

Commencement ends high school for '84 seniors



ROLL CALL . . . Teachers check names as seniors Amy Peterson, Danny Paulson, Janelle Olson, Curt Opp, Steve Oliva, Marty Norman, and "Tune" Neuharth line up to march in during baccalaureate.

Riggs Senior High graduation exercises will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 27 at Hollister Field or the school auditorium, depending upon the weather.

Of the 210 graduating seniors 15 will graduate with highest academic honors, having maintained an average (GPA) of 3.7500-4.00000. Nine will graduate with high academic honors, having maintained a GPA of 3.7499-3.5000.

Students graduating with highest academic honors are Aaron Bowers, Brad Cruse, Mary Anne Dobier, Joan Hardwick, Soraya Karim, Mike Mayer, Jay Merkle, Chris Miller, Jeff Mortimer, Curtis Opp, Daryl Schofield, John Schwartz, Brenda Sherman, Rhonda Smith, and Tara Tessier.

Students graduating with high academic honors are Theresa Curtis, Troy Goldhammer, Carol Houck, Mary Huckins, Calvin Jones, Karen Koistinen, Charles McGuigan, Marcine Schatz, and Deb Trautman.

Each of the students above will receive Honor Cords from the Pierre Public Schools for their academic achievement. They will be the first recipients of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award.

The Rev. Raymond Schatz will present the Invocation and Benediction. The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. Terence Brown, president of Northern State College. Presentation of diplomas will be made by Patricia Adam, Board of Education chairman. Aaron Bowers, the senior class president, will offer words of welcome and farewell.

The senior class selected the motto: "Our glory consists not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall." Their colors are green and white. Their flower is the rose.

A survey of the senior future plans show 114 plan to attend a college in South Dakota, 24 seniors attending SDSU; 37 attending USD; 7 at S.D. School of Mines & Technology; 15 at Black Hills State College; 13 at Northern State College; 3 at Augustana; 1 at Capitol University Center, 4 at Dakota State College, 1 at Presentation, 1 at Nettleton College, and 1 at National College.

Twenty-five plan to attend college out of state. Six plan to attend vocational schools.

The majority of the students plan to major in business, engineering, or education. In fact, 50 students or 24% will seek business majors, 37 seniors are planning to work directly after graduation, 4 have joined the military, and 2 have had Academy appointments.

Three teachers leave system

Three faculty members put in their last days at Riggs High this week. With the close of this term Mrs. MacNally, English; Mr. Murphy, ag; and Mr. Thuringer, vocational arts, will be leaving the school system.

After 10 years at Riggs, Mrs. MacNally will be moving to Sioux Falls where she hopes to get back into teaching. She said her goal in teaching here was to make learning an enjoyable experience and still a valuable aid to the students' futures.

Mr. Murphy will be ending a nine-year career at Riggs. During this time he has worked with ag programs and built up the FFA activities in the school. Last year he was named West River Ag Teacher of the Year.

Also a vocational education instructor, Mr. Thuringer has been a member of the Riggs faculty for four years. He feels that vocational courses offer invaluable "life skills" to students of all academic levels.

Mr. Thuringer, in addition to technical and practical skills, has promoted self-discipline and good work habits for students in his classes. He plans to stay in the teaching profession.

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Politics hit Riggs -- Mayor election

by Kellen Levisen

Election fever, which has been climaxing around the nation lately, hit Riggs this past week when Terry Miller and Lance Bauske were elected Mayor and Vice-Mayor for the upcoming year.

Other candidates were Pat McKeever and Gene Nelson, and Roger Rose and Bob Sahr.

Some of the issues on the Rose-Sahr platform were: the elimination of hallway passes, they believe sign-out sheets in the library, guidance office, study hall and main office would be adequate. Also senior lounge improvements made by moving a T.V. or stereo into the room.

Homecoming improvements they propose changes in Kangaroo Court to keep it in existence and the continuation of Powder Puff football.

According to Bob, "We oppose this, (the elimination of Powder Puff) and we'll fight for its reinstatement. Nearly everyone in the student body watches at least

a few minutes of it, and it helps the school spirit."

Bauske and Miller's main objective is to keep Kangaroo Court and will try their hardest. Some other changes they would like to see is the elimination of the ban on hats at athletic events. Revival of the homecoming parade is another issue, as is filling the holes in the parking lot and fixing it up. They would like to see students more informed on rule changes and school happenings.

McKeever and Nelson hope to improve the chronic "nothing to do" syndrome that seems to affect many of Riggs students. To do this they suggested an expansion of intermural activities and more school sponsored dances.

They also suggested a continuation of homecoming activities conducted "in good faith". They also felt there is a need for a worthy program or project for using excess class money.

But these changes cannot be made by only the Mayor and/or Vice-Mayor as Gene states, "We



VICTORY . . . Lance Bauske (Vice-Mayor) and Terry Miller (Mayor) will head student council at Riggs first semester next year.

want to help but we're a far cry from being supermen. We have ideas but input from everyone will probably produce more effects".

The new student leaders take office with the beginning of the 1984-85 school term.

Scholarships bring \$75,000 to Riggs

Riggs High School students were awarded approximately \$75,000 worth of scholarships on Awards Night.

Among the major awards was the National Honor Society Scholarship awarded to Tara Tessier, the first such award presented to a Riggs student. Troy Goldhammer was awarded an ap and John Schwartz was awarded an Air Force Academy appointment.

Principal Roger Lonbaken extended thanks to the 35 individuals, organizations, and institutions that made these awards possible.

Other awards are listed below by names and areas:

Tara Tessier: SDSU-F.O. Butler, \$200

Booster Club Scholarship, Geoff Garrett Scholar Athlete Award, Athletic Scholarship-SDSU

Karen Hasek: USD Athletic Scholarship-Full Tuition & Fees

Jeff Mortimer: USD-Presidential Alumni Scholarship, 4 year Tuition & Fees, Letter of Commendation from National Merit

Daryl Schofield: National Merit Scholarship-\$1,000, \$400 Engineers Scholarship, \$500 Greater State Scholarship, \$500 F.O. Butler Scholarship, \$200

Booster Club Scholarship

Curt Opp: \$600 USD Foundation Scholarship, \$500 Carrie Slenga Scholarship, \$200

Booster Club Scholarship, \$100 Lamda Chi Fraternity Scholarship, Geoff Garrett

Scholar Athlete Award

Troy Curtis: \$1,000 Harriet Woodard Thomas Memorial Scholarship

Kathy Dean: \$1,000 Harriet Woodard Thomas Memorial Scholarship, \$200

Kiwanis Academic Scholarship

Mary Huckins: \$500 Carrie Slenga Scholarship, \$500 Linda Kern Scholarship D.A.R.

Award

Soraya Karim: \$500 F.O. Butler Scholarship-SDSU, \$75 Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Troy Goldhammer: \$500 Ken Scurr Memorial Scholarship

Joan Hardwick: SDSU-F.O. Butler Scholarship, \$300 First National Bank Scholarship

Mary Anne Dobier: \$600 USD Foundation Scholarship, \$100 Pierre Betty Kuszmaul

Book Scholarship, \$150 P.E.O. Book Scholarship

Chris Miller: \$600 Foundation Scholarship-USD, \$200 Booster Club Scholarship

Mike Mayer: \$600 USD Foundation Scholarship, \$100 Student-Of-Year Award, D.A.R.

Award

Loretta Truax: \$200 Kiwanis Scholarship, Dakota State Tuition and Fees Scholarship

Patti Barth: \$500 Rotary Scholarship, \$100

BU PEO Book Scholarship

Marsha Salyer: \$250 Canvasback Art Scholarship

Theresa Schumacher: \$100 Cone Ag Scholarship, Century III Award

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Riggs students plan for their futures

As the school year closes many good-byes will be said to the Class of 1984. The juniors and sophomores must realize that next year they will be the upper classmen.

Life for this year's seniors will be very different after they leave Riggs High School. As they move on to college, trade schools, or directly into jobs, they will be faced with many decisions regarding their future. It is necessary for each student to take a serious look at his goals and assume responsibility for the course his life will take. They must also realize their obligations as an adult citizen, for example voting.

Juniors and sophomores are also planning for their future. Many juniors are preparing for college by taking the ACT test this upcoming year. For those students who aren't sure what the meaning of ACT is, the answer is American College Testing Assessment.

Most students from Riggs will take the ACT to enter college, but some eastern schools require that the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) be taken instead. The purpose of these tests is to determine the level of studying a student is capable of for placement in college. An SAT test consists of two parts, verbal and mathematical while the ACT includes English, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Social Sciences.

Cramming is not recommended before taking the test; however, there are a few things a student can do to prepare. Many books and cliff notes are available on the subject. It is also recommended that students taking the test get a good night's sleep and, of course--don't forget to bring two sharpened, #2 pencils.

It is important for students taking college entrance exams to remember that their scores will have a large influence on their future. Although high school emphasizes planning your career it is also important to realize that it is a time for having fun--a time for growing up.

Students are faced with many tough decisions as they look toward their post high school years. Hopefully, whatever each person does with his future he will have learned from his high school experiences and remember them as some of the best times of his life.

Connie Hudson
Michelle Scarborough



What the people say:

Seniors look back

WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE IN HIGH SCHOOL?

Theresa Schumacher: I can't really pick one experience that stands out as being more memorable than any other. There were times I felt that if I didn't get out of this place I would go nuts, but now I look back on all the great times I've had and they far outweigh the bad. It's all been great!

Marcie Wagner: If you have ever had the honorable opportunity of getting "pied" as a sophomore (or junior) at Kangaroo Court..it is a very memorable event.

Grant Creager: Once two years ago while running for wrestling in the hallways, I was in the corner from the main hall to the English hall and John LaFrambois was coming the other direction. When he came around, he hit me and knocked me into the magazine stand and knocked me out cold.

Michaela Walker: Being a player on the 1982 girls State "A" champion team in my junior year.

Amy Converse: High school in general was a good time. No one moment out does another. I can look back on it now and say everything was worth it, and I would do it all over again.

Niels Hansen: As a foreign exchange student, my most memorable experience is being involved in a foreign school system, and all the fun. What I will remember the most is all the nice people attending Riggs High School.

Scott Johnson: The senior keg is my most memorable experience in my high school career.

Tanya Jennings: It would have to be winning the "Spirit of Six" award at Girls State "A" both years.

Nuclear weapons - still major issue

by Liz Porter

With the approaching of the 1984 presidential election, Americans are again faced with one of their toughest decisions.

It is my intent in this editorial to shed some light on the issue of nuclear weapons by taking a look back on the administration of JFK, and seeing how these values may help us make a solid choice for president in 1984.

"The way to prevent an all-out nuclear war is to maintain stable relations between the two countries most likely to fight one, the United States and the Soviet Union," commented Newsweek in a November issue dealing with the nuclear arms talks.

For the past 40 years, America and the rest of the world have been increasingly threatened by the growing arsenals of the world's nuclear weapons.

This year, arms talks between President Reagan and Soviet President Yuri Andropov have broken off, mainly because of America's deployment of weapons in West Germany. This in turn, has brought

about a threat from Andropov to install new tactical weapons in East Germany and Czechoslovakia.

History repeats itself. This same situation took place during John F. Kennedy's administration when President Kennedy and Russian President Krushchev began plans for a nuclear test-ban treaty, when Krushchev suddenly backed out. Meeting this defeat, John Kennedy "stood up to the Russians" and never gave up taking the first steps toward peace during the dawn of the nuclear age.

Kennedy's work payed off; in 1963, the nuclear test-ban treaty was signed between America and Russia, compiling one of the first arms limitation treaties.

Although the situation between America and the Soviet Union has grown more and more complicated, Kennedy set an example back in the '60's that still seems to be a viable approach to the current arms talks. We must take a continuous **strong** approach to create better relations, and take the first step to the wish of humans--the wish for peace.

FISCHER'S FOLLIES

By Dan Fischer

In every person's life there comes a time when he wonders why he goes on living as he does. The pressures of the job, friends, family, and the ones personally placed on a human being can be overwhelming.

The secret to finding the answers is learning to cope with the pressures. This means understanding and accepting them. It's not easy, but neither is it impossible.

Learning to conquer everyday pressures will not happen overnight. One may seem to make no progress at all, but if he hangs in there, he will make it. It may take months or years, but he can succeed.

He must, however, be aware of the time it takes and not waste too much time. He has 70+ years to be alive on Earth, enjoy it. He can and should be serious, but he must also have fun. He must learn when to joke and laugh and when not to, but this is not saying having fun and being serious can't be mixed together.

"Anything can be done", that is the only rule in this game called life. A person is limited by himself alone. If he believes in himself, there is nothing that is physically impossible.

Another necessary thing to learn is to establish your own values and goals. Just because George believes in something doesn't

mean that Fred must also believe in it. But believing is not enough. You must establish goals. Goals you can achieve. Then you must go after the goals. Actions speak louder than words.

Throughout all of this, keep in contact with yourself. If you sacrifice yourself to achieve goals, nothing was gained. It is essential that you are happy and pleased with yourself.

Last, but certainly not least, remember the small things in life. So very often in society, in the quest for bigger and better things, people forget the small things. Take time to smell the flowers.

When you're the busiest is the time you need the small things the most.

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Banquet recognizes FFA'ers for state awards

Joan Hardwick and Theresa Schumacher, senior members of the local Pierre-Oahe FFA Chapter were honored at the 56th State FFA Convention held during April in Brookings.

Hardwick received a State Farmer Degree, and both she and Schumacher were elected state officers.

The State Farmer Degree is the highest degree awarded on the state level. To qualify for this honor a member must have participated in various leadership activities and have maintained a strong supervised occupational experience program for the four years she/he has been in vocational agriculture.

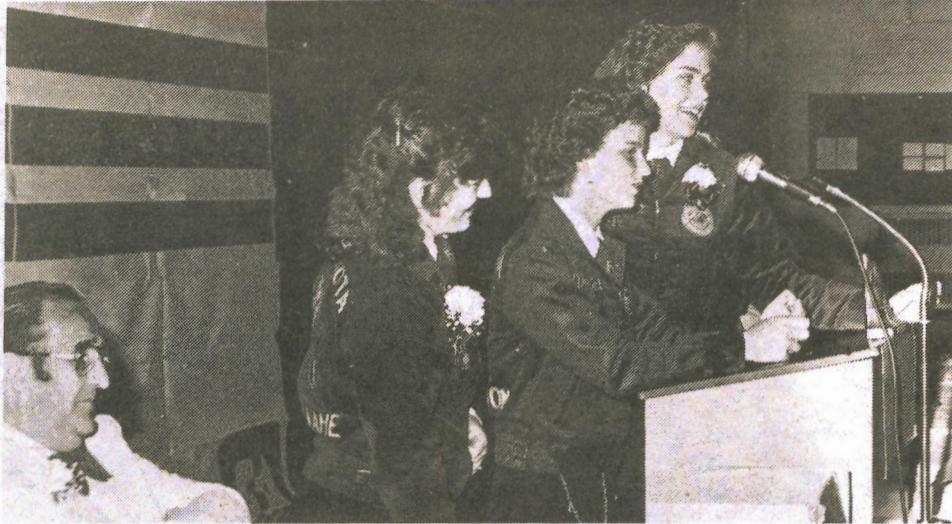
Joan's production program includes horses, sheep, and pigs. She has also been very active in public speaking and numerous other FFA contests. This honor is bestowed on only three percent of the State FFA membership each year.

Schumacher and Hardwick were chosen for the offices of vice president and reporter respectively. As state officers they will travel statewide for the upcoming year. They will promote FFA and agriculture as well as working to better inform the public about American agriculture.

Theresa and Joan will also have the opportunity to travel across the nation to leadership camps in Kansas City, MO, Liberty, MO, and Washington, D.C.

Their duties also include attending and speaking at numerous chapter banquets, conducting state leadership camps, and making chapter visits to over 80 FFA chapters.

A highlight of the year will be the week long National FFA Convention held in Kansas City, MO., during November. The girls will wind up their year next April at the 57th State FFA Convention at which they will relinquish their duties to the incoming officers.



FFA BANQUET . . . FFA'ers Colleen Cowan, Joan Hardwick and Theresa Schumacher narrate a slide presentation at the spring banquet as adviser Mr. Murphy looks on. Pictured top right: Dalton Sanders converses with a piglet at Food For America Day sponsored by FFA. Bottom right: Joan Hardwick supervises visiting elementary children as they pet a horse. (Photos by K. Levisen and A. Peterson)

Members of the Pierre-Oahe Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held their annual banquet May 8. The banquet is the culmination of the year's activities in the

FFA. Awards are presented, honorary chapter farmers are chosen, and various other recognitions are made.

The highlight of this year's banquet was the recent election of Joan Hardwick and Theresa Schumacher to State FFA Officer positions. Star Greenhand and Star Chapter Farmer Awards went to Rick Trautman and Theresa Schumacher respectively, while Joan Hardwick won the Dekalb Leadership Award.

Theresa was also presented the Bill Smith Memorial Scholarship. Colleen Cowan was recognized for her planned participation in the Work Experience Abroad Program through which she will travel to Australia.

Numerous other awards were presented. Among these were proficiency, fruit sales, and camp scholarships. This year's guest

speaker was Marvis Hogan, South Dakota State Secretary of Agriculture. The basis for Mr. Hogan's speech was "The Future of Agriculture and Youth."

The night was brought to a close with the installation of new officers. Officers for the 1984-85 year are: President Todd Larson, Vice President Gene Nelson, Secretary Julie Etzkorn, Treasurer Rick Trautman, Reporter Casey Cowan, and Sentinel Chip Killingsworth.

Riggs Band earns trophies

Riggs High School band members recently brought home six awards from the World of Music Festival in Minneapolis.

Senior Mike Williamson won the Outstanding Drum Major Award. The Flag Corps earned an excellent rating for their performance. Also receiving an award with an excellent rating was the Emerald Regiment.

The Stage Band earned an excellent rating with an award for their performance, the Concert Band received an award with a good rating, and the Auxillary of the Emerald Regiment won an award with an excellent rating.

Leaving at 5:30 a.m., Friday, May 11, the 91 band members and their chaperones began a trip they worked hard to achieve. That evening the Emerald Regiment competed in the marching band division at

Parade Stadium. Saturday the final competition took place at Edina Jr.-Sr. High School, where the concert and stage bands performed.

Band director Paul Upsahl had these comments to make: "It was great. It was really a learning experience. I feel the groups were judged better than they've ever been judged. We're hoping to repeat a trip like this in the next few years."

Saturday evening the band members and their chaperones attended the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre, where they enjoyed a fine meal and the Broadway musical, Annie.

Sunday morning found the band members checking out of the Radisson South Hotel and heading toward Valleyfair, where the awards were presented.

Goldhammer, Karim honored

Troy Goldhammer and Soraya Karim have been chosen Students of the Month for May.

Students of the Month are chosen by a faculty committee based on scholastic achievement and involvement in extra curricular activities.

Karim has lettered three years in girls basketball. She was a co-captain her sophomore year and was Player-of-the-Week twice this year. She has also participated and lettered in track all four years of high school.

So is a member of the Student Council and the National Honor Society (NHS). She plans to study math at South Dakota State University.

Troy Goldhammer who recently was appointed to West Point and the Merchant Marine Academy, but will attend West Point, has been active in football (lettered), basketball, and track.

He is also a member of band, marching band and pep band, Student Council, NHS, Gumbo staff and Quill and Scroll. He was a candidate for homecoming royalty, a Boys Stater, and student Kiwanian.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH...For May are seniors Soroya Karim and Troy Goldhammer.

Cool breezes math contest

Sophomore Jason Cool recently received an outstanding achievement and tied for tenth place in the Thirty-First Annual Northern State College Mathematics Contest.

Cool was entered in the advanced algebra division along with 249 other students from around the state. In all, 889 students from 52 schools were entered in the four divisions -- basic algebra, geometry, advanced algebra, and senior math.

Mrs. Weiss, Algebra II instructor at Riggs, said, "I had many outstanding algebra students this year and it was extremely difficult to choose just five to go to the contest. I do feel, however, that this was a good chance for some of my better students to show how much they have learned, and I was very pleased with their performance."

In addition to Jason's 30 correct

out of a possible 42, four other sophomores from Riggs also participated in the contest. Darla Eisnach tied for 17th place, Steve Maxwell, Brian Weiss, and Paul Robbennolt finished in a tie for 31st place. Scores in the tournament ranged from a high of 37 to a low of 7.

Keith Cera also qualified to go to the contest but could not for lack of space in the vans. In addition to the five contestants from Riggs, Pierre also entered 12 students, from eighth and ninth grades, in the basic algebra and geometry divisions.

The students from Junior High had a second place finish in the geometry division and five outstanding achievements. Pierre, as a whole, won an outstanding achievement from among the 'Class A' schools.

Tennis team takes second ESD title

Winning the ESD trophy for the second consecutive year, the Governor tennis team really "competed well" at the tournament, according to Coach Phil Trautner.

With two first place finishes by sophomore Paul Williams in the third flight and Robbie Anderson in the fourth flight, Pierre also had a second place finish by Steve Cordts in the first flight and a third place finish by Dave Post in the second flight.

Cordts met his first defeat of the season at the #1 flight.

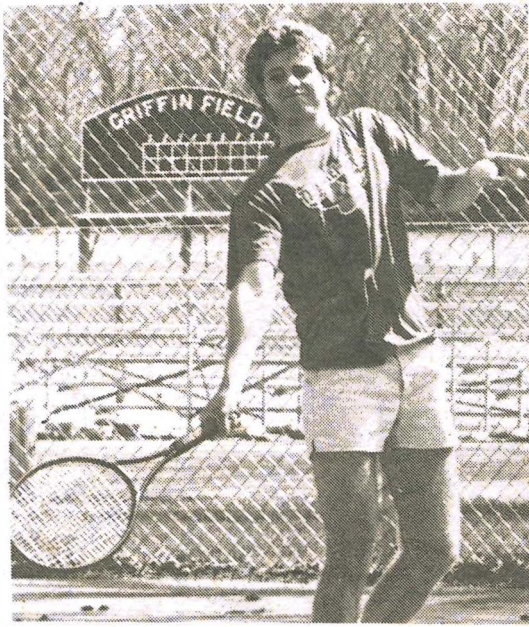
Pierre was far ahead going into the doubles matches, but the Govs still performed well with the #1 team of Cordts and Williams taking second place after going to three sets with the Brookings team.

The #2 team of Bob Sahr and Dave Post also made it to the finals, going to three sets with Aberdeen Central.

Coach Trautner attributed the second E.S.D. victory to a "more improved and better balanced team who competed very well." Trautner said the weather conditions at Brookings were good, but it was a very long day of tennis.

The point scores of the top four teams were Pierre - 64½ points, Aberdeen Central - 60, Brookings - 51, and Yankton - 24.

Pierre entered the E.S.D. meet with

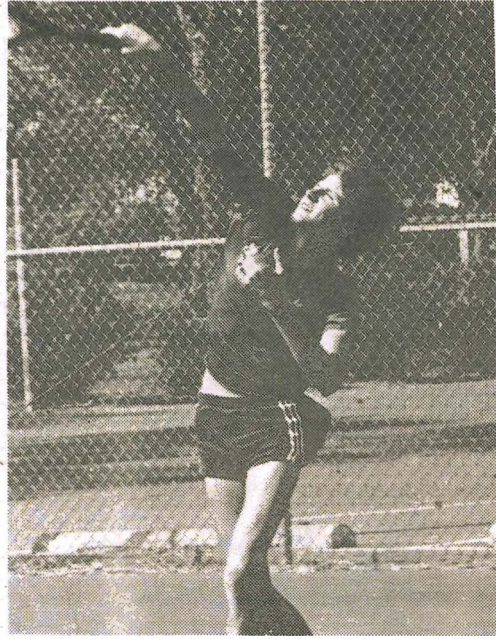


ANTICIPATION . . . Robbie Anderson and Paul Williams practice up for the ESD and State tennis tournaments. (photo by Kellen Levisen)

a record of 10 wins to 1 loss in dual matches.

The team's latest victories include a win over Huron 7-2 on May 4, and on May 5 two wins over Rapid City Central 7-2 and Aberdeen Roncalli 6-0. The Pierre Invitational was rained out.

After their top finish in the E.S.D., the team competed in the State meet in Brookings May 22-23, where they



battled from teams Aberdeen Central, Sioux Falls O'Gorman, and Brandon Valley.

Coach Trautner was optimistic about the state tournament. He called the Govs team very "well-balanced", and very capable of competing with the other teams in the state.

The Governors took second place in the state tournament last year.

Lady Tracks

Girls' track season has been "outstanding" according to head coach Larry Lundeen.

Attesting to this "outstanding season" are three new school records. Jolene Mews now holds a high jump record of 5'4"; Kim Merkwon holds a high hurdles record of 15.39; and Carrie Venner holds a 47.81 in the 300 hurdles.

"So far I believe we've had an outstanding season with winning the ESD. With the new scoring system, we could be in the running for the state title," he said.

Assistant coach Bob Judson agrees. "They've competed up to their abilities and above," he said.

The season included the Howard Wood Relays in Sioux Falls where the team placed third in the 3200-meter relay and second in the 1600-meter relay.

Individually at Howard Wood, Kim Merkwon placed third in the 100-meter hurdles and fifth in long jump. Jolene Mews placed second in high jump.

Although coach Lundeen will be losing some top seniors, he is optimistic about next year. "We have a good group of sophomore and ninth grade girls, and I think they'll be competitors. We're a little short-handed on juniors, but I hope next year's team will measure up to the seniors this year," he said. "If you want to do

GOVERNOR PRIDE

"Most important in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well." This statement from Baron Pierre de Coubertin, the founder of the modern Olympics, has become the Olympic Creed.

Ever since the ancient Roman Olympiad, the Games have been designed to promote peace and fellowship between athletes regardless of nationality.

Within the last decade, through boycotting, the Olympics have become more a political weapon than a competition to bring about peace. The main reason for boycotting is that it hurts the income of the host country. In 1980 the United States boycotted the Olympic games in Moscow and many other nations joined our country. Now with the 1984 Olympics approaching in Los Angeles, Soviet Union officials have announced that Russian athletes will boycott the games.

Russia really can't be blamed for their actions; after all we did boycott the Games in Moscow. However, our reason was more clearly defined than theirs. The U.S. boycotted in 1980 because of the Soviet Union invasion of Afghanistan. When Russia announced their decision to boycott this year they said it was because the U.S. was not providing enough security for athletes and generally destroying the credibility of the Olympic Games. Now, is that a solid argument? Hardly! But then what is a solid reason for boycotting?

Meanwhile the athletes become the innocent victims of the political controversy. You must put yourself in their position to realize how devastating the decision to boycott the Games can be. These are athletes who have worked most of their lives to become the very best in the world. Many athletes, for example swimmers and gymnasts, will never have another chance because they are "world class" for such a short time. They have sacrificed family and jobs and devoted hours and hours and hours of hard work to excel in their sports. It seems unfair that their dreams can be destroyed because their government has used the Olympic Games as a weapon.

Disappointment is also there for the athletes who attend while their competitors remain in their home countries. One U.S. Olympic hopeful said that if he did win a medal at Los Angeles it would not mean as much because his best competition would not be there. These athletes are being denied the opportunity to show that they are truly the best in the world.

World leaders along with the International Olympic Committee need to take a good look at the real purpose of the Olympics. It appears that boycotting is causing rather than solving problems. It is still possible for the Russians to reverse their decision. But even then we can't be sure of what will happen in Seoul in 1988.

"Most important in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part..." Maybe world leaders should look at the ideals of the Olympics and uphold those values by striving for peace.

Michelle Scarborough

Looking toward state:

Govs place high in conference

After a strong third place finish in the ESD conference track meet at Mitchell May 12, boys' head Coach Vern Miller is optimistic about the Regional and State track meets.

The team placed third in the ESD track meet, 74 points behind Yankton with 103 points and Mitchell with 95 points. Mr. Miller, very pleased with the track meet, said, "The boys' team had a super effort by all members."

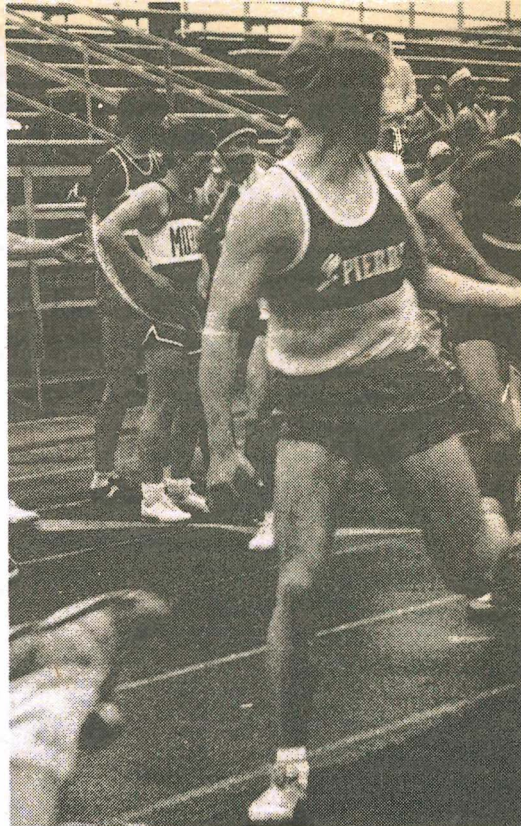
Pierre had two first place finishes. Daryl Schofield won the 200 meters in 22.66. Pierre's 800 meter relay team of Steve Williamson, Chris Miller, Jason Kaul, and Daryl Schofield won in 1:33.59.

The day saw two school records fall. Daryl Schofield cleared 6'3 3/8" in the high jump, and Craig Howard broke the 300 meter hurdle record with a time of 41.7.

Other placings and times were: **Second place** - Sprint medley relay, 3:46.1 (Forest Lidel, Chris Miller, Steve Williamson, Keith Albertson). High jump - Daryl Schofield, 6'3 3/8".

Third Place: 300 meter hurdles, Craig Howard, 41.7; high jump, Jeff Merkle, 6'1"; long jump, Steve Williamson, 20'2"; shot put, Scott Raue, 48'2 1/2"; 1600 meter relay, Keith Albertson, Chris Miller, Daryl Schofield, Jason Kaul, 3:32.1.

Fourth Place: Shot put, Gary



HAND OFF . . . Chris Miller passes the baton to

Goglin, 48'2"; discus, Gary Goglin, 134'8".

Special recognition is extended to those who competed well but did not

Practice rodeos prepare team for

Pierre High School Rodeo Club members have one team trophy and a number of top-place finishes to their merit as they look forward to the June Regional High School Rodeo.

Several members have already competed in and placed in three different practice high school rodeos. At the Highmore rodeo held May 6, Julie Etkorn placed first in the barrel racing with teammate Joan Hardwick placing second. Mark Howard won

the saddle bronc riding.

Pierre once again won the Winner High School Rodeo team trophy. In the bareback riding Mark Howard took second while Mike Slator and Todd Larsen tied for third.

Sherry Maher had an excellent day sweeping the barrel racing with the top time, taking second in goat tying, third in pole bending, and placing second in the all-around competition.

The Cottonwood rodeo was held

Hurdles set new records



PRACTICE . . . Carrie Venner, record holder for the 300 hurdles, demonstrates her winning style. (photo by Kellen Levisen)

well in AA, you need experienced runners."

Senior Spotlight: Coach Lundeen comments on the seniors.

Tara Tessier: "With the nice weather she is rounding in top form. She is probably one of the top middle-distance runners in the state."

Trish Murphy: "One of our sprinters, she has the job of keeping us in the sprint relays and the short sprints. She seems to run her best as we near the end of the year."

So Karim: "As a member of the 3200 and 1600 meter relays, she has run good times this year and has the job of holding us in the top of the

pack so our anchor has a chance to keep up."

Karen Koistinen: "Karen has had an outstanding year so far and her times are coming down. She is one of the main keys for the three relays she runs in."

Tanya Jennings: "Tanya is one of the steadiest workers. She runs in the 3200 relay and the 800 run, where she always gives her best."

Theresa Volmer: "Theresa is an outstanding competitor. She has speed and endurance. Because of the success of the other relay teams, she is sometimes overlooked as one of our key runners."

ference



Jason Kaul at the Pierre Legion Relays. (photo by Kellen Levisen.)

place: Dave Ellenbecker, Scott Rounds, Lorne Lawrence, Dan Fischer, Eric Grossman, Matt Culberston, Daryl Smith, and Brett Owens.

lune regional

May 12 and 13. Placing at Cottonwood were Mark Gran - first in saddle bronc riding and second in bareback riding, and Shan Hart placed second in the barrel racing.

The rodeo team will be traveling to Chamberlain June 9 and 10 for the regional high school rodeo. Here members will compete for the opportunity to travel to the State High School Rodeo which will be held June 22-24 in New Underwood.



WHAT A SWING...Rhonda Buhl takes a swing during a practice at Hillside Golf Course. (photo by Kellen Levisen)

Golfers qualify for state contest

Lady Gov Golfers participated earlier this week in the State Golf meet hosted here in Pierre. Qualifying for it were all five varsity members: Jill Tobin, Pat Neuharth, Jamie Benham, Connie Sibson and Kristin TenEyck.

The Team won their honors at State, earlier at the Regional meet in Winner. Jill Tobin placed first at the Regional tournament.

Reflecting on the season, Coach Rich Jenson feels his team has had much success. "Anytime you can golf around 400 as a team, you can compete with anyone in the state."

"I feel that this has been the toughest girls golf team Pierre has ever had. We've had individual stand-outs such as Karin Doyle, but never a team to back it up," he said.

He feels that future success will greatly key on playing time during the summer. With three seniors graduating, J.V. members will be working hard for next year. J.V. members are Bridgette Banks, Stacey Bartlett, Rhonda Buhl, and Sarah Adam.

Draper takes State

Steve Draper, a junior at Riggs, recently won the boys handicap division at the Coca-Cola National Junior Bowling Tournament in Sioux Falls. That means Steve received an expense-paid trip to Minneapolis to bowl in a tournament with bowlers from 50 states.

All of these bowlers will be competing for a first place \$5,000 scholarship, second place \$3,000 scholarship, third place \$2,000 and fourth \$1,000.

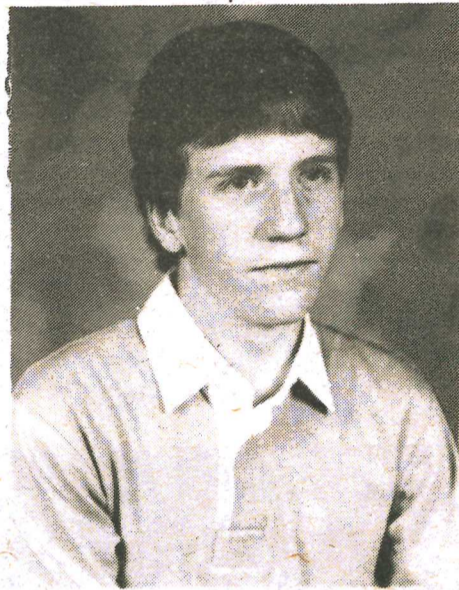
Steve qualified for the state tournament by bowling a 236, his personal record. Before the bowling alley burned down, Steve was bowling two to three times every week. He was only able to bowl one time (in Rapid City) after the fire, except for a few practice games in Sioux Falls.

Steve started bowling five years ago and currently bowls in the Bankwest Majors league for Zim's Pros, the team which has won the League bowling for the last three years. Other members of Zim's Pros include Kevin Zimmerman, Rod Zickrick, and Alan Schnabel.

Steve felt competition at the state level was tough, but he still won the tournament "partly by luck." He said

he got tips from Doris Myers, the coach of his league. He attributed his success to "lots of practice."

Steve goes to Minnesota July 4 - 9. Friday and Saturday will be spent bowling three block games (3 games bowled 4 times) and Sunday the top 24 individuals will bowl three more block games until there is a winner. Steve feels he has a pretty good chance in Minneapolis.



Steve Draper

Tessier earns Prep All-American

The State Track meet and the end of the track season mark the end of an outstanding high school athletic career for Tara Tessier. Tara has been named to the 1984 Prep-All American Girls Sport Team.

Tara has participated on the basketball and track and field teams. She is one of the 102 high school seniors from 42 states chosen for the Prep team based on her outstanding athletic achievements.

The Prep All-American Girls

Sports Team annually recognizes senior girls from high schools across the country for outstanding athletic performance. Top competitors in any of the inter-scholastic varsity sports are eligible for the team.

Tara plans to go on to school at SDSU where she will major in English. She has received an athletic scholarship to SDSU. Tara's most memorable moment during her high school athletic career was, "When we won Girls State A's in 1982."

Faculty is off and running!

by Gene Nelson and Dan Fischer

The youth of America were the first to be propelled into the fitness craze that has grabbed this nation, but few students know of how this same craze has evolved to include their teachers. Unseen by the student body several faculty members have been inconspicuously putting in the miles.

Peer pressure and the fact that "everyone else" runs are the main reasons why students run, but why do teachers run? The purpose behind their drive to run can be mostly credited to the physical aspect.

Cross Country Coach, Mr. Henjum said that running renewed his energy and made him feel not only better about himself but also more in shape. Others, however, run for different reasons. Mrs. DeAntoni said she initially ran because of her husband's involvement in the sport.

An everyday running program can often be perceived as a tedious, redundant, sadistic practice. But, from the beginning novice to the most ardent enthusiast, all will claim that running is anything but that.

A sort of "twisted" humor can develop in a runner toward things that may occur during his/her run. Mr.

Henjum pointed out that while out running big dogs don't bother him, but "those Kamikazie little dogs are a true problem".

Strange occurrences happening to teachers while out running were not scarce. Mrs. MacNally remembered once when a large sewer rat ran down the street apparently chasing after Mrs. DeAntoni, who was waiting for Mrs. MacNally.

Other teachers beat the apparent boredom of a daily running program by just enjoying the time they spend out running. "Pierre is fairly peaceful," said Mr. Terry Peterson "the most that usually happens is some people honk at you, besides that I just enjoy running."

There is no doubt that the running craze, which has affected the faculty, the students, and everyone else for that matter, is here to stay. Running has shown to be reviving, physically beneficial, fun, and most of all it's for everyone.

Boy's distance track coach, Skip Kurth gave this advice to people just starting out "begin with a pacable distance you can make so you don't become discouraged; also, know what you're trying to accomplish."

RIGGS HIGH GOVERNOR

KCCR project adds new angle to Journalism II

"And here today with the KCCR Riggs Report is..." these words introduce a new student project undertaken by seniors in the Journalism II class.

Three times a week, each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4:30 pm, through May 25, Journalism II students take to the airwaves to discuss the issues and activities of Riggs High. Students in the class organized, selected topics and planned interviews for the programs.

Instrumental in the class project was KCCR newsman Jeff Simon. Simon visited the class several times to brief students on radio background, news interviewing and recording techniques.

"Mr. Simon and KCCR have been very generous with their time and facilities," said Mrs. Laitala, instructor. "We certainly owe them a big 'thank you' for making this journalism experience available to the students."

Journalism II students are also, and primarily, involved with writing, layout, and editing of the high school yearbook, the Gumbo. Under the instruction of Terry Peterson, the class, which consists of Gumbo staffers, keeps the wheels turning to complete the book by June.

"The staff did a very efficient job and easily made all the deadlines," Mr. Peterson said. "Overall they should be commended."

This year is the first time the class has been split between the two instructors and has incorporated several aspects of journalism.

"The class has been very exciting," said Rhonda Smith. "This is my first writing course, and I have learned many new ways of expressing myself on paper. I have really enjoyed the open atmosphere of the class and being a part of this year's Gumbo."

Class members also studied some press law and were in charge



ON THE AIR . . . Seniors Carrie Wegener and Rhonda Smith visit KCCR control room with news director Jeff Simon.

of writing and tabulating the senior survey for the Senior Issue.

Members of the class are Steph Barden, Troy Goldhammer, Mary Huckins, Pam Janklow, Charles

McGuigan, Chris Miller, Jeff Mortimer, Marsha Salyer, Marcine Schatz, Rhonda Smith, Tara Tessier, Holly Warnick, and Carrie Wegener.

Governor staff receives awards

Governor staff members earned five awards in the annual Spring Writing Contest, a state-wide journalism competition sponsored by the South Dakota High School Press Association.

Photographer Chris Hipple won a first place with a photo essay of the Lady Gobs at State A. This is his second first-place award in the state competition. He also won an Honorable Mention for a written column that appeared on the Governor editorial page.

Honorable Mention awards were also presented to Tanya Manus for a general feature; Kevin Steever,

for general feature, and to Suzi Stein, for front page design. These awards were announced in the April edition of High School EDITOR, a SDHSPA publication.

Pierre's All State Journalist Connie Hudson also placed in a recent writing contest. She received a second-place award and two third-place awards for her stories submitted to Story-of-the-Month, a competition for All Staters.

Custodian Retires

Les Brinkman, custodian at Riggs, will be retiring due to an illness after spending seven of his ten years with the Pierre Public School System at Riggs.

"I think I will miss talking to the teachers and seeing the students most of all," said Les. He is a member of the Audobon Society and plans to pass free time watching birds and working in his garden.

On The Other Hand...

As I daydream during lecture
Of all the things this year has passed
I really must be frank with you -
I'm glad this week's the last.

Sure, I've learned all sorts of things
That I'll need in years to come,
And sure, I've made a lot of friends
With whom I've had some fun.

But this school has an ugly side
That I know you all know about
It's the ugly side of people
And the things they can't do without

Some can't do without some crib notes
Some can't make it without their booze
I know several caffeine addicts
And know a guy on ludes

I'm tired of watching lovers
As I wander down the hall,
And tobacco in the fountains
Is something I won't miss at all.

There's at least a thousand other things
That I won't even mention
'Cause sure as you're alive today
I know I'd get detention.

So cry a tear of sentiment
As you say goodbyes this year,
But I look on the other hand
And am glad to get out of here.

The Unknown Sophomore



A DAY ON THE JOB . . . Connie Hudson works with Capital Journal editor Terry Wooster as a part of the All-State Journalist Day on the Job program.

YMCA offers many work experiences

by Pat McKeever

Pierre offers a variety of places to work for high school students fast food chains, hardware stores, grocery stores and others, but none offer a greater variety of on-the-job work experiences as the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA).

Workers there are exposed to anything from helping little kids learn to swim to doing behind-the-desk office work.

Sophomore Scott Rounds, who does office work and work with control where racketball courts are scheduled, paid for and such, enjoys his job at the Y because, "It provides a good atmosphere where I can do the things I enjoy and still get in some on-the-job work experience."

Some of the jobs people do at the Y include supervising the racketball courts, teaching racketball and swimming lessons, lifeguarding, working in the office coaching sports and supervising special youth programs like day camps, birthday parties and over-nighters.

One of the things Kathy Dean, life guard and swim instructor, likes best about her job is "watching the boys."

During the summer the Y sponsors kinder-kamp and day camp. Being a counselor for one of these provides an excellent opportunity for people who are considering a job that deals with children such as teaching.

"You really develop friendships with some of those kids," said junior Ronnie Sines, counselor.

Overall, all of the Y workers seem pretty pleased with their jobs. Their only complaint is that the pay is a little low, but as sophomore, Mark Schneider said, "I guess that's understandable, after all, this is a non-profit organization and our work isn't that demanding."

The majority of the part time workers are high school age with nearly 20 Riggs students employed at the Y. Among the reasons for employing high schoolers is that teens seem to relate better with

kids than adults do. "You've got to like kids to work at the Y," said senior Kris Ten Eyck.

Also, by hiring youth, the Y is going one step further in carrying out its motto, "Dedicated to the development of youth."

Kirby List, program director for the Y summed it up this way, "The Y believes in giving responsible youth the opportunity to earn a little money and at the same time be exposed to real-life work experiences."

At a time when a job is hard to come by, about 20 Riggs students have found work they actually seem to enjoy at the YMCA.



ON A ROLL . . . Marcine Schatz enjoys working with children at a YMCA outing.

SENIORS & PARENTS PARTY: "84 OLYMPICS"



Rock On!



SOMEBODY CATCH ME!...Julie Jenson slides into the Senior Parent Party.

ROCK ON! . . . The senior parents entertain.

"HAVE A COKE AND A SMILE" . . . Jennifer Nagel grins while watching the evening activities.

"GEE, THAT'S FOR ME?" . . . Troy Curtis getting his 'dough' from Judie Gittings.

"JUST EAT IT" . . . Rich Andre, Clay Seachrls, and Brad Stewart 'pig out'.

Marcie Byer shows her enthusiasm about graduation!

BUDDIES FOREVER...Kari Kruse, Joan Sheppard, Marcie Wagner and Jeanie Tobin.

"HIT ME"...Ann Lesniak and Carol Morris play '21' with parent Leo Gittings.



Graduation's over.
A new beginning starts.
There is now a fear inside you.
It's set within your heart.

We shall follow, seek
And endeavor to become
The survivors.

Lorri Stanek



Time to go summer's here
The fate of life is finally near
Keep a close watch on the road you walk
It's going to be rough making it to the top

Look at all of us
Sitting here so cool
Thinking back on the years
The joy, the wins, the fun and tears.
Now We have come this far
Only to start anew

Yet we must go on
Standing tall, we'll never fall
Our minds are young
Our hearts are strong
There's a new world...
Where we belong

It's time to walk alone now.
It's time to take a stand.
It's time to start living.
No one can take your hand.

Times ahead look tough
And surviving could be rough
But if you believe in me,
I will believe in you
For even though we'll be apart
The memory lives on in our heart
So keep your head up high
Just remember, a dream should never die.

Will you remember me?
I know I'll remember you
And days when we were small & young
When our lives had just begun.
But now that we have grown
Separate ways we each will go
To seek our fortune and fame
Straight and true, must be our aim

We proudly stand behind you.
In everything you do.
We know you'll take the right path
We have that faith in you.

Lynda Creager

Eric Venner

Michael Williamson

Governor announces new editors

Juniors Connie Hudson and Michelle Scarborough moved into the **GOVERNOR'S** editor position this month. Hudson, an All-State Staffer, was a news page editor the past year. Scarborough moved up from sports editor.

Suzi Stein, 1983-84 editor, will conclude her high school journalism career by heading the staff for the traditional Senior Issue.

"Both Connie and Michelle are talented writers and dedicated staff workers, and the Governor is looking forward to another good year under their leadership," said Mrs. Laitala, adviser. "Suzi and the current staff have done a great job for the school this year."

Under Stein and the 1983-84 staff the **Governor** has updated its nameplate and page headings, and expanded the scope of the editorial section.

"I worked with a lot of talented people who were hard workers and who were willing to put in a lot of time for the school," Stein said. She will be studying journalism at South Dakota State University this fall.

"I believe the new staff is excited about the potential and the possibilities for student voice and excellent journalism that exists with the Governor," Mrs. Laitala said. The May issue is the 1984-85 staff's first issue.

Joining the new editors at the helm next year will be Karen Powell, Thea Miller, Sarah Adam and Shelly O'Day on news. Feature editors will be Kellen Levisen, Mari Ward and Dan Fischer.

Veteran sports editor Liz Porter will continue assisted by Gene Nelson and Mark Schneider. Nancy Leach will continue as exchange editor and Levisen will continue as photographer.

Other members of the staff will be Jason Cool, Pam DeGreef, Heather Duggan, Lisa Englund, Craig Feigum, Nanette Hofer, Dee Ann Jerde, Shelly O'Day, Paul Robbennolt, Ingrid Schmidt, Brian Weiss, Pat McKeever.



Colleen Cowan

Colleen goes 'Down Under'

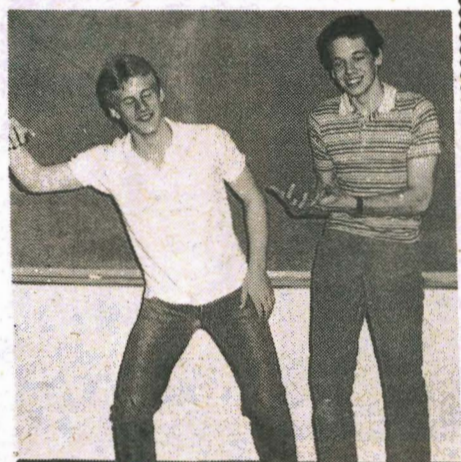
Senior Colleen Cowan will be traveling to Australia in August as part of FFA's Work Experience Abroad (WEA) Program.

The WEA makes it possible for FFA members to travel to over 25 foreign countries. Those participating in the program spend anywhere from three months to a year working on foreign farms, traveling, and representing the FFA on an international scale.

Colleen became interested in the program after a fellow FFA member returned from a three month stay in Japan. She began organizing her materials in December and finally submitted her application in March. Colleen received an \$840.00 scholarship from Pioneer Hybrid Seeds to apply towards the \$2,500.00 travel fee.

Colleen will leave South Dakota in late August and spend a week in San Francisco at orientation sessions. From San Francisco, she will fly to Australia to spend six months working on various farms around the country.

Colleen remarked, "I'm really looking forward to this experience. It's not often a person my age gets a chance to travel internationally."



Happenings in the classroom

FIRST ANNUAL... Invisible Pet Speeches in Mr. Larsen's class presented competition for students. (upper left) Darla Elsna, Paul Williams and Marcie Lyngstad were awarded ribbons in fifth period. Above: Jason Kaul and Matt Powers won for first period. Students are pictured with their pets.



INDUSTRIAL ARTS... Visitors observe small engines during Arts Fair. (Photo by Levisen)

NEWS BRIEFS

Students attend camp

Nine Pierre students will be attending the South Dakota Youth Conservation Camp at Custer State Park in June. Selected for the camp are sophomores James Cox, Terri Nelson, Troy Talsma, Chris Krogman and Darin Sanders. Juniors attending will be Greg Broz, Gary Goglin, Jeff Long, and Mel Zimmer.

1984 Super Staff

Jeff Mortimer, Charles McGuigan, Mary Huckins, and

Marcine Schatz were chosen for the 1984 Gumbo "Super Staff". These members were picked by the staff and advisor, Terry Peterson, for recognition of their excellent efforts throughout the year.

Fun-n-Fitness Fails

Falling short of the Fun-n-Fitness seal goal, the art and computer departments raised only 5,000 of their needed 15,000 seals.

Next year the art club will try to raise the rest of the money.

Larsen serves

English teacher Ken Larsen leads a busy life with his interests and involvements extending beyond the walls of Riggs High School.

Moving up in Ft. Pierre city government, Larsen was elected president of the Ft. Pierre City Council this month after being sworn in for his second term.

He was also recently named State Director of a National Council Teachers of English writing project. He has served as secretary/treasurer for the South Dakota Council of Teachers of English for the past two years.

Larsen has been a writing consultant since 1981 when he was named one of the top 20 best composition teachers in the South Dakota Writing Project.

Scholarships continued from page 1

Holly Warnick: \$100 USD Ringley Scholarship
 Calvin Jones: \$200 Dordt College Scholarship-Sioux Center, IA, National Merit Letter of Commendation
 Doreen Sanders: \$200 Vocational Kiwanis Scholarship, \$100 Professional Secretary Scholarship
 Sayra Maberry: \$100 Past Presidents American Legion Auxilliary
 Jami Benham: \$200 Booster Club Award
 Karen Koistinen: \$200 Booster Club Award, \$150 AB PEO Book Scholarship, \$50 Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship
 Michaela Walker: \$75 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Kari Vetos: \$75 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Rhonda Smith: \$75 Knights of Columbus Scholarship, \$100 Student of the Year Award, \$1,000 Augustana Academic Scholarship
 Barb Cordts: \$100 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Charles McGuigan: \$100 Knights of Columbus Scholarship, ROTC Scholarship

Suzie Stein: \$100 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Mark Anderson: \$100 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Amy Peterson: \$100 Knights of Columbus Scholarship
 Mike Williamson: Pierre Players Bea Lindberg Memorial Award
 Stephanie Barden: Pierre Players Bea Lindberg Memorial Award
 Craig Feigum: Youth Business Academy Scholarship-SD Chamber of Commerce
 Tina Olson: Youth Business Academy Scholarship-SD Chamber of Commerce
 Kendra Jorgensen: Youth Business Academy Scholarship-SD Chamber of Commerce
 Thea Miller: Youth Business Academy Scholarship-SD Chamber of Commerce
 Val Scott: \$100 Jane Riter Memorial Peo Scholarship
 Paul Robbennolt: \$100 Jane Riter Memorial Peo Scholarship
 Governor editorial awards went to: Suzi Stein, editor; other editors, Tanya Manus, Troy Curtis, Kellen Levisen, Thea Miller,

Karen Powell, Connie Hudson, Amy Peterson, Michelle Scarborough, Liz Porter, and Nancy Leach.

Drama Awards: Cathy Miller, Sandy Kern, Terri Quigley, Stacy Stofferahn, Tara Watson, and Stephanie Barden.

Youth Business Academy Scholarships: Craig Feigum, Tina Olson, Kendra Jorgensen, and Thea Miller.

Girl Staters: Liz Porter, Michele Scarborough, Connie Hudson, and Cassi Kuck.
 Choral Awards: Outstanding Sophomore, Trent Deyo; Outstanding Junior, John Higgins; and Outstanding Senior, Billy Ek.

National Choral Award (overall 3 years -most outstanding): Mary Huckins.

Accompanist Awards: Mary Huckins, Cassi Kuck, Jennifer Woster, Marcie Lyngstad, Gary Jorgenson, Ronnie Sines, Darla Eisnach, and Stacey Stofferahn.

Band Awards: Outstanding Sophomore, Darla Eisnach; Outstanding Junior, Val Scott; and Outstanding Senior, Mike Williamson.

John Philip Sousa Band Award - Mary Huckins.