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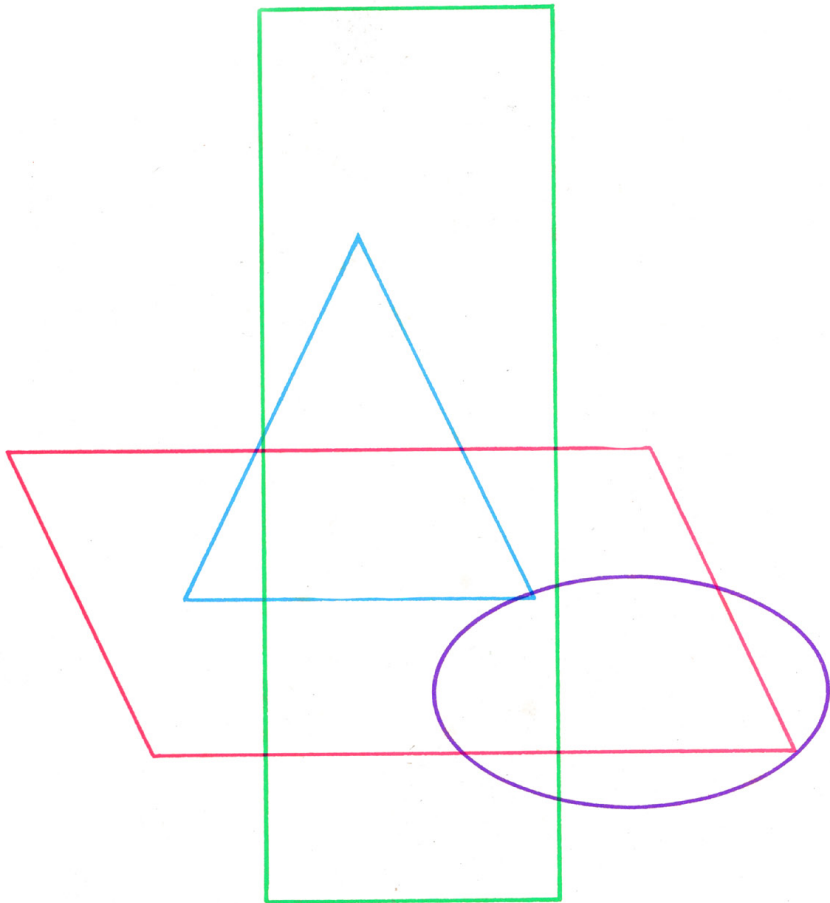
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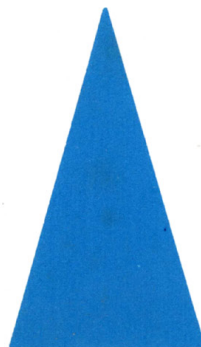
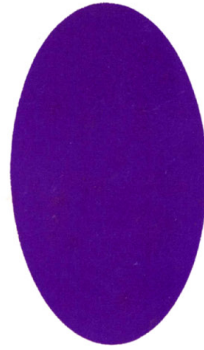
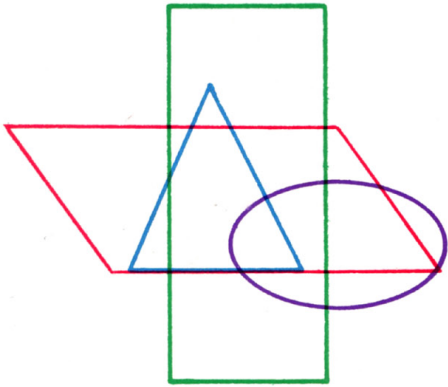


**PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL
PASADENA, TEXAS**

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The staff of the 1965 *Pasadenian* believes that each phase of school life is necessary to the completion of a successful school year. We have tried to capture the ideas and spirit of the many different activities of the students, faculty, and administration of PHS. Each of the four sections of this book is represented by a geometrical figure. These figures show the equal importance of each division of our school life and yet, intertwined, epitomize the total scope of our educational year. We hope these figures represent to you the individuality, yet interdependency, of the phases of the school year, 1965, and help you remember the work, play, rewards, and significance of the past year.

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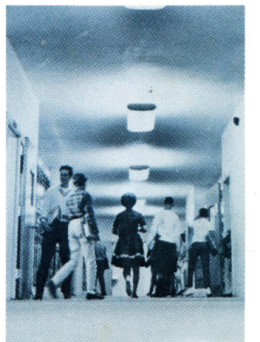
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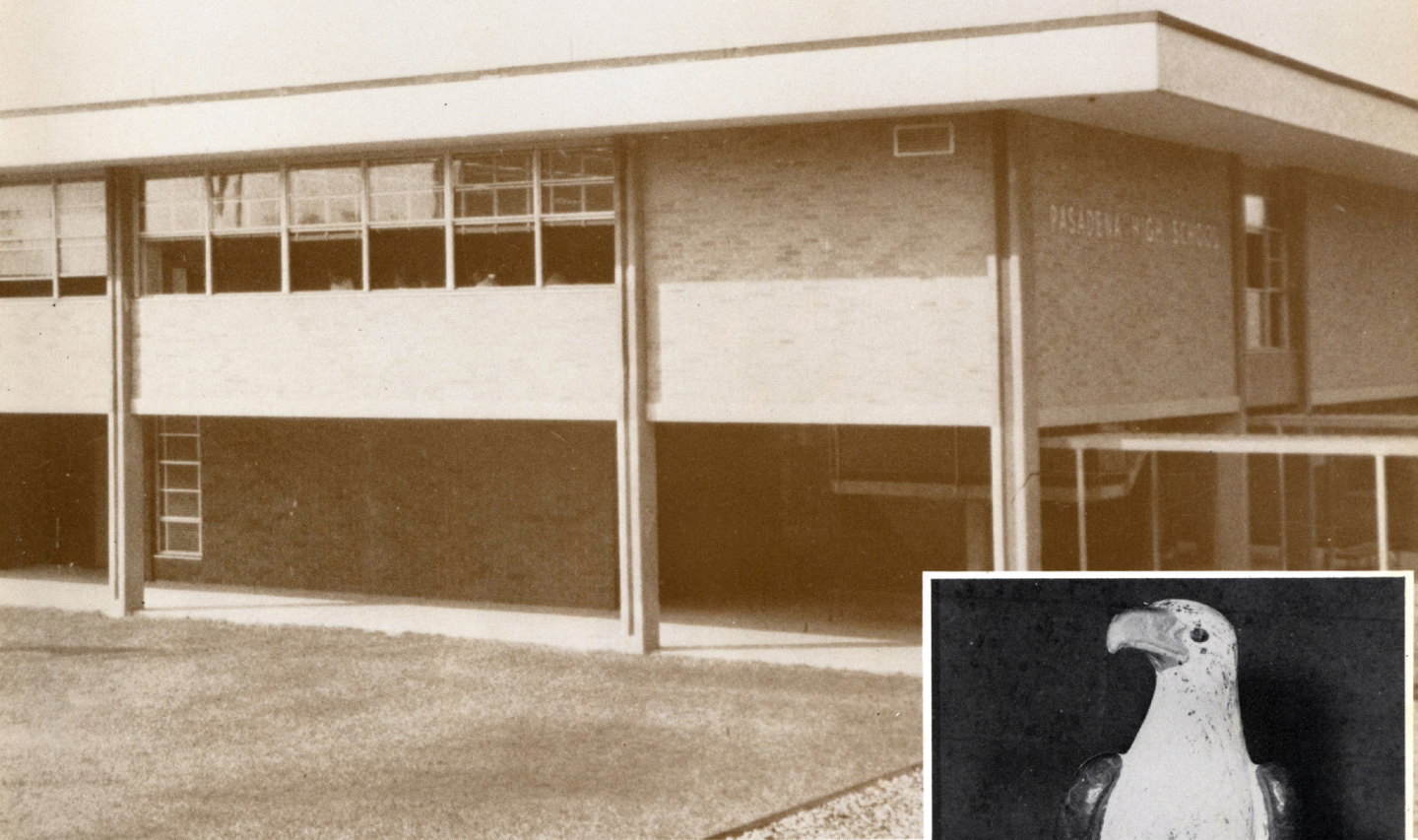
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Although tradition reigns at Pasadena High School, many of the old relics are gone. As each year passes, a new group of Eagles contributes to the improvement and honor of the school. Our mascot, Baldy, sits in his familiar spot and quietly observes the fads, the changes, the advancements of our progressing alma mater.



Baldy has witnessed the graduation of thousands of students who, after their stay at PHS, found themselves able to cope with worldly problems. He has seen teachers dedicate their lives to guide young people to better ideals. Baldy will never change and neither will the standards of Pasadena High School.

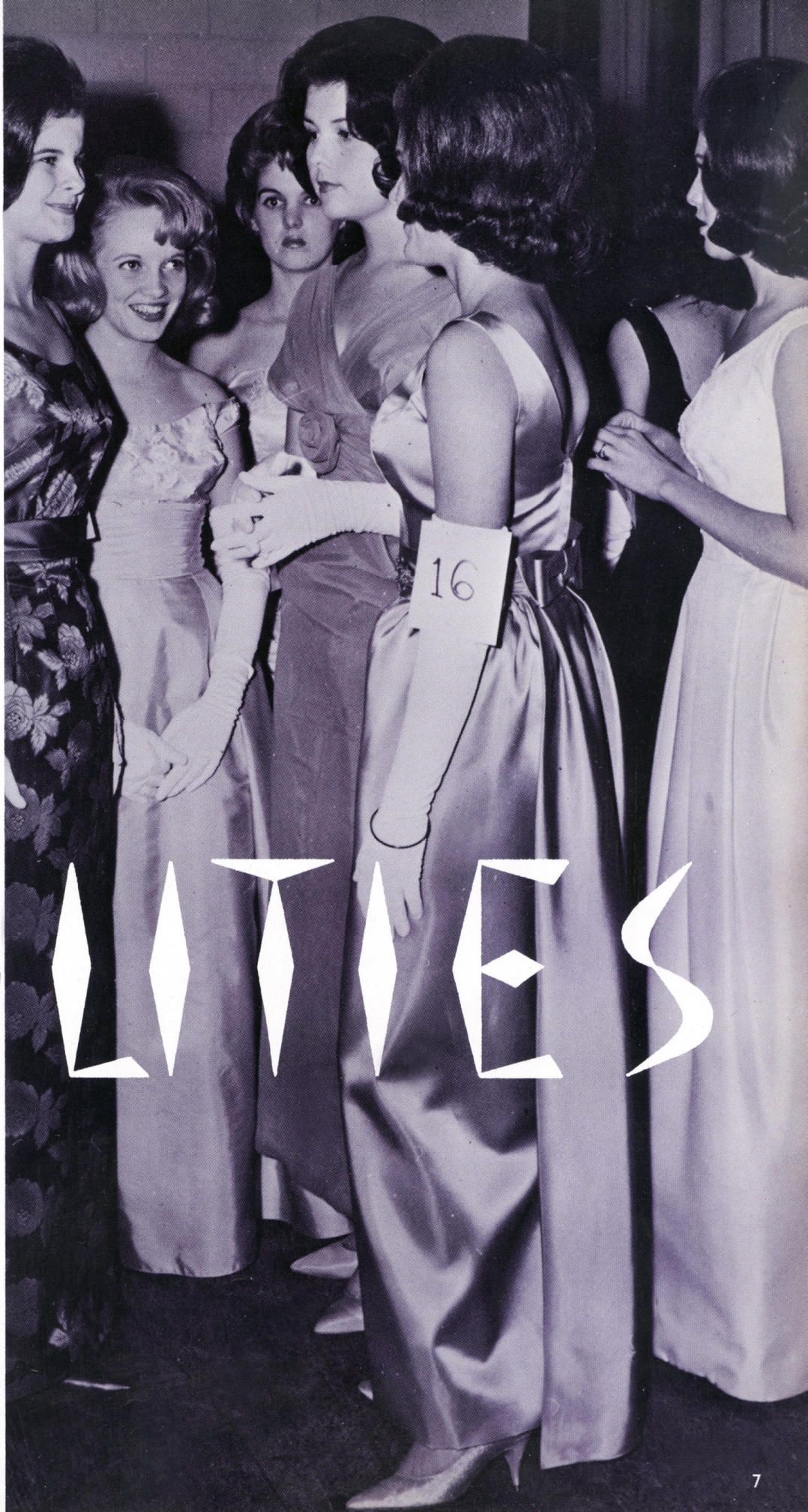




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“As you throw the weight of your influence on the side of the good, the true, and the beautiful, your life will achieve an endless splendor.”

W. A. Peterson



MAJESTIES



Miss PHS
Gayla Wigley

Mr. PHS
Bobby Powitzsky

One of the vibrant personalities that has made the PHS campus seem warm and friendly is that of Bobby Powitzky. His leadership ability and many talents have made him the logical choice for Mr. PHS. Bobby's many honors include being selected to represent PHS at Boys' State, being elected Junior Class Favorite, and being chosen as Junior Rotarian for September. He has served his school well as president of the Student Body, vice-president of the Interact Club, and program chairman for the Youth for Christ Club in his junior year. Besides receiving the Elks' Club Youth Leadership Award, and the Academic Excellence Award in his sophomore and junior year, he has won district honors in poetry interpretation, has lettered in debate, is a four year member of the A Cappella Choir, and a two year letterman on the tennis team. He has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years. Bobby's versatility and enthusiasm for the various activities has won him many friends.



In deep concentration, Bobby attempts a slam.

Outstanding Pair Represent PHS

Gayla Wigley and Bobby Powitzky are representatives of the ideals that are set by the student body at PHS. Selected for this honor by their fellow students, Gayla and Bobby have led PHS with their vibrant personalities.



Bobby and Gayla stop to look at their reflection as they walk through the park.



Taking time to relax, Gayla listens to her favorite albums.

Besides being an outstanding student, Gayla Wigley has radiated a friendly personality that has won her the title of Miss PHS. She has enjoyed numerous honors such as being Rotary Ann for September, Junior Class Favorite, a finalist for Homecoming Queen, a finalist for Miss Junior Achievement of Houston, representative to Girls' State, and representative to Attorney General Waggoner Carr's Youth Conference. In addition, Gayla has served as vice-president of her class in both her junior and senior year, secretary of the Student Council, and secretary of the National Honor Society. She has received the Academic Excellence Award for each year of high school, the Elks' Club Youth Leadership Award, the DAR Good Citizenship Award, and the Parent-Teacher Association scholarship. Even with all the activities in which she has participated, Gayla has always found time to make lasting friendships.



GAYLA WIGLEY
Finalist



PAULA MADDOX
Finalist

Beauties
Home



KITTY MORRIS
Queen



Popular television personality, Larry Kane, takes time to spotlight Homecoming Queen finalists on his show.



Candidates Kitty Morris, Paula Maddox, and Gayla Wigley pose in the foyer with special guests on campus, C.L. and the Pictures.

Campus activity broke suddenly into a fast pace as the faculty, student body, and alumni began the 1964 Homecoming celebration. The spotlight fell on the candidates chosen by the student body to compete for the Homecoming crown. These three outstanding finalists, Gayla Wigley, Paula Maddox, and Kitty Morris, participated in several activities before the eventful night. Besides being guests on the Larry Kane television show, they were presented with their escorts at the Homecoming pep rally. The excitement of anticipating the coronation mounted rapidly while Pasadena High celebrated her eighteenth consecutive Homecoming. While exes renewed old memories, the Eagle varsity prepared itself to meet its long-time rival, Galena Park.

Compete for coming Crown



At the afternoon pep rally, the three finalists, Paula, Gayla, and Kitty, are escorted by John Crocker, Billy Standley, and Robert Kopecky, respectively.



The three lovely finalists pose in one of the Osborne-Apple convertibles used to drive them around the stadium track.

Thousands Watch Crowning of Queen



A crowd of thousands sat in Memorial Stadium for the 1964 Homecoming Game and waited tensely for the half-time activities. After the band's excellent performance, Gayla, Paula, and Kitty walked slowly onto the field with their escorts. A hush fell over the stadium while the announcement was made, and then the crowd cheered as the reigning Queen, Darlene Harris, crowned her successor, Kitty Morris. The new Queen was presented with a lovely bouquet of red roses, a gold charm bracelet from the Pasadena Alumni Association and a trophy from Pasadena Hardware. With regal poise the 1964 Homecoming Queen walked slowly off the field with her attendants.

Kitty Morris, escorted by Robert Kopecky, smiles at George Thompson as she walks off the field.

*1964 Homecoming Queen
Kitty Morris*



Contest Begins With Preliminary Judging,



Applicants wait nervously in the auditorium until all have appeared before the panel of three judges.

After the application of seventy-two senior girls who had passing grades and an interest in the beauty competition, plans for the 1964-65 Most Beautiful Contest began to progress rapidly. At a preliminary screening two weeks before the pageant, the applicants appeared before three judges who selected thirty-five girls to be contestants. The selection was based on poise, personality, dress, and natural beauty. During the following two weeks, Karen Clements, Contest Director, made announcements and held meetings to explain the procedure and details of the pageant. Nancy Chandler, a finalist in the 1963-64 pageant, demonstrated the proper way to walk, and offered constructive criticism at the night practices. The effort put forth by everyone involved proved to be worthwhile when contest day arrived.

Immediately after school in the auditorium, each of the thirty-five contestants appeared on stage before the panel of five judges. The girls, still in street clothes, then attended a tea given in the foyer. At this time the judges became acquainted with each contestant and scored her on her personality. This concluded the second phase of the contest, and the thirty-five nervous beauties began dressing for the final and most exciting phase, the pageant.



Lynda Collins stands before preliminary judges who score her on poise, posture, and dress.

Ends With Exciting Pageant

Finally, the time arrived for the formal judging to begin while the PHS Dance Band brought the audience into a magical mood. As she moved slowly across the stage before the judges and audience, Mr. Ralph Womack, Master of Ceremonies, read an account of each contestant's interests, ambitions, and activities. The judges selected seventeen semi-finalists from which five finalists were chosen on the basis of points accumulated in all three phases of the contest.



Contestants continue to reassure each other backstage during the entire pageant.



Gayla Wigley smiles at the audience as she is presented in the formal judging.



Former Most Beautiful Sandra Branton places the shimmering crown upon the head of Paula Spraggins.



Mothers of the annual staff members serve contestants at the tea given in the foyer.

Paula Spraggins *Most Beautiful*

After each of the five finalists answered a thought-provoking question asked by Mr. Womack, the panel of judges made their decision. Members of the audience sat on the edges of their seats awaiting the announcement by the Master of Ceremonies. The points were tabulated and Miss Paula Spraggins was crowned as Most Beautiful. She was presented with two dozen long-stemmed roses from Howard's, a trophy from the Pasadena Alumni Association, and a lovely bracelet and charm from the Pasadenian Staff. The climax having been reached, the curtains were drawn and the 1964-65 Most Beautiful Pageant came to an end.



Lana Simmons answers her question, completing the final phase of the judging.



PENNY HANCOCK

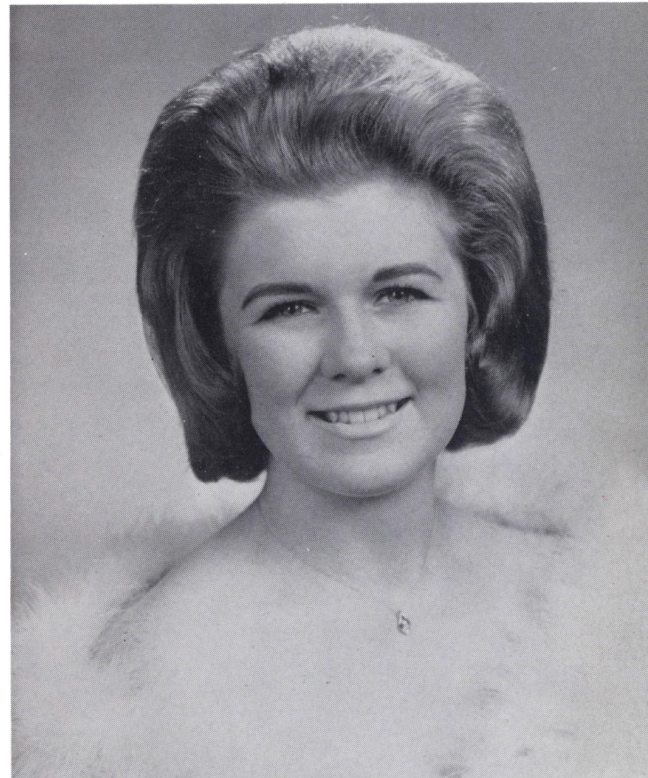


PAULA MADDOX

Four Selected As Beauty Finalists



KAREN PARTEN



LANA SIMMONS



Diana Williamson
FFA



Elsie Holdiness
BAND

Sweethearts

Selected on the basis of beauty and personality, the various sweethearts represent clubs and organizations at PHS. Members of the band selected Band Sweetheart Elsie Holdiness, and Club Sweethearts Diana Williamson, Sammie Ferris, Martha Honig, Karen Parten, Sandra Zumwalt, and Madge Philmon were elected by the clubs they represent. In addition, Diana Williamson was selected as district FFA Sweetheart.



Sammie Ferris
DE



Martha Honig
VIC



Karen Parten
DE

Selected for 1965



Sandra Zumwalt
VIC



Madge Philmon
VIC

VALENTINE COURT



*QUEEN
Pam Maddox*



*PRINCESS
Linda Brown*



*PRINCESS
Cheryl Morris*



*PRINCESS
Penny Nowak*

Outstanding Students Win Honors



Champion Good Citizenship Award winner, Lavinia Simpson, waits for an interview.



Jim Nicholson, Richard Elton, and Nancy Moon, top ranking juniors, sit in foyer after assembly.



Highest ranking seniors, Bobby Powitzky, Terry Eska, Linda McGinnis, Gayla Wigley, and Tim Gentry, meet with Mr. White after picking up their honor cords.



Home economics student, Delores Coleman, displays skill which won her the Betty Crocker Homemaking Award.

Various Awards



Robert Clouette, All-State Choir member and Judy Jenkins, All-State Orchestra member, discuss aspects of a career in music.



Winners of the Danforth Award, Jennie Fairfield and Terry Eska, pause in library to compare views.



Mr. Tilman White presents award to Sharon Carrigan, top ranking sophomore.

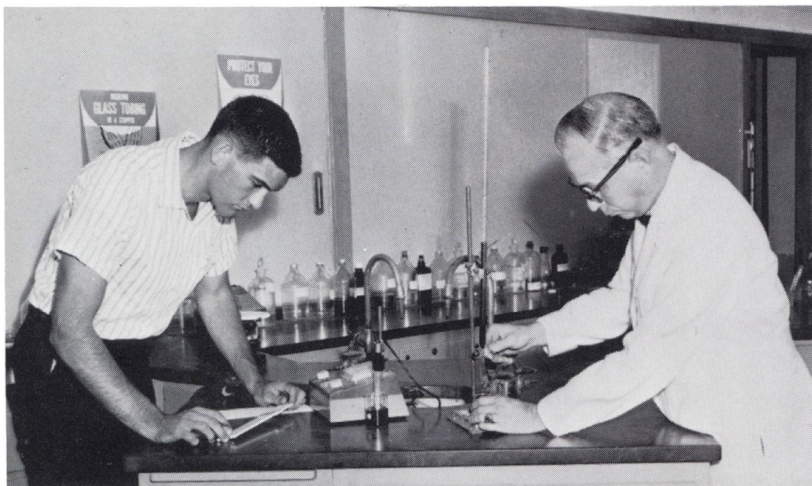


National Merit Scholarship finalist, Pat McDonough receives instructions from Mr. Ralph Womack.



Top ranking freshmen, Barbara Hagerman and Lella Jones, relax between classes to talk.

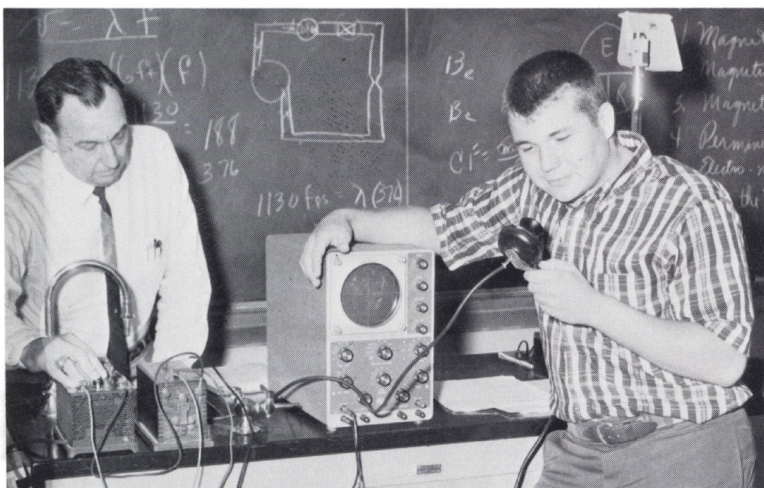
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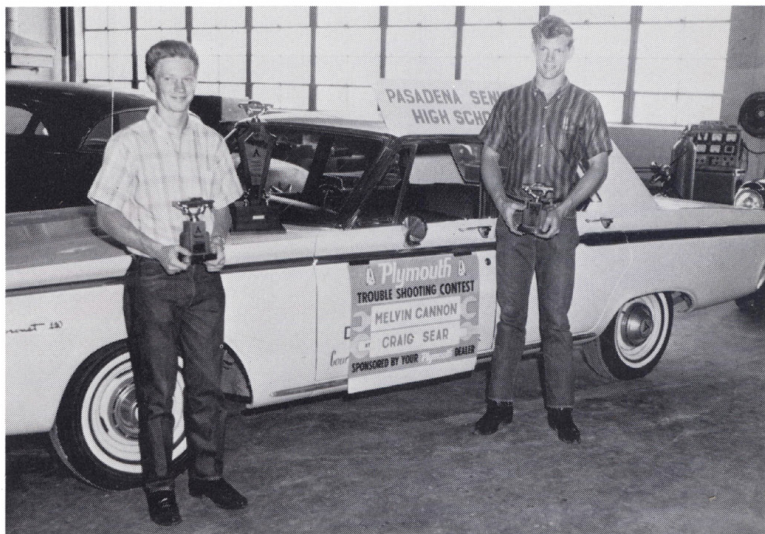
With Mr. John Cole's assistance, Ray Verducci, winner of the Texas Chemical Society Award, solves a chemistry problem.



DAR winner Gayla Wigley concentrates as she fills out a questionnaire.



Eugene Wells, selected for the Bausch and Lomb Award, helps Mr. Estis Landers test sound waves.



Craig Sear and Melvin Cannon proudly display the trophies they won at an auto repair contest at Gulfgate. The win afforded them a summer trip to Detroit for national competition.

Students Promote



Rotarians

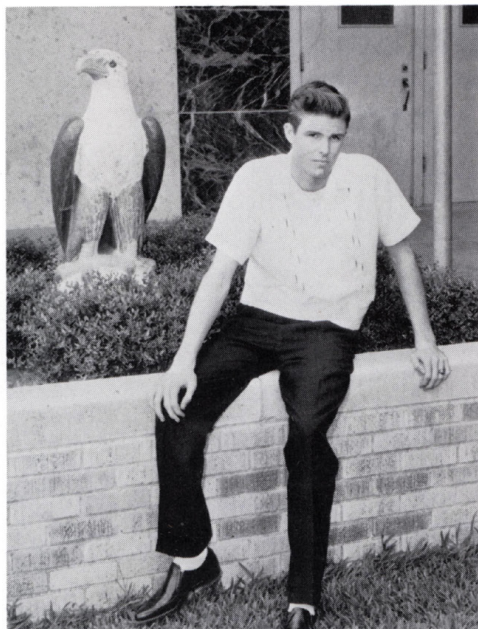
RAY VERDUCCI

MICHAEL TOBY

TIM GENTRY

EVERETT WILLIAMS

BOBBY POWITZKY



Lion

TERRY ESKA

Civic Interest

In order that high school students may participate in promoting civic interest, two of the service clubs, Rotary and Lions, honor selected young citizens chosen by the faculty. The factors on which selection is based include leadership, scholarship, and citizenship. These honored students are called junior members and learn the activities of the club by attending meetings. One Lion, five Rotarians, and five Rotary Anns have the chance to serve during a designated period of the year. By representing the student body at PHS, these eleven students perform a service to the school as well as the community of which they are a part.



Rotary Anns

JENNIE FAIRFIELD

KITTY MORRIS

GAYLA WIGLEY

PAMELA MADDOX

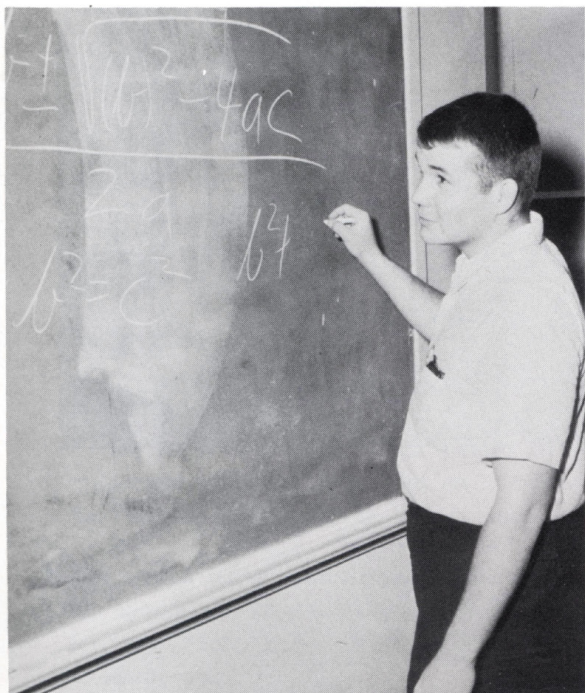
MARILYN LUSK

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Eugene Wells

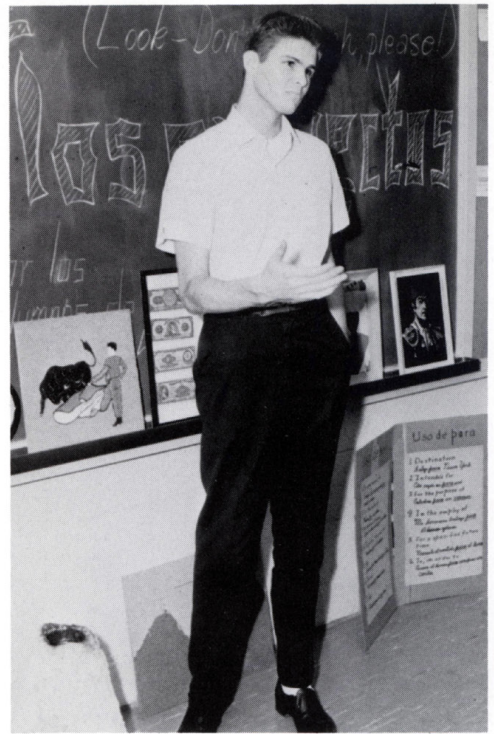


Selected for an honorable place in Who's Who, EUGENE WELLS makes a distinguished mark on PHS as the most OUTSTANDING MATH STUDENT. His quiet, friendly nature appeals to all those who meet him. Eugene is highly deserving of this honor for his remarkable achievement in geometry, algebra, and analysis. Another subject he excels in, which is physics, has brought him the honor of receiving the Bausch and Lomb Science Award. The fact that Eugene studies sincerely to assure himself of excellent grades accounts for his membership in the National Honor Society during his high school career. He finds an interest in two outstanding clubs on campus, the Interact Club and the Science Club.

Eugene's scholastic record, as well as his ability to attract friends, has won him the respect of the faculty and student body. His preparation for a future career includes attending the University of Texas where his major will be physics.

His outstanding scholastic record and achievement in the field of languages make TERRY ESKA a natural choice for OUTSTANDING FOREIGN LANGUAGE STUDENT. During his three years at PHS Terry has received the highest honors that may be presented to a student. Each year he has been presented with an Academic Excellence Award, besides being selected as one of the highest ranking students of his class. In his junior year he was chosen as winner of the Woodsmen of the World History Award and has won district and regional recognition in debate. During the course of his senior year, Terry served as a delegate to the Pasadena Downtown Lion's Club, president of the Debate Club, president of the Creative Writing Club, and secretary of the Interact Club. In addition, he has been an active member of the Youth For Christ Club.

Terry's ability to hold everyone's interest and attention is one of the reasons he was selected to be the commencement speaker for graduation exercises. Future plans for him include attending Baylor University where he will major in the sciences. These many admirable qualities make him worthy of the honor of being in Who's Who.



Terry Eska





Linda McGinnis

In addition to being ranked as one of the five top seniors, intellectual LINDA MCGINNIS has been chosen to take her place in Who's Who as the OUTSTANDING SOCIAL STUDIES STUDENT. Her perseverance in this area has made her mind a library of historical events. Linda's reserved personality and friendly spirit make her well liked by everyone. By applying herself to the task of learning as much as possible while in high school, she has won the most distinguished honors available to a student. During her sophomore, junior, and senior years, she received the Academic Excellence Award. After being ranked as one of the top sophomore students, Linda went on to become a member of the National Honor Society in her junior and senior year.

Her special talents include playing the piano and organ for her church. On campus she is an active member of the Youth for Christ Club. Linda will attend Baylor University to major in biochemistry.

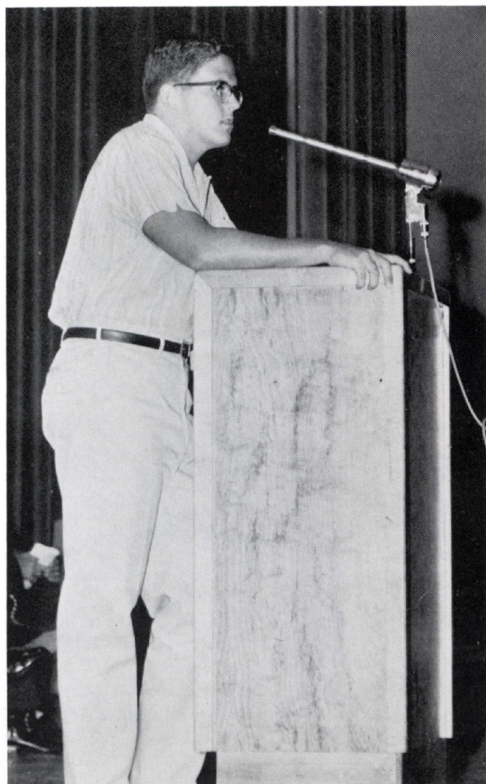




A prominent personality on the PHS campus, BOBBY POWITZKY has earned his place in Who's Who as OUTSTANDING ENGLISH STUDENT. He has accumulated a variety of scholastic and personal honors while attending high school. He was chosen as Junior Rotarian for the local Rotary Club and also represented PHS at Boys' State. Bobby, a natural leader, has presided over the Student Body as well as being vice-president of the Interact Club, and Youth for Christ program chairman in his junior year. Sparkling with vitality, he was a perfect choice for Junior Class Favorite. One of his highest personal honors was being the students' selection for Mr. PHS. His versatility has enabled Bobby to win district honors in poetry interpretation and a letter in debate, in addition to being a four-year member of the A Cappella choir and a two-year letterman on the tennis team. Scholastically, he has excelled to such degrees that various awards have been presented to him. Besides receiving the Elks' Club Youth Leadership Award and the Academic Excellence Award in his sophomore and junior year, Bobby has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years.

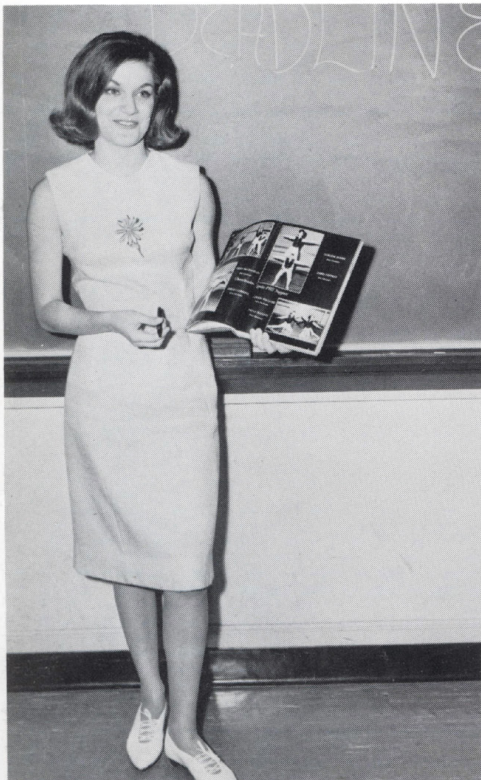
With his capacity and dedication, Bobby will always achieve the highest goals. After graduation he plans to attend Baylor University.

Bobby Powitzky





Kitty Morris



Vibrant, energetic KITTY MORRIS has been selected for Who's Who because of her dedication and contribution to the school as Editor of the 1965 PASADENIAN. In her junior year she served as Faculty Editor and was the logical choice for Editor in her senior year. By attending a workshop at Trinity University, Kitty reinforced her knowledge of journalism.

A favorite of students and teachers alike, she has served her school well during the course of her high school education. As a sophomore she was elected vice-president of her class, besides being a basketball cheerleader. She was also selected as sweetheart of her Junior Achievement company. Her extracurricular activities have included GRA, the Future Teachers Club for two years, and the Quill and Scroll Club in her junior year. Because of her popularity on the campus she was selected from three finalists to reign as the 1965 Homecoming Queen. As football cheerleader in her senior year she has led the crowds with a smile of enthusiasm. Kitty hopes to attend Stephen F. Austin College where she plans to major in business administration.



Lavinia Simpson

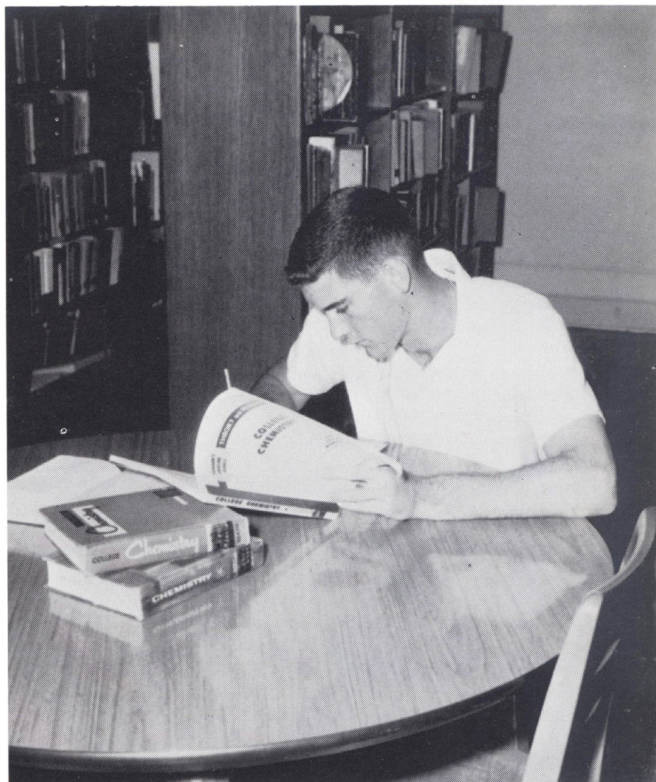
Because of her outstanding abilities in the commercial courses, LAVINIA SIMPSON is a logical choice for the honor of OUTSTANDING COMMERCIAL STUDENT. Her capabilities reach into other subjects, too, and have brought her various honors. Lavinia received the Academic Excellence Award in her junior year. She was a member of the National Honor Society in her junior and senior year, at which time she served as reporter. As a two-year member of the Business Club, she served as president in her senior year. She also found time to be active in the Future Teachers Club. Lavinia has supported her school as a three-year band member. The Youth for Christ Club has also been part of her activities. She was selected in her senior year as winner of the Champion Good Citizenship Award. Lavinia participates in the Rainbow Girls organization and has been Past Worthy Advisor, Secretary, and has received the Grand Cross of Colors. For ten years she has been an outstanding Girl Scout.

One of the highlights of her senior year was being a candidate for Most Beautiful. She plans to major in business administration at Sam Houston State Teachers College.

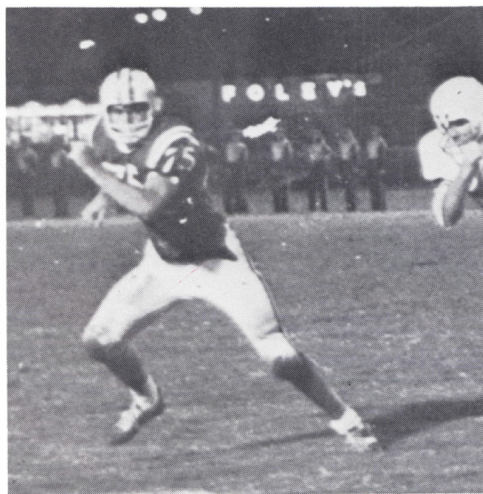


RAY VERDUCCI, whose personality is warm and friendly, has been selected as the OUTSTANDING SCIENCE STUDENT because of his excellence in the field of chemistry. As one of Pasadena's most outstanding students, Ray served as vice-president of the Student Council in his senior year. He was a member of the National Honor Society and received the Academic Excellence Award for two consecutive years. Besides these activities he found time to actively participate in the Interact Club for two years and was named Junior Rotarian of the Month by the local Rotary Club. At the awards assembly on Senior Day, Ray received a slide rule from the Texas Chemical Society for outstanding work in chemistry.

In addition to his diligent scholastic efforts, Ray has another interest. He has played on the Eagle varsity football team for two years. After graduation he plans to attend the University of Texas where he has a scholarship in chemical engineering. Respected by all of his fellow students, Ray has brought honor not only to himself, but also to PHS.



Ray Verducci





Leslie Blankfield ponders the subject which won her second place in district prose reading.



Don Hyde, right, recipient of first place in district and fifth place in state number sense, discusses his test with Jim Nicholson, first place district winner in slide rule.



Dianna Shipman, second place winner in district typewriting, pauses during a practice session.

Students Win at

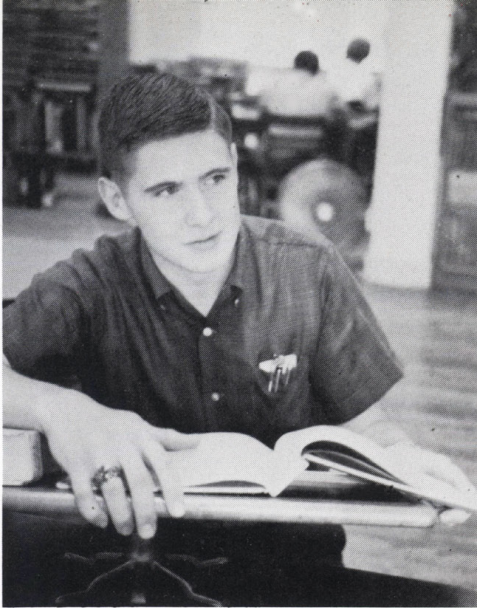
Saturday, April 10, the Interscholastic League district competition was held at Pasadena High. Five PHS students qualified for the regional contest, which took place on the campus of the University of Houston on April 24. One of our students, Don Hyde, received the rating necessary for State competition in Austin. Don placed fifth in number sense on the state level.



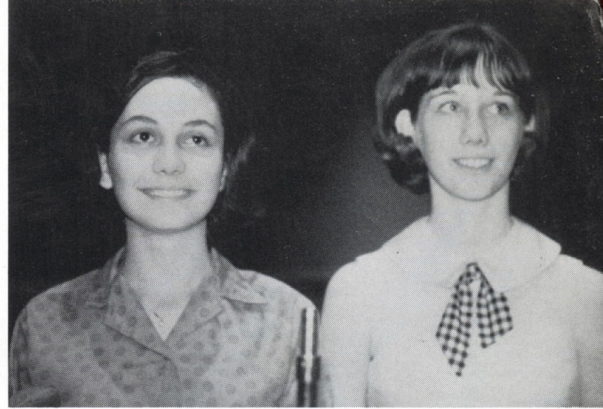
Polly Trank and Ronnie Roper are photographed while rehearsing the one-act play, *The Imaginary Invalid*, which won a first in district competition.



Terry Eska and Rokki Roberts pose for a photographer after winning first place in District 10-AAAA debate.

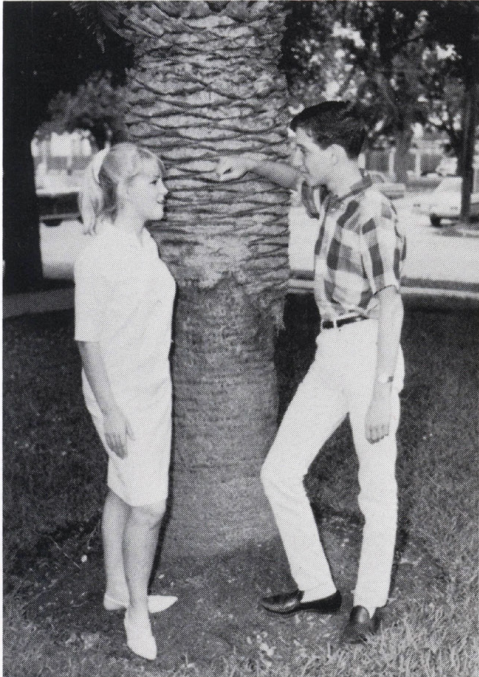


Pat McDonough prepares for the district extemporaneous speaking competition, in which he received second place.



Susan Epstein and Susan McGinnis display pride upon receiving a second in debate for this district.

Interscholastic League



Pam Diamond, recipient of third place in girls' poetry interpretation, and Herbie Pasternak, who received third place in boys' persuasive speaking, meet between classes to discuss the contest.



Bobby Powitzky presents the poem that won him a first place in district boy's poetry interpretation.



Bonnie Smith, Pasadena's first place district winner in girls' persuasive speaking, listens attentively as she receives instructions for the contest.