



**Triples Alley**

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## Brotherly love

Pedro "I-can't-believe-you-won-the-world-series-after-coming-up-with-the-Giants-and-never-doing-anything-great-except-good-defense-a-few-years-in-a-row" Feliz.

Am I bitter? Of course I am. Pedro Feliz spent his entire San Francisco Giants career torturing Giants fans with his "swing at first pitch breaking balls" and "pull the ball with a runner on third" game.

Giants fans wanted him gone. Just have him go away and pick up a "real" third baseman who can drive in 100 runs and hit 30 home runs.

They got rid of Feliz only to come up with nothing at third and watched him come up in the bottom of the eighth inning with the World Series tied and deliver the game-winning run.

Maybe Feliz wasn't the exact reason the Phillies won.

The Tampa Bay Rays got lucky the rain decided to come down as hard as it did Monday night and extend them a few days to regroup themselves to try to score some runs against a great Phillies pitching staff. No luck there either.

Rocco Baldelli had no luck this postseason except for a solo home run in the American League Championship series against the Red Sox. Yet he is the one who ties the game for the Rays. It's just strange how these things decide to play themselves out when the national spotlight is shined on them.

Nonetheless, it was a good series. It didn't end up with an amazing story line of the Rays coming from the depths of hell, er, the A.L. East.

It ended with a more heart-warming story.

It ended giving a city a chance to sleep well tonight and for years to come knowing that they now have a championship they can call their own that wasn't won two decades ago.

The Philly Fanatic, the greatest mascot in all of sports, can now shake his odd shaped belly next season and now it now represents a World Series title.

After a disastrous postseason last year, Cole Hamels came back and threw exceptionally well against the Brewers, iced the Dodgers (yeah!) and now against the Rays he came out to show the baseball world who the next up-and-coming left hander is.

Sleep well city of brotherly love. America will remember you as the team that won the 2008 World Series. I will always remember you as the city that booed Santa Claus.



Photo by Jeff Weisinger

**Ohlone goalkeeper Iman Aghel watches as teammate Darwin Eng dives forward to keep the ball away from the MPC forward.**

## Add a 'W' to their record! Men's soccer wins first game

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Not only did the Ohlone Men's Soccer team go from an 0-16 record to winning their first game last Friday against Mission College, they also started scoring goals in consecutive games.

With the boost in play offensively, their first victory brought great joy as they shut out Mission College 3-0 in Santa Clara.

Ohlone's Danny Zermينو scored their first goal, followed by one from Ivan Espinoza.

"There is no substitution for hard work, and it finally came together for us at Mission," said Espinoza

after the game, which ended on a goal by Daniel Galloway.

"The boys are doing very well now, they're improving more than ever," said Renegades Head Coach Don Williams, who put on a smile after earning his first victory.

Tuesday's game against Monterey Peninsula College saw the newly driven Ohlone team start strong only to finish slow.

"Someone was going to come out this game shining," said Monterey Peninsula College Head Coach Mike Bielski last Friday.

Shortly after the Lobos scored, Ohlone answered right back.

Renegades lead scorer Danny Zermينو added to his team-leading

total with an assist from Darwin Eng in the first half.

Ohlone's miscommunication caused the Renegades to lose control, as the Lobos created shot after shot.

Goalie Iman Aghel is gradually showing improvement game by game.

Now 1-16 on the season, the Renegades look to continue the steady improvement offensively and defensively to finish the season on a high note and have momentum going into next season, since state playoffs are out of reach.

The Men's soccer team will travel to take on Las Positas College in Livermore today.

## Women's soccer rolls on; beats Cabrillo College 2-0

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The Cabrillo College Lady Eagles came to Fremont on Tuesday looking for their second win in as many matches, but were met with a resilient Renegade defense, who walked away pitching a shutout 2-0.

Ohlone struggled in the first 10 minutes of the game, but the Lady Renegades settled down late in the first half when they opened up the

scoring as a free kick got loose and Ohlone's Casey Tuoto got a handle on the loose ball to pick up the easy score in front of the goal.

The defense of both teams tightened from that point on.

Ohlone had a few good looks including back-to-back attempts by leading team scorer Fannie Koloko-Green, who was held to zero goals in this one.

Ohlone's goalkeeper Danielle Anderson had a great game herself.

That was attributed to her defense stifling any shot attempt of Cabrillo's forwards.

Ohlone's second half offense was made up of Alissa Henderson. Henderson received a cross at midfield and drove her way to the goal alone giving Ohlone an insurance goal and sealing the win at the same time.

"We wanted to beat them," said Henderson after the game. "Last time we went to Cabrillo we didn't play very well."

## Perfect no more: Women's water polo handed first loss

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Friday afternoon's Women's water polo game was a tough one to swallow, as Ohlone's early 3-0 lead slowly slipped away.

Head Coach Jeffrey Bissell of Foothill College stated that games are "not won in the first quarter," but how Ohlone managed to let this one slip away was somewhat hard to watch.

Ohlone goalie Sabrina Ruckli played extraordinarily well, coming up with big block after big block,

however she still gave up three goals late in the first quarter, two of which came from Foothill's sophomore center Jenna Roe, who finished with a hat trick on the day.

Foothill rattled off four straight goals to go up 7-4 to start the second half and Ohlone wasn't able to close the gap after Foothill's four straight, and were handed their first conference loss on the season.

"We gained experience last week when we were down 6-1 and came back," said Bissell. "There's four quarters to play and we learned that games are not won in the first

quarter."

With the loss, Ohlone, Foothill and West Valley College all share a 5-1 conference record heading into the final week of the season.

Ohlone head coach Don French didn't seem upset after the game, although his team lost.

"They're tough," said French. "We lost our best player due to fouls early. Not only is [Amy Lovelin] our best offensive player, she's also our best defender."

"They found the chink in our game and went for it," French said after the game.



**Congrats Philly**

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## Bay Area mess

Embarrassment is "an emotional state experienced upon having a socially or professionally unacceptable act or condition witnessed by or revealed to others." Usually some amount of loss of honor or dignity is involved, but how much and the type depends on the embarrassing situation.

When watching both the Oakland Raiders and the San Francisco 49ers, the word "embarrassment" always comes to mind.

The season for both Bay Area teams thus far has been yet another one to forget.

With both head coaches being fired early through the season, both teams having trouble on both sides of the ball and no sense of there being a bright side, the Raiders and 49ers are in for another dismal year.

(Note: The Bay Area deserves better than this.)

The days of Gannon to Brown, or Garcia to Owens are long gone, replaced by the failing promise of Russell to Curry or any 49er quarterback to Vernon Davis.

Both interim head coaches are trying to do anything they can to save the season, but both efforts seem to be pointless.

However, one interim head coach does stand out between the two.

49ers coach Mike Singletary might've started something in San Francisco after kicking out the "me-first" tight end Vernon Davis in Sunday's 34-13 loss to Seattle. Davis was kicked off the sideline after he and Singletary got into somewhat of an argument in the fourth quarter after Davis was penalized for slapping the Seattle defender in the face-mask after a seven-yard catch. Singletary proved that even though he's just the interim head coach, he will not take any B.S. that the current NFL player gives to the organization. (That column coming soon...)

The Oakland Raiders will keep falling in their downward "Silver and Black" as long as Al Davis is alive, let alone in control of the Raiders.

JaMarcus Russell has not yet proved he can be a starting NFL quarterback, and star receiver Ronald Curry has been benched for a seventh-round receiver.

The team itself has lost all class, best shown in the embarrassing 29-10 loss to the Baltimore Ravens last Sunday in which the team celebrated every small play in the fourth quarter after being killed throughout the entire game.

Once again I state... The Bay Area deserves better than this.