

PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

September 28, 2009

Panther Pressbox

"Do Ordinary Things Extraordinarily Well."
St. Francis DeSales

Women's Soccer

We had a long week with 3 games. On Monday the Panthers played a very well-rested Potomac School team who'd only played 3 games entering that night's contest. Junior Taylor Norman finished a beautiful cross from senior Casey Vornadore to tie the game about 10 minutes before halftime. The game then continued through the second half as a "battle between the 18's," with neither team able to crack the other teams tough defenses. Unfortunately, with less than a minute to go, the Panthers suffered a breakdown and Potomac School capitalized for a 2-1 win.

The team had little time to dwell on the difficult loss, as they welcomed in Holy Cross the following evening, Tuesday night. Holy Cross has been a vastly improved team this season, and entered the contest with a 7-1 record and a #9 ranking in the Washington Post. In a very entertaining and physical contest, the two teams fought like heavyweight boxers, trading blows and scoring opportunities. A special mention here for senior Stefanie Mueller, who's been trying to play through the pain of a broken foot since the 4th game of the season. Stefanie was pressed into service vs Holy Cross, due to injuries and illnesses to 3 of the team's other forwards. And she played with tremendous effort, nearly scoring on a diving header at the end of the game to almost single handedly pull out the match for the Panthers. Unfortunately, the attempt was a hair's width wide, and with neither team able to score, the result was a game ending in a 0-0 draw. A tie was as good as a win for the Panthers, however, as it enabled the team to stay in contention for second place in the conference.

Finally, on Friday the team took the long trip to Leonardtown, MD to play St. Mary's Ryken. A difficult and frustrating day for the Panthers as goals were hard to come by. Just when it looked like the game would end in another frustrating 0-0 tie, though, senior Shannon Field came through to save the day. With a beautiful little touch pass through the back four defenders from senior Casey Vornadore, Shannon fought past the last Ryken player, then coolly and calmly finished past the goalkeeper. Time on the clock read less than 30 seconds left in the game. Better late than never! Needless to say the 2 hour bus ride back to

the school was much more enjoyable after the sweet thrill of victory!

Men's Soccer

After a rough week with 3 losses despite outplaying 2 of the teams for much of the game and then a blowout against nationally ranked DeMatha, the Panthers could not summon any spark against a much weaker Gonzaga team. PVI scored first on a goal by Alex Gosnell and seemed well on their way to victory. However, lethargic play led to a goal by Gonzaga and the game ended in a 1-1 tie. On Thursday, a revitalized Panther team came out strong against St Mary's Ryken. After several close misses and great saves by the St Mary's goalie, it was Alex Gosnell who once again scored PVI's first goal of the game. St Mary's tied the score on a free kick near the end of the first half. Refusing to be rattled, the Panthers scored early in the second half with Ozzie McKenzie pushing the ball past the Knights' goalie. Play got rough in the second half but PVI held on for a 2-1 victory. PVI plays 3 away games this coming week: on Tuesday against St John's; on Thursday, a nonconference game against the Potomac School; and, on Friday against Bishop McNamara.

Press Hits! Panthers in the News..

Men's Soccer: <http://dcsportsfan.com/article.aspx?aid=2998>

Women's Tennis:

http://www.catholicherald.com/school/detail.html?sub_id=11124

Football: http://www.catholicherald.com/school/detail.html?sub_id=11117

Men's Lacrosse: http://www.catholicherald.com/school/detail.html?sub_id=11087

Cross Country: http://www.catholicherald.com/school/detail.html?sub_id=11088

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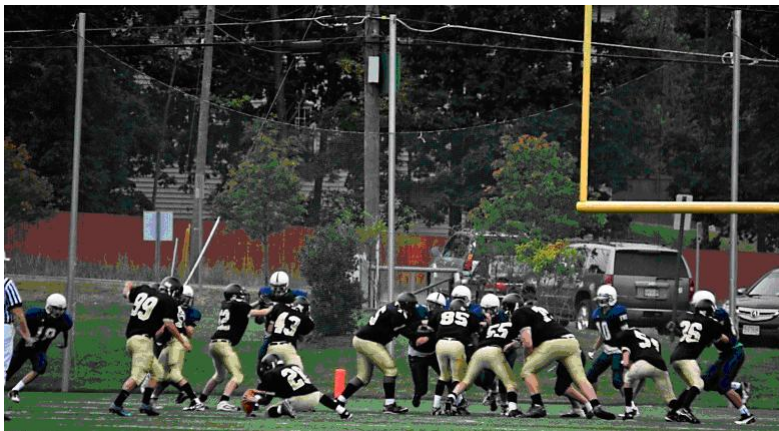
As Spirit Week rapidly approaches note all the lockers decorated by your Varsity Cheerleaders. Every Varsity Football player gets a custom locker poster weekly throughout the season.....now that's SPIRIT! The Varsity Squad proudly fits this into their schedules as well as practicing or cheering five days a week all year long! Watch for upcoming "Fun"raiser items to be sold to help support the Varsity Cheerleaders future Competitions. GO PANTHERS!! (and thank a cheerleader).

Football

The teams came off a tough week against DeMatha, losing all three contests, however there were some bright spots. Marcus Hillian scored a touchdown and had a sack in a 28-6 JV loss. Despite the Varsity loss on Friday night, the offensive line played well and continues to improve. This week our teams play St. John's. Over the weekend, our freshman overpowered Flint Hill 36-12!

The Freshmen Team

The freshman football team this year started out the season with an away loss to Georgetown Prep (18 to 31). The team played a tough game, but fell just a little short. The following week the team fought hard and ended up beating Bishop Ireton's junior varsity team on their own turf. It was a 14 to 10 victory over the Cardinals. This past week the team had two games.



The first home game of the season was played last Wednesday against Dematha and the team did not fare too well. However, this past Saturday the freshman team took on the junior varsity team at Flint Hill School and brought home the win. The final score was 36 to 14. The team played a great game offensively and defensively - fantastic job!

There are 52 players on the freshmen team this season with a tremendous amount of talent on the field. This week the team is travelling to play St. John's in Washington, DC on Wednesday, September 30th at 4:00pm. Good luck Freshman Football!

Lady Panthers Lacrosse Car Wash This Weekend!

Come support the Lady Panther Lacrosse team this Saturday October 3, 2009 from 9AM - Noon for a nice carwash at Ourisman Chantilly Dodge-Kia in the Chantilly Auto Park located on Route 50 less than a mile west of the Route 50-Route 28 intersection.

Ladies' Lacrosse Clinic

We have our last lacrosse clinic held lacrosse players on next weekend, Saturday and Sunday, October 3-4. For the registration form and information, open this link: [Clinic](#)

Men's Lacrosse

Men's Lacrosse Alumni will be playing against the varsity team on Saturday, Oct. 3rd at 7:30 PM in what has become a great annual lacrosse tradition! Come out to Panther field and preview our team as they play their former teammates and friends in lacrosse.

Keep in mind that we will be participating in the 2009 Plane Pull on Saturday to support the Special Olympics of Virginia. The Plane Pull is a team competition to see which group can pull a 164,000+ pound plane the fastest. Teams are made up of 25 members, who all line up adjacent to a huge rope attached to the aircraft. Each team will attempt to pull the aircraft 12 feet in the fastest time. The men's team currently needs sponsors to help raise \$2000 for Special Olympics. Anyone interested in helping may do so on our team website www.paulvilacrosse.com . Just click on the FirstGiving Link to help support the team.

Thanks for the support!

Men's Lacrosse Team

Lady Panthers Basketball

Workout schedule this week:

Tuesday: 3:00 - 4:00

Weds: 3:00 - 4:45

Thursday: 4:30 - 7:00

Saturday: 12:00 - 1:15

Baseball

All those interested in playing baseball must attend our fall meeting on Thursday October 1st at 2:55 in the small gym. This meeting will last about 15 minutes.

SNACK IN THE PAC

Team volunteers are encouraged to participate in a fundraising opportunity after school each day manning the SNACK-IN-THE-PAC concession stand. Funds raised after school go to your team. The hours are (usually) from 2:15 to 4 on school days and it only takes 1 person a day! For information or to schedule your team's participation, contact Mrs. Moore at this email address:

moores3803@aol.com

This week SNACK IN THE PAC is brought to you by Lady Panthers Basketball!



Quote of the Week:

Obstacles are put in our way to

see if what we want is really
worth fighting for.

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