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## PHS anticipates homecoming

Riggs students opened Homecoming week yesterday with an observance of "slob day" on campus and will close events Friday with the traditional dance after the Governors meet Mitchell on the gridiron.

In honor of homecoming, the student council has established the following "days" for the remainder of the week: Tuesday, "sweat" day; Wednesday, toga day; Thursday, dress-up day and Friday, green and white day.

Highlighting the week will be coronation set for 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Riggs gym. Candidates were chosen earlier by a vote of the Senior class. Final selection of marshall and queen is made by a vote of the full student body.

Vying for the honor of queen will be Peggy Ellwein, Cathy Greene, Tammy Helgesen and Autumn

Lidel. Candidates for marshall are Karl Adam, Joey Hartford, Troy Schaefer, and Mike Schneider.

Burning of the letters will be held in the parking lot of the practice field following the coronation. Pep club members will be engaging in "footsies" later in the evening.

A 7:30 a.m. spirit breakfast kicks off Friday's activities, and the pep assembly is slated for 1:00 p.m. in the gym. The big challenge--the powder puff game is set for 2:30 p.m. at Hollister Field.

The homecoming game gets under way at 7:30 at Hollister Field. Highlighting the half-time will be the presentation of the new royalty and a performance by the Emerald Regiment. The homecoming dance begins at 9:30 p.m. in the gym.



**ANYONE FOR PIE?...Sophomores hungrily await their fate as seniors Steve Brinkman and Mike Schneider prepare to show their superiority.**

(Photo by Todd Berendes)

## Enrollment drops again

One student here; one student missing there...This may not mean anything to the average person, but in the long run it all adds up--or down.

Enrollment figures for the 1982-83 school year have made a substantial drop from those recorded last year, according to Roger Lonbaken, Riggs High Principal.

Enrollment has dropped from 649 students a year ago to 614 students this fall, a decline of more than five and a half percent.

The fewer the students there are, the fewer teachers there are, and the fewer course offerings there will eventually be. In the past four years, six teaching positions have been eliminated, Lonbaken noted.

There are also advantages to the declining enrollments. Student-teacher ratios now average about 19 to 1. This means that overall the attention each student receives is increased.

Pierre is not the only place facing a reduction in the student population. Statewide lower enrollments have caused concern among schools, and even among towns which fear losing their

schools to consolidation programs.

It appears that Riggs has had a recent history of declining enrollment. Seven years ago the count boasted 150 more students than it does today.

Offsetting this gradual decline is a surprising increase in the current kindergarten enrollment which is up almost 100 extra little people from previous years.

Enrollment figures for Riggs High students are listed below:

Seniors-	
1981-82	1982-83
Female: 104	Female: 88
Male: 116	Male: 93
Total: 220	Total: 181
Juniors-	
1981-82	1982-83
Female: 98	Female: 119
Male: 104	Male: 98
Total: 202	Total: 217
Sophomore-	
1981-82	1982-83
Female: 115	Female: 118
Male: 112	Male: 98
Total: 227	Total: 216
<b>Total: 649</b>	<b>Total: 614</b>



BETH SUNDERMEYER



LYNN BELK

## Two Seniors earn merit

Seniors Lynn Belk and Elizabeth Sundermeyer placed in the top half of one percent of South Dakota's seniors taking the PSAT/NMSQT tests to be named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship program.

Lynn and Beth were among over one million high school students, mostly juniors, who entered the competition by taking the PSAT/NMS in 1981. About 90 percent of the semifinalists will qualify as finalists and be eligible for scholarships.

Lynn is active in band and chorus, and is a section editor of the Gumbo. She will vie for All State Chorus membership this year. She adds to her busy schedule by holding down a job at the Holiday Haus.

Presently Lynn's plans include

college and a future in a university teaching and research in psychology.

Also a busy member of Riggs High, Beth is currently attending school in Austria as an AFS student. She has been active in PHS drama, chorus, German Club and AFS Club.

Nearly 15,000 semifinalists from across the country will be in competition for the 5,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in the spring of 1983.

Each semifinalist must be fully endorsed and recommended for scholarships by the school principal, must substantiate the high performance on the qualifying test with equivalent scores on another exam, and supply extracurricular and personal data to the judges.

## Plans continue for Fine Arts

Costs of constructing a new fine arts addition to Riggs may be higher than originally expected.

Final costs will be somewhere between \$1.2 and \$1.6 million, depending upon the seating capacity elected for the new facility. This figure does not include

other costs such as architectural and engineering fees.

Still on the drawing board, the new theater addition is targeted for completion in 1984 or 1985, according to Roger Lonbaken, high school principal.

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# EDITORIAL

## Alternative ed policy?

### BOE should stand firm

Should transfer students be allowed into accredited schools if they have attended a non-accredited school? That is the controversial question currently facing the Pierre Board of Education.

First let us explain accredited and non-accredited. To be an accredited school means that certain educational standards have been met, such as a teacher in this system has to have so many college hours in the courses that he/she teaches. In a non-accredited school anyone can teach, even without a South Dakota teaching certificate.

The past policy of the Pierre school board has been not to accept students from non-accredited schools. Last year the policy was revised to allow students into the Pierre schools with the proper

testing. For example, if a student had completed the 10th grade at a non-accredited school and took standardized tests that said he was on an 8th grade level, he would be placed back with eighth graders.

Even though this isn't a written policy, the Pierre school board should stand firm on this issue. Allowing a student to be in a grade he is not ready for would slow down the progress of each and every class that he is in.

It's also conceivable that a teacher might spend more time with the student in need, and that would mean the rest of the class would be neglected.

Allowing students from non-accredited schools into the Pierre school system without placement testing may be a detriment to the system.

## Letter: What is a goat?

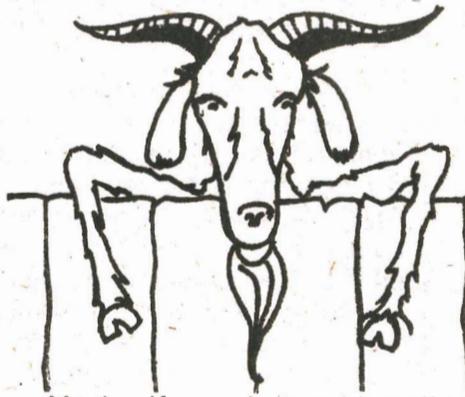
"Goats"...I am really getting fed up with all the talk about goats. Just what is a goat, anyway? I mean, in reference to our high school students, where did the name goat come from?

For those of you who don't know, I'll try to explain. Two years ago, some very witty people led a bunch of sophomores out onto the gym floor during a pep assemble, and placed paper bags over their heads that read "GOATS". Those sophomores were this years seniors.

So if we look at the facts, we will see that the sophomores and juniors cannot be called goats.

But don't get me wrong! It is my opinion that there are no goats. Look at the subject this way: The class of 1983, for the most part, has gone through twelve years of school. They are now SENIORS in high school.

Hey people, we have to admit the truth of the facts. No one who is an "ignorant goat" could possibly have achieved this high point in their lives. To say otherwise would be a down right lie. So it is my opinion that nobody is a goat.



Maybe if people would realize this to be true, the goat would finally cease to exist. The seniors could stop trying to throw the name off of themselves by calling the lower classmen goats, and future sophomores would not have to go through the circus we all went through in our sophomore year. **Troy Curtis**

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 artwork 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 of the school.

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

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## Powder Puff Challenge

The SENIOR team is rough and mean  
And ready to beat the Junior team.  
Hollister field is the place to be,  
To see the "awesome 83's".

So Juniors you had better be ready,  
Or the Seniors will turn you into spaghetti

You Junior goats are going down,  
And then we Seniors will rule the town

The Senior guys will cheer us on  
And let you know where you belong  
So Juniors, Juniors don't be blue,  
Gomer was a pile too.

Super

Energetic

Non-stopping

Intelligent

Outrageous

Radical

Sexy

Listen my Seniors,  
And you shall hear,  
Of the truth of Juniors  
That rings so clear.

On the 1st of October,  
In '82

Oh, Senior girls,  
You'll be so blue!

You Seniors are cocky,  
And you've taken you're knocks,  
But we hate to tell you,  
The Juniors are JOCKS!!!

And in conclusion,  
We'd like to say  
You've issued the challenge  
It's you're price to pay!

A footnote is needed,  
A new thought was seeded.

We've been fought and tried,  
By all the rest,  
But we need no proof  
'Cause we know we're the best!!!!

By the Junior Class

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Henjum names "Savage" cast

Riggs High Drama department will present the play, *The Curious Savage*, Nov. 1, 2, and 4.

The cast is made up of five boys and six girls. According to Mr. Henjum, the cast will include; Cheryl Martens, Ken Coyle, Thea Miller, Billy Ek, Erin Keeler, Mike Williamson, Bob Rhine, Sheila Beougher, Carolyn Swan, Sonja Sorenson, and Eric Wharton. Student director will be Stephanie Barden.

### Press Day set

Gumbo and Governor staff members will travel to Brookings Oct. 11, to participate in the sixtieth South Dakota High School Press convention.

During their day on the South Dakota State University campus, the Riggs journalists will participate in yearbook, newspaper and photography sessions.

Activities also include a general session which features the presentation of All-State publication awards, scholarship winners, All-State staff members, and all around journalists and photographers.

### Students abroad

Beth Sundermeyer, a senior this year, and Dana Garrigan, a 1982 graduate of Riggs, are each spending a year in Europe as AFS students. Beth is in Austria and can be reached at the following address: Beth Sundermeyer c/o Reinhold Stix Lassnitzel 29 8200 Gleisdorf, Austria

Dana is staying in Switzerland and his address is: Dana Garrigan Neuhausweg 51 3097 Leibefeld Switzerland

### SDEA break

Students will vacation Oct. 13-15, when Pierre schools close for the annual South Dakota Educational Association convention.

Drawing teachers from across the state to Sioux Falls, the convention features the largest display of instructional materials and technology in the state. It also offers educators an opportunity to learn the latest developments in their subject areas from experts in the field.

## Bits and Pieces from around the state

High school papers from across the state have included stories from reading in the school to homecoming week.

### Orange & BlackSioux Falls

Sioux Falls Washington has put into its daily routine 15 minutes of reading a day. Some students grumble and complain, while others think it is highly beneficial.

Reading 15 minutes a day for a week, and attending school for 18 weeks, will add up to over 22 hours for reading this year.

### Vermillionaire

Jeanne Remmes and Miriam Jorgenson recently started a new branch of TAR at Vermillion High School. However, TAR in this case is not sticky black stuff, but Teenage Republicans.

Along with Riggs, Vermillion High School is also celebrating homecoming this week. Vermillion's theme is "Movies" and a different activity is planned for each day of the week-Sept. 27-Oct. 1.

### Monday: was Movie Monday:

Freshman: Science Fiction  
Sophomores: Old time movies  
Juniors: Children's & Walt Disney's movies  
Seniors: Comedies.

Tuesday is hat, mask and shade day,  
Wednesday: Medieval ; Thursday: Dress up day (nice clothes); Friday: Red and white day, talent show, parade, pep rally, football game, barbeque, and victory rally. Saturday: will be T-day dance.



**THIS MUST BE THE PLACE...**New teachers Mr. Henjum, Mrs. Laitala and Mrs. Kurvink confer about their new fall schedules.

## Teachers join staff

Two full-time teachers and one part-time teacher joined the Riggs High faculty this fall, teaching in the English and language departments.

Moving to Riggs from Hot Springs High is William Henjum the new drama, English and stagecraft instructor. Henjum's six years in the teaching field include work in Minnesota and three years of English and drama at HSHS.

Henjum says that although he is still readjusting from the summer, he is looking forward to a new theater program and a more sophisticated school system.

Mrs. Laitala assumes responsibilities as newspaper advisor and English teacher. A graduate of South Dakota State University, Mrs. Laitala has taught high school and advised publications in Spearfish and Menno. "Working

with the Governor staff will be a challenge," she said, "but everyone is enthusiastic and dedicated to producing a quality paper."

In addition to journalism, Mrs. Laitala enjoys music and spending time with her five-year old son.

The familiar 'new' face in the PHS halls belongs to Mrs. Kurvink, the new Spanish instructor. Although she has been a substitute teacher at the schools for many years, this is her first time as a faculty member.

Mrs. Kurvink's impression of last year's students helped her decide to take on the part-time teaching position. "I found a nice group of students," she said, "They were very cooperative and friendly."

Mrs. Kurvink and her husband have four older children. She enjoys travel, music, and antiques.

## Schneider participates in Boy's Nation

Although his bid for the vice presidency was defeated, Mike Schneider was appointed head of the Department of Transportation at Boys Nation the past summer.

Schneider, along with Todd Stock of Rapid City, traveled to Washington D.C., July 23-31 to participate in the honors activity. The

two young men were chosen as South Dakota representatives to the national event by counselors at the annual Boy's State convention.

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He noted that financing for the theater will come from the district's capital outlay funds with no increase in taxes for the community.

Preliminary building planning included an analysis of projected theater performances. The summary indicated that approximately 44 performances a year would play to an audience of up to 500 people.

Audiences of 500 to 750 persons would be expected for 19 performances. Audiences of 750 to 1000 persons could be expected for 11 school and community presentations a year.

Seating for 1000 persons would push the cost of the building to \$1,615,000. However, the new theater will be benefiting not only the school, but also the community with facilities for concerts, conventions, plays, and special YMCA activities.

Many people anticipate the completion of the new building. "The new fine arts facility will be a great asset to speech, dramatics, and English areas. It will bring our school up to the standards of other major schools in the state in its use capabilities and abilities to perform," said Ken Larsen, head of the Riggs English department.

Final decisions were scheduled to be made at a special Board of Education meeting.

Like Boy's State, Boy's Nation offers youth an opportunity to experience the legislative and other governmental processes of our country. During the event, participants listened to many speakers, the most notable of these was Vice President George Bush.

The daily agenda consisted of morning of site seeing and afternoons of mock-Congressional sessions. Each delegate was required

## Magazine drive finances prom

A ring of the doorbell, a knock on the door, and hundreds of fingers doing the walking indicate the continuous progress of a senior prom.

Juniors are intent upon making the prom better or equal to the excellent one of last year by selling magazines and running the concession stand.

Steve Sharon, of Perfect School Plans, kicked off the magazine drive Sept. 10, and he is hoping to have a second successful year with the cooperation of the Juniors and their class advisors.

Forty percent of the proceeds will go to the Junior fund which is

to bring two bills which were debated, and either passed or defeated, according to Schneider.

In addition to Congress, each delegate either ran for election or was appointed to an office.

"At first I wasn't interested," Schneider admitted, "but the convention brought out a 'patriotic sense' in everybody; so much that you couldn't help but be enthusiastic and get involved."

Regarding his future, Mike says,

being collected by homeroom teachers.

Also contributing to the prom fund is the concession stand run at every home athletic event by groups of Juniors organized by Mary Likness, Angie Weischedel, Carla Burke, Kari Kruse, Jeanie Tobin, Liz Newberger, Kari Vetos, and Susie Murphy.

Top sales persons from the homerooms the first week were: Gary Black, Karen Hasek, John Terrill, Kari Kruse, Cindy Reiser, Kelly Kadlecek, Brent Tucker, Curt Opp and Brad Cruse.

## Council's activities emphasize safety

In an effort to highlight traffic safety practices members of Pierre Riggs High (Teen-Age) Safety Council recently presented cold cash to drivers who buckled up for safety.

The parking lot give-away, which could have been a costly venture for the PRHSC, rewarded only one driver—a parent—for wearing shoulder harness belts.

In an earlier survey of 291 cars, it was found that of 135 adults and 357 students only 13 people were wearing seat belts.

The survey indicates that about

two of every 71 students and about two of every 68 adults driving in the school parking facilities wear seat belts. Only one of every 22 cars carry people wearing seat belts.

"The survey indicated a need; the dollar give-away was an attempt to make people aware of the situation and encourage change," according to Robert Townsend PRHSC advisor.

According to Mike Gaarder, PRHSC president, other projects will include a window wash at football games, and a "Mr. Yuk"

"I probably won't go into politics as a livelihood, but I feel my experience at Boy's Nation, and with the government will play an important role in a career.

## Band earns fourth; Plans performance

Marching against some of the largest and best bands in three states, the Emerald Regiment earned fourth place Saturday at the Tri-State contest in Luverne, MN.

Riggs Emerald Regiment performs for the first time before the home audience Oct. 1, when it presents halftime entertainment for the homecoming game at Hollister Field.

Oct. 16, the marching Regiment travels to Brookings for the annual Brookings Optimist Field Competition. This competition will include bands from the Tri-State area.

Band members have been working since July 14 in early morning weekday and four hour Saturday rehearsals in preparation for their fall performances. The show features a collection of popular music, combinations of marching maneuvers, and the PHS flay corp.

The Emerald Regiment is under the direction of Paul Upsahl, drum major is Mike Williamson, and flag corp captain is Stacey Del Grosso.

poison prevention program which will be conducted in local grade schools.

Membership in the group is still open, according to Townsend, a 20 year veteran of teen safety council programs. He stressed not only the overall importance of the group's work, but also the fact that high school students can play an important part in safety policy making.

Serving with Gaarder as PRHSC officers for the current year are Darris Howe, vice president, and Darcy Sorensen, secretary-treasurer.

# SPORTS

## Lady Governors appear victory bound

Remember last year's chant, "This is the year of the Governors 1982."? Well it may still be. This time it's the Lady Gov's turn.

Despite a one point set back to the Huron Tiger, the Lady Govs are still one of the best teams in the state, the team began the season atop the wire service polls for three very tall reasons.

Don Sheild's team sports perhaps the tallest line up in the state. JeanMistereck, Karen Hasek and Tara Tessier all stand six foot or better.

Handling the guard positions this year are Brenda Schramm and Rise Hawkins.

The two players who will supply the leadership for this year's team will be Jean Mistereck and Rise Hawkins. Jean had an

outstanding junior campaign by being named to both the all-tournament and all-state teams.

Rise was a starting guard for most of last season and will be relied on heavily for the ball handling chores.

Led by junior Karen Hasek's points, the Lady Gov's rolled over the Brookings Bobcats 57-38. Increasing their record to 4-1, all in the ESD. The week before the Lady Govs beat Yankton, the Number 1 ranked team in the state. Karen Hasek and JeanMistereck combined for forty points. Team Members are Jean Mistereck, Rise Hawkins, Brenda Schramm, Tara Tessier, Karen Hasek, Karen Koistinen, Suzi Stien, So Karim, Trish Murphy, Carrie Wegner, Teresa Volmer, Marie Williams, Rhonda Smith, Lisa Paul, Michaela Walker, Loretta Truax, Kristin Ten Eyck, Jami Benham.

## Thinclads earn second

Riggs thinclads earned second place in both the men's and women's division of the Pierre Invitational Cross Country meet held Sept. 10 at the Elk's golf course.

A 102-degree day made the meet uncomfortable for everyone, but St. Francis came in on top to win the women's division, and Rapid City Central won the men's.

Missy Dechandt ran a 9:37 to place fourth for the Pierre Lady Govs. Others placing were Donna Luckhurst, eight, Shannon Schneider ninth, Marcy Byer, 12th, Cristi McKeever, 15th, Melanie Buckles, 19th and Mary Meirhenry, 21st.

Coming in behind Rapid City Central, the Governors were paced by Kevin Nelson who placed sixth with a 14.15 time. Billy Ek also had a good day finishing ninth.

Other members of the team are Dave Lonbaken, Dan Fischer, Keith Albertson, Eric Werthmann, Steve Smith, John Wollman, Marc DeAntoni, and Pat McKeever.

Both teams opened the season in Redfield where the girls placed second behind Huron, and the boys placed third.

The girls' varsity 3000 meter run was led by Dechandt who placed second with a time of 11:40. Luckhurst and Schneider placed ninth and tenth.

Nelson placed second with a time of 16:50 in the boys varsity 5000 meter run. Ek crossed the line with a time of 17:50 to claim fifth place.

Top places in the boys' novice 3000 meter run where Wollman second with 10:48, and Smith and Kempf in fifth and sixth places.

The team is coached by Larry Lundeen who was named Girls Track Coach of the Year in 1982. He comments that the team is very young, but that they are all good contenders who will work hard in practice to get good results later in the season.



**TOUGH DEFENSE...**Tara Tessier intimidates a Brookings' player in Pierre's 58-37 victory. (Photo by Chris Hipple)

## Runners earn "Striders" title

Eighteen runners earned membership in the Capital Striders Club this fall, according to Coach Kurth, who established the summer running program.

The ultimate goal for club members is to chalk up 300 leg miles during the summer. Runners who accomplish this feat receive a Capital Striders shirt and socks and admiration for Coach Kurth and fellow runners.

Runners recording 250 miles earn a free shirt, while those running 175 miles earn three quarters of a shirt and those running 125 miles earn half a shirt free.

The main purpose of the club is to help runners stay in shape and

to recognize their dedication to the sport, according to Kurth.

Runners earning the Capital Striders label this fall were Troy Goldhammer, Keith Albertson, Shannon Schneider, Rise Hawkins, So Karim, Brenda Schramm and Tara Tessier. Others were Rhonda Smith, Rachael Smith, Dan Fischer, Lori Lindquist, Karen Koistinen, Steve Smith, Billy Ek, Konnie Wendt, Mark Schneider and Allen Gordon.

## Size hinders Sophomores

"Hard work and defense will be the keys to this season." That's the word from Skip Kurth, head coach of the girls sophomore basketball team.

Coach Kurth also stated that there, "isn't as much size as there was last year." He hopes that he will be able to counter the lack of size with an abundance of quickness.

So far this season the girls have compiled a 2-1 record. The team beat Aberdeen 34-40 in overtime after going to Huron the night before and losing a tough 46-35 ballgame. The sophomores had another close game when they beat Madison 34-33

Team members are Kim Merkwan, Teresa Wallace, Rachel Smith, Amy Hawkins, Connie Wendt, Lorie Anderson, Steph Thomas, Carrie Thelan, Renee Bump, Debbie Hunsley, and freshman Jill Tobin and Sarah Adam. Team managers are Gail Norum and Kris Kulm.

## Golfers place third

The Pierre Governor's golfers started their season in fine fashion by taking third in the Pierre invitational and third in the Watertown invitational.

In the Pierre invitational the team finished with a score of 339. Jim Benham paced the Gov's with an 18-hole score of 80, placing him 7th. Robert Williams took 9th.

At Watertown the Gov's again placed third with Mike Mayer and Jim Benham leading the way.

Members of the team are J.D. Pohlman, Craig Keller, Ethan Schmidt, Jim Benham, Mike Mayer, Robert Williams, Darrin Charleson, Dennis Hosman, John Wald, Willie Medins, Curly McNally, and Bob McNally.



**OUT OF BREATH...**Dave Lonbaken crosses the finish line at the Pierre Invitational cross country meet. (Photo by Dalton Sanders)

# Varsity gridmen seek winning season

The Pierre Governors, who are for the season, are looking to have one of their best seasons since they tied Huron for the ESD title in 1979.

Hoping to improve over last year when they narrowly missed the playoffs, the team is still optimistic that they can achieve their goals, despite a 17-0 loss to Yankton. One bright spot for the team is that there are twenty two returning lettermen, and the entire offensive backfield and receiving corps are the same as last year.

On defense Steve Rounds had 14 tackles and Joe Hartford with 12. Hartford also had a good night punting, as he averaged 40 yards per kick, including one of 55 yards. Also for Pierre, Mike Schneider and Aaron Bowers each had an interception.

**Against Winner**, who hadn't lost in 22 games the line provided plenty of protection for quarterback Allen Gordon. Gordon completed nine of 12 passes, 129 yards, three for touchdowns and no interceptions.

Gordon's main target was Troy Schaefer, who caught six passes for 102 yards, and two touchdowns.

Both touchdowns came in the second quarter. The first a four yard pass, the point after by Aaron Bowers failed. The second was a pass of 27 yards; Bower's extra point was good. The other passing touchdown for Gordon was a four yard flip to Jay Parker, Bower's extra point failed.

The line also provided good blocking when the team ran the ball. Runningback Mike Schneider was the leading rusher with 55 yards on 12 carries. He was closely followed by Aaron Bowers who had 52 yards on eight carries.

The defense also proved to be excellent as they held Winner scoreless. On defense Steve Rounds returned an interception 35 yards for a touchdown. Troy Schaefer and Norm Lingle led the defense with nine tackles apiece.

**Against Bismark**, the Governors found themselves down 13-0 late in the second quarter. Allen Gordon then hit Jay Parker with an eleven yard pass for a touchdown. Aaron Bowers then added the extra point.

In the second half the defense held Bismark scoreless, as the offense scored two touchdowns. The first a 29 yard pass from Gordon to Troy Schaefer, Bowers added the extra point. The second a one yard plunge by Kevin Wharton, Bower's added

Governor gridmen face the Mitchell Kernals in homecoming action at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Hollister Field.

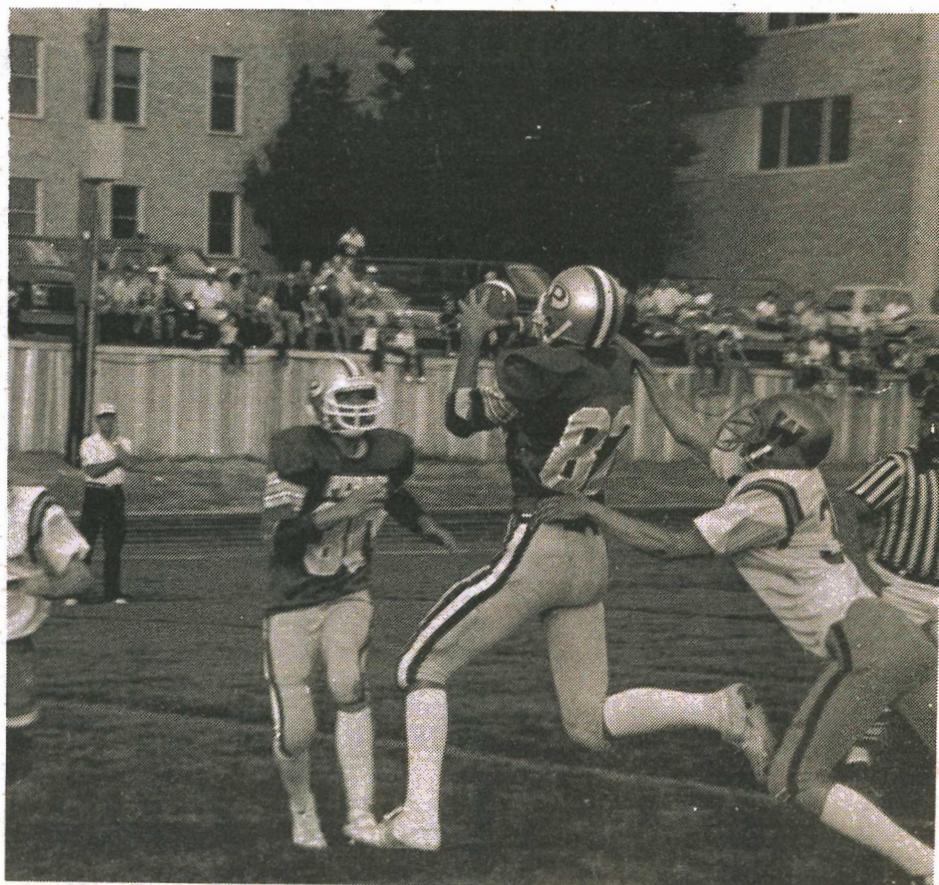
This game will be a critical one for the Governors in Pierre's quest for the E.S.D. title, according to Coach Koistinen.

Half-time will include presentation of royalty and a show by the Emerald Regiment.

**Against Yankton**, the first half was a defensive battle as neither team could score. But late in the second quarter, Yankton's K.C. Johnson kicked a 42 yard field goal.

The field goal proved to be the only score of the half, and gave Yankton a 3-0 lead. In the second half a worn-down Pierre defense allowed two touchdowns.

For Pierre, quarterback Allen Gordon was seven for 20 passing and gave up two interceptions. His favorite target proved to be Troy Schaefer, who caught three for 43 yards. Aaron Bowers was the leading rusher, with 30 yards on six carries.



**UP FOR THE GRAB...**Jay Parker caught this touchdown pass when Pierre beat Winner 26-0

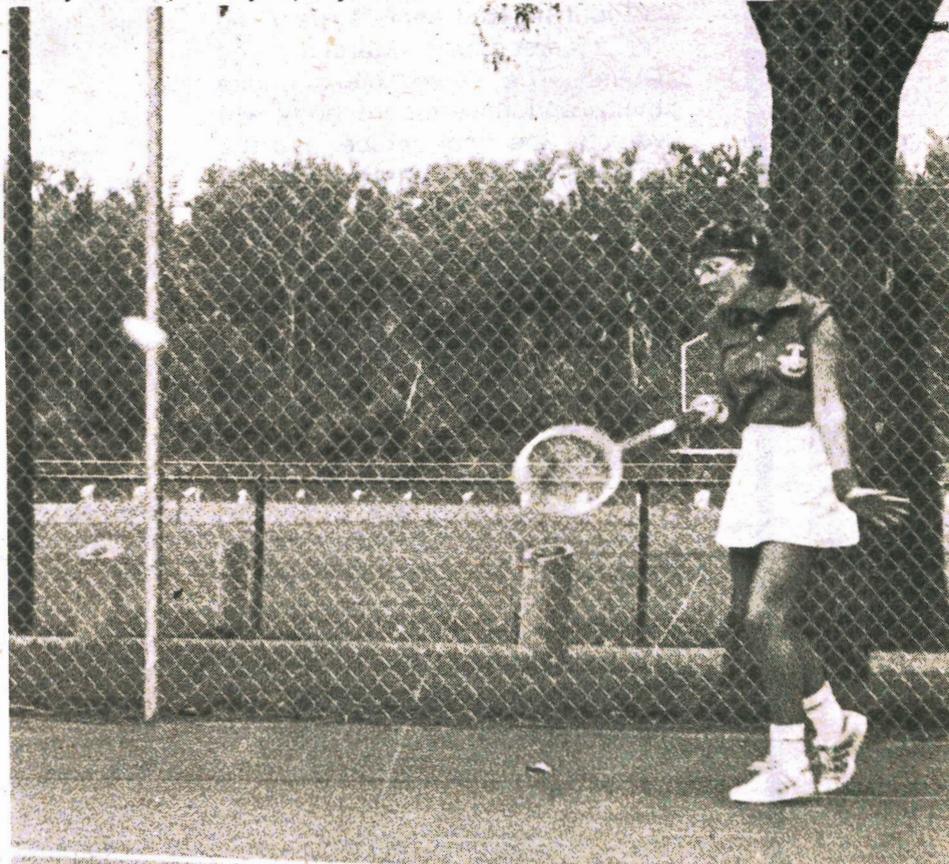
the extra point to make the 21-13, in favor of Pierre.

Team members are: seniors: Allen Gordon, Steve Kooyman, Mike Schneider, Mark Sherill, Kent Huckins, Andy Gomez, Joe Hartford, Jay Peterson, Kevin Wharton, Kevin Miller, Dave Taylor, Chip Clelland, Roger Theobald, Norm Lingle, Jon Moyer, Steve rounds, Mike Gramm, Mike O'Day, John Zimmerman, Kendell Knewling, Troy Schaefer, Nick Owens, Jay Parker, Roger Beck, Steve Lee and Steve Dahlsten.

Juniors are: Curt Opp, Aaron Bowers, Marty Norman, Pat Snyder, Troy Goldham-

mer, John Schwartz, Martin Skye, Shane DelGrosso, Brad Stewart, Steve Reed, Charles McGuigan, Kyle Melby, Brent Tucker, Brad Christensen, Clay Seachris, Steve Beck, Daryl Schofield, Mark Anderson, Brad Cruse, and Dan Beck.

**The Governors** are coached by Ken Koistinen, Gery Schlekeway, and Monte Hillstad. Student managers are Fritz Ackley and Mark Lindquist. Statisticians are DeeDee Butt and Linda Askew. Cheerleaders are Cathy Greene, Beth Grimes, Renae Kautz, Kari Kruse and Marcine Schatz.



**WINNER...**Kris Lowenstein returns serve against Huron. Pierre won 5-4. (Photo by Cass Herrin)

## Lady netters record 8-1 season

Led by sophomore Liz Porter, the Pierre Lady Netters have started out the season in fine form.

With an 8-1 overall record and 5-0 in the ESD, the team looks to be one of the better in the state. Liz Porter playing in the No. 1 position has an undefeated record. The team has only lost one match all

year, a 6-3 loss to Rapid City Stevens. Pierre shut out both Yankton and Watertown.

Team members are: seniors Jackie Clack, and Barb Regynski; juniors Jeannie Tobin and Barb Cordts; sophomores Liz Porter, Kristi Lowenstien, Becky Cone, and Tara Watson.

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## PRIDE

### NFL strike is false issue

I think it says something about our society to have grown men who, instead of getting paid a fair wage, play a game once a week and get hundreds of thousands of dollars for it. Then they demand more! Of course, what I'm talking about is the contract dispute in the NFL.

The players are asking for 55% of the NFL teams' gross revenue. Included in the gross revenue is a two billion dollar T.V. contract. Imagine 55% of two billion! The United States doesn't even give that much money to most countries for foreign aid. Then the owners offered the players 1.6 billion dollars, and the players turned it down flat. Nearly 1200 men are turning down a chance to play one game every Sunday and become a household name. Boy, I wish someone would make me a deal like that! Not to mention the fact that they only play six months out of the year. I think that's an insult to the working man who has to save to buy a 10 dollar ticket, and he may only be able to go to a game once a year.

Why can't they just take their billions and reduce the ticket price? That way they would have more fans and still make their million. I say forget about the money and play ball, because I don't think it's fair to rob the American public of its favorite pastime just because of greed.

Cass Herrin

# Homecoming '82



## Meet the royalty

**THE ROYAL GATHERING...** The 1982 homecoming king and queens will be selected from among these eight candidates. homecoming royalty are, front row from left: Peggy Ellwein, Tammy Helgesewn, Cathy Greene, Autumn Lidel. Pictured in back from left are Mike Schneider, Troy Schaefer, Joey Hartford and Karl Adam.



Eight hopeful seniors are vying for Homecoming Marshal and Queen. The senior class chose them, and the student body will vote for the final choice, and the winners will be revealed at coronation, which is Thursday night.

The coronation program also will consist of chorus and band production, and the introduction of the football team. There will also be the traditional Minneshosho cheer, and the lighting of the "PHS" letters.

### MIKE SCHNEIDER

Mike is president of the senior class. He was elected to Boy's State and was then chosen to go on to Boy's Nation. He participates in many activities such as National Honor Society, German and Latin club, year-book (Gumbo), basketball, football, and track. Mike was a Junior Rotarian and vice-president of his junior class.

### PEGGY ELLWEIN

Peggy is a varsity girl's basketball cheerleader and was a fall cheerleader as a sophomore. She participates in various organizations such as German club, National Honor Society, Pep club, Latin club, and student council. She is also the co-editor of the Governor, and is a member of the Youth Advisory Committee.

### CATHY GREENE

Cathy has been a football cheerleader for the past four years. She is a member of the varsity gymnastics team that placed second in the state last year. She was honored in the all around competition. Cathy was a waitress for the 1981 Junior-Senior prom. She is also a member of the National Honor Society, Pep club and was also in Spanish club as a sophomore.

### TROY SCHAEFER

Troy has been a forward and guard for the Governor basketball team for the past three years. He also participates in football, tennis, and National Honor Society. As a junior he was a Rotarian and was selected for Boy's State. Troy also served as a waiter for the 1981 Junior-Senior prom.



### TAMMY HELGESEN

Tammy has been a boy's basketball cheerleader for the past three years. She also participates in various organizations: Pep club, German club, Latin club, and National Honor Society. She was the treasure for the junior class, and now serves as the secretary for the senior class. In 1981 Tammy served as head waitress for the Junior-Senior prom. She was also a Junior Rotarian.

### JOEY HARTFORD

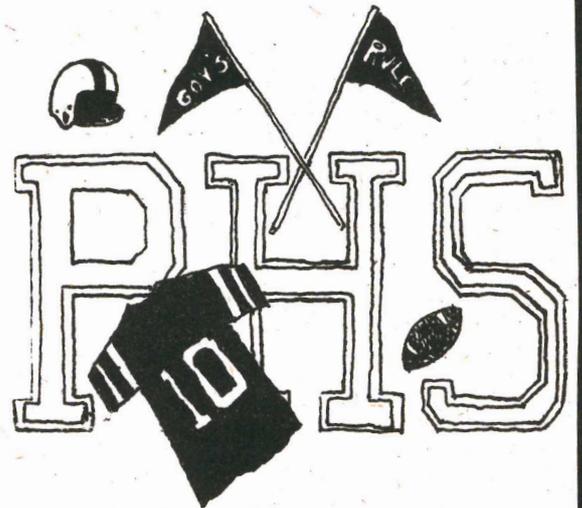
Joey participates in many sports such as; basketball, football, and track. He was a waiter for the 1981 Junior-Senior prom. He was also elected to Boy's State as a junior. His other activities include German club and National Honor Society.

### AUTUMN LIDEL

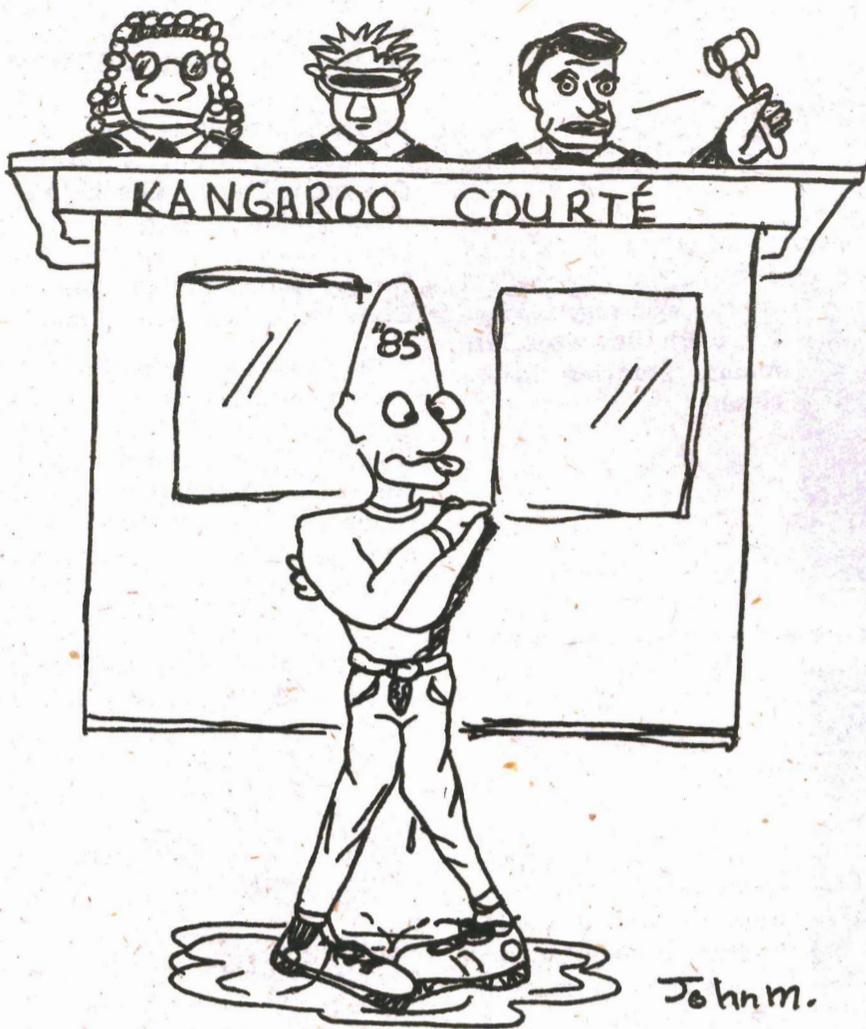
Autumn is the vice-mayor for the first semester of the 1982-83 school year. She also participates in National Honor Society, pep club, and Latin club. She has been a girl's basketball manager and boy's basketball cheerleader for three years. As a junior she was in flag corp and as a sophomore she was a waitress for the 1981 Junior-Senior prom.

### KARL ADAM

Karl was the center for the 1982 State "A" basketball champs. He also participates in track and German club. As a sophomore he was a waiter for the Junior-Senior prom and class secretary.



Is the Sophomore guilty?  
OR IS "IT" GUILTY?!



# Sophomores beware!

Isn't it kinda funny how the sophomores are being so nice to the seniors?! Could it have anything to do with the events of homecoming? Not mentioning the best event of all, "Kangaroo Court"?

moon, and it dawns on you that it is midnight.

At the same time you are startled by a pair of bright green eyes peering at you through a dying bush at your side. It's getting closer and closer, you are trying to scream but your terror refuses to let you have the satisfaction.

The lights are out and the class of '85 is tossing and turning in the midst of the night wondering what their odds are to be a victim of kangaroo court.

The glowing eyes have you cornered, but you sigh in relief when you realize it's just a cat. But wait! The cat is black, and panic sets in again.

The tradition goes back m-a-n-y m-a-n-y years. Picture yourself in a time when civilized behavior meant nothing to seniors, and unfortunate sophomores were taken to the haunted grave yards and tied to new tombstones facing the full moon.

Whispers are heard. They grow louder, LOUDER. You know the end is near. With final courage you face the frightening chants, only to realize it is the superior classmen adding fire to an already unforgettable night.

Goose-bumps race up and down your shaking body as you hear the wolves howling and see the tree branches eerily swaying in the deep black night.

Eventually the upper classmen set you free, that is if your fear hasn't gotten you first.

Suddenly the sky becomes pitch black, ominous clouds hide the

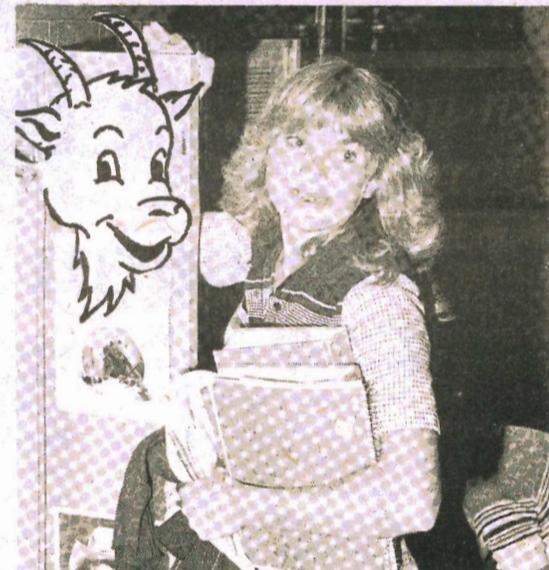
The best of luck is wished to the unfortunate sophomores of 1982 who await the ordeal of kangaroo court. This luck is brought to you by the mighty, powerful SENIORS.



**THE GOAT STROLL...** "Goats" Laura McKenna, Cathy Miller and Sherry Maher.



**ATTENTION GOATS...** Liz Herman, Barb Crandell, Erin Keeler, Kristi Kruse, and Missy Bonde note: You SALUTE when you see a SENIOR!



**TAKES ONE TO KNOW ONE...** Anita Mikkelsen finds out.

## Time builds tradition

Traditions are built by time and by people with a flair for the novel and a bit of creativity. They originate from desires to add to the experience of living and to share that experience with others.

Homecoming has come to be a vital part of every American high school experience. Since their beginnings time has shaped and nurtured the homecoming traditions at Riggs High until we have homecoming as we know it today.

A look into the files reveals the many changes this unique fall celebration has endured.

In 1936 a real-life bon fire was lit instead of the "letter burning" of today, and 12 candidates were chosen for the coronation ceremonies. The "snake dance" was also a major part of the celebration, and everyone joined in.

By 1945 only eight homecoming candidates were selected to the position of RHS royalty, but the

bon fire and snake dance remained. Coronation activities remained the same for several years and in 1954 the only obvious change was the replacing of the bon fire with the familiar burning of the letters.

In the next two decades the homecoming traditions varied in detail, but for the most part the event itself had been elevated into tradition status. The snake dance was eliminated, but powder puff football, a contest between the Junior and Senior class girls was added to the roster. The homecoming parade saw its hey-day, and by the end of the 1970's was dormant.

Whatever the program of events, the tradition of homecoming through the years has meant a gathering of students and alumni in a spirit of fun and competition. The tradition is really that of people sharing their memories and good times with each other.

## WORDS

FROM

## BELOW

You Know

School's Here When:

- parties cut down to 'hump-night' and weekends
- Merk Controls (tries) PDA
- Hallway passes or else!!!
- gOats are now the classes of '84 and '85
- sOphomores eat hot lunch
- Love ya SENIORS!!!!
- Smiles are gone from goat faces.

teachErs read the student hand-  
sophs Erasers wear down quickly  
sophomoRes study the student handbook books  
SENIORS, awesome '83

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By *Kanba*

# Riggs welcomes AFS, YES exchange students

Enjoying the "closeness of a small town" that Pierre offers, Youth Exchange Service student Graciela DeLeon, who comes from a city of a million people, says she has "good feelings" towards Pierre as a community.

Pierre has been home for the YES visitor from Monterrey, Mexico since Aug. 24. She has been welcomed as part of the family in the Arthur Wilner home.

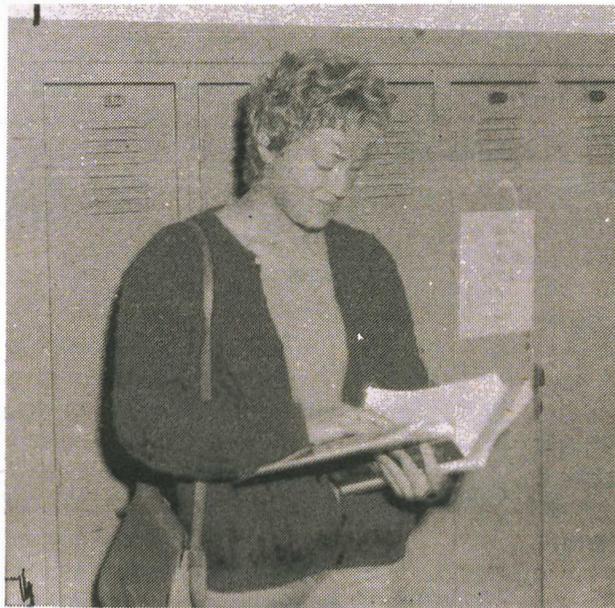
In Mexico, Graciela attended a private school from kindergarten through high school. Although the seventeen year old has already graduated from high school in Monterrey, she will be a senior here.

Comparing the school systems, Graciela noted that in Mexico students have no choice in selecting classes until the last semester of their senior year.

"Academics are stresses and extra curricular activities play a small part in student life," she said. A typical school day in Monterrey would consist of eight classes and two 25-minute recesses.

Graciela's family in Mexico includes a brother and her parents. Her father is a civil engineer at a steel plant, and her mother is a secretary.

After returning home in June 1983, Graciela plans to attend the Junior College where she will study architecture and design.



**A NEW FACE IN THE HALL...**American Field Service exchange student Elizabeth Rey does last minute studying before class.



**ALL THESE SOPHOMORES!!!...** Senior Youth Exchange Student Graciela DeLeon finishes an assignment in sophomore English class with the assistance of instructor Ken Larsen.

"The French see Americans as people who chew gum, wear jeans, drink a lot of coke and eat hamburgers," according to Elisabeth Rey, one of two American Field Service students at Riggs.

Traveling from Saint-Paul-3-Chateaux, France, Elisabeth arrived in Pierre in August. She has become an addition to the Shanard Burke family, and a "sister" to Carla Burke, a junior at Riggs.

Elisabeth noted that Pierre has "few apartment buildings, many houses, and a lot of greenery."

When August 30, rolled around, she walked through the doors of Riggs with over 600 other students, and she has some definite impressions of Riggs.

"They are very strict here, and there are a lot of rules," she said. Her favorite class here is Home Ec, because she says it is a class you wouldn't find in French schools.

Having already graduated in France, she will go to a preparatory school when she returns home.

Elisabeth, 17, enjoys traveling and has visited several European countries including England, Germany, and Switzerland.

Her family includes Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Rey. Her father is an engineer in an atomic plant, and her mother is a retired chemistry engineer. She also has a 15 year old sister named Sophie, and a 12 year old brother Vincent.

## Werthmann enjoys summer in Germany

"Excellent" is the one word Erich Werthmann uses to describe his trip to Germany this summer. While everyone in Pierre was enjoying the lazy summer life, he was 4,000 miles away going to school!

It all started in German II class, where students took a National German Test (approximately 15,000 students around the U.S. took it, on which Erich received a score of 99 percent qualifying him for the trip.

The trip was sponsored by the German government which paid for everything. The students had only to pay their way to New York and back. A total of 74 students made the trip. They left New York on June 24, and reached their final destination of Nurnberg, Germany the next day.

Erich stayed in a dormitory with a boy from Philadelphia, everyone

else stayed with various German families around Nurnberg.

"Staying there gave us more freedom than anyone else," Erich commented, "It also exposed us to the German youth's way of life."

The Americans went to school Monday through Friday.

"It was very interesting to compare German schools with ours," Erich said. "Classes were 45 minutes long and lasted from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. If the temperature outside got up to 80 degrees before 11 a.m., school was let out."

Every day was planned out for the American students whether it was school or a tour. The group toured several places including various factories, churches, a print shop and a brewery.

Erich found the brewery to be the most interesting because after

the tour they got to drink all the beer they wanted.

The German culture is drastically different in many ways. Most students don't own cars simply because it's too expensive. "The drinking age is around 16, but it is not abused," Erich noted. "Beer is a form of nourishment. Even McDonald's sold beer."

American music is very popular in Germany. Groups like J. Geils, The Stones, ACDC, and Journey are all well known. Punks and Skinheads are very numerous. "This was a new experience for most of us," Erich said, "At first it really freaked us out to see some girl dressed up punk with orange blue, and red hair."

A great deal of time was spent traveling to cities and towns to tour various historical sites.

Munich and Berlin were the most interesting cities to Erich. He recalls that Munich is well known for its beergartens, and nightlife in Berlin is outstanding. East Berlin was like going back about 30 years. The border guards were constantly watching everyone and they carried machine guns.

The group left Nurnberg July 23 and went by bus to Frankfurt where several spent their remaining German money. "All in all", Erich said, "the trip was definitely worth a month's summer vacation."

### Chorus performs

#### October concert

Junior and Senior high choruses will be entertaining for the second time this fall when Riggs High hosts the traditional Fall Sing October 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the gym.

The choruses' first appearance this year will be Thursday night at coronation.

Senior High choruses directed by Jackie Ewing, include the 88 member full mixed chorus, the select chorus and All-State chorus members. Seventh, eighth, and ninth grade choruses are under the direction of Mary Jo Johnson.

A wide variety of music will be included in the evenings selections. Several numbers will include instrumental accompaniment and choreography.

## Teachers tell about busy summers

Have you ever been lying in the summer sun out at the dam on a hot day and wondered how all of the teachers were spending their "time off"?

Probably not. But, I asked a few of them and was surprised to hear about their "vacations".

Mr. Kurth had the most memorable summer. He worked as an insurance adjuster for Franklin Life Insurance, when he found time, between getting married, and honeymooning in Las Vegas and San Diego.

Mr. Upsahl was hard at work designing the 1982 show for the mighty marching Emerald Regiment.

Coaches Judson and Sheilds coached city recreation basketball.

Miss Pick, Mr. Larsen, Mrs. Laitala, and Mr. William Peterson all spent their summers at SDSU. Miss Pick received her masters in education, while Mrs. Laitala and Mr. Peterson attended an Energy Alternative Workshop. Mr. Larsen also attended an Institute for the Humanities Workshop.

Mr. Lundeen—This unlucky man spent his summer teaching college computer courses in Highmore, and went to a computer seminar.

Mr. Schlekeway painted the gym, along with the Red's Painting crew.

Mrs. MacNally, last but not never least, Mrs. M. spent her summer the right way—she sunbathed and golfed! (And we all thought our summers were fun and games!)

by Sarah Schoessler