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New computers to be introduced next year

By Sarah Moreno

Students and technicians alike are excited for the new laptops that are coming for the 2010-2011 school year. The new computers will be the Hewlett-Packard (hp) brand, as opposed to the Gateway computers that the school currently has.

The new computers will still be the tablet style but with a few differences.

"They're definitely lighter...they'll weigh about 1/3 less [than the current computers]," Rose said.

These new tablets will also have WORKING styluses!

"The new pens are called 'dumbpens'," explains Shiela Mangan, one of the computer techs. Computer technician Mindy Sargent said, "It's like a Nintendo DS stylus."

Another difference with the new stylus is that it won't pop out of the bottom of the tablet anymore by the push of a button. The stylus on the new hp computers will be on the side of the tablet. "The pens will come already tied to the machine," Mangan said.

The stylus shouldn't have the same problems as the Gateway styluses because they are not battery operated. Along with fewer problems with the new styluses, the new tablets in general shouldn't have as many difficulties.

"They will be easier to handle because this brand will actually have a warren-

ty. I don't see it being a major issue," Mangan said.

Repairs on the new computers will also be slightly different. "We'll fix the little things, but probably a lot of stuff that we do now in-house will be sent out," Mangan said.

Yet another cool new feature to the new tablets will be a touch screen. You can actually write on

the screen with your finger, not just the stylus.

Sadly, the rumors about the computers being green are false. "If we got the mini computers, they would have been green," Sargent said. The new tablets will be a silver color, just like the current ones.

Riggs will be keeping the hp computers for a few years. "They are being leased on a three-year contract, just like Gateway," Mangan said.

"It's always fun to get new stuff," Mangan said.

[The new laptops] will be easier to handle...I don't see it being a major issue.
—Shiela Mangan



Quick facts:

- 12.1 inch screen
- Touch screen (for stylus AND finger)
- Converts handwritten notes to text
- Lightweight

Join cross country

Informational meeting for athletes and parents:

- ~ Tuesday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. in the Riggs Library
 - ~ Meet the new head coach, Keith Christensen
 - ~ Hear about summer running programs, camps, and more
- Questions? call or e-mail: 773-7357 keith.christensen@k12.sd.us

Do you like to sing in the shower? Maybe you sing in the car? Come sing with your friends! Join choir!

- ~ Get your fine arts credit
- ~ No homework
- ~ Only four concerts a year
- ~ It's fun!

See your guidance counselor or Mrs. Danger for more information.

Now is not the time for a ☐ slack attack ☐

All high schoolers know the feeling ... you can't wait for school to be over!

Although the worst of this condition is commonly called "senioritis," let's face it – everyone experiences it, except for maybe three random kids who LOVE school.

The **EDITORIAL** class or two. Freshmen, us are itching to be free; no more homework, no more deadlines, no more tests, no more stress. Summer is the season to sleep-in, be lazy, and paaartay!

But hold on – we still have 22 days of school left! (Unless you are a lucky senior, with only 20 days left.) On top of that, the dreaded semester tests are still left to be taken.

Although it's tempt-

ing to give up and start slacking off these last few short weeks, and maybe you already have, it's imperative to keep going strong! Don't allow a lack of motivation let you lose a whole letter grade; instead, challenge yourself to raise your letter grade in a

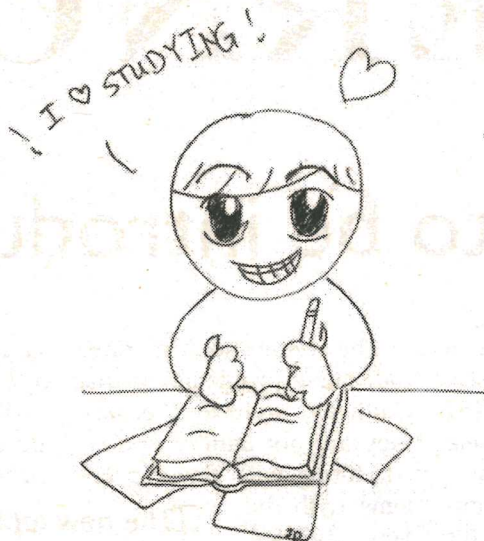
sophomores, and juniors: your grades are still really important. Consider the transcript that will be with your college and scholarship applications next year. You don't want anything too embarrassing on there from this last semester, so save yourself from that pain now.

Seniors: have some integrity! Yes, it's true, you have already been accepted to college

and applied for a million scholarships. It's easy to think that your grades now don't really matter at this point, and maybe they really don't!

But keep in mind this fall, when you are a freshman again and

your grades will matter again. Keeping up with healthy study habits NOW will help you do better in the future. College studying is going to be a big slap in the face if you aren't prepared!



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...to dancing parents at the parent/senior party
...to unique ways of asking your date to prom
...to armadillos from Zesto
...to track shorts
...to incredible April weather
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...to Seniors -- twenty days left!

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...to outlandish holidays
...to Shakespeare research papers
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...to high gas prices...AGAIN
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...to Elin taking so long to split from Tiger
...to acting like a jerk
...to the hideousness of socks and sandals
...to Heidi and Spencer

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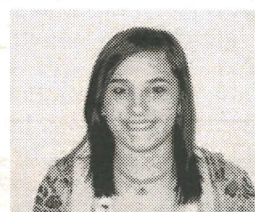
What is your favorite and least favorite thing about school laptops?



Favorite: games.
Least favorite: the fact that we have them. ☐
—Tyler Sarringar,
senior



Favorite: there are some hidden sites.
Least favorite: there are some good ones I can't go to. ☐
— Jacob Wagoner,
junior



Favorite: faster research than with books.
Least favorite: everything is blocked. ☐
—Kallie Boelke,
sophomore



Favorite: schoolwork.
Least favorite: heavy. ☐
—Jasmine Foshie,
freshman

Toddler tinkle troubles

Childcare is one of my many talents; my maternal instincts take over any time a child is present. Children and parents everywhere are well aware of my skills. Just kidding. I've babysat lots of kids the past few years, and normally it is a heartwarming experience. But not last time ... In fact, it was down right gruesome. You see, I thought I could impress my crush by watching his nephew "James" for a few hours. Simple enough, James is a relaxed, cuddly, two-year-old. What could possibly go wrong? Everything. It all started when James wanted a snack. As he was eating, he began making weird grunting and whining sounds. I asked if he needed to go potty. "H u h - u h" was his reply. As the grunts continued, I asked again and got the same answer. All at once, he yells, "I NEED TO GO POTTY NOW!" Trying to remain calm, I raced him to the bathroom and asked, "Do you need to poop or pee?" It's never a good thing if you have to think about it, which is exactly what he did. Finally, he had come to a decision: number two. I set him on the toilet and instructed him

to hold on to the edges so he wouldn't fall in. He claimed he couldn't because the chocolate from his snack was still on his fingers. So I told him to balance while I turned around to grab some w i p e s . Now, you assume he fell in. That a s s u m p t i o n is incorrect but would have been better than what actually did: he started to pee. As I turned around, I felt something hit my leg: urine. I tried to grab a wipe and stop the flow—but there was no stopping this. I don't know how someone so small could fit so much in his bladder. By the time he was finished, pee coated everything -- me, him, the bathroom, his clothes. He seemed to think it was hilarious though. Me? Not so much. I put him in bed and did a lot of cleaning. Well, soon after things calmed down, my crush arrived. "How did it go?" He asked. "Great!" I replied, with a fake smile. I tried to explain the whole thing like it was no big deal. After some weird looks, I made my escape. For some reason, I doubt I'll be babysitting him anytime soon. Thanks, maternal instincts. My life is awkward.



Regan Duvall, Dacey Beck, Becky Plumage

MY AWKWARD LIFE

The Last Song sends message of lasting love

The Last Song, based on the Nicholas Sparks novel, stars Miley Cyrus and Greg Kinnear. Steve Miller (Kinnear) moved to Tybee Island, GA, three years ago after his divorce. Steve, a former teacher and pianist, is focused on building a stained glass window that someday will be displayed in the church he attended growing up. Now his son and

his rebellious daughter Ronnie (Cyrus) are leaving their home in New York and coming to live with him for the summer. Ronnie and Steve rediscover their relationship. Ronnie discovers a new relationship. Everyone feels the pain and healing accompanied by love.

It's hard to imagine Miley Cyrus singing "Party in the USA" and just a few months later starring in a serious drama. The reviews have been mixed. Some think this was Cyrus's coming out role, while



Molly Burke and Alexi Gusso

MUSIC, MEDIA AND MORE

Time to change up your look this season

Want to get a different look? Something sexy and fresh? Mmmmm! We are here to help you. Tired of your eye color? Get colored contacts! This is a super easy way to change your look in a second, and you don't even have to have bad eyes to get these contacts. Have blue eyes? Try brown contacts for a dramatic change. Have brown eyes? Switch to

blue! It's a little change that will make a big change in your look. Is your hair boring? Try layers or even bangs! Bangs can make you look like a different person, and depending on the shape of your face, you could try a cute new cut too!

When you look in the mirror, do you see blah? Go platinum blonde! Or are you tired of boring regular colors? Try neons like green or blue; pink and purple are overrated. Not too excited for



Charles Gageby and Morgan Finley

THE 411 ON EVERYTHING COOL

upcoming bikini season? Go for a long jog; you get in a good work out and get that sexy lower body you want. Feel like the hot clothes you want are too expensive? Go to the thrift store and get cheap clothes to spice up the wardrobe! Make them original and you'll never have to worry that someone else has the same thing. How embarrassing is *that*?

Take control over seasonal allergies

Sneezing, coughing, and itching—these are all symptoms of seasonal allergies. Spring is a prime time to get allergies due to the allergens and pollen floating around. Pollen from trees, which is easily carried in the wind, can get into people's eyes, nose, mouth, or lungs and causes an aller-

gic reaction. Many people develop itchy eyes and a runny nose when an allergic reaction occurs. Most people can be relieved from these annual annoyances by simple over-the-counter medications. Millions worldwide

suffer from this seasonal malady. Junior Jaden Jerome is one such sufferer. "Allergies are a burden. Some days, I wake up in the morning and can't function.

I just wish they would go away," Jerome said. Students with these problems are told not to whine and just cope with them. If you are one of the unlucky few with seasonal allergies, get medication right away and avoid exposure to the great outdoors as much as possible.



Michael Lindbloom and Laura Severyn

HEALTH BEAT

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Summer athletic choices help to keep students busy

By Timmi Lunsford

Remember being in grade school and thinking that summer rec's "Squeaky Sneakers" or T-Ball were great summer sports? For TF Riggs students, a full agenda of summer training and sports is soon approaching.

Club programs in particular offer a season of tournaments. Some highlights on this summer's list of sports to watch are baseball games, softball, soccer, tennis, frofing, and figure skating. (Yes, there will be an ice rink open in Pierre this summer!)

Softball: More than 75 Riggs students participate in both Junior Olympics and women's league softball teams. JO games are Monday nights, and women's league (15 and older) are Wednesday nights at the softball complex. Players like juniors Kelsey Hammond and Emily Heezen have been on teams since third grade and are looking forward to more rigorous competitions found in women's league.

"I'm looking forward to the women's state tournament this year. We have never played in the women's state tournament before," said Heezen, who is the short-stop for the Diamond Cutters.

Teammate Kelsey Hammond, third base, agreed that she is looking forward to new players on the team and "just having fun" with all the players.

Soccer: Oahe FC (Futbol Club) has a full roster of tournaments playing in the Classic Cup (Sioux Falls, June 6-7), Dakota Alliance (Sioux Falls, June 11-13), Rushmore (Rapid City, June 25-27), and the Schwan's Cup (Blaine, MN, July 10-12).

"Our U17 team is very pumped for the club season. We have a really strong lineup, and I think we will have an awesome season," sophomore Allison Blow said.

Other players, like junior Doug Gordon, will be part of South Dakota United, a club soccer team that draws players from across the state.

Tennis: With boys high school tennis ending in May, junior Connor Forney plans on playing in both in-state and out-of-state tournaments this summer and per-

haps some national level tournaments.

"Each tennis season, I prepare by playing as much as possible and working on the part of my game that needs the most work," Forney said.

Baseball: American Legion Post 8 opens the season May 8 at 2 p.m. at Hyde Stadium against Aberdeen. Later that day, the team plays Rapid City Post 320 as part of a special East-West triangular.

Besides regular practice, fundraising to cover team costs is a big part of the team's effort. There is a pancake feed tomorrow at the American Legion Cabin from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., roast beef sandwiches next Thursday at the cabin from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and raffle tickets being sold by players.

One-third of the team's budget is eaten up by travel costs, so grab a player and donate some cash. Players on this year's roster include senior Garret Weber and juniors John Burchill and John Breckenridge. Weber predicts the season will be exciting.

Figure skating and hockey: For the first time in Pierre's history, there will be ice available for skating. The PAYSA ice rink will stay open this summer to provide a "cool place" to skate. Hockey players on the South Dakota select teams can utilize the ice. Local figure skaters Timmi Lunsford and Jenna Carlson will be training for regional competitions.

"The skating season starts July 1, and to be competitive for regionals in October, skaters need to start work at the beginning of the season," said skating coach Tamarah Hooper. Summer skating opportunities will range from "learn to skate" classes for all ages to power skating and stick handling/shooting classes for hockey players.

Frofing: No club sport, no organized teams but lots of fun. The course for disc golf in Pierre is at Griffin Park. This summer on August 7, the eighth annual Steady Eddie Disc Golf Tournament will be held at Oahe Downstream recreation area 18-basket championship course.

Known locally as "Powerhouse Alley," the course will be used for the PDGA-sanctioned event. All ages and ability levels are encouraged to attend.



Fun things to do this summer

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FUN IN THE SUN!

vacation

barbecue

relaxation

sleeping in

sand

friends

no school

swim suits

By
Timmi Lunsford

Two summer excursions will take students on great adventures, one this summer to Spain and one

next summer to Australia and New Zealand.

Six students will go to Spain June 9 through 17. They plan to tour Madrid, Seville, Granada, and the Sun Coast, with a day trip across the Strait of Gibraltar to visit Morocco.

Chaperoning the trip will be German teacher Susan Peterson.

"I've never been to Spain be-

fore so I am really excited. I think all of the tours and sight seeing will really be fun!" said senior Taeler Monfore, who is going on the trip with her sister Ariel.

Students planning to travel to Australia and New Zealand still have this summer to earn the \$4,000 for the trip. The two-week trip starts with a flight to New Zealand and three days of sight-seeing in Rotorua and Auckland, including

a traditional Maori tribal feast.

Other stops include Sydney, Fraser Island, and the Sunshine Coast in Australia, as well touring an oceanarium, a surfer's paradise, and Australian wildlife.

There is an optional two-day stay in Hawaii at the end of the trip. Although the first signup deadline has passed, there are still openings. See math teacher Callie Swanson for more information.

Columnists talk NBA: what to expect, who to watch

NBA Playoffs

Preview

The NBA playoffs are now underway. People are more apt to watch professional basketball now that the quest for an NBA championship has begun.

To begin, we have to look at Kyle's favorite team, the Oklahoma City Thunder. Kevin Durant won the scoring title, ousting the more popular names of LeBron James and Kobe Bryant.

Speaking of Kobe, the Thunder face the Los Angeles Lakers in the first round.

of the playoffs in the Western Conference.

Brees says, "LA is stumbling into the playoffs worse than a drunk guy at the Longbranch at 2 in the morning."

This match-up is interesting because it features a

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younger inexperienced Thunder team against last year's NBA champs the Lakers.

The Thunder will be faced with a tough challenge right away in the first round, so we will see how they do.

In the Eastern Conference, the Cleveland Cavaliers and Chicago Bulls series is also one

to watch. Last year, Derrick Rose almost beat the Boston Celtics in the first round by himself.

The point guard for the Bulls is already a star in his second year in the NBA. The Bulls have their work cut out for them as they face LeBron and the Cavs.

The presence of veteran big man Shaquille O'Neal has given the Cavs a much more focused mentality as Cleveland wants an NBA Championship.

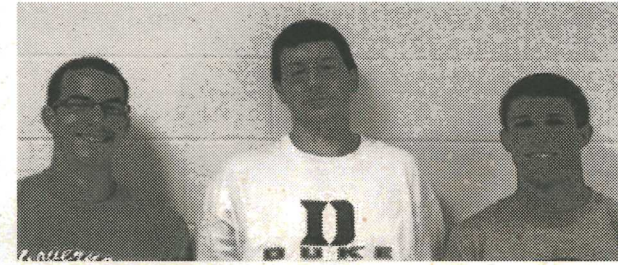
There are a few surprise/sleeper teams to watch out for as well. The Atlanta Hawks feature an extremely athletic team.

Josh Smith, Joe Johnson, Al Horford, and sixth man Jamaal Crawford give the Hawks a very balanced attack.

The Hawks are not having much trouble against the Milwaukee Bucks in the first round, but that is because the Bucks are missing Andrew Bogut as he is out with an elbow injury.

The Denver Nuggets will also be a team to make some noise during the playoffs. Scoring machine Carmelo Anthony and clutch point guard Chauncey Billups are the leaders of this squad.

The Nuggets also have strong role play-



Taylor Becker, Kyle Brees, Stephen Bollinger

ers in J.R. Smith, Chris "Birdman" Andersen, and Ty Lawson.

We predict that the Los Angeles Lakers will be able to show teams how the West was won, and that the Orlando Magic will win the Eastern Conference.

This matchup would give fans a re-match of last year's NBA finals.

The Magic's off-season acquisition of Vince Carter will make all the difference in the Finals this year as Vince is able to team up with Dwight Howard (NBA Defensive Player of the Year), Jameer Nelson, and Rashard Lewis as the Magic will get revenge on LA and win the title.

Girls Golf

Last meet: Yesterday in Huron

Next meet: Tuesday in Fort Pierre

Player comment: "We are a really young team but pretty strong. We have Hallie [Getz] and Paige [Erickson] as our leaders of the team, and even the lil' tikes are studs and stepping it up!"—freshman Micah Palmer



Track

Last meet: Track-O-Rama last Saturday in Rapid City

Next meet: Today in Pierre

Player comment: "As the season is progressing, the team has been riddled a little bit by injuries, but we are still trying our best...run faster and throw farther."—senior Ryan Blake

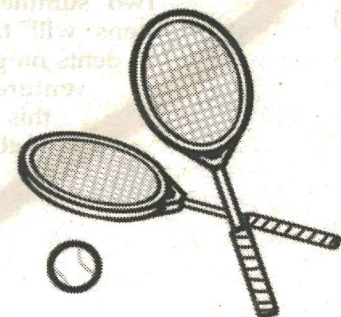
Compiled by Tanner Wolf

Boys Tennis

Last meet: Yesterday in Aberdeen/Roncalli

Next meet: Pierre Triangular on Tuesday

Player comments: "This year is looking pretty promising for us. We are favored to win ESD and place pretty high in state. Like we say, we hit it hard"—senior Ryan Lauseng



Upcoming dance recital draws lots of excitement

By Erin Tounsley

In the next few weeks, local dance studios will showcase their students' talents in year-end recital. They have been working towards this time of year since the beginning of the school year.

Sarah's Dance Studio's recital is Friday, April 31 and Saturday, May 1. You can buy tickets at the studio for \$4.

"Sarah's Dance is a fun way to spend time being active and hanging out with friends. It's a lot of hard work as well and should be a great performance," senior Jenna Feiler said.

"Every class works really hard to get their dances perfect and to make Sarah's recital the best it can be. This year is going to be really cool because the dances are

based on the decades so there will be a dance for all ages," senior Mollie Holden said.

"We all worked so hard this year, and as a senior, I'm very sad that dance is coming to an end," senior Sarah Moreno said.

Cronin's recital is

□ I love it because everyone has a positive attitude and is always smiling. □
—junior Kayla Inman

Mother's Day Weekend Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8. You can get tickets for Cronin's recital from any of the dancers. The tickets are free.

"First of all, it is a very rare thing for there to be only one senior in a

dance class at Cronin's, and what's even more weird is that I'm a guy! This year's performance obviously has some real classical ballet dances and also a number of dances more fitting to our generation, to songs we can all recognize. Also, our

performance is fairly short in comparison to other studios about an hour and a half at most," senior Kris Monroe said.

"I think the finale is probably my favorite dance this year. It's Irish dancing, and you can't help but like Irish music. It just makes you feel like dancing. I like that there's a lot of variety in the dances this year. There's everything

from classical ballet, to African, to Michael Jackson, to Irish dancing, and even bango music, so odds are there's something for everyone to enjoy," sophomore Madeline Schueller added.

The newest studio, Pierre Dance Academy, is excited to show off what they have done also. The Academy's recital will be Friday, May 14, and Saturday, May 15.

They will also have free admission tickets that you can get at



Sarah's Dance Studio puts on a spring recital every year, including this show from 2009. Come to Riggs on April 31 or May 1 to see the 2010 show.

the studio or from one of the studio's dancers.

"I'm really excited for our recital. There will be lots of different styles of dance. The show should be very exciting and very different from any of the other studios' shows in town," freshman Michaela Stroup said.

Freshman Kristin Inman thinks that ev-

everyone will be surprised because this studio is going to be so much different than the studio last year.

Junior Kayla Inman said, "I'm really excited. I'm the oldest one, so it's a little sad that I'm leaving [everyone] next year....but I love it because everyone has a positive attitude and is always smiling."

Student returns after out-of-state hockey seasons

By Regan Duvall

Even though hockey season is long over, some people are still feeling the effects of this sport. Lucas Lindholm is a junior who just returned to Pierre after two seasons of out-of-state play.

Lindholm started playing hockey when he was four years old; he played with older kids even back then. He played in Pierre all the way up through Bantams (8th and 9th grade) and then went to Las

Vegas at the start of his sophomore year.

"That was a lot more fun in terms of being social because my teammates and I always hung out and got to drive around Vegas."

This year, he played hockey in Maple Grove, Minn., until moving back to Pierre a month ago.

Although he played in Maple Grove, he went to nationals at Boston with the league All-star team. Though he isn't technically on a team, a lot of NAHL scouts

and coaches have talked to him. Next year, he might end up playing for the Fresno Monsters, Chicago Hitmen, or Aberdeen Wings. He thinks Chicago is the most interested.

He last played with the 'junior' group: 21 years and under. It helped him get used to playing against older players.

Last season he was gone at least two weekends every month. In the off-season, he goes to camps for various teams, and he plans

to this year as well.

According to Lindholm, the only way to benefit from playing outside SD is if a player can play a higher level; otherwise, there are benefits to playing with friends and in one's hometown.

Lindholm appreciates the more experienced coaches he has been able to work with. The coaches in Maple Grove had all played collegiate hockey, and one of them even played NHL.

In the future, he

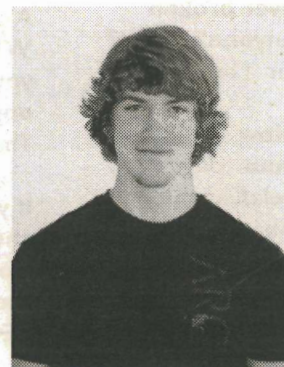
wants to get a full D1 scholarship. Though he doesn't really care where he plays as long as it's free, he would love to play at UND.

After college, he doubts he'll play NHL, but anything can happen. If hockey doesn't become his professional career, he hopes to go into sports medicine.

Along with sports come injuries. He broke his collarbone several weeks ago in Boston at the Junior nationals. During the last game, he collided with

another player, which caused the break.

Lindholm is really thankful for the teachers who have helped him make up work and stay on track.



Bachelor of the month

Royce Pease '10

Eye Color: Hazel-ish

Height: 5'9"

Personality: Stunning

Favorite Movie: Walk to Remember or Dear John

When was your first girlfriend?

I was kissin' girls in kindergarten.

Have you ever broken anyone's heart?

Look at me.

How long was your longest relationship?
Nine months.



Photo courtesy of Gumbo

True love or \$1 million?

I'd take five bucks, but a million works too.

Have you ever cried over a girl?

...Look at me.

Do you believe in love at first sight?

That's what I call it.

Do you believe everyone deserves a second chance?
Sometimes a third or a fourth.

If you could go on a date with anyone, who would it be?

Kelcy Curtis.

What attracts you to the opposite sex?

Don't get me started!

If your girlfriend cheated on you, would you take her back?
No.

Bachelorette of the month

Anna Arch '10

Eye Color: Blue-Green

Height: 5'4" and 3/4"

Personality: Free-Spirited

Favorite Movie: It will be Sex and the City 2 when it comes out!

Have you ever broken anyone's heart?
I'm a heartbreaker.

How long was your longest relationship?
About a month.... until I broke his heart.

Looks or



personality?

A beautiful mind.

What attracts you most to the opposite sex?

Their pearly whites.

If your boyfriend cheated on you, would you take them back?
HECK no!

What is your ideal first date?
Snowboarding.

Do you have an age preference?
I like older men.

Would you kiss on the first date?
Depends on how well the date went.

What is your biggest pet peeve?
Lying.

Pursue or be pursued?
Pursue. I generally run away from people who pursue me.

Shop class builds fundamentals

By Regan Duvall

People tend to notice interior design or maybe the wall color in buildings, but the building itself doesn't get enough appreciation. That is changing, however, for students in Roger Johnson's 4th period wood-shop class.

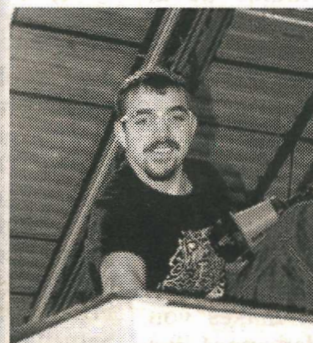


Photo by Layne Duvall

Senior Ricky Sautner nails down the final boards on top of the roof of one of the sheds.

They are currently building two sheds and learning skills about building construction that will be useful in their lives.

The sheds are 8' by 10' with 7' side-walls. It takes about nine weeks for students to complete the sheds. The students use the same

type of construction that could be used to build a larger structure—like a house.

Johnson has been teaching carpentry for fifteen years and has built sheds in the past as well. They have

also made ticket booths and garages. Once the sheds are complete, they will be moved to the homes of the people who have already bought the sheds.

"It is a great class to take if you have an interest in going into that type of field (carpentry). It also gives you the basics of using tools so that you may someday work on your own house," Johnson said.

The students in the class really seem to have a good time and have agreed they learned quite a bit already.

Senior Jade Bartel said his favorite part of class



Senior Mark Abernathy and junior Holly Stewart team up to assemble the sides of the shed while senior Danny Mayer measures the boards.

is playing with wood and getting to work hands-on.

Senior Danny Mayer joked, "My favorite tool to use is Mark Abernathy!" Though Mark isn't literally a "tool," he does enjoy using a nail-gun because it makes him feel powerful.

Riggs to hold 'red carpet affair'

By Jared Holzhauer

Between 400 and 500 juniors, seniors and their dates are expected to attend prom tomorrow night.

Prom king candidates include seniors Tyler Sarringar, Raury Cruse, Evan Protexter, and Garrett Weber with Raeann Schlenker, Paige Burkett, Morgan Finley, and Shelby Magorien as prom

queen candidates.

"It's going to be a Blasty-Blast!" junior Doug Gordon said.

This year's theme is "Red Carpet Premier." Decorations consist of a red carpet, ropes, and giant Hollywood star.

"I'll be glad when all the work is over," junior Kayla Pochop said. All of the decorating is being done by the prom committee.

Entertainment will be provided by DJ Jare, from

Sioux Falls.

The theme this year has been controversial.

"Young Glo would have been so fun," junior Morgan Gallagher said about alternative prom themes. "We could've had glowsticks and black lights and stuff."

"I'm not sure how the theme won," Pochop said.

This close to prom, attire is on everyone's mind.

"It's too darn ex-

pensive!" junior Danielle Griesse says about her dress.

Philosophies vary on what one should wear, from junior Kirstyn Larsen's "less is more" philosophy to junior Calla Holzhauser's "If it can't be worn to school, it's not a formal" idea. Men are expected to wear either a suit or a tuxedo, but junior Max Hanson "can't wait to go in my short-short skirt."