

Riggs High GOVERNOR

1988 Prom promises 'Evening of Elegance'

By Cathy Pohlman and
Anne Storsteen

As the 1988 school year is nearing an end, one of the most memorable experiences for a junior or a senior is approaching.....PROM. This year the junior class gives prom a new twist by hosting it at the new Ramkota RiverCentre.

"I think this year's prom will work out pretty well," said Carol Pickering who along with Bob Judson, is the prom coordinators. "It will be neat to have it at a new location for a change, and bringing back an old tradition, the Grand March, should make it even more interesting."

The band "The Loose" will open the "Evening of Elegance" at 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. The prom-goers will have the Grand March and be entertained by the dance of the waiters Matt Blumer, Chris Shepard, Troy Wiebe,

Shannon Schaefer, Trevor Wiebe and the waitresses Jana Hickman, Katie Carter, Susan Elenbaum, Jodi Hickman, and Robbi Starks. Prom colors will be silver, blue and mauve.

Even though prom will end at 12:00 a.m., the fun will not. A Post-Prom Party will be held at Cahoots from 1:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to lucky prom-goers throughout the evenings.

The traditional Post-Prom Breakfast will begin at 2:00 a.m. at the Elks Club and will end at 4:00 a.m.

Senior Lynn Rassmussen summed it all up by saying, "Prom is the most wonderful evening a person could possibly experience. It's a dream come true."

The evening should be an entertaining and memorable experience.



PROM WAITERS AND WAITRESSES...from left to right, Shannon Schaefer, Robbi Starks, Katie Carter, Matt Blumer, Janna Hickman, Trevor Wiebe, Susan Ellenbaum, Chris Shephard, and Jodie Hickman. Not pictured, Troy Wiebe. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

Curtains open for 'April Fish'

By Katy Bauder

Curtains will rise for the last play of the year *April Fish* at 7:30 p.m. April 28, 29 and 30 in the Riggs Theatre.

The one-act comedy is set in Little Italy, according to director Hyrma Zakahi. Characters include Fortunato and Assunta, played by seniors Sean Califf and Tracy Deis.

Juniors Corey Johnston, Rodes Fishburne and Shelley Sutley play the parts of Anselmo, Umberto and Sabbatella. Seniors Katy Bauder, DaWanda Pesicka and Chuck Farnham take the stage as Giovanniana, Nicolina, and Pasqueala.

Pietro and Padre are portrayed by juniors Eric Hoffsten and Steve Stofferahn, and sophomore Rene

Creager plays Filomena.

Student directors are senior Jenny Joens, and junior Mary Fjelstad. Senior Kent Melcher and junior Brad Houck are lighting technicians. Junior Dixie Beck is sound tech, and sophomores Kim Osberg and Monique Cash are makeup and backstage directors. Richard Maxwell is the publicity director.

"The play has been coming along well, despite conflicts with rehearsals," said Ms. Zakahi. "It will be a fantastic show by the production dates."

The story centers around Assunta who hires a Sicilian plumber to fix a hole in the bathroom wall. However, when her husband Fortunato returns

home, she finds that he has spent his paycheck and there is no money to pay the plumber.

The entire neighborhood is called to play April Fish-the Italian version of April Fool's Day on the plumber. Many situations back fire with the plan, especially when the Padre arrives.

"It's the first time I've ever gotten to play an older role so that's been a challenge," said Sean Califf. "It's nice to have a light comedy to round off the season after doing two heavy shows. Also, it's been fun working with a variety of people, including veterans and first-timers."

Admission will be \$1.00 for students, \$2.00 for adults and activity tickets are accepted.

Faculty plans for NCA evaluation

By Nancy Kelley

Riggs High faculty and administrators are gearing up already for a North Central Association evaluation scheduled for next spring.

The two-and-a-half day evaluation will lead to continued NCA accreditation for the school and is based on a self evaluation that will be carried out by each department and within other areas of the school program.

"It is a very exciting thing," said Roger Lonbaken, Riggs principal. "It's a lot of hard work; but, in the long run it is worth while. In a way it pulls us together."

The evaluation itself will be conducted by an NCA team of 20 members including teachers from other NCA schools. The evaluation will assure that Riggs meets NCA standards, but its main goal is to improve the school, according to Lonbaken.

Candy Birhanzel, English Department, is chair of the steering committee which is organizing the self study. Other members include Vern Miller, social studies; Bill Peterson, science; Dusty Kracht, athletics; Hyrma Zakahi, drama, and Robert Townsend, library and media.

The study reviews every department, the school's objectives, philosophies and goals, community and school activities, grounds and facility performances.

Every department will complete an in-depth questionnaire according to Birhanzel. The final report will focus on four main areas: weaknesses, strengths, general, and recommendations for corrections, changes and improvements.

The last NCA visit to Riggs was in 1976, according to Lonbaken, who noted that the usual circulation is every seven years.

Voters elect board members

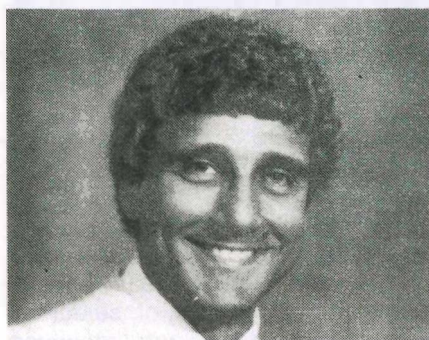


By Paula Paul

Community votes selected Eileen Herrin and Tom Huber to fill two Pierre School Board seats in an April 12 election. In a close race, Herrin captured 2,807 and Huber 2,320 of the total 4,367 votes.

Also competing for the School Board seats were Karen Gerdes, John Vastag, and Dave Voeltz. The positions were left open when current Board members Gary Snow and Richard Schoessler announced they would not run for re-election.

Eileen Herrin, who has four of her six children in the Pierre school system, wants to keep children the top priority in her work on the School Board. "The purpose is educating our young people. We can't lose sight



of what our purpose is," she said.

"It's been an effort of the whole community," said Herrin about her election to the Board. "There are a lot of really positive people who feel good about the school system involved in this - not just me. I'm excited," she said.

Dr. Tom Huber, who has two of his three children in the school system, graduated from Riggs High in 1970. He credits the Pierre school system with helping prepare him for college, but feels the system should also meet the needs of students entering the job market.

"It feels good to win, and now the heat is back on me to do things I think I'm capable of doing on the School Board," Huber said. "I can't wait to get started."

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Teacher award needs review

By Paula Paul

Teacher of the Year - quite an honor for any Riggs teacher, but something most students are left in the dark about. How many students even know how the Teacher of the Year is selected? Probably only National Honor Society members because they alone possess the power to vote for the Teacher of the Year.

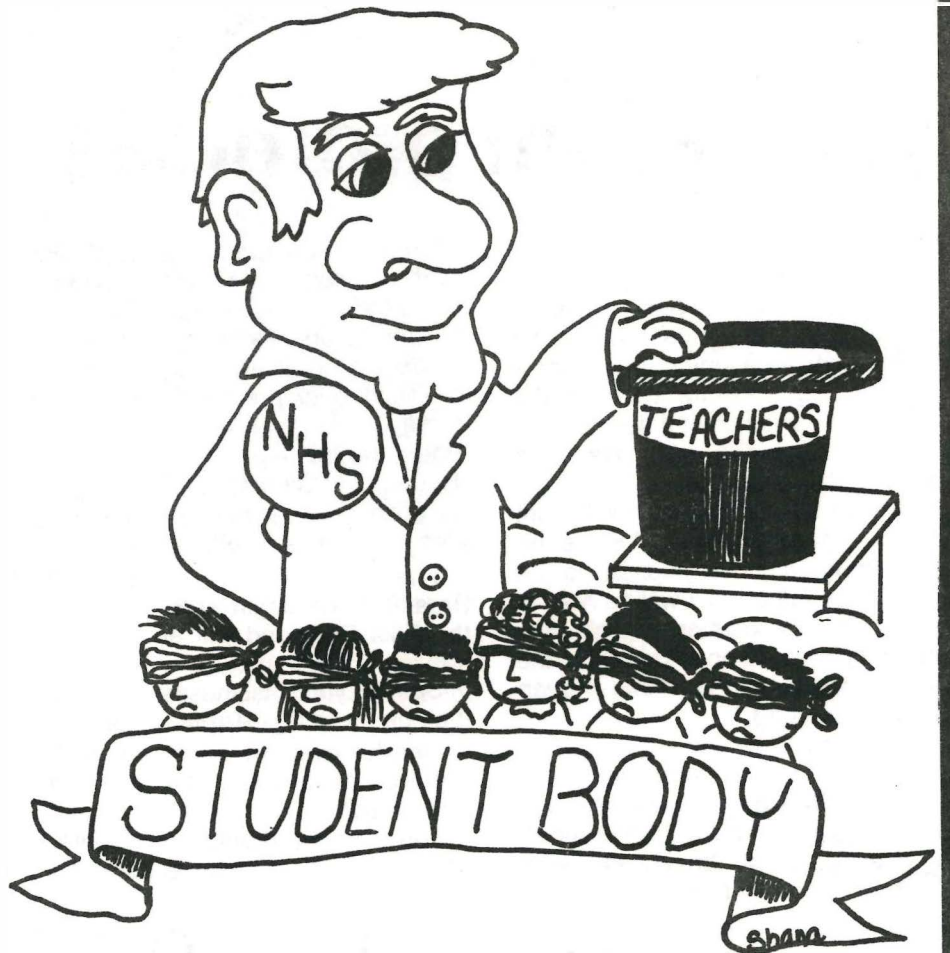
Mr. Peterson was selected this year; he and those chosen in years past are certainly worthy of the award. Whether or not the teacher deserves the honor is not the issue. The Teacher of the Year selection process is what requires closer examination.

Hard work is certainly necessary to obtain NHS membership. However, the fact that NHS members excel in academics and extracurricular activities doesn't make them any better qualified to choose Teacher of the Year than the average Riggs student. The student who maybe doesn't get such good grades also has a vote that needs to be counted in the selection process.

Since NHS members tend to take mostly academic-type classes, students who take vocational courses are not really represented in the voting at all. Some teachers may deserve the award, but may not have a chance because their students are rarely members of NHS.

The way Riggs allows its Teacher of the Year to be selected could be compared to allowing only a certain group of Americans to vote in the Presidential election.

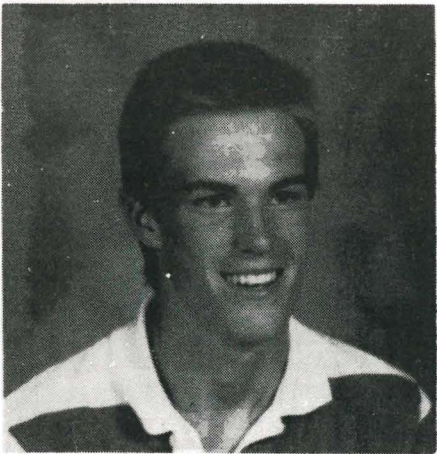
An NHS adviser has said the continuation of the Teacher of the Year award has been debated for several years. Teachers are people who do a lot of things for a lot of people without many thanks. The award boosts the morale of everyone involved. The award should be continued because it does some very positive things, but all students should have an equal vote in the selection of the Teacher of the Year. Administrators have questioned the selection process, maybe they just need a little push from the students to change it.



Students voice opinion on teacher award

Grumblings among students and faculty over the selection process used for teacher of the year prompted the Governor to ask the opinions of this issue.

This month students were asked: "Are you satisfied with the teacher of the year selection process? If no, how would you change it?"



Brad Reinke (Soph.): I'm not satisfied with the process even though Mr. Peterson deserved the award. I think the teacher of the year selection should be up to the whole student body and not just the Honor Society students.



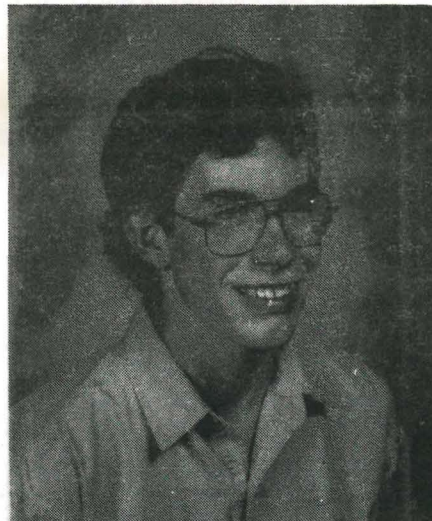
Alissa Ries (Senior): I think everyone (student body) should be able to vote on the selection.

Sean Caliif (Senior): I think that it is slightly biased since only NHS members vote.

Steph Zastrow (Senior): I am satisfied with the process. The way it is now keeps it serious. However, there might be a way to get others involved, but the seniors in NHS have usually had a lot of teachers and can make a good decision.



Nikki Kuck (Junior): I really am not aware of the process of selecting teacher of the year award. I've never disliked the selection made. I perly think it would be good to have a vote by every person in the school, although I know that would be more difficult.



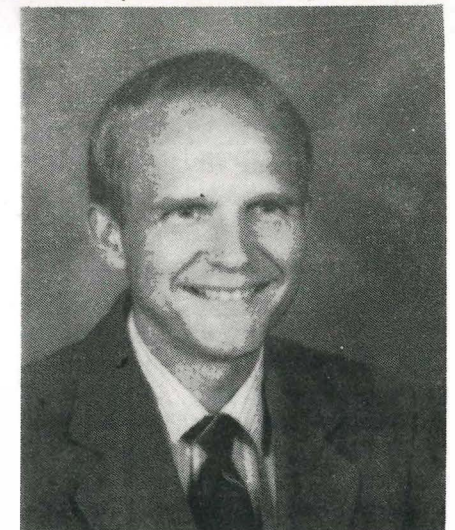
Corey Johnston (Junior): No, I'm not satisfied because I feel that all students should have a say in who they want for teacher of the year instead of just NHS members.

Vickie Cool (teacher): I think if its NHS sponsored they should do the choosing. It should be made clear that it is an NHS award, and its just a fact of life that people who don't have NHS students aren't going to win it.

Linda Powell (Soph.): I don't know the process used to select the teacher, but I think the best way would be to have a student vote.

Vicki Brooks (teacher): I would like to see more input by faculty and students in the process.

Betty Weis (teacher): I'm satisfied with the process the way it is now.



Ken Larsen (teacher): I think the process should be opened up so that more students can participate in the vote, although all of the teachers chosen have been well deserving of the award.

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Rock-N-Roll Review

By Rodes Fishburne

Hello! This summer there will be a Monster of Rock Tour across the United States. Hopefully, they will be playing in Denver. They are playing outdoor stadiums only.

For the progressive music lover, the lead singer of the Smiths Morrissey has released his solo album, "Vive Hate."

Van Halen, Iron Maiden, Poison,

and Cheap Trick all are due to have albums out or already do. Go for it music lovers!

In the latest news the band Talking Heads has released the album "Naked" and they have received rave reviews.

In local music news Riggs musicians and vocalists received straight superiors at the Mobridge festival.

SADD sponsors pre-prom safety campaign

Don't be surprised if you find a note in your tuxedo pocket Saturday night or in the flower box your girl opens.

The message will be from the Riggs SADD (Students Against Driving Drunk) urging prom goes to make it a safe prom.

In addition to these reminders, the local SADD group will be joining the South Dakota Department of Health and Highway and Transportation Division of Safety with a seatbelt project.

"If you buckle up - that is your best defense against a drunk driver," said Robert Townsend, SADD adviser. He said the local chapter will be giving away dollars to drivers they find wearing seatbelts, and the state department will also have some type of prize giveaway at the same time.

"Our aim is to hit the students before prom to make them more aware of safe driving," Mr. Townsend noted. There is a possibility of a seatbelt contest between the SADD chapters of Pierre and Ft. Pierre.

"This year some of our students are taking the extra time to work for

SADD, and I feel they are giving quite a service to the student body." Mr. Townsend said. "We are making progress this year because we have finally gotten the activities started."

In addition to the seatbelt activity, senior Deb Kern will be representing Riggs SADD members April 20 when she presents material on chapter activities, including the Black Friday observance, to the Governor's Traffic Safety Conference.

The success of the Riggs SADD newsletter and the chapter projects lead to this invitation. The Riggs SADD group will also have a display at the conference, according to sophomore Kevin Ziegler, chapter president.

In other activities, members Barb Laird, and Debie Krom, sophomores; and Kirsten Levisen and Larissa Baer, juniors, recently attended a program on traffic safety in Sioux Falls. The program was sponsored by Tri-State Insurance Company of Minneapolis and featured Bob Anastas, founder and chairman of SADD.



BLACK FRIDAY......was one of the SADD activities. SADD members tied black arm bands on students in memory of teenagers who died on the roads in alcohol-related accidents. SADD will instigate pre-prom activities this week. Pictured tying a black arm band on SADD chapter president Kevin Ziegler is Debie Krom. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

Legion names Boys, Girls State delegates



REPRESENTING RIGGS AT GIRLS STATE....from row: Kim Maluski, Kelly Misterek, alternate; Kara Fridley, Sondra Jackson, Nikki Kuck, Jennifer Kever, alternate; Anne Storsteen, Dawn Kilian, and Jacki Heintz.

By Katy Bauder and Chris Ward

Following review of applications and private interviews with each candidate, American Legion and Legion Auxiliary members recently announced the 1988 candidates to Boys and Girls State.

Junior girls will head to the campus of South Dakota State University at Brookings while the guys are at Northern State in Aberdeen for the May 30 to June 5 session.

Kelly Misterek and Jennifer Kever were selected as alternates. The following juniors will attend the Legion sponsored event:

Kara Fridley who is active in Pep Club and intramural volleyball, works at JCPenney and also cleans Hazeltine & Associates. Kara hopes to learn "how to become and be a better leader."

Dawn Kilian would like to learn more about our system of government and things politicians must face. She is active in drama, band, chorus, jazz band, Odyssey of the Mind, and FCA. Dawn feels that Girls State will help her in the future to have an understanding of our government.

Anne Storsteen is involved in intramural volleyball, power puff football, Teenage Republicans, and Luther League. She plans on attending college and is considering law as a major. Anne works for the City

Recreation Program teaching arts and crafts.

Kimberly Maluski participates in band, chorus, *Gumbo* staff, Student Senate, and intramural volleyball. Kimberly hopes to learn more about politics. She plans on going to college in Minnesota but is undecided on a major.

Nikki Kuck thinks the Girls State experience will help her in school, and that the new friendships will make it a very valuable experience. She is active in chorus, band, accompanies for the Swing Choir and Stage Bank, Pep Club, SADD, and the Mentorship Program.

Jackie Heintz works in the Red Owl Restaurant and Deli. She participates in girls basketball as a player and manager, and is a new member of the *Governor* staff. Jackie said the experience at Girls State will "teach leadership, citizenship, and government workings."

Sondra Jackson is active in volleyball, Pep Club, *Gumbo* staff, band, chorus, Swing Choir, Stage Band, and FCA. She is secretary of the Junior Class, vice-president of SADD chapter, and president of UMYF. Sondra hopes to learn more about the economic system.

Boy's state alternative are Kurt Brost and Benjamin Hiatt. The Boys state delegates are as follows:



REPRESENTING RIGGS AT BOYS STATE....front row Jafar Karim, Kurt Brost, alternate; Charlie Moore, Terry Nelson, Eric Kilber, Benjie Hiatt, alternate; Standing: Steve Stofferahn, Jamison Rounds, Steve Schneider, Heath Schneider, and Mark Peterson.

Jafar Karim is involved in *Gumbo* staff and boys basketball student manager. He is employed at the Golden Corral.

Eric Kilber participates in debate and Project Discovery.

Terry Nelson is active in football, basketball, track and NHS. He coaches tee-ball in the summertime.

Mark Petersen is involved in football, basketball and *Gumbo* staff. He replied, "I think Boys State will teach us what being a public official is like."

Jamie Rounds is actively involved in football, track, swim team, TORCH,

Youth Group Liturgy Council, NHS, Teenage Republicans, Student Council, and Junior Class officer. He plans to go to college to major in law.

Heath Schneider is presently in tennis and is also in football, basketball and NHS.

Steve Schneider actively participates in football, basketball, track, NHS and *Gumbo* staff. He is employed at the YMCA.

Steve Stofferahn is involved in chorus, band, drama, Swing Choir, jazz band, *Gumbo* staff and Student Council.

Gumbo chooses staff

By Nicole Hageman

Junior Julie Humphrey has been selected the senior editor for the 1989 *Gumbo*, according to adviser Terry Peterson.

"The *Gumbo* staff puts together the school's yearbook, and their past efforts have led to All State honors the past five years and an excellent rating in the National Yearbook contest."

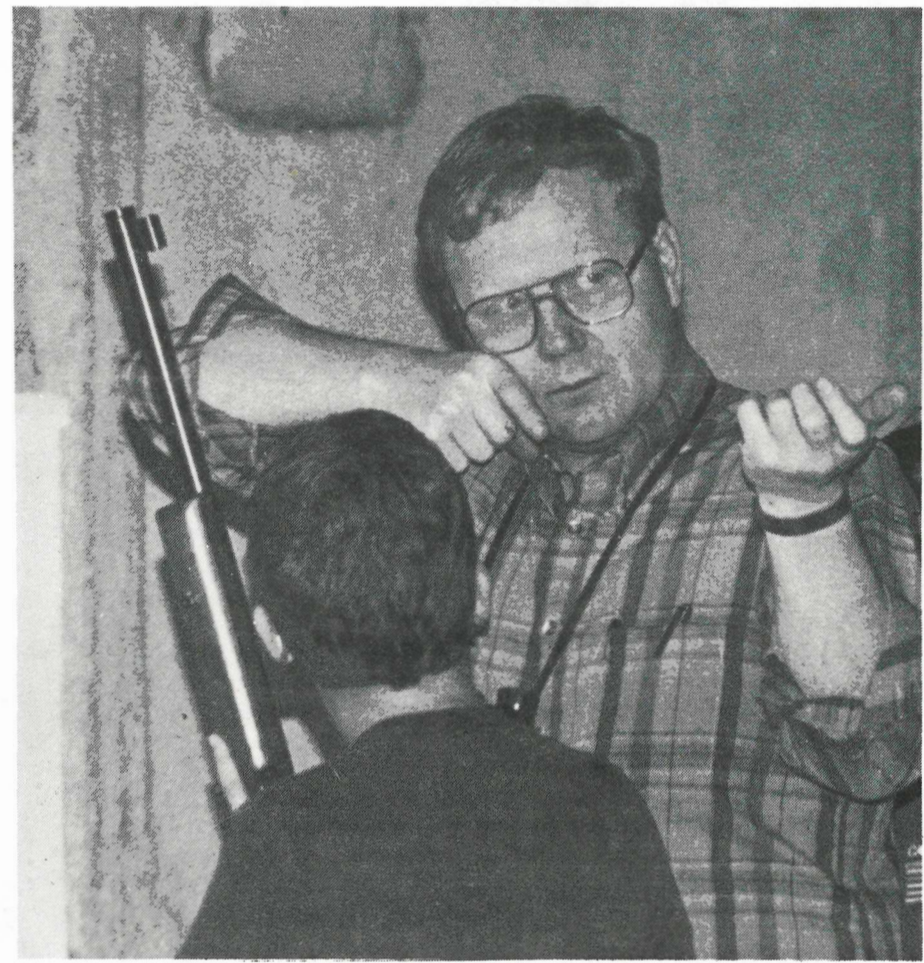
Working with Humphrey will be Jenny Kever and Steve Schneider who have been named senior associate editors. Members of the second-year senior staff are Kari

Engberg, Denise Suedkamp, Mark Peterson, Kim Maluski, and Steve Stofferahn.

Other senior staff members will be Sondra Jackson, Charlie Moore, Kurt Brost, Tim Hilton, Laurie Smith, Angela Ruhnke, Alison Charlson, Trent Merkwon, Jafar Karim, and Jenny Rapp.

Named as junior editors are Annette Wahl, Aimee Pitlick and Brad Reinke. Other junior staffers are Stacey Hull, Brett Oakland, Jeff Post, Sandy Case, Alison Forney and Emily Vanderziel.

Teacher coaches rifle club, safety course



READY, AIM....Mr. Hoing demonstrates how to improve aim in competition shooting. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

By Michelle Deyo

Riggs Industrial Arts teacher Patrick Hoing moonlights...as a volunteer teacher.

From January to April Mr. Hoing leaves the classroom and heads for the Issac Walton Clubhouse where he teaches gun safety and coaches shooting teams.

On Thursday nights, Mr. Hoing and his assistants, senior Marc Scarborough, sophomore Rea Briggs and ninth grader Lori Neuhauser help approximately 25 young people learn about gun safety and the techniques of shooting.

"I really enjoy working with the kids and I like shooting (the sport) itself," Mr. Hoing said. "It's a lot of fun, but very time consuming." He started working with young shooters as a parent-helper when his daughter was involved.

Half of the teaching time is spent on gun safety and there have been no mishaps. The group learns four shooting positions: prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing which is the most difficult. After long hours of practice and improvement, some of the kids join teams, and some later assist with the program.

Scarborough has participated on a team, and now assists. "The only problem is that the kids are only 8 to

10 years old and sometimes they don't listen real well," he said. "One of the good points is that you get to see how you are helping these kids to learn to shoot and to handle guns safely."

In shooting a lot depends on mental attitude. "It can turn out either way," Hoing said. "You must dedicate yourself to doing well."

To illustrate this point, Mr. Hoing referred to 12-year old Colt Stuart who won the over all top shooter award April 9 at the state contest. "He did exceptionally well and scored about his top." Other members of the team are Craig Korkow, Paula Weeldryer, Jed Hillsted and Eric Unkenholz.

"Basically shooting is an individual thing," Mr. Hoing said. "You are competing with yourself. Now, people are finding out how much fun it is again."

Hoing noted that shooting is big in the olympics right now, and that there are also lots of opportunities for scholarships because many colleges have teams.

Mr. Hoing and the team will conclude the shooting season July 1-3 when they travel to Colorado Springs, CO for the international shooting competition.

Seniors tell merits of legislative paging

By Tempe Malena

Seniors Liz Mackey and Heath Tople served as Senate pages during the last segment of the 1988 State Legislature.

"It's a good opportunity for you to meet new people," said Mackey, who was sponsored by Senator Homer Harding of Pierre.

"Being a page doesn't mean you work for a certain Senator. You work for many senators," Mackey explained. Pages run errands around the Capitol Building, run off copies for senators, and run other errands for the legislators including answering the telephone.

Mackey found the entire experience memorable, but she especially enjoyed the longer days and the last day when pages received thanks from the senators and certificates.

Both Riggs seniors enjoyed the "busy, tense" atmosphere of the session. "It was neat listening to debates about bills and being right there in the chambers," Mackey said. "I felt I

learned more about our State Government and local issues."

Tople was also sponsored by Senator Harding. "I wanted the political experience, and it was a great opportunity," he said. "I learned everything imaginable."

Both students appreciated the opportunity to make friends with senators, lobbyists, press people, and pages from across the state.

In addition to his other experiences, Tople had a unique experience. "On our last day we were presented with a Senate Resolution thanking us for our service as pages. In years past the pages clapped and sat down, but this year was different. I became the first page in South Dakota government history to be recognized by the chair and to speak to the Senators on the senate floor," he explained.

Definitely interested in political science, Tople plans to attend South Dakota State University in the fall with a double major in political science and broadcast journalism and a minor in public relations.



SENATE PAGES....Heath Tople and Liz Mackey, smile for the cameras after a long day in session. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)



HEADING FOR WORLD COMPETITION....members of the Riggs Odyssey of the Minds team earned their way to World competition by winning the State OM contest April 9. The local team will meet teams from China, England, Philippines, Mexico and nearly every American state at the University of Maryland. OM members from left are Mary Fjelstad, Katie Schaak, Larissa Baer, Kirsten Levisen, Dawn Kilian and Nicole Patten.

Events Calendar

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| April 23 Prom | 14-15 Spencer Dance Recital |
| 28-30 Riggs Spring Play | 17-19 Riggs Spring Concert |
| May 5-6-7 Forney Dance Recital | 24 Riggs Awards Night |

Sports Calendar

| April | May | |
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| 21 Tennis at Aberdeen | 6 Tennis at Rapid City | meet at Huron |
| 22 Track-Pierre Legion Relays | 6-7 Track-Howard wood Relays at Sioux Falls | Tennis-ESD at Brookings |
| 23 Golf-Aberdeen Invitational at Aberdeen-10:30 a.m. | 7 Dougl's Track Invitational at Rapid City | 16-17 Golf-State Meet at Rapid City-9:00 a.m. |
| 29 Tennis-RC Central-Here | Golf-ESD at Pierre-11:00 a.m. | 20 Track-Region III "AA" at Huron |
| 30 Track-Sturgis Invitational at Sturgis) | Tennis-RC Invitational | 23-24 Tennis-State Tourney at Brookings |
| Tennis-Pierre Invitational-Here | 9 Golf-Region IV at Pierre-10:00 a.m. | 27-28 Track-State Meet at Sioux Falls |
| Golf-Huron Triangular | 14 ESD Conference track | |

Teams prepare for Pierre Invitational

By Lori Jund

Riggs boys and girls track teams will be hosting nearly 350 athletes Friday at Hollister Field for the Pierre Legion Relays.

On hand for the event will be Aberdeen Central, Huron, Rapid City Central, Sturgis, Mobridge, and Rapid City Douglas. "Our toughest competition will probably be Huron which has good field events people to go along with their runners," said Larry Lundeen, girl's coach.

Pierre girls won their Early Bird meet. "Our times and distances were great for an early meet," Lundeen commented. "I think we have all the areas covered, and it's nice to know you have someone in each event who can score."

The Lady Gobs claimed six first place ribbons at the Early Bird with wins by Susan Fowler in the discus, Billie Joe Stephan in the shot, relay teams in the 400, 800, and 1600 meter runs, and Jenny Turbiville in the 1600 meter run.

"As you get into the meets, the enthusiasm grows," said Coach Lundeen. He expects to see continued

strong performances by senior Crissy Post in sprints, junior Kelly Misterek in the hurdles, and ninth grade distance runner Jenny Turbiville.

Post joins junior Krista Turbiville, and ninth grade runners Heather Ogan and Kristie List in both the 400 and 800 relays. In the 1600 relay Post joins forces with Misterek, K. Turbiville, and senior anchor Rosemary Parr.

Field events for the Lady Gobs are getting better according to the coach, who named Connie Taylor, Billie Jo Stephan, and Kathy Dalton as people to watch in the shot. Fowler continues to be strong in the discus.

"There is a possibility that we could have another ESD title and to be in the thick of the race again this year, if we stay away from injuries and continue to improve," Lundeen predicted.

The Lady Gobs are fielding a 55 member team currently, due to several injuries. All members will be back in action within a few weeks.

The next competition for the Pierre team will be April 30 in Sturgis followed by the Howard Wood Relays May 6 and 7 in Sioux Falls.



HANDING OFF....Sophomore Kim Osberg passes the baton to freshman, Jenny Turbiville at the Early Bird track meet. (Photo by Jim Vickery)

Young team takes tennis challenge; faces Aberdeen

By Michelle Deyo

With three meets behind them the Governor tennis team has met nearly all the ESD competition and will lock horns with conference favorite Aberdeen again tomorrow at noon at the Griffin Park courts.

The Gobs are gearing up for the Pierre Invitational slated for 9 a.m. April 30 at Griffin Park. "We are concentrating on preparation for the tournaments," according to Coach Phil Trautner.

The team is in the building process this year with only two seniors, Dave Axtman and Bill Reginski, and junior Heath Schneider as the team veterans.

"It will be a bit of a struggle because the teams are basically senior dominated," said Coach Trautner. "They have more experience and have played more."

So far this season the Gobs have been on the winning side of Mitchell, Huron, and Watertown. They lost to

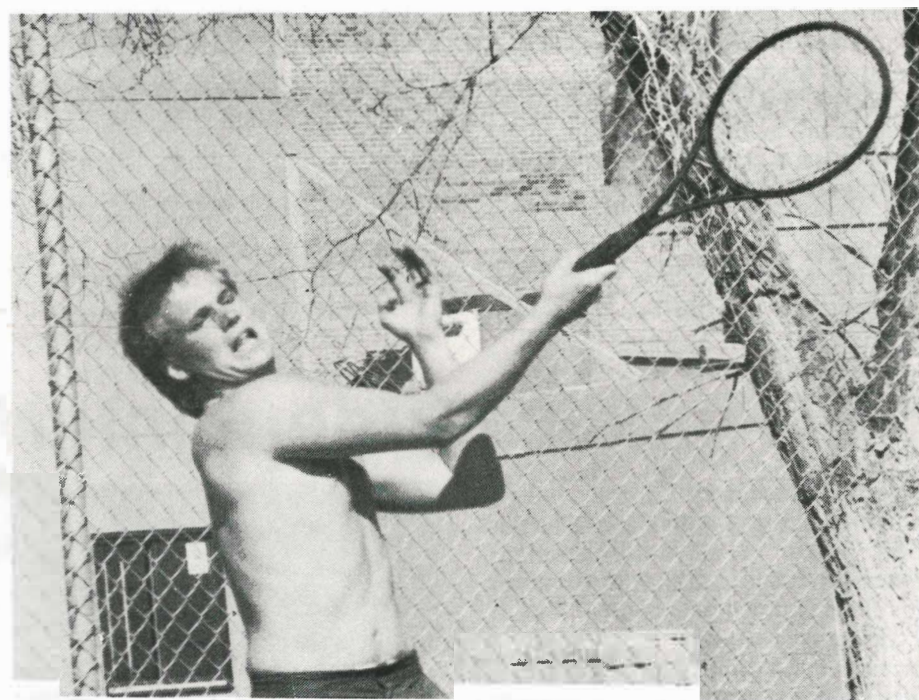
Sioux Falls Lincoln at the Huron Invitational. In their latest match April 14, the team topped Rapid City Stevens 7-2 and won a close one against Aberdeen Central 5-4.

Number one seed for the Governors is Schneider. Ninth grader Chad Winters is slotted at number two, and sophomore Shannon Schaefer is at number three.

Senior Bill Reginski and ninth grader Matt Judson and Anthony Nelson round out Pierre's top six positions.

"Since this is such a young team with not much experience, we know that in most duels it's going to come down to the double, so we have been really working hard on doubles," said Schneider.

Schaefer and Winters are undefeated at doubles. Other doubles pairings are Schneider and Reginski, and Axtman and sophomore Dave Ebach. Axtman also pairs with Judson.



LOOKING FOR A POINT....sophomore Shannon Schaefer's face shows determination as he follows through. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

Bowling traveling teams lead YABA league

By Scott Searls

"The competition was good, but we were better," said Tanya Huck, one of the lead bowlers of the women's YABA Bowling traveling team that recently won first in an YABA tournament.

The men's team was second at the same tournament.

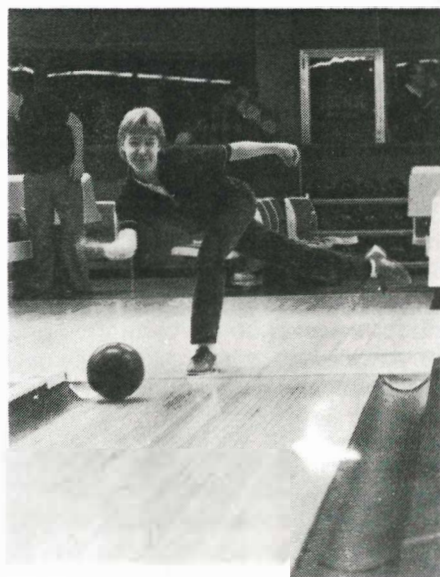
The women's team was lead by Huck and sophomore Michelle Lauck. Others on the five-member team were junior schoolers Cally Winters, Teresa Evan, and Jenni Murphy.

"The team stayed together really well, and we all supported each other," said Huck. "It was a great experience. I got to meet a lot of new people and I enjoyed traveling to other towns."

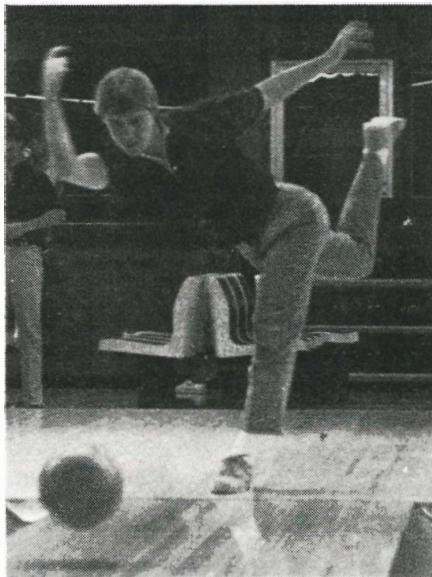
Co-captains Lynn Rassmussen and Chad Kringle lead the men's team. Other team members were Brett and Brian Oakland, Chad Binger, and Richard Ray.

Kringle had the third highest average in the league with a 197. Brett Oakland was named the most improved bowler in the league.

"The competition was really tough, said Kringle, "especially from the Sioux Falls team." Pierre bowled against Sioux Falls, Brookings, Madison, Huron, Mitchell and Aberdeen.

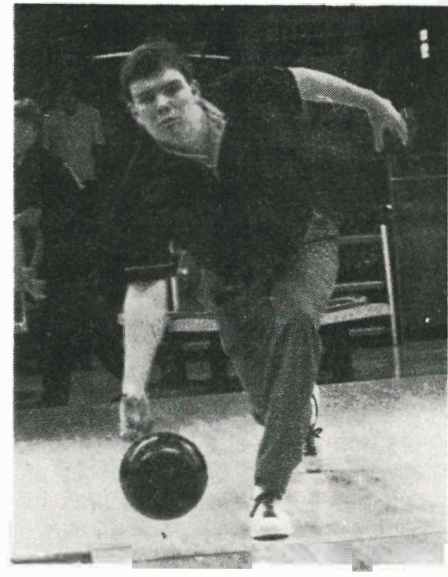


"We bowled every team twice to make up a 12-match schedule during the season," explained Rassmussen. "We usually bowled on Friday afternoon, and we all sponsored ourselves."



"I felt the season was a good experience," said Rassmussen. "It is too bad I competed only one year."

This season was the first year Pierre has participated in the league.



SSSTRIKE...From left to right, sophomore Brett Oakland, senior Lynn Rassmussen, and senior Chad Kringle show winning form. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

Seniors earn March recognition

By DeeAnn Gohl

March Students of the Month are seniors Jenny Joens and Robert McGuigan.

McGuigan is a Governor wrestler, and he keeps busy out of season working at Pizza Hut. He advises underclassmen to "take your goals seriously and try to meet them."

Robert followed his own advise and met his personal goal this year when he broke the Governor wrestling takedown record of 58 by an impressive 84.

His future plans include attending Mankato State University where he will major in accounting.

Joens is editor of the *Gumbo*, and she is also active in drama and a member of NHS. Outside of school, she is a member of the Catholic Youth Group, teaches fourth grade CCD, and works at J.C.Penny's.

This summer Jenny is going to work as a counselor at a Mission camp. She plans to attend Augustana Augustana College in the fall. She has this creative opinion to share: "High school is like a swimming pool,



DYNAMIC DUO...Seniors Jenny Joens and Robert McGuigan earn this month's students of the month award. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

sometimes you want to get in and sometimes you don't."

Both seniors are automatically eligible for the Student of the Year award which will be presented at the annual Awards Night in May.

Awards banquet honors debate squad

By Paula Paul

Riggs debate squad ended their 1988 season by awarding 22 new degrees and nine new memberships in the National Forensic League at a banquet March 24.

Debate team members and their awards are as follows: Tara Adamski - major letter, NFL Degree of Honor, Degree of Excellence. Cheri Bartlett - major letter, Outstanding Humorous Interpreter.

Thad Fonck - minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit, Degree of Honor. Andrea Gilbert -

minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit, Degree of Honor, Outstanding Novice Debater trophy.

Paula Graves - major letter, Outstanding Varsity Debater, Outstanding Varsity Orator trophy.

Linda Jordre - minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit. Amy Simms - major letter, Degree of Excellence.

Heath Tople - major letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit, Degree of Honor, Outstanding JV Debater, Most Improved, Outstanding Extemporaneous Speaker

trophy. Julie Volmer - minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit, Degree of Honor.

Chris Ward - major letter, Degree of Distinction, Double Ruby Dramatic trophy. Lori Stulken - minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit. Jennifer Weaver - minor letter, NFL membership, Degree of Merit.

Jason Hatch - certificate of award, NFL membership, Degree of Merit. Nathan Carter Ward - certificate of award, NFL membership, Degree of Merit.

USD music student interns with band

By Sara Anderson

University of South Dakota senior Jeff Ward is currently practice teaching at Riggs with band instructor Brad Berens.

Originally from Kadoka, Ward plans on becoming a music educator. During his four years at USD he has studied two years of music theory, a year of music history, a year of arranging and orchestrating, and a year of conducting, among other courses.

"I heard that the music programs here in Pierre are excellent," Ward says about his choice to practice teach in the Capitol City. The musician has been involved in music since fifth grade. He started his musical career by playing the baritone and later switched to tuba.

Ward was a member of All State Band for four years and All State Orchestra for one year. "Music," Ward said with enthusiasm, "is a lot of fun!"

"I think the students at Riggs are enthusiastic and talented," said Ward. "I am looking forward to working with them in the forecoming concert and I appreciate the opportunity to work with the band and Berens."

His interest in music education stems from his desire to return some of the "fun" and other aspects of music he learned while he was in school.

After graduation this spring, Ward is planning to teach fourth grade through senior music in Murdo.



STUDENT TEACHER...Jeff Ward, a USD music graduate, takes time out to smile for the camera. (Photo by Kirsten Levisen)

Club sponsors shows, activities

By Linda Jordre

Riggs Art Club members are completing a very busy schedule which has included sponsoring three art shows, recently completing the School Mural, decorating windows at Ferley Jewelry, and selling candy canes to sponsors the art show prizes.

Winners of the last are show were Christy Gors-best of show; Troy Komes-1st, Mary Baade and Karryn Corning tied for 2nd, and Troy Neyhard placed 3rd.

"I was very impressed with the quality of art work in the art show," Mrs. Peterson, art teacher, said. "The

students did an excellent job over all. I was especially pleased with Christy Gors, she is the first underclassman, in my recollection, that has won best of show."

Upcoming events for Art Club include a workshop at Northern April 19, a workshop at Vermillion (date not available), and a community art show (no date set).

The Art Club officers are Sharla Cass and Julie Brehe, other members are Mary Hatch, Michelle LaFave, Missi Van Duszer, Shana Holsteen, Angie Peterson, Linda Powell, Rene' Creager, Dixie Beck, Mary Baade, and Donita Bauske.

News Briefs

Riggs student receives SDSU Briggs award

Senior Paula Paul was recently awarded the Briggs Scholarship for the 1988-89 school year by South Dakota State University.

The scholarship is one of the most prestigious awards available and given to students who are considered top scholars from their high schools.

"I feel honored to receive the award. There was a lot of tough competition," Paul expresses. "Getting it has made me very excited to attend college because I don't have to worry quite as much about paying for it."

Korkow named Josten's finalist

Senior Kayla Korkow is one of 500 finalists in The Jostens Foundation Leader Scholarship program.

Kayla was one of more than 28,880 high school students throughout the United States who applied for the award. Three hundred \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. The scholarship winners will be announced this spring.

Students earn writing awards

The Pierre area Reading Council recently announced winners of their Young Author's Reading Extravaganza.

Junior winners, (first, second, and third), were Jenny Keever, Laurie Smith and Larissa Baer. Senior winners were first, Karisa Kenyon, second, Deb Hudson; and third, Sean Califf.

Riggs' winners in the Capital Journal's Newspaper and Education week writing contest were juniors, Dawn Kilian, Larissa Baer, and Tom Byer who placed first, second, and third, respectively.

Seniors receive science honors

Riggs senior Paula Paul placed eighth in the Senior Division at the Northern South Dakota Regional Science and Math Fair held at Northern State College. Steph Zastrow, also a senior, received a special award presented by National Council of Teachers of Biology.

Paul's project, "Effects of a Glucose Diet on the Blood Sugars of Swiss Albino Mice," placed eighth in the Biological and Behavioral Science division.

Stephanie Zastrow's project, "Comparison of Commerical Weight Reduction, Preparations with & Traditional Diet Method Utilizing Laboratory Mice," was awarded the prestigious National Association of Biology Teachers Special Award.

Paul, Zastrow, and Dawn Duggan, who also participated, placed 1st, 2nd, & 3rd respectively at the Riggs High Science Fair held earlier this month to enter the Northern State College Fair.