

5Peat Prep

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After losing their traditional bonfire and Blackout Pep Rally, the Northside students earned one of them back: the Pep Rally. It is the Pep Rally of the year to *hype up* what they consider to be the biggest game of the season. Here are the highlights:



With the prospects of this being the fifth win against the Columbus High School Blue Devils, the prep rally served to encourage the football players to repeat past victories - 24-23, 24-17, 45-28, 49-0 - to 5peat.

Tradition has dictated the “*booing*” of

Northside’s Freshman Class, while they enter the gym, and throwing down of thumbs, in the end unison is portrayed when the Fight Song is screamed. *Music to the ears of a true and tried Northside Patriot.*

Singing and dancing to today’s biggest hits, getting up excited and pumped for the Blackout Game that night, cheering on the entire football team as they

hustled their way out and sat down on the bleachers, are just a few of the items which were to guarantee a win over the Blue Devils.

Northside's teachers Torres and Tuite road on a mini bike to re-enact the “*bonfire*” not reinstated by the administration. The infamous teachers played the scooter scene from *Dumb and*



Dumber using a decorated “fire” trash can and discarding the Blue Devil into it. The burning of the Blue Devil is a deep rooted ritual which has been the fountain of Northside’s past victories over Columbus High School.

The crescendo of the pep rally is when the lights are turned off and the roaring sound and deep vibrations of Harley Davidson’s Motorcycles emerge from the entrance to the Gym to circle the floors. The crowd goes wild and the hype is turned up to unexpected levels.

The drum line seized the opportunity and took it to new heights. The Northside Spirit soared and the Alma Mater to close it all off, sealed the hype to carry over until the game later the same day. GO PATS!