

Chris Loscher, Blake Nicholson, Scott Penwell, and Steve Morra cool down during half time of the Albany game. (below) It is important for players to relax at this time in order to maintain their energy for the second half. (Photo by B. Spittler)

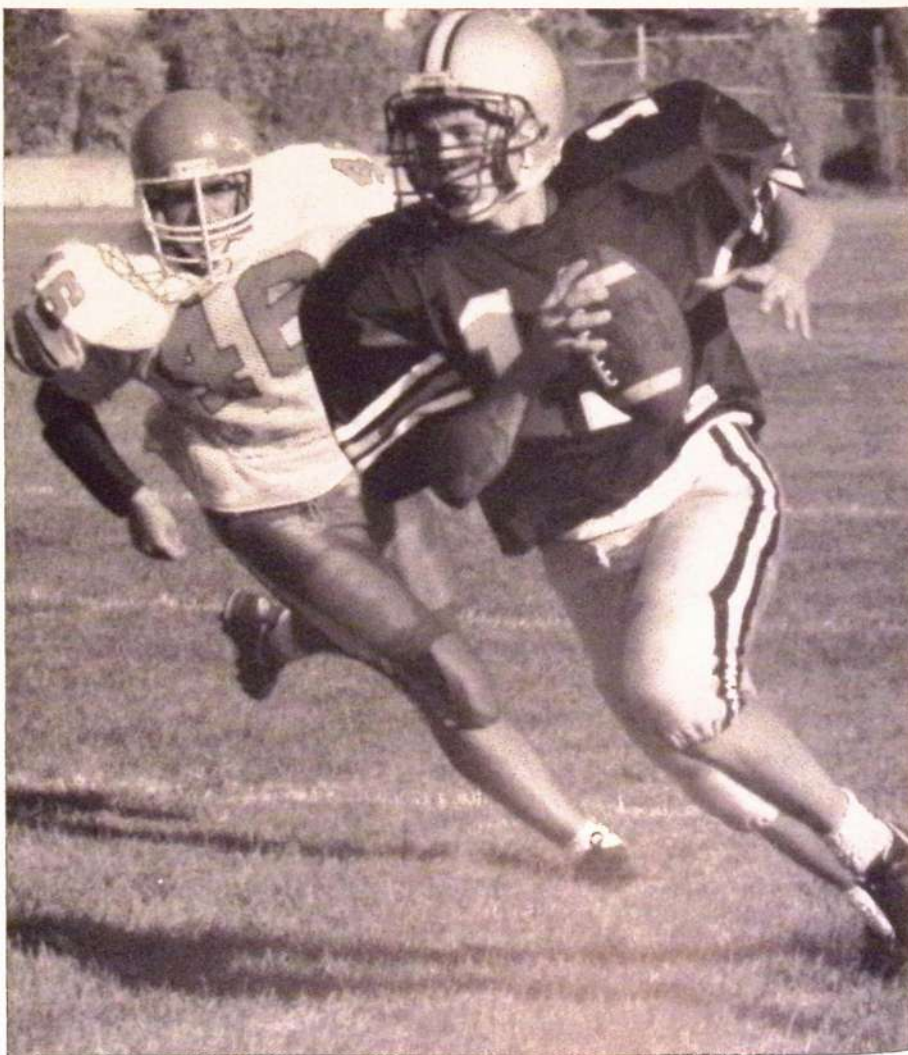


Justin Alevizos watches the offense from the side lines. (right) Justin was an intricate part of the Highlander defensive squad. (Photo by B. Spittler)



Junior Ben Fendel carries the ball for a gain against Albany. (above) Not only did Ben play a large part of the offense, but he was also a defensive stand out. (Photo by B. Spittler)

Senior Scott Carlson puts his moves on an Albany defender. (right) As quarterback of the Highlander team Carlson was put in the position to lead the offense. (Photo by B. Spittler)





Coach Bryan fires up the Piedmont squad before the St. Mary's game. (left) Coach Bryan is known for his intense enthusiasm. (Photo by B. Spittler)

Senior running back Mark Palamont pummels an Albany defender while gaining needed yardage to keep a drive alive. (below) Throughout the season, "Paly" exemplified the tenacity needed to be a successful running back. (Photo by B. Spittler)



A GRAND FINALE

VARSITY SCORES

	Us	Them		Us	Them
Concord	13	16	Kennedy	6	22
Miramonte	10	17	Bishop O'Dowd	14	21
Fort Brag	24	6	St. Mary's	13	21
Encinal	28	0	Alameda	59	19
Albany	49	7			
Richmond	37	6			

Head coach Steve Beyrle spends his last season at Piedmont

The grass is slowly growing back at the hallowed grounds of Witter Field, the sights and sounds of yet another football season becoming nothing more than the quiet dreams of glory. As the season ended the Piedmont High football program found itself bidding farewell to one of its most important figures, Head Coach Steve Beyrle. In his eleven years as Head Coach, Beyrle engineered a complete rejuvenation of interest in Piedmont High School football.

In tribute to Coach Beyrle's last season at PHS, the Highlanders went out to capture the ESAL crown. Though falling short with a 5-5 record the Highlanders directly shadowed Beyrle's character by showing that they don't have to wear the crown to be winners.

Although they didn't accomplish their goal of a league championship, there were several bright points to the season including several winners of All-League honors. For his exciting play, Daniel Jin captured an All-League title, ESAL utility player of the year, All Bay Area Honorable Mention, and MVP of the Highlander squad. Also receiving honors for outstanding play were Adam Stein, Chris Loscher, Dylan Essner, Scott Dayley, and Mark Palamont. Not only did the team show progress on the field, but they also excelled in the class room in receiving the North Coast Scholarship Award for maintaining the highest overall GPA in the North Coast Section.

This year the Varsity Football team accomplished a great many goals, some which are more important than winning.



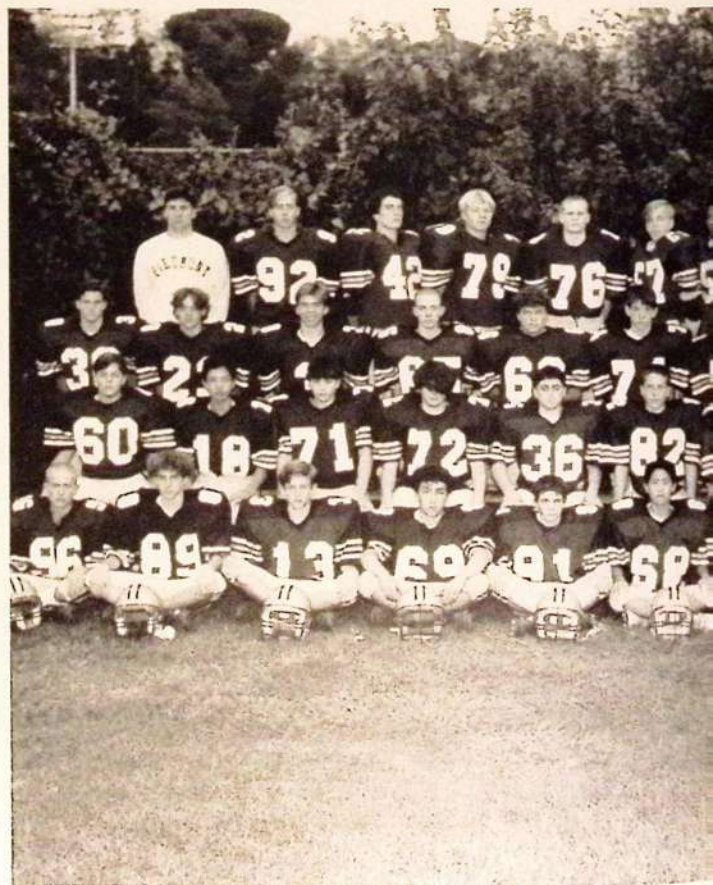
The Varsity Football Team includes (bottom to top, left to right) Ben Fendel, Spencer Young, Steve Schwartz, Ben Dare, Chris Traverso, Brian Feinberg, Zach Chan, Matt Gorham, Josh Castro, Adam Stein, John Ynostroza, Charlie Brooker, Chris Kendall, Mark Palamont, Scott Carlson, Justin Alexizos, Scott Daley, Dylan Essner, Mike Morris, Scott Penwell, Blake Nicholson, and Chris Loscher. (above) (Photo by D. Thomas)

Eric Bromley, Whit Griffinger, Brian Johnson, Scott Pacult, and Hayden Tollas pose before a Frosh game. (below) These five freshmen studs are the heart of the Frosh squad. (Photo by B. Spittler)



Chris Bailey-Gates makes a crucial block on an O'Dowd player. (above) Chris was a key part of the offensive front of the Highlanders this year. He eagerly looks forward to playing Varsity next year. (Photo by M. Anthony)

The Junior Varsity and Frosh football teams are pictured at the right. This year, both teams had incredibly successful seasons and showed promise for years to come. (Photo by D. Thomas)



SEASONS TO BUILD ON...



FROSH SCORES

	Us	Them
Campolindo	20	0
Encinal	22	12
San Rafael	25	6
Richmond	36	20
St. Elizabeth	40	0
Bishop O'Dowd	12	14
St. Mary's	0	42
Alameda	34	0

JV SCORES

Concord	12	14
Miramonte	8	20
Fort Brag	6	24
Encinal	42	0
Albany	45	12
Richmond	31	12
Kennedy	16	0
Bishop O'Dowd	27	29
St. Mary's	9	22
Alameda	22	20

Through out the years the JV and Frosh football teams have helped contribute to a successful Varsity team, and it seems that the tradition has continued. The Junior Varsity team sported a surprising 5-5 record despite a poor turn out of players. Jack Cooper, the star stand out as well as team captain, showed promise for the future of the PHS quarterbacking spot. Cooper threw for a very respectable 871 yards and 7 touchdowns. Another stand out was sophomore Fred MacKay who led the team in rushing with 608 yards and a 6.2 average yards per carry. Sophomore starter Matt Klyce had this to say about the year, "This year was a lot of fun because of the friendship between the players and we also had a positive coaching staff." Chris Hilton, a sophomore linebacker said "Our team really tried their hardest this year, and we could have won more games but we just weren't getting the bounces." All in all the JV's had a successful season and has great

promise for years to come.

The frosh team produced one of the most successful seasons of the last several years. Boasting a 6-2 record, the freshmen showed the ESAL a preview of what is to come in the next three years. By using a combination of a precise offense and an aggressive defense the frosh team destroyed most of their opponents. The freshmen offense was headed by quarterback Whit Griffinger whose precision passing and tough running confused defenses throughout the league. The freshmen's stingy defense gave up few points. Led by Eric Bromley and team captain Jeff Rood the Highlander defense was among the tops in the league. The frosh team proved themselves this year and showed much promise for PHS football.



Fred MacKay shows off his great tackling skill on an O'Dowd running back.(above) Fred was one of the leaders in tackles for the JV squad, as well as the leading rusher. (Photo by M. Anthony)