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## Bob's Blurbs

Save, save, save!!! That's the word from Bob about electricity and anything else that spends precious dollars. Please, everyone, do your part to conserve this summer!!

## Good-Bye Sherrie

Sherrie Traweek, doing the job of ten people, organizer, phone operator, filing system-clerk, substitute coordinator, Bob's note pad and schedule keeper, office manager and multi-tasker is moving on. With the guarantee of a new job and more time for her family, Sherrie will be leaving us shortly. We all will miss you.

Thank you Sherrie for all your hard work over the years! You have always had a smile and positive disposition even when under a ton of stress and when dealing with requests that were thrown your way. It will be difficult, if not impossible to fill your shoes in the Custodial/Maintenance Department. It may be wise if all the schools send over a box of tissues for Bob since he'll miss you the most.

Drop by occasionally and say "hi." We'd like to see how things are going and keep in touch. We wish you the best in your new job, and much success in the future. Thanks again for everything!!

## Custodial Newsletter Debut

Beginning with this issue, the Custodial Training Committee is pleased to announce the introduction of a monthly newsletter for the Tahoma School District Custodial Staff.

We look forward to providing a plethora of information throughout the year which will keep everyone informed of the goings-on within the Custodial Department and within the District itself. The intention of this newsletter is to provide useful information such as cleaning tips, dates of upcoming meetings, thoughts from our wonderful and loving boss Bob Schuler, and quips or overlooked areas that need our attention.

We will also be including such

things as "uh-oh's," vendor suggestions for better cleaning, fixing problems, tricks-of-the-trade, humorous anecdotes and comical or informative stories of problems or successes in the Custodial Department.

We would greatly appreciate any input from *our* staff that can be incorporated into these newsletters. Feel free to e-mail them to any of our Training Committee Members. These in turn will be forwarded for inclusion into upcoming issues throughout the year.

We hope everyone enjoys this new feature of the Custodial Department, and will find its contents helpful, educational and fun.



*Do visitors feel this peaceful and clean when they enter our schools?*

### Training Committee Members

Jim Bergum, Rick Bergum, Kathy Martin, John Olson and Connie

### Did You Know....????

Modern residential carpets are designed to hide 1 pound of soil in every square foot of carpeting?? Vacuum regularly!!

### Upcoming Meetings

*Training Committee—Tuesday August 6 @ 12:30 p.m. in TSHS Custodial Office*

### Vendor Vittles!

Never use black pads on waxed floors for daily maintenance!! This will remove the finish almost instantly. Instead use white pads and plain water.

### Tip of the month

To remove most spills from carpets, simply "flood" the area with water and begin blotting up with towels. When most of the water is removed, put down a clean towel and weight it. This will pull the rest of the water out of the carpet and into the towel. Check periodically and turn the towel as needed. The area should be dry within a short period of time. If the spill is large, then extraction of the area with a thorough rinse of water should be done.

### Synaptical Silliness!!

The longest word in the English language is "SMILES" because there is a mile between the first and last letters.

Think about it: If you could see through everything, you'd be blind!

Most kids learn to drive from their parents. Do you feel safe on the roads?