting all season for this day and are saving their "ultimate weapon" for the final game of the season. Coac Hernandez warns, "Danger- Beware of wild Cheetahs on Turkey Day!" The starters for the Cheetahs on Thanksgiving will be Tracy Flores, Stefany Bernabe, and Faith Hernandez as midfielders, Teresa Aguilar and Felicia Rodriguez as defenders, Jessica Staples and Dianexis Mercado as forwards, and Melissa Ortiz in goal.

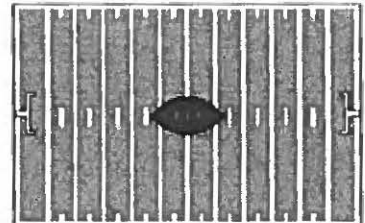
The Turkey Day game between these two team should be a head to head match up and a great way for these two teams to end their season. Good luck to both teams, not that there will be any luck needed, and just remember why you are out there...TO HAVE FUN!



CADET EAGLES vs. PIRATES

FIELD 1 - 11:15 AM

By: Jason Frumkin



As Thanksgiving morning nears, the *Cadet Eagles and Pirates* grow more and more anxious to meet on the field. These two teams have faced off a few times earlier in the season, but this game will be a little more exciting. Both teams match up well against each other, so defense will be the key factor in gaining a victory.

The *Cadet Eagles*, led by captains *Dylan Hicks* and *Jay Salicete*, struggled at the start of the season, but gradually improved over each game. Coach *Jim McDonald* may very well be responsible for this improvement. The *Eagles* like to run their offense with no wide-outs and a two man backfield. They run many sweeps and depend on their offensive line up front to get the job done. The *Eagle* offensive line consists of *Eric Avelar*, *Leon Jasso*, *Robert Rodriguez*, *Michael Lagrimas*, *Estevan Avelar*, and *Daniel Perez*. Their running backs are *Darian Garcia*, *Jay Salicete*, and *Marty Haderlein*. *Dylan Hicks* can be found taking snaps from under *Joe Wedra*. When *Dylan* drops back to pass, he usually looks for running back *Marty Haderlein*, who runs good routes from out of the backfield and has good hands. On defense, the *Eagles* are quick off the line, which will definitely help them tomorrow morning. According to Coach *McDonald*, the *Bees* were their toughest competitor because of their coaching. He thinks his team will win because "we are getting used to playing together [as a team]."

The *Pirates* are led by captains *Reginald Henderson* and *Scott DeValle*. They are coached by *Mike Okoniewski* and *Carl Bergen*. The *Pirates* run their offense out of a split-back formation. The offensive line consists of *Jorge Molina*, *Rich Bergen*, *Justin Okoniewski*, *Kyle Michaels*, *Rodrigo Avelar*, and *Joey Flaherty*. *Scott DeValle* handles the QB duties, while *Reginald Henderson*, *Alfredo Uriostegui*, *Kevin Bernabe*, and *Tony Marmol* take handoffs from the backfield. When *Scott DeValle* looks downfield for a pass, he usually connects with TE *Jeremy Clayton*, who runs great routes and has one of the best pair of hands in the league. *Scott DeValle* also looks for *Timmy Jensen*, who also runs good routes and has speed after the completion. On defense the *Pirates* are good at getting in the opponent's backfield quickly and pulling flags. Coach *Mike Okoniewski* says the *Pirates* "might pull this one out" because "the team is coming together and working as one."

This should be an exciting game because both teams stack up well against one another. Both teams have had fun throughout the entire season. This Thanksgiving day we will see what each team has learned over the season. Good luck to both the *Eagles* and the *Pirates*, as well as everyone else participating in the Turkey Bowl games.



**SHOW YOUR
TEAM SPIRIT!!**



**SUPPORT "TOYS FOR TOTS"
SUN. DEC. 3RD**



The NBGC Cheerleader moms are holding their third annual Cheerleader Fundraiser!! It takes place on Sat. Dec. 2nd from 7:00 - 10:00 PM at Windy City Inn, located at Irving Park and Oakley. The cost is \$17.00 per person and includes homemade entrees, snacks, soft drinks, beer and wine. There will be many raffles and drawings throughout the evening. For more information, to contribute a dish or prize, or to purchase or sell raffle tickets, just call Gail Prodromos at 773-275-0086 or Joanne Borgert at 773-348-4248.

The Chicagoland Toys For Tots Committee proudly presents the "World's Largest Toys For Tots Motorcycle Parade". The 23rd annual event starts at 9:30 AM on Sun. Dec. 3rd from the Dan Ryan Woods at 83rd and Western, ending at the 4th Marine Corp Center at Foster and Troy. The Parade Line Up starts at 8:00 AM. The Topsy For Tots Committee wants to stress that only NEW toys and games are accepted and please, no stuffed animals.

Call 773-866-TOYS or visit www.chicagolandTFT.org for info.



CADET BEES vs. COUGARS

FIELD 2 - 11:15 AM

By: Brian Wright

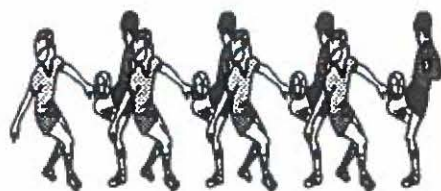


The big matchup today in the Cadet league is between the league champion Bees, coached by **Dan McCarthy** and **Jim Potter**, and the always tough Cougars, who gave the Bees their only loss. The Cougars are coached by **Mike Cooney** and **Kirk Davis**. The Cougars came alive in the second half of the season by overcoming the Bees in a 13-7 heartbreaker. Congratulations on that victory!

The Cougars are led by **Captains Emmet Dillon** and **Alex Retamozo**. The offense is led by QB **Micheal Hatter** who worked with a single-back offense. The running duties were handled by Hatter, who is probably the fastest open-field runner in the league, **Conor Cooney** who is a power runner, **Emmet Dillon** who can cut and shift like the pro's, and **Alex Retamozo** who combines both power and speed. When the pass is called **Conor Cooney** steps up and usually is looking for the sure-handed **Alex Retamozo**. Now an offense is only as good as its line. The Cougars had one of the best lines this season led by **Mike VanDenBosch**, **Kris "Big Show" Long**, **Zack Johnson**, **Alex Wiggins**, **Sam Bieber**, **Ross Uhler**, **Ryan Bocskovits**, **Rex Ruskauff**, and **Pat O'connell**. Now the reason for beating the wasn't the offense though, it was the excellent run-stopping defense which really showcases the great linemen. The Cougars credit the Bees as being "tough to score against," but say they expect to win because of their "Never give up attitude" and great balance of athletes according to coach **Davis**.

This seasons champs, the Bees dominated this first year of Cadet. The Bees captains are **Tommy Kane** and **Sam Hobert**. They had a good offense, but their overpowering defense is what made them such a powerful team. The offense is led by QB **Sean McCarthy** who worked with a standard 2-back offense. When the run was needed **McCarthy** was a speed demon with moves that would fake the jockstrap off of the opponent, or when speed and the ability to find the hole was needed little **Tommy Kane** was called upon, and **Kyle Potter** has the great open-field skills to get to the endzone. When **McCarthy** looked to pass he found the dependable **Sam Hobert**, sure-handed **Gary Dickerson**, or **Zach Wright** who has good hands and runs great patterns. The protecting line was led by **Andrew Begun**, **Joe Sanchez**, **Corbin Golec**, **Jake Policzuk**, **Gabriel McDonagh**, and **Andre Morsy** who has become very confident as the season went on. Now the always tough defense believes their toughest opponent was the Cougars because they are about equally matched and the Cougars always play with a lot of heart and never give up.

Look for this to be a huge game as both teams credit each other as being the toughest obstacle this season. The Bees have nothing to prove out on the field, but the Cougars want to show the champs what is in store for next season as they will surely be a title contender!

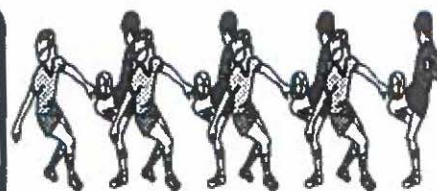


PEBBLE PANTHERS VS. CHEETAHS

VS. HURRICANES

FIELD 3 - 11:15 AM

By: Julie Dakers & Mary Gallery



Turkey Day brings much excitement and many uncertainties. The first game of the day in the Pebble league is going to be the Cheetahs, who clinched the first half, vs. the Panthers, who defeated them in order to win the second half. These two teams will go head to head to battle for the Pebble League Championship. The loser of this game will compete immediately afterwards in a ribbon game vs. the Hurricanes.

The Panthers have had great season this year led by Coach **Juan Castillo**, captain **Roseete Reynolds**, and co-captain **Mallory Kirkley**. They worked on an offense coordinating the efforts of both forwards and midfielders with an emphasis on passing to find the open girl. The leading scorer on the Panthers was **Erica Arce**, while **Mallory Kirkley** helped the offensive effort with her powerful penalty kicks. Many Panthers have worked hard on defense, and they were great at pressuring and attacking their opponents. Many girls also had a chance at the midfield position, with **Chloe Rhodes**, **Rosette Reynolds**, **Erin Scheffler**, **Elizabeth Hack**, and **Andrea Hodges** handling most of the kickoffs. All players on the Panthers have improved this season, especially **Ashley Castillo** on defense, **Chloe Rhodes** as a midfielder, **Samantha Pierce** as a goalie, **Erica Arce** as a midfielder, and **Mallory Kirkley** both on offense and in the goal. The Panthers have really come together this season, and not only learned to play soccer, but also how to play as a team. On Turkey Day, the starters for the Panthers will be **Andrea Hodges** and **Elizabeth Hack** as midfielders, **Stephanie Benitez**, **Jennifer Robledo**, and **Ashley Castillo** as defenders, **Meghan Buino** and **Denise Hearn** as forwards, and **Mallory Kirkley** in goal. Also playing for the Panthers on Thanksgiving will be, **Samantha Pierce**, **Erin Scheffler**, **Erica Arce**, **Chloe Rhodes**, and **Rosette Reynolds**.

This season the Hurricanes have had a trio of very dedicated coaches, **Marai LaGrimas**, **Jeff Vanhoy**, and **Melissa Arzola**. They were also led by captain **Kera Rivera** and co-captain **Lisa Letona**. They have run a possessive offensive formation, relying on the midfielders to both move the ball up-field and be in a position to score. The Hurricanes offense is strengthened by their desire for the ball and their ability to position themselves well. Their leading scorer this season was **Irene Okubo**. The Hurricanes defense was also great at positioning and winning the ball, as well as keeping the opponent from maintaining possession. There has been incredible improvement by all of the Hurricanes this season. They have learned to focus on the ball, have improved timing, and how to work together. **Ashley**, **Kera**, and **Kara** have been leaders for the team, while **Ashley Arzola**, **Kera River**, and **Kara Rivera** have led the team, while **Colleen** and **Irene** have given each game their all. Coach **VanHoy** knows his girls never give up and is confident that they can win on Thanksgiving with the coaches help. Starting for the Hurricanes on Turkey Day will be **Lisa Letona**, **Irene Okubo**, and **Shaina Kriho** as midfielders, **Ashley Arzola** and **Kara Rivera** on defense, **Kera Rivera** and **Michelle LaGrimas** as forwards, and **Colleen Prendergast** in goal. Also in the lineup for Thanksgiving are **Jessica Letona**, **Mia Schexnider**, **Kristen Kattner**, **Gabriela Antoniadis**, **Cristina Miranda**, and **Ivette Chacon**.

The Cheetahs have had a great season. They unfortunately were not a large team but they worked extremely well together. Coach **Hernandez** warns that the Panthers should "beware of the wild cheetahs on Turkey Day." The starting lineup for the Cheetahs is **Ruby Ortiz**, **Anaice Ayala**, and **Josie Soto** at midfielders. **Angelica Hernandez** and **Christina "Tina" Diaz** as forwards. **Vallerie Perez** and **Luz Cantu** and **Tiffany "Boo" Staples** as Goalie. Cheering on the starters and revving up their engines for battle will be **Christine Santillan**, **Jaqueline Quezada**, and **Destiny Hernandez**. Coach **Hernandez** expects that the Cheetahs will definitely win if they come out strong and work together as a team. The Cheetahs have only lost one game in the second half and it was to the Panthers. They are ready and waiting for Thanksgiving Day for their rematch to show the Panthers what they are really made of.

This season has not only brought a whole new group in with these Pebble girls, but other new things as well. This year's Thanksgiving festivities being the most important. This year is the first year that the girls have ever been featured *playing* in the Turkey Day Classic. So, no matter what the outcome of the day's games, remember, you still have a great story to share with your grandchildren!



2000 NBGC ALL-AMERICANS



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-AMERICANS



CADET ALL-AMERICANS

- BEES** - Sean McCarthy, Tommy Kane, Gary Dickerson, Kyle Potter Zach Wright
- COUGARS** - Michael Hatter, Conor Cooney, Michael Van Den Bosch, Alex Relamozo, Emmet Dillon
- EAGLES** - Marty Haderlein, Jay Salicete, Dylan Hicks, Eric Avelar, Darien Garcia
- PIRATES** - Kevin Bernabe, Reggie Henderson, Jeremy Clayton, Tommy Hughes, Tim Jensen, Justin Okoniewski



PREP ALL-AMERICANS



- BEES** - Brian Jotzat, Erick Allen, Nick Haderlein, Donnie Butzen, Mitchell Annis
- BOBCATS** - Bill Miller, Jacob Rivera, Michael Cooney, Nathaniel Medina, Ronald Jotzat
- EAGLES** - Jarred Garcia, Greg Artim, Jonathan DelValle, Valente Contreras, Gabriel Ayala
- LOCUSTS** - Scott Krier, Jarred Stiles, Miguel Osterling, Chris Brundidge, Tommy Nickels
- SPARTANS** - Eric Silva, Billy Hughes, Eddie Ortiz, Bobbie Miller, Sammy Jensen



TRIBE ALL-AMERICANS



- BEES** - Sean O'Connell, Jason Jenkins, Elliot Gschwind, Oscar McAdams, D.J. Sabel
- BOBCATS** - Andre Gonzalez, Jesse Colon, Carmelo Cabrera, Johnny Johnson, Leon Rallings
- FALCONS** - Brian Wasilk, Greg Segura, Kyle Garcia, Joe Cihak
- LOCUSTS** - Tom Morahan, Sean Stahl, Tim Gschrey, Joe Hernandez
- SPARTANS** - Peter Miller, Wilfredo Gonzalez, Rosendo Andya, Johnny Quiles, Mike Aguilar



NBGC SOCCER ALL-AMERICANS



PEBBLE ALL-AMERICANS

- CHEETAHS** - Ruby Ortiz, Anaice Ayala, Tiffany "Boo" Staples, Luz Cantu, Angelica Hernandez
- HURRICANES** - Ashley Arzola, Kera Rivra, Irene Okubo, Shaina Kriho, Colleen Prendergast
- PANTHERS** - Mallory Kirkley, Ashley Castillo, Erin Scheffler, Jennifer Robledo, Erica Arce



JUNIOR ALL-AMERICANS



- ALIENS** - Hilda Solano, Megan McCarthy, Ester Poswal, Anne Gallery, Samantha Martorano, Megan Carylton (6 All-Americans due to a tie in points)
- CHEETAHS** - Tracy Flores, Faith Hernandez, Jessica Staples, Felicia Rodriguez, Angelica Alonso
- HURRICANES** - Melissa Felt, Thelma Arelavo, Nicole Figueroa, Miriam Cuzco, Cory Bieber
- PANTHERS** - Sioban Stahl, Dana Hatter, Chelsea Gschwind, Sophia Kanoon, Katelyn Krey



TURKEY TOSS RESULTS



We had a great turnout of 98 teams -17 more than last year- for the annual Parent & Son/Daughter Turkey Toss. Teams of parents and sons/daughters took turns tossing 10 darts each at paperturkey 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 ribbons were awarded for 3rd and 4th. Congratulations to the winners and to everyone who participated.

Discovery Program

Emily & Vicki Okubo	14 pts.	Turkey
Adam & JoAnn Thoma	7 pts.	Turkey
Wilson & Jenny Cuzco	2 pts.	Ribbon

Pebble League

Diani & Maribel Uriostegui	42 pts.	Turkey
Kara & Julie Rivera	34 pts.	Turkey
Mallory & Kevin Kirkley	30 pts.	Ribbon
Kera & Vicente Rivera	29 pts.	Ribbon

Cadet League

Kris & Lisa Long	28 pts.	Turkey
Michael & Tom VanDenBosch	27 pts.	Turkey
Kevin & Ray Bernabe	26 pts.	Ribbon
Corbin & Jim Golec	26 pts.	Ribbon

Junior League

Amanda & Jim Golec	37 pts.	Turkey
Sophia & Emmanuel Kanoon	29 pts.	Turkey
Nicole & Tony Figueroa	29 pts.	Turkey
Chelsea & Mike Gschwind	26 pts.	Ribbon

Prep League

Mitchell & Curt Annis	33 pts.	Turkey
Alex & Maria Gomez	33 pts.	Turkey
Brian & Amber Jotzat	28 pts.	Ribbon
Chris & Nick Powell	28 pts.	Ribbon

Senior League

Theresa & Cook Ramirez	39 pts.	Turkey
Danielle & Susan Tetrault	24 pts.	Turkey
Kelly MacNamara & Bryan Raleigh	23 pts.	Ribbon
Angelica & Gema Alonso	15 pts.	Ribbon

Tribe League

Matt & Nick Powell	35 pts.	Turkey
Freddy & Victoria Quezada	24 pts.	Turkey
Louis & Leah Uhler	22 pts.	Ribbon
Matt & Kathy Resendiz	19 pts.	Ribbon



THANKS TO THE STAFF AND 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 an NBGC!*

Thank you to Program Director Bonnie Werstein, Assistant Program Director Bill Winters, YouthNet Director Lisa Bodey, YouthNet Coordinator Antwan Taylor, YouthNet Program Assistants Trisha Ekstrom and Jason Keppe, boys and girls League Directors Julie Dakers, Kristina Clifton, Brian Wright and Gilbert Ruiz. They are here for you and your parents every day.

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 Jason Frumkin, Mary Gallery, Phil Jensen, Carlos Mendoza, Ruben Solis, Sergio Solis, Kiersten Sullivan, Tim Ward and Candice Werstein, and to Junior Leaders Tina Barnes, Maria Gomez, Amber Jotzat, Nina Kanoon, Stan Mendez, Maggie Nickels, Julia Uriostegui, Jennifer Werstein, Sean Barnes, Andrew Gschwind, Matt Henneman, Dan Jensen, Carlos Lema, Manny Miranda, Jeff Otto, Alex Ross, Dan Ward and Kevin Ward.

We also want to welcome a group of new Leaders who passed their tests last week: Oscar Castillo, Elizabeth Chacon, Angelica Delgado, Marisol Garcia, Elliott Gschwind, Sean Gschwind, Ashley Harris, David Harwell, Samantha Lazzara, Mariah Madson, Marc Patino and Krystle Urizar.

OH CHRISTMAS TREE, OH CHRISTMAS TREE!
ON SALE DEC. 9TH AND 10TH AT NBGC

**PRE-SEASON BASKETBALL GAMES**

Mon.	Nov.	27th	5:15	All Senior Players
			6:00	All Senior Players
Tues.	Nov.	28th	4:00	Pr. Bees - Locusts
			5:00	Pr. BCats/Cougars - Falc/Pirates
			6:00	Pr. Eagles - Spartans
Wed.	Nov.	29th	4:00	Ct. Locusts/WL - BCats/Cougars
			5:00	Ct. Bees - Eagles
			6:00	Ct. Falcons/Pirates - Spartans
Wed.	Nov.	29th	5:15	Jr. Aliens/Angels - Twisters
			6:00	Jr. Panthers/WL - Cheetahs
Thurs.	Nov.	30th	4:00	Tr. Bobcats - Bees
			5:00	Tr. Cougars/WL - Locusts
			6:00	Tr. Eagles - Falcons
			7:00	Tr. Spartans - Pirates
Fri.	Dec.	1st	4:00	Pb. Cheetahs/WL - Panthers - Twisters
			5:30	Aliens - Angels

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. 2nd. Shirts are being sold at practices through your League Director (Girls Leagues - Julie and Kristina, Cadets - Brian, Preps - Billy, Tribes - Gilbert). They cost \$7.00 and it is a good idea to have two shirts.

**BASKETBALL CAPTAINS TO BE CHOSEN**

All girls and boys teams will choose captains at their first pre-season games starting **Mon. Nov. 27th.** *Football and Soccer captains and co-captains are not eligible.* The captains will be listed in the next Monkeyshine. They will have their first meeting on **Fri. Dec. 8th.** The Cadets, Preps and Tribes meet at 4:30 PM and the Pebbles, Juniors and Seniors at 6:30 PM.

**FOOTBALL & SOCCER CAPTAIN PARTIES**

Boys Football Captains have a party on Mon. Dec. 4th at 4:00 and Girls Soccer Captains on Tues. Dec. 5th at 4:00. Only captains who attended two or more meetings and did a good job from start to finish are invited. Talk to the Staff and see if you are invited. Pizza and pop are included - you bring the snacks!

**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 to 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.

**WE'VE GOT SPIRIT, HOW ABOUT YOU?**

By: Candice Werstein



On Saturday, Nov. 11th we held Captain Co-Captain tryouts. We had about 25 girls tryout and they all did great, unfortunately we could only pick 9 girls. Everyone who tried out did an outstanding job and deserve a big hand. The Captain for the All-star Squad is **Mercadez Ratiff**. Co-Captains are **Valerie Langerich and Madalyn Morgan**. Captain for the Red Squad is **Kelly McNamara**. Co-Captains are **Kelly Ford, Ashley Marquez**. Captain for the Blue Squad is **Samantha Prodromos**. Co-Captains are **Kerry Nagler and Cristina Cantu**. Congratulations to all the girls that made Captain or Co-Captain. Everyone is working hard on their performance for the Pep Rally and Thanksgiving half-time show. As Thanksgiving approaches the girls are getting ready with there stunts, cheers, and dances! They have worked very hard this season and we are very proud of what they have achieved. In addition to the traditional NBGC Cheerleaders we have added an All-star Squad. The All-stars are Cheerleaders who have shown outstanding leadership and talent. Besides cheering and dancing the girls have also grown together as a team and we think it's one of the strongest that we have ever had. All of the girls work together and if they don't get catch the cheer then they ask a fellow team mate for help. We have also been doing some fundraising for new uniforms. We held a bake sale early in November and the Cheerleaders are selling raffle tickets for the Annual Cheerleader fund-raiser at Windy City. A BIG Thankyou to all of the parents and kids who bought baked goods or raffle tickets. We would like to say a special thanks the parents who had to haul their daughters to and from practices and watching them at home as they went over the dance and cheers a thousand times and drove you crazy.

The 2000 Cheerleaders are as follows: Carly Ahrens, Sabrina Ball, Alicia Berger, Haley Dempsey, Samantha Geschrey, Elizabeth Hack, Annie Jotzat, Cassie Kielnik, Stephanie & Emely Montanez, Ashley O'Leary, Sara Pierce, Veronica Ramirez, Diana Uriostegui, Kara Rivera, and Cassy T.

Red Captain-Kelly McNamara, Red Co-Captains-Kelly Ford and Ashley Marquez.

Blue Captain-Samantha Prodromos, Blue Co-Captains Christina Cantu and Kerry Nagler.

All Star Squad: Amanda Ball, Tabitha Hernandez, Elizabeth Kmet, Tasha Jotzat, Yasmine Marrero, Kathi Jensen, Alicia Mitchell, Alexandra Randle, Emma Paley, Kera Rivera, Rosalyn & Yesenia Solano, Danielle Tetraull, Jessica Velez

All-star Captain Mercadez Ratiff, All-Star Co-Captains Valerie Langerich & Madelyn Morgan

Thank you to all the girls that participated in the 2000 Cheerleading season! An extra special thanks to Valerie Hernandez and Angela Blanchard for their amazing help and dedication to the NBGC cheer program.

The Cheerleader Fund-raiser will be held at Windy City Inn, 2257 W. Irving Park Road on Saturday, December 2nd. 7:00-10:00 PM. Adult 21 and older will enjoy unlimited beer, wine and pop, food, Split the Pot, Door and Ticket Raffles. Tell all your friends.

**DISCOVERY PROGRAM NEWS**

NBGC's "**Discovery Program**" will return from Thanksgiving break on Wed. Nov. 29th. Girls and boys in K and 1st grade are welcome. This Wednesday and Saturday program includes instructional sports, table games, gameroom activities, arts & crafts, tournaments, computers and lots of FUN! The group meets from 3:30 - 5:30 on Wednesdays and 11:30 - 1:30 on Saturdays. Just bring in your child, with birth certificate if new, and we will fill out a membership form and tell you more about the program.

NBGC WINTER HOURS

Monday - Thursday	3:30 until 8:00 p.m.
Friday	3:30 until 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	8:30 until 4:00 p.m.

* Closed Fri. & Sat. Nov. 24th and 25th

NBGC YouthNet News
By Lisa Bodey

Good news! The Neighborhood Boys & Girls Club has been refunded for the 19th District YouthNet program in 2001. The Chicago Department of Human Services sponsors YouthNet and currently there is one YouthNet in each police district. Each program is partnered with a community-based organization, which provides guidance and fiscal management (in our case that's NBGC).

YouthNet was created to provide and link a network of services and programs for young people in our community. It was also created to provide resources and assistance to local agencies and to develop a strong referral system for youth. Over the last year and a half, we have worked hard to continue to build the strong network that NBGC has established in the community. These partners include, but are not limited to: Revere Park, Chicago For Youth, 19th District Police, CAPS, Alderman Schuller, Senator Madigan, State Representative McKeon, Chicago Youth Agency Partnership, Ravenswood, Northcenter and Lakeview Chambers of Commerce, Ravenswood Community Council, Ravenswood Hospital, Cook County State's Attorney's Office, Cook County Juvenile Court, Chicago Public Schools and private schools, University of Illinois Extension, Cambodian Association, Christopher House and many youth serving agencies throughout the city. As you can see, many partners are involved with the success of the youth enrolled in NBGC programs and YouthNet will now work to further expand and nurture our network throughout the district.

Our staff will continue to promote the positive youth development approach, which focuses on the assets of young people and not their problems. This also means that we view young people as partners in our decision making process and we empower them to identify and act upon the problems of our community. Here's a glimpse of our focus for 2001:

- Create a community-wide vision for and a positive image of youth
- Create an awareness and interest in youth issues in our community
- Promote youth worker certification and professionalism in our field
- Develop a staff of adults and youth highly trained in positive youth development
- Increase the number of and quality of peer led programs
- Complete a community needs assessment based on youth programs and services
- Create a community directory of youth agencies, employers, and other "youth-friendly" establishments in our area
- Develop stronger youth/adult relationships and a community of young people educated about their legal rights
- Develop standards or "best practices" in our field and increase the sharing of this knowledge amongst agencies
- Educate our community and our elected officials on legislation affecting youth
- Create a strong referral system and network of services for youth

One of the things that will shift as we work on this new focus is the level of direct service that our staff can provide. We will no longer be coordinating and facilitating programs, but will instead begin to identify gaps in services and will work with agencies throughout the district to build their capacity. We will continue to facilitate a community-wide Youth Council and committees as well as hire and train youth staff. In order to head in a new direction, we need to create a new expanded image for YouthNet. Many folks are unaware of the work that we are doing on a local and citywide level on behalf of youth and we need to get that message out!

We have established a strong Community Advisory Board that is made up of many respected leaders in our community and we will continue to look to them for guidance and vision. It is also time for us to increase our communities' participation on this project through committee work. We are looking for adults and youths interested in serving on a Marketing/Public Relations Committee, a Resource Development/Fundraising Committee and a Program/Events Committee. If you are interested in serving on any of these committees or have questions about YouthNet and it's new direction, please call us at 773/463-5360 or e-mail YouthNet19@aol.com.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

