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No Freedom at PHS?

by Tracie Jacobs

There are many different issues that cause the students at PHS to think they have no freedom, but is it really freedom or aren't the students assuming their responsibilities? Most people blame Mr. Reynolds for every "stupid" or "unfair" rule that is enforced. Should he be the one to blame? How much influence do the parents have on PHS and what is acceptable?

There is the never ending shorts issue that have the students in an uproar every summer. The fact is that it is against the law to have a dress code but it isn't against the law to have expectations.

Kerri Ruble states, "I don't understand why we would be able to wear a mini-skirt before shorts. When someone wears shorts there is material between the legs, unlike mini-skirts which are just as short if not shorter."

It is hard to decide what is acceptable concerning shorts and mini-skirts; what length is considered a mini-skirt? Reynolds can't just let the students dress the way they like so he says no shorts at all. Reynolds said, "I can't measure mini-skirts but I can measure shorts."

Mr. Reynolds receives many calls and comments from parents and school visitors concerning the way the students dress and act. He feels he can't make all of the people happy all of the time. "Am I supposed to be an educator or am I in the clothing business?" stated Reynolds.

Even though there is air conditioning in Mr. Reynolds' office, if it is very hot in the rest of the school then he will not use it.

What also has to be considered is the fact that he wears a suit and tie everyday.

"I would be overjoyed to give the kids an hour lunch," stated Reynolds after being asked why he won't allow an hour lunch. He does not decide how long lunch is, the school board does. Why is it that Kennewick and Richland schools get at least a forty-five minute lunch and PHS doesn't? The school board says the community doesn't want it. The parents complain that the campus is not closed. "I've proposed a longer lunch period three or four times but it was refused," said Reynolds. He suggested that the ASB should have a meeting, vote, and write a letter to the board and have him send it and let them deal with it.

What is the new rule of "no open containers" all about? Mr. Reynolds said it is being applied for a couple different reasons. One is to keep the school clean. When the pop is spilled on the floor of the school it takes off the finish. It seems that there are many more open containers lying around the campus than aluminum cans. The other reason is too many students are putting alcohol in the open containers brought to school. After being asked what the consequences will be if the rule is not followed, Reynolds said, "To confiscate the container." If the rule still is not complied with then he will do something more serious.

Mr. Reynolds just has high expectations for his students and he wants them to assume their responsibilities. If the students want more freedom then they have to take into account what they have to do to earn it.

We've Been "Kissed"



by Noe'l Smith

Sun Kissed Saturday '88, the 27th Annual Pasco Invitational Trophy Track Meet, was again a huge success.

"The weather was really good. I thought it was the best ever. Attendance was the biggest ever. We were down 20 athletes from last year but that was by our choice. Last year's meet was just too crowded for our facilities," stated Crawford.

Through the years the invite has become one of the most important track meets in the state. Crawford attributes this to the size of the meet and the quality of the athletes.

The Pasco Invite dedications went to the Pasco Bulldog Booster Club and Steve Potter, who has been an integral part of the Pasco Invite for the last fifteen years. The Pasco Invite Committee values Potter's adult leadership that he has given in the past to the athletes and students at Pasco High School and presently to the student council and sports program at Richland High School and his continual commitment to our meet, as the assistant meet director.

39 Washington and Idaho teams participated, involving 1,120 athletes.

"The girls' competition was probably the best ever. Four records were broken and one was tied. The guys' competition was good, especially Pat Feider from Hazen," said Mr. Crawford.

One of the most exciting moments in the track meet was when Andre' Wren dove

headlong in a successful attempt to get the baton to anchorman Cedric Sanders during the 400 relay. Terro Bell and Stacy Edwards were the other members of the relay team. The swift relay finished first in their heat but fourth over-all with a time of 43.6.

Chris Baker finished third in the long jump at 21'9" while Stacy Edwards finished fifth in the 200 at 22.7. Terro Bell was fourth in the 110 high hurdles at 14.8.

Pasco finished 12th while Kennewick took 19th and Kamiakin took 27th. Pat Feider of Hazen High was named the Invitational Outstanding Male Athlete. Kelly Blair of Prosser earned the meet's Outstanding Female Athlete award. Newport won the boys' team title with 38 points and the girls' team title went to Rainer Beach with 60 points.

Crawford received many letters of thanks and gratitude on the organization of the Invite.

"Another great Pasco Invitational is in the books, and once again everyone who attended owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to John Crawford and his crew. There is no longer any doubt that the annual event is the best organized and managed high school track meet in the Northwest," said a Yakima coach.

"The Invite was very organized this year thanks to all of the volunteers. We had 150 adults and about 30 students! Everyone really did great," said Crawford.



Jodi
Writes

How many times have you washed your hands in the restroom only to find no paper towels? Yes, we all recognize the wet hand prints on the thighs. The bathrooms at PHS are in dire need of repair. In many of the girls' restrooms there are no latches on the stall doors and the boys' don't even have doors. Often times there is no soap or toilet paper.

Unfortunately, student vandalism is the reason for lack of utilities. Each night the restrooms at Pasco High are replenished with toilet paper and hand towels. But by second lunch, the towels and toilet paper are gone. "Students take the toilet paper for papering cars, they throw it in the toilets, and throw it on the ceiling," said head janitor, Chuck Easton. "There are no doors on the stalls in the boys' restroom because they kicked them down so many times that we've stopped repairing them, as well as the hand towel dispensers. The kids are just hurting themselves."

The bathrooms at PHS look like ones you might find in a prison with all the grafitti that can be found, along with the lack of doors and towel dispensers. The mirrors look like they were bought from a circus yard sale. Yet, we only have our own student body to blame. As usual, it is a few who ruin it for the entire student body. The only solution, other than taking away bathroom privileges, is for students to start being responsible for themselves and to patrol their peers as only they can.

A few students have had the courage to take a stand by writing letters to the editor. They have more courage than most of Pasco High. I think that the majority of students are as fed up with the situation as the few who have already complained. It is just a matter of coming together to take a stand.

The next time you see someone abusing the bathrooms say something or make a note of it and report it. We are the only ones who can end the problem. It all comes down to this: how much guts do the Bulldogs have? How much responsibility are we willing to assume?

The Wasco

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To the staff of Pasco High,

I question the efficiency of teaching. The one thing that I know is that anyone who wants to learn, will. Maybe a teacher is a person who puts down things and shows people how exciting and wonderful it is and asks us to eat. No teacher has taught anything to anyone. People learn themselves. The teacher who thinks that he or she has all the answers is the biggest bummer in the world.

What a shame it is if you believe only in what can be shown statistically. I feel very sorry for you if you are ruled only by what you can measure. Measure it if you want to spend your life measuring. There is so much that we don't see, don't feel, don't touch, don't understand.

We as students have great difficulty identifying with you teachers. When you start behaving like a teacher in a role, you find yourself saying things you wish you hadn't said; for instance, lines like these: "We're waiting for you Cathy. Johnny, we're waiting for you. Oh I love the way Johnny is sitting." And you can see Cathy saying, "Wait, you old bag."

The purpose of education isn't to stuff you with facts, but to help you discover your uniqueness, and to teach you how to develop it, and then to show you how to give it away. But you know how it seems to me? Our current educational system seems to make everybody like everybody else. And once you teachers have done that, you think you have succeeded. I see it happening all the time.

We have been taught to parrot you. So when you say to us, "be creative," we're fearful. All this beautiful uniqueness has gone right down the drain. Everybody is like everybody else and everyone is happy. You are satisfied when you make us like yourselves—frustrated, sick, blind, or deaf—but with high I.Q.'s.

Nobody learns by the clock. No one learns in blocks of times. This isn't math time. This isn't spelling time. You learn everything together. But still we go on. Now we must turn our minds to spelling, then go on to the westward movement. Up the westward movement!

If you feel like laughing at one of our jokes, for God's sake laugh. It's amazing how some teachers can laugh in the teacher's lounge over something Johnny said. But he didn't see them die laughing. Why couldn't they just laugh and be themselves? Spontaneous. But we have to ask permission for everything because we can't trust our own feelings anymore.

Students and labels—all you have to do is hear a label like "blackman",

"chicano", "protestants", "catholics", "Jews", "dykes", "nerd", etc.. And we think we know everything about them. Yet we don't bother to ask the following: does he cry, does he feel, does he understand, does he have hopes, does he have dreams? Labels are powerful; some hurt, some don't.

The most important needs of all are what we need in ourselves—a need to be seen, to be known, to be recognized, and to see how wonderful it is to be alive. The purpose of life is to matter, to count, to stand for something, to have it make some difference that we lived at all.

Life is God's gift to us; the way we live that life is our gift to God. Make it a fantastic one.

Jennifer Russell

Dear Editor,

I would like to ask you just one question about the ban on wearing bermuda shorts to school. Why can't we wear them? I'm not trying to raise anyone's eyebrows about this issue but I would just like to know what harm it would do. Maybe we could come to a compromise of wearing them only the first month of school and the last month of school. I don't feel that's asking so much. So let's get going and see what happens.

Thank you,

Trevor Foley

Dear Editor,

I would like to address this letter to all of the supposed "Bulldog supporters".

How many of you attend football, basketball, and baseball games throughout the school year? A large number of the students do; they are always there to cheer our athletic teams on. But what about other school functions? How many of you go to choir and band concerts or to school plays, etc.? Hardly any of you.

I am in the choir and in February I was in the winter musical. I am shocked at what a small turnout the concerts and plays have had this year. Well, believe it or not, the choir, band and drama departments work just as hard as the athletes do and they need a little support too. So next time there's something going on at Pasco High and the students have something to show you, give them a chance, you might just enjoy it.

Sincerely,

Jenni Wright

Student Body Elects Next Year's Officers

by Brian Miles

On April 20th an election was held to determine the new student leaders of Pasco High for the 1988-'89 school year. The following results were tallied: as senior class president, Pat Blank, whose goals for next year are to organize as many activities as he can to try to make the year more interesting and to get students more involved; Shawna Sweeney, whose goals for next year as student body president are to set up an A.S.B. (Associated Student Body) where everyone's ideas are heard and considered; and Rosa Peralta, who plans to sponsor an exciting Homecoming next year as SAC (Student Activity Council) president. Additional ASB offices are as follows: vice president, Eric Lounsbury; secretary, Lisa Peterson; treasurer, Shawna Herring; and assistant treasurer, Shannan Butler. SAC offices are as follows: vice president, Liz Stephan; secretary, Debbie Dupuy; senior class vice president, Carina Susiene; and senior class secretary, Janie Gutierrez.

"I think that all student body officers should act according to what the student body wants. Their roles should reflect a desire to ameliorate the students and to find new ways in which the students can get involved in their school's activities," commented Blank in an inaugural statement after the elections.

Sweeney went on to say, "All student government officers have the duty to perform in the office they have been elected to. They must keep the good ideas of past years as well as come up with new ideas to keep things fresh."

Next year, both Blank and Sweeney have

activity plans to foster more student participation in school, and to cater to the wishes and ideas of the student body.

One such idea was raised by junior Tim Walski, who stated, "The ASB should contact as many graduates from Pasco High School as possible in order to ask them to donate an amount of money to establish a scholarship fund. The recipients of the scholarship could be chosen at random. There could be a small fee for the application. The fee could be used to either pay for the cost of contacting these people or it could be applied to the scholarship. If we only got \$5 from 10 graduates from each class over the past 40 years, we would have a \$7000 scholarship."

"Tim has a good idea," stated Sweeney after giving the idea consideration. "However, there are a lot of details that would need to be worked out before any true proposal could be crystallized. One is contacting the alumni; also, who would be eligible and would contributors want a say in the running, picking, and qualification required of applicants?"

Overall, the '88-'89's class officers have ideas as to what they want to accomplish in the coming years, such as listening to "good ideas." However, they need to listen to past officer advice in order not to repeat previous mistakes. Norma Peralta, '87-'88's junior class officer commented, "Most officers state what they're going to do, but never state how they're going to accomplish it. It's very hard to try to do every thing you want because it not only takes a lot of time in and out of school, but also, it takes a lot of persistence and hard work."

Bulldogs of the Month



by Carrie Abbott

The April's Bulldog of the Month is Melanie Swoboda. Swoboda is the president of the National Honor Society and is one of their top students with a 3.85 grade point average. She's also involved in band where she plays the clarinet and is a section leader.

This year Swoboda has participated in giving blood and is a regular donor now. She attended Senior Bowling Night and had a great time. "It was more fun than I expected," said Swoboda. She says that she has gained a lot more confidence in the past few years through her activities, especially band.

Swoboda is taking AP Chemistry and AP English but prefers math. "I like most of my classes at times but at other times I dislike them," commented Swoboda.

Swoboda plans to work this summer and beginning next September she would like to attend Western University. Swoboda is still undecided as to the career she will pursue.

Some of Swoboda's hobbies are riding bikes, reading, and baking. She likes to play golf also. "I played golf last year as a junior and had fun but I didn't have enough time to play this year because of my classes," Swoboda added.

Swoboda is excited about graduating. She doesn't want to leave all the people but feels she needs something new and will be glad to get away.



by Jay Greenwell

April's male Bulldog of the Month is Michael Scheel. He is a junior currently holding a 3.7 G.P.A. Michael enjoys running and lately has really gotten into it. He is a member of the cross country and track teams. His track goals for this season are to finish the 800 meters in under 2 minutes and to qualify for state.

He says, "I have high hopes for the rest of this season and for next year."

Michael also enjoys bowling, working on his car, and is really involved with his church programs. He spends much time with his church youth group, of which he is the president.

Michael is taking honors chemistry and has been accepted into the Inquire to Science program, which means next year he will hold a job out in the Hanford area working with scientists and earning money. He plans on attending college and wants to go to Gonzaga University to major in religious studies.



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"Is Friday at 4:00 alright?"

"Sure! I have a final in my C.B.C. Calculus course, but I can skip it."

When Fry-day comes, head to the tannery, get there early (of course) and read magazines until the moment comes—4:00.

Go into the booth and lie under the lights for as long as they advise, plus 10 more minutes.

You can listen to a Walkman, read a

magazine, or just stare at the little blue lights.

The yellow-orange will appear during this time; so will the red. Don't forget the large jar of cold cream!

Leave the tannery, paying your 20 dollars gratefully, knowing that it was 200 dollars well spent. That could have purchased a nice watch, or compounded 7 percent interest in the bank.

Put a pillow on your car seat, so as not to scrape the newly sensitive parts on your seat.

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Where do I sign up!?



Gettin' the Glow! Laying in the suntannery is one way to start getting summer golden! T

by Dawn Newton

Summertime is almost here, and a new breed of people are coming out into the sun. It's the tanorexics. You know who they are—all the people who absolutely love the sun and can't get enough of suntans.

Suntanning is one of our biggest trends. Only 50 years ago, in the 1930's, the "ultimate" fashion was to be pale-skinned, proving your aristocracy. (The rich folk didn't have to be out and work in the fields under the burning sun.) The whiter you were,

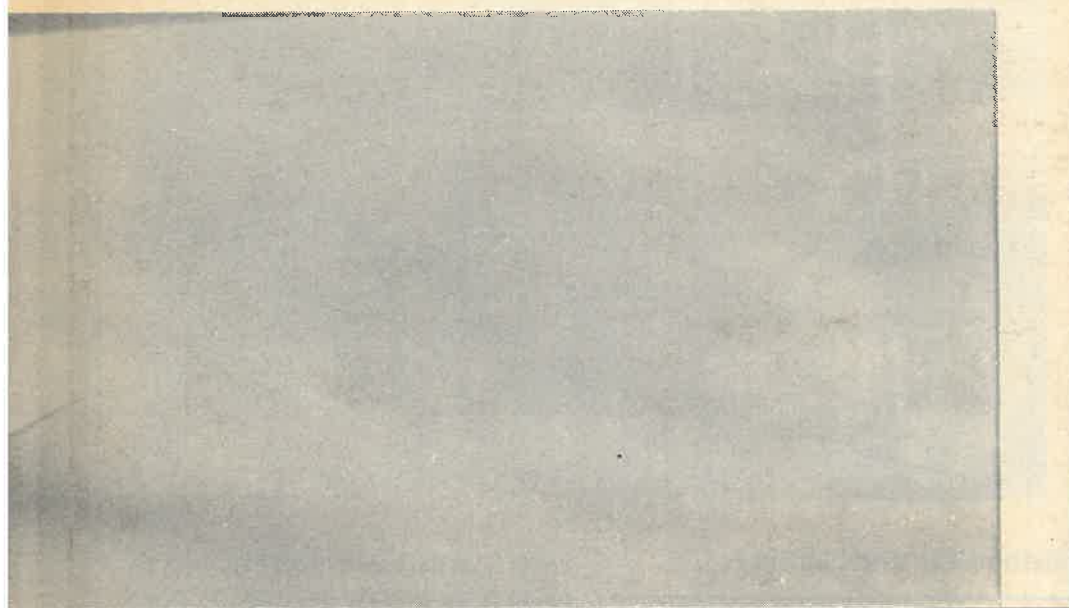
the better. The pale style may have caused as much obsession then as tanning does today. Maybe back then Americans spent their money on "miracle" sun-blockers, wide-brimmed hats, and sun-brellas for the beach. Now, Americans are spending more than \$300 million a year on tanning products.

Both extremes can cause physical problems. Without sunlight, our bodies can not produce vitamin D, and one particular gland—called the pineal gland—begins to shrink, causing severe depression. So, getting out into the sun



Pastel fern print bikini by Raisins has high waist with bandeau top (Worn under tank top here). Zip-front peach and black one-piece featuring neoprene sides for the wet-suit look by Too Hot Brazil.

"Fake Bake"? Suntanners at PHS



! This sunbed is made by Solona. Another popular sunbed is made by Wolfe Tanning System.

and getting a tan must be great, right? Sort of. Sunlight is good, but tanning does nothing to promote good health. A base tan can help prevent serious sunburns, which are even more harmful than tans. But tanning for tanning's sake will only damage your skin. All exposure to the sun (or the ultraviolet light rays similar to sunlight, like in tanneries) causes damage to the skin. "Damage" can mean a few early lines around the eyes, or it can mean skin cancer.

It might seem that skin cancer could only

happen to "somebody else", but about one person out of 150 will develop skin cancer. That means about seven people in PHS this year may get skin cancer at some time in their lives.

Not many people are so fanatical about the sun that they could be called "tanorexics", but that doesn't mean that very few people are at risk. Cautious use of suntan beds is advisable. With moderation, suntanneries can be great. And who knows— maybe next year being pale will be "hot"....



Bow-back pastel peach metallic one-piece by Too Hot Brazil. Black and white two-piece suit with suspenders by Gotcha.

by Paula McMakin

A "Fake Bake" is the becoming more and more popular with students at Pasco High School and sun tanneries are benefitting from it.

"Sun tanneries are great. They allow people to get a tan a lot easier. Instead of spending a day sun tanning you can go to the tannery and get a tan in half an hour," comments Eric Elid

from Perfect Tan.

Tanneries are used mostly by people from the ages of high school to the early thirties. However, there are some older ages who visit the tannery also.

The expense for a visit or a "package deal" to the tannery is costly. At Aladins in Pasco a single visit costs \$4. A 10-visit package costs \$25. However, the price varies from

time to time as a result of specials.

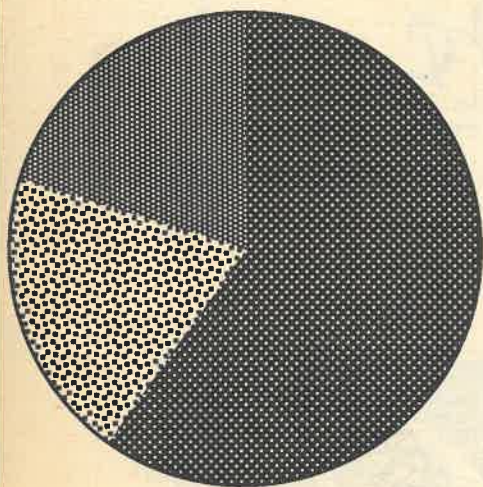
"The sun tannery usually goes smoothly except when people come late, even 5 minutes can really mess up our schedule," says Shawna Niel from Aladins.

Students make appointments a lot for after school, so when one student's timing is off it delays all of the other appointments. This is a minor hassle that the tanneries have to put

up with. However, the profit made from the tannery usage is worth the hassle.

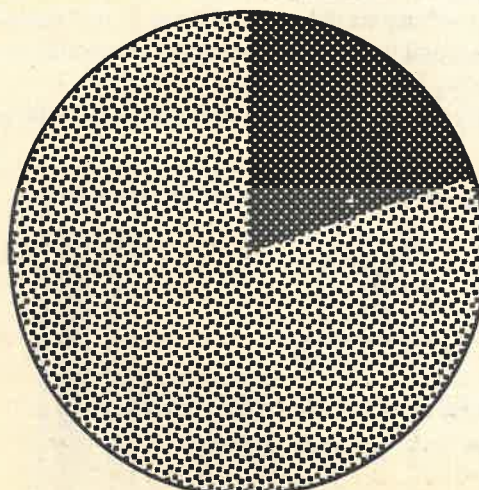
Niel from Aladins believes that the use of a tannery should not be regular because it dries out a person's skin. She thinks tanneries are good for getting a quick tan for a trip and starting out the season's tanning.

"Shoe polish does just as well ... its cheaper," says Mr. Ridge, biology teacher.



Why do you go to the suntannery?
(Senior Class)

Do you go to a suntannery?



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Entertainment

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Senior Bowling Night Strikes Again



Pasco High seniors are having a great time with each other while bowling and chatting

by Tracie Jacobs

The second annual Senior Bowling Night was an "extreme success", stated Ryan Quesenberry, senior class vice president. This event was held April 1 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Sports Arena in Pasco.

"I thought it was a blast because it was one of the few times the seniors got together and did something that wasn't destructive,"

stated Rick Bass.

Tickets were \$10 a person and this included all the food, drinks, and bowling you could have in one night, not to mention all the fun.

One of the proprietors of the bowling alley stated that this year's senior class was the best behaved that she has dealt with.

After being asked if preparation for this

night was very time consuming, Scott Sunblad, senior class president, replied, "It's hard to say because all the senior class reps got involved and everyone had their part."

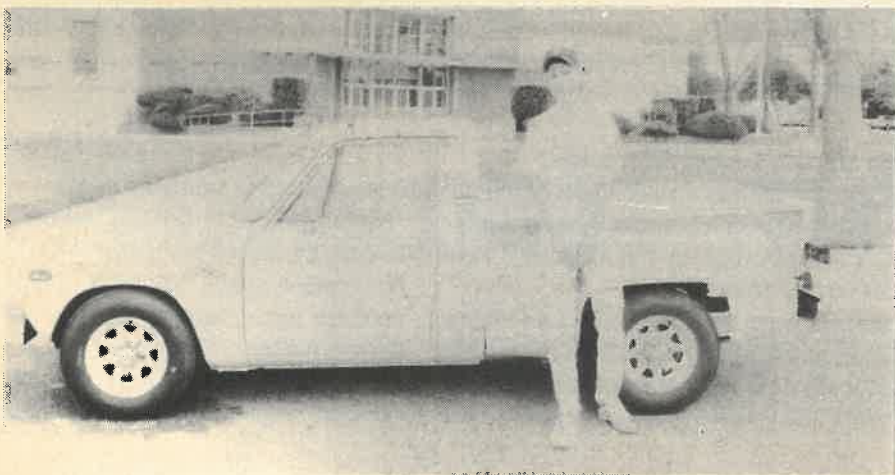
"I wish I could go to Pasco High next year so I could go to another Senior Bowling Night!" exclaimed Scott Cadman.

This is a nonprofit event so all the pro-

ceeds from the tickets went to pay for the rental of the bowling alley and the police officers. Many local businesses got involved and donated to the cause. OK 95 and KZZK donated tapes, restaurants and beauty salons gave gift certificates. Pepsi Company was one of the major contributors. All of these prizes were given away during Monte Carlo.

Senior class secretary Candy Cope stated, "It was worth all the work!"

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by Noe'l Smith

Joe Hansen is the proud owner of Pasco High's one and only canary yellow '77 Chevy Luv pick-up.

Hansen purchased the used Chevy one month ago for \$1500. He earned money by working at his part-time job and by selling his old car, which was a '63 Oldsmobile.

Hansen plans to purchase new rims and tires for his Chevy and eventually lower it. He hopes it will be ready for the jamming boat race season!

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Serve's Up!!

by Shelley Perkins

"We've had a slow season so far but the rest of the season looks pretty good," says senior Jeff Julian. The rest of the season does look pretty good! Mr. Dong predicts that girls will make the top four teams and the boys will be in the middle pack. As it stands now, the boys are 2-3 overall and girls are 3-1.

Sophomore Ian McNickle is holding his second year as number one. McNickle says, "Being in the top spot is great and feels fantastic especially as a sophomore. I am really happy to be number one again this year." He placed fourth at the Pasco Invite on April 16. McNickle feels that he has some very close competitors on the team.

Reggie Sanderson who is considered to be number two, following McNickle is improving a lot according to Coach Schadler. For duel matches, seniors Rene Menchaca and Alfredo Tamez are rated number one. It is their third year playing doubles for Pasco Tennis and they are doing very well.

On the girls' team, Shawna Sweeney is top player in singles. "She is getting lots of experience," commented Schadler. Following in second is Debbie Shearer. Schadler said, "It's her first year in singles and she is doing a good job." Dawn Newton is also doing very well, and as Schadler said



during an interview, "... don't forget Newton, she is number three."

"They went to state last year and they have a good chance again this year if they play well," said Schadler. Seniors Tammy Chastain and Kelly Fifer are number one in the girls' duel matches. They have been undefeated in duel matches and placed second in number one girls doubles at the Pasco Invite.

Following Chastain and Fifer is another duel team, Kelly Rode and Nadia Droppo. Rode and Droppo won the number two girls doubles at the Pasco Invite. "Of the girls double teams I have seen, Rode and Droppo play very well together as a team and they play like they belong together," said Newton.

Sports Spotlight



by Norma Perlta

This month's Sport Spotlight is no other than junior Shawna Sweeney.

Sweeney has been playing tennis for many years and has been the number 1 singles player for two years.

Sweeney is not just an outstanding tennis player but she is also outstanding in her academic achievements. Sweeney currently holds a 3.8 grade point average and is rated in the top 15 of her class.

According to Sweeney's teammates she is a great asset to the team.

Pasco's tennis is doing extremely well, specially the girls doubles and some of the singles. "The girls are doing better than the guys because of the our doubles; Kelly Fifer and Tammy Chastain and singles; Judy Howard, Debbie Shearer, and Dawn Newton," replied Sweeney.

Sweeney plans on continuing her education and going to college. "I plan on going to the University of Washington, Notre Dame, or maybe George Town," said Sweeney.



by Norma Peralta

This month's sport spotlight is baseball pitcher and left fielder, Jeff Smith.

Smith has been recognized for his outstanding performance on and off the baseball field.

This year will make Smith a 3-year varsity letterman for the Bulldogs.

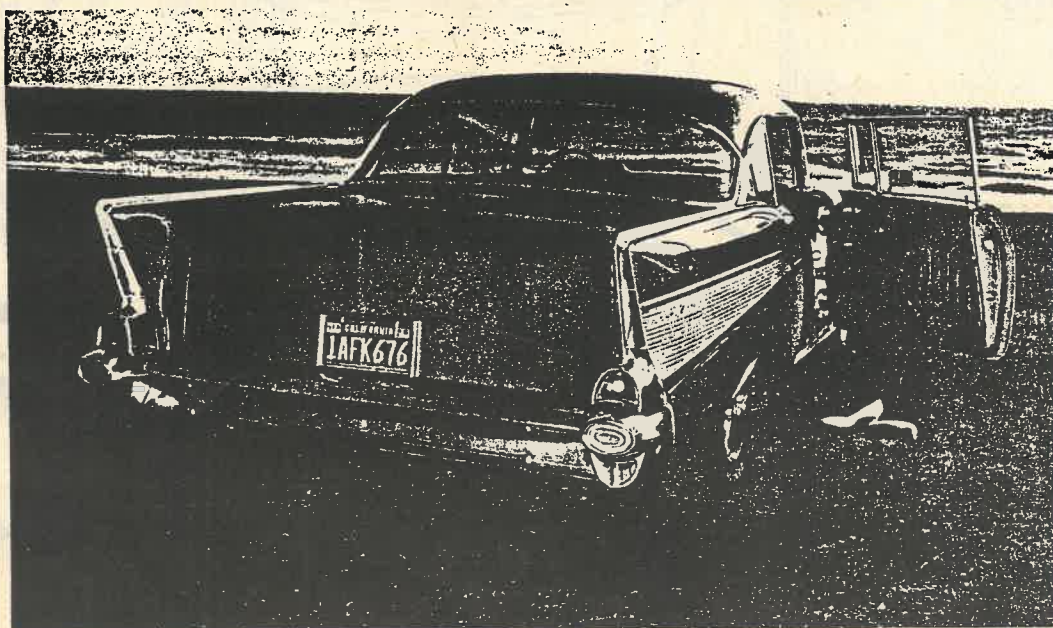
Smith has become a great asset to his team. He has participated in baseball for a total of 11 years.

Smith has been predicted to be the best pitcher in the Big Nine Conference. He is also an outstanding hitter and outfielder.

Smith is not only good out in the field but is also great in academics. Smith currently holds a 3.5 grade point average and plans to continue his education in the field of law.

Smith has gotten many offers to colleges; for example, Notre Dame, University of Puget Sound and many others. He has not decided where he will go but he prefers any school down south where it is hot.

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