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New Year, New Wear

By: Tori Barksdale

The decision about “What to Wear” at PCS just got a little easier. “In recent years, parents and students had a hard time finding affordable, modest pants”, says Jodell Seay, Executive Director of PCS, “So, we had two options- either drop dress code all together or work something out.” Specific shirts, slacks, sweaters, and jumpers are the backbone of new school wear. Many like the new change, and a few dislike it. Caroline Wood loves the change, she loves the skirts and sweaters. “The cardigan is so warm and comfortable!” she exclaims. Micah Stroud and others would say “I look weird in khakis.” “The Shaheen family has supported PCS and now we support them in turn,” says Mrs. Seay. Fun fact: Kevin Shaheen noted that we are the first school allowing a track suit to be worn all day at school. Since then, Shaheens has had many schools call in and look into such a prospect.

Storming the Court

By: Lee Merideth

As the 2014-15 basketball season winds down, the Eagles took to the court on February 7, 2015 for homecoming. The event lasted all day with almost every team from elementary to high school playing. The varsity boys fought hard in an upsetting loss against Moore highschool, 62 to 83. The varsity Girls on the other hand came out on top with the well deserved win over St. Francis, 40 to 25. In between the excitement of these games The highschool’s homecoming court were introduced and Mr. & Mrs. PCS were announced. The representatives for each class are as follows: Freshman- Hannah Taylor & Keller Mackey, Sophomore- Abby Lynn & Kaden Sites, Junior- Jenna Tucker & Josiah Mercer, Seniors- Emily Hubbuch, Ruby Meredith, Emma Steele, Matthew McClellan, Camrin Kenney, and Brian Denyes. All students who are nominated are considered to be good candidates who show the fruit of the spirit, but only two could be selected. The winners were Ruby Meredith & Matthew McClellan with their trophies being presented by last years winners, Bailey Ehret & Aaron Bengé. Ruby Meredith and Matthew McClellan, were very ecstatic on winning and are sure to represent PCS very well.





All is Merry and Bright

By: Ilyvia Carter and Blakeley Sites

Christmas is often celebrated by many schools, but Portland Christian does celebrations a little differently. Before the class parties, the middle and high school gathered into random groups and participate in a series of activities designed for fun. “I think it helps us get together and bond”, said Abby Lynn. And it does. “I love the parties,” said Lindsey Siegel, “It lets me talk to friends I don’t normally see.” After the middle and high school participate in the school-wide activities, the class parties begin. Most have games and treats. This year, in the sophomore class, some students got cupcakes smashed into their faces, which was definitely a highlight for that class. Mr. Caldwell said that he hopes this event will “Build relationships and make for a closer student body.” Parties are not the only way to spread Christmas cheer, another way is by decorating lockers and doors. This year at Portland Christian School, the student council sponsored a locker and door decorating contest for students and faculty. Lockers and doors were judged in two categories: creativity and spiritual message. Prizes were awarded for both. When asked about the purpose, Lee Merideth said “The decorating contest was a fun way to engage students and get them involved in Christmas cheer though out the school”. “We looked for neatness, creativity, and strength of the Christmas message when we were judging”, said Emily Hubbuch, a member of the student council. The winners of the door decorating contests were the High School office for spiritual message and Mrs. McClellan in elementary for most creative. The winners among the students were Grace Steele and Lydia Cyrus. Grace’s won for most creative. Lydia’s won for best spiritual message.

By: Caleb Lynn

This year at Portland the NHS took lead on overseeing the highschool participating part in Kloth-A-Kid, a charity that gathers, clothes, and distributes used clothes throughout the state, all while spreading the name of Jesus. The National Honor Society took charge of the project at PCS and set a goal to double what had been gathered in past years. Their efforts tripled the amount of clothing donated in previous years. When asked about his feelings towards such generous giving, NHS president Camrin Kenney said he was “Proud of the amount” and hoped that “Children here in Kentucky could be prepared for the long winter.” We are proud to say that the biggest problem NHS members had was finding somewhere to store all of the collected clothes.





We Got Spirit
 By: Lindsey Siegel

Cheerleading is not just a hobby, it is a sport. Cheering requires strength, endurance, and patience. Even though cheerleading is difficult, the routines are still great fun. Sophomore Jordan Wells said, "I really like all the cheers we do, but I would have to say my favorite is Elyssa's cheer, because it involves many cool and complicated moves." Cheerleading is not a recent phenomenon here at Portland. Both Ruby Merideth and Mrs. Sherry agree that there are some things that remain unchanged. Through the years, the outfits and routines change, but some things, like an optimistic attitude and showing perseverance, never do. Mrs. Sherry explained why cheerleading is so important to the fabric of PCS: "Just the kids being a part of a team, keeping the crowd entertained, and having a positive attitude." Considering trying out for cheerleading? Remember, cheer leading takes a lot of patience, endurance, and dedication, but there are a lot of advantages, too. Ruby Merideth says it best: "It is a lot of fun, and you get a pretty bow!"

Shooting for the Win
 By: Abby Lynn

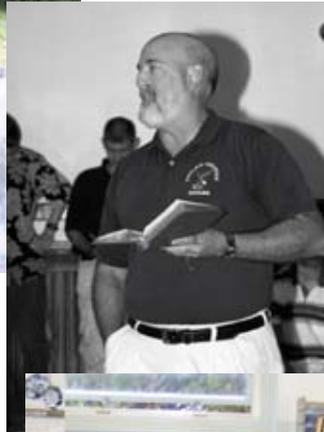
Portland's basketball season started off with a bang. Winning eleven out of fourteen games to start the season, proving that this season has great potential. One of the most exciting games was this year's holiday classic championship, where PCS defeated Walden 95-90 in two over times to clinch the tournament. For the first time in two years, we have the excitement of a girl's basketball team, which continues to improve and show great potential. Although basketball is fun, it is easy to forget who we serve when we play. Both teams remember to give all the glory to God on and off the court.

She Talks With Her Feet
 By: Lindsey Siegel

On Jan 23, 2015, students, faculty, and family gathered to celebrate the academic and athletic achievement of senior Emily Hubbuch. Emily signed for an athletic scholarship with Asbury University. According to Asbury soccer coach Brooke Lincoln, Emily's outstanding character, her desire to improve the world, while placing Jesus as the center of her life and pursuing a high level of academic achievements are the reasons she is receiving this opportunity. "We feel truly blessed. Emily has worked very hard in the classroom and on the soccer field. We are so excited to see the future that God will unfold for her at Asbury University where she will continue to grow academically and spiritually while playing the sport that she loves. PCS has played an integral part in developing Emily into the young woman she is today, and we are grateful." said her mom Tammy Hubbuch.



Eagle Snaps



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