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'Grease' to debut in Riggs Theatre

Over a year of revision, planning and preparation will bring the music and dynamics of the 1950's to the Riggs stage April 28, 29 and 30 when the Theatre Department presents "Grease" by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casev.

The musical will boast a nearly evenly split cast of 21 (10 women and

11 men) with an additional 25-plus students involved as crew and orchestra. "This play doesn't have the big chorus scenes found in plays like South Pacific," said Bill Henjum, drama coach and director. "We'll probably have more than 40 people try out for the 21 parts, so it will be a rough one to cast."

will be a lot of carry over from his pro-

fessional radio to the Journalism Ci-

ty experience. He expects to be repor-

ting, interviewing, writing scripts, and

doing on-the-air broadcasts during

said Tople, who had to apply early this

year and give up his rights to a regular Boys State nomination. "I feel

if people have talent they should be

able to benefit from the experience

and benefit the Boys State program

ple is sports editor of the school

newspaper, works at the YMCA and

In addition to his work at KCCR, To-

The local American Legion Post is

sponsoring Tople's trip to Boys State

where he will receive a press badge

for admittance anywhere at Boys

State. He will participate in the final

comprehensive examination, and be

eligible for all Boys State honors and

"Boys State means a lot to me,"

Tryouts end today, and the cast will be announced by Monday. Other professionals on board for the musical are elementary teacher and Pierre Player associate Nancy Pottratz as assistant director; and faculty members Louise Winter, vocal director; and Brad Berens, band director.

"It's been a lot of fun already. The kids are excited about it, and I've had the opportunity to see other productions of the play," Mr. Henjum said.

The stage version opened in 1972 with the notable stars being Barry Bostwick and Adrienne Barbeau. "As Hollywood does, they changed the stage version significantly. We are going to do the original, and the students shouldn't expect it to be like the movie," Mr. Henjum pointed out.

The play will have a specially designed set, featuring a 17x33 foot

guitar that will offer the actors different levels.

"It will also help rock and roll become the center point of the production," said Henjum, who designed the set. Junior Tom Black, and seniors Loren Cass and Rob Miller are building the set.

"It will be a lot of work, but one of the nicest things about this year has been working with juniors and seniors who know what they are doing," Mr. Henjum said.

"Having students who contribute on their own initiative is marvelous. We can now share responsibilities between staff and students, and the more people share, the better it is for everyone," he said. "After all, this is a labor of love — you both love it and hate it - -but in the end, it's the love you remember."

Tople wins journalism honor



"MR. MOONGLOW"....Junior Heath Tople works on the air of his KCCR radio job. Tople will do boradcasts from Boys State Journalism City during his week there. (Photo by Doug Potter)

the week.

at the same time.'

at the State Theatre.

weekend.

Junior Heath Tople will be one of two Boys State Journalism City representatives working with broadcast media this June when the annual meeting of South Dakota Boys State gets underway in Aberdeen.

Journalism City consists of 16 juniors from across the state who are specially selected on the basis of abilities in either print or broadcast media. Tople will help in gathering and preparing Associated Press and United Press International news stories

Heath takes a year of experience with Pierre's KCCR radio station into the Journalism City position. At KCCR, he is an FM technical director, and an AM disc jockey.

"I do a little of everything. I can sign on, sign off, handle trouble shooting problems, disc jockey, and work production," Tople said. "I try to model my style after KCCR sports director Rod Fischer because I really admire his work."

The Riggs student believes there

Juniors coordinate '87 Prom

Despite a few unforseen hitches along the way, juniors will open the doors at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 25 for the annual spring fling, the Junior-Senior prom.

Prom goers will not dance to the music of "On the Fritz" a band that evidentally went on the fritz and cancelled late in February. Instead, music will be provided by an undesignated band, according to Sandie Peterson, Junior Class advisor.

The prom entrance as well as interior will feature decor in silver, red and black, but juniors are still not revealing the theme. The prom will begin at 8 p.m. and continue until midnight.

Parents and other spectators may be on the floor from 5:30 until 7 p.m.

only, but may observe from the balcony until after the 9 p.m. sophomore servers' entertainment. The sophomores will entertain again at 11 p.m.

As per tradition the past few years, the prom will include a light buffet catered this year by Mrs. Rose Gingrich, mother to junior Jenny Gingrich, mother to junior Jenny Gingrich.

According to Mrs. Gingrich, the buffet features a few extra items thanks to donations from KGFX radio station, Buhl's Laundry and Dry Cleaning, and Sooper Dooper #1.

Riggs student must register their out-of-town guests in the main office. Sophomore waiters and waitresses are the only sophomores allowed at the prom.

Choral groups to perform twice in April

By Michelle Deyo

Riggs Music Department is gearing up for this year's large group competition April 3 and the swing choir concert slated for 7 p.m. April 7 and 9 in the Riggs Theatre.

Under the direction of vocal instructor Louise Winer and band instructor Brad Berens, musicians will be performing a variety of songs ranging from classical at the contest to pop and swing at the concerts.

Competing at the contest will be full chorus, full band, girls and boys glee, mixed and girls swing choirs, and the stage band.

The swing concert will feature the stage band and mixed swing choir together performing the song "Powerhouse."

Events Calendar

March 26-28 All State Band - Riggs Theatre

30 Pierre Concert Series

April 3 Large Group Contest at Mobridge

7 & 9 Riggs Swing
Concert - Riggs
Theatre - 7:30 p.m.

10-11 State OM
Tournament - Riggs

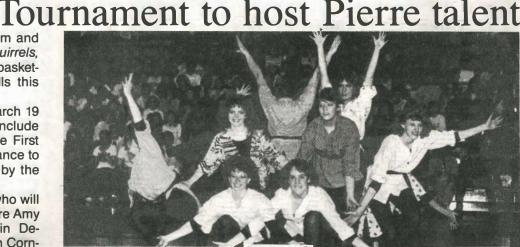
14-15 Stanford
Achievement
Grades 4, 8 & 11

25 Riggs Prom

28 & 30 Riggs Spring Musical State 'AA' Tol Riggs First Ladies Drill Team and a barbershop quartet, *The Squirrels*, will perform at the State "AA" basketball tournament in Sioux Falls this

A half-time performance March 19 at the opening game will conclude the performing season for the First Ladies. They will perform a dance to the song "And We Danced" by the Hooters.

Members of the drill team who will be performing at State "AA" are Amy Boyd, Heather Boocock, Erin De-Jong, Gina Clemetson, Karryn Corning, Kathy Merriman, Nancy Kelley, Michelle Deyo, Karla Palmer, Shannon Weber, Alex Powers, Michelle Olson, and Tracy Smith. Team drummer is J.D. Ries; adviser is Mrs. Vicki Brooks.



ENCORE!...Drill team members show off their stuff at a Governor basketball game. First Ladies will perform at the state basketball tournament along with barbershop quartet "The Squirrels." (Photo by Doug Potter)

The Squirrels, seniors Stuart Stofferahn, Eric Lundeen, and Loren Cass, and junior Sean Califf, will sing

the National Anthem March 21 to open the State AA Championship

Women rise to new heights

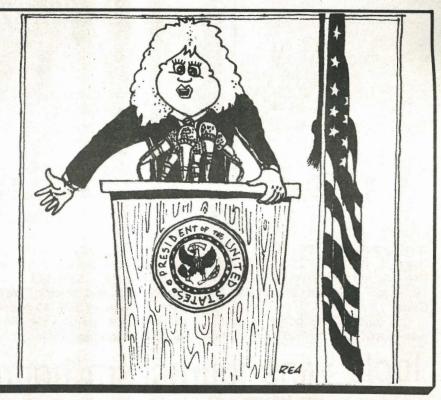
"Behind every successfull man there stands a woman" goes the oft-quoted saying. But someone using this phrase in modern times may have a problem. Women just aren't standing behind men or anyone else these days. One of these women who has won the respect of the world is Corazon Aquino, leader of the Philippines. Because she is a woman, many experts doubted her ability to lead one of the world's most troubled and indebted countries. Her astonishing revolution against Ferdinand Marcos and the courage that has sustained it have caused the doubters to believe in her strength.

Other women successfully lead countries of the world, such as Margaret Thatcher, prime minister of Great Britain. Women's libbers may rally, but quiet accomplishments like Aquino's have earned more respect for womanhood than any frenzied ERA movement ever could.

A few decades ago, the only career possibilities open for young women were teaching or nursing. Now little girls can aspire to become anything they wish. The increasing number of women who are putting a family on hold to pursue a career shows their ambition to excel in the business world.

The United States has just recently seen its first female vice-presidential candidate; a woman presidential candidate or president can't be too far in the future.

Paula Paul



What the people say:sophomores at prom

By Sheila Specker

With prom just around the corner, that infamous question of whether or not sophomores should be able to attend prom has arisen.

How do students feel about this issue? Here are some of the replies:

Jennifer Weber (Soph.): Yes. If they are going to it with upperclassmen.

Ronda Hansen (Jr.): No. Because they are too immature.

Megan McCloud (Sr.): Yes. Because sophomores are people to

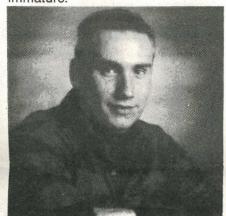
Justin Gray (Soph.): No. They have never been allowed to, so why should they now.

Robert McGuigan (Jr.): Yes. If they are asked by an upperclassman, they should be able to.

Darren Chase (Sr.): Yes. They

could make a lot of money with the juniors and it would be a nicer prom.

T.J. Weibe (Jr.): No. They are too



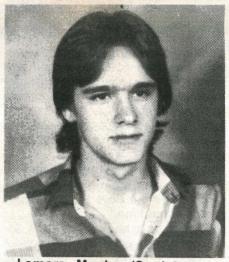
Brian Merrill (Sr.): Yes. Because a lot of the sophomores are going out with juniors or seniors.

Krinda Smart (Jr.): Yes. Only if they are asked by a junior or senior.

Chris Ward (Jr.): No. It's a special occassion that should be just a privelege for upperclassmen.

Karla Steel (Jr.): No. Because that's what "King of Hearts" is for. Besides, they make good waiters and

Kari Engberg (Soph.): We're in high school, too. But we should only be able to go with juniors or seniors.



Lemars Manke (Soph.): Yes. Because sophomores are part of the high school, so we should have to right to go to prom.

Heath Tople (Jr.): Yes. If they are asked by an upperclassman.

Student views Legislature

By Rob Miller

Abraham Lincoln in his famous Gettysburg Address spoke of a government of the people, for the people, and by the people. No where else is that form of government as alive and well as in the halls of the state capitol building in Pierre.

I had the opportunity to serve as a high school Legislative page for two weeks of the 1987 session. I learned more about how government works in practice than I had ever expected.

Pages start their day at 8 a.m. They go to the capitol and do such diverse tasks as distributing over 300 newspapers each day, and getting coffee for legislators. They run errands, make hundreds of copies, obtain records of previous votes, and a myriad other tasks.

The job of page didn't take much skill, but the education we received could be obtained nowhere else.

In South Dakota, "the people" truly do run the government. At least they run the legislative branch of the government. I came to my first day of work expecting each legislator to be a good speaker, a smart person, very stuffy, and a little vague (don't all politicians beat around the bush?).

In the House of Representatives, where I did my page work, I found some of those types, but to a large degree my stereotypes were incor-

rect (but then all stereotypes usually are). There are old legislators; some were very young. Many had horrible gravel voices. I found one legislator who was the most wonderful orator I have ever listened to.

They even have a sense of humor. One of our pages in the House was instructed to give a message to the PBS camera person in the gallery. "Your fly is open" was all it said.

Farmers, ranchers, businesspeople, lawyers, doctors, homemakers, and ministers all take the title of "Representative" for a few weeks each year. Some knew what they were doing, others did not. What I came to realize by the time my duty was over, was that these are "the people" Lincoln spoke of.

Each major and some minor segments of our state's population are represented in legislature.

As I look back now on my experience, what I see is a high school. The legislature is a high school. It has all types of people from different backgrounds. There are the cliques one would find in a high school. But the underlying goal of the legislature is to serve the people, much like the goal of most high school students is getting an education.

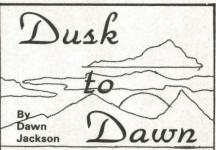
Although different, South Dakota legislators are united by their desire to help out "the people" they left behind as constituants.

Letters

Chorus and band - just two regular classes. Each run every day during a regular school hour, all four quarters. It's bad enough that we receive little acknowledgement, but we only receive a fourth of a credit for one full

Students who study the sciences, maths and histories that last a full year receive a full credit for the year. I feel that is unfair. Band and chorus students, dedicated ones, work hard every day to reach a personal and group zenith and to be their best. Reading notes and getting them right are our "tests." We at least deserve a full credit -- if not for our performances, then for our dedication to something that will never die - even if we only get 1/4 credit.

Alissa Ries



It's Friday night and the basketball game just got over, so where do you go? Chances are, you pile into a carload of friends and go "cruising" around to see what's going on.

A few weeks ago, two friends and I went out in Julie's pickup. Well, there's a CB in it, and you can bet that we had to be "cool" and talk on it. First, we started with "break one-

nine" and we surely got a reply. After Heather got the hand of it and learned "CB-talk", we knew she found her toy. But after a few conversations, she had us in trouble. We had so many people following us around, we were ready to go home.

To our surprise, there are a lot of high school students who communicate by way of C.B. We got a chance to talk to Derek, Crazy Bob, Jock (Tom), and even Bone Crusher. We easily picked up the handle "Julie in the Dually" because we were driving a GMC Dually pickup. We talked to a lot of people and even had a chance to meet the "Yankee" and the "Rebel" from North Dakota.

Although we were using the C.B. to communicate with friends and have fun, we found out how useful a C.B. really is.

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Huron match ends Governors' season

By Heath Tople

The final buzzer sounded on the Governors for the 1986-87 season March 10 when they fell to the Tigers of Huron. The Govs finished off their season at a disappointing 5-14.

Head Coach Bob Judson commented on seasonal difficulty, "We were not very consistent on scoring, but the kids worked hard and we progressed a lot through the season, it just doesn't show in the win column."

Our conference was also tough not to mention our non-conference games, when we played Sturgis they were ranked 5th and Pine Ridge was ranked 3rd and still moving up in the "A" division. We didn't have any games. Also some transfer kids made it tough, where without these kids it would have made a difference to our advantage." The teams being Aberdeen Central, Brookings, and Huron.

Leading the Governors on the season was starting senior Chris Shaw with 212 total points this being the last year he will play adorned in governor green. Sophomore Heath Scheider also a starter finished up the season just behind Shaw with 170 total points. Senior starter Wayne Shaefbauer was also in triple figures

on the year with 137. Starting junior Doug Mikkon, towering over many competetors, was the top show blocker for the Govs with 23, he denied the Governors opponents 46 points. Sophomore H. Scheider followed with 12. Senior Ward Judson also a starter led on the team with 29 steals; Shaw had 25 and Schaefbauer followed with 23. On the darker side of things, the Governors were plagued with a multitude of turnovers. Leading the infamous list was Schaefbauer with 48 followed by Shaw with 47 and H. Scheider with 37.

Coach Judson looks ahead to next year, "We would hope to compete quite well after having a good sophomore and junior varsity season and a lot of our J.V. were on the varsity so they gained valuable court experience. Next year we should be able to compete if we spend a lot of time in the off-season, number one playing a lot of basketball at camps and so-on and number two, lifting weights and getting physically stronger. These two things are very important."

The Governors will hold their annual Athletic Board Banquet March



BLOCKING THE SHOT...Riggs' Wayne Schaefbauer stretches out to block a shot during one of the last home games against the Huron Tigers. (Photo by Doug Potter)

Gymnasts take fourth at State

By Lisa Hyde

The Lady Gov gymnasts took fourth place at the State A Tournament in Watertown, February 28th and 29th. The team finished with 132.16 points, their highest score this year. Rapid City Stevens won the tournament with a total of 144.16 points.

Freshman Emily Vanderzeil was named to the All-tourney team. She also finished 13th in the all-around (33.39), tenth on bars (8.86), 12th on vault (8.83), and tied for 18th in floor competition (8.10) with teammate Bonnie Jorgenson, who also took

16th on the vault (8.63).

Nicki Barker had the highest position for Pierre in the individual events. With a personal best, she took sixth on the uneven bars (8.96), and 17th in all-around competition (32.81). Teammate Lori Zwemke took 18th on the beam (8.06).

Coach Diane Anderson said, "Some of our scores were disappointing, but the competition at a state meet is very intense. It takes experience to remain calm and concentrate on what you're doing. When we started, our team didn't have much experience, but we have learned a lot this year."

ON THE WINNING RUNG...Kelly Koistinen's team last week defeated Max Fjelstad's team in double overtime for the IBA championships. Ken Cash's team defeated Steve Williamson's team for third place, and Monte Schaefer's team defeated Brian Merrill's team for the Consolation championship. Pictured are Koistinen's team (bottom) Dave Valentine and Jeff Smith, (middle) Kelly Koistinen, (top) Charley Marshall, Troy Kaiser, and Nuno Sampio. (Photo by Doug Potter)

Smith takes second at State

By Heath Tople

The 1986-87 wrestling season is history for the Governors. The Govs finished their season 8-11 and had seven grapplers qualify for state.

Junior Craig Smith placed second in the HWT slot at the State Tournament in Rapid City. He was defeated by a Milbank senior who was undefeated except a loss to a Minnesota state champion.

The Govs had a new twist to contend with this season with having a new head coach Rick Jensen. Coach Jensen commented on his rookie season at the helm of the Governors, "All around we had a pretty good year, but with 48 total wins last year, we didn't have a lot of positive things to work with.

"At first it looked like it was going to be long season, but we kept plugging away. We had to just flat-out learn how to wrestle the way I wanted "About halfway through the season, we established ourselfs as a dual team and started to get threatening. We didn't have a lot of soft spots on the line-up, and we started to gain respect from the other teams and brought it around."

The Govs finished their season as a formitable dual team, but struggled in the tournament area.

Under the guiding hand of Coach Jensen the Govs hope to turn it around next year, "We hope to having a winning season next year, and develop not only as a dual team, but as a tournament team early in the season.

"If next year's seniors can turn it around and make us a threat, we can accomplish that goal. The big payoff will be next season when we can work on development and not just reconstruction," Coach Jensen eyes the futures.

and at least give an honest effort. I don't care if they win or lose, but if they give an honest effort. If anyone is going to lie down I don't want them on my line-up.

Sports Calendar

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April 4	Varsity Track at Rapid City
April 7	Boys Tennis with Mitchell- Here- 3:45 p.m
April 9	Varsity Track, Ear- ly Bird Meet- Here
April 11	Varsity Track at Huron Invitational Huron Tennis Invitational-There- 9:00 a.m. Todd County Golf Invitational-There
April 16	Tennis Triangular- Here- 12:00 noon Varsity Track-

Huron Dual- Here

Rapid City Golf Invitational-There-

10:00 a.m.

Students receive March honors

By Scott Searls

Jonette Wellhouse and Rich Birhanzel were named March students of the month. They are both very active in school activities.

Jonette participates in ballet, piano, chorus, band, jazz band, and is a NHS member. Rich is involved in NHS, Boys State, Letterwinners' club, Basketball, Football, Student Baseball. Manager, Legion Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Catholic Youth Group, and the Mentorship Program.

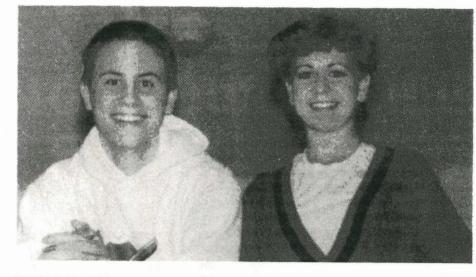
Jonette and Rich plan on attending college after high school. Jonette is planning to attend SDSU where she will major in Electrical Engineering.

Rich hopes to attend Mankato State University and major in English and political science.

"My goal is be successful in whatever I decide to do," said Jonette. She would also like to thank all her teachers and feels they are all excellent.

If Rich could repeat high school he would strive for better relationships with some individuals with whom he had differences.

Rich's goals are "to keep my spiritual life in perspective and to strive for success, desirably in the realm of world politics. Total world domination would be cool.'



SENIORS HONORED...Rich Birhanzel and Jonette Wellhouse take time out to pose for a picture. (Photo by Doug Potter)

News Briefs

Gumbo selects 87-88 staff

Junior Jenny Joens will be taking over the reigns of the yearbook staff as senior editor of the 1987-88 book, according to Terry Peterson, advisor, who this week announced the 1988 Gumbo staff.

Senior associate editors will be Corey Odden and Kayla Korkow. Second year senior staff members will include DaWanda Pesicka, Mike Anderson, Maia Lyngstad, and Howard. Senior photographers will be Scott Thompson and Bruce Venner.

Senior staff members will include Stephanie Zastrow, Karisa Kenyon, Sean Califf, John Sutton, Amy Cone, Angie Douglas, Tracy Deis, and Doug Mikkonen.

Assisting Joens will be junior assistant editor Julie Humphrey. Associate junior editors are Jenny Keever and Steve Schneider. Junior staffers are Denise Suedkamp, Kari Engberg, Mark Petersen, Kim Maluski, and Steve Stofferahn.

Student council changes

By Chris Ward

Student government experiences a changing of the guard every semester as a new mayor and vice mayor and new student council commissioners

Commissioners are the spokesmen for the student body and carry the ideas of the classes they represent to the council.

Second semester commissioners are Kris Schreckengaust, Mike Anderson, Dawn Jackson, Carrie Shea, Nikki Kuck, Kevin Odden, Brian Pibal, and Keith Garrigan.

Others are Benjie Hiatt, Eric Jacobsen, Shawnna Draper, Chris Shaw, Dale Garber, Sean Califf, John Sutton, Bob Krier, Melissa Auske,

Juniors win essay contest

Junior Julie Brehe won first and her classmates Linda Clark and Chris Ward won second and third in Newspapers in Education writing contest sponsored recently by the Daily Capitol Journal and Pierre Area Reading Council.

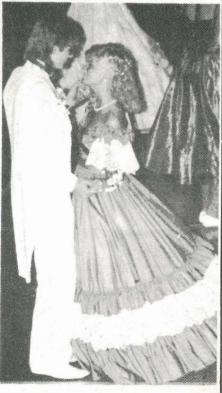
Senior high contestants wrote essays proposing solutions to drug use in the community. "We feel this contest is worthwhile because it focuses on a good area for young people to think about," said Terry Woster, Capital Journal Editor. "Several entries were very thoughtfully done and showed insight into the fact that quick fixes will not work."

Woster noted that a "lot of the writing was quite good, but some was disappointing."

Brehe's essay, which appeared in the Capital Journal, was entered in the state contest.

Trevor Kuntz, Tracy Shangreaux, and Wayne Schaefbauer.

commissioners attend meetings when the commissioners are absent. Second semester vice commissioners include Keenlyne, Eric Lundeen, Craig Smith, Ryan Bales, Nikki Barker, Ernie Canode, Paul Keatts, Bonnie Hanson, Kara Fridley, Todd Peterson, Karryn Corning, Stephanie Zastrow, Christy Gors, Steve Stofferahn, Vonnie Frier, Shane Herr and Trish Feltman.



ONE ENCHANTED EVENING...Junior Jim Jensen and Lisa Pibal dance to the music of Forced Entry at the King of Hearts Dance sponsored by Jobs Daughters. Tim Cass of Ft. Pierre was selected King of Hearts. (Photo by Doug Potter)



SET FOR BLAST OFF...Senior Doug Potter prepares for the launch of a model rocket. (Photo

Senior builds rockets

Have you ever wanted to fly rockets? Senior Doug Potter not only flies them, he builds them. Doug is one of a group of hobbyists and sportsmen called model rocketers.

"I first got started in rocketry in sixth grade, when my parents bought me a rocket and launch equipment," said Doug.

Building rockets isn't as difficult as it sounds; most model rockets consist of a cardboard body tube, balsa or plastic fins, and a balsa or plastic

To make things simpler, and safer, a rocketer doesn't have to worry about motor design and fuel formulation. This work is done commercially by professionals, giving the model rocketer a large selection of motors, from the "tiny" 1/4As to the "huge" F series motors.

Designing a rocket yourself can be a little more complicated than building a commercial kit.

"When you design it yourself you

have to worry about things you don't have to with a kit. A kit has been tested; you know it's going to be stable in flight. With your own design, it might not be, but you better make sure before you launch it," Potter

"Launching an unstable rocket is one of the more dangerous things you can do. It won't fly straight, and it may try to fly through your head. But, with a little time in the design stage any problem like that should be caught long before it (the rocket) gets to the launch pad," he explained.

Competing at a meet can be on of a rocketer's most enjoyable experiences. Competition can be fierce, and includes catagories like: scale modeling, load lifting, altitude, and precision landing. Meets range in size from local to international.

"Model rocketry can be a very rewarding and fun hobby, and with a little attention to safety, a safe one too," Potter concluded.