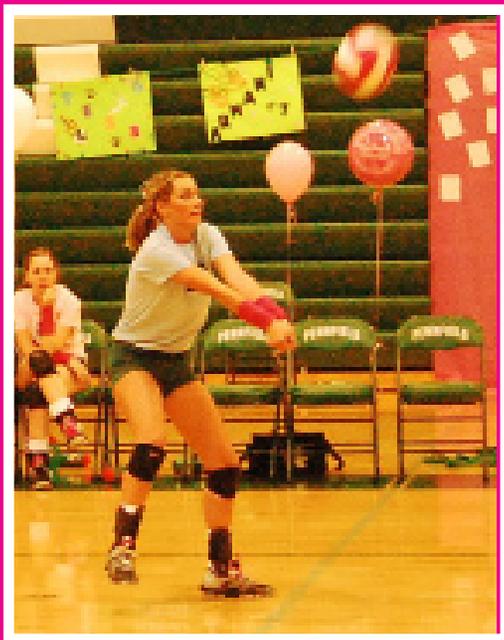


The Emerald

Dig for the Cure!

Emily Morales '14



It would be almost impossible to find someone today who wasn't somehow affected by breast cancer. Through the struggle some people have faced, there are many individuals behind them backing them up, and helping them prepare for a healthier future. Breast cancer is the most common type of cancer found in women after skin cancer. October is the national month given to help raise money to acknowledge the disease, hoping to find a cure. There are multiple organizations around the community that work to raise money to help benefit the breast cancer movement, such as the National Breast Cancer Foundation, the National Breast Cancer Coalition, and the Susan G. Komen Foundation. There are even many things around school that we do to help raise money for the cure. Our very own Pennfield volleyball team sold pink bracelets for one dollar to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation. On October 8th the Freshman, JV, and Varsity Volleyball teams decked out in pink jerseys and shoe laces to show their appreciation to Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The opposing team, Marshall, also came to Pennfield continuing the tradition of wearing pink to show their support. The gym was completely decorated in pink including balloons, pink volleyballs, and posters. A way to remember or acknowledge someone who has or had breast cancer, the volleyball team sold ribbons at their pink game with the individual's name on it. The girls even sold raffle tickets at the game so that guests could win prizes while also raising more money. Through all of the volleyball team's collective efforts, they earned a total of 360 dollars. This was a fantastic amount considering at the Marshall away game last year they raised an amount around 200 dollars. "Even though we lost our game, I still felt as though we won in our hearts by helping so many people," said Tristen Ehredt enthusiastically. Other teams that contributed to Breast Cancer Awareness Month this year were the football, dance, and cheerleading teams. The dance team made a special dance with pink poms, while the cheerleaders had pink bows, and the football teams wore pink socks. What tied off the whole game was the painted pink ribbons on the fifty yard line. Even after October, we can remember loved ones lost, fight alongside those who have it and hope for a cure.

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Panther Life.....

High Step

Emily Morales '14

It all started at band camp with the 100 degree weather that no one complained about. This is when the Pennfield Panther Marching Band began to learn and tweak their show that we are lucky enough to see every home football game. The band worked, as a whole, really hard this season to improve the show at every practice and football game to be ready for the weekend of the marching festival. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to be a good marching band and to have an outstanding performance for everyone to see. Many people are excited to see the band do the Run On onto the football field at the games, and so was the crowd at festival. When looking at the rating sheets of the band, one of the band directors, Mr. Dixon, noticed that the high step marching continues to be the strongest attribute to the band. This shows how hard a band must work to have their knees high, toes pointed, and in step the whole show.

Quiz Bowl

Ryan Owens '15

Mr. Piotrowski is the coach for the quiz bowl team. He has always loved trivia and loves to see the students who thirst for knowledge, so this is what made him decide that he wanted to coach. The best award the quiz bowl team has ever gotten is the runner up in the KVA tournament, which they were in 4th place. This year we have many talented Pennfield students on the team. They are Samantha Ely, Ben McLeod, Becca Jackson, and T.J. Allen. Mr. P would like to see his team go all the way and win the trophy this year. Mr. Piotrowski's words of advice are, "Do the best that you can and have fun learning the material."

Pumpkins, Magic, Babies, and Skateboards

Jeffrey Lambrich '13

Mrs. Royer's Broadcasting classes have been hard at work lately creating instructional videos to learn the basics of project planning, filming, and editing. In these projects, groups of three to four students must write, plan, film, and edit their own video intended to teach others how to do various things. The students came up with some interesting ideas and taught others how to do many things such as how to skateboard, how to carve a pumpkin, and how to do magic. We may only be a few weeks into school, but broadcasting students have already begun to make a great deal of progress, and they are already making high-quality videos early on in the class. These instructional videos help to prepare the students for their upcoming project, in which they will create and submit videos for contests, in order to win money and or scholarships.

MSVNA Honors Choir

Taylor Stout '14

The MSVMA Honors Choir (Michigan School Vocal Music Association) has arrived. This event takes place on Saturday, December 1st at Western Michigan University.

To get into the choir, students had to learn "Weep O Mine Eyes" by John Bennett, a piece chosen by the MSVMA. Students then had to travel to WMU in October to sing for a judge. There were 313 students from around west Michigan that auditioned for the opportunity to sing in the Honors Choir, and 185 of them were chosen. At the Regional event students will rehearse several pieces of music, and will be auditioning for the opportunity to sing at the State Honors Choir in January. Pennfield currently has 9 students involved in the choir this year; Emily Gallagher, Jenna Price, Brianna DuBoise, Maria Quispe, Jacob Yeager, Parker Bowen, T.J. Allen, Ashton Amaro, and Eric Rifenburg. Good luck everyone, sing your hearts out.



Somebody call 911!

Emily Morales '14

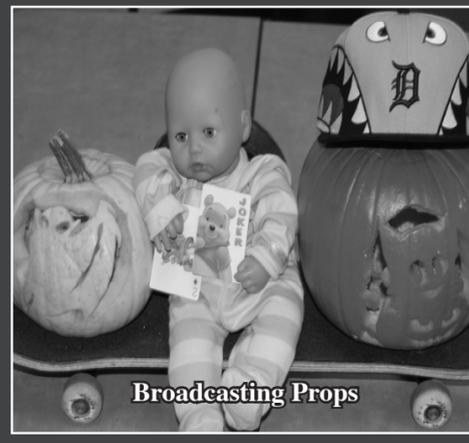
Every year students from Pennfield High School help kids learn about fire safety. On this day, kids come from all over Battle Creek to learn how to stop, drop, and roll, and many other ways they need to be safe around fire. Missing school to help kids is always great, but when the National Honor Society students found out that they would be able to have fun too, by climbing up on the ladder of a fire truck, the day became tremendous. The young kids going to Fire Prevention Day may not learn this information from anyone else, that is why the Pennfield students helping out should feel fulfilled by doing something so helpful for another person. Junior, Taylor Wilcox, agrees. "It was very rewarding knowing I influenced younger kid's lives by teaching them important information that could keep them be safe in the future, and seeing them have fun while doing it."



Kaylynn Brown



Mr. Piotrowski



Broadcasting Props

Presidential Elections

Jeffrey Lambrich '13

Tuesday, November 6, 2012, voters will go to the polls and vote in this year's presidential election. The two major presidential nominees this year, Democrat Barack Obama, and Republican Mitt Romney are the main focus of attention for America right now, as election day is quickly approaching. These candidates participated in three debates, on October 3rd, October 16th, and October 22nd. In these debates, the nominees have had the chance to discuss their views on domestic and foreign policy, the economy, and the current state of the nation. So far, many online polls, like the one on the Huffington Post's website, predict that Obama will win the election. If you're over 18, it is highly recommended that you learn about each of the candidates and vote in this year's election!



Barack Obama and Mitt Romney

Hallway Challenger

Ryan Owens '15

What "phobia" do you suffer from if you have an intense fear of halloween?

I know we enjoy Halloween, and thanks for trying the question, but you guys were all wrong. The right answer was SAMHAINOPHOBIA.

Nathan Bell:
hallophobia?



Chad Clark:
scarephobia?



Carol Osenbaugh:
peoplephobia?



Nathan Suver:
fearphobia?



Lakeview Laptops

Ryan Owens '15

Pennfield High School is a one-to-one laptop school, when we started the program, we had a great deal to learn. Now that our wires are untangled, we can offer some advice to Lakeview. When Lakeview decides to start using laptops, the teachers need to know how to work the computers and how to put notes and class work online. It is important to have a place that takes care of the laptops when they need fixing, such as a library or media center. Moodle provides an easier way to assign and do homework. When we go to college we will be more advanced than other schools that don't have laptops. During our college years, we will learn that classes are mostly ran by technology. Becoming comfortable with laptops is also good because jobs now are ran by technology. The teachers need to watch the students so that they are not on games and getting on sites that they shouldn't be on, because these things can make students fall behind in classes. As long as the teachers and the students stay on track, they should be successful with the laptop program.

Feel Good Friday

Taylor Stout '15

Everyone loves it when there are treats in class, am I right? Some of Pennfield's teachers have decided to participate in Feel Good Friday, or as Mrs. Allen calls it, Wild About Wednesdays. On Fridays, in this case, students will bring in a treat to share with the class, and the class will proceed to give compliments to fellow students. Mrs. Allen, though, does it to reduce missing assignments in her class. "It's an incentive for students who do not have missing work. Each student has a number, and I usually choose between two and four numbers and those people will win a healthy snack or beverage." This all started with Mrs. Sare about 2 years ago. "When this year's juniors were freshman, they had me for freshman English 2nd hour. Many of them would come in upset about things that happened in their first hour class. So they would come into my English class all grumpy and irritated. So one Friday around this time of year, I happened to have some left over Halloween candy. So I wrote on the board that it was "Feel Good Friday" and I went around the class and said something nice and positive about each student and let them take a piece of candy. I really didn't plan on making it a weekly thing, but they enjoyed it so much that each one of them volunteered to take a Friday." Mrs. Royer and Mr. Bowen have also started up their own version of Feel Good Friday in their classes.



Where are they Now?..

Robert Youngs Jr.
Jeff Lambrich '13

Robert Youngs Jr. is a former Pennfield student who graduated in 2003. After graduating he attended KCC for 3 years. After KCC Robert attended Western Michigan University, and earned a degree in Journalism. After college, Mr. Youngs worked for the Detroit Free Press, and in September of 2009 he began working with the Battle Creek Enquirer as a freelance photographer. He has a daughter who is six years old, and just began first grade at North Penn. Some of his favorite memories from high school include playing in the marching band, playing football, performing on stage in three plays, emceeing Follies his senior year, and supporting his friends on the basketball team. During his years of high school, his favorite teacher was Jerry Rose, his band director. Robert's greatest achievement to date is his graduation from Western. Bob said that, "As far as professional or academic advice to high schoolers goes, I would say to never wait and never quit." Robert went back to school at age 24, and wishes he would have done it two years sooner. In the future Bob hopes to "land a job at a print publication and work as a staff photographer, a copy editor, or as a sports reporter, and return to Western Michigan to pursue a certification to teach secondary English and Communications."



Maike Buckingham
Sydney Brown '15

Maike Buckingham was a previous Pennfield student who graduated in the year of 2006. She was just another student in high school who had dreams of where she would go in life, and has proved that any dream can come true. I had the opportunity of talking with Maike to get the scoop of what she's been up to since she graduated. She impressively attended three different colleges: KCC for her associates in liberal arts, Western for her bachelor in professional writing, and then Michigan State for her masters in English. When asked where her life has taken her since high school, she responded with, "Well first off, on a personal basis, I got married over the summer! And professionally, I taught English at Michigan State for 2 years, and I'm currently teaching English in Tampa, Florida." She also said that she has come such a long way from high school and is extremely happy where she is. The last thing Maike had to say was this useful advice pointed towards high school students: "High school is just a phase that everyone goes through and passes. Stay away from all the drama and the boys because the only things that you really end up remembering are the things that affect your future."



Chris Easlick
Ryan Owens '15

Chris Easlick is a 2010 graduate from Pennfield High School. When he graduated from high school, he already had a school in mind that he wanted to go to, Central Michigan University. He wanted to get a degree in Meteorology and Atmospheric Science, and he is also pursuing a minor degree in Mathematics and Broadcasting. Chris feels as though he has changed a lot since high school, but he knows that is what college tends to do to people. Chris says, "I actually like going to my classes now, and finding new ways to better myself everyday. I feel like I've grown up a bit." Professionally, he had recently accepted a position on News Central 34 as a Friday meteorologist. Although it's an on campus news program, it's seen by about 50,000 people in three counties so it's a pretty cool opportunity. His greatest achievement would be overcoming his math skills. He feels as though he was never really strong at math and he has had to take a number of tough math courses in college. His favorite memories from high school would have to be winning and bringing back the KVA titles in both football and baseball, and being named a football captain. "Absolutely no regrets." Chris' advice for high school students is, "Find something you want to pursue in college when you're in high school, and prepare for it. For me as a weather student, I have been taking a lot of physics and math classes. When I was in high school though, I didn't really pay attention in those classes, and it's definitely making those classes harder now. So have an idea of what you'd like to do, and really put some extra effort into those classes."



Mitch Fowler
Madison Schaefer '13

Some people don't think about what comes next in life after graduating high school. They don't realize their life is just beginning. Mitch Fowler was a graduate in the class of 2000 at Pennfield High School. He then attended Kellogg Community College for two years before attending Michigan State University. During his second year at KCC is when he decided to pursue a career in education. Once his schooling was finished, he got married to his wife Emily who was also a graduate of the class of 2000 at Pennfield High School. As of right now they have been happily married almost eight years. They have two kids, Julian who is four years old and Evelyn who is two years old. They are also expecting another little boy in February. He says that being a dad is one of his greatest achievements. His future goal is to continue being the best dad he can be. He hopes to live up to his father. He also taught at Pennfield for five years. He says he enjoyed working with people that used to be his teachers and teaching younger siblings of his friends. About fourteen months ago, he left Pennfield and began teaching at the Calhoun Intermediate School District. He works with other teachers, principals, and superintendents on observing data of test scores, attendance, and other patterns. His best advice to current high schoolers is to take time and think about the kind of person you are now and if that's the person you want to be. Don't be too consumed by what other people think. Do things and hang out with people that make you happy.



Nick Garrison
Taylor Stout '14

I asked Nick Garrison, a 2010 graduate from Pennfield, about his life after high school. He currently attends KCC wanting to get an Associates degree in Photography and Multimedia. Since high school, Nick has worked for the KCC's school newspaper, The Bruin, for about a year. He then received an internship through the Battle Creek Enquirer where he was a free lance photographer. Nick said, "BMX is what got me interested in photography. When I started, I just wanted to shoot BMX and that is all I ever shot. Then I became really interested in landscapes, and I still do. Now, I try to focus a lot of time capturing interesting people." When asked about his fondest memory from high school he responded, "I think it was being around such a large community of people that I've known most of my life, as for regrets, I don't have many. I guess I wish I would of participated in some more things." His advice to students is, "Just try to enjoy it as much as possible. If there is anything you're slightly interested in doing, you should do it so you don't have to think about how you missed out on something. So, enjoy high school while you're there because who would want a lot of bad memories? Never again will anyone be in high school again and experience being around a lot of friends."



Ruth Krug
Emily Morales '14

In 2008, Ruth Krug graduated from high school, a dreamer, and ready to further her life. Ruth attended Florida State University where she majored in Interdisciplinary Social Science and Geography concentrating on Urban and Regional Planning. Her main focus since high school has been on international development, focusing on developing countries with projects involving women, children, health, and education. This is currently her second year being the Co-Director of a student non-profit called Global Peace Exchange in which they send teams of students to implement grassroots development projects. Ruth has been to many different parts of the world through this organization including India and Uganda, where she taught English in India and managed construction and implementation of a health clinic in a village in Uganda. Ruth believes, "It has been the most challenging work, but also the most life changing. I believe a combination of education and practical and applied experience is crucial to being successful in college." Although Ruth's life now is dedicated to helping others, she wants her future to be that as well. "I hope to continue traveling the world and I am looking to go into medical anthropology and urban and regional planning. I am interested in learning more about how the culture and environment have the ability to influence disease and how we can empower people to live healthy lives and combat poverty for a more sustainable future."



Anna Trupiano
Brianna Dukeman '13

Anna Trupiano was a Pennfield 2007 graduate. She attended Central Michigan University majoring in Broadcasting but is now attending Lansing Community College majoring in sign language. Anna is currently working in the Kalamazoo school district as a sign language interpreter. While at Central Anna worked on five television shows, created her own television show that won two national awards, and also became station manager of the television station. Anna was also in Central Michigan's Improv Comedy troop: Trap Door Improv for 3 years, and lead the group her senior year. "We are actually having a reunion show on November 23rd in Detroit which should be fun!" Last year she worked for 89.7 FM LCC's Radio Station as an On Air DJ and had her own radio show every Wednesday called "Soundtrack 101." A few of Anna's favorite memories at Pennfield were doing an improv group show at follies. As well as she, and friends, had a big capture the flag game at her house in the dark. "The class of 2007 won every wall decoration design (homecoming and winter carnival) the entire time we were in high school, mostly thanks to Mr. Lamb and Mr. Koenigskecht (who are the best class advisors you can have)." Anna's advice for high school students is, "Go for something you are passionate about. Go to college! Don't waste your time and money on something that isn't worth your time!"



Jamie Katz
Emily Bower '13

Jaime Katz graduated from Pennfield High School in 1995. Jaime attended three different colleges: Cornerstone and Indiana Wesleyan University to get her bachelors in Physical education and then went to Western Michigan to get her masters in exercise science. Jaime became a PE teacher at Battle Creek Public Schools in 2000. She also instructs fitness classes at the YMCA & Kellogg Community College. "I would love to come work at Pennfield in the near future as a PE teacher if Mrs. "A" would ever retire. Ha she knows I love her," says Jaime. The best part of her life hands down is her 5 year old son Brevin. He attends kindergarten at Purdy Elementary and is doing excellent. "I'm a very proud Mama," said Jaime. Jaime loved high school, "some of the best times of my life!" Jaime was a member of the varsity basketball team, volleyball team, softball team, and also made the academic top ten. "I had many ankle injuries playing sports back then, so I wasn't sure if I'd be able to play in college like I wanted. Fortunately, I was able to be recruited by a few smaller colleges and ended up selecting Cornerstone in Grand Rapids. It was a blessing truly, I learned so much from them!" Jaime's advice to high schoolers today is "Seriously, the things you think are important right now...I guarantee will NOT be important when you look back at them later on in life. High school kids believe they've found true love with some current boyfriend or girlfriend, but believe me, thats not it. Just wait, someday you'll look back and laugh wondering what ever were you thinking."



About You Column

“I can hit a water bottle 35 yards away with a football.” -Daniel Martinez

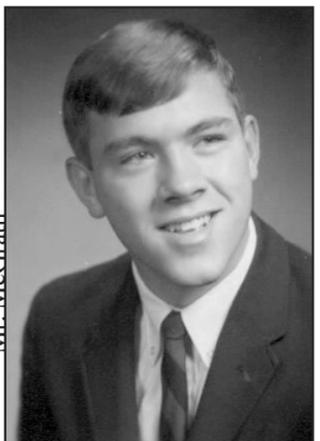
“I’m a mean, lean, cooking machine at making fried chicken.” -Montana Rench

“I am four years old.... Because I’m a leap year baby!” -Tayler Morey

“I’m a great ping pong player and can make good Kool-Aid.” -Shelby Miller

“My favorite color is “Glow In The Dark.” -Emily Gallagher

“I love Hello Kitty!”-Faith Buck



Mr. McGrath

Our Teachers in High School

Brianna Dukeman ‘13

The students want to know what the teachers were like when they were in high school, am I right? One of our very own, Mr. McGrath, went to St. Phil High School. At this time Pennfield was their rival. The sports he participated in were basketball, track, and football. Mr. McGrath also participated in his prom and homecoming parade. Back in his day everyone was in a band. Across from the school they had a place called the Tiger Room where they had dances and they always had live music. For his senior skip day his class went to Lake Michigan and had a picnic. Miss. Hamilton attended Lakeview high school. She was a runner, participating in track and cross country. Growing up she was a very good student. Miss Hamilton had all A’s except one B in her high school career. She participated in many things, including National Honor Society, Key Club, and played piano.

She also was on the homecoming court. For Miss Hamilton’s senior skip day her class went to breakfast. Another fun thing her class did was they pranked the school by letting crickets loose in the hallways.



Miss. Hamilton



Madison Schaefer

Madison Schaefer ‘13

fb would b so much nicer if ppl just used proper etiquette. its simple. all u have 2 do is use correct grammar, dont start fights just 2 air our ppl’s dirty laundry, & dont b so full of urself. if ur eng teachers saw the way that u typed on fb they would b ashamed of u. how hard is it 2 spell out words and not abbrev them, use correct punctuation, capitalize & no the correct forms of ur and u’re. and 4 goodness sake learn when 2 use there, they’re and their! whats really embarrassing is when ppl use incorrect grammar while trying 2 start fb fights, lol. its not so intimidating when ppl r 2 busy to lol @the way u wrote something. does it make u feel better by cyber bullying? cuz if anyone looks like a fool...its u. & i cant even begin 2 tell u how annoying it is 2 have my news feed clogged w/20 pix of the same person who took pix of themselves...in bathroom mirrors, in bedroom mirrors, or anywhere else they can catch there own reflections. or like i care to have a pic of everything u 8 that day.

However, Facebook can be used properly. You can use it to keep in touch with family, make plans with friends, and to say something that you might be too shy to say in person. For many people, they have too much going on in life to constantly keep up with their family. There just simply aren’t enough hours in the day to talk to everyone and see them. Facebook allows you to communicate with them, read what’s on their mind, and see their most recent pictures. Friends also find it very efficient to plan events on Facebook. It’s an easy way to invite multiple people to that bonfire you have been dying to have! More importantly though, it gives you a voice. To some people, interaction with others face to face might as well be the apocalypse. This gives everyone the opportunity to be social and just get to know people. There are so many positive ways Facebook can be used, it’s just up to you to decide how you want to use it.

Dating Advice

Sydney Brown ‘15

Having some trouble in your love life? There’s no need to go out and buy Cosmopolitan or Marie Claire magazine for tips anymore: look to our teachers! No student should rule out getting advice from them, because these Pennfield teachers had a wide variety of tips for high school students when it came to dating. The lovely ladies in the office were the first staff members asked. Mrs. Boles said, “I would look at how a guy treats his mother..a respectful son is a respectful boyfriend!” On a different note, Mrs. Root replied with, “Keep your eyes wide open, and definitely do not settle!” That’s what our women had to say, now how about some of the male teachers. When asked, Mr. Miknis said, “Choose carefully who you might date, because I’ve seen many dates turn into marriage.” On the opposite side of the spectrum, Mr. Boyd came up with, “Don’t take it too seriously. You probably won’t end up marrying that person.” Mr. McKire had something a little more intellectual to say. He suggested this: “You have to get to know each other, that’s the most important thing, is to really know who the person is. Watch out for ‘red flags’, or something that’s completely contradictory to what you believe.” As you can see, the Pennfield high school staff have plenty of input when it comes to the dating game! To wrap it up, the two-word dating advice from our very own principal here at Pennfield, Mr. Duckham: “Don’t date.”



Mr. Shauver, Lexi Duncan, and Riley Boles

Sports

Sport Injuries

Jeff Lambrich ‘13

Pennfield High School not only has a great academic program, but also offers many opportunities for students to participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities such as sports, clubs, and other various student organizations. A majority of students here participate in some sort of after-school task, and many play sports for the Panthers. Some of these sports, however, are somewhat dangerous, and injuries occur rather often for many of these dedicated players. Football is a very physical sport, and the boys on the team are always susceptible to an injury while on the field. Dawan Smith, Brandun Rugg, and other students have been injured this year in rough football accidents. Senior, Justin Heffron, was toppled by other players during the Homecoming game, and broke his fibula, a bone in the leg. He was ordered by his doctor not to play for the rest of the season, and he was in a wheelchair, for “a few weeks.” Make sure to try and stay safe for the rest of the year while competing in various sports, your body will appreciate it!



Justin Heffron

Tennis

Emily Bower ‘13



Evan Thomas

Junior, Evan Thomas went to tennis regionals. To get ready for regionals Evan just kept telling himself to take it one match at a time. His first match was against Grass Lake which was a warm up match. Evan’s real worry was the 2nd round match against Galesburg-Augusta. “I had previously lost against them in the regular season (0-6, 2-6), and at the KVA Tournament in the first round (5-7, 4-6). I knew I was gaining confidence every match, my plan was to use that confidence on the court.” After a first set loss, he fought back becoming stronger in the later games. As his opponent grew tired, he used that to his advantage. “I took the next two sets, and the match (4-6, 6-3, 6-2). Then playing Jackson-Lumen Christian school I was just going to try my best but ended up loosing (3-6 1-6).” Placing 2nd place sent Evan to the State Championship which was held at Kalamazoo College where he beat Saginaw Nouvel (6-2 6-3) but lost in the quarter finals to Portland (1-6 0-6). Good job Evan! You made our school proud.

Football

Sydney Brown ‘15

All great things must come to an end. On October 26th, the PHS varsity football game was the last of the season. Although the team didn’t come out on top that game, I think it’s fair to say that they didn’t need that win to prove themselves. Many people had doubts about this years team, questioning the fact of whether we would even see another playoff season. The varsity football team has definitely showed that any doubts were unnecessary. As the season came to an end, the team was of course heartbroken, primarily the seniors. I asked Davontae Miller if he had any regrets during the previous season. He responded with, “No, I definitely don’t have regrets. It was a good season, anyone can account for that. I just wish that we could’ve finished stronger.” Sure, anyone can look back and say that we should have won every single game, but the fact of the matter is that even throughout any criticism, the boys stood back up and showed everyone what a real team looks like. They had an 8-2 record this year, and should be proud. For all you seniors on the team, don’t look at this and be heavy-hearted that it’s the end, look at it with an open mind and be ecstatic that this is only the beginning.

PowderPuff

Emily Bower ‘13

The annual seniors vs. juniors powderpuff game kicked off Wednesday, October 24th. The game went a little like this: Seniors got the ball first and Alia Hack intercepted it. Alia makes a first down for the juniors, seniors get the ball back. Touchdown seniors! ‘Senior Power,’ but there is no extra point. Juniors now with the ball, Elizabeth tried to intercept it, but failed. Sam Tuttle comes back in the game and intercepts the ball, making it to the twenty yard line. Shelby Miller makes a touchdown for the Juniors. The final score for the powderpuff game was 18-6, making seniors the winner. Thanks to Brandon Rau, Jared Jacobs, Jeremy Purcell, Travis Hartung, Hunter Hoogakker, Justin Parker, and Sam Duckham for coaching them to victory. “Things were going good until the fourth quarter and everything went down hill from there, I’m really sad,” says Shelby Miller. Senior Elizabeth Jarrard was happy after the game, she said, “I really love that our class could come together and win.” Good job seniors!



Winter Sports

Taylor Stout ‘15

We have plenty of Winter sports, and they’re starting up soon. Boys and girls basketball are coming close. The boys have tryouts starting on Monday, November 12th, and their first game will be on Friday, December 7th. Girls tryouts, though, are a Monday sooner, on November 5th, with the first game being Friday, November 30th. For all those cheerleaders out there, tryouts are soon approaching being on Wednesday November 7th, but the first meet will not be until after Christmas, so listen closely for that date. Bowling tryouts will be on November 25th, the games are yet to be determined. The same goes for boys swimming, which co-ops with Battle Creek Central boys, the first practice will be on November 5th, and the first meet is to be determined. Wrestlers will have their first practice on November 12th, and the first meet will be on Wednesday, December, 5th. Make sure to come out and support all our panther teams!

Equestrian

Brianna Dukeman ‘13



Kathleen McNees

The equestrian team is Pennfield’s horse back riding team. The team consists of Katelyn Goshorn who rode Diva, Kylee Mead who rode Poet, Lacey White who rode Lisa, Kathleen McNees who rode Mack, and Jessica Byrd rode Sweetheart. Their coach is Michelle Goshorn. The team gets to practice at their coaches house where they spend time training their horses and getting to know each other. The team went to the three district meets and made it to regionals this year! Jessica says that with her team she always has a good time and she loves to get the time to connect with her teammates. The Equestrian Team does not seem to get as much publicity as some of the other sports, so please make sure to get out and show your support.

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