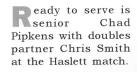
Practices consist of hard and fun



scrimmages and new drills. Coach



With perfect stance, senior Chad Pipkens waits for his Haslett opponent's Chad started playing tennis in eleventh grade, "because Coach Smith kept bugging me and telling me I'd like it," Pipkens said.





Smith makes the practices standable.



Bitter Rivalry:

My biggest challenge of the season was trying to become more aggressive at the net.



Our biggest challenge as a team is self-discipline. We all need to push harder. There's always room for improvment.

Nick Grafuis





JV Tennis



Top Row: Coach Ray, K. Henderson, J. Tropf, B. Noble, M. Draper, A. Masarik, M. Myers, A. Jenson, Coach Ewing. Bottom Row: C. Hoffman, J. Spyke, J. Quasarano, A. Bradford, A. Burmeister, J. Keep-Sparks



Waiting for gravity to take it's role on his opponent's serve across the net is Kenny iunior Shewchuk.





Top Row: Coach Smith, D. Ewing, T. Hofbauer, N. Grafuis, C. Pipkens, C. Smith, Z. Pohl, P. Wong-Yerrick Bottom Row: A. Roberts, J. Spyke, J. Troisi, P. Havens, K. Shewchuk, D. Rarrick

Mens Tennis

- St. Johns
- **Lansing Catholic Central**
- **East Lansing**
- **Grand Ledge**
- Jackson 0-8
- 5-3 Waverly
- 3rd Mason Inv.
- 4-4 Mason
- 7-1 Everett
- 8-0 Sexton
- Haslett Inv. 1st
- 5-3 Haslett
- 7-1 Eastern **CAC Meet**
- Season Record: 6-2-2

hough the guys on the varsity tennis team are young, they can still swing out some hot serves. This year, the guys won first place at the Haslett Invitational. "The Haslett Invitational was an all day event, yet everyone stayed strong and pulled through. It was a huge victory," senior Nick Grafuis said.

Grafuis was on of the few who placed in the C.A.C. tournament. Also placing in third were senior Chad Pipkens and junior Chris Smith. "Our biggest challenge was beating East Lansing because our C.A.C. results depended basically on those matches. We beat them in straight sets 6-4, 6-3. It was my first time beating them. Fortunately, we accomplished that goal and came in third place in the C.A.C. tournament," Pikpens said.

"So far my highlight for the season was beating both Grand Ledge and St. Johns at the Mason Invitational. It's been a challenge, and now accomplished," sophomore Dan Rarick said. "The season is going better than I had expected it to be. We have a pretty young team this year, but I've been surprised."

The junior varsity team stayed strong throughout the season. Their final standing was 11-2. "The team really came together. It's fun just being around friends and having fun," junior Mike Myers said. "My biggest challenge was losing Adam Burmeister. He had to resign his position due to prior commitments. He was a team player and helped keep practices fun. He was the glue that held our team together," sophomore Kiel Henderson said.



