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## Boys and Girls Staters selected



**STATERS...**The juniors selected for Boys and Girls State are Mark Morris, Justin Weber, Rob Merrill, Kristle List, Ann Hofer, Brooke Severson, Ben Jensen, Heather Hageman, Nathan Welch, Matt Judson, Cathy Reuer, Steph Ferris, Josh Ley, Jon Ellenbecker, Bret Eschenmeyer, Dawn Swendsen, Kira Ells, Jan Paul, Jason Humphrey, Ben VanCamp, and Brent Talsma. (Photo by Kristi Hansen)

By Linda Jordre

American Legion Auxiliary has announced the 1990 Boys and Girls Staters to attend their sessions the last week of May.

The Boys Staters will attend the session in Aberdeen and the Girls Staters

will be in Brookings.

Boy Staters are Ben Van Camp, Jon Ellenbecker, Brett Eschmeyer, Thad Fonck, Jason Humphrey, Ben Jensen, Matt Judson, Josh Ley, Mark Morris, Brent Talsma, Justin Weber, and Nathan Welsh.

The alternates are Scott

Colwill and Rob Merrill.

Girls Staters are Kira Ellis, Stephanie Farries, Ann Hofer, Kristi List, Sara Nelson, Cathy Reuer, Brooke Severson, and Angie Tedrow.

The alternates are Heather Hegeman and Dawn Swendsen.

## Drama prepares spring play

By Jvonne Heard

Memorizing lines and remembering cues are what the cast of M\*A\*S\*H is doing. The cast consists of 30 speaking parts and 20 extras.

The major female roles are played by Robyn Starks as Lieutenant Janice Fury, Rene Creager as Captain Bridget McCarthy, and Sara Anderson as Lieutenant Nancy Phillips.

The major male roles are played by Pat Baker as Lieutenant Colonel Henry Blake, Tom Valentine as Captain Hawkeye Pierce;

and Tim Schmidt as Captain Duke Forrest.

Students providing technical assistance include Jason Hatch on lights, Eric Manus on sound, Lori Stulken as backstage manager, Lori Jund and Stacy Hull as Student Directors, and Richard Maxwell as publicity.

When asked how she thought the play was going, "Director Hyrma Zakahi said, "I think it is going a lot better than I was expecting because of the number of people involved."

The play opens Tuesday, April 24, and ends Friday, April 27.



**PRATICE MAKES PERFECT...**Actors Jason Knox, Rene Creager, Jason Culberson, Kerrie Hepworth, Kyle Richards, Richard Maxwell, and Kelly Sutton prepared for opening night. (Photo by Kristi Hansen)

## Biology projects compete at Science Fair

By Linda Jordre

Shery Berheim, Rea Briggs, Kelly Campbell, Sandy Case, and Aimee Pitlick attended the Northern State Regional Science Fair, April 5.

Case received first place in the Environmental Sciences senior division with her experiment on the effects of greenhouse gases on plants. She was also named second runner-up grand finalist.

The army presented Case with the United States Army Medallion and a fifty dollar savings bond. This also qualifies her to send an abstract of the project to the Navy National where she may qualify for further competition.

Briggs and Campbell received an honorable mention in the Behavioral Sciences senior division with their experiment on the effects of selenium on Swiss Albino mice.

Berheim and Pitlick received second in Behavioral Sciences senior division with their experi-

ment on metabolic comparisons of obese, reproductively senescent yellow (AY/a) C57BL/6J mouse and the lean black (a/a) C57BL/6J mouse.

They were chosen to attend because they placed in the top three at the Riggs

Science Fair March 13.

Students who received a honorable mention at the Riggs Science Fair were Alison Forney and Linda Powell, Jason Culberson

and Wade Fisher, Annette Wahl and Kim Lakner, Rona VanderPol and Becky

Hamburger, Elise Herrin and Linda Jordre.

The fair was judged by Jerome Jacobs, jr. high Science Instructor; Dr. Luidahl, optometrist; and Nancy Regal, microbiologist at the State Health Lab.

"The judges were extremely impressed and had a difficult time selecting the winners. They came in thinking that it would be an easy job," said Biology II instructor Jon Gonsor.

Each biology student was required to do a project with a partner or alone. There were 29 experiments presented at the fair.

"Some projects had a lot of potential," said Gonsor. "Students got out of them what they put into them; many learned a great deal."

The public was invited to view the experiments at the Science Fair. "I had some positive feedback. The general public was impressed with the quality of work done by the students," said Gonsor.

The experiments ranged from experiments with mice to examining pond microorganisms. Gonsor said, "I thought the students were very well-versed in the material. We had a large range of matter presented. I was very impressed."



**SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS...**Biology II Science Fair finishers are seniors Rea Briggs, Kelly Campbell, Sandy Case, Linda Powell, Linda Jordre, Aimee Pitlick, Annette Wahl, Jason Culberson, Alison Forney, and Elise Herrin. (Photo by Kristi Hansen)



# Students debate effectiveness of legal age

The weather is getting warmer, school days are numbered, and Spring is upon us. With spring come the feelings of newness and happiness; all worries seem unimportant. Spring is the time to party, and that is exactly what high school students seem to do. Unfortunately, too many of the students take the party idea too far.

Students have their own ways of releasing stress and enjoying themselves. Drinking seems to be the popular way to do this among high school students. Most people don't worry about the problems related to drinking. They are just concerned with having a good time. This is why it is so easy for drinking to get out of hand or to have a mishap occur.

Many students feel that the legal drinking age of 21 is too high. This possibly gives these students a dangerous desire to rebel and to sneak around with their drinking. Some students believe that lowering the legal drinking age would decrease the desire to drink. They felt that allowing 18 year olds to drink would decrease the number of those who "go out of bars and into cars."

Students need to Remember that drinking alcohol IS illegal and that serious consequences may result from breaking that law.

## What The People Say ...about the drinking age

By Jvonne Heard

In reviewing the current drinking age of 21, some feel it's too old. Many students recommend lowering the legal age to 18 or 19. Here are some of their feelings:

**Steph Hastings (11)**  
I think it is too high. Since it's gone up, there have been more problems such as crime and deception with teenagers. No matter what, I think teenagers should be able to drink at 18.

**Dawn Droppers (11)**  
I think it's too high. If you are considered an adult legally, you should be able to drink legally. If you have to make your own decisions at the age of 18, then you should be able to make the decision to drink or not to drink.

**Mr. Shields (Biology Teacher)**  
I think a law that would be more fair would be the age of 19; then college kids would be of age. It would make more sense because if you're old enough to be drafted, then you should be old enough to drink.

**Kristen Bren (11)**  
I think it should be 19. Kids sometimes drink just

because they know it is wrong, but if it were 19 they most likely wouldn't act that way.

**Jason Hatch (10)**  
I think 21 is too high. It should be 18 because you can fight for your own country at the age of 18, so you should be able to drink at the age of 18.

**Lisa Bowman (11)**  
I think it should be 18 because you're old enough to vote and go to war, so you should be old enough to drink.

**Kerry Tilber (10)**  
I think it should be 18 because you are considered an adult, so then you should be able to drink.



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
I think there should be more activities put out by the school and community for us to do. There isn't much to do in this town, and I think someone should think of something to do for us or not get so picky on the drinking law. I think those who are 18 should be allowed to drink.

Signed  
Wendy Luci

Dear Editor,  
One matter of concern I'd like to address is the Pierre lunch program's practice of

using styrofoam cups and dishes to serve certain foods in every day. With the present trend towards the preservation of the environment, I feel the school system here should switch to using paper products, which unlike styrofoam, decompose over a period of time after being thrown away.

Another matter of concern to me involves a school policy presently in practice which concerns all students who participate in school sponsored activities. Now, when a student is present at a place where alcoholic beverages are being used, even if the student has not and has no intention of consuming them, this student will be suspended from their activi-

ty for a period of time. I feel this policy is unfair treatment to a student who has broken no laws. I ask the administration to reconsider this punishment which is placed on innocent students.

Sincerely  
Linda Powell

Dear Editor,  
I feel very strongly that the pop machines should be left on during lunch. This should be done because there should be more of a choice to drink than what they call "juice" in the juice machine. What is so wrong with having pop at lunch? If people don't want something healthy to drink, let them make the choice, not anyone else.

Sincerely  
Matt Clauson

April Events Calendar	
13, 16	Easter Vacation
21	Prom
24, 26-27	Riggs Spring Play
May Events Calendar	
22 & 24	Riggs Spring Concert
28	Memorial Day
	No School

## Tessier informs students

Students at Riggs and Pierre Junior High School received a memorandum from Superintendent Darwin Tessier on April 9. This memorandum was to inform the students about a change in the student handbook. The Pierre Board of Education adopted an addition in the handbook that read "Addendum to rule 7 narcotics, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and stimulant drugs of the Pierre Public Schools School Board policy prohibiting serious student misconduct." The memorandum said, "Any student attempting to distribute information, collect money, or solicit attendance for an illegal activity, e.g. Kegger, shall be subject to long term suspension/expulsion from school following a due process hearing before the Board of Education."

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# March students of month named



SHARING HONORS...Brian Oakland and Sheryl Berheim have been named March students of the month.

By Jvonne Heard

The two new students of the month are Sheryl Berheim and Brian Oakland.

Sheryl is involved in Gumbo Staff, Jr. Kiawanian, President of National Honor Society, Pep Club, Band, Philosophy group, Unique Enrichment Program, where she is doing a mentorship in anesthesia, and Student Senate.

When asked about her most memorable experience in high school, she said, "dressing up in red, white, and blue symbolizing the American Flag and no one else did."

She plans on going to SDSU and majoring in nursing with a possible minor in music. She then plans on

getting a master's degree in anesthesia.

Her advice to underclassmen is "try a little of everything in high school. Grow from each experience; one can never stop learning."

Brian is involved in golf, select chorus, swing choir, Governor Staff, and National Honor Society.

When asked what his most memorable experience in high school was he said, "being taped to a light pole on homecoming of my sophomore year. Try it; you'll like it!"

He plans on going to USD with an undecided major.

His advice to underclassmen is "be serious about everything you do, but don't get too serious!"

## Students to gain close-up view

By Lisa Pope

Close-Up members are preparing for their trip to Washington D.C., April 22-28.

Juniors participating are Jon Ellenbecker, Heather Hageman, Angie Jones, Josh Ley, Kristie List, Anthony Nelson, Cathy Reuer, and Justin Weber.

This year's advisor is Harvey "Skip" Kurth. "I was the first instructor to take a group on the Close-Up trip five years ago," said Kurth.

Participants must be at least solid "C" students and meet all travel requirements of the school

district.

Each participant must also pay a fee of \$986. This amount is raised by students with candy and pizza sales, and concessions.

While in Washington they will participate in large group seminars, small group workshops, and a question/answer debate.

They will also visit Capitol Hill, the Smithsonian and attend a play.

"This is an exciting experience for students," Kurth said. "It really lets them have a 'close-up' view of our American government in action."

## Peterson announces Gumbo staff

By Tempe Malena

Riggs Gumbo advisor Terry Peterson recently announced 1990-1991 Gumbo staff members. The staff for '90-91 includes senior co-editors Kara Durick and Dawn Swendsen. Senior associate editor is Matt Judson. The second year staff members include Josh Ley, Daisy Hunsley, Nathan Welsh, Jenni Turbiville, Ricki Hirsch and Cathy Reuer.

First year senior staff members include Kristie List, Stephanie Farries, Justin Weber, Ben VanCamp, Brandi LeBeau, Ben Jensen, Brooke Severson, Heather Ogan, Heather Hageman and Brent Talsma.

Junior editors include Gretchen Forney, Joby Herrin and Tim Maher. Junior staff members include Brenda Weaver, Wyatt

O'Day, Kristin Smith, Lora DenOuden, Mike Post, Tiffany Sonnenschein. Junior photographer will be Kier Murphey.

Peterson says, "I have some definite ideas. I envision next year's book to be more sophisticated with some new ideas I have come up with." He also said, "We have a great staff and I think we can accomplish it."

## Committees finalize 'Arms of Orion' plans

By Jvonne Heard

Juniors are getting ready for the biggest dance of the year, Prom! The committees have been meeting and soon decorations will be going up.

One advisor said, "Things are going quite well. We just hope things turn out right and people like it."

The ceiling committee has met once to pick out streamers and get an idea on how they are going to decorate it. Angie Tedrow, student committee chairperson said, "We will be meeting again sometime this week or next to lay it out and decide what it should look like."

The invitation committee has met a few times to pick out what kind of invitations they should get. They have

ordered, addressed, and given them to all the seniors, advisors, and faculty.

The waiters and waitresses are well under way with their early morning

practices. Stan Wahl, faculty advisor for the sophomore waiters and

waitresses, said, "We are practicing two times a week, and it is moving kind of slow because we are just learning the steps."

The prom is April 21, 1990, in the school gym. The band will be "Ex-Lover", and there will be a post-prom party following.



FINISHING PLANS...Chairpersons for prom committees include Justin Weber, Tyrell Allardyce, Paulette Disburg, Kerry Whitney, Dawn Swendsen, Angela Tedrow, and Daisy Hunsley.



# Drinking and

## Parental drinking creates hardship for student

Alcohol has an affect on many lives in today's times. For me alcohol is playing a major role in my life, as both my parents are alcoholics.

It seems to me the disadvantages of this situation have definitely out-weighed any advantages. People usually think that alcoholic parents are lenient with rules, when in fact, they are strict.

In junior high they had rules like not being able to go out on Friday nights until my homework was done, having a curfew of 10:00 p.m., and having the say of

exactly what I was going to do and exactly who I was going to do it with.

To some this may not seem so bad, but try coming home at 10:15 p.m. The outcome would end in total disaster. I would get a lecture and then get grounded for an indefinite time. Still this doesn't seem all that bad to some, but what if plans got changed? What if four people went to the show instead of the original two? For my parents it was as good as lying, which would mean more punishment for me.

Strict rules are not the only disadvantage to having parents that are alcoholics. Money was almost always an issue at our house. It was hard for me to understand why we never had any. Both my parents had good-paying jobs, but the bills were not getting paid and the money just kept disappearing.

It soon became impossible for my parents to supply me with money for even the smallest things. Because of this I landed my first serious job at the age of twelve. I worked in an ice

cream shop and was lucky to even get the chance to work. Thanks to that chance, I ended up having enough money to buy things for my self that my parents could not afford, such as clothes.

There are many more disadvantages that my parents drinking problem has contributed to, but these are the two most important to me.

I now know that due to their dependency on alcohol, my parents were not totally aware of how their actions would affect

me. I have never doubted that they loved me or that they meant to hurt me. They were just hindered by a drug.

I also don't want anyone to get the wrong picture of my parents. They are not and never were fall down, pass-out drunks. Many people picture an alcoholic as being a bum, in gutter, passed out cold with a bottle in his hand. Actually, alcoholism is like a weed that creeps into all parts of society today. It just so happens that this unwanted weed became an influencing part of my life.



## Students face difficult decisions

By Tempe Malena

*Editor's Note: Some of the following information has been taken from a Hughes County Sheriff's Department pamphlet.*

Teens' drinking is a fact; it is also a fact that 21 is the legal drinking age, although many young people ignore it. However, in today's world that does not stop them. Today two out of three adults drink, which undoubtedly has some effects on today's teens. They figure, "Hey, if it's o.k. for adults to drink, it must be right for me, too."

Drinking among teens continues to rise. One of the reasons for this is because alcohol is easier to get a hold of than other drugs and is cheaper and more acceptable in today's society.

Whether or not a teen chooses to drink depends on several things: the

crowd they associate with, their school, and community.

Sometimes curiosity causes them to take the first drink, which may be enough to turn them away from it. To others, it may just be an invitation.

One thing a teen must remember about drinking is that the choice they make must be lived with. If a teen's decision is "no", he must hold true to his values and not hide them if he is faced with the issue of drinking.

Many teenagers have their own cars, can drive after eight, and have more freedoms. But when people drink and drive, they start to lose control of those freedoms. Senses become distorted, reaction time decreases, vision blurs, sense of moving objects becomes distorted and judgement becomes mixed up.

Today 50 teens will be killed and nearly 250 severely injured from alcohol related accidents. Why? Because someone was drunk. Around 8,000 teens are killed each year because of drunk driving accidents, more than the deaths by suicides and drugs combined. Why? Because someone was driving drunk.

If a teen comes home a few times and has been drinking, it doesn't necessarily mean that he/she is on the road to alcoholism. But there are some definite behavior problems which point out a problem. These include: continued heavy drinking,

using alcohol as an escape, withdrawal from family life, changes in personality and behavior, lower grades, and withdrawing from normal social activities.

## Alcohol affects in stages

By Tempe Malena

Alcohol is the major chemical ingredient in wines and beers. Alcohol has mood-changing properties and acts as a depressant upon the central nervous system.

How does it affect you? Alcohol is absorbed directly into the bloodstream. The other 80% is processed only at a slower rate.

The speed at which alcohol enters the bloodstream depends on how fast you drink, whether your stomach is empty or full, what you drink, how much you weigh, and the

environment which you are in at the time.

There are five major stages of intoxication caused by alcohol. They are: happy, excited, confused, in a stupor, in a coma. In the first stage the drinker is talkative and sociable. In the second stage his thinking becomes impaired and his reaction becomes slower. In the third stage the drinker starts to stagger and becomes disoriented. In the fourth stage he is unable to stand up or to walk. Finally in the fifth stage, he is completely unconscious. Respiratory paralysis can cause death in this stage.

**The following is based on a national survey that was printed in a pamphlet put out by the Hughes County Sheriff's Department.**

- 7th grade: 63% of boys and 54% of girls have tried alcohol.
- 12th grade: 93% of boys and 87% of girls have tried alcohol.
- 1/3 of all high school students get drunk at least once a month
- 1.3 million boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 17 have a serious drinking problem
- 5% of all teenagers get drunk at least once a week, every week
- 14% of senior boys get drunk once a week
- 23% of all students get drunk at least four times a year





# Alcoholism

## Alcoholism means loss of control

By Tempe Malena

What is an alcoholic? The National Council on Alcoholism says an alcoholic is "a person who is powerless to stop drinking and whose drinking seriously alters his normal living pattern."

Whatever the definition, an alcoholic can be found in schools, homes, offices and can come from all walks of life. Glenn Jorgenson, president of River Park said, "An alcoholic can be anyone...priest, lawyer, physician, school teacher, businessperson, you name it, and his lot in life does not in any way give him immunity."

The best defense against alcoholism is the positive approach to responsible drinking. People drink for a

variety of social, cultural, religious or medical reasons. They drink at parties with friends and relatives, religious ceremonies, with meals or to relax.

Some signs that indicate a problem are: the need to drink before facing certain situations, frequent drinking binges, steady intake, drinking alone or early in the morning and having

blackouts. A blackout is a period of time in which the individual walks and talks, but doesn't remember anything. A blackout like this may be an early sign of a very serious alcohol problem.

In today's society there are four basic types of drinkers. One type is the social drinker, who drinks because he wants to for a

variety of reasons. A second type of drinker drinks to get drunk frequently or infrequently because he wants to. A third kind of drinker is the person who drinks symptomatically to relieve a pain or stress. The fourth type is the alcoholic, who drinks for any or all of the three reasons. In alcoholism, the willpower to say "no" is gone, and the individual loses control over his drinking. Loss of control is the inability to drink within and according to one's own intention or to know how much you will end up drinking or for how long.

As alcoholism continues, the real loss of control people are unaware of is the inability to keep from taking the first drink all by oneself. Alcoholics are powerless over alcohol.



## Cami's Column

By Cami Knowlton

As this edition of the Governor is basically about drinking, I will LIGHTLY touch the subject. I won't talk directly about the issue, but talk around the issue.

Today's society is one of Individualism vs. collectivism. Too many people are doing too many things that too many other people "expect" them to do. That refers to conformity. Conformity is proper up to a certain degree, but once it reaches that point, it is time for people to recall that they are unique individuals who do have the right to be themselves.

For many people, being themselves is hard to do. In fact, I believe that many of us are far from actually realizing the truth behind our daily facades. Maybe now is the time to try to realize this truth, because in about two months' time, approximately one-third of the present student body of Riggs High will be leaving this school (or haven of safety, as some may call it). Some may automatically go to college, work, parenthood, marriage, or all of these "choices". Some may not have a choice in what they do following graduation, but it is up to all of us to respect the choices or situations of those around us.

We are growing up during a time of many changes and it is up to us to make the best of those changes. We can not say that things are worse for us than they were for our parents, because the only thing that has changed is the form of the problems. We can overcome our generation's problems with our pride and self esteem, but we can not do this by following our peers as the famed lemming followed each other to their deaths.

In actuality, this does not refer to drinking, just the basis of why we may act as we do. It is up to each of us to search for our true feelings of an issue and to push ourselves to live up to our own conscience and morals. None of us has the right to condemn the actions of others, but that also means that it is up to each of us to set an example for ourselves and realize that our first responsibility is that of our OWN behavior. Your actions are up to you and the only person which TRULY pays the price or enjoys the good is you.

You make or break yourself by your own actions and it is impossible to make Joe Blow take the blame for your actions. You may only do something once, but you may end up reliving it for the rest of your life.

## Forney accepted at Air Force Academy

By Shana Holsteen

Most seniors have been making decisions about where they will go to college after high school. Many are still undecided, but there are those who know exactly where they're going. Alison Jane Forney is one of these.

Alison has been accepted to the United States Air Force Academy. It is a full-tuition paid four-year college located in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



Alison became interested in the academy the summer of her sophomore year. She first heard about it from her uncle who has a daughter who graduated from the academy. Alison has always been interested in the military. She said, "To get the most out of my pursuit, I went for the academy."

During the summer of Alison's junior year, she went to the academy for a summer scientific seminar. "The experience I had there ultimately lead to my

definite decision about the academy," Alison said.

There were many requirements that Alison had to meet to be accepted. She had to pass a medical exam and a physical fitness test. Then Alison filled out an application which lead to an interview with a local liaison officer. Alison had to answer essay questions. After that, she had to be nominated for the academy by a United States Congressman from South Dakota. Finally, Alison received an appointment from the academy.

Basic training begins for Alison this summer. She said, "I must be in tip top physical shape because basic training is very difficult."

After Alison graduates from the academy, she must serve five years in the regular Air Force. Because she will have graduated from the academy, she will get her choice of the best jobs in the Air Force.

Alison said, "I would like to go into some sort of research; then I plan to attend medical school



# Swimmers experience coaching youth

by Sara Nelson

The Pierre Winter Swim Team was coached this year by two Riggs students, Tyrell Allardyce and Jason Schipper. Randy Mink of Gettysburg also helped out. This year's team consisted of around 20 to 25 younger kids and about seven older swimmers.

Tyrell decided to coach because "there was a need for it, and it was an excellent opportunity to help some kids and to earn some money during the school year." She worked with the younger kids Monday through Friday for three hours a day. "I showed them ways to improve and how to increase their endurance while also increasing their speed."

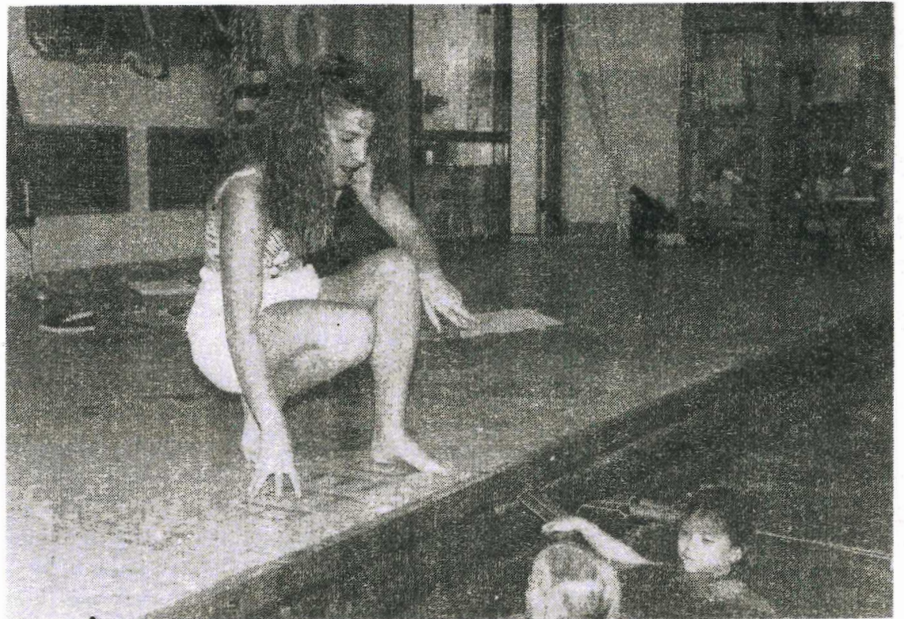
Tyrell says, "Swimming is a good sport; it strengthens you in many ways, and there are few injuries. It can help with other sports as with breathing

and endurance. Swim team gives you a chance to achieve both personal and team goals. You don't have the pressures of competing.

You are accepted wherever you are on the team; there isn't any fighting for spots on the team. It is a lot of fun; you meet a lot of people."

Allardyce rates this experience as superior. "I have learned more from this one experience than any other thing. I've learned how kids react and the teacher's point of view. It was hard work keeping track of all the kids. They are lovable but you have to work to keep the energy level going. Swim team should be fun, but as a coach you have to learn when to push. It has helped me learn what I need to do to do well in swimming, schooling and life."

"The kids worked well with me because I was close to their age. They could have fun with me



LISTEN UP...Tyrell Allardyce instructs two young swimmers on the team.

while learning at the same time. They could trust what I said because I had books to back it up. There is nothing greater than having a kid thank you for something you've helped them with."

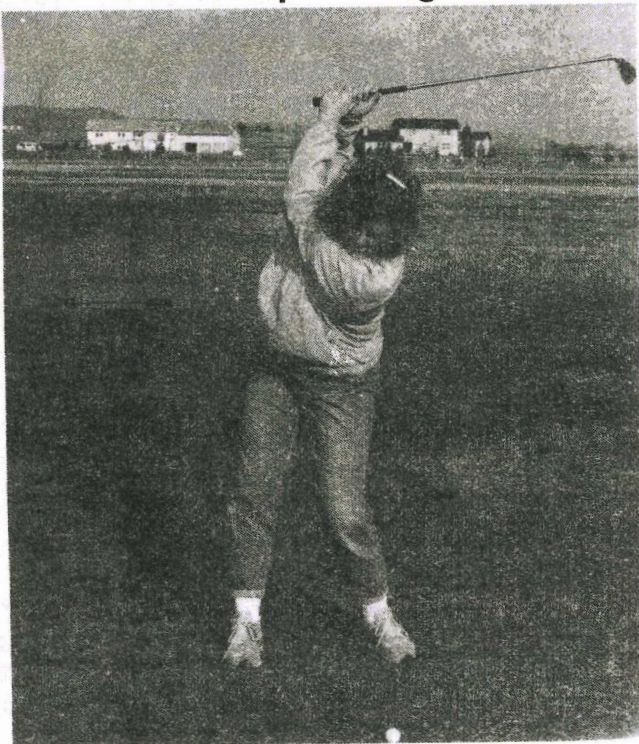
Jason worked Mondays and Fridays with the older swimmers. Both Tyrell and Jason worked at the swim meets that lasted from Fri-

day to Sunday. When there wasn't a meet, practice was held on Sundays from 4 to 7. Schipper says, "Swimming is a good sport because kids can compete around the state at a young age. It is good athletic training and exercise. There is little injury, and it is a chance to socialize. It was a good experience. Now I know what I was like when I was a kid

and how the coaches felt. The kids respect me because if they didn't, they knew I'd throw them in the pool."

Brett Eschmeyer was the only high school swimmer He qualified for the state meet but was unable to attend because of a broken ankle. Nine swimmers in all qualified for the state meet and six attended.

## Golf Team expects good season



FORE...Sara Stulken prepares to hit the ball in practice

By Mary Hatch

The Riggs golf team plays their second tournament this Saturday. This tournament "will present quite a challenge for the team," said the team's captain senior Christie Galinat.

On April 7, the team went to Todd County and placed first out of three teams in the tournament.

The team itself is composed of five sophmores, one junior, one senior, and a number of junior high students. The team

members must compete for their positions, whether junior varsity or varsity.

The expectations are high for this year with such a good start into the season. "We want to get lower and lower scores as we progress in the season," remarks Galinat.

The team is coached by Rich Jensen, the math teacher at the junior high. Jensen commented, "We have a lot of younger students at the junior high that we would like to see get a chance to compete and get experience in the tournaments.

## Sports Beat

By Brian Oakland

I'd like to tip my hat to whoever those guys are that make the preseason NCAA Basketball picks. When they picked the UNLV Runnin' Rebels as "Number One" to start the season, apparently they knew what they were talking about. UNLV went through the NCAA tournament undefeated, hammering the Duke Blue Devils 103-73 in the most lopsided victory ever for a championship game.

Along with that, the Rebels won two other games in the tournament by 30 points over Arkansas-Little Rock and Loyola

Marymount. In doing so, they set a tournament record for the most points scored in a tournament, beating the old record by 18 points.

If I could recall off the top of my head who the Rebels beat in the second round of the tournament, I would list the order of their wins and probably include the scores; but I'm totally blanks so enough of that.

It seems a little strange that after being picked number one in the preseason, the Rebels only got as high as number two during the season after losing their first game to the Kansas Jayhawks.

Looking at the tournament itself, they say that "the unexpected is always expected". The same went for this one when Northern Iowa, for instance, upset highly ranked Missouri in the first round. Also, Ball State first upset Oregon State and then Louisville before losing to UNLV by only two points.

In other post season events Lionel Simmons earned "Player of the Year" honors and the John Woode Award for being the outstanding player in college basketball. Simmons became the third all-time leading scorer in college basketball for the LaSalle Explorers.

## Running towards victory

By Mary Hatch

The Riggs track season has had four meets and is running with fairly good times for this early in the season.

"We have had a lot of good weather so we've got in a lot of good running. Now we just need a meet. It appears we have a good overall team," comments Coach Larry Lundeen.

The meet on April 7, was an indoor meet in Aberdeen. "We just went there

to get a feel for how the other ESD schools compare to our times," said girl's coach Lundeen.

On April 9 the track team was scheduled to participate in a meet with Huron. The dual, however was cancelled due to bad weather.

The team is looking forward to an excellent year. "I think we will do really well. We should contend for the ESD title if everyone stays healthy," said junior Kristi List.

### April Sports Calendar

3	Varsity Track-Early Bird Meet-Here
	Tennis-Mitchell-Here
7	Golf at Todd County
	Tennis at Huron Inv.
10	Varsity Track at Huron
	Golf at Rapid City
12	Tennis Triangular-Here
14	Varsity Track at Huron
	Golf at Aberdeen
17	Golf-Pierre Inv.
19	Tennis at Aberdeen Central & Roncalli
20	Varsity Track-Pierre Legion Relays
27	Golf at Huron Inv.
	Tennis with Rapid City Central-Here
28	Varsity Track at Black Hills Classic-Stugis
	Tennis-Pierre Inv.-Here