RAM SLAM NEWS

SPORTS

By: Lily Schneider

Mrs. Crowley has been the softball coach for Portales High School for 18 years of her teaching career. She and her team, approximately 35 to 36 girls, will begin practicing for this season starting



January 30th. They will begin their matches in March. She believes the girls will be ready this season because they have experience on the Varsity team. Since her older players have more experience, they will be able to pass on what they know to the new players playing this season. Mrs. Crowley does have one concern about her team though; she wants her team to be able to overcome failure instead of dwelling on it, which she has had trouble with in the past. She wants her team to be ready this season, and she knows they will be.

GO FIGURE

26 days until prom!!!



Bright Futures

By: Genaro Salazar

Ginevie Martinez is an 18 year old at PHS. Ginevie wants to accomplish getting her diploma and make sure high school was as fun as she could make it.



Ginevie wants to work as a pharma-

cist technician while going to school for nursing when she graduates.

"My best high school memory has to be my freshman year, it was so fun and it's funny because we look back and were like 'dang we grew up so much.' High school makes you learn a lot about life. Everyone said you'd lose friends, but I didn't believe them, and it really did show me that who you go in with may not always be who you go out with."

Student Spotlight

By Adam Derrick

Gavriel Gaona is a 15 year old freshmen at Portales High School. Gavriel has had a pretty good freshmen year so far. He is enjoying Drivers Ed. Gavriel loves to



drive. When he found out about the class, he was excited; mostly about not having to ride the bus to school anymore. Gavriel said, "Drivers Ed wasn't easy, but it was fun and I did learn a lot of new things and felt accomplished when I passed the class." He can't wait to get his permit and drive his parents around everywhere. Gavriel plans on making the rest of his high school year as exciting as his freshmen year.

Life Quotes

By Adam Derrick

"Even if time keeps moving change won't happen unless you try first."

-Silvia Najera

"You are what you believe you are."

-Isabelle Oviedo

"Life is like a box of chocolates you never know what you're going to get."

-Carlos Castillo

Just Saying

By: Lily Schneider

What is your New Year resolution?

"To be a better person than last year."

-Michelle Castillo, Junior

"To work in art more and to be nicer."

-Tianna Baca, Junior

"To brighten everyone's day."

-Josephine Brown, Junior

"To do better in school."

-Autumn Elam, Sophomore

"To perform for more people."

-Dominique Barrera, Sophomore

Teacher-Faculty Facts

By Genaro Salazar

Mr. Lopez teaches English and history at Portales High School. Mr. Lopez has a degree in History with a minor in French.



Mr. Lopez said he loves it here at PHS and "I

love the kids, because a lot of them are so great and their attitudes to a teacher is just great." Lopez likes Portales schools because the principals here are great and always know how to set the tone. "Even Coworkers, are just so awesome in this district and he's thankful for them giving him the possibility to continue here in Portales. I've worked in almost all the schools here in Portales and these 10 years have been the greatest to me, but I also taught at Marshall Middle School In Clovis."

He was asked if you could change something for the students in the school, what would you change? His response was, "I would become a counselor because I feel like I could help a lot of students."



