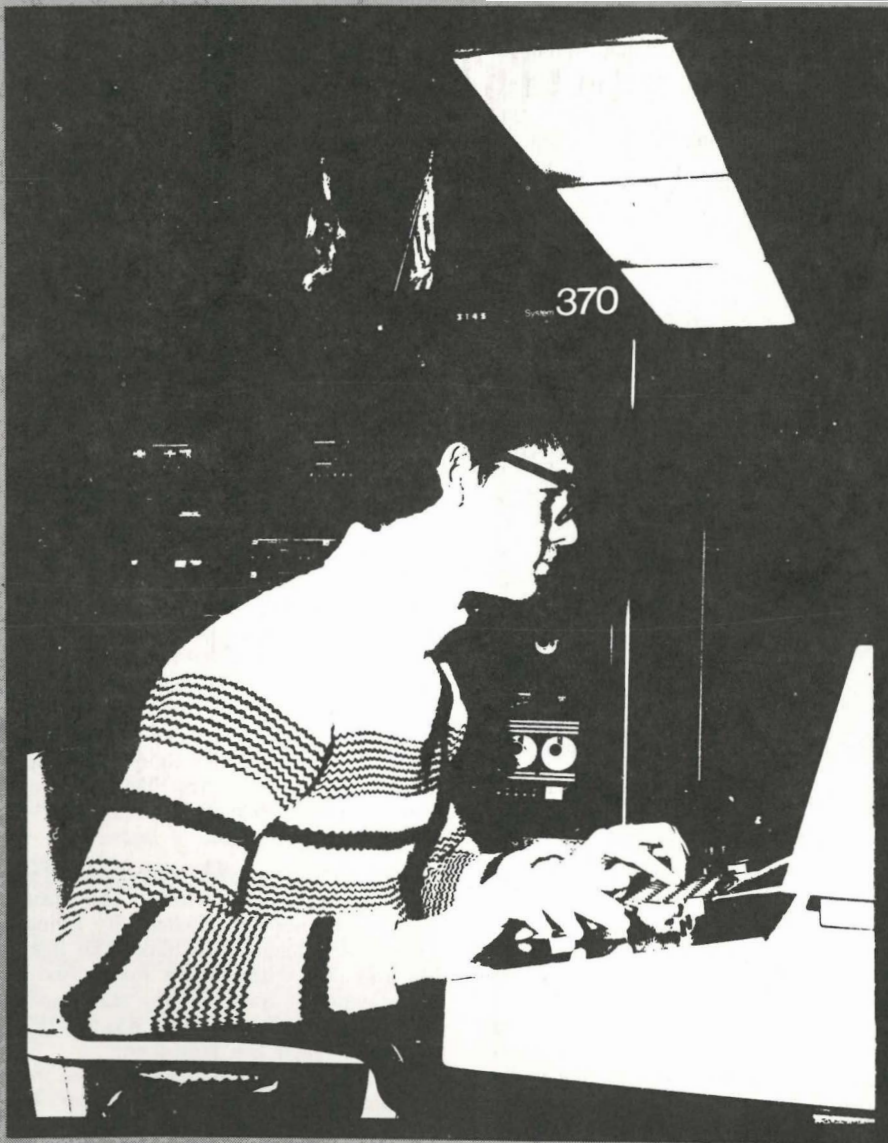


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# Student Employment

## Would you be interested in.....?

Would you be interested in:  
participating in student-teacher dialogs?  
becoming a catalyst to changes in curriculum?  
and school rules?  
discussing and reacting to school problems?  
protecting student rights?

Any or all of these activities and others could be undertaken by the establishment of an organization at Riggs called Student Action for Education.

If you think there is a need at Riggs for such an organization please fill out the questionnaire below and return it to the box in the office.

..... Yes, I feel Riggs needs this organization.

..... I would be willing to help get SAE started at Riggs.

Name .....

## Despite society's hindering Students urged to seek adulthood

"Adolescence is a kind of emotional seasickness. Both are funny, but only in retrospect." Arthur Koestler.

Over the ages, youth has been the undeserving victim of many similar ailing analogies, quaint jokes and exhausting cliches. In this respect, today's adolescents find the situation unchanged. Labeled everything from "kids" to "tennyboppers", we are torn apart and thoroughly analyzed by a skeptical society. Too often that final analysis is accompanied by a dictum excusing us because of our "tender age". Even our intimate relationships are recalled, examined and termed "puppy love" and therefore invalidated.

However, we as teenagers today discover ourselves in a different situation. Due to biological factors, adolescence itself is beginning earlier. Improved nutrition and health has

shortened childhood and hastened the onset of puberty.

Pulling from the other end, modern society is prolonging adolescence for educational and economic reasons. College and post-high school vocational training serve to delay entrance into the overcrowded work force and the beginning of adulthood. The result is that we are left with only a few rights and a few responsibilities in a swelling limbo, long past our time.

For some, this problem may last only briefly, until as someone said, the "magic age of adulthood" arrives. But most of us struggle to find an end to the long years of waiting for social maturity and responsibility.

The solution is not offered to us. We can not just wait for time to solve the problems of growing up. We must seek adulthood and fight for it individually.

**Beth Thomas**

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## Governor staff comments on editorial policy

The Governor staff received comments concerning an article in last month's paper that tried to explain the purpose of an organization called Choice.

We did not print the article to express our stand on an issue or to offend anyone.

We simply wanted to inform our readers about an organization which is concerned with teenage problems. We apologize to anyone who was offended by the article.

We feel students should become acquainted with controversial issues and then form their own conclusions from the information and facts presented.

The staff took an informal poll and learned that few students or teachers had even read the article, which in a way was discouraging. We try to choose subjects for our paper that pertain to student needs and interests.

We will continue our policy of printing articles on topics which we consider informative. We will also try to improve our writing so our readers will take the time to read our stories.



**Mrs. Karen DeAntoni, 1975 Teacher-Of-The-Year, explains a difficult passage for her American Literature class.**

## Mrs. DeAntoni chosen 1975 Teacher-Of-The-Year

We congratulate Mrs. Karen DeAntoni for being chosen 1975 Teacher-Of-The-Year at Riggs High School.

Although Mrs. DeAntoni has only been teaching at Riggs for two years, she has brought forth a new sense of learning to the students in her classes.

"If I've contributed to learning — that is, opened the mouths of Huck Finn, Hester, Thoreau, and made some sense out of that blue research book — that's good.

"But just as important, I hope I can contribute to the atmosphere at Riggs. I hate to hear it called a 'prison'; I'd like to think kids can learn and enjoy themselves at the same time," commented Mrs. DeAntoni upon receiving her award.

Through her years of travel Mrs. DeAntoni has learned to accept people for what they really are. Mrs. DeAntoni has traveled through Europe, the Mid-East and Greece.

She spent two years in Turkey with the Peace Corps where she taught all-men engineering classes. By living in Turkey she learned to make the best of life and live without the many luxuries Americans are used to. She was exposed to a different culture and was therefore forced to learn the language.

Mrs. DeAntoni taught for three years in Minneapolis upon graduation from SDSU with a major in English. After she served two years with the Peace Corps, she lived in New York for six years and one year in Boston before moving back to Pierre.

When asked which city in the world that she had been impressed with, Mrs. DeAntoni said that Istanbul, Turkey was the best place in the world.

From her teaching at Riggs she has observed that the students are better now than in generations before because they are more honest with themselves and others.



Nori Isogai [pictured] and Thelma DeMarino, AFS student, were made honorary members of NHS.

## National Honor Society

# AFS students among initiates

Thelma DeMarino and Nori Isogai, AFS students, were made honorary members of the National Honor Society at their initiates ceremony on Feb. 18. Thirteen seniors and 20 juniors were initiated at the formal candle lighting ceremony held in the chorus room with parents and administration as special guests.

Mrs. Marshall Miller professional journalist and mother of senior Merrilee Miller was the featured speaker. Members of NHS conducted the ceremony with Ron Mann, president, as M.C.

A reception, catered by the Heroes Club, followed the ceremony.

Besides the formal initiation the club had conducted a tag day assembly to

announce the new members and honored them with a dinner earlier in the week.

Senior initiates include: Caroline Burtt, Jan Henriksen, Michele Huft, Joyce Jansen, Jenny Jorgenson, Linda Little, Sharon Mayer, Andrew Neuharth, Debra Schuler, Lori Snyder, Sherrie Spilde, Elizabeth Thomas, James Trimble, Thelma DeMarino, and Nori Isogai.

Junior initiates include: Todd Barker, Carmen Corcoran, Brad Fawcett, Douglas Gullickson, Deborah Hayes, Colleen Hinkley, Mark Johnson, Kevin Kneip, Debra Kosters, Cindy Larson, Susan Parr, Beth Popowski, Laura Pottratz, Doug Rounds, Elizabeth Sahr, Robert Sandstrom, Beth Schlueter, Mike Trautner, Dotta Jo Trembley, and Jeff Van Klompenburg.

## All-State Band to perform in Pierre on March 22

The South Dakota All-State Band will perform in Pierre this year for the first time in ten years. The concert is scheduled for Saturday, March 22, in the Riggs High School auditorium.

The director, Dr. W. Francis McBeth, Quachita University, Arkadelphia, Kansas, was commissioned to write a special Bicentennial number which will be featured at the concert.

Kent Saylor and Tom Dickman will represent Riggs High School in the South Dakota All-State Band for 1975.

Another Riggs student, sophomore, Brad Vieth, deserves special recognition as he missed an All-State Band position by just one point. Brad has been playing the oboe for only eight months and the competition in that division was very keen according to Gerald Cutshaw, Riggs High School band director.



Kent Saylor, middle, and Tom Dickman, right, won positions in the All-State Band for 1975. Brad Vieth, left, came within one point of being selected.

## Two RHS students to attend Journalism City

Two Riggs High journalists have been chosen to attend Journalism City at the American Legion Boys' State on May 25-31 and Girls' State June 1-7.

Elizabeth Sahr, assistant editor of the *Gumbo*, will be on the staff of the "Sacajawea Scroll", the daily newspaper which is published at Girls' State, on the campus of Dakota Wesleyan University. She is sponsored by the Pierre American Legion Auxiliary.

Tom Dickman, reporter for the *Governor*, will help gather, write and edit news for the Boys' State daily newspaper, "Sunshine Scribe". The Pierre American Legion post is the sponsor for Tom.

## Spring play cast chosen

Susan Parr and Tammy Winkler will play Helen Kellar and Anne Sullivan in the spring play "Miracle Worker" to be presented April 7, 8, and 10 at Riggs High Auditorium.

Pat Looby will portray Captain Kellar and Shelly Wooley is Mrs. Kellar.

"Miracle Worker" is the story of Helen Kellar a deaf-blind girl, and Anne Sullivan her tutor and their struggle through very conflicting times. Although the Kellar's wanted to help Helen they did nothing to reinforce Anne's work as she struggled to make Helen "see" and "hear".

The other members of the cast include Daryl Person as the doctor, Lynn Mortenson as Martha and Bob Neal as Percy. Martha and Percy are Negro playmates of Helen.

Cindy Lenner will portray the family friend Aunt Ev. Roger Inman will be James, Phil Looby is Anagnas, LeAnn Anderson is Vinny, and Collette Bye is a servant.

# Employment Survey Shows That Sixty-One Percent C

"I approve of it (working), because I think students should try not to mooch off their parents, and they should get a chance to see what it is like to be on their own." was Pam Kortum's response to the question of working during high school.

It was found in a survey conducted by the "Governor" (in which three fourths of the student body responded) that 61% of the students at Riggs High School are employed, or have been employed during this school year.

The Student Employment Survey (SES) showed that about 30% of the senior class is involved in the DECA program, where on-the-job training is a part of the "classroom" experience. The SES also showed that 30% of the senior girls are involved in the Office Education (OE) program. Of the girls in the OE program, 25% are employed by state government.

## Pros and cons of working

The subject of working is controversial in that most parents support their children working, but school administration officials and teachers are against students working while going to school.

Riggs High Principal Roger Lonbaken said, "If necessary - working is all right. If a student doesn't have to, - he shouldn't. There is a lot to be gained from school and extra-curricular activities that one doesn't get when working."

Mrs. Karen DeAntoni, a Riggs High English teacher is one of the teachers



Senior Michele Huft works in South Dakota Governor Richard Kneip's office.

who feels students don't need to work. She stated that grants can be obtained for college expenses if that is the purpose for working.

"I'm against students working, you have your whole life to work, and it's hard to keep up with your school work and activities when working. High School should be one time to enjoy learning and living." Mrs. DeAntoni emphasized.

Some students agree with Mrs. DeAntoni on this issue and Riggs High Student body President Mike Wilson is one in complete agreement.

Wilson said, "I don't think working is a good idea in high school, you have your whole life to work and now is your only time for school activities and fun."

"Work is a valuable experience. However, too many have sacrificed school involvement for materialism," said Mrs. Lorella Donlin, English teacher.

Junior Jeff Van Klompenburg said, "I don't think high school students should work, there are better things to do in high school."

"I don't think it's a good idea," said sophomore Denise Duenwald, "because kids may be cut out of activities, if they have to work."

Many people feel that the question of students working depends on the individual student. School Board member and father Bill Sahr, said, "I think it's up to the individual and their particular circumstances and situation. There is not a right or wrong answer to that question."

Riggs High history teacher Vern Miller is also of that group. "Common sense dictates whether a student should or shouldn't work. There is a big variation to this, the work load, how long the

Junior Dotta Jo Trembley said, "I think students should work if they want to but as for me, it doesn't leave me enough time for school work."

Also, supporting this group is Carolyn Porter, "It's up to the individual, if they need to they should, but there is plenty of time to work after high school."

students works, and what kind of student he or she is."

## Employers speak

A Pierre employer, Tom Beersten, the executive director of the YMCA, commented, "Working is good if a person has time. I think it's bad if it conflicts with school - homework and extra-curricular activities."

Father, employer, and Governor of South Dakota Richard Kneip had this to say about teenage workers, "My own children don't work, but if someone has to it's understandable, though I don't think it should interfere with school work. It depends upon the student."



Beth Popowski, junior, works as check-out ca

Al Kundert, the manager of the Red Owl Store, is definitely dependent on student employment, he said, "I think it's an excellent opportunity for students to work, and it gives them a chance to learn of economics and the free enterprise and are definitely needed in Pierre, where the work force is limited."

## Seniors have money

Another SES finding is that working seniors have money. The majority of the



Junior Doug Gullickson sacks groceries and at Red Owl.

# Riggs Students Work Part-Time During School Year



ier at Red Owl. [photo by Kevin Hipple]

seniors gross at least \$50 a week. One question the SES failed to ask was what the students do with their earnings.

Senior Lucy Gilkerson said, "It's up to the student, whether or not they need the money and want to work."

Jack Robinson, Riggs High Biology teacher said, "It's fine. Fine, that is if it doesn't interfere with school work."

Riggs High history teacher, Charles Thomas said, "I think it's a good idea for



ior Vicki Telford checks them through [photo by Kevin Hipple]

students to work, as long as it doesn't interfere with their studies."

Senior Suzanne DeZonia, "I don't see anything wrong with it. I figure that there is no reason to be babied by sitting around. Most likely you will have to work part time during college or work full time before going on to school. You have to learn soon enough that if you want to spend money you're going to have to earn it."

Junior Roger Powell said, "All depends on what you want. I'm paying for a car and have to work." He didn't state why he had to have a car.

Phil Thomas said, "It's good for students to work, although it takes away from school spirit; but there are a lot of other factors also taking away from school spirit. I don't think it hurts grades."

"I think it's all right for students to work, if they have the time to do it," said junior Cami Wooley.

Sophomore class President John Smith said, "It depends on the student, if they are doing well, gradewise - why not?"

Regardless of what students, parents, or teacher think, Riggs High students will continue to work, at least 61% of them.



Dean Olson, senior, mans a computer at Central Data Processing in the State Highway building.

## STUDENT EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

	Sophomores		Juniors		Seniors	
	M	FM	M	FM	M	FM
Percent surveyed	87%	68%	83%	72%	79%	72%
Percent employed	53	45	57	63	70	77
Hold More than one job	10	18	19	5	13	15
Types of Jobs:						
Food service	28	36	17	34	10	8
Office	--	3	6	8	35	
Business	32	9	33	8	32	34
Agriculture	10	6	19	--	6	--
Recreation	3	--	6	17	10	3
Hours per week:						
0-4	4	6	9	6	6	--
4-8	7	6	9	6	6	--
8-12	12	9	13	19	16	6
12-16	18	23	13	12	15	12
16-20	18	3	23	16	19	30
20+	20	3	31	12	24	45
Hourly income:						
.99-less	--	3	1	2	1	--
1.00-1.59	24	9	9	16	6	5
1.60-2.09	48	18	34	32	35	48
2.10-2.49	6	3	36	16	34	32
2.50+	3	--	6	2	10	4
Time of day worked:						
Morning	9	9	8	10	9	10
Afternoon	26	12	24	21	52	48
Evening	40	26	32	42	25	24
Night	30	12	6	26	8	5
Are there enough jobs in the Pierre area according to your opinion?						
no	60	62	55	46	61	31
yes	24	12	37	34	37	3

(all figures in the above survey are based on percentages)

# Girls anticipate state BB season

Next year will see the kick off of the first season of state wide competitive girls basketball in South Dakota and Riggs High will have a team in competition.

Girls in grades 9 through 12 will participate in the program which will include a varsity and a junior varsity team. Assistant Athletic Director Bill Beale will be assuming the position of head coach for the Pierre varsity team.

Miss Carol Kendall, who will act as assistant varsity and head junior varsity coach, expects a large number of girls to try out for Pierre's first girls basketball team.

"We had about 60 girls out for our fall program and about 94% of those girls polled said they would be interested in trying out for the team next year," she stated.

The varsity squad will not be limited to seniors and juniors. They will be picked on their ability, not age. The same method will apply to the JV team.

Pierre will be in the Eastern South Dakota Conference which consists of

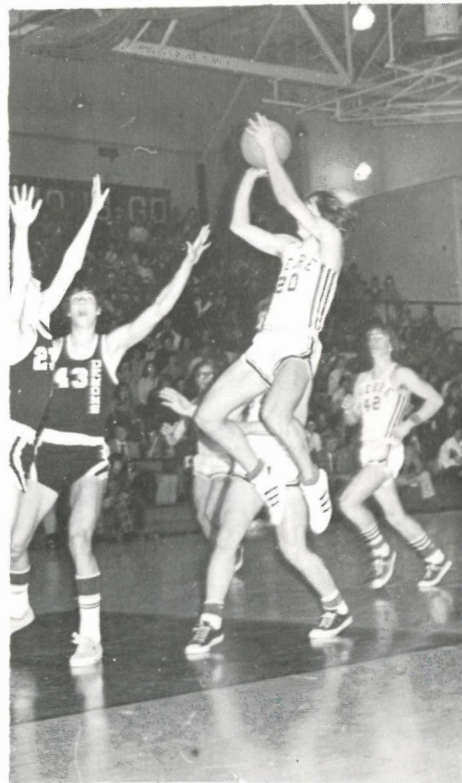
Aberdeen, Brookings, Huron, Madison, Mitchell, Pierre, Watertown and Yankton.

Of these towns, Kendall predicted Watertown and Huron will be the standouts as they competed this year with towns in their area, gaining a little experience.

The girl Gobs will also be playing surrounding teams such as Ft. Pierre, Highmore, Mobridge, Onida and Winner. Most of the games will be played on Tuesday or Thursday nights with a few on Fridays. The coaches are predicting a heavy fan turnout. Miss Kendall feels that "at first, people might come because it's new and strange, sort of a novelty. But then, I think they will become interested in it as a sport."

Miss Kendall also stressed that there will still be an intramural basketball program for those who may not want to compete with other towns and for girls who do not make the team.

The girls team will receive some of the same benefits as their male counterparts including uniforms and transportation and, who can tell, maybe in years to come Pierre may receive an award for the "most handsome cheerleader".



Pierre's Jim Trimble, no. 20, puts up a jump shot in the annual Governors Day game on Feb. 8. [photo by Kevin Hipple]

## Sophomore cagers bid for 15-5 mark

The Sophomore Basketball squad under the coaching of Vern Miller have finished the second part of their season quite successfully, winning 10 out of the last 11 ball games.

Miller attributed the Soph's success to their ability to play the games as a team. The squad leaders this season have been Tim Washachek, Tom Stalley, Mark Flannery, Steve Bender, Steve Johnson, Jack Holden, Bob Nelson and Bob Dermer.

Statistically, Mark Flannery has led the field goal department hitting for 56% this season. Tom Stalley has led the free-throw bracket making 70% from the line.

Coach Miller said that "We have one game left this season with Madison on Friday, hopefully ending the season with a 15 - 5 record.

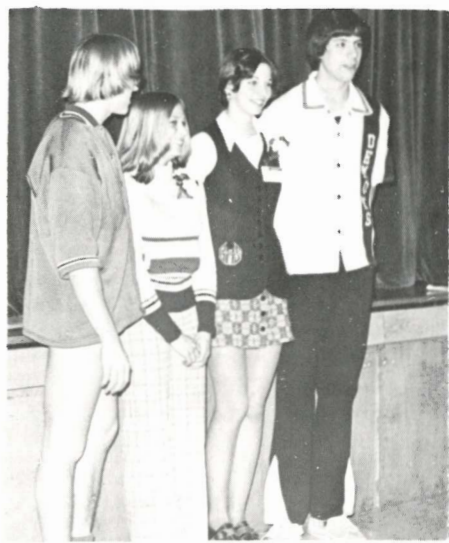
## Team 5 victorious in girls intramural championship

Team 5 came out on top of 7 teams as the 1974-75 Girls Intramural Basketball Champs as the season ended this month.

Intramurals started the first part of Nov. ending up with the two undefeated teams, Team 5 and Team 1, facing off in the championship game on Jan. 27.

Carol Pickering, who is in charge of girls Intramurals felt that they went fairly well this year.

The girls making up the championship team are Roberta Barnes, Kim and Leigh Barnhart, Bobbi Shay, Clare Warne, Mary Thelen, Joni Opbroek, and Nena Nelson.



Royalty for the Governors Day classic were from the left, Ronn Mann, Riggs, Sandy Simmons, Riggs Nana Moreland, Bismarck and Mark Lynne, Bismarck. [photo by Kevin Hipple]

## Governors prime for tourney action

The Pierre Governors, coming off two tough losses this weekend, are preparing for the sectional tournament which places them against Winner first round at home. If the Gov's can defeat "an improved Winner squad" they will probably face the defeated and No. 1 ranked Miller squad.

A cold third quarter spelled the difference in a non-conference game between Pierre and Rapid City Central on Sat., Feb. 22. Pierre led 29 - 24 at the half but could only manage one basket in the third quarter to drop the game 57 - 52. Pierre's attack was led by Jim Trimble with 20 points followed by Jeff Holden with 10.

The previous day the Gov's travelled to Mitchell to face the conference champions who avenged their earlier loss by a score of 58 - 52. Jim Trimble was again the leading scorer with 10 followed by Roger Mesteth with 9.

In the annual Governor Day Classic against North Dakota's Bismarck team played in Pierre the Gov's were defeated 73 - 66. The Gov's were tied at the end of the first quarter and trailed by 1 at the end of the 2nd and 3rd quarters.

In other ESD action the past month Pierre trounced Watertown 52 - 48 and were edged by Aberdeen 47 - 41 and Huron 58 - 40.

The sectional tournament will be held March 4 and 5. First round action will have Winner at Pierre an Miller at Chamberlain with the championship game the following night in Pierre.

### SECTION VI BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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RIGGS HIGH  
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# JV end season - undefeated

The Pierre JV's finished their regular season with a perfect record under Coach Dick Kennedy.

Speaking of their impressive record Coach Kennedy said, "It was a matter of team work, they rely on each other....they play determined ball, and seem to come to life in the third or fourth quarter, which is good."

"I can't really single out anybody, they were all great. The starting five averaged 52 points per game and the others averaged around 20 points per game, considering we averaged 72 points." related Kennedy.

On February 19 the intramural All-Stars challenged the JV to a post season game. The JV squad jumped out to a 21-13 lead at the end of the first quarter and widened the margin

## Brad Huck leads conference bowlers

Pierre's leading high school bowler, Brad Huck, will receive his choice of a high game trophy with a 276 score or high league average trophy with 194, as the ESD bowlers wrap up their season of play.

The boys team has a record of 22½ wins and 25½ losses while the girls have recorded 22 wins and 26 losses.

There is still one week remaining for the rest of the ESD teams so the final standings have not been established. The Boys Division is led by Yankton with a 28-14 record, and the Girls Division is led by Huron with 26-14.

Bowling on the boys team for Pierre are seniors, Brad Huck, Jim Thielen, Bill Hofer, Don Fry; junior, Kevin Berndt; sophomores, Dave Bassett and Bob Dezonias.

The girls team includes seniors, Pam Kortum, Jacque Bedsaul, Trina Egger; juniors, Jody Badger, Carmen Corcoran, sophomores, Terry Kuehl and Marsha Drummond.

## Lehecka and McClellan enter intramural finals

As the boys intramural basketball playoffs approach, Lehecka's team and McClellan's Midgets are tied for the league lead with records of 8-2.

Second place is held by Thomas' tall boys (formerly the heroes) with a record of 7-3 after being defeated by Lehecka's team with a score of 36-35.

The highlight of the month was a victory by Tillman's team on a forfeit, their first victory of the year.

In the sophomore league, Hanson's team and Howard's team are tied for first and Leach's and Thelin's team are in second at 2 and 6.

throughout the game to win by a 77-48 score. The All-Stars were lead by Wayne

Merwin with 16 points and Russ Ball with 11. The JV were led by Rick Rowen with 18 points.

Charley Jansen led the attack against Draper with a game high of 26 points. The 88-85 win rounded out the JV's perfect season.

February 3, Winner traveled to Pierre, only to be crushed by the hot hand of Charley Jansen who had 24 points, and Mike Trautner who scored 21. The final score was Pierre 82, Winner 52.

Three days later the JV took on the Fort Pierre Buffs. Pierre led by 9 points at halftime, then in the second half Rick Rowen scored 17 points to help the JVs glide to a 66-52 victory. Rowen finished with 18 points, and Trautner with 20.

Continuing on, Kennedy said, "They played awful good team work ball, and they just showed the other teams 'how to do it'."

## Two remain undefeated

# Simet & Lipetzky take trophies

The Class A state wrestling tournament held at Huron, Feb. 21 and 22 saw the Pierre Governors giving up their reign as 1974 state champs to Rapid City Stevens.

R.C. Stevens, Watertown, Huron and Pierre all claimed two state champions. Taking first place for the Governors were Kirk Simet at the 145 pound weight class and Bob Lipetzky who wrestled at 155 pounds. Mike Larson, a 138 pounder took fourth place.

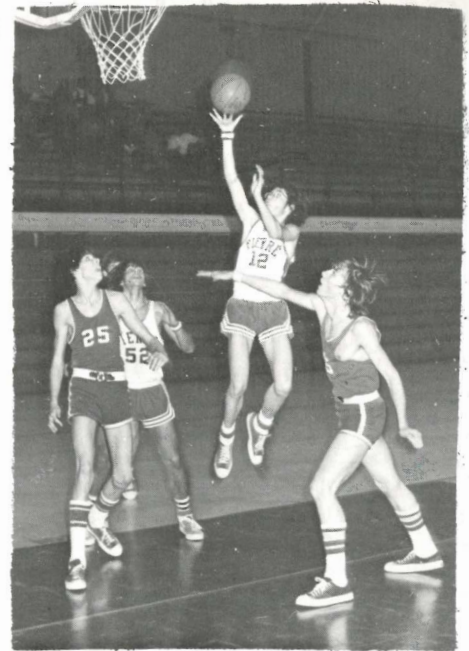
The Rapid City Raiders were led by 98 pounder, Randy Lewis who holds an amazing season record of 29 wins, all by pins. Lewis, a sophomore, was the only wrestler to receive a standing ovation when presented with is first place medal. He was also voted most outstanding wrestler by the South Dakota Coaches Association.

Pierre was hindered by the absence of a 1974 state champion, Mike Stroup, as he was forced to forfeit because of a knee injury received at the regional tournament.

Rapid City Stevens dominated the team scores with 38½ points. The closest scores below that were runners-up, Watertown and Vermillion, both with 53½ points. Sioux Falls Washington capped fourth place with 46 points followed by Sturgis - 44½ and Pierre and Yankton, both ending up with 44.

First round action saw only two Governors, Kirk Simet and Bob Lipetzky claiming wins.

Kirk's first match was against T. Vik of Aberdeen Central with Simet winning 12 - 1. He dominated his next two matches by pinning R. Collins of Sturgis in 2:55 and B. Shoenfelder of Chamberlain in



JV Mike Trautner, no. 12, lays in two during their game with Fort Pierre.  
[photo by Kevin Hipple]

3:10. This took him to the championship match against Randy Andrews of Huron whom he defeated 3 - 2, with Kirk picking up a total of 17½ team pints.

Following, in the 155 pound weight class was Bob Lipetzky who contributed 15½ to Pierre's team score. Lipetzky's first match was won 14 - 1 over B. Randel team score. Lipetzky's first match was won 14 - 1 over B. Randel of Lennox; then came E. Rumble, R.C. Central whom Bob beat 10 - 2. A win over R. Welter of Yankton, 7 - 1 enabled Lipetzky to contend for the championship which he took, beating Brian Parlett of Sioux Falls Lincoln 11 - 4.

Mike Larson suffered a disappointing first round loss to Steve Linstrom of R.C. Stevens, who went on to take the championship in the 138 pound weight class, but Mike was victorious in the wrestle back defeating R. Welfl, Watertown, 6 - 5 and R. Flannery, Sisseton, 10 - 3. In the battle for third Mike was defeated 14 - 0 by C. Wellnitz of Sturgis, giving Larson fourth place and a total of 8 team points.

Although junior Mike Bryan did not place in the 126 lb. division he did pick up 3 important team points by beating R. Kerher of Aberdeen Central 11 - 7 and pinning M. Magbuhat of Douglas in 3:52. His losses were to T. Thomas of Sioux Falls Washington and S. Stemsrud, Milbank, both seniors who went on to take third and fifth places.

Three other Governor wrestlers lost their opening match and in the next round, the wrestlers who had beaten Pat Rose, Redgie Olson and Del Padgett, lost, keeping the three Pierre wrestlers from competing in the wrestle backs.

# Prison inmates relate experiences in lives of crime

"Fourteen of you kids sitting here will get where we are some day," promised one of the speakers at the "Operation Pitfall" assembly Feb. 12.

Three men talked to the Riggs High School student body about breaking the law and the penalties of crime. The three, Jerry, David and Dennis all gave first hand information because they are all serving time in the South Dakota State Penitentiary.

Dennis---gave some statistics relating

to teen agers and crime. He stated that arrests rose 314% between 1960 and 1972.

He then talked about teen age girls and crime saying that ninety percent of all shiplifting is done by girls and one of every three arrests for larceny and fraud are females.

Alcohol and crime seem to be closely associated according to the speaker. He declared that 450,000 teenagers in the U.S. are alcoholics and that fifty percent

of all alcoholic related accidents involve teenagers.

David--18 years old, a young black man from Chicago told the story of his life of crime. He ran with gangs and didn't care about school.

He was finally sent to Sky Ranch for Boys north of the Black Hills. Even there, he ran with gangs. The Ranch was like a reformatory to him although he did get to learn to fly an airplane. In order for Dave to show he was "big" he shot a counselor, intending only to wound him, but the counselor died.

Jerry,---age has been in prison three times. When he was little and stealing small things his mother said it would lead to bigger things and it did. He was in and out of jail and reformatories for 10 years.

## We Roll Along Friendship is.....

When I think of the seven years of friendship Jenny Jorgenson and I have had, my mind forgets little. We've shared all the problems of growing up and all the heartbreaks of falling down. We have memories that date back to sixth grade. Remembrances that never can be relived, but always retold.

Our first acquaintance, however, was in second grade when we were forced together to act out a puppet show for our class. We were so "impressed" with each other that it wasn't until three years later that we became friends.

In sixth grade, I remember, the big trend was slumbering at a friend's house. Well, not much slumbering was completed when we got together. As a matter of fact, the word slumbering was barred from our vocabulary and replaced with alertness marathon, a more descriptive wording. My parents, though, kept informing us, at different times through the night, that if we didn't start slumbering on our own a good bash in the head would be of assistance. Being under such harsh threats, we remained quiet.....for awhile.

On one particular evening, in a desperate attempt to stay awake, we cleverly improvised new rules for the average, dull game of tag. The new requirement was to wear sleeping bags upside down, over our heads, giving us a distinct appearance of large, moving pillows. After several trial runs we agreed to ban this game because I was tired of picking Jenny up off the basement stairs and she was tired of finding <sup>them</sup>. We also banned the marathon <sup>use</sup> because we were bashed in the head - not by our parents - but by the various <sup>lamps</sup> and books that dropped <sup>as</sup> we chased one another through the house.

During my seventh and eighth grade years it was so nice to have Jenny around, especially at dances. It was just comforting to know I wasn't the only person sitting on the bleachers watching the festivities.

If I remember correctly, it was in

ninth grade when Jenny and I decided to be funny, or at least we thought so. We were involved in an FHA car wash and had made careful preparations to insure ourselves and the other members of a humorous experience which none of us would want to forget.

Clothed in blue jeans, one red and one white sock, large matching army shirts, and blue tennis shoes, we pranced down to the carwash, laughing hysterically all the way. But once there we were handed buckets and sponges without a second glance and told to do windows. I don't know why I wrote about this incident, really, it wasn't that funny.

In our tenth and eleventh years of high school we tried once more to be funny. Now we were able to drive, and the crazy things that can be done in a car are just endless.

I would wear an old, old man's hat, the kind you would find in everyone else's house but your own. And Jenny wore a deteriorating lady's hat with a veil that had moths smashed on it. She also carried with her an extraordinary purse. It was purple and green in color, about the size of a bread basket and about the weight of a potato bag.

We would proceed down Capital, with me at the wheel, cruising at a cool five miles-per-hour. As soon as a car started tailgating us, Jenny would begin whacking me good about the head and shoulders.

I won't go into the exact details of the reactions of people. But I will say that we really didn't like being followed for 15 minutes by a police car. Nor did we feel right about the increasing number of car accidents reported in the paper.

Jenny and I sure have some good memories. We both have been puzzled, though, over the question of how our friendship ever began since our characters are totally opposite. But, now, I think that it was those differences which brought us together. Neither of us was a threat to the other's individuality and yet, we challenged each other's individuality.

Thanks, Jenny.

## Debate team prepares for district meet

The Riggs High Novice Debate Team placed second overall for the 1974-75 season in the Central Forensic Conference. The Varsity team finished the season in fifth place.

Presently the squad is preparing for the district meet which will be held in Rapid City on March 8. The teams going to the district competition consist of

James Butler, Erwin Werthman, team one; Carl Gaarder and Pat Looby, team two; other members of the squad will compete in individual events including Mike Wilson.

The Central Forensic Conference includes Huron, Miller, Mitchell, Tripp, Parkston, Murdo, Pierre, Chamberlain, and Todd County.

## Seventy-five attend weeklong workshop

"My poetry sure sounded good when she read it" commented one of the students who studied under Ms. Margaret Hasse, the Poet-In-The-Classroom, during the week of Feb. 10-14.

Over 75 students from writing and literature classes attended the poetry workshop for an hour each day instead of their regular classroom work. Studying under a professional writer gave the students a broader view about a phase of literature that is complex and challenging.

Ms. Hasse shared her experiences as a poetry teacher for prisoners and read poems written by these prisoners. The students liked the variety of poetry which she shared and interpreted.

The emphasis was on writing poetry as a way of giving students a clearer insight into their minds and feelings. As one student commented "I didn't know I had so many feelings".