



Varsity football captains Kaleb Kuska (14), Angelo Hampton (78), and Colin Tavares (24) walk to the center of the field before the Shoe Game to meet Carmel's captains.

The Shoe Game

By Maryam Baryal

The history of the Shoe Game and the rivalry between the Carmel Padres and the Pacific Grove Breakers has been long disputed between the schools. The Breaker's version of the story states that "The Shoe Trophy" originated as a lone track shoe left on a muddy field after a game with no owner in sight. On the other hand, Carmel's version states that the shoe was of an athletic director bronzed by three Carmel students around 1948, thus creating the perfect trophy to be contested over by the rivaling schools. Every time a game is played, the winner is engraved on the trophy's golden plaque. Every time the plaque is filled, the trophy goes to the school that has the most wins on the trophy. The Shoe has bounced between the schools for decades, with the Breakers owning the fifties, Pardes strong in the sixties, and then the Breakers taking back the trophy in the seventies, etc. Currently, the last game won by PG was in 2014. The game won by Carmel over the weekend was their seventh victory adding to their winning streak. In the first half of the game, PG went up 14-0 and then led 20-7, but at halftime, Carmel caught up with 21 points to PG's 20. At the end, Carmel won the game by a score of 46-26. Even though our entire team played well, some top performers stood out. Senior Colin Tavares played quarterback the entire game while senior Nolan Wade had an interception on defense. Senior Jacob Booker contributed a lot at running back, while senior Angelo Hampton started on both the offensive and defensive lines. Senior Spencer Nelson and junior Rey Avila played as receivers and defensive backs, while senior Kaleb Kuska returned a Carmel kickoff back for a touchdown.

An Expression of Gratitude to the Former Editor

By William Coen

William Coen and Emmitt Withrow, the 2021-2022 NewsBreaker editors, would like to thank Caroline Coen, the NewsBreaker editor during the 2020-2021 school year, for all of her hard work and dedication to our school's paper. Caroline managed to keep the NewsBreaker alive during the Covid-19 pandemic, publishing numerous issues in PDF form as well as two print issues. She spent hours of her time on weekends finding photos, editing articles, and putting together issues. Caroline improved the NewsBreaker by adding an advice column written by Billy the Breaker and a new logo for the paper. She also shifted the paper's focus to the PGHS student body and school events. Caroline's impact on the NewsBreaker will not be forgotten. We are immensely grateful for her commitment and enthusiasm and wish her luck at Princeton University.



The PGHS Breaker Band, conducted by senior Drum Major Cayden Bloomer, performs its field show at halftime during the Shoe Game.



The PGHS Cheer team walks along the newly resurfaced track during the Shoe Game.



Seniors Abby Fitzpatrick, Malakai Peterson, Leah Tullius, Jack Hansen, and Sawyer Rice pose with their decorations for the senior hall during Shoe Week.

Our Staff

The NewsBreaker is made possible by the dedication of journalists and editors from the Pacific Grove High School student body.

Will Coen

Class of 2023



William Coen is currently a junior at PGHS. He is in his third year on *The NewsBreaker* staff and first year as an editor. He enjoys learning math at school and running for the cross country and track teams. Outside of school, Will likes to spend as much time as possible biking and skiing.

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Emmitt Withrow is a senior at PGHS and has been writing for *The NewsBreaker* since his freshman year. This year is his first year as an editor of the paper. He enjoys watching movies, learning about history, reading comics, and listening to music.

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Nathan Binder is currently in his senior year at PGHS. He began writing for *The NewsBreaker* in his sophomore year. Outside of school and writing for *The NewsBreaker*, Nathan enjoys mountain biking and practicing karate.

Billy the Breaker

Class of ???



Billy is a wave. He likes to give advice, but mostly he takes credit for the advice written by other staff members of *The NewsBreaker*. He isn't exactly a team player....

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More Photos from Shoe Week



The Breaker Band drum line marches out of Breaker Stadium as Carmel celebrates its Shoe Game victory in the background.



Leadership students count the number of seniors dressed up for Western day during Shoe Week.



Pacific Grove's JV football team shakes hands with Carmel after losing the Sock Game by a score of 26-0.



Seniors Lexi Martin and Caitlin Silveira work on decorations for the senior hall.



A view of PG fans and Breaker Stadium from above.