

Teacher-Of-The-Year title awarded to Mrs. Baldwin



A GREAT WELCOME HOME...Mrs. Joyce Baldwin, newly named Teacher-of-The-Year, was greeted with this sign when she pulled into her driveway Tuesday.(photo by Rod Holmes)

Governor

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Cast members revealed

A melodrama, "Little Miss Mary Sunshine" will be the spring musical presented by the Riggs High drama and music departments April 7, 9 and 10.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas is directing the play with the assistance of vocal instructor Miss Jackie Ewing and band director Mr. Paul Upsahl.

The story is set in Colorado at the turn of the century. Miss Mary Sunshine (Martha Atkinson) is in trouble with the government because she has been unable to pay the lease on her inn which is located in Indian territory. She is selling home made cookies as fast as she can to pay off her debts. Captain Jim (Jim Kelly), one of the forest rangers is trying to help her, and at the same time, he is trying to catch some renegade Indians who have been setting forest fires in the mountains. Corporal Billy

(Chet Murray) is also doing his best to save poor Miss Mary from her terrible financial trouble.

Other members of the cast include, Kenny Coyle, Tara Barker, Cathy Cone, James Echols and Roy Miller.

Sara Schoessler gives the welcome. Behind the scenes workers include: publicity, Faith Korkow; set design, Brian Agena; spot lighting, Terri McCarthy.

Accompanying Miss Ewing with the vocal music will be June Hansen. June will also be the student assistant for the drama director Mrs. Douglas.

The play will be performed on the gym floor to provide better acoustics for the vocalists and a large space for the set.

The orchestra, directed by Mr. Upsahl, will be set on stage.

Wide-eyed, speechless, and shocked described Joyce Baldwin as she stepped forward amidst the applause to accept the award of Teacher-of-The-Year at the NHS Tag Day assembly Feb. 17.

"I was so surprised I didn't know what to say," exclaimed Mrs. Baldwin when asked on her reaction to the award.

Yet it seems no surprise to those who have had her in various classes. "I feel that she has a lot of patience and a good understanding of the kids," stated one student.

Her ability not only to understand but to listen to students, and the admiration that kids feel toward her are the other factors that made the decision obvious.

This goes hand in hand with her own feelings about teaching.

joring in Business Administration and Education.

Putting her business skills to use, she became a secretary, helping to put her husband through college at SDSU.

Moving across the state, her next job was secretarial work at the School of Mines in Rapid City and then on to Sioux Falls where she served as a substitute teacher.

She started her career in teaching a couple years after she moved to Pierre. She resides here with her husband, Lee, and children, David, who is a freshman at SDSU, Craig, a junior, and Stephanie, a 6th grader at Lincoln School.

Besides teaching, the teacher-of-the-year enjoys reading, doing needlepoint and riding her "overgrown tricycle."



A MOMENT TO REMEMBER...Mrs. Baldwin, business and typing teacher, gracefully accepts the award as Teacher-of-The-Year during the NHS Tag Day assembly.(Photo by Luc Gooris)

"I try very hard to be fair and consistent." She also admitted what she enjoys most about teaching is simply the "kids".

"In the halls students greet her and she's always talkative and friendly-toward them" commented faculty member, Mrs. Sheila Aaker.

Though the teacher has been a member of the RHS faculty for 10 years, she has not always been a teacher.

Growing up near Huron, Mrs. Baldwin attended Huron College, ma-

Mrs. Baldwin stated that she feels even though she is a teacher she has learned something in return from her students.

As summed up by one student and as felt by many others, "She is a good teacher and she can make the class fun at times. But when it comes to learning the lesson she's the person who can get it taught."

Raffle to help raise money for prom

The Junior-Senior Prom has been set for Saturday, April 25 with the group "Britannia" tentatively scheduled for entertainment.

In efforts to raise money for the upcoming event, members of the junior class are selling raffle tickets. The raffle prizes are gift certificates from Red Owl. The drawing will be Feb. 25.

According to Pat Rounds, Junior class president, the Capital Rotunda may possibly be the setting for this year's Junior-Senior Prom. The final decision still has to be made.

The prom theme and waiters and waitresses will be chosen in March by the junior class.

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Journalists to attend 1981 Boys State



JOURNALISTS AND TYPEWRITERS...Lee Wendt and Joe Sundermeyer, who have been appointed to Boys State Journalism City, pose with their favorite typewriter, the cantankerous monster in the journalism room.

Joe Sundermeyer and Lee Wendt have been accepted for positions at the 1981 Boys State Journalism City.

Boys State, sponsored by the South Dakota American Legion will be held on the campus of NSC May 31 to June 6.

Journalists cover all Boys State functions. These assignments will earn them press badges that admit them anywhere in Boys State. Because of their full schedule, they cannot participate in organized sports or musical activities or become candidates for office. But they are eligible for all honors and awards.

Joe has been in the "Governor" staff for two years. He is sports editor this year.

Lee is assistant sports editor for the "Governor". He has also begun training as a staff photographer.

The regular Boys State appointments will be made next month.

Editorial

Proposed bill creates questions

Could changing the legal age to 19 for buying 3.2 beer pose more problems than we already have, or would it curtail many of the problems that exist now?

These are good questions that no one can answer for sure. But let's evaluate the situation.

Right now the legal age to buy low point beer is 18. Many seniors are 18 and can get beer at any time. They can also buy beer for young kids in junior and senior high school. If the legal age is raised there will probably be no high school students legally able to buy or consume beer. The administration favors this change and the school board passed a resolution expressing their desire to have the age raised.

Is the 18 year old limit posing a problem in either junior or senior high school? The senior high has had one person suspended this year for use of alcohol. There have been four athletes suspended from their teams because of alcohol abuse. During the 1979-80 school year between 10 and 15 people were suspended during the last month of school. It would appear that a problem exists on the high school level.

The junior high, on the other hand, seems to have a clean record. Mr. John Lakner, vice principal of the Junior High, has not suspended any student in the two years that he has been there, and no athletes have been suspended for alcohol abuse.

Mr. Lakner feels that Pierre is a relatively clean system compared to the other four schools systems where he has worked.

What problems could develop if the law were changed to 19?

Some students believe that 18 year olds will still drink, but they will not have any place to drink except in their cars. This could certainly lead to more accidents.

Another problem cited by some students concerns drug abuse. With beer not as easily available, drug use would pick up to take the place of drinking.

18 year olds also point out the injustice and inequality of the laws which allow them to go to fight for their country, be tried in an adult court and elect someone to run the country, but they are not considered responsible enough to drink low point beer.

Is this issue a moral problem? Are students bothered about disobeying the law or merely about getting caught?

Teenage drinking has become a national concern. What should the citizens of South Dakota do about it?

Does anyone or any group have the answers to all of these questions? Does anyone know which way the law should read? What difference does a year make?

JLH

The members of the Governor would like to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Carol McNally on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Florence Werth, who died Feb. 12 in Wabash, Minn.

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The policy of the "Governor" is to attempt to report on all phases of curricular and extra-curricular school activities from an unbiased viewpoint.

Through editorial comments the "Governor" strives to represent the majority of the student body's views on pertinent issues.

Through features, columns, and art work the "Governor" attempts to entertain and inform its readers.

The staff encourages the student body and administration to present their opinions through signed letters. They need not agree with the opinions of the "Governor" editors of the school.

The editors reserve the right to accept or reject letters for publication. Signatures will be withheld upon request.

Students express views on drinking

In a random survey taken last week by the 'Governor' about the bill to raise the drinking age of 3.2 beer to 19, 37 students expressed their various opinions. The staff does not claim this to be a scientific survey, nor is it representative of the whole student body. It merely exposes some of their views.

All but two of those interviewed

News from everywhere else

The Wilohi

Wilmar High School-Wilmar, Minnesota

Five high school students and Mr. Dallas Nelson went to Washington, D.C. in January where they spent a week learning about the government systems of our nation through an intensive, first-hand study called "Close-up."

B.H.S. Brobaca

Brookings High School

The Brookings High School band is planning a trip to Winnipeg, Canada next spring. The band will be playing two of the four days they will be gone. They will be staying at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. The band director Sam Hanson commented on the girl-to-guy ration in this band. While in most bands the ratio is about 70% girls to 30% guys, they have about 50-50 ration in the Brookings Band this year.

Orange and Black

Washington High School-Sioux Falls

Six members of the Green Beret greeted Washington High School students with an assembly earlier this month. The men explained that

they were only one-half of the total Green Beret Squad. Each of them is trained in a specific job related to guerilla warfare. During the assembly, the members explained their jobs and how much training they had.

Others replied, "if we're old enough to vote or get drafted, we're old enough to have a beer."

stated they were against the bill. Some claimed that people will get their beer whether it's legal or not. However, one student pointed out, "the poll that said that 18 year olds drink 19 cans of beer a week is extremely far from the truth."

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Backstage

Drama production underway

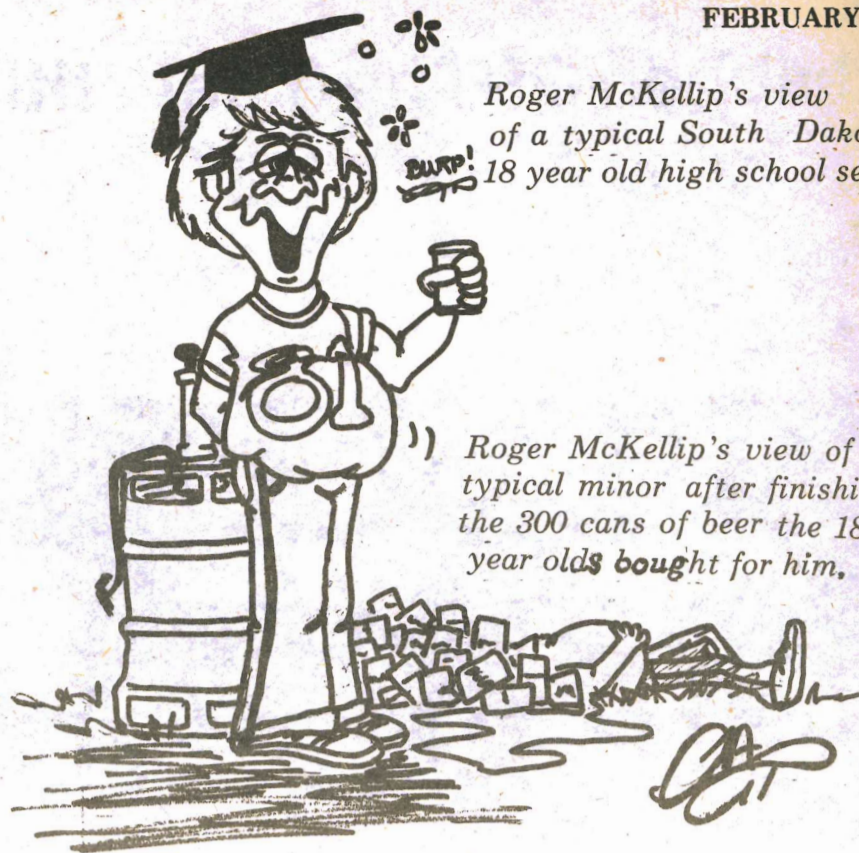
by Kevin Coyle

"Little Miss Mary Sunshine is coming to town," proclaimed the daily announcements last week, and so she is. On April 7, 9, and 10, Riggs High School will present the two act melodrama "Little Mary Sunshine" by Rick Baroyan.

Work has begun on the drama department's biggest production of the year. The cast has been announced so the jobs of blocking, set design and construction, lighting, orchestra and choral rehearsals, choreography, costumes and publicity can be assigned and work begun.

With the united talents of Mrs. Ruby Douglas, Miss Jackie Ewing

Roger McKellip's view
of a typical South Dakota
18 year old high school senior.



Roger McKellip's view of a
typical minor after finishing
the 300 cans of beer the 18
year olds bought for him.

Drinking age bill sparks discord

When three Riggs seniors went to the Capitol to testify at a legislative committee hearing on a bill to raise the drinking age for low-point beer to 19, they came away feeling frustrated and mistreated. The committee apparently treated them with little respect.

It is confusing, when people, especially those with authority, urge the students to "get involved, voice your opinions." Someone does exactly that and immediately he is looked down upon and scolded as if he were a little child who doesn't know what he

is talking about. But these seniors did get involved and there have been negative opinions expressed about their actions. We feel, however, that these guys really deserve a pat on the back for what they did. It was their hard and strong conviction that caused them to testify in front of those senators. We believe that they should not be discouraged. Rather, we hope their courage and boldness will encourage others to express their views on whatever issues they feel strongly about.

Janet Chu

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and Mr. Paul Upsahl, the production will be well done. June Hansen will add her ingenuity as student assistant for the vocal music and the drama.

And considering the cast's potential, "Little Mary Sunshine" should fare well in upholding the drama department's high standards.

FOOTLIGHTS...The Thespians would like to recognize the acting talents of Riggs High students Rahkel Uden, Jennifer Patitz and Val Carr, which they displayed in the Pierre Players' production of "The Children's Hour" last month.



POINTING OUT THE PROBLEM...Mrs. Lee Person, the new English teacher, answers a question for John Zimmerman and Allen Gordon, in grammar and composition class. (photo by Luc Gorris)

New English teacher settles in

A University of Minnesota graduate is the new English teacher at Riggs. Mrs. Lee Person, who arrived in Pierre from Raleigh, North Carolina on Labor Day, is replacing Mrs. Verla Schumacher who resigned last semester.

Mrs. Person (pronounced Pearson) is here 2nd, 3rd, and 4th periods every day teaching Basic Literature and two Grammar and Composition II classes.

When Mrs. Person moved to Pierre she was hoping to find a teaching position because she really enjoys teaching. She took classes to update her teaching certificate so she would be prepared if a job opened up.

Mrs. Person is married and has two grown sons. Her husband works for the federal government as the veterinarian in charge of Veterinary Services of South Dakota. Her hobbies

include writing (mostly short stories), playing bridge and reading. She is also an avid theatre goer.

Mrs. Person has taught in many other places around the country. She taught 8th and 9th grade Grammar and Composition in Minneapolis and American Literature at a high school in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. In Florida, Texas and South Carolina Mrs. Person tutored students in reading and also transcribed talking textbooks for blind college students.

Ladies to entertain at State A Playoffs

The First Ladies, under the direction of Mrs. Karen DeAntoni, will perform at half time of the Boys Basketball Sectionals and the State A tournament.

The State A performance is scheduled for the second game on Thursday, March 19 at the Sioux Falls Arena.

The performance at Sectionals, which are to be held in Winner, is scheduled for the first game on Wed., March 11.

In 1979, the First Ladies performed for the first time at a State A game.

Concerning the actual performance Mary Lehecka, drill team captain, stated, "We're excited about both performances, but I think we're a little more nervous about State A because we've never performed in front of a group that large."

The drill team recently purchased new outfits which they will be wearing to the state tournament. The outfits consist of satin skirts and scarves of four pastel colors. According to Mary, "The skirts are a little different than what people are used to seeing us in, but I think they look really sharp."

Accompanying the girls for both performances will be Peter Park, drummer.

Alumnus starts first assignment

Taking Mr. Schumacher's place as the woods teacher this semester is Mr. Kurt Oelson. He is teaching three General Woods I classes, one General Woods II class and a wood turning class.

Mr. Oelson, who has lived in Pierre all of his life, went to SDSU for a year and graduated from BHSC this year. His interest in woodworking started when he took classes from his school

teacher Mr. Schumacher, the teacher he is now replacing.

Mr. Oelson, in regard to his first teaching assignment here at Riggs, said, "Student teaching has helped a lot in preparing me for the students."

Besides his interest in woodworking, Mr. Oelson has a minor in P.E., so he is looking forward to a coaching assignment. "Hopefully," he stated, "I'll be able to coach the 8th grade girls basketball team next year."



ASSISTING WOODWORKING STUDENT...Mr. Keith Oelson, new Industrial Arts teacher, advises Jay Schlaak on how to handle the next step in his project. (photo by Luc Gorris)

Initiates inducted into NHS Monday

Thirty-three students and two AFS honorary members were inducted into the membership in the National Honor Society on Feb. 23, 1981.

The members were selected by a point system for meeting standards of scholarship, service, leadership and character.

The new members were honored during NHS week with a potluck dinner last Thursday, Feb. 19, while the formal initiation took place Monday, Feb. 23.

The formal candlelight ceremony opened with a welcome from NHS President Annette Helgeson. The

guest speaker was Mr. Jim Stein. A reception for the initiates, parents and faculty followed the ceremony.

The Riggs High School chapter, presently under the direction of Mavis Booze, Gary Schneider and Roger Lonbaken, has been in existence since 1929.



SMILING HONOR STUDENTS...New NHS members include, from left; front row, Gigi Mathews, Martha Atkinson, Patty Parrott, Paula Perry, Angela Schweigert, Wendy Snyder, Pat Stocking, Johna Zellar, Juli Weseman; 2nd row, Patti Kuck, Paula Adam, Michelle Moyer, Marianne Bassett, Steve Catlin, Rhonda Steffen, Denette Eismach, Lana Fischer; 3rd row, Barb Klein, Lutfiye Kutukcuoglu, Tara Barker, Connie Caldwell, Duane Diez, Sharon Swan, Monte Wagner, Cari Jorgenson; 4th row, Luc Gorris, Kurt Bohn, Toby Crow, Mickey Heckenlaible, Rod Holmes, Mary Jundt, Dave Lowenstein, Todd Sherill, Lura Houck. (photo by Lee Wendt)

Sports

Gymnasts place at ESD

The Lady Govs Gymnastics team finished 6th in the ESD Conference meet in Aberdeen Saturday with 106.70 points. Yankton came out on top with 122.85.

In the individual events, the Lady Govs had two tumblers place. Mary Meierhenry finished 3rd on the balance beam with a score of 8.10. Cathy Greene took 5th in the floor exercise with a score of 7.80.

The varsity team including Angie Herron, Deb Thomas, Deb Suiter, Donni Kuck, Cathy Greene and Mary Meierhenry, will be going to Mitchell on Thursday for the Region II meet. Winners at this meet will qualify for the State meet in Watertown March 6 and 7.

Having been the Pierre gymnastics coach for the last three years, Coach Stephanie Manson said that the team's strongest event is the floor, as it has been in previous years.

The lady gymnasts have improved each year. According to Coach Manson, "I think they have shown tremendous improvement on difficult stunts, skill, and also individual scoring. We are getting better scores all the time, and that's great." Much of the gymnasts success has been achieved through the 15 hours of practice each week which each gymnast puts in.

"I think Rapid City Stevens, Sioux Falls Lincoln and Washington are the toughest teams in the state," Coach Manson stated.

Traveling to Mitchell on Feb. 14, the Lady Govs took a close second place win, competing against Huron and Mitchell gymnasts.

On Feb. 7, they easily won a dual with Stanley County, capturing the top three places in beam, bars, floor and vault. As a result, the Lady Govs took the first four places in the all-around competition with Angel Oscarson-1st with 30.9; Cathy Greene 2nd with 30.85; Mary Meierhenry 3rd with 29.2 and Jill Norman 4th with 25.88.

Seven grapplers qualify for State

The dust has settled at the Section 2 wrestling tournament Saturday in Huron leaving Pierre with a fourth place finish and seven wrestlers headed for the state tournament.

The Riggs grapplers who will be bying for top honors at State are: at 105, Jeff Gutenkauf; 112, Chad Gutenkauf; 126, Steve Rounds; 132, Doug Hofer; 155, Kevin Wald; 185, Jeff Westall; and heavyweight Kendal Newling.

Winner took first place in the overall team standings with a score of 141. The Warriors were followed closely by the Huron Tigers who racked up 136 total points. Third place was captured by Aberdeen Central with 129 and Pierre finished fourth with 90.

Coach Schleckeway's seven super stickers will travel to Watertown this weekend for the State Class A Tourney and grappler fans are looking forward to some exciting match ups.

Some future athletes in this sport include Tara Tessier, Linda Wagner, Rachel Smith, Brenda Heckenliable, Kim Klein, Karon Lonbaken, Beth Irion, Darcy Anderson, Mary McNeil Audra Lindbloom and Becky Cone. These girls also practice three hours a day, hoping to compete as varsity gymnasts someday.

Sophs fare well over weekend

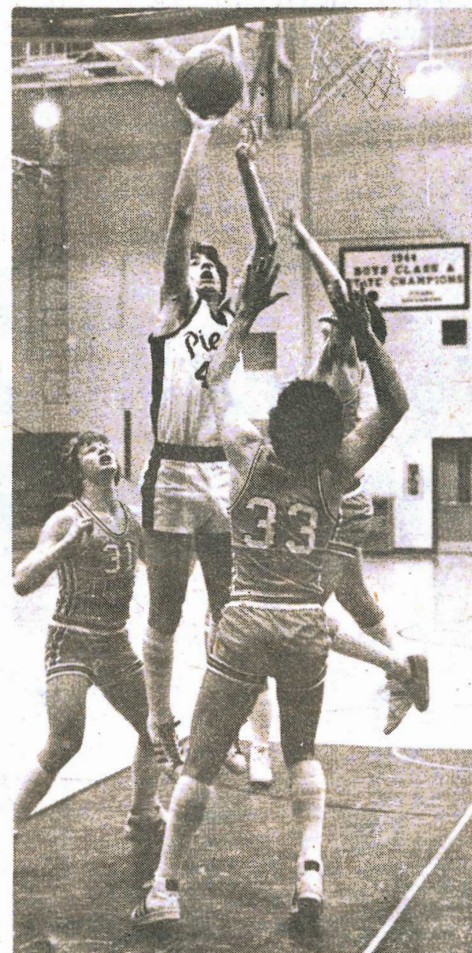
The sophomore basketball team pulled through a two game weekend with a double victory.

Friday night Feb. 20 the Sophs took on the Mitchell Kernels beating them with a score of 73-56. Saturday's game against the Bismarck Demons was the highlight of the weekend when the game went into a third overtime. The Sophs finally took the victory with a score of 76-71.

Top scorers against Mitchell were John Zimmerman with 17 points, Mike Schneider with 16 and Karl Adam with 11. Rebounds were Joe Hartford with 7 followed by Jay Parkers 6.

Norm Lingle led the scoring Saturday night with 19 followed by Zimmerman with 16 and Aaron Bowers with 14. Rebounds Saturday were Zimmerman 7 and Lingle 6.

When asked about the teams' double victory, Coach Vern Miller showed he was pleased with the boys' performance. He commented on Saturday's game, saying, "The Bismarck game was very exciting; we played one of our best games. We were very pleased because the Bismarck team was undefeated with a record of 16-0."



TRYING TO ESCAPE...from the midst of a den of hungry Huron Tigers, Jay Parker makes a shot at the basket in the ESD Conference clash on Feb. 13. The Pierre Sophs defeated the Huron Sophs 49-38. (photo by Cindy Wilner)



PICK OF THE CROP...The 1980-81 varsity gymnasts are, from the left, 1st row, Donni Kuck, Mary Meierhenry, Cathy Greene, Deb Suiter; 2nd row, Kim Klein, Rachel Smith, Deb Thomas, Darcy Anderson; back row, Tara Tessier and Angie Herron. (photo by Luc Gooris)

Govs return skull to Bismarck

The Govs had a busy schedule this past weekend, playing two games in two nights and coming out victorious in both.

On Saturday night, the Govs dominated the game against the Bismarck Demons and finished with a score of 72-55. They won the traveling trophy and returned the losers skull to the North Dakotans. Pierre led the scoring throughout the game.

The Governors came away with the win over the Mitchell Kernels Friday night when Curt Hartog sunk a bucket with just 11 seconds left in the game. The final score was 49-48.

Two of Pierre's starters, Toby Crow and Chip Clelland, did not play because of injuries.

Troy Schaefer headed the Govs scoring for the night as he has for most this season, with 12 points. Doug Smith and Hartog put away 10 each.

Pierre JV's defeat Miller, 49-42

The Govs faced Miller, in Pierre Feb. 17, defeating them 49-42. Center Mark Haigh was the high scorer in the game with a total of 21 points.

Traveling to Chamberlain Feb. 9, the J.V's battled for a victory. The game was close one all the way with the half time score at 25-25, but the J.V's pulled off a win 57-53. Tony Miller was the leading scorer that night with 24 points.

"This was one of our better games, because we were consistent throughout the game, and I hope we continue to play this way," stated Kurth.

"Skip" Kurth's team easily earned a victory from Stanely County Feb. 5, with the game ending 73-49. While scoring was pretty well even throughout the game, the three top shooters for Pierre were Jeff Brozs, with 11 points, Tony Miller with 14 and Sean Burke with 10.

The Governors were defeated by No. 1 ranked Huron, here in a close game on Feb. 13.

Troy Schaefer led Pierre in point scoring with 14. Toby Crow and Doug Smith scored 6 points each.

The Govs were defeated by the Aberdeen Central Golden Eagles, 40-37 in a home game Feb. 6.

Tony Miller and Doug Smith led the Pierre point making with 15 and 10 respectively. For Aberdeen, Jim DesCamps with 16 and Kevin Andersh with 15 were high scorers.

From the free throw line, Pierre sank 15-19 free throws and Aberdeen Central went 3-3.

In an earlier game, the Govs defeated the Watertown Arrows 45-36 in an ESD Conference match-up.

Intramural league primes for playoffs

The 1980-81 Senior-Junior boys intramural basketball season has been underway since January.

This year's Intramurals, teams include 64 members who play every thursday night.

The ratings are out for this year's teams, and it looks like Todd Sherill's and Mickey Heckenliable's teams are leading the league with 5-1 record so far.

The teams seem to be well matched this year with the exception of a couple of teams who just can't seem to get their feet on the ground. However, they cannot be counted out yet because they might get their act together before the season is over.

The playoffs are now approaching where the IBA (Intramural Basketball Association) league champions will be decided. For those who might now know, the IBA championship games are not the end of the season. There is also an All-Star game where all the runners and gunners from each team will be picked to make the teams for a championship game.

DANCE CONTEST



LET'S DANCE...

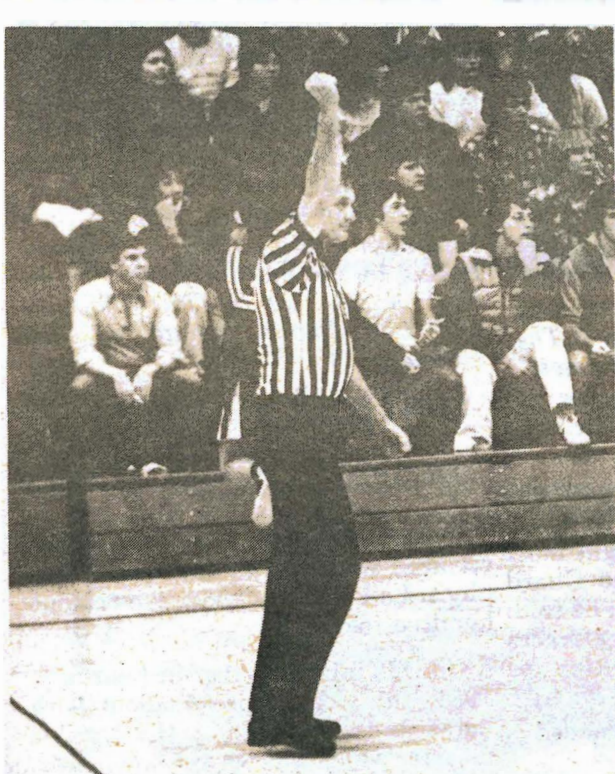


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HIM, DANCE?...

A not-so-serious look at the martyrs of the basketball court.



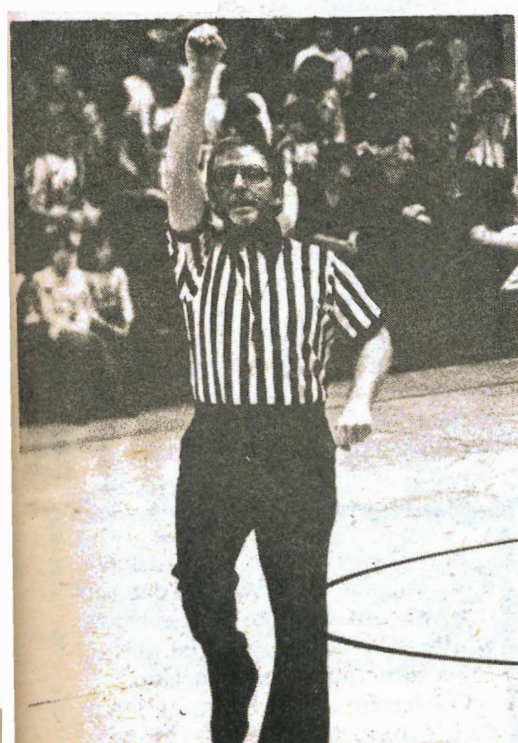
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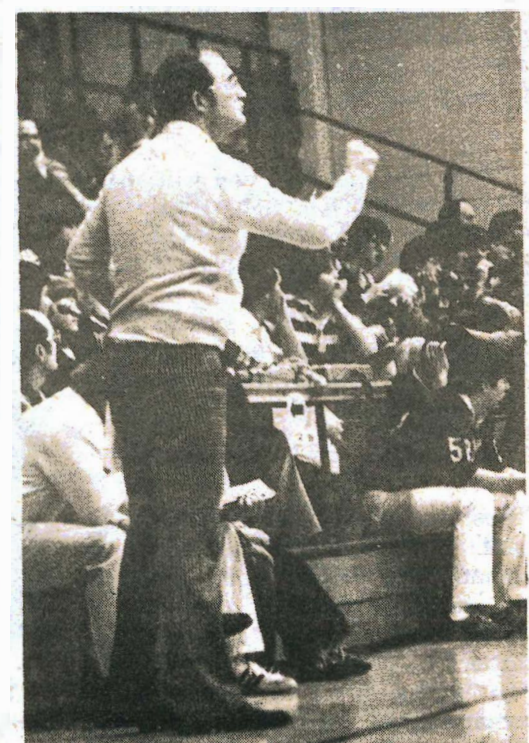


HERE I GO...



HOW'S THIS?...

*Photo essay by -
Luc Gooris & Tim Mikkelsen*



THE WINNER IS...

Three major stores highlight new Pierre Mall

"A new place for things to happen in Pierre." That's how Charlene Hoxsey, mall manager, describes the new facility located east of Pierre. The center, which opened in January with Penneys has been expanding ever since then.

The mall contains three major stores, Bostwicks, Penneys, and K-Mart. Along with these are the "Satellite stores" including Musicland, Stuarts, Duling Optical, Kinney's Shoes, Orange Julius, Radio Shack, Millers' Nutritional Haven, Waldenbooks, Regis Hair Salon, Zales Jewelry, First National Bank, Lost World Amusements, Godfather's Pizza, Peanut Shack and Flavor-ale.

The new shopping facility is only 50% leased at present but, according to Mrs. Hoxsey "Leasers are attempting to fill the unoccupied space."

The Grand Opening of the mall is scheduled for March 5, 6 and 7.

Mrs. Hoxsey revealed that the occasion will be celebrated with treasure chest give-aways by participating mall merchants. Animated characters will be on hand distributing balloons to youngsters. KCCR will be broadcasting from the mall during these days.

Open seven days a week, the mall hours are Monday through Friday 9:30-9, Saturday 9:30-6 and Sunday 12-5. The Sunday hours, Mrs. Hoxsey feels, will provide Pierre area shoppers with additional shopping convenience.

Regarding the effect of the mall on the downtown area, Mrs. Hoxsey believes, "Lots of people left Pierre to shop, but now they will spend their

money here." She added that the surrounding rural shoppers will come here rather than go to Huron or Rapid City.

Along with providing shopping services for the area, the mall will also serve as a "community event center," according to the mall manager. Non-profit organizations can reserve the mall on a no-charge basis.

Centrally located in the mall court is a fountain. Money tossed into it will be donated to various charities. The charities will be placed on a

rotating list. Consequently, a variety of charities will be helped.

Nancy Stenson, Job Service employee, stated "Over 500 person have applied for positions in mall stores." She was uncertain as to exactly how many of these were high school students. She did, however, estimate that almost half of them were. Although all the stores need full and part-time help, there were definitely more applicants than could be hired.

The Riggs High School All-Class Reunion is scheduled to be held in the

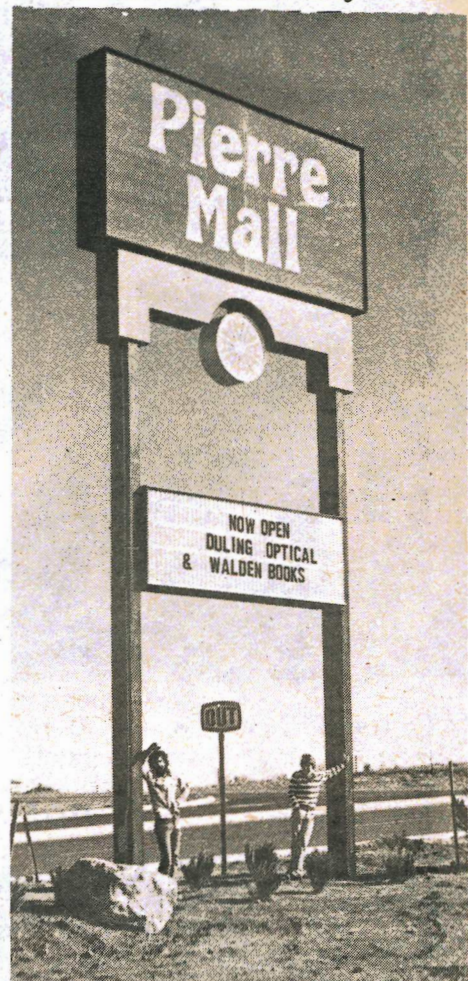
mall in August. Approximately 1500-2000 people are expected to attend the event.

The mall is a new attraction in the Pierre area which will be a benefit to the community.

Clare Cholik and Mary Lehecka



CONTEMPLATING PITCHING PENNIES...Tim Mikkelsen is standing wondering whether to pitch pennies into the charity fountain or not. The fountain is centrally located within the new mall. (photo by Rod Holmes)



A NEW ATTRACTION...The Pierre area shoppers have a newly constructed mall in which to spend their Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Posing by the marquee located in the mall parking lot is Tim Mikkelsen and Luc Gooris. (photo by Rod Holmes)

Recruiter speaks out on National Guard

"I think most people like the National Guard once they join. It's the ones who don't get into it that don't like it" Sgt. Merlin Bartel said in a recent interview.

Sgt. Bartel is the full time recruiter for the Pierre National Guard. His job is to find new recruits and explain to them what they will be getting in to. He has been in the National Guard for three years and was in the Navy before that.

He explained to me a little about the national guard. "Anyone 17 or older who passes a physical examination, a written armed forces test, and maintains at least a "C" average in school is eligible to join."

"As a new enlistee, you will spend one weekend each month with the rest of the Pierre National Guard unit, where you will prepare to go to basic training in the summer."

"Upon your return you will be trained one weekend each month in the military job of your choice for which you will be paid \$4.17 an hour," Bartels said.

Besides the \$66.84 a month payment, a National Guardsman or woman may receive half tuition at any state supported college or a \$4,000 federal grant at any non-state supported college.

In addition, a Guardsman or woman may receive a \$1,500 enlistment bonus and \$20,000 life insurance.

A new uniform is issued free to

enlistees, and free meals are served on training days.

When asked the reason for having the National Guard, Sgt. Bartel said, "The purpose of the National Guard is to back up the active duty Army during a war, and they are also called out for federal and state emergencies

like the Rapid City flood, Wounded Knee and the blizzard of 1968."

When asked what he thought most attracted people to join the Guard and what most repelled them he said, "I think the thing that most attracts people to join is the half tuition for any state supported college."

Gordon Wendell



COMMITTED TO SERVICE...Eleven Riggs High students who are members of the Pierre National Guard include, from the left, front row, Pat Hanson, Scott Swenson, Greg Lemieux, standing, Nancy Dewell, Ron Webber, Roy Miller, Mike Miller, Randy Rose, Tim Resier, Gordon Wendell, and Erv Nold. (photo by Luc Gorris)

Unlucky day appears three times

Friday the 13th, the bane of the civilized world!! The day when Murphy's Law comes into its own, one hundred fold.

On this infamous day in February, 1981, the world tiptoed about with bated breath, awaiting the terrible disaster which was sure to befall. Mirrors were avoided, ladders were put away and black was taboo.

Then, just as we thought we'd made it through safely, that nothing would happen-nothing did!! The Hilton had burned too early, Mt. Saint Helens was still standing, the weather was warm, and everyone made it to school on time (well, almost)!

So what's happened? Has the curse been lifted from this fateful day? Who knows?

But before you start to feel too liberated, remember the trauma of this day must be relived twice more this year, once in March and then again November. Perhaps that is the bad luck willed to us by February 13.

Sharon Swan

Parents will be coming to school next Tuesday and Wednesday during parent-teacher conferences while students stay home and enjoy a day and a half vacation.

Conferences will begin at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday March 3 and at 8 a.m. on Wednesday March 4.

Going to school in Australia

AFSer recalls her experiences

Sharon Swan returned home Jan. 14 after spending a year in Australia sponsored by A.F.S.

Sharon arrived in Pierre unprepared for the cold weather because in Australia it is summer. "My Australian family and I went to the beach and swam on Christmas Day", she recalls, "and we had cold meats and cool beverages for our dinner."

While in Australia, Sharon attended Cummins Area School. Her course work included 6 full year subjects. English A, Asian History, Biology, Chemistry and Math I and II. She also took three 14-week electives, home economics, typing and motor maintenance. She said that English was more of a literature class, and much easier than any she had had at Riggs, while the math was much harder and covered a broader range of subjects.

"The only things that really bothered me," she said, "was being expected to do two or three hours of homework a night and the big year-end exams. 'We studied for weeks!'"

The schools in Australia were very different from those in the United States. "They set higher standards on academics than we do", stated the exchange student. The senior students have to pass a big exam before they can pass the year and go on to a university. The other work they do in the class really does not matter. After passing the exams, however, the senior students are allowed to assist teachers in lower grades.

Sharon also feels that the Australian teachers treat student more like adults than they do here. "You don't have to ask them for per-

mission to leave the room or to go through the hall," she said.

Most of the Cummins students are from the country so there are not many extracurricular activities. Activities such as drama and Cricket are organized by the community rather than the school. Sharon was largely involved in drama and in church groups.

During her year abroad, the A.F.S. member developed a different view of America. Sharon related that some Australians really like Americans and some really dislike Americans. "Some Aussies resent the fact that we don't know much about them because they are well informed about the United States," she stated.

One thing Sharon dislikes about Australia is the chauvenistic men. If the husband is earning a good living, the wife is expected to give up her job if they have small children. An older married woman is also expected to quit working to provide job openings for young adults.

Sharon says she is happy to be home, but she really misses Australia, the tropical weather and her family there. "I am anxious to go back," she exclaimed.

After graduating with her class this spring, Sharon plans to go to college and study languages. She hopes to one day to be an interpreter. "A lot of people ask me if I think my year in an English-speaking country was wasted. I don't feel this is true, as the insight I gained into fitting into a culture and learning to see another person's viewpoint will stand me in good stead, no matter which country I'm in--America or Timbuctoo."

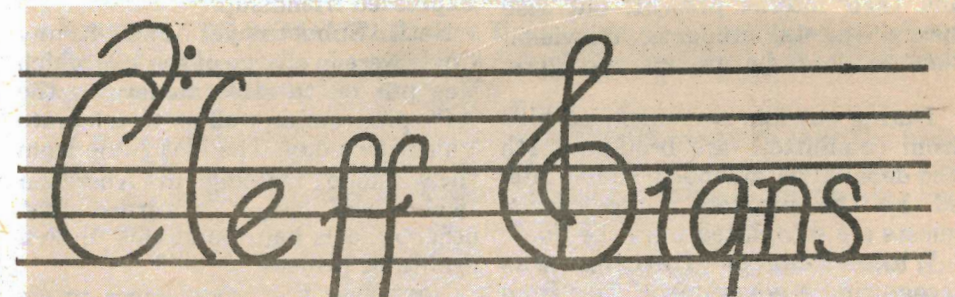
Clare Cholik



VISITING THE TROPICS...are Vin, Genevieve, and Lola Pedler during their trip to outback Australia in May. The Pedler's were Sharon's host family during her year in Australia.



CHRISTMAS IN AUSTRALIA...Sharon Swan, Riggs senior, enjoyed a summer time holiday 'down-under'. Instead of a South Dakota white Christmas, the AFS exchange student spent the day swimming and sunning with her two Australian nieces.



Instrumentation vital in songs

For a song to become "hot" in today's music market it needs a gimmick, and the big selling item of most songs today is their instrumentation. Many artists have struck "Gold" by recording just instrumental songs.

One artist in point is Herb Alpert, who was very popular in the late 60's. He found success again with his album "Rise". Herb uses brass and percussion elements to give his group a Mexican band sound. His group's hit "1980" was also a hit for the Emerald Regiment in their field show this year.

Another successful instrumentalist is Chuck Mangione. His first big hit was "Feels so Good" in which he introduced the fuegel horn. Dan Fogelberg also adapted the use of the fuegel horn in his song, "Longer". These two among others helped bring the band sound back.

The most popular instrument used in songs today, for solo purposes, would have to be the sax, especially the tenor sax. Billy Joel, Supertramp, and Earth, Wind, & Fire, are a few of the power houses of the music business which have turned to the sax for the interlude. Earth, Wind & Fire have, for many years, used sax, trombone and trumpets to back up their sound.

Even though these band instruments are starting to take center stage more and more, I think the favorites of the audiences still are the guitar player and the trap drummer who goes wild. And in most groups now, you'll find two drummers, one playing the traps and one playing miscellaneous percussion, (bongos, cowbell, Latin percussion, etc.).

For my Grammy predictions...I predict Barbara Streisand will get Best Female Vocalist, Kenny Rogers or Christopher Cross will get Best Male Vocalist. Commodores or Pink Floyd will get a Best Group Award. Herb Alpert should take care of the instrumental awards. "Glass Houses" by Billy Joel should win Best Album. And Recording-of-the-Year will be "The Rose" by Bette Midler. (If it isn't, it could be one of these, "Sailing", "Lady", "Theme from New York, New York", or "Woman in Love").

June Hansen



GOING FOR A SPIN...January students of the month are Mickey Heckenlaible and Jan Houck. Mickey is manager of the boy's basketball team and active in intramurals. He was a member of the varsity golf team and recently was initiated into NHS. Jan is co-editor of the Governor and is treasurer of NHS. She is also active in intramurals. (Photo by Luc Gooris)

'Senator job demanding'

Being a senator in the South Dakota legislature is a unique and demanding job, even more so if your position is that of Senate Majority Leader as is Mr. Homer Harding of Pierre.

Assisting Mr. Harding during this year's session is his intern Kevin Van Dyke from Sioux Falls. Kevin is a graduate of USD and plans to attend law school in August.

By spending her "Day with the Legislator", Janet Chu, All-State journalist, was able to experience first hand what the Senator and his intern go through in a typical day at the capital.

Their day starts early, around 8:30 a.m. Committee meetings take up most of their morning. Part of Kevin's responsibilities is to attend committee meetings when the Senator cannot be there, and to take notes on the particular bills in which Harding is involved.

Whenever time permits, Kevin also checks over the list of how all the bills are doing in committees. He notes whether they have been amended, tabled, recommended, or otherwise, in the Legislative Bill Status System, which is printed every day.

Some of his other duties include researching and running errands.

After committee meetings, the two men break for lunch. Often Senator Harding spends this time discussing various issues and problems with Governor Janklow.

At 1 p.m. all legislators meet for a party caucus. This is the time to discuss problems with particular bills, advise on upcoming bills, etc.

Then around 2 p.m. the day's session begins. Not only are senators and their interns present, but also special guests, students, television cameramen, and newspaper reporters.

During session, recommended bills from committees are brought forth and debated on, amended, and/or tabled by the senators. Also special guests are recognized from the floor.

While Senator Harding was recognizing a government class from Philip High School, Kevin explained some of the major differences between an intern and a senator. "The

senator has authority, he also has more commitments. I can't give testimony without Senator Harding's approval. And I can't vote on the bills".

Also while the Senator is elected by the people, Kevin is chosen by the Senator himself.

In viewing Mr. Harding as Senate Majority leader, Kevin stated "I feel he handles his job well, especially with all the pressures from Republican senators, Democratic senators, other leaders (Governor), and constituents." Kevin also observed, "His views are representative of the public."

Kevin wants to study environmental law. He would also like to run for public office, even for the senate. "If the opportunity arose and I was financially capable, I would like to run...it would be a challenge.

"I like S.D. because we're a small enough state yet, that one person is enough to make a difference, he has the influence to help the people. One person is that important. It would be a good feeling to know that people would want me to represent them."

Janet Chu



SALUTE TO FUTURE FARMERS... Pierre FFA members are taking a break from their Ag classes to set up the school marquee to publicize National FFA week. The committee in charge are from the left: Larry Anderson, co-chairman, Mike Hawkins, Lura Houck, (standing), co-chairman, Carmen Cowan and Jeff Metzinger.

FFA members also made 5 gallons of ice cream to go with the homemade pies for the faculty cherry pie feed. They prepared radio tapes for the local stations, assembled displays for the capitol building and set up the bank marquee. (photo by Lee Wendt)

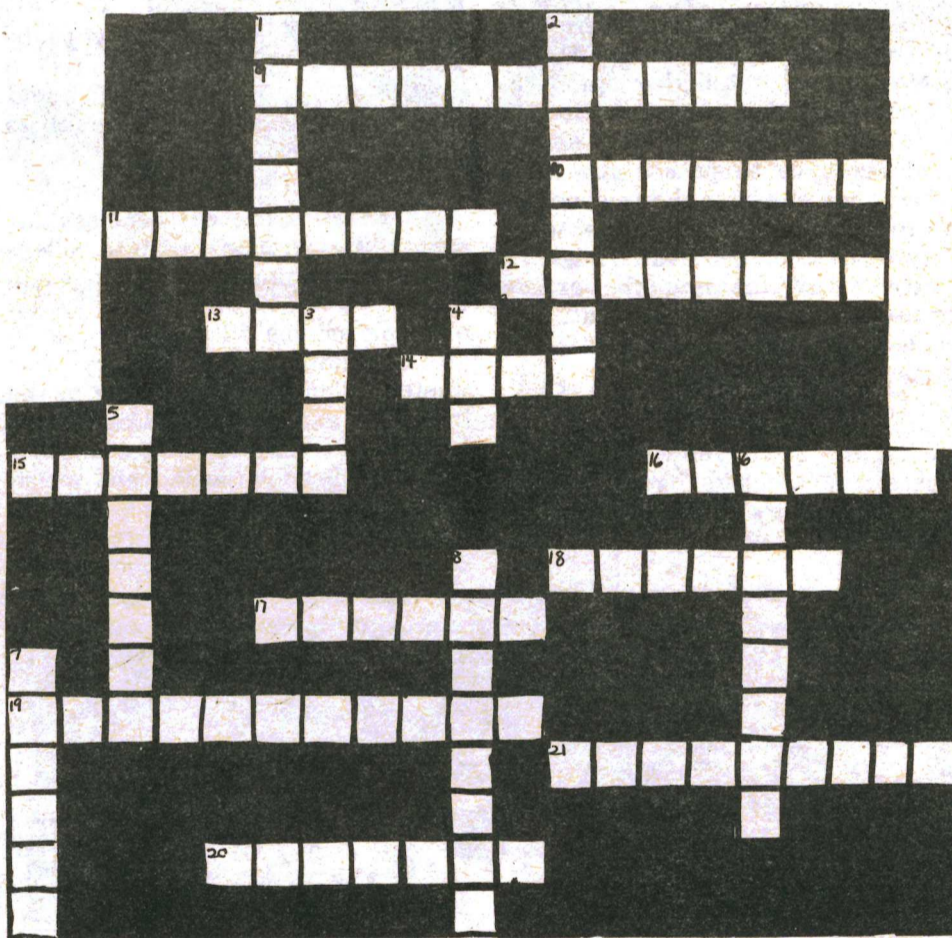
210 carnations sold for Valentine project

AFS club sold 210 carnations during their Valentine greeting project.

There were 115 red carnations and 95 white carnations delivered by AFS members during second period on Friday, Feb. 13. The red carnations were for an expression of love, the white expressed friendship.

Beth Sundermeyer and Kenny Coyle were in charge of the sale which was put on to raise money for the AFS program as well as to celebrate Valentine's day. The idea came from the weekend meeting in Aberdeen where the group learned that other schools had found this to be a profitable project.

Next year the group hopes to expand to three colors: red for lovers, white for likers and blue for 'let's get together!'



puzzle designed by Kathy Quigley

ACROSS

9. the "little folk" of Ireland.
10. St. Patrick's Day (date).
11. Father----- The priest who founded Boys' Town in Nebraska.
12. the main crop
13. when Irish ----- are smiling. Baby blues.
14. ----- of the Irish. Good fortune.
15. The River ----- Ireland's main river.
16. capital city of Ireland.
17. Ireland's ancient language. One of its official languages.
18. Colors of the Irish flag: green, white and -----
19. the Irish ----- A famous lottery.
20. Saint ----- Patron Saint of Ireland.
21. the "fighting -----" 2 words.

DOWN

1. -----stone. You Kiss this for the gift of persuasive speech.
2. the national emblem of Ireland; a 3-leaf cover.
3. another name for Ireland; a girls' name.
4. a public house where friends gather to drink "stout" and beer.
5. a wailing spirit in Irish legend who foretold death.
6. a musical wind instrument.
7. land surrounded on all sides by water.
8. a kind of rhyme named after a county in Ireland.

