



# GOVERNOR



**ROYALTY...**Mark Anderson and Tara Tessier were crowned homecoming Marshal and Queen to top off homecoming events. (Photo by Chris Hipple)

## Governors celebrate Homecoming

Homecoming resulted in both victory and a possible loss interwoven into the weeklong festivities. Victory was delivered by the Governors football team as they downed Huron. Defeat may be found in the possible loss of privileges resulting from activities at Kangaroo Court.

Thursday's activities centered around the crowning of Mark Anderson as Marshall and Tara Tessier as Queen. Burning of the letters folled and the Pep Club proceeded to paint the streets of Pierre.

Friday afternoon gave Riggs the

much anticipated Kangaroo Court. The Powder Puff game followed the seniors holding up tradition by winning 6-0. Friday night brought the long awaited Homecoming game.

Much question surrounds the continuance of Kangaroo Court, Powder Puff, and some Pep Club activities.

Principal Roger Lonbaken said mostly rumors are circulating now, but problems do exist. "Any time you get pried in the hair you have problems. Someone is going to get hurt.

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## Emerald Regiment opens year at Luverne

Emerald Regiment Marching Band members returned from the Sept. 24 Tri-State Marching Band competition with a fourth place, the same rating they earned last year.

The contest was both a competitive event and a learning event for, the unit members participated in a clinic presented by the U.S. Marines Drum and Bugle Corps. The Regiment opened its performing season at homecoming the night prior to the Luverne trip.

Band members were pleased with their opening show and felt that the crowd was both enthusiastic and appreciative.

Next in line for the band is the

Optimist Club of Brookings Marching Competition where the Regiment last year earned a highly prized third place. The band will do a lot of polishing their performance between now and then to improve that rating, according to Paul Upsahl, director.

Mr. Upsahl and the recorded comments of the Tri-state judges indicated that the band needs work in marching and maneuvering general effect and music execution general effect.

The band is in a unique situation this year, Upsahl explained, noting that the Regiment had to recruit musicians from the Freshman Class in order to fill its ranks.



**STRUT YOUR STUFF...**Members of the Emerald Regiment perform before Pierre fans during the homecoming halftime show.

## Students earn merit awards

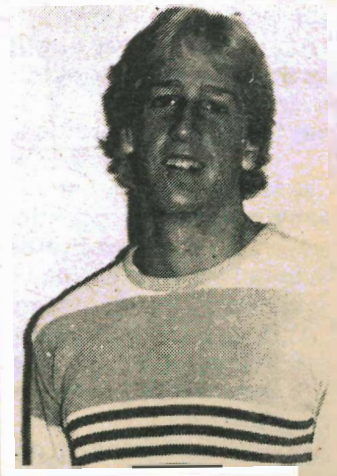
Senior Daryl Schofield has been named a Semi-Finalist while classmate Jeff Mortimer has been named a Commended Student in the 1984 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Schofield as a semifinalist is one of the 15,000 students representing the top half of one percent of this year's senior class. Mortimer placed in the top five percent of the over one million Merit Program participants.

The two automatically entered the competition by taking the PSAT/NMSQT in the fall of 1982.

To attain the finalist classification, Schofield will be required to document his high academic performance and to take a second examination to confirm his previous qualifying test score. He will also be required to submit letters of recommendation and endorsement.

In addition to his academic excellence, which is demonstrated in grades, National Honor Society membership and his selection for Boys State, Schofield competes for Riggs in football, basketball and track. Recently he was elected Senior Class vice president.



Daryl Schofield

Mortimer was also a member of Boys State. He is chairman of South Dakota Teenage Republicans and participates in the Gumbo staff. Jeff works full-time at Sioux Mobil.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>SDEA Vacation</b>                     | <b>October 12, 13 and 14</b> |
| <b>Parent-Teacher Conferences</b>        | <b>20 and 21</b>             |
| <b>Junior High-High School Fall Sing</b> | <b>25</b>                    |

## Fine arts building Work continues

"The Junior High kids have really pulled through for us, and without them, we might have had some problems," Upsahl said. About eight boys and girls arrive for band practice at 7 a.m. and then leave early in order to get to classes at the junior high.

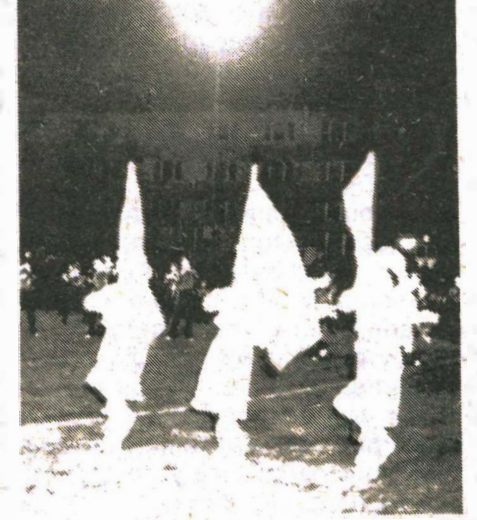
Returning drum major Michael Williamson leads the band. Senior Kari Vetos and junior Val Palmer share flag corps captain responsibilities.

Along with a new drum major's uniform, the band will be receiving new flags before the end of October.

Nearly 100 members are marching with the Regiment and have

been practicing a half hour earlier than last year to accommodate the junior high members. Practice began in July and will continue until Oct.27, when the band will perform at the last Governor football game.

Currently the band is raising funds through a pizza sale for a spring trip. The proposed trip will span several days and involve competition in all areas of band.



**FLAG CORPS...**works hard in hand with the Emerald Regiment.

Construction workers have been putting in long hours to take advantage of the good fall weather and sunlight in efforts to complete the entry and commons area of the new fine arts building by the first of October.

Rain in June and then a delay in receiving steel girders put the building behind schedule this summer. The \$2 million project is scheduled for full operation at the beginning of the 1984-85 school year, according to Principal Roger Lonbaken.

Presently form work for the staging and orchestration pit is going on, as well as work in the control rooms. Much brick and concrete block work is being done while the construction workers are waiting for steel. **Continued on page 2**

# EDITORIAL

## Doctor's advice solves difficulties

Does your mother make remarks insinuating you don't spend enough time at home?

Does your brother insinuate where you spend your time is questionable?

Does your father constantly want to talk about it?

If these problems exist in your household, do not despair! Take control of the situation by:

- laughing at your family members and suggesting that they grow up.
- acting like the adult you are (or should we say, mature adolescent) and tell your family to get with the program.
- not going home at all.

In this age of the so-called "self-sufficient" teenagers, many times family members become obstacles to the natural process of autonomy. This can be taken care of by:

- running around these obstacles.
- running them out.
- running them over.

If you feel the above suggestions would not benefit you and you'd like a solution which would bring you into good graces on the home front, try:

- telling your parents where you are going.
- telling your brother where to go.
- taking your father with you.

Many may feel suggestion "b" would do more harm than good. However, don't worry; brothers have no grace.

To conclude on a serious note, we have compiled four rules which we will call "The Adolescent's Law of Running the Household":

- Do not neglect your rarely seen parents.
- If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all.
- Don't make it your duty to break the thin lines of communication.
- If worst comes to worst, kick your favorite pet. Preferably a dog.

Dr. S and Associates

## Letter:

Instead of the school spirit that is usually associated with the homecoming pep rally, the student body this year seemed to have more of a spirit to beat their classmates than to beat their opponents.

We believe kangaroo court should be humorous, done in good taste, and held to stimulate the school spirit as has been the tradition in past years. Though these factors were involved this year,

others such as emotions, personal grudges, and near violent behavior entered in.

This type of class competitiveness is unnecessary and has cost the school bad feelings and possible the loss of some traditional activities. We should keep the traditions, but integrate better ideas.

Thea Miller  
Liz Porter

## Homecoming continued from Page 1

Powder Puff's controversial issue deals mainly with liability. The fact that some students may not be healthy enough to play and there's no use of protective equipment, puts quite a responsibility on the school. Principal Lonbaken says he has no answer at this time.

As for Pep Club activities, it will cost thousands of dollars to clean

up what some are painting on the walls by the field. Mr. Lonbaken said painting should be done by the Pep Club, not just anyone.

Before any definite action is taken faculty will give all points careful consideration and try to get everyone's opinion, including the students' view.

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When complete, the 1000-seat theater will be scheduled for both school and community use.

The construction has affected student parking. Currently 85 parking spots are lost, but 60 of these will be back in use in 1984 when workers and equipment are gone.

Mr. Lonbaken noted that the parking problems have been minimal, and that if students park carefully, there are 30-35 parking spaces on the side of the building that are not currently being used.

Riggs' notorious "U" will not be changed any more than it already has been, but the flag pole will be moved.

Due to several changes, the final project will cost just under \$2 million, slightly over the original \$1.8 million bid.



Sorry Spot, but daddy says I have to finish my logarithms and Chemistry before I can play ball.

## Regents boost college requirements

This summer the Board of Regents came to a decision on the final education requirements for admission into the South Dakota

state schools. These requirements will first affect those students who will be entering the state colleges in 1987, students now in their

freshman year of high school.

These requirements are four years of English, two years of a lab science, two years of the same foreign language, three years of social studies, two years of math (but three are recommended), one semester of computer science, and one semester of fine arts.

## Sophs entertain Senior Class

By Chris Hipple

Behind every outstanding group of seniors there lies the lowly Sophomore Class. The sophomores historically serve a valuable purpose that most seniors seem to overlook: comic relief. Could you imagine how dull the days would get without a soph dropping his books, or a soph finding out what Celebrity Corner is all about?

Any Sophomore Class could serve this purpose, they are all so well suited for it. However, our Sophomore Class is an outstanding one for senior humor. For example, anything resembling wit goes straight over their heads. The next trait of our sophomores is their height. It looks like a field trip from elementary is up here. Jeff Mortimer remarked that he likes seeing something other than kneecaps in the halls.

The Sophomore Class is not without support though. Mr. Thuringer (known as "Mr. T.") is commonly known to appreciate sophomores for their ability to laugh non-committally at his unique brand of humor.

When the tales of each year's homecoming week are told, many sophs' blood runs cold. Thoughts of graveyards, eggs, initiations and other horrors too terrible to mention course through their daily

thoughts. However kind each Senior Class has been, things always change come homecoming week and Kangaroo Court.

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## Search for excitement yields 'Friday Night Blahs'

by Mike Williamson

Ah, it's Friday night. What to do, what to do? "I don't know, what are you going to do?"

"Oh, I don't know, but I'll give you a call."

"Okay."

Sound familiar? That endless quest for fun and enjoyment on that long-awaited Friday night seems to be a never-ending problem. What is there to do?

Well, first off you think of "the game." Oh, yes. Thank goodness for football and girls basketball games. Without them I believe we would all surely be lost. If anything, you can go to the game and find out what everybody is going to do afterwards—"Oh, I don't know."

But what about those dreadful nights when there is no game! Well, one could always cruise Euclid, but believe me, I live on Euclid and there's not much to see.

Now if this all sounds like this article is going to give you a fantastic suggestion for what to do on the weekend, you're wrong. This is merely an observation.

Remember last year? "Let's go to Jake's!" Right? Since school started, attendance figures at Jake's have dropped considerably, somewhere around four freshmen on a good night.

I do have an idea. Why don't they make half-price night at the theatre Friday or Saturday night instead of

Tuesday night? Or, why don't they raise the age limit at the roller skating rink to 15, instead of four?

Okay, you don't think those will work. Well, why don't we get another radio station in Pierre so we don't have to listen to WLS and the background static just to have something good to listen to?

Some of you may be saying "Hey, there's always a party somewhere." Great, but if this is the case, hopefully the only thing you do won't be drinking beer. Well, if you are a person who needs that in order to have a good time, then I guess you don't have a problem deciding what to do on Friday or Saturday night.

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# Riggs' enrollment decreases; class ratios improve

Although the resulting student-teacher ratio of 18-1 is a positive point at Riggs, the school's declining enrollment may also carry some negative factors.

According to figures from Principal Roger Lonbaken, enrollment is down 12 students from last fall and now stands at 602 in grades 10, 11 and 12.

"We offer a lot of different classes, and because of this, enrollment in some specialty courses is small," Lonbaken said, adding that with the declining student population the enrollment in these classes could get smaller.

"This decline in student sign-up for some classes at the high

school could possibly result in staff cuts in the future," he said.

Overall, however, the total school district enrollment is up, totaling 2578, two more students than were recorded last fall. The larger enrollment in some lower elementary grades will eventually lead to a rise in high school enrollment.

Riggs enrollment is not the only one to drop in recent years. U.S. Census Bureau figures indicate that the number of births during the 1970's fell and that the birth rate did not begin a healthy growth until 1981. There are currently six million fewer public school children in America than there

were 10 years ago.

The number of high school graduates is expected to bottom out across the country between 1984 and 1987 and rise slowly after that, according to an April issue of the National Education Association TODAY paper.

The paper lists South Dakota as one of the states to experience a 20-39 percent decrease in graduates during this time.

Following are the 1982-83 and the 1983-84 enrollment figures:

Seniors		Juniors	
1982-83	1983-84	1982-83	1983-84
Female . . . . . 88	Female . . . . . 112	Female . . . . . 119	Female . . . . . 106
Male . . . . . 83	Male . . . . . 97	Male . . . . . 98	Male . . . . . 85
<b>Total . . . . . 181</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 209</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 217</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 191</b>

Juniors		Sophomores	
1982-83	1983-84	1982-83	1983-84
Female . . . . . 119	Female . . . . . 106	Female . . . . . 118	Female . . . . . 92
Male . . . . . 98	Male . . . . . 85	Male . . . . . 98	Male . . . . . 98
<b>Total . . . . . 217</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 191</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 216</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 190</b>

Special Ed	
1982-83	1983-84
Female . . . . . 118	Female . . . . . 92
Male . . . . . 98	Male . . . . . 98
<b>Total . . . . . 216</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 190</b>
<b>Special Ed . . . 12</b>	<b>Special Ed . . . 12</b>
<b>Total . . . . . 614</b>	<b>Total . . . . . 602</b>

## Pierre Riggs hosts Post-Planning Day

Post Planning Day, October 25, will offer students from Pierre and neighboring towns a chance to investigate several colleges as the students begin planning their futures.

Nearly 45 colleges, universities, vocational schools, and the military services will be on hand to meet with students.

Planning Day will run 1-3 p.m. with attendance requirements for Riggs students. According to Mavis Booze of the guidance staff, sophomores will be required to attend one session, juniors must attend at least two sessions, and seniors must attend all three sessions.

Riggs will host students from area schools for the event. Other schools attending will be Sully Buttes, Harrold, Stanley County, Crow Creek, and possibly Highmore and Philip.

## Student editor earns All-State Journalist honors

by Karen Powell

Junior Connie Hudson was recently named All State Journalist for her superior accomplishments at journalism camp held in June at South Dakota State University.



CONNIE HUDSON

The 15 high school journalists earning All State honors were described as the "cream of the crop" of the 60 students who participated in the camp, according to D.J. Cline, SDSU professor and camp director.

The All State Staff will be recognized Oct. 10 during the high school press convention at SDSU. They also earn the privilege of participating in the Day with a Legislator and a Day on the Job at a professional newspaper programs.

The only Riggs student at the

camp this summer, Hudson received other honors as well. She earned a first place award for news writing, and a second place award for a speech story. She also garnered two fourth place awards, one for "on the spot composition" and one for layout design.

Although the students also had fun activities like a pizza party, camp consisted of a lot of hard work and lots of outside homework. "A lot was expected from us. We put in many hours of intense work," Hudson said. "In fact, the work was more intense than that required during the school year."

Living in the dorms and eating meals at the campus cafeteria gave students the opportunity to know the campus and to experience the college life style. Hudson said the camp also gave her the opportunity to make lasting friendships and to get to know the different people from around the state.

Instructors from various state colleges headed four main camp groups which covered items including tips on interviewing, taking notes from speeches, collecting facts and writing stories from them, headline writing, and story layouts.

Connie doesn't plan to apply these skills directly to her future career, but she feels they will be beneficial to her as an elementary

school teacher and will help her to major in English in college.

Hudson feels she learned a great deal in many areas of writing and reporting. She says journalism and the art of writing have become more natural to her.

Hudson strongly recommends the camp for anyone interested in journalism. "It will teach you so much about journalism and writing that you'll never forget. I thought it was a super camp and a great opportunity which no one should miss," she said.

In the past summer Hudson also attended a 4-H conference in Brookings, the 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus in Washington, D.C. and Camp Miniwanca Leadership Camp in Michigan.



NEW TEACHERS... Miss Graney (left), Mr. McCrae (right) compare notes in the computer room.

## Junior Class exceeds sales goal; Bruhn/Laitala homeroom on top

Juniors proved to be super salesmen when they passed their goal of \$10,000 to end up with magazine sales totaling \$14,568.95.

"The main goal was to sell one more magazine than the juniors did last year," said Mrs. Birhanzel, the head advisor. Forty percent of the profits from the two-week sale will help to finance the spring junior-senior prom.

"These juniors have done a terrific job. All of the advisors are proud of their homerooms," Mrs. Birhanzel said. "I doubt that any other class will be able to accomplish what this class has done."

Various incentives, other than the prom, motivated juniors. The first place Bruhn-Laitala homeroom enjoyed all-you-can-eat

pizza party Thursday night for selling a total of 243 magazines. Monday drawing winners Kim Merkwan and Kim Thompson each took home a portable stereo.

For every \$75 worth of sales, the seller received a milk mug, and for each Time, Sports Illustrated or TV Guide subscription the junior received a free Big Mac certificate.

The Dirty Dozen, the 12 top sales people in the class, win a Pierre Governors stadium blanket and are eligible for top salesperson in the state.

The Dirty Dozen are Deanne Hawk, Amy Hawkins, Audra Lindbloom, Lisa Englund, Trent Score, Kendra Jorgenson, Dee Anne Jerde, Dori Nelson, Julie Hagemann, Kevin Paulson, Brad Christenson, and Trish Smith.

## Graney, McCrae join Riggs' staff

Riggs has two new teachers this year. Marcia Graney is the new foreign language teacher, handling both German and Spanish. Stephen McCrae joins the math and science departments teaching chemistry, computers, and Algebra II.

Miss Graney taught school in Wisconsin for two years before coming to Pierre two years ago. She has majors in history and Spanish and a minor in German. Before coming to Riggs, Miss Graney worked as the Vocational Coordinator at Capitol Area Counseling and in the Department of Water and Natural Resources.

Miss Graney and her sister have a 50-acre ranch north of Pierre where they raise registered horses. They also have a variety of other

farm animals including goats and dogs.

The "Western hospitality and the friendliness of the local people" were major factors in Miss Graney's decision to settle near Pierre.

Mr. McCrae is from Philadelphia where he worked as a chemist before going to graduate school to become a teacher. He majored in chemistry and education.

Mr. McCrae and his wife have been in Pierre for a month. He says he likes it even though "there's nothing too exciting on Saturday nights."

Mr. McCrae came to Pierre because the people are friendly, there's less crime and pollution, and the kids are easier to teach. He plans to stay in Pierre.

# SPORTS

## Governors defeat Tigers for homecoming victory

By Mike Thompson

A second-half surge lifted the Pierre Governors, who now are 4-0, to a 20 to 12 homecoming victory over ESD foe Huron. Pierre is off to their best start in 4 years.

This week the governors face winless ESD opponent, Aberdeen, who was beaten 26-6 by Yankton. Then the Governors return home for a two game stand against Yankton Oct. 7 and Brookings Oct. 14.

Going into the game, the Governors had beaten Bismarck, N.D., Winner, and Madison. Huron, meanwhile, had lost three tough, close battles to Sioux Falls Lincoln, Yankton, and Brookings.

Still early in the season, it looks as if Pierre, Mitchell, and always-tough Yankton are gong to be the teams to beat in the ESD as they have jumped to 2-0 ESD records and 4-0 overall.

The game against Huron started off in favor of the winless Tigers. The Tiger offense scored two

touchdowns against the ESD's no. 2 ranked defense, and it appeared as though Huron was going to take control. On defense, Huron stopped Pierre time and time again. Holding Pierre scoreless the first half, Huron took a 12-0 lead into the dressing room at half time.

The second half was a different story as the Governor defense, which appeared almost nonexistent the first half, dominated Huron's offense.

the Governor offensive attack, ranked fifth in the ESD, was led by Aaron Bowers and John Swartz. Bowers ended with 215 yards via the ground.

The Gogs scored three unanswered touchdowns and appeared to have the game sealed with about two minutes left. Huron, however, found some weaknesses in Pierre's defense and drove deep into Pierre territory on a lengthy pass play.

Troy Goldhammer ended Huron's attempt to put another six points on the board when he intercepted a pass with less than a minute to play.



HOMEcomings VICTORY...The Gogs take down a Huron Tiger in the homecoming game. (Photo by Chris Hipple)

### Sophs continue Winning streak

Sophomore football players opened the season on a winning note, continuing their unscored upon, unbeaten record from ninth grade when they wasted the Pierre Freshmen 39-0.

They kept their flawless record by crushing the Miller JV's 34-0 on Sept. 20.

Coach Judson commented that the team has good speed, but that they need to cut down on mental mistakes. Also coaching the sophomores is Coach Ellwanger.

Team members include David Ellenbecker, Craig Howard, John Forney, Todd Dilley, Forrest Lidel, David Knox, Scott Rounds, Jason Kaul, Mark Tigner, Mark Schneider, Steve Schwartz and Mark Gran.

Other members are Lorne Lawrence, Todd Jones, Mike McGuigan, Terry Nelson, Casey Cowan, Trent Deyo, John Cass, Todd Johnson, Cliff LaFramboise, Steve Zwenke, Tom Askew, Craig Traut, Shane Ellwein, and Bert Stewart. Managers for the team are Paul Robbenolt and Gene Birch.

### Capital Striders jog Through summer

Jogging in excess of 150 miles, eleven high school boys and girls participated in the "Capital Striders" this summer. Keith Albertson led the boys, jogging 376 miles and Soraya Karim was the top runner for the girls, jogging 240 miles.

Other Striders include: Tara Tessier, Ingrid Schmidt, Theresa Pesicka, Dan Fischer, Carrie Wegner, Karen Hasek, Jolene Mews, Jami Benham, and Shannon Schneider.

This was the second year of existence for the Striders. Mr. Kurth, the founder of the Striders, would like to encourage anyone interested to run with the Striders.

"Capital Striders is not designed for any particular individual. Anybody who wants to do jogging during the summer months is welcome to join. It certainly does help our athletes if they run in the off-season."

## Cross country builds competitive team

Despite poor weather and the loss of Kevin Nelson to Brandon Valley, the Pierre Cross Country Team has turned in a number of creditable performances at the opening meets.

### Coaches name Weekly 'Players'

It takes an outstanding game to be honored as a player of the week, and five players, Mark Anderson, Aaron Bowers, Darrell Lingle, Danny Paulsen, and John Schwartz, have earned that award this year.

After each game, the Pierre coaches choose the best performances by two players and honor these players as "Players of the Week."

Mark Anderson, senior tight end and defensive end, has earned the honor twice this year. He was chosen the lineman of the week in the 19-13 victory over Bismarck.

In the 27-12 win over the Winner Warriors, Anderson caught four passes for 84 yards and again earned honors being chosen offensive player of the week.

Aaron Bowers, senior tailback and linebacker, rushed for 103 yards on 18 carries in the Bismarck game.

Darrell Lingle, junior linebacker and tight end, took the defensive player of the week award in the triumph over Winner. Darrell led the defensive attack against the Warriors with 14 tackles and a key interception.

Danny Paulsen, senior lineman, was cited for being a good, consistent blocker and being instrumental in both scoring drives of the 16-0 shutout of Madison.

John Schwartz, senior running back, rambled for 40 yards on 13 carries against Madison. Schwartz also ran for three crucial first downs and scored a touchdown.

The new coach, Bill Henjum, thinks that this year's squad has quite a bit of talent and potential.

The team started out with the Redfield meet. Top finishers from Pierre in their divisions respectively were: Jodie Smith and Bonnie Jorgenson in the girls' division; Bill Ek and Dan Fischer in the boys' varsity, and Eric Grossman and Marc DeAntoni in the boys' JV division.

Next was the Pierre Invitational where both the Pierre boys and girls achieved second place team finishes. Top finishers from Pierre were Missy DeChandt and Dan Fischer.

Most recently the Pierre team competed at one of the larger

meets at Huron. Although problems with a bus prevented the sophomores from competing, the Varsity boys and girls made it there and had top performances from Bill Ek and Missy DeChandt.

Coach Henjum thinks that even though cross country will probably not attain the stature comparative to one of the major spectator sports, he knows that just as much hard work and determination goes into cross country as does in football or basketball.

Senior Bill Ek when confronted with this statement agrees saying, "It's a good feeling, after meets and practices, knowing that you've achieved something very few others have."

### Students compete in summer rodeos

Roger Theobald carried the name of Riggs High School to the National High School Rodeo Finals this year while competing in steer wrestling and bareback riding.

He also placed 8th high individual in the nation at this rodeo. Almost all of the competitors listed below qualified for one or both of the state rodeos. This can only be done by placing first, second, or third at one of the regional rodeos.

Many Riggs High Students are not only involved in High School Rodeo but also compete in 4-H rodeos. For these students this summer was filled with hard work, anticipation, and excitement.

Each weekend last spring and summer there was at least on 4-H or High School rodeo. These included regional and state rodeos as well as the National High School Rodeo held in Douglas, Wyoming.

Several Riggs students competed in these rodeos and many became well-known by their fellow competitors for their achievements. Among the students rodeoing this year were: Roger Theobald, Joan Hardwick, Colleen Cowan, Casey Cowan, Shan Hart, Theresa Schumacher, Kristi Carter, Chip Killingsworth, Mark Howard, Pat O'Day, Jill Schimkat, Shane & Thad Bothwell, Julie Etkorn, Jeff Thorne, Db Garber, Sherry Maher, Craig Andre, Becki Winkler, Todd Larson, and Terri & Tami Volmer.

"Rodeo is a tough sport. It takes a great deal of practice, athletic ability, and above all devotion," said senior Joan Hardwick. Through all the hard work these students find a great satisfaction in competing against animals and other students. To many cowboys and cowgirls the most important part of rodeo is the people.

# Lady Governors work to defend State A Title

by Michaela Walker

Pierre Lady Gobs are holding a 4-1 record following the Sept. 20 game against Huron. Their ESD record also sits at 4-1.

Coach Shields said, "The conference is between Pierre, Yankton and Brookings and the loss to Brookings in our opening game of the season is going to put more pressure on the ESD games away from home."

The team was a little disappointed with the loss as it was an ESD game and a home game, but otherwise Mr. Shields said, "The season has gone as well as we expected and hoped for."

There has been improvement in the guard play, according to Coach Shields. He also noted that, "Tara Tessier has improved from last year in that she is helping to carry the score more so that no one player is depended on as the scorer."

"Karen Hasek, an All-State player for the Ladies, is performing as we expected—her usual all-around game," Mr. Shields said. "The team will be working more on concentration and preparing mentally for the games."

The coach added that he and the team are happy with the turnout of the student body for home games. "It really helps the team to have all those people backing them," he said.

The starting five for the Lady Gobs consists of five of the six returning lettermen from last year's State "A" Championship team. Starters are Karen Hasek, Tara Tessier, Trish Murphy, Suzi Stein and Soraya Karim.

The sixth returning letterman is Jami Benham, who also sees a lot of action. Other team members include Amy Hawkins, Rachael Smith, Renee Bump, Lori Lindquist, Konnie Wendt, Cathy Nold, and Theresa Wallace.

## Game Scores and Highlights

Pierre vs. Brookings

48 — 51

Leading Scorer: Karen Hasek 16

Rebounder: Tara Tessier 8

Pierre vs. Mitchell

67 — 53

Leading Scorer: Tara Tessier 21

Rebounder: Karen Hasek 9

Pierre vs. Watertown

49 — 37

Leading Scorer: Karen Hasek 14

Rebounder: Tara Tessier & Amy Hawkins 8

Pierre vs. Madison

48 — 40

Leading Scorer: Karen Hasek 22

Rebounder: Karen Hasek 15

Pierre vs. Huron

73 — 40

Leading Scorer: Suzie Stein 16

Rebounder: Karen Hasek 10



ANOTHER STUFF...Tara Tessier exhibits her blocking ability against Todd County while Karen Hasek and Suzi Stein look on.

## Golf team prepares for regional

The Pierre Governor golf team is busy preparing for the regional golf tournament to be held here Oct. 3.

The young but experienced golfers have placed well in previous meets. They placed second at the Rapid City Invitational with Jim Benham and Mike Mayer Pierre's top shooters.

Pierre placed second place behind Rapid City Stevens in the Pierre Invitational with a team score of 333. Benham was the top finisher for Pierre with fourth place.

Mayer and Robert Williams led

Pierre to a ninth-place finish in the Mitchell Invitational with identical scores of 87.

Williams led Pierre to a third-place finish in the Watertown Invitational with a fourth-place finish and a score of 81. Benham was ninth and Mayer tenth.

Members of the golf team include: Seniors Mayer, Willie Medina, and Dennis Hosman; Juniors Pat Saffel, Mike Bartlett, Chris Moore and Bob Sahr; Sophomores Benham, Robert Williams, Jon Wald, Bob McNally, and Chris Krogman. Head coach is Mr. Bryant.



THE BATTLE IS ON...As a Junior powder puff player attempts a "tackle" on Tune Neuharth. Other players from left include Theresa Volmer, Anna Sowards, Patty Barth, Patti Edwards, Beth Irion, and Loretta Truax. (Photo by Chris Hipple)

## Seniors reign at Powder Puff

The powder went puff for the junior girls last Friday afternoon as the seniors defeated them 6-0 in the annual powder puff game.

A pass reception from Pat Neuharth to Kristen TenEyck with 3:04 left in the fourth quarter spelled doom for the juniors.

The losing team did not give up without a fight however. "Trish Smith had an outstanding game," said Junior Coach, Bill Elwanger, who incidentally was mistaken by many to be Al Capone.

Smith twice threatened to score, the last play before halftime, being stopped just three yards away from the goal line, and then in the third quarter when a TD run was

called back no a clipping call.

Coach Elwanger commented, "Trish just forgot to swivel her hips." Laurelee Martens and Amy Oliva also played well for the Juniors. But in the end it was the Senior girls who stood on top.

This was the sixth consecutive year the Seniors have won the Powder Puff. "Karen Koistinen, TenEyck, and Joan Hardwick all had good games for the seniors," said Sr. coach Gary Schneider. "Seniros are super."

The fans seemed to enjoy the game anyway. "The game was a great defensive battle, and the cheerleaders looked great," said junior Bob Sahr.

## Tennis team remains undefeated

Starting out the year with a pair of victories over the Rapid City schools, the Pierre Lady Governor tennis team holds an undefeated record of 10-0.

In E.S.D. competition, the team has competed in 4 dual meets against Mitchell, Huron, Yankton, Watertown and Aberdeen. Pierre blanked Mitchell 9-0, Yankton 8-1 and Watertown 9-0, Huron 6-3 in their first two duals.

Scores of the other two duals were double wins over Rapid City Central 9-0, Huron 6-3, and Aberdeen Roncalli 8-1, Aberdeen Central 6-3.

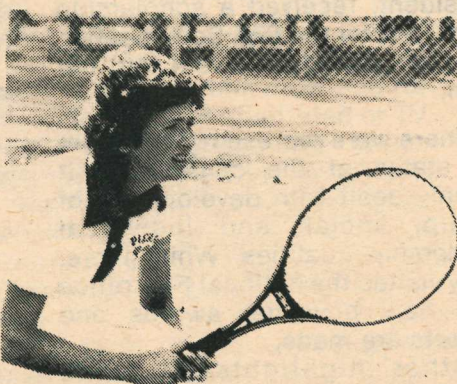
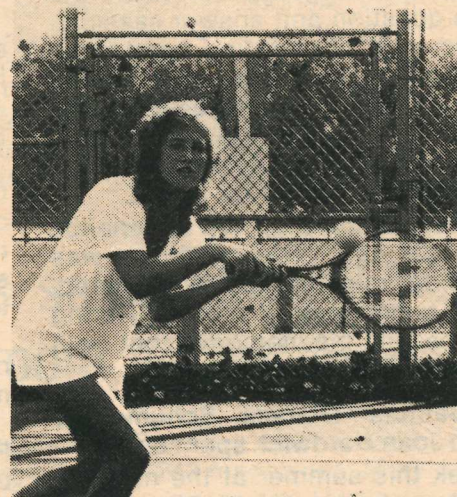
At seeds #3 and #4, Barb Cordts and Jeanie Tobin remain undefeated in E.S.D. singles competition.

Although the ladies' tennis season is very brief, the Gobs have two more home duals and the E.S.D. and State tournaments in the early part of October. The E.S.D. and State competitions only include the top four seeds in singles, and the top two seeds in doubles.

Of the top 4 players, all of them have been having a successful season. Having plenty of members to back the first four is also very important, which is true for the Pierre team.

According to Coach Pickering, "It has been a very gratifying season. The girls have played extremely well and worked hard during practice to prepare for their meets. It has been a fun season. I have learned a lot, especially on some of the trips. They are truly informative."

Varsity team members include Seniors: Jeanie Tobin, Barb Cordts, Marie Williams and Julie Jensen; Juniors: Nancy Regynski, Kris Lowenstein, Becky Cone, Liz Porter and Tara Watson; and Freshman: Shannon Schneider.



GIRLS TENNIS...In action are Liz Porter, and Tara Watson

(Photos by Trent Score)

# Junior enjoys Oahe diving

by Gene Nelson

The dawn was crisp. The early morning wind nipped at the hands of a small group of people carefully adjusting the life-supporting equipment on their backs. Then as the sun broke over the horizon, they all slid into the gray, silent waves of Oahe reservoir.

This is just the sort of thing that junior Troy Bowers has been doing for eight years. "You get the feeling you're just floating, weightless, in a dark, still world all by yourself," Troy said, explaining the feeling and thrill of his sport.

Troy takes his hobby seriously as he has had to attend over 40 hours of classroom and pool-side sessions just to become certified. This dedication to diving is evidently the driving force behind Troy's over 400 registered dives of which a major portion have been with a local diving club.

A typical dive for Troy, contrary to popular belief, he said, "rarely goes below 25 feet in depth for sport diving. Anything deeper is strictly commercial diving."

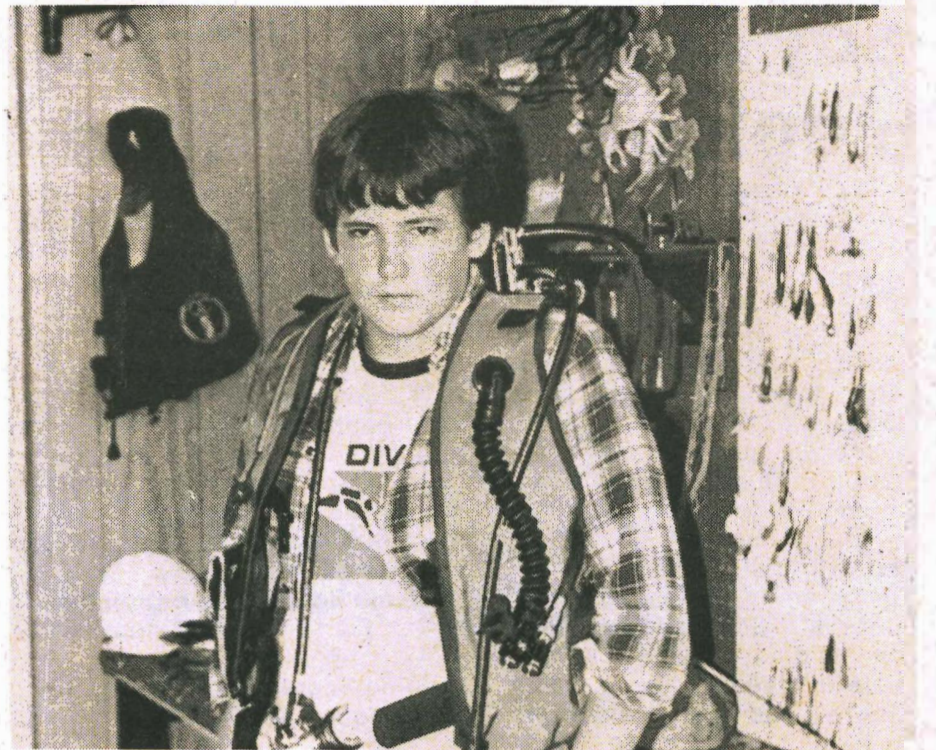
Photographing fish, spearfishing, finding lures, and occasionally stumbling upon a buffalo

skull and bringing it back (the latter two can sometimes bring in a fair profit) are what Troy's diving group usually does on a routine outing.

Troy enjoys spearfishing the most. He explained that some day he would like to compete in the annual spearfishing tournament held each fall in Pierre. Ironically, a week after the tournament last year, one of Troy's most memorable dives occurred when he successfully speared a state record, nine-pound, one-ounce walleye--practically enough to win the spearfishing contest single-handedly.

Troy has "gone down" along several locations above the reservoir but mentioned that he has also been diving along the river below the dam for quite some time. Troy hasn't restricted himself to only inland, fresh-water diving. On two occasions he and his dad have been to Florida, and they have been to California once for a bit of ocean diving.

Ever since his dad, who learned to dive in the Navy, has had Troy interested in diving, Troy has hoped that he could make diving a



DIVING OFF THE DEEP END...Deep-sea diver Troy Bowers is surrounded by the equipment he uses as he prepares to go diving.

career later in life. His future plans include his dream of some day running a scuba shop like his father presently runs on the south end of Pierre Street.

Scuba diving for all practical purposes is a potentially dangerous sport, but Troy, who has never been involved in any life-

threatening situation, says that with good training and proper equipment, it can be just as safe as any other sport.

Troy's sporting interests are varied. In addition to diving, he enjoys hunting, particularly ducks, geese, deer and antelope, and fishing.

# Riggs students learn through summer activities

Kellen Levisen grew accustomed to eating corn tortillas and saying "buenos dias" over the summer.

She stayed with a Mexican family in Toluca, Mexico, from early June to mid-August. Toluca is a city about an hour outside Mexico City.

Levisen went to Mexico through the Intercambia International Student Exchange, "because I wanted to do something interesting over the summer," she said.

While she was there, she was pampered by two maids and a chauffeur. The house that she lived in opened into a taco shop in front.

Explaining what she saw as the major difference between life in Mexico and life in America, Levisen said, "Life there is centered more on the family."

While in Mexico she had the opportunity to visit some ancient Mexican pyramids and to tour Mexico City.

"Having been in Mexico, I think that I have a better understanding of how a foreigner in the United States must feel," she said.

A junior, Levisen encourages anyone interested in foreign countries to participate in an exchange program.

Junior Pat McKeever visited a number of unique places and had some unusual experiences while he was at the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar in Florida last June.

The seminar was held at the EPCOT Center in Disney world, which opened just last year. Delegates toured the Center which is a world showcase that features exhibits from many countries. It also includes corporation sponsored pavilions featuring the technology of tomorrow.

While at EPCOT Center, McKeever was interviewed by the crew of the NBC television show "P.M. Magazine." He will be seen on sta-

tions in the Southeast and possibly be on national television this fall.

The group also visited the Kennedy Space Center. They saw many things that everyday tourists wouldn't. For instance, they toured the assembling building where many spacecraft and satellites, such as Saturn Three, were built.

They were able to see the launch site of the shuttle Columbia and Challenger from one of the closest viewpoints available to civilians. The launch site is heavily guarded as they found out when their bus was stopped by two SWAT men.

Other highlights were the many speakers of large corporations such as George Steinbrenner, and the question and answer sessions held with corporation heads and Congressmen. McKeever did get to ask a question. He asked a senator how he chooses between his conscience and his constituency on issues that are up for a vote.

Pat summed up his experience by saying, "The seminar was without question the most incredible experience of my life. I bring home with me memories that I will cherish for a lifetime."

Seniors Theresa Schumacher and Joan Hardwick spent one week this summer at the national FFA conference. Hardwick, district president, received a scholarship from FFA for the trip. Schumacher, chapter president, went on her own.

There were representatives from 30 states at the conference. It mainly dealt with development of group, social, and individual leadership qualities. While there, they visited the national FFA office and saw how the awards and jackets are made.

Other highlights included meeting Senator Larry Pressler and a luncheon with Senator Jim Abdnor.

Early in June Suzi Stein attended Girls State Journalism City at

Dakota Wesleyan College in Mitchell. She was one of 13 girls chosen from the state to attend the prestigious week-long event.

This staff reported all of the events of Girls State which was held simultaneously on the DWU campus.

Due to the large work load, Stein's days ran from 6 a.m. until late into the night. However, Stein admits that all of this time was not dedicated to hard-core news reporting.

The crew averaged 13 pages a day keeping up with Girls State News. Stein felt it was good experience in preparation for her position as co-editor of the Governor.

Mike Williamson, Stein's co-editor, had the privilege of attending Boys State Journalism City. He was named feature editor for the Boys State paper.

"Being at Boys State Journalism City made me realize that I wanted our school paper to be better than the one at Boys State," Williamson said. He says he also learned how to meet deadlines.

Mike enjoyed both the newspaper experience and meeting other Boys Staters.

"We were very proud to have the Pierre candidates selected for both Journalism Cities," said Mrs. Laitala, Governor advisor. "Requirements for the staff positions are high."

## Quote for the Month

"There are those of us who, when subjected to an opinionated viewpoint of an important issue (wherein the annotator claims absolute knowledge of the facts), simply smile and kick him in the teeth until he bleeds."

Dr. Raymond Czorknolowski  
As published in "Unquotable Quotes"  
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PR PEOPLE... Student Kiwanians and Rotarians are good will ambassadors for Riggs High. They meet monthly with the two community groups to keep them informed about school events. First semester Kiwanians and Rotarians include (back from left) Neils Hansen (AFS), Scott Raue, Karen Hasek, and Tara Tessler. In front are Billy Ek, Cathy Miller, Rachel Smith, and Aaron Bowers. Also participating, but not pictured are Pat McKeever, Daryl Schofield and Cassi Kuck. (Photo by Trent Score.)

# Seniors honor classmates



PRESENTING THE ROYALTY...(back row, l. to r.) Brad Cruse, Troy Goldhammer, Aaron Bowers, Mark Anderson. (front row, l. to r.) Karen Koistinen, Tara Tessier, Jami Benham, Kari Kruse.

One of the highlights of the annual homecoming king and queen. Candidates are selected by the Senior Class, and the king and queen are selected by a vote of the entire student body.

Honored this year by the Seniors as queen candidates were Jami Benham, Karen Koistinen, Kari Kruse and Tara Tessier. Tara was elected queen.

**Jami Benham** is a member of the varsity girls basketball team, gold, interamural volleyball and pep club. She has participated in Spanish Club, and student council and during her sophomore year she was a prom waitress and cheerleader. During her spare time, Jami enjoys swimming and reading.

**Karen Koistinen** participates in NHS, Pep Club, and is a boys basketball cheerleader. Karen has been involved in track, girls basketball, swing choir and girls' swing choir. She was also a sophomore prom waitress. Karen enjoys swimming and softball in her spare time.

**Kari Kruse** has been active in Spanish Club, Pep Club, flag corp and is a member of the Gumbo staff. Kari was a sophomore football and girls' basketball cheerleader, and has been a varsity football cheerleader for two years. In her free time, she enjoys dancing lessons.

**Queen Tara** has been involved in Governor staff, Gumbo staff, girls basketball, track, chorus, swing choir, drama, student council and NHS. She has been a prom waitress, president of the Sophomore Class, and vice president of the Junior Class. She is currently serving as first semester mayor. Tara's hobbies include horseback riding, singing and playing the piano.

Homecoming king candidates this year include Mark Anderson, Aaron Bowers, Brad Cruse and Troy Goldhammer.

**King Mark** has been involved in football, intramural basketball, FCA, student council, and he is the Senior Class secretary. He also

participated in basketball and track during his sophomore years. In his spare time, Mark lifts weights, hunts, fishes, waterskis, and likes to "rock on" to Def Leopard.

**Aaron Bowers** has participated in football, basketball, baseball, FCA, National Honor Society (NHS), and student council. He was selected to go to Boys State, and he is Senior Class president and first semester mayor of the student body. Aaron was a prom waiter as a sophomore, and he enjoys lifting weights in his spare time.

**Brad Cruse** has participated in football, basketball and track during his sophomore, junior, and senior years. Brad is also involved in NHS and was a prom waiter. In his spare time he waterskis, snowskis, hunts and fishes.

**Troy Goldhammer** has taken part in marching band, concert band, pep band, football, basketball, track, NHS and student council. Troy is a member of the Gumbo staff and was selected to go to Boys State. He was a prom waiter as a sophomore and enjoys hunting in his spare time.



REVENGE IS SWEET...Marcie Wagner gets the satisfaction of putting a pie in sophomore Jolene Mews' face at Kangaroo Court.

## Student body elects Council members

The voice of the student body is represented by class commissioners and vice commissioners who are elected to serve on the student council.

First semester commissioners and vice commissioners were elected during September, and work with Student Council advisor Gary Merkwani.

**First semester commissioners** are Troy Curtis, Cathy Miller, Michele Fowler, Karen Hasek, Rich Andre, Tammi Alleman, Beth Irion, Amy Hawkins, Pat Saffel, Kelly Kadleck, Daryl Schofield, Rich Anderson, Rhonda Smith and Tanya Jennings.

Other first semester commissioners are Sarah Adam, Tammy Starkjohann, Roger Rose, Scott Raue, Steve Beck, Bridgette Banks, Michell O'Day, Mike Bartlett, John Schwartz, Jolene Mews, Billy Ek and Suzie Stein.

**Vice commissioners** include Rachael Smith, Chris Moore, Scott Rounds, Trish Murphy, Kyle Melby, Jeff Hunsley, Lance Bauske, Teresa Wallace, Audra Lindbloom, Brad Cordts, Brian Whiteaker and Grant Smalley.

Other vice commissioners are Charles McGuigan, Mary Powell, Stacy Bartlett, Tammy Ree, William Medina, Mark Schneider, Brian Paulson, Rhonda Buhl, Steve Cordts, Brett Hansen, Jason Young, Jodi Smith, Cassi Kuck and Calvin Jones.

## Flag Corps marches

Flag corps, a division of the Marching Emerald Regiment, performed with the band at homecoming and will make several other homegame appearances this fall.

Returning members from last year are Kari Vetos, Val Palmer, Kellen Levisen, Amy Vanderziel, Karen Powell, Thea Miller, Susan Gunderson, Jill Lapp and Carol Morris.

New members are Pam Janklow, Missy Bonde, Carol Schweigert, Alegra Gomez, Jovonne Merkle, Susan McIntire, and Wendy Knight.

Emerald Regiment and flag corps are under the direction of Mr. Upsahl.

## Ladies open season

Riggs High First Ladies will open their year at the Oct. 7 football game against Yankton.

The sixteen drill team members will entertain at halftime to the rock song "Beat It." Mary Likness, Dena Boyd and other senior members were instrumental in choreographing the first routine.

Leading the First Ladies for the year are elected officers: captain Mary Huckins, first lieutenant Likness, and second lieutenant Val Palmer. Advisor to the group is Mrs. DeAntoni. She is assisted by Mrs. Alice Wright, a former drill team member.

Veteran First Ladies are Boyd, Katie Hofer, Huckins, and Likness. First year drill team members, chosen last spring, are seniors Suzanne Atkinson, Stephanie Barden, and Kari Vetos; juniors Lisa Englund, Mary Gourneau, Kris Lowenstein, Dori Nelson, Palmer, Liz Porter, Michelle Scarborough, Carol Schweigert, and Wenonah Skye.



THAT SENIOR SMILE...Kristen TenEyck grins as she shows off her toga on Toga day during Homecoming week.

## Director schedules Fall play tryouts

Tryouts for the fall play, "Hedda Gabler," will be held Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 7 after school according to Mr. Henjum, director.

"Hedda Gabler" is a drama by Henrik Ibsen, the father of modern drama. He introduced the "slice of life" style of playwriting.

This will be the first drama Henjum has directed at Riggs, and it will prepare for the one-act contest to be attended later in the year.

# Foreign exchange students enter Riggs High

by Amy Peterson

Richard found that getting used to the hectic, time-oriented American lifestyle was one of the hardest adjustments for him to make from Venezuela to Pierre.

"Everyone is so serious about everything here," he said, mentioning that Americans are more sensitive to schedule disruptions than people from his country. He said he would like to live here though because there is more opportunity.

Richard Canino is an AFS student from Caracas, Venezuela. He arrived in the U.S. on Aug. 14 and spent five days in New York with other AFS students from 28 different countries. He joined his host family in Pierre on Aug. 19.

Noting other differences in the two cultures, Richard stated that in Venezuela voting is not just a privilege but a requirement for anyone 18 and over. If a person does not vote, he loses privileges such as being able to enter the University or being allowed to use the transit system.

Impressed with the environment of the U.S., Richard remarked on the many different architectural designs and landscaping of the houses. He also commented on the heat, which was around 100 degrees, when he arrived at Pierre.

"Riggs High School is so much different from school in Venezuela," Richard said when asked about his impressions of our school. He stated that the materials and schedules are different here. In Venezuela the students have 10 to 12 classes per semester and these are rotated each week. Sports in Venezuela are mainly intramural rather than inter-school.

Here at Riggs Richard is taking Algebra II, speech, general woods, business English, and physical education.

In Venezuela Richard has completed high school and will be ready to enter the University when he returns. He plans to go into marketing.

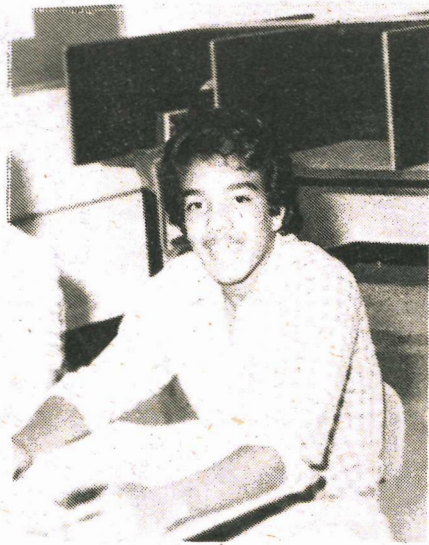
Richard is staying with Luz and Howard Naaz. Mrs. Naaz is originally from Colombia, so it is easy for her and Richard to communicate. The Naaz family has no children, but Richard's real family consists of two sisters and four brothers. His mother is a housewife and his father is director of a road working crew.

On weekends in Venezuela you may find Richard playing soccer or lounging around at the beach. There are also occasional parties that Richard attends with his friends. In Pierre you might find him at home in front of the TV or just taking a long walk to relax.

by Tanya Manus

Niels Hansen had never been to America, but he had been told that in South Dakota everyone wore cowboy hats and boots. He began learning what America is really like in mid-August when he arrived in Los Angeles.

According to Niels, who lives in Vejle, Denmark, Los Angeles is twice the size of the entire country of Denmark. Vejle, a town five times the size of Pierre, is noted for its Dandy gum factory, Tulip



Richard Canino

meat factory, and Dofu cheese factory.

After leaving Los Angeles, Niels arrived in Pierre. His first impressions?

"It's hot! and it's a small town, but big. There's a lot of space between the houses. In Denmark, everything is crowded together."

Niels is a Rotary-sponsored exchange student, and this year he is one of 150 Rotary students who came from Denmark to the U.S. Danish schools have nine or ten years of school, so Niels is a junior here at Riggs.

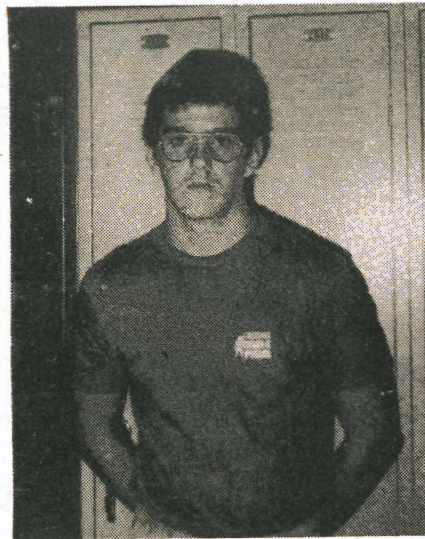
He has some definite impressions of Riggs. "In Denmark," Niels commented, "if a teacher told a student to be quiet, the student would probably say 'Be quiet' back to the teacher. It is special here. I feel like I'm in church. It is so quiet and people are so polite."

He also feels the school system is very confused. In Denmark classes are 45 minutes and the students set 10 minute breaks between classes. He also said things are easier in Denmark because only the teachers move, not all of the students.

Niels also explained some things about Denmark. "There are a lot of American movies. There are also some Danish movies, but they aren't very good." Television in Denmark is very different from American TV. Danish television has only four channels—one is Danish, three are German.

People in Denmark get their driver's license at 18, and other European countries such as Germany are easily within driving distance.

Niels' Danish family consists of his father, retired hardware store owner; his mother, who owns her own mail order firm to America, and two older sisters, Janne and Gitte, who have both gone to school in Boston. Currently, Niels is staying with the Rev. Don Gaarder family.



Niels Hansen

Niels, who speaks English, Danish, and German, enjoys basketball, swimming, biking, and weightlifting. He sometimes lifts weights here at the Y.M.C.A.

When Niels returns to Denmark, he will return to commercial school where he has already studied marketing and will prepare for a career in shipping.

by Michelle Scarborough

Fifteen year old Malfrid Langhelle is the only female foreign exchange student at Riggs this year. Malfrid arrived in Pierre on August 11 and said, "I like it here—it's nice."

Malfrid, who is staying with Tom and Sue Manthey, is one of five hundred students from Norway in the U.S. this year. She came through the AISE (American Intercultural Student Exchange) program. Malfrid said her English teacher told her about the program. She said that she didn't actually realize she was really coming to the U.S. until she got on the plane.

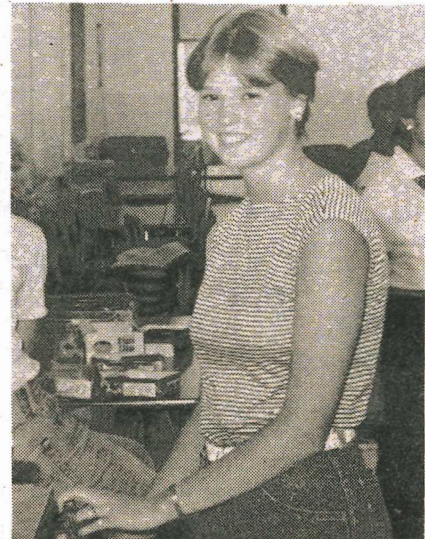
Riggs High is larger than her home school, yet Malfrid is surprised at how quiet students are here. Malfrid is enrolled as a sophomore here and is taking theater, chorus, typing, American lit, and stagecraft.

She has finished school in her country, for Norwegian schools consist of nine grades. They don't

have a formal graduation ceremony in Norway, yet Malfrid has received her diploma.

Adjusting to Pierre was not hard for Malfrid, for her hometown of Olen, Norway has a population of about 1200-1300. She actually lives just outside of Olen on a farm where her father raises dairy cattle and her mother is a homemaker. Malfrid has three older sisters—Anne Britt, Sonja, and Else—and one older brother, Ottar.

Some of Malfrid's interests in-



Malfrid Langhelle

clude theater, reading, and music. She said there is quite a bit of American music in Norway, yet one of her favorite rock singers is Norwegian Age Aleksandersen.

Malfrid also said there are a lot of American movies in Norway, both in theaters and on television. She also commented that in Norway TV doesn't start until 6:00 p.m.

Malfrid mentioned that the weather differs here somewhat from Norway. At her home the weather is more moderate. It is usually in the 70's there during the summer.

What about Norwegian customs? When asked about Halloween in Norway, Malfrid answered, "What's that?"

She said that they celebrate Christmas on December 24. Santa Claus is called Fulenisse in Norway and the traditional Christmas food is a specially cooked lamb called Pinnekjott.

As in America, people get together on Christmas and exchange gifts; however, there are no special church masses. In fact Malfrid said that in Norway people do not go to church regularly.

Malfrid knows two languages, Norwegian and English, and feels that she is adjusting to her first experience in America. Although she plans to go back to school when she returns to Norway, Malfrid may use her experiences here to make definite plans for her future.

## News Briefs

### Pep Club Notes

Senior Kari Vetos was elected president of the Pep Club at the organizational meeting on September 8. Other officers elected were vice president Suzanne Atkinson, secretary Gail Norum, and treasurer Kris Kulm. Recently the Pep Club has sponsored the Spirit Breakfast for the football players, the traditional painting of the feet and the downtown windows, and the gifts for the queen and marshal.

### Computer Contest

Riggs High students have the opportunity to win certain Texas Instruments prizes through a computer essay contest. Entries must be an essay of 50 words or less on "Why my school needs a home computer." Deadline for all essays is December 30.

Contest categories are first-fourth grades, fifth-eighth grades, ninth-twelfth grades, and twelfth grade and up. The 72 grand prizes are 2 Texas Instrument TI-99/4A

Home Computers, one for the student and one for the school. The 200 first prizes are "Speak and Spell" electronic games, and Texas Instruments calculators are the 500 second prizes. Check in the computer room for more information.

### 83-84 Class Officers

Riggs students have elected the following students as their class officers for the 1983-84 school year.

Senior class officers are Aaron Bowers, president; Daryl Schofield, vice president; Mark Anderson, secretary; and Karen Hasek, treasurer.

Junior officers are Rachael Smith, president; Kevin Bowers, vice president; Brian Paulsen, treasurer; and Audra Lindbloom, secretary.

Sophomore officers are Sarah Adam, president; Craig Howard, vice president; Carrie Venner, secretary; and Darla Eisnach, treasurer.