

NHS tags student, teacher

Thirty-four juniors and seniors were tagged as new members of National Honor Society, and Mr. William Petersen was named Teacher of the Year during last week's Tag Day assembly.

This celebration of academic achievement and leadership is an annual event at Riggs. The honor organization selects new members of the basis of scholarship, leadership, service and character. The Riggs Teacher of the Year is selected by a vote of the current NHS members.

Included among NHS initiates are Elisabeth Rey and Graciela DeLeon, AFS students who are named as honorary members.

NHS activities continued throughout the week with new members honored with an informal potluck dinner and the formal initiation ceremony.

Present NHS members, headed by Donni Kuck, are in charge of the formal candle-light initiation ceremony Feb. 28 and the following reception. Included in the initiation program will be speaker Don Rypkema, a Rapid City real estate appraiser and restorer of historical buildings.

Teacher of the Year

An 18-year veteran of the Riggs High School faculty, Mr. Petersen began his career in Pierre in 1964. Before that he taught in Wessington Springs and in Fairmont, MN.

At Riggs, Mr. Petersen taught physics and math for 15 years and physics and chemistry for the past three years.

"I think that Riggs High is one of the best schools in the state," Mr. Petersen commented.

Students in Mr. Petersen's classes appreciate his abilities and teaching style. Comments from his students include these: "He's a very intelligent teacher," said Peggy Ellwein.

"He's a lot of fun," said Mary Dobier, and as Tara Tessier put it, "I think he is a great teacher, and he deserves this honor."

Mr. Petersen expressed his surprise at being named Teacher of the Year and his pleasure at receiving the honor. "Being a man of few words, I'll just say thank you very much, I really appreciate this."

In addition to his teaching career, Mr. Petersen has other interests such as swimming and bike riding. He and his wife live in Pierre and have four grown children.

Ladies travel to State "A"

For the seventh time in ten years the Pierre First Ladies are performing at State "A" in March.

The Ladies are slated to perform during half time of the second game on Friday night, March 18. Their performance, along with the games, will broadcast on KSFY.

"This is a key opportunity since this segment is considered 'prime time' TV programming," said Mrs. Karen DeAntoni, First Ladies advisor.

The girls are preparing a "preppy" type performance to the song "Mickey". They are also planning to get new outfits for the event.

Michelle Spencer along with Cindy Cash and other drill team members do the choreography. Todd Porter is the drummer who accompanies the entrance and exit to the routine.



HONORED TEACHER...Chemistry and physics teacher William Petersen was named 1983 Teacher of the Year by the National Honor Society.

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Riggs debaters bring home trophies

Riggs debaters are divisional champions for the second time in three years.

Champ debaters Terry Treiberg and Pat McKeever won 3-0 against Huron and Madison in division tourney competition Feb. 23 in Huron.

Also placing in a high position was Amy Campbell who won fourth in womens extemporaneous speaking.

"We have had some fine successes this year," said head coach Ken Larsen. "This season has been definitely better than last and a toss up with two years ago when we had our best season in the last ten years."

Divisional wins advance the Treiberg-McKeever team to state competition. Pierre will now have competitors in both traditional and Lincoln-Douglas debate at the state contest.

Riggs Lincoln-Douglas debater Deb Adler brought home the fifth place trophy from the NFL tournament in Sioux Falls Feb. 18 and 19.

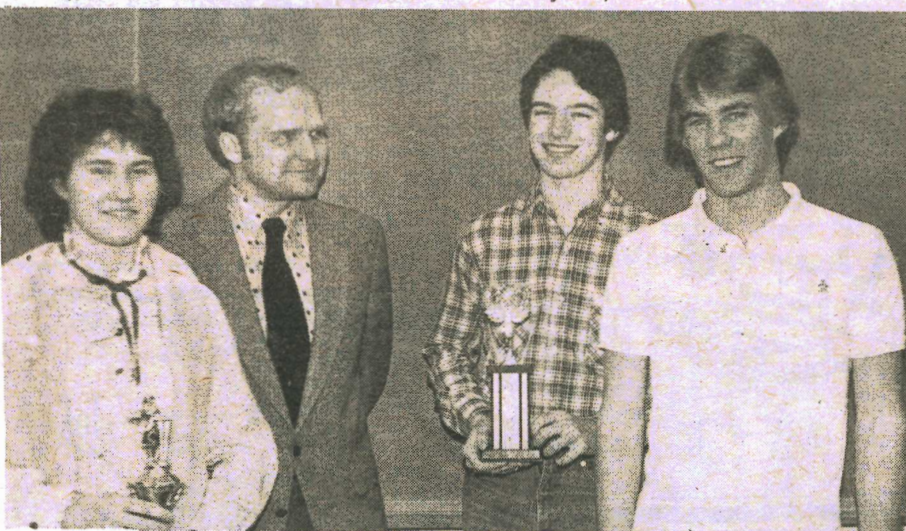
The finish earned her a place in state competition.

Earlier in the season at the Black Hills tournament, she received a second place trophy. Head debate coach Ken Larsen has been pleased with Deb's performances this year, especially since this was her first year as a Lincoln-Douglas debater.

Other Pierre debaters have been doing well also. At the Steven's in-

vitational the JV team of Terry Treiberg and Pat McKeever brought home a second place trophy.

The Stevens' meet was Pat's first shot at JV debating after being pulled up from novice. "As a part of building for the future it was decided to move one novice up so that he could gain experience on the champ level for the next year," Mr. Larsen said.



ON THE WAY TO STATE...Coach Ken Larsen discusses debate strategy with Debbie Adler, Pat McKeever and Terry Treiberg.

PHS will present musical *Carousel*

Riggs High Music and Drama departments team up this spring to present the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical CAROUSEL.

A 28-member cast plus a large chorus and dancers will perform CAROUSEL May 2,3, and 5 in the Riggs Gym.

Lynn Belk, Brad Merkle, Tara Watson and Bob Rhine will have lead parts in the play. They will play the parts of Julie Jordan, Billy Bigelow, Carrie Pipperidge and Enoch Snow respectively.

Other major parts went to Ken Coyle as Jigger Craigin, Sonya Sorenson as Nettie Fowler, Carolyn Swan as Mrs. Mullin, Mike Williamson as Dr. Sheldon and Starkeeper, Sarah Schoessler as Heavenly Friend, and Cassi Kuck

as Louise.

Stephanie Barden will play the part of Mrs. Bascombe, and Mary Huckins and Erin Keeler will play the daughters. Eric Wharton will be David Bascombe.

Others cast in the musical are Eric Venner as the barker/carnival boy, Tara Tessier as the principal, Jon Becker and Eric Venner as policemen, Jay Merkle as a sailor, Lance Kempf as a captain and John Higgins, Mari Ward, Kellen Levisen, Val Palmer and Liz Porter as Snow's children.

In addition to the speaking parts, CAROUSEL also includes a 17-member girls chorus. Members include Mary Huckins, Bonnie Gullickson, Donni Kuck, Suzanne Atkinson, Val Palmer, Audrea Ingle, Erin Keeler and Hollie Downs.

Other chorus members are Mari Stenseth, Jana Barker, Jaci Bartlett, Steph Barden, Tara Tessier, Cindy Wilner, Mari Ward, Melinda Lynstad and Jennifer Nagel.

Dancers will be Deb Suiter, Michelle Spencer, Jean Jackson, Kim Steele, Monica Hoagland, Kellen Levisen, Kari Vetos, Julie Todd, Carrie Wegener, Jacki Parlin, Marcine Schatz, Liz Porter, Rhonda Smith and Becky Cone.

Sheila Beougher will be the student director.

"Anyone with the desire can become involved with the musical," said Mr. Henjum, drama instructor. "The crews are many including props, costume, make-up, publicity, box-office and lighting."

Adult status is earned

Students of today request that teachers and school administration consider them adults. If we are treated as such then we will act as such. But maybe a few of us need a little lesson in our treatment of our elders before we ask for the privileges of one.

Many students forget the manners they have learned the minute they walk in the school's front door. When asked who the biology teacher is the average student will answer "old man Jones" or just plain "Jones". Where is our courtesy? It's not too tough to use "Mister" or "Missus". Another prime example is the use of first names. Most students don't address their mothers and fathers that way, so what makes them think that teachers appreciate it?

Education may be required, but it is also a privilege. To read and write is a "must" if we are to survive in our modern world. Teachers are devoting their valuable time to coach or advise. The simple fact that teachers are elders calls for a certain amount of politeness. The fact that they're even here demands it.

All they ask is our cooperation. If a student can't handle that, then he will probably never get far. Is it so much to swallow our pride or hold our tongues? Compared to what we're getting in the long run, it's nothing.

Respect is something earned. If teachers don't deserve it, who does?

by Suzi Stein

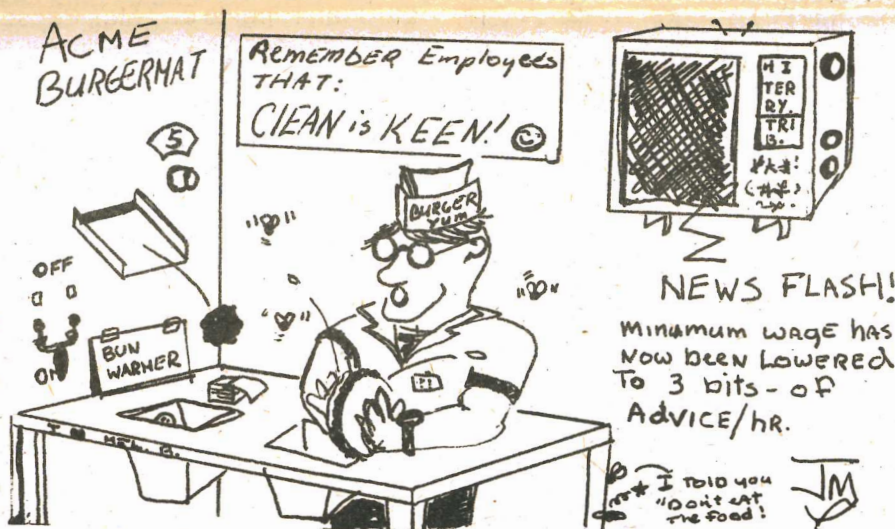
Student Reflections:

So many times we students find ourselves so caught up in the hustle and bustle of our school activities and outside work or jobs that we become self centered. We become totally absorbed in our own little worlds, oblivious to all that is happening around us. We're caught up in our dream worlds, watching the world through our little glass mirrors. We stop to contemplate the reflections... We realize that we've neglected our friends and failed others. Perhaps there has been someone crying out for help that we've failed to see. Maybe we should take some time to see that special friend and give some friendly advice or just some badly needed attention. Maybe this could bring an old friendship close once again or be the chance to step back into a world of reality!

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Issues affect education

by Suzi Stein

Education may see some changes in the future, but Riggs students won't be drastically affected if the legislators pass the education bills now going through the House and Senate.

Senate members rejected a proposal that would require school teachers to be certified by the state. Another bill has been approved, though, which makes a few minor changes in a law passed two years ago which allowed schools to operate without state accreditation.

Supporters of unaccredited schools want to kill the bill while, opponents want to toughen it when it hits the House.

"We'll be watching (the bill) with a great deal of interest," said Pierre School District Superintendent Darwin Tessier.

Although the bill approved by the Senate allows unaccredited schools to operate, the new bill would require their students to show satisfactory academic progress on annual achievement tests.

Increased state aid to schools is an appropriations bill which school administrators will also have a "great deal of interest" in. Arguments against this bill pro-

posed by the governor, say that an increase would go over the state's budget thus putting South Dakota in debt.

Already killed in committee a few weeks ago-one bill dealt with evaluating teachers. The system now used evaluates any new teacher every semester for two years. The proposed system would have evaluated all teachers once a semester. Those opposing the bill said it would be time consuming and too much paper work.

Governor Janklows proposal to set teacher salary standards and create an arbitration system to solve labor disputes was also killed. Enactment of the bill would have also required school officials to evaluate teachers twice each year.

Sophomore Class leads honor roll

Sophomores lead the "A" honor roll for the second nine weeks by placing 21 on the honors chart.

Next in line was the senior class with 13 on the "A" honor chart. Juniors on the roster numbered eleven. In order to be recognized for the "A" honor roll a student must have at least a 4.0 grade point average.

A total of 221 students earned positions on the "B" honor roll which requires a 3.0 grade point average with no grade lower than a "C". Seniors lead this listing with 93. Juniors follow closely with 74. The sophomore class filled the last slot with 54 on the "B" chart.

Following are the names of students earning "A" honor roll recognition...**Seniors:** Lynn Belk, Donette Butt, Lisa Cox, David Fernandez, Sherry Friman, Audrea Ingle, Jean Misterek, Rhonda Peterson, Sandy Richardson, Mike Schneider, Terry Treiberg, Renee Wang and Cynthia Wilner.

Juniors: Aaron Bowers, Mary Dobier, Troy Goldhammer, Joan Hardwick, Soraya Karim, Charles McGuigan, Michael Mayer, Jay Merkle, Chris Miller, Jeff Mortimer, Curtis Opp and Tara Tessier.

Sophomores: Lori Adams, Kevin Bowers, Steve Cordts, Danielle Frost, Deanne Hawk, Conni Hudson, Kendra Jorgensen, Kellen Levisen, Darrell Lingle, Laurelee Martens, Kim Merkwon, Anita Mikkelsen, Thea Miller, Elizabeth Porter, Karen Powell, Robert Sahr, Michelle Scarborough, Wenonah Skye, Rachael Smith, Trisha Smith and Konnie Wendt.

The policy of the "Governor" is to attempt to report on all phases of curricular and extra-curricular school activities from an unbiased viewpoint.

Through editorial comments the "Governor" strives to represent the majority of the student body's views on pertinent issues.

Through features, columns, and art work the "Governor" attempts to entertain and inform its readers.

The staff encourages the student body and administration to present their opinions through signed letters. They need not agree with the opinions of the "Governor" editors or the school.

The editors reserve the right to accept or reject letters for publication. Signatures will be withheld upon request.



JOHN'S COLUMN



by John Mollison

Remember in first grade when that smiling man came to your school to teach you about brushing your teeth? Maybe you got some of those wierd red pills that you chewed up to tell you that you brushed your teeth wrong?

I remember eating more than I was supposed to because they tasted like Flintstone Vitamins, and I was publicly ridiculed by my classmates for having such an awful red mouth.

Well, I recently visited my dentist. I hate no one, but I hate the dentist. Dentists aren't people. Dentists are all the Nazi war criminals that escaped from Germany after WW II. I think my dentist came from Auschwitz.

Anyway, my teeth were fine until they started to torture me. You



know those little picks that they have? I figured out that that is what they make cavities with. That's why they press so hard. And the flouride and water they make you swish around in your mouth? It's really unflavored Sulfuric Acid! And when they give you a cleaning with that little air driven scrub brush, what they are really doing is coloring them yellow with some kind of tasty paint!

They say I need fillings. Well, I figured this out too. Actually, that filling stuff isn't metal at all. It's slow dissolving acid! "Ever ask what it is? THEY WON'T TELL YOU!!

Oh yes, and the little mirror. What it does is reflect a LAZAR BEAM that is projected from the ceiling, and it burns little gouges into your teeth. If they give you sugarless candy, don't eat it! It's more acid to keep you rotting till your next visit.

Seriously, the profession deserves some honor. Our teeth need care just as the rest of our body does. They've come a long way, even if it has been from pliers to needles. Suffer a little now or wish you were comatose tomorrow.

Prom making progress

Members of the Junior class voted down proposed prom royalty and a grand march when they met to discuss plans for the Junior Senior Prom.

However they did agree on a theme, "Fantasy"; and an song "Shoot for the Moon", by Poco. Ninety-nine juniors cast ballots on the above issues, and seventy-two volunteered to work on committees.

Juniors also voted on waiters and waitresses. Selected were Steve Cordts, Bob Sahr, Pat Saffel, Scott Raue, Chad Gutenkauf, Darrell Lingle, Scott Anderson, Karen Lonbaken, Audra Lindbloom, Lori Anderson, Beth Irion, Lynda Creager, Kim Merkwon, and Rachael Smith.

These students will serve at the prom and perform a dance to entertain prom-goers on prom night, April 23.

Keystone, the band used last year, has been hired again for this year's festivities.

An estimated \$5,200 is expected to be used for the prom. Committee heads were given a budget according to the space and material that are needed in each area.

Each committee was assigned one of thirteen different projects which they will coordinate under the supervision of the Junior Class advisors.

"There's been great organization. A lot of good kids have taken control including the class officers who really have their act together. Everyone takes on their responsibilities," said a very optimistic Mr. Bryant, head advisor.

The committees and the students heading them are wall and floor, Suzi Stein; ceiling, Liz Newberger; entrance, Kari Kruse; stage, Jeanie Tobin; food, north wall, table decorations, Carol Houck; invitations, Kari Vetos; waiters and waitresses, Darcy Anderson; picture booth, Susie Murphy; band, Class Officers; lighting, Steph Barden; mural, Angie Weichedel.

New National Honor Society members



HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES...Bottom row from left are Daryl Schotfield, Charles McGuigan, Troy Curtis, Aaron Bowers, John Schwartz, Marsha Salyer, Cheryl Martens. Row 2: Curt Opp, Chris Miller, Troy Goldhammer, Brad Cruse, Carolyn Swan, Elizabeth Rey, Graciela DeLeon. Row 3: Audrea Ingle, Jackie Clack, DeeDee Butt, Lisa Cox, Cindy Klein, Karen Koistinen, Rhonda Peterson, Barb Regynski. Row 4: Barb Cordts, Kari Vetos, Holly Downs, Mary Huckins, Soraya Karim, Lynn Belk. Top row: Marcine Schatz, Rhonda Smith, Karen Hasek, Suzi Stein, Joan Hardwick and Tara Tessier. (Photo by Todd Berendes)

Choir will be swinging

Fourteen top vocalists have been named to swing choir, according to Jackie Ewing, choral instructor.

Selected for the elite group were Tara Tessier, Sonya Sorenson, Mary Huckins, Tara Watson, Sarah Schoessler, Erin Keeler, Lynn Belk, Ken Coyle, Brad Merkle, Mike Williamson, Bob Rhine, Billy Ek, John Higgins and Max Benson.

According to Miss Ewing the swing choir will perform mostly pop music with piano, guitar, bass guitar, and drum accompaniment, many times also using trumpets, saxes and trombones. The group practices Tuesday and Thursday nights.

The first major event for swing choir will be large group contest

competition March 31 in Mobridge.

Other highlights this year will include the swing choir-stage band concert on April 12, singing for various community groups, and a concert to be performed at another school.

Students enjoy and anticipate the swing choir experience. "Swing choir gave us a chance to put two things together that we really enjoy singing and dancing," according to Mike Williamson.

"It was lots of work, but I had a lot of fun doing it," Mary Huckins commented.

Tryouts for swing choir were judged by Mary Jo Johnson, Barb Newman and Jackie Ewing.

Various projects mark FFA week

A bit of the farm came to the Capitol recently when the FFA set up a booth in the Capital building.

Senior Pat O'Day worked the booth Thursday instructing the public about Vocational Agriculture. While only for one day, O'Day said that the booth got a good reception and people seemed interested.

Some of the exhibits at the booth were South Dakota agricultural products. Also on display was a selection of native grasses found on the prairie of the state.

FFA District President, Senior Joan Hardwick said, "I really think that the booth did its purpose in informing the public."

In another recent project, this one for FFA week, the club held its annual Faculty-Administration Cherry Pie Feed. Complete with home-grown cherries and homemade ice cream.

"It's a way to improve public relations with the faculty and administration. We appreciate all that they do for us (club)," Hardwick said about the feed.



SWINGING INTO MARCH...Swing choir members are (seated) Sara Schoessler, Tara Tessier, Angeline Magness, Lynn Belk, Tara Watson, Ken Coyle, Mary Huckins, Erin Keeler, Sonya Sorenson. Standing are Ms. Ewing, director; Douglas Beck, Tim Blow, John Higgins, Mike Williamson, Brad Merkle, Billy Ek, Bob Rhine, Max Benson. Not pictured John Mollison.

(Photo by Cass Herrin)

Booster Club Will Support Music, drama

The newly formed Pierre Schools Music and Arts Boosters recently held their first meeting. The club's purpose will be to promote and develop the music and art programs in the Pierre School system.

Bob Miller, president, said, "We hope to be able to help with the band, drama, and arts programs. We want to promote more interest in those programs and more involvement with the community. Everyone is encouraged to join."

Membership is open to anyone in the community interested in their goals.

At the meeting the group discussed fund raising projects for the band and elected officers.

Officers are Bob Miller, president; Mary Kay Burke, vice-president; Milt Schwartz, treasurer; and Carolyn Jorgenson, secretary.

Entertainment at the meeting was provided by the trumpet quartet and the brass sextet from the Riggs band.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH...Kendal Newling and Deb Adler were honored as Students of the Month for February. Photo by Todd Brendes

Newling, Adler are honored

Kendal Newling and Deb Adler are February Students of the Month.

Kendal is involved in football, wrestling, National Honor Society and he is a member of the Gumbo staff. Deb's activities include debate, declam, NHS, pep club, flag corps, and Gumbo staff.

Deb says of school, "I enjoy the combination of both curricular and extra-curricular activities because you are given the opportunity to learn and enjoy your education."

She adds that in the future she would like to see scholastics help juniors achieve open campus.

Kendal feels that "even though the curriculum is the most important thing, I still enjoy sports the best." However, he thinks the students deserve more freedom, "such as getting rid of hall passes."

Both agreed that they were surprised and honored to be chosen Students of the Month from the entire senior class.

Govs second in conference

The Pierre Governors will wind up another successful season with the game at home against Huron on March 4. After being defeated by Watertown 48 to 47 the Gov's record dropped to 14 and 2.

When asked why he thought the team has been so successful, head coach Bob Judson said, "A number of good quality athletes who have dedicated their time to become good quality athletes."

In preparing for Aberdeen Judson said that he expected Aberdeen to slow the play down and try to be physical around the basket. He also commented that "Robb White and Jason Uttermark were Aberdeen's key players."

White is seventh in the ESD in freethrows making 73 percent of his attempts and second in rebounds with an average of 9 per game. Uttermark is tenth in scoring with 11 per game and eighth in field goals with 48 percent of his shots going in.

In order to win, Judson said, "We need to rebound and keep them off the boards both offensively and defensively."

Against Watertown, a game in which Pierre led until the closing minutes, Joe Sumner hit with about 10 seconds left to put Watertown ahead 48 to 47. Two last

seconds shots by Aaron Bowers and Allen Gordon failed.

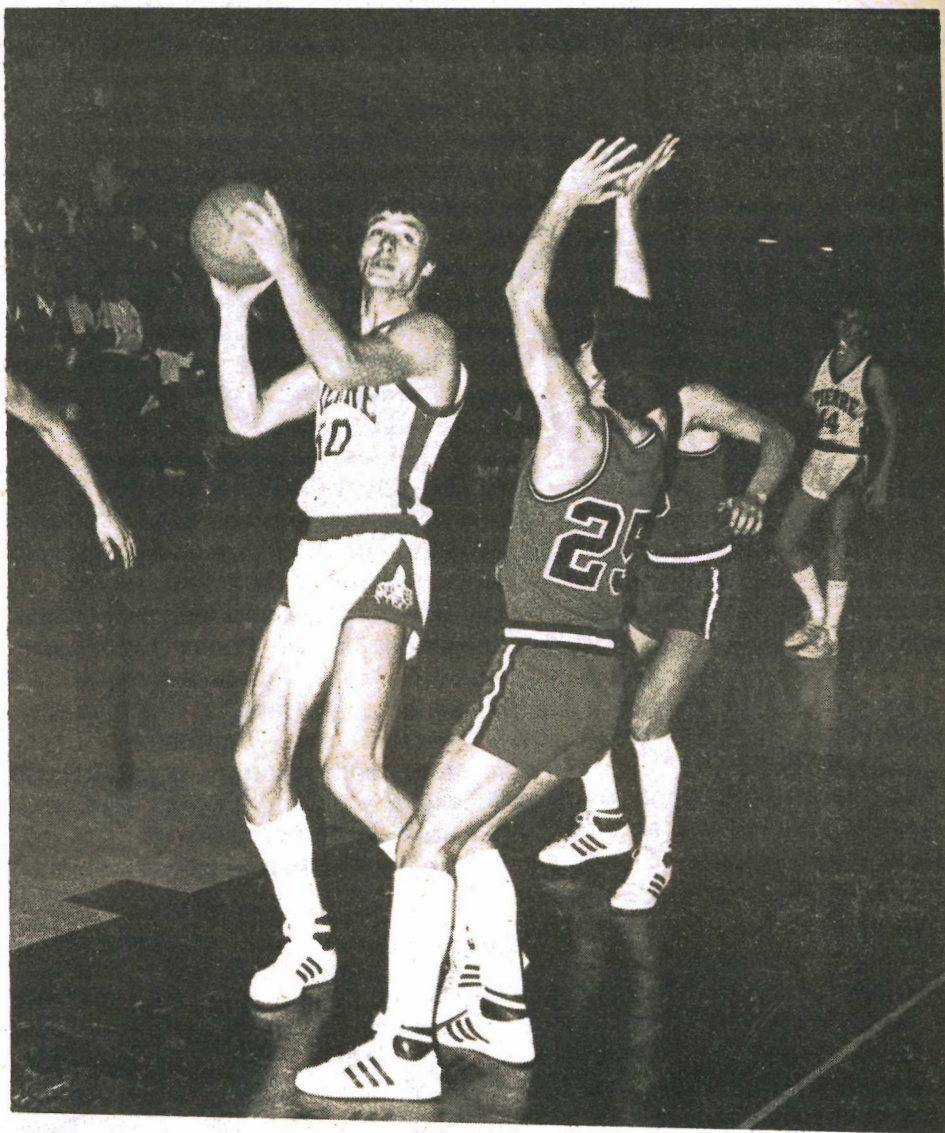
On the positive side Pierre out-rebounded Watertown 35 to 18. Troy Schaefer collected eight, and Chip Clelland, Karl Adam, and Jay Parker each pulled down 7. Gordon had a total of 18 points while Schaefer was held to 12. Joe Sumner and Scott Egan each had 15 points for Watertown. One of the deciding factors was that Pierre had 18 turnovers to Watertown's 8.

Brookings Game

Against Brookings on Feb. 11, Troy Schaefer showed everyone in the Riggs gym what a top-notch player can do, as he was 15 of 17 from the field and 3 of 4 from the freethrow line, for a career high 33 points. Aaron Bowers also contributed 12 points to the cause as Pierre won easily 81 to 63. Pierre has 26 rebounds to 27 for Brookings. Karl Adam and Norm Lingle each had six rebounds and John Zimmerman had five.

Yankton Game

On Feb. 4, the Gov's traveled to Yankton and came away with a 71 to 51 victory. Once again Pierre out-rebounded the opponent 36 to 29. Adam had 9 rebounds and Schaefer, Zimmerman and Jay Parker each had six.



Strain...Senior Center John Zimmerman goes up for two against Watertown.
(Photo by Dalton Sanders)

JV, Sophomores record successful seasons

The Junior Varsity squad now boast a record of 10 to 1. With the most recent victories coming over Stanley County, Sully Buttes, and Chamberlain.

Against Stanley County the JV's won 54 to 40. The team was led by Daryl Schofield with 11 points and six rebounds. Lane Jibben also contributed 9 points and six rebounds. Sophomore Keven Steever led in rebounds with nine.

In a game that was not scheduled against Sully Buttes, the JV's pulled out a 63 to 47 victory. Once again Schofield led with 15 points and 9 rebounds. Mark Lindquist contributed 11 points and Chris Miller 10. Keven Steever also pulled down 9 rebounds.

Against Chamberlain, a game that was close most of the way, the JV's had a taste of pressure, as they won 55 to 53 in overtime. Again the scorebook showed Schofield as the leading scorer with 21 points, he also led with 12 rebounds. Curt Opp had 11 points and six rebounds. Kevin Steever also contributed 10 points and eight rebounds.

When asked what the purpose of JV program is, head coach Kurth replied, "to allow individuals who don't get opportunity to play on the varsity level, an opportunity to get some experience in a relaxed atmosphere. This is very important especially a year like the present where we have a great deal of depth in our Seniors and playing time is very limited for the juniors."

The Sophs continue to improve as the season draws to a close with only one game remaining. They will finish up their season at home against Huron on the 4th of March.

The last home game will give them the opportunity to avenge one of their early season losses to arch-rival Huron which occurred there on Jan. 14.

The Sophs impressive record of

14-3 proves their high ranking among other sophomore teams in the state. They have only three losses which occurred with Huron, and twice to Yankton.

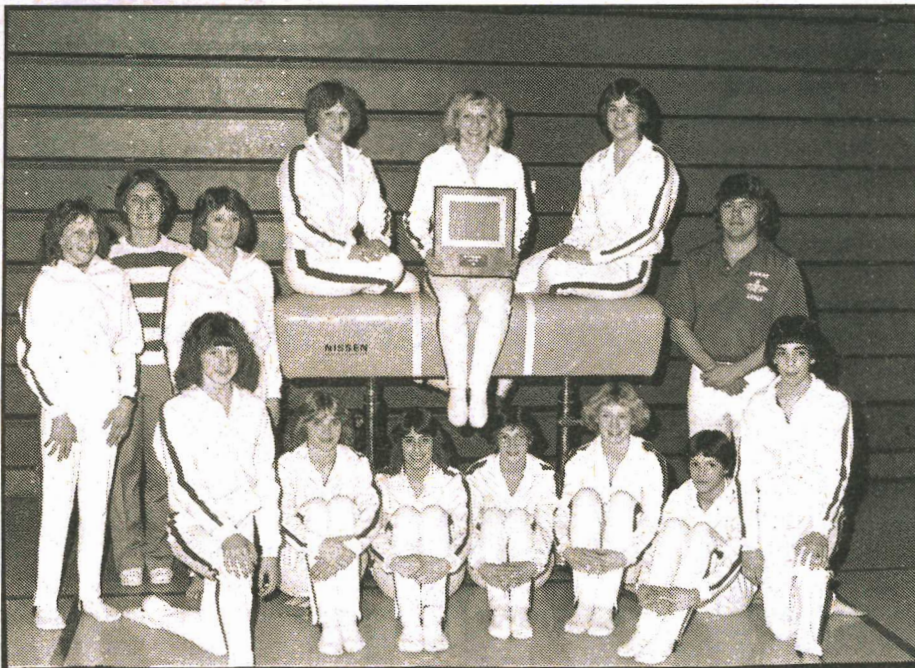
If the Sophs can win their last game, they will finish the season with the best won and loss record of all the sophomore teams in the ESD Conference.

The Sophomore boys basketball

program provides an opportunity for the boys to gain valuable game experience against some of the best competition in the state and improve and sharpen their skills

helping them to become better basketball players so they can earn a spot on the varsity team next year.

Greene, Lady Govs take ESD tourney



GREAT JOB!...The Pierre Lady Govs won the region title for the second year in a row this weekend. Senior Cathy Greene paced the team with a second place finishing in the all-around.

(Photo by Chris Hipple)

Lady Gov gymnasts pulled off a slight upset at Madison when they slipped by the pre-tournament favorite Mitchell.

The team set a conference scoring record along the way, racking up 131.6 to Mitchell's 129.8. Brookings finished third with 118.9.

Senior, Cathy Greene led the Lady Govs by capturing her first conference championship with a 8.7 on the uneven bars. Greene also placed third in the floor exercise and fourth on the vault and polished it all off with second place in the all-around.

Beth Irion and Kim Klein both placed in two events. Irion placed third in the vault with a 9.1 and fifth on the beam with 7.8. Klein took second on the vault with a 9.2 and fifth on the floor with an 8.5.

Other Lady Govs who placed were Carrie Venner with a second on the uneven bars; Karen Lonbaken with a fourth on the bars, and Darcy Anderson, fourth place on the beam.

Eight grapplers compete in State tourney

Redgie Olson was the last Governor to win a state title in 1977. This year while taking 5th place, Kendel Newling and Steve Rounds won at heavy weight and 167 respectively.

Kendel's championship pin gave



State Champion...Heavyweight Kendel Newling.

him a total of 22 pins for the year. He commented, "I'm very happy and proud, I've worked hard for it in the past 4 years. The highest goal you can reach as a high school wrestler."

Steve proved to himself and others of how aggressive a wrestler he is. He added, "It made me feel that I've accomplished a goal that was set a long time ago, I know I'm better than anyone else in my weight class."

Sectional Wrestling

Pierre grapplers won their second consecutive Section II title Feb. 18-19. The local matmen combined for a total of 138 points. Winner was second with 115, and Aberdeen Central was third with 110.

"It is very encouraging, and it is showing the program is getting better," said Coach Jerry Schlekeway.

Eight wrestlers qualified for state by placing in the top four honors. Championships were won by Chad Gutenkauf, Steve Rounds and Kendal Newling.

In the finals Mike Kaiser, Jeff Gutenkauf and Roger Theobald took home second place medals. In the consolation rounds D.B. Garber and Dave Lonbaken took third.

"We wrestled excellent; the kids in the wrestlbacks showed pride in coming back and winning matches," Schlekeway said.

He was particularly proud of Garber and Lonbaken. "They had good tournaments coming back to win two matches to get into state," he said.

Senior Kendel Newling recorded his 12th pin in the championship round.

Sectional competition will change next year. Huron, Chamberlain, Winner, Todd County, Mitchell, Hot Springs and Pine Ridge will be competing for the Section II title.



WAITING FOR A PIN...Head wrestling coach Jerry Schlekeway watches intently as a Pierre grappler takes on a Winner oponent.



No. 1...Champion 167, Steve Rounds.

JV Wrestlers end season

Junior Varsity Wrestlers concluded their season Feb. 11 at Brookings. Their final record for the year was 8-5. Coach Larry Lundeen's reactions on the season were, "For all the changes in our lineup from week to week, I feel we had a very successful season. We gave a good number of kids a chance to wrestle and gain experience."

In the statistics the grapplers outscored their opponents 865-425 for the season. They won 66% of their matches with an excellent record of 159-79-3. They also pinned 38% of their competitors receiving 92.

With all of these facts and figures Coach Lundeen stated, "I would have to say that Watertown and Pierre had the better JV teams. We probably would have defeated most of the other teams if our team would be the same for each match."

Some of the JVs wrestled on the varsity because of injuries and sickness, therefore the lineup was never the same.

Lance Kempf led the team in many categories, compiling a 13-4 record while scoring 76 points. He and Brian Whiteaker stuck 8 of their opponents. Brian also acquired 20 near falls and a 20-2 record.

Brian Paulsen led the team in takedowns with 17 while Darrel Smith gained 14 reversals and 8 escapes. Mike Westall had the best record with 13-1-1 while Dusty Kracht was also very successful with a record of 12-2.

son, Gene Nelson, Robby Krogstad, Rich Andre, Steve Walker and Calvin Jones

SPORTS BRIEFS

Power lifters compete at Brookings meet

Members of the Pierre Weight Lifting Club competed in a meet last week at Brookings and several broke state records. Senior Dave Smith broke two state records. He set a new record in the deadlift and broke his own teenage state record in the squat.

sophomore Wenonah Skye set four records in the ladies 132-pound division. She set them in the backsquat, deadlift, benchpress, and total amount lifted.

The team is coached by Larry Robinson. Other Riggs students competing were Martin Skye and Shelly Dilley.

Junior is Soccer Club officer

by Cass Herrin

Soccer, the world's most popular sport, is alive and well in Pierre, and some Riggs students are getting involved.

Junior Cam DeChandt is vice-president of the Pierre Soccer Club and is one of several Riggs students active in the club. The club has been in Pierre for eight

years, with as many as 60 people participating at one time.

DeChandt has been a member for three years, and he likes it's indoor-outdoor potential. The age limit for membership is ninth grade and over because the team competes against college and adult teams.

Soccer is played at the high school level in almost every coun-

try in the world, and the recent World cup final was viewed by nearly two billion people-that's over half the world's population!

Along with being so tremendously popular, it is also one of the most grueling sports in the world. The field is between 100-130 yards long and 100 yards wide. There are two 45 minute halves and no time-outs. Play is almost continuous throughout the entire game.

Despite being so demanding DeChandt pointed out that there have been no serious injuries in the local club.

The club plays teams from Aberdeen, Mitchell, Sioux Falls and will be traveling to the Black Hills to meet the School of Mines and Black Hills State.

In addition to playing competitively, the club also works with the schools in cooperation with the YMCA for the summer recreation programs. It is open to children in grades 1-6.

Other Riggs students involved in the club are: Tony Zeller, Jay Peter-

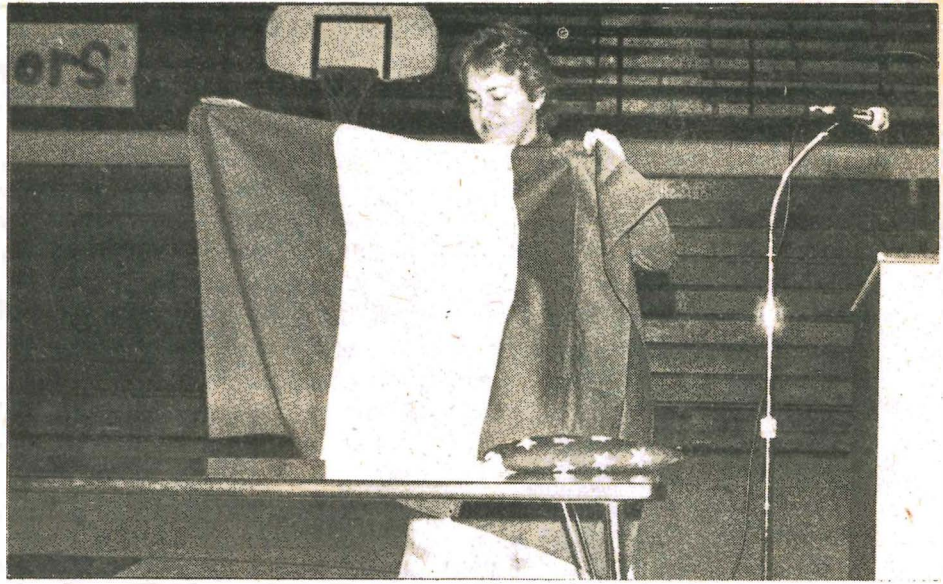


Pele...Jay Peterson attempts to head the ball at a recent soccer practice.

by Tanya Manus

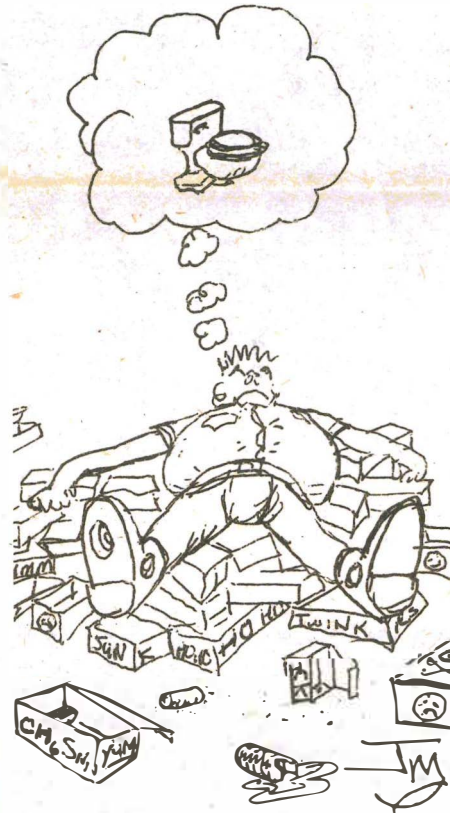
The next day, the students, assisted by Caroleen Sundermeyer, toured the Governor's Mansion, the Capitol Building, and the state museum.

Students returned to their homes around the state with the memories of a weekend full of good times, new friends, and very little sleep.



**Various food tempts
tastes ; vegies best**

Well then, if the saying is true, I must be a chocolate-covered, apple-spice filled, strawberry cream bowl of "Lucky Charms."



A black and white portrait of a young man with dark, wavy hair, smiling and looking slightly to the left. He is wearing a light-colored, textured suit jacket over a white shirt and a dark, striped tie. The background is dark and out of focus.

John Zimmerman

Fantasy is on the Junior's minds
rEsearch papers take a back seat
Vacancies in the classrooms are quite common
pReparations are made to State "A"
gRaduation is five months away!

Question	Seniors		Juniors		Sophomores						
	yes	no	yes	no	yes	no					
1. What percentage of people in class have a job?	82%	18%	72%	28%	56%	44%	Minimum wage	80%	82%	67%	
2. Do you work for DECA or other related programs?	23%	77%					Above minimum wage	7%	7%	12%	
3. What percentage of students who don't have a job, plan to have one before they are out of high school?	89%	11%	92%	8%	94%	6%	special (paid by day or season)	4%	6%	12%	
4. Do you enjoy your job?	87%	13%	90%	10%	90%	10%	2. What takes priority with you?				
5. Do you work after 11:00 p.m.	35%	65%	44%	56%	33%	67%	Work	26%	26%	49%	
6. Is your work year-round or seasonal?	93%	7%	89%	11%	62%	38%	Schoolwork	74%	74%	51%	
7. At what age did you begin working?	10-U	11-14	14-O	10-U	11-14	14-O	Work	18%	44%	16%	
	9%	78%	13%	6%	72%	22%	School activities	82%	56%	84%	
8. Have to Want to	Have	Want	Both	Have	Want	Both	WHAT TYPE OF WORK?				
	22%	75%	3%	28%	68%	4%	SENIORS	JUNIORS	SOPHOMORES		
1. What is your salary?	SENIORS		JUNIORS		SOPHOMORES		Fastfood	24%	21%	14%	
							Office	23%	17%	12%	
Under minimum wage	9%		5%		9%		Babysitting	3%	5%	14%	
							Sales Clerk	16%	15%	17%	
							Checker/Bagger	9%	19%	9%	
							Waitress/Waiter	11%	16%	11%	
							Other	14%	7%	23%	

Majority of Riggs students hold two 'jobs'

by Stephanie Barden and Steph Schoenhard

The majority of Riggs High students are "working students." Eighty-eight percent have jobs, and of these some students began their work career as early as age eight.

While some seniors say that work comes before school, the majority still agree that school work is more important.

These are some of the results of the survey on working that the Riggs student body took late last fall. The outcome is clearly evident; the majority of PHS students keep two jobs--the job where they are employed, and the job of doing the best they can in school.

Is holding these two "jobs" beneficial? Harmful? Opinions vary. Actually both parties involved--the student and the employer benefit in various ways. Businesses can usually hire teenagers for lower wages, and the student gets money and experience.



Glenn Hoffman sacks groceries at Red Owl.

Riggs business teacher and office education instructor Charles Fjelstad supports the concept of the working student. "It's one of the best learning situations there is," he said.

Dawn Williamson works at Hardees.

DECA and office ed classes are two Riggs courses which involve students in out-of school work programs. They are based on the concept that experience counts--and pays.

Is the hiring of teenage employees really worth the advantage of low salaries? The majority of employers interviewed think it is.

"I look at it this way," commented one local boss, "high school kids are just like adults--some are reliable, some are not."

"We like to hire teenagers," another manager stated. "They appreciate a job, and they know how easy it is to lose one."

For students, having a job involves not only the time at the job itself, but also the time "after work" which is used for homework and other necessary activities.

Sometimes late hours prove to be over-bearing. Thirty-five percent

of the seniors, 44 percent of the juniors and 33 percent of the sophomores work after 11 p.m. School work occasionally suffers in these situations although 75 percent of those surveyed maintained that school continues to come first.

Teachers opinions vary, but most are hesitant to say there are no drawbacks to working while you are in high school. English instructor, Mrs. Carol McNally said, "I definitely feel it interferes with school work."

Speech teacher Terry Petersen was blunt. "I don't like it," he said. "It distracts from school; too many people work and don't get involved in school activities...they'll be working for the rest of their lives."

Parents also have points of view on the issue. "I feel you're only in school once. If you can partake in high school activities and keep up with school work while holding a job, then I guess it's okay," one parent said.

"My daughter now knows the significance of priorities since she began working part time."

Whatever the case may be, there are a lot of working students and the current economy will continue to force some students into employment during their high school years.

As the trend continues, the familiar phrase, "Hey, can you work for me tonight?" will continue to be heard in the halls of Riggs High.

Critics Corner

The dictionary defines the word mistake as : (1) an error caused by a lack of skill, attention, knowledge, etc. (2) a wrong judgement or idea (3) to regard or identify wrongly; (4) to understand or interpret wrongly. Well, that's a lot of mumbo--mistake simply means you goofed.

Now, most of us being humans have made mistakes. No one is immune from them. But it takes someone really special to admit to it and attempt a correction.

You've all heard the song by Culture Club "Do You Really Want to Hurt Me" and this song fits right in with what we're discussing. For when one makes a mistake, over half the time someone gets hurt. And then it isn't easy to forgive and forget.

A lot of the hurt could be avoided if only people wouldn't ASSUME the reasons, actions or conclusions. Because we all know what you make out of "U" and "me" when this is done.

There is no cure to overcome making mistakes. However, if you look at mistakes with respect to the fact that everyone makes them, they just might be easier to overcome.

Think about it. Until next time--this is Critics Corner. Thank You.



LEGISLATIVE PAGE...Ethan Schmidt visits with a fellow page from Rapid City and GOVERNOR reporter Suzi Stein at the Capitol.

(Photo by Todd Berendes)

Students earn superior ratings

Twenty-nine of 43 Riggs entries in the Feb. 9, Region VI solo and Ensemble Music Contest earned superior ratings, and the rest earned excellent ratings, according to Jackie Ewing, vocal instructor.

Soloists and ensembles receiving I ratings, include: Darla Eisnach, alto sax; Brad Merkle, trombone; Carolyn Swan, tympani; Danielle Frost, flute; Becky Cone, oboe; Becky Smith, flute; Brad Merkle, baritone; Lynn Belk, alto; Sonya Sorenson, soprano; Theresa Schumacher, mezzo soprano;

Sarah Schoessler, alto; Ken Coyle, bass; Suzanne Atkinson, alto; Tara Watson, mezzo soprano; Flute Ensemble; Sax Ensemble; Woodwind choir; Clarinet choir; Trumpet Quartet; Trombone Ensemble; Percussion Ensemble; Brass Sextet; French Horn Ensemble; Girls Vocal Ensemble; Mixed Vocal Ensemble; Boys Vocal Ensemble; Girls Quartet; Miscellaneous Vocal Ensemble; and the Madrigal Group.

Those soloists receiving a II rating were: Carolyn Swan, snare drum; Mary Meierhenry, alto sax; Kendra Jorgenson, clarinet; Sheila

Beougher, French Horn; Val Scott, flute; Bob Rhine, tenor; Donni Kuck, soprano; Jean Jackson, soprano; Karen Koistinen, alto; Val Palmer, alto; Stephanie Barden, mezzo soprano; and Bonnie Gullickson, mezzo soprano. Ensembles that received a II rating were: the Brass Quartet and the Brass Choir.

The director for instrumental groups is Paul Upsahl and Director of choral groups Jackie Ewing. The accompanists are Mary Huckins, Calvin Jones and Miss Ewing.

The Region VI solo and small ensemble contests were held Feb. 9, in Mobridge. Soloists and ensembles were judged on memory, interpretation, balance, precision, rhythm, blend, intonation, diction, tone, selection, and other factors. The contestants were rated by the judges, with one of the following scores.

I--Superior; technically and musically outstanding.

II--Excellent performance in most respects but a few minor defects.

III--Average performance.

IV--Inferior performance.

NEWS BRIEFS

Parent-Teacher Conferences

"Beware the Ides of March" Caesar was told. This month the Ides fall a bit early as Parent-Teacher conferences arrive. They are scheduled to be held March

1-2. Times are 6:30-9:30 Tuesday evening, and 8:00-12:00 Wednesday morning. On a brighter note, there will be no school Wednesday, March 2.

Writers Conference Scheduled

The second Prairie Winds Young Writers' Conference has been scheduled for May 5-7 at Lake

Poinsett Camp near Arlington. Deadline for student and teacher applications is March 11.

NOTICE TO SENIORS

Seniors, remind your parents of the Senior-Parent Party planning meeting Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m. in the Riggs High lunchroom.

Spring Vacations

Spring break to break for State "A" tournaments is March 17-19. Easter break will be April 1-4.

Williamson to State

Junior Mike Williamson has been accepted to Boys State Journalism City at this year's American Legion Boys State in Aberdeen.

Boys from across the state are chosen to write the daily newspaper at Boys State and also send out press releases.

Schmidt serves as page

Senior Ethan Schmidt is getting some political experience as a Senate page during the second three weeks of the legislature.

Senator Homer Harding of Pierre sponsored Ethan, and Father Steve Barnett of SS. Peter and Paul along with John Penne wrote letters of recommendation to help him gain his position.

Senator Harding, who is currently the Senate Majority leader, runs a car dealership in Pierre. He is also head of state affairs, senate procedure, and the committee which selects pages.

Nine pages work in the Senate from 8 a.m. to an average of 6 p.m. each day. Sometimes these pages, along with thirteen others in the House, are required to go back at night when the legislature is in night session.

Along with helping legislators, Ethan ran errands, passed out bills and bill books, distributed journals and bill status reports, and answered telephones.

For 20 dollars a day, which comes to \$300 by the end of three weeks, plus the experience, Ethan is glad he applied. A page's salary is usually used for financing his stay in Pierre, and according to Ethan, he's just "lucky to live here."

Feb. 18 was the last day at the legislature for Ethan, who began working Jan. 31. Although four other boys worked in the House, all of Ethan's co-workers were females. Being a rarity didn't bother him, in fact he enjoyed it.

"I like to meet people. There are a lot of different towns involved and a lot of nice girls," Ethan commented.

Council plans bike rodeo

This spring Riggs High Safety Council will be working in conjunction with the City of Pierre Safety association to sponsor a bike rodeo.

All students interested in participating should contact Darcy Sorenson or Mr. Townsend, adviser.

The Riggs Council recently completed a Mr. Yuk program in the local grade schools. Through the program Mr. Yuk stickers were distributed to be placed on

dangerous items that children might get into. With Mr. Yuk's scowling green face, children will be able to identify dangerous products.

Project chairman Darcy Sorenson said that most of the schools were involved. The council ordered 200 sets of stickers for distribution to the grade teachers.

"It was left up to each individual teacher whether they would distribute the stickers to the students," Darcy said.



HARD AT WORK... in the library are Nadene Langager, Renee Hartman and Kurt Widvey. (Photo by Todd Berendes)

Volunteers provide service

Volunteer librarians provide a valuable service to the school and to any student who has ever made use of the library, according to Mr. Robert Townsend, head school librarian.

Student librarians are classified as either volunteers from study hall or regular student help.

These students spend time shelving, straightening, reading and organizing the library materials, - a big job involving both present and new material.

Regular library help includes Brian Hinkley, Shelly Donovan and Anna Sowards. Volunteer helpers are Renee Hartman, Keith Albertson, Kurt Widvey and Nadene Langager.

Since September these volunteers have helped process and shelve over 175 new books and audio-visual materials. They also keep the present materials on the shelves and ready for the student who needs them.

"I would like to see others involved as librarians because it offers an opportunity for them to take responsibility," said Mr. Townsend. "In addition the entire school benefits from their volunteer services."

A volunteer librarian or not, Mr. Townsend noted that all students can support the library by making a special effort to return material on time, or by checking with him about materials which can not be returned on time.