

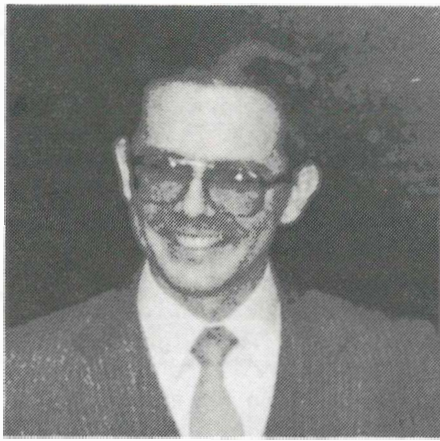
Mickelson will attend national forum

Riggs senior and junior high school language teacher Jay Mickelson is one of 56 finalists from across the United States to participate in the National Teachers Forum March 5-7 in Washington, D.C.

The Education Commission of the States (ECS) is sponsoring the three-day forum which will address the state of education in America, the quality of work-life in the teaching profession, the impact of the state policies affecting teaching, and the future steps policy makers might take to ensure teaching effectiveness.

Mickelson was one of eight teachers nominated for the forum by the State Department. Others were the other NASA Teacher in Space finalists and the Teachers of the Year.

"I was really surprised," said



Mickelson, who plans to put the best foot forward for South Dakota. "I don't think we have anything to be ashamed of in this state."

"I think we are doing a good job in South Dakota, and we were on the

cutting edge of everything until they started revising the Regents' requirements."

Mr. Mickelson will be taking the Excellence Reports from the South Dakota Education Association as well as excellence reports from the Regents and the State Board of Education to enter into testimony.

He will also be taking several brochures from the state Office of Tourism and expects the forum to be good publicity for South Dakota as well as for educators.

Applications for the 56 positions for the forum included such questions as, Why did you want to become a teacher? What would you recommend to improve teacher education programs at the university levels? What would you tell a student

interested in education?

Mickelson expects these issues, discipline, parental involvement and merit pay to be among the discussion topics at the forum.

"We are supposed to be talking to them," Mr. Mickelson said noting that he will also be gathering input from other teachers with the excellence reports.

In a recent news release New Jersey Governor Thomas Kean, ECS chairman said, "It's time to listen to people we trust—and I trust teachers. What teachers have to say is important and worth listening to. We had better be prepared to act on what we hear."

School and professional involvement was also considered when applications were solicited. Mr. Mickelson was voted Teacher of the Year in 1977 by the Pierre Education Association and Teacher of the Year in 1978 by the Riggs High students. He has served as president of the PEA and was a state semifinalist in the NASA Teacher in Space program.

The ECS received over 400 nominations and singled out "America's teaching elite" according to ECS officials.

The ECS is a nonprofit, nationwide compact formed in 1965 to help governors, state legislators, and state education officials.

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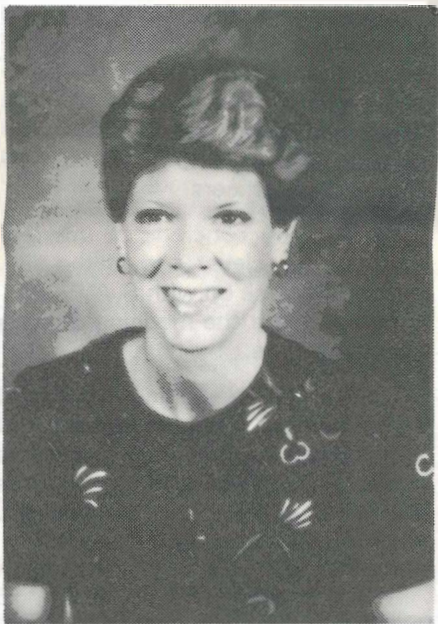
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NHS tags new members, teacher of the year



TEACHER OF THE YEAR . . . Chorus teacher Jackie Hilding took the honors.

By Paulette Gates

Nineteen juniors and 10 seniors were tagged for the National Honor Society, and Mrs. Jackie Hilding was

named Teacher of the Year at the Feb. 18 NHS annual awards assembly.

"I feel really honored," Mrs. Hilding, the chorus instructor, commented later. Mrs. Hilding has taught

at Riggs for six years and was very pleased the students presented her with such an honor. "I thank all of the students," she said. Besides teaching music at Riggs Mrs. Hilding has also

been involved in Pierre Players and the Bad River Revue. She has a husband, Randy, and they are expecting a baby in July.

Mrs. Hilding enjoys teaching at Riggs, "I've become very close to many of the students and get along well with Mr. Upsahl, my cohabitant

in the music department. Besides people, music is my number one love of life, so what better way to spend my hours!"

She feels that "Riggs has some dedicated and talented people in the

music department. They are not only members of the chorus, but friends

almost more of a family-type unit."

Mrs. Hilding's students all seem to agree that she deserves this honor.

One student said, "She really tries to help you and always makes learning and improving fun."

New members of NHS who were formally initiated include seniors Nanette Hofer, Chris Krogman, Susan McIntire, Steve Maxwell,

Steve Rasmussen, Linda Regynski, Brett Stewart, Pete Thompson, Michelle Ulmen, and Brian Weiss.

Junior initiates included Richard Birhanzel, Loren Cass, LeAnn Holmes, Darleen Hunsely, Lisa Hyde, Ward Judson, Kelly Koistinen, Noel Miller, Robert Miller, Michelle Olson,

Todd Peterson, Lisa Pibal, Monty Schaefer, Shannon Schneider, Chris Shaw, Stephanie Sibley, Shannon Weber, Jonette Wellhouse, and Dawn Witte.



A NEW MEMBER . . . Senior Paul Robbennolt tags new NHS senior initiate Brian Weiss.

Legislature reviews educational issues

By Rob Miller

A myriad of bills pertaining to education confronted the Legislature this session in Pierre.

On the top of the list of issues important to Riggs students was that of open enrollment to South Dakota colleges and universities. Under this proposal, State run institutions would be open to any graduate of a South Dakota high school. Eliminating cumbersome rules and regulations, this bill could vastly increase the number of students attending colleges and universities in the state.

"Personally I think the plan would be good for some of the schools," says Riggs Guidance counselor Gary Schneider. "If they're good enough [for college] then fine."

Open enrollment would not be a major change in curriculum at the high school level. Most high schools would retain their own stringent graduation requirements. In many cases these requirements are the same or similar to the Board of Regent's college entrance requirements.

Another issue of major importance to students was the foreign language requirement. Once again the hot topic of debate for the Legislature, this year the proposal is to end the requirement all together. This would make foreign language unnecessary for college admission in South Dakota.

In the past the Board of Regents has stuck to its guns in keeping the requirement. It, and the need for foreign language itself, has been under fire for quite some time.

"I feel sorry for students who could have taken a class pertaining to their interest rather than having to take a foreign language," pointed out Riggs teacher Skip Kurth.

Marcia Graney, a foreign language teacher, feels differently. "I feel it [this discussion] is a tremendous waste of time and money because the foreign language program was enlarged to meet the increase in language enrollment. Now the numbers will decrease and the materials pur-

chased and the teachers hired will no longer be needed."

Many students echoed the sentiments of junior Tom Maher when he said, "People should realize that foreign language is important, but it should not be a requirement."

Each year Governor Janklow is expected to submit a plan for state aid to education. This year the Governor plans to radically redistribute state funding. The new plan is to give

money to larger districts and take away from smaller districts in the interest of fairness. Although larger schools such as Riggs don't stand to be hurt, the majority of cuts will affect smaller schools across the state.

The Legislature is easily accessible to Riggs students. With the capitol building a mere block away, we are in a fortunate situation. Much knowledge of state government can be gained by simply observing the Session. The **Governor** strongly urges students to be involved in all aspects of government.

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Space tragedy challenges America

The pieces are slowly being put together as experts try to solve the mystery of the Jan. 28 explosion of the Challenger space shuttle. Although the media hub-bub has died down, intermittent blurbs about it are still being heard. What caused it? Whose fault was it? Could it have been prevented? Will the space program continue? The answers to these questions and many more are ones that NASA and the American public want to know.

Both the questions and answers tend to create mixed emotions about space aviation. Although negative feelings may be aroused when speaking about this disastrous calamity, positive feelings should ultimately surface. As students and future leaders, we should look at this not only as a loss, but as a lesson about reality. Our generation has really never dealt with such a devastating national accident. True, there have been isolated incidents that were shocking and even tearful, but never a single incident that has affected the nation as a whole.

Until now, relating to national disasters of the past has been solely through reading or hearing about them. Now, however, we can relate to those who mourned over President Kennedy's assassination or fatalities of past wars. Now, we have our personal feelings and various degrees of sadness embedded in our hearts. But, along with them, our spirits should draw closer and unite to become stronger.

We need to recognize the courage of all seven crew members and their families. We need to realize the vastness of technology that enabled a space undertaking of this nature to even formulate. We need to reflect on the true meaning of America. Our country is one that allows its people the freedom to dream and to fulfill those dreams. The Challenger was one aspect of a great dream that became a reality.

Our generation must carry on this tradition for future generations so that we can endure even through losses such as the space shuttle Challenger. It was a tragedy, indeed. However, only we can pick up the pieces and continue on. It's our duty. It's what America is all about.

Other voices: Readers respond to issues

I would like to express my opinion in the use of the breathalyzer test to determine the amount of alcohol a person has consumed. The breathalyzer is an unfair test. It shows flashing green if you've not been drinking **anything**, a solid green light if you've had a slight amount, a yellow light if you've had quite a bit, and a red light if you've been drinking alot. This is all okay except that the breathalyzer is set off by toothpaste, mouth wash, chewing tobacco, and many kinds of breath sprays. This gives a definite disadvantage to a person who is a clean person who brushes his/her

teeth or uses mouth wash before he/she goes out. I think there should be an alternative test to ascertain the amount of alcohol that has been consumed by a person.

Steve Wahl

I'm mad! About what? I don't know, but I'm just mad about something or other. "I hate . . . , I'm tired of . . . , they never let us . . . , how come we can't . . . , I'm mad."

Let's stop, and let's think. Why does it appear that the whole school is always complaining? I want to know. Is there something that I'm missing? Some element that makes school miserable? It's our own choice to be here. We have all passed eighth grade.

Personally, I'm not mad but concerned. There is a lot of complaining, some rightfully so. It seems that this griping stops short. Why don't we go one step further and change these criticisms into positive suggestions. This would make it much easier on the students and the administration.

Chris Shaw

Who says Riggs has a drinking problem? Everyone seems to think drinking is starting to become a big problem with high school students. I don't think so. It's been going on for years, and it will go on for years to come. It's just the law enforcement is getting tougher, and the ones who aren't careful will be caught.

Max Fjelstad

Students of the world unite. The barrel of crude oil has fallen from twenty-five dollars to sixteen dollars. Regular gasoline in Oklahoma City is 84 cents per gallon. Regular gasoline in Winner, South Dakota is at \$1.04. The cost of one semi transport of refined gasoline has deflated from \$8,000 to \$3500.

The Arab's clutch on the price of oil is faltering. Is the consumer entitled to some benefit resulting from the lowering price of oil? What is the reason for the thirteen cent difference? Why is there not one cent of deflation at any of the local gas stations? . . . Are you being affected by this?

Tom Maher

Riggs High School now has a new organization for its youth to be involved in; it's called S.A.P.P.O., students against Pierre police officers. This organization was founded after several parties were "busted" by Pierre police officers.

At first you can look at this and laugh at the cleverness of the students who came up with S.A.P.P.O., but think about the meaning of such an organization.

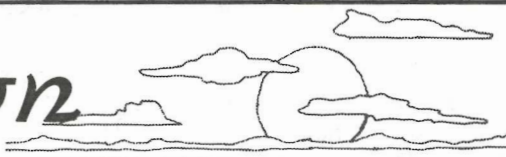
First of all the police were only doing their job. Whether you like it or not, consuming alcohol under the age of 19 is against the law, and there are penalties which must be faced when the law is broken.

Next you must realize what the police stand for. The Pierre police are here to maintain order, enforce existing laws, and make sure that Pierre is a safe place to live; S.A.P.P.O. puts all of that down. Right now it looks to me as if S.A.P.P.O. is just made up of a lot of immature young people who cannot face the consequences of their actions, and instead must throw a tantrum and curse at those who are only doing the job given to them by the people.

Loren Cass

Dusk to Dawn

By Dawn Jackson



One day I turned around and there she was. She wasn't hiding behind anything, and she wasn't glaring; she was just standing there smiling, waiting to say "hi."

She was someone who wanted to share the fun as well as the dreams but also was willing to care and wanted to know me in a way that she could understand.

Although we both have our ups and down, and we do fight a lot, she always seems to be there for me when I need her to lend a hand or just when I need someone to care. I know it's hard to imagine someone who means so much and can be there for me whenever I need her but at the same time can say "shut up" when I'm being stupid.

We both lead separate lives. Although we do many things together and for each other, there are some

moments that we need to be away from each other and work things out on our own. Those are the times we tend to grow apart.

There have been times when we've both felt that we were on our own because of the distance, and we've felt unsure of the bond, even to the point of thinking it didn't exist. We seem to occasionally let other things block out each other, and we forget all the memories we've shared in the past few years.

I know that's not good but sometimes our emotional problems cause minor problems between us. I don't know why, but when we get caught up in our own lives we forget each other and just let go. Sometimes, it's not easy, but there's always a time when we need our space.

It's hard to believe that we can share everything that we do. Some-

times we just get crazy and nothing stands in our way. We have our share of memories like our weekend trip to Yankton, Mitchell, the Bryan Adams concert, and even our great times of the summer of '85.

We also have our future to look forward to like our trip to Washington, and our "Senior Splurg" after we graduate. We also have our lives planned after graduation and how we are going to try to keep in touch. With all the memories and the future dreams, I know that no matter what happens, or how far apart we may ever get in thought, she's always going to be there for me, some way.

I know our relationship is unique. I mean, we have a lot more than many people could ever have. I guess that's why we're "us". We're not special, just us. And if you're wondering, it's just us—my best friend and me.

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Performers earn awards

By Nancy Kelley

Riggs performers earned several top awards during the February Regional and State One-Act contests.

Awards for superior lead actor and actress went to sophomores Rodes Fishburne and Tracy Deis, both received "Superior" ratings. Also ranking at the superior level were supporting actor and actresses Chrissy Post, Mike Olson, DaWanda Pesika, and Shannon Schneider. The local department presented "The Girl in the Mirror" at both contests.

The only award received by a Pierre performer during the State contest went to Mike Olson for superior supporting actor.

The six top superior winners at State competition were Yankton,

Sioux Falls Lincoln, Winner, Sioux Falls Washington, Aberdeen Central and Sioux Falls O'Gorman.

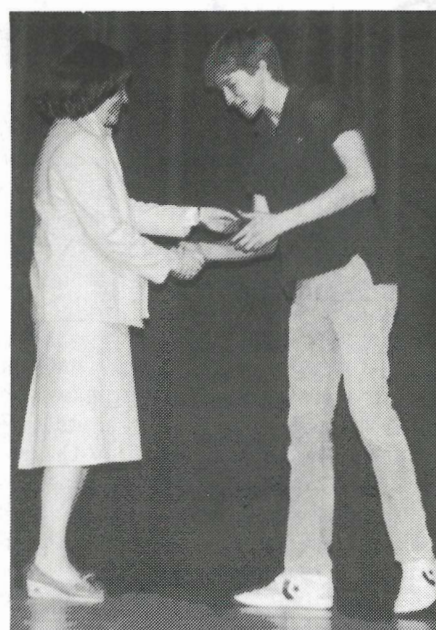
"Everyone was well pleased with the performance, and we were highly complimented," said Bill Henjum, drama coach and director.

Riggs drama students presented two one-acts although they presented only one at competition. The plays consisted of a cast and crew of about 20.

Other actors and tech help included Jon Robertson, Cathy Pohlman, Steph Hiatt, Terri Ulmen, Michelle Deyo, Scott Searls, Tom Black, Chad Weber, Angie Hansen, Chris Ward, Tara Adamski, Paula Graves, Kris Becker, and Doug Potter.



WINNERS . . . Sophomores Tracy Deis and Rodes Fishburne happily accept awards for superior performances during the Regional one-act play competition. (Photo by Doug Potter)



Junior, Senior prom: 'Hot Night in Heaven'

By Brad Fischer

Plans are underway for the Riggs 1986 Junior and Senior Prom as juniors work hard to prepare for a "Hot Night in Heaven" April 19.

Junior class advisor Marsha Graney encourages participation. "There has been lots of individual preparation for the prom, but we need everyone involved because there is still lots of work to be done," she said.

Sophomore waiter and waitress were recently elected by the junior class to serve at the prom. They include Mike Anderson, Susan Chase, Shawna Draper, Jim Ellenbecker, Renae Howard, Tani Keenlyne, Romi Klocker, Kayla Korkow, Doug Mikkonen, Mike Raue, Katie Robbennolt, John Sutton, Scott Thompson and T.J. Wiebe.

People have been signing up for the six prom committees. Advisors for the wall and floor committee are Mr. Hieb, Mr. Thelen, and Mrs. Cool. Chairpersons are Jonette Wellhouse, Shannon Weber, and Todd Peterson.

Other members include: Kelly Koistinen, Sheli Bowers, Shannon Schneider, Lori Schryver, Rich Birhanzel, Tracy Smith, Steph Griffith,

Shannon Brooks and Ray Klinger.

Chairperson for the entrance and stage committee are Eric Lundeen, Steph Sibley, Steph Baldwin, and Keren Higgins. Advisors are Mr. Peterson, Mr. Kurth and Mr. Upsahl.

Other members include: Kim Nightser, Debi Mathews, Bridget Libner, Carrie Jensen, Debbie Haisch, Kristie Muzzy, Cynthia Beck, Kara Krietlow, Trish Feltmen, LeAnn Homes, Shauna Winters, Tina Kiner, Lisa Pibal, Dawn Jackson, Paula Elwood, Jenny Holzwarth, Darleen Hunsley, Rich Trautman, Michelle Olson, Dawn Witte and Darla Andrews.

Advisors for the food (table decorations, plates, cups, etc.) committee is Miss Cordell. Chairpersons are Charmion O'Day and Connie Sibson.

Other members include Steve Williamson, Monty Schaefer, Rhonda Langager, Lisa Adams, Anissa Rauscher, Esther Sandavol, Carol Sundahl, Dara Krietlow, Trish Feltman, Cynthia Beck, Michelle Olson, and Terri Ulmen.

Chairperson for the mural committee is Megan McCloud. Advisor for the mural committee is Mr. Trautner.

Other members of the committee include: Lori Schryver, Tracy Smith, Darlene Hunsley, Rich Trautman, Tammy Fuchs, Dawn Witte and Karla Andrews.

Advisors for the ceiling committee are Mr. Joy and Mr. Bryannt. Chairpersons are: Ward Judson and Dave Valentine.

Other members of the ceiling committee are: Doug Potter, Kelly Koistinen, John Giffin, Dan Lerew, Keith Jackson, Thane Badger, Brad Gall, Debi Matthews, Kim Nightser,

Shelly Schlekeway, Lisa Hyde, Tina Kiner, Keith Garrigan, Jen Holzworth, Darleen Hunsley, Ted Corcoran, and Darren Chase.

The final committee is the invitations committee. Advisor is Mrs. Cool and the chairperson is Lisa Adams.

Other members of the invitations committee include: Bridget Libner, Carrie Jensen, Alicia Tritt, Shawn Kalinay, Rhonda Langager, Debbie Haisch, Kristie Muzzy, Tracy Smith, Megan McCloud, Tamie Parks, and Terri Ulmen.



READY TO WORK . . . as waiters and waitresses as well as entertainers at the April prom are (front from left) Doug Mikkonen, Jim Ellenbecker, Mike Anderson, T.J. Wiebe, Mike Raue, Scott Thompson, and John Sutton. In back are Kayla Korkow, Romi Klocker, Katie Robbennolt, Tani Keenlyne, Susan Chase, Renae Howard, and Shawna Draper.



NEW COMPUTER CLASS . . . complete with new computers will keep sophomores busy during the spring semester. (Photo by Dan Lerew)

Sophomores take computers

By Paul Robbennolt

Second semester Riggs sophomores are taking a course never before offered as they fulfill a new requirement for computer literacy.

The new class offering is a state requirement. Its purpose is to give all high school graduates beginning with the Class of 1988 a basic understanding of computers. It can help the students learn to use computers for both personal and professional use.

In the class, the students work with LOGO and BASIC languages, as well as word processing, data base, and spread sheets.

Mrs. Baldwin and Mr. Fjelstad, teachers of the class, both feel the students take to the class and enjoy it. Sophomore Jenny Joens says, "It's a challenging class that is fun at the same time." Mrs. Baldwin also says that each student can go at his or her own speed because they each work with one computer.

Both teachers feel the class is important. "Everyone needs computers," says Mrs. Baldwin. Mr. Fjelstad agrees, saying, "If nothing else, the class teaches the kids not to fear computers."

Riggs musicians travel, plan large group contest

By Michelle Deyo

Since the winter concert, the Riggs Chorus has kept busy preparing for the February Small Group Contest, and ESD Choral Festival, and the Large Group Contest scheduled for April.

Small Group Contest saw selected groups travelling to Mobridge to compete for ratings of one to five, one being the best rating. Obtaining the rating of one were: Large Vocal Group, Select Mixed Group, Girls Group, and Madrigals, which earned a one plus.

In addition to the groups 16 people took solos. If these, Angie Douglas, Michelle Deyo, Sandy Kern, Eric Lundeen, and Ronnie Sines earned II ratings.

Sean Califf, Trent Deyo, Lowell Gordon, Trish Feltman, Tani Keenlyne, Marcie Lyngstad, Sue McIntyre, Cristi McKeever, Karla Steele, and Jonette Wellhouse, earned a one rating, and Stacey Stofferahn earned a one plus.

Feb. 22 the entire chorus traveled to Mitchell to take part in the first

ESD Choral Festival. The day-long event started at 10:30 a.m. and concluded in the evening with a concert for the public. Five schools attended and sang five songs as a combined chorus and one to two songs by each individual chorus. Riggs chorus sang "In the Arms of Freedom" and "Sing Hosana", two Christian rock songs.

In April, it's back to Mobridge again for Large Group Contest, in which the whole chorus, Girls Swing, and Mixed Choir will complete.

The band also participated in the Small Group Contest in Mobridge with these results: Trombone Quartet I, Clarinet Ensemble I, Brass Sextet I+, Trumpet Quartet II, Woodwind Quintet I, Sax Duet I, Flute Ensemble I, Tuba Quartet I+, Sax Ensemble I.

Woodwind Choir I, Percussion Ensemble II, Horn Quartet II, Percussion Ensemble II, Horn Quartet II, Clarinet Quartet I-, Brass Choir I; soloists scores included Erin DeJong (alto sax) II, Ronnie Sines (timpani) I, Darla Eisnach (soprano and alto sax) II, Sandy Kern (trombone) I, and Linda Clark (flute) II.

Popular tanning beds provide fashionable sun

By Paula Paul

In the past, there has been only one way to get a tan, the sun. But, how do people of the cold North lands—like us South Dakotans—keep that summer glow all year? Artificial indoor suntanning, of course.

To explain how indoor tanning works, it must first be understood what happens to the skin when getting a tan. The sun's ultraviolet light rays emits three different types of rays: UV-O rays, which are absorbed into the ozone layer of the skin, UV-B rays which burn the skin, and UV-A rays, which produce a tan. UV-B rays are needed to start a tan, but only in very small amounts. When tanning outdoors, the skin is exposed to all three types of rays.

Although there has been much controversy over how safe they are, manufacturers and retailers of indoor tanning systems say it is actually safer to sunbathe artificially than it is naturally. Ultraviolet bulbs for tanning beds are made so that most of the burning UV-B rays are blocked out and the majority of the light emitted is made up of the tanning UV-A rays. Furthermore, experts claim, the protection normally worn on the skin

to prevent burning does not need to be worn in a tanning bed. This is because the UV-B rays have almost been entirely blocked out, so there is nothing to protect the skin from.

Kory Schutze, owner of A Cut Above in downtown Pierre, has two tanning beds currently in operation. "I think tanning beds are safe if used in the right way, but can probably be damaging to the skin if someone uses them everyday for the next ten years," she commented. Kory said that the beds at A Cut Above contain bulbs which give off 97% UV-A rays and only 3% UV-B rays. But she warned that people must be careful because not all tanning booths have bulbs which emit such a low percentage of UV-B rays. When asked why she thinks artificial suntanning has become so popular, Kory answered, "Being able to maintain your tan in the winter picks up your spirits and brings some energy to the season."

Frank Post, owner of Post's Corner Drug of Pierre, commented, "Our beds are very popular, but more so during the winter."

It is very important to consider skin type, any previous reactions to the sun,

and many other factors before deciding how long and how often to visit a tanning booth. Reports from the KLAFS Sunlight Co., manufacturers of Wolff tanning systems, have stated that burnt skin often results from unwise people deciding they want an instant tan and going to a booth without determining first a safe time for them to remain under the lights. In addition, many tanners don't realize that the use of tanning beds dries out the skin just as the sun does, so applying a moisturizer is very important.

"I want to get a tan and not look so white next to everyone else," said sophomore Susan Chase about her visits to tanning booths. Many people also like the fact that they can get tan faster in a booth than from lying out in the sun.

The general comment among those who have yet to tan artificially was that maintaining a tan all year around is not that important to them and the cost is much too high.

On the average, prices in Pierre range around \$4.00 for a single session, \$12.00 for 5 sessions, and \$20.00 for 10 sessions.



OPEN FOR BUSINESS . . . Lori, an employee of a business's tanning beds. (Photo by Doug Potter)

For decades both young and old have desired the look of a tan. Bronzed skin is certainly "in" for the 80's. One thing is

Four seniors earn 'Student of Month' honors

By Steve Rasmussen

Seniors Brian Weiss, Stacey Stofferahn, Steve Maxwell, and Ronnie Sines have been selected Student of the Month for January and February.

Each month a panel of teachers named by the Student Council selects a boy and a girl to be Students of the Month. The teachers base their selection on a student's involvement in extra-curricular activities, and a student's academic achievements which must include maintaining a 3.0 grade point average.

Brian Weiss and Stacy Stofferahn were selected for the month of January.

Brian is involved in debate and is the editor of the sports page for the Governor. He was selected as a delegate to Boys State, named Reporter of the Month, and has won numerous speaking awards and trophies in debate.

Brian plans to attend college at either South Dakota School of Mines and Technology or Carnegie-Mellon University. He plans to major in electrical engineering and computer science.

Advice for next year's seniors? Brian suggests, "They should take Chemistry II." He defines a good student as "someone who will help others, doesn't get good grades through cheating, can admit when he or she is wrong, and takes Chemistry II."

Stacey is involved in band, city band, chorus, declam, Foreign Language



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH . . . From left to right, Brian Weiss, Stacey Stofferahn (January), Ronnie Sines, and Steve Maxwell (February). (Photo by Doug Potter)

Club, Pierre Players, Gumbo staff, and FCA. She is an NHS member, a representative to Girls State, and All-State Chorus, and is Senior Class Treasurer.

Stacey plans to attend either Augustana or Moorhead State University where her intended major is to be music.

Stacey's advice to upcoming Seniors, "take a variety of courses to be able to effectively plan your future career, but

don't overdo it".

She feels that a good student is someone who takes school seriously and gets good grades, and yet is able to socialize. Stacey hopes to improve her study habits over last semester to prepare her for college life.

The Students of the Month in February were Steve Maxwell and Ronnie Sines.

Steve is involved in debate and took part in a math contest. He was a Boys State representative, is a member of the National Forensics League and has been awarded several debating trophies.

After high school Steve plans to attend college at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology where he will major in electrical engineering.

Steve would advise next year's Seniors to plan their careers early and tailor their high school courses toward that career. He feels that the teaching staff at Riggs has made his experience at Riggs an enjoyable one, and he would like to thank them for giving him the opportunity to increase his knowledge and allowing him to further his educational plans.

Ronnie is involved in band, chorus, drill team, Solutions, Governor staff, and declam. She was a delegate to Girls State, a National Merit finalist, and received a first on a solo in Small Group contest.

Ronnie plans to attend South Dakota State University and major in forensic sciences.

She advises next year's Seniors, "Start thinking early about which college you want to attend." If she could do anything she would improve her driving record so her insurance bills would be lower. Her proudest moment was when she became a National Merit finalist.

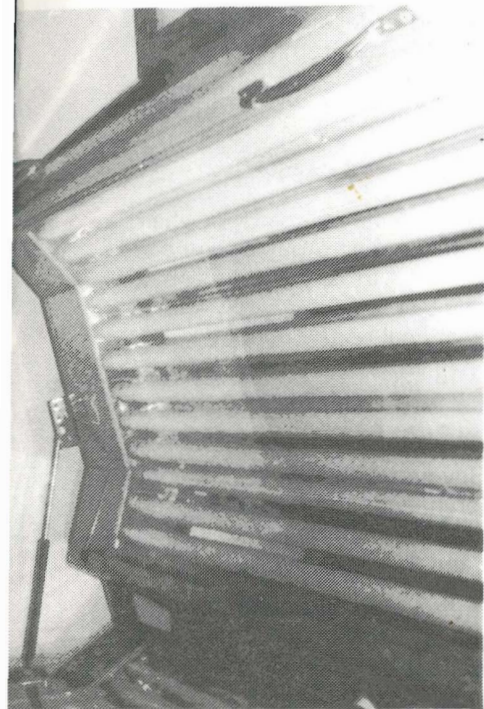


LET'S DANCE . . . Girls get a rare opportunity to take the gentlemen out at the annual "King of Hearts" dance sponsored by Job's Daughters. (Photo by Doug Potter)



BEAUTY AND THE . . . Job's Daughters Queen Kayla Korkow escorts school mayor Todd Johnson who was crowned the 1986 "King of Hearts" at the annual dance.

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at Post Corner Drug displays one of the

for sure, times have changed drastically since pale skin was considered the true mark of beauty.



LIP SYNC . . . Lisa Dickson portrays Willie Gault in the Super Bowl Shuffle. (Photo by Dan Lerew)

Lip sync contest benefits Close Up students

By Dan Lerew

This year's Lip Sync Contest was big success for the members of Close-Up, who raised approximately \$400 from the event for their trip to Washington, D.C.

The winners from last year KRAM, came back this year, and using a song by Nite Ranger called "Don't Tell Me You Love Me," KRAM won again.

Out of a possible 90 points awarded by judges, KRAM had 87 while the next closest group was the Super Bowl Shuffle with 76 points.

KRAM includes J.D. Reis on drums; Bob Krier on guitar; Chris Mikkelsen on guitar; Scott Woster, alias Brad Aames, on bass guitar and as lead vocalist; their newest addition Steve Wahl on keyboards; and John Cass on lights.

This year the group members only made \$10 while last year they made \$12.50 apiece. Senior Chris Mikkelsen says "if you make \$22.50 over two years you are set for life."

In looking forward to the next Lip Sync Contest junior Bob Krier says: "if there are any bands that plan on knocking us off next time they better start working on it now."

Riggs host AFS flag exchange

By Randy Dalton

"Other lands have sunlight to enclover."

Riggs showed that February is a month for sharing by hosting the tenth annual AFS Flag Exchange.

A highlight of the event was a poem read by Mia Vitianieni of Finland. In the poem she said that "other lands have sunlight to enclover" and that "others love their countries such as we do". This, and the desire to know more are what the entire foreign exchange program is based on.

The flag exchange was started in the spring of 1977 by Jay Mickelson, foreign language teacher. The first two students to be presented with the American flag were Victor Piccione, of Spain, and Elsa Bernt, of Norway. The exchange students in Pierre this year are Mia Vitianieni and Murit Roland. Mr. Mickelson feels this was a worthwhile project because, "when you live in a country you become part of that country".

The AFS club finances the flag exchange and presents the American flag to the exchange students.

To become a foreign exchange student, you must devote eleven months



FLAGS ANYONE? . . . Jay Mickelson, foreign language teacher, exchanges flags with Mia Vitianieni and Murit Rolund.

(August-June) and \$4000 dollars to the program. An additional \$1000 must be raised from the community. From this money the students are allotted \$20 a month for spending money. Any additional spending money must be provided by the student.

When school gets out at the end of

May, the exchange students will embark on a tour of the country. When the whole thing is said and done, "the students leave with a broader prospective of the United States, and leave us with a part of themselves as well as their countries," Mickleson told the student body at the Flag Exchange ceremony.

Poetry Corner



HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

By Richard Frederic Birnhanzel

Many blindly believe
That they can achieve
The thrill of competition
And the pride of recognition
Without the stench of sweat
They quickly will forget
What made them a star
Lest they become sub-par
But for those who persevere
It becomes very clear
That their hard work and strife
Will help them in their future life

BLACK STALLION

By Tammy F.

That great black stallion
There he be,
Riding the winds
Of his own destiny.
With ebony coat,
And swirling mane
He searches for mares
As he roams the range.
The fastest one known
He outruns one and all,
Listen for his whinny—
A clarion call.
Now look over yonder,
A challenger there be
To steal away the herd
For his own to keep.
A fight to the death
That's what this will be,
For neither these stallions
Will turn to flee.
As bodies collide,
And blood is drawn,
A fight to the death
That's what this will be,
For neither these stallions
Will turn to flee.

As bodies collide,
And blood is drawn,
The colts stare in wonder
But the mares just gaze on.
Now one is tiring
He won't last long
He tries to continue,
To last,
To fight on . . .
Suddenly all is quiet
And there on the ground,
The challenger lays
Never to be found.
More dead than alive,
But still standing proud
The great black beast
Gazes at his shroud.
Then the neigh of triumph
Rings loud and clear,
Splitting the air
For all to hear.
With head held high
And heaving sides,
Now he'll lead them away
And continue with life.

WINTER

Mechelle Fowler

Winter is a time for snowballs,
And heavy wool shawls.
Winter is a time for fireplaces,
And snowmobile races.
Winter is a time for downhill
sledding,
And people snuggled in
warm bedding.

There are no more flowers,
Or warm spring showers.
There is no more picnic fun
Or laying in the sun.
There is no more sail boating,
Or river raft floating.

Winter is some people's favorite
season,
But why, I don't know the
reason.
For me, my favorite season is
summer,
Because, winter is really a
bummer!

GOALS

By Shelly Schlekeway

Life is full of highs
And life is full of lows.
You can reach up to the skies
But be ready to handle it
When times are slow.
The sky is the limit
So go for those goals.
Cause if you don't try
You will never know.

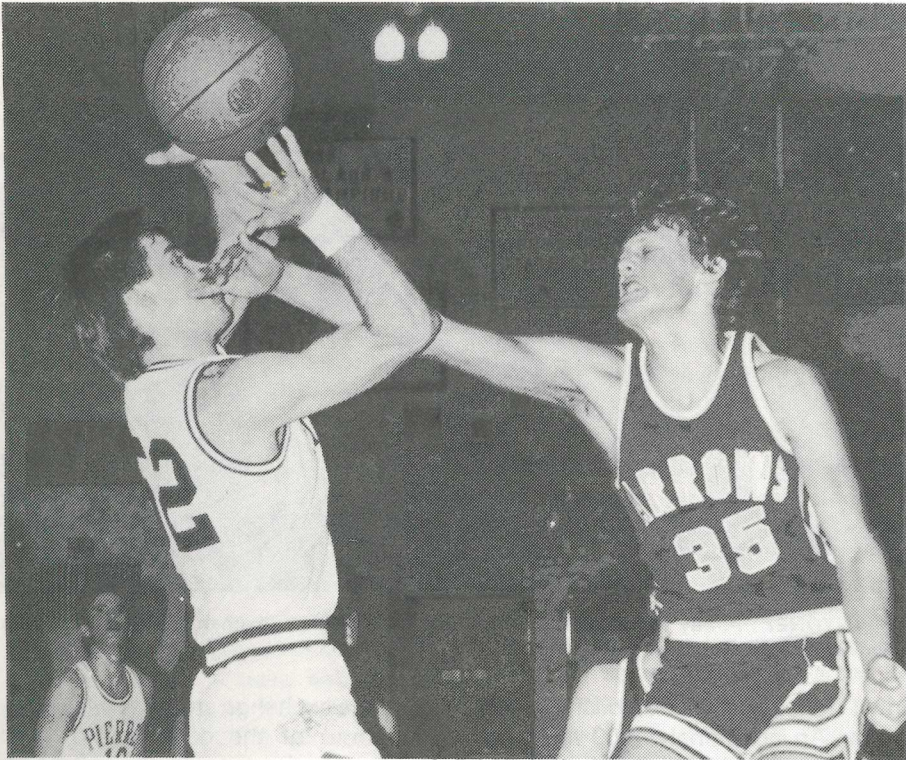
JUST FRIENDS

By Debi Mathews

When we first met
I considered us
Just friends
As our friendship
Grew closer
I found out
You cared a lot for me
I didn't consider
Us friends
Just two different people
Then one night
I saw you with
Another girl and
I got very jealous
I confronted you
With it and
You told me
It wouldn't work
Between us because we're
Just friends



Important games for Govs will determine district seeds



UNDER THE BASKET . . . Pierre #10 David Ellenbecker looks for two as Shane Severyn works against Arrow defense to put a shot in for the Governors. The game was a win --loss for the Governors. (Photo by Doug Potter)

By LeAnn Holmes

The Govs are on the road tonight in an ESD conference game with the Huron Tigers. Pierre will be trying to avenge an earlier 60-56 loss to the Tigers.

Tonight's game along with next Tuesday's game in which the Govs face the top-ranked Mitchell Kernels are very important ones in deciding the district seedings. Pierre, 9-6 overall and 5-4 in the ESD following the win over Watertown, will be up against Mitchell, Huron and Aberdeen in the district tournament to be held March 10-11.

Although Mitchell and Huron have been the top-rated teams throughout the season, assistant coach Skip Kurth feels the Govs are strong enough to be tough opponents in these games.

Defensively against the Tigers, the Govs are going to have to contain 6'-5" center Ken Busch on the inside

while keeping an eye on Tim Nihart and Jerrod Kranzler from the outside.

"Because of the height disadvantage we really have to give a collective team effort and eliminate some of the errors," said Coach Kurth.

At that point in the season when many teams begin to get discouraged, Coach Kurth says, "our boys have really been giving a great effort. They are all real hard workers."

After 13 games, Shane Ellwein leads the Govs with 184 points followed by Brett Stewart with 144 and Shane Severyn with 123. In rebounding Severyn leads the field at 89 with Ellwein and Pete Thompson following with 51 and 47 respectively.

Top free throw shooters for the Govs include Stewart at 88 percent, Dave Ellenbecker at 87 percent and Chris Shaw at 67 percent.

Next up for the Govs will be the Mitchell Kernels in Pierre March 4 followed by the District Tournament March 10 and 11.

GOVERNOR PRIDE

Guest Columnist
Ward Judson

Athletes here at Riggs, as well as those all across the country, have worked hard at trying to become the best. Granted, not all are the best, but most who speak out against jocks or athletics in general couldn't even hold an athlete's jockstrap.

Most athletes put in hundreds, and possibly thousands, of hours at one sport. Besides just looking at the physical aspects this work can bring you, this takes true dedication which carries over to all parts of life. Athletes learn how to work with and against people. All athletes will learn how to deal with setbacks and defeats. They learn how to work for a goal, little or big.

Some people also get the impression it is easy to just play a sport on talent alone. No way!! Today's athletes, besides being physically talented are very smart. They need to be to even survive at the sport. There is no such thing as a "dumb jock".

Not everything is based on athletics, especially here at Riggs, and even if it were what would be wrong with it. Athletics is a much better thing to focus on than drugs and alcohol, isn't it? Are some people just jealous of the attention that athletes here at Riggs receive? If they really wanted this attention they could have spent their time practicing after school, often until 6-7 p.m., or put in hundreds of hours during the summer . . . and still go to the beach.

Some people have also spoken out against the attention the "jocks" receive in the Governor. If you think about it, these "jocks" are not always getting the attention because of their athletic talents. Many athletes are on the honor roll, in chorus, on the Gumbo staff, or on the Governor staff. They have learned to have fun in participating in other areas of the extracurriculars, and, in turn, are making themselves more well-rounded individuals.

The next time you start to put down a "jock", think about it.

Team balance is key to success

By Rich Birhanzel

The sophomore basketball team has had a very successful year so far, according to head Coach Vern Miller. Their record is 12 wins and 3 losses.

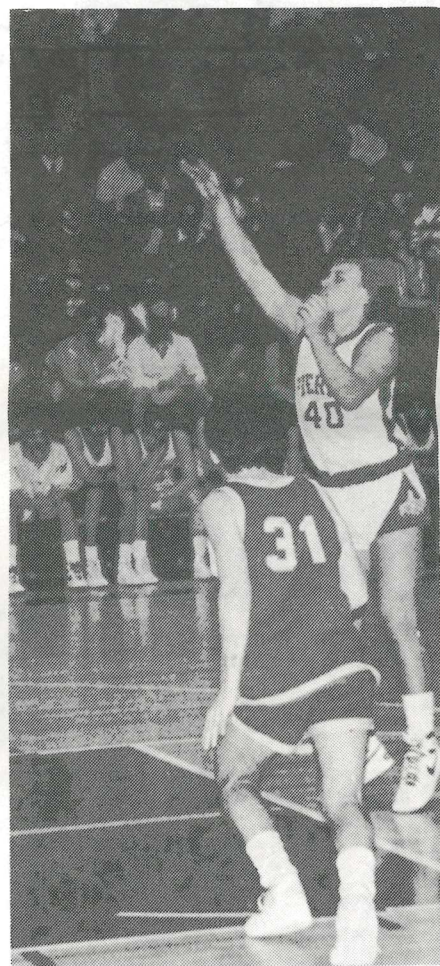
This record is surprising to a team preseason goal was to finish with an even .500 mark.

Certain players have led the sophomore's statistically this year. Heath Schneider, a freshman, leads the team in scoring with a 17 points per game average. Schneider and Doug Mikkonen are the team's leading rebounders.

Freshmen Trent Merkwon and sophomore John Sutton top the team in assists. The sophomores have outscored their opponents by an average of nine points per game.

Coach Miller feels that team balance is the key to the team's success. When asked to compare this year's team to the previous sophomore teams, coach Miller replied, "We are not quite as strong as teams in the past. This is caused mainly by our inexperience, having four freshman on the team."

Coach Miller sums up his opinion of the season by saying: "I am very satisfied with the improvement of this year's team. Overall, we are very pleased."



AIMING FOR TWO . . . Soph. Mike Rau goes up for two points against Watertown sophomores. The Governors won in a double over-time. (Photo Dan Lerew)

Student managers play 'major' role in sports

By Darla Schofield

"Long hours, hard work, and no glory." A student manager's job description would not interest many people, yet his/her behind-the-scenes role is essential to any team.

Student managers are "very important" according to sophomore head coach Vern Miller. They do many jobs I can't get done during a game. And, they have to be very capable in order to gather and compute the stats."

When he looks for student managers, Coach Miller checks the applicant's experience and knowledge of the game, work schedules and personalities. "They have to fit in with the team and the team's personality," Coach Miller said. "And they have to have a sense of humor to put up with the coaches and the players."

Current basketball managers are Jim Cutshaw, sophomore; and Roger Cutshaw and Loren Cass, varsity.

"Most people don't realize all that is involved in being a student manager," said senior Darla Eisnach, who was a student manager for the Lady Gov's basketball team this past semester. "It's more than getting a free ride to all of the out-of-town games."

Depending on the sport, the manager's every day duties range from taping knees to filling water bottles and from sweeping the gym floor to handing out equipment. To get these jobs done, a student manager reports to practice every day after school along with the athletes and remains until the practice is over.

Baskets have to be lowered, role must be taken, balls have to be cleaned, and the manager is the one to get these things done. Occasionally a student manager is even asked to assist with the practice by throwing a few passes, shooting some shots or taking times.

"I worked to be sure that every-

thing got done," said Rob Miller, a junior who worked as manager for the Govs football this fall.

Traveling is a major event and requires special organization on the part of the student manager. Everything needed must be prepared for the out-of-town contest. This includes necessary items in the medicine kit, balls, water bottles, towels, and scorebooks.

At athletic contests student managers take stats, record times, run errands and call in scores to TV and radio stations.

During the season, managers often put as much of their time into a sport as the athletes do, but there is no glory or recognition for the work.

"The players recognized the fact that our job wasn't easy," said Becky Baum, also a girls basketball manager. "And, the coaches complimented us when things were done right."

Current wrestling manager Eric

Lundeen assumed his duties to "see how the Athletic Department worked compared to the Music Department." Lundeen has been very active in music, but not in sports up to this point.

"The best thing I have gotten out of the student managing is to see what good and bad times wrestlers, coaches and even the managers have in practice and meets," Lundeen said.

"I really enjoyed working with the coaches and wrestlers. I hope to be a student manager next season," he said.

Becky Baum summed it up. "In the long run, we get the credit we deserve, and that makes it worthwhile."

In addition to the experience, student managers also earn letters in their sports just as competing athletes do, and, according to players and coaches, "they deserve it."

Grapplers qualify for State

Seven Governor wrestlers are competing this weekend in the State Wrestling Tournament in Watertown after qualifying last weekend when Pierre hosted the Sectionals.

Competing at State at the 167 weight is John Cass; Mike McGuigan is at 132; Craig Smith, at heavy weight; Shane Gutenkauf, at 119; T.J. Weibe, at 98; Scott Ball, at 167; and Robert McGuigan, at 126.

"The fact that we have seven in the State Tournament was absolutely great considering the competition that was in the Sectional," Coach Jerry Schlekeway said.

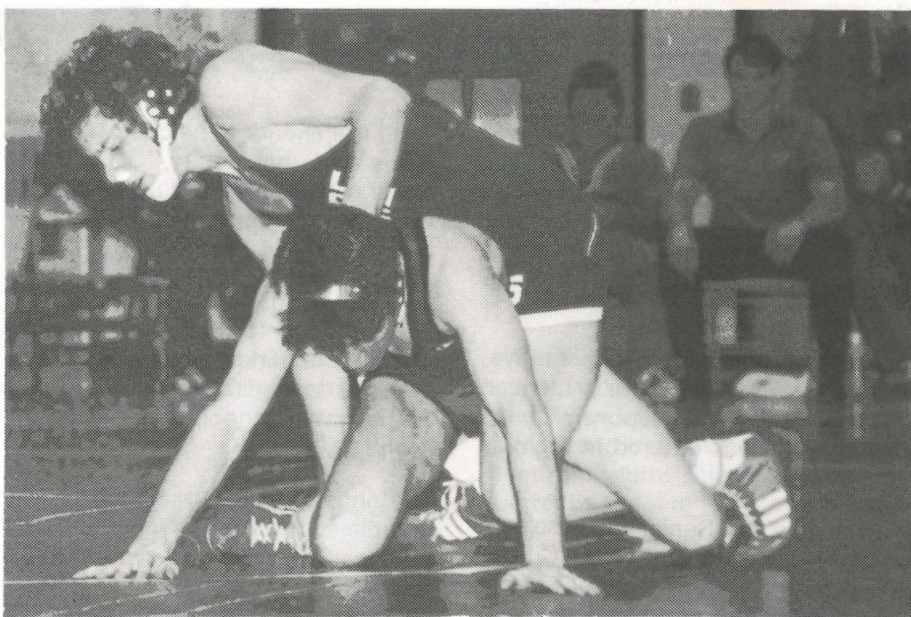
"In the Sectional Pierre wrestlers won several matches by one point which showed their determination to get the state tournament," Coach Schlekeway added. "As a whole group, everyone wrestled great including Tim Thelen who missed quali-

fying for state in just seconds. It was a good team effort."

Team leaders this season include senior John Cass who ended the regular season with 97 points, 19 wins and four losses. His record included 10 pins and 29 nearfalls. He claimed the fastest pin, .07 seconds.

Mike McGuigan was in second place with 67 points, 16 wins, 9 losses and a draw. He lead in takedowns with 24. Scott Ball lead the team for reversals 25, and escapes, 15. he had 38 points, winning 8 and losing 14.

Other varsity wrestlers and their win-loss records are Craig Smith, 11-8; Jim Keyes, 8-7; Shane Gutenkauf, 9-9; T.J. Weibe, 7-10; Robert McGuigan, 5-13; Tim Thelen, 2-10; Vince Lahren, 2-7; Dave Trautman, 2-13; Brett Christiansen, 0-2; Jim Linn, 0-2; Jim Ellenbecker, 0-2; Keith Garrigan, 0-1; and Robert Whetzel, 0-1.



WORKING FOR RIGGS . . . Robert McGuigan has the upper hand against a Brookings wrestler during mat action Feb. 7. Brookings, number one in the state, won the dual. (Photo by Dan Lerew)

Drill team to perform at State AA

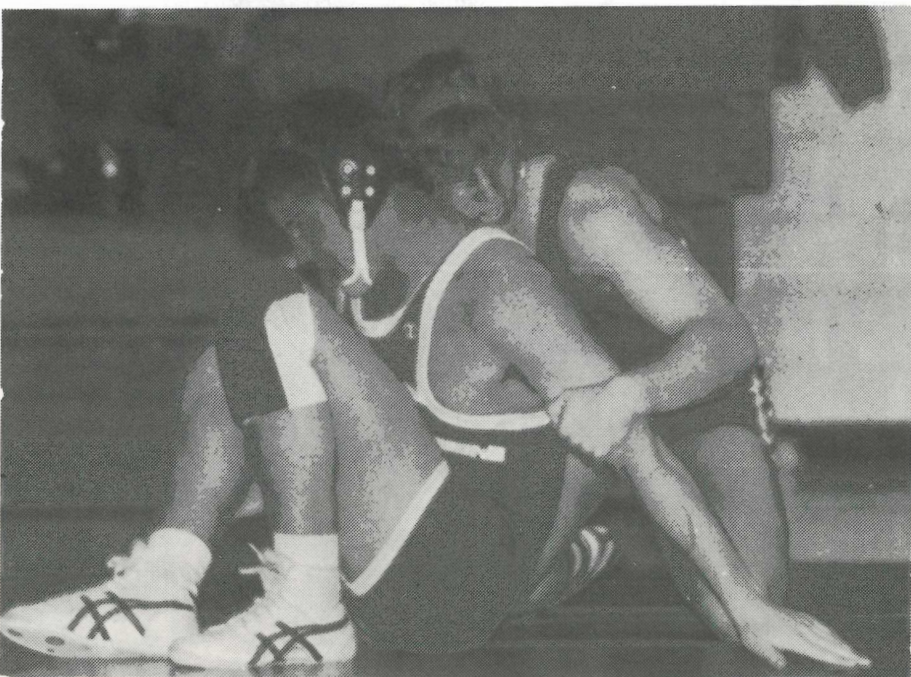
By Michelle Olson

Riggs High First ladies will be performing at the State "AA" tournament in Rapid City on Friday, March 21, for the second game in the evening. The sixteen members will be wearing new outfits for the occasion and will be dancing to "Heart's on Fire" from the Rocky IV soundtrack which is sung by John Cafferty and the Beaver Brown Band.

State AA will be a very new experience of the members since only three have performed there before. According to veteran member and cap-

tain Nan Hofer, "State AA is the best performance of the year. It's worth all of the work we put into it."

Members of the Drill Team include seniors Nan Hofer, Sue McIntire, Ronnie Sines, Kristin Erickson, Wendy Knight, Tami Starkjohann, and Lori Trautman. Juniors are Shannon Weber, Jonette Wellhouse, Stephanie Baldwin, Stephanie LeBeau, Shannon Brooks, Gina Clemetson, Michelle Olson, Heather Lowrey, and Erin DeJong. Advisor is Mrs. Brooks, and drummer is J.D. Ries.



WRESTLING A BOBCAT . . . Sophomore Jim Ellenbecker struggles with a Brookings opponent. (Photo by Dan Lerew)

Gymnasts finish season

By Sheila Specker

Pierre gymnasts competed Feb. 15 ESD at Mitchell to conclude their season. The team finished the season wins losses fielding a team with only two high school team members. "I felt the team improved greatly during the season, although I thought we peaked too early," said Nancy Mundt, the new coach.

Earlier this month the Ladies competed at Miller winning with 128.9 points. High school students Lori Zwemke and Bonnie Jorgenson placed in all-around, Zwemke taking fifth and Bonnie taking first. Other team members to place were Nicki Barker, second in all-around; and Emily Vanderziel, fourth in all-around. Jenny McQuay placed second on bars.

The team felt the mid-season loss when head coach Bill Beesley resigned leaving assistant coach Nancy Mundt at the helm. "As far as the team and me, it was a great loss," said Mrs. Mundt. All of the team members agreed.

"If we don't get him back or get a different coach, we are not going to accomplish much, we need someone to spot us," said Lori Zwemke.

"Gymnastics is going to die out, it won't be a strong team, no one can push as hard as he can, he was just a good coach," said Nicki Barker.

The team this year included Bonnie Jorgenson, Lori Zwemke, Tracy Smith (out because of injuries), Nicki Barker, Emily Vanderziel, Jenny McQuay, and Andrea Smith.



GYMNASTS FINISH . . . Riggs gymnasts finished their regular season under the direction of Nancy Mundt. Team leadership came from the three senior high team members. Pictured with Coach Mundt are Tracy Smith, Lori Zwemke, and Bonnie Jorgenson.

Taxes support Pierre athletics

By Chris Shaw

Athletics is big business in Pierre. Taxpayers in the Capital City are spending \$89,479 this year to supply Riggs with school sports programs.

This figure does not include the salaries of the coaches, or the money used on facilities, according to Gary Merkwan, vice principal, who supplied the statistics and information.

The athletic activities budget shows that the largest portion of this total is spent on the football program which consumes \$16,048 or 18 percent. Coming in second is boys basketball which claims 15 percent of the budget.

Girls basketball follows using up 13 percent, and the boys and girls track programs use up 10 percent and 9 percent respectively. If the two were together the track program would be

the largest recipient of money, \$16,684.

"Our goal is to be competitive with all the competition, (and I feel we have done that over the years) and to involve a lot of our students," said Phil Trautner, athletic director.

"I think we have a good solid program—and that includes coaches, facilities, everything," he said.

Another nine percent or \$8192 is spent on the wrestling program. Next to gymnastics which uses seven percent. An athletic activity many overlook, cheerleading is next in line: it has a budget of \$5337.

Finally comes cross country, four percent; boys and girls tennis, four percent; boys and girls golf, four percent and drill team, one percent.

"Travel costs are more here because of our location, otherwise our

athletic costs are very similar to those of other schools of comparable size," Mr. Trautner said.

In most cases the amount spent is directly proportional to the number of students involved, Mr. Merkwan noted.

For example, the football program has the largest budget. Of all the programs, it also has the greatest number of participants. Another factor to be considered viewing the amount of money spent is the number of spectators involved in each athletic event.

In addition, the school's intramural programs are run out of the P.E. or the miscellaneous portions of the athletic budget, according to Mr. Trautner. He noted that the programs share facilities and equipment and include many students.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Today State Wrestling Tournament
State Gymnastics Meet
Basketball at Huron

Mar. 1 State Wrestling Tournament
State Gymnastics Meet

4 Basketball against Mitchell—Home

10-11 District Basketball Tournament

15 Regional Basketball Tournament

20-22 State Basketball Tournament—Rapid City

Eisnach earns DAR, All-State Band position

Senior Darla Eisnach earned two top awards this month when she was named Daughter of the American Revolution (DAR) winner by her peers and teachers and earned a slot in the 1986 South Dakota All State Band.

As the Riggs DAR representative, Eisnach's essay on "Our American Heritage and My Responsibility to Preserve It" was entered in regional competition.

Each year the Senior Class selects six candidates for the Good Citizen award, and a vote by the high school faculty selects the Good Citizen.

"It is an honor to be chosen by students and the faculty," said Darla. Other seniors selected by the Senior Class were Ingrid Schmidt, Paul Robbennolt, David Ellenbecker, Jennifer Woster and Cristi McKeever.

Candidates for the honor must exemplify outstanding qualities of leadership, dependability, service, and patriotism in school, home and community.

Along with the essay, Darla also completed the DAR Examination over personal, national and civic patriotic issues.

Darla was among 80 high school

students in South Dakota to try out for the eight alto saxophone seats in the All State Band. She earned a fourth place chair in the honors group. Testing for the position included an original solo, sight reading, scales, and a terms test.

Eisnach and band instructor Paul Upsahl will travel to Sioux Falls April 3-5 for the event.

Darla is also in a number of other activities which include cheerleader

for boy's basketball, girl's basketball manager, and National Honor Society. She is in swing choir, stage band and on the Gumbo staff.



Debaters head for State

Pierre debaters wind down their season next week when they travel to Aberdeen for the State Tournament.

The team traveled to Madison on Feb. 14 and 15 for the Karl E. Mundt tournament. At champ level seniors Brian Weiss and Paul Robbennolt had three wins and two losses, while seniors Steve Maxwell and Tammy Volmer did equally well with a 3-2 record.

At junior varsity level the sophomore team of Sharla Cass and Jenney Joens had a record of three wins and two losses on affirmative, and the junior varsity team of juniors Rob Miller and Brian Hemmelman went 2-3 at negative.

At novice level sophomores Chris Ward and Brad Fischer went 3-2 on negative, while the sophomore team of Rebecca Gooding and Chad Wagner went 4-1.

In individual events Paula Graves placed fifth overall in novice oratory. Also participating in individual events were seniors Robbennolt, Maxwell, and Volmer; juniors Miller and Hemmelman; sophomores Cass, Joens,

Gooding, Ward, Fischer, and Cheri Bartlett; and freshman Wagner.

At the Mitchell Conference Tournament on Feb. 8, the affirmative varsity team of Maxwell and Volmer were 3-0, while the negative team of Robbennolt and Hemmelman were 2-1. At novice level, the affirmative team of Cass and Joens went 3-0, while the negative team of Ward and Graves went 0-3.

Robbennolt was first in varsity oratory, while Graves took second in novice oratory. Others participating in individual events were Maxwell, Hemmelman, Volmer, Joens, Call, and Fischer.

Jan. 30 and Feb. 1 the team traveled to Aberdeen for the Northern State College Tournament. At champ level, Robbennolt and Weiss went 2-3, and Maxwell and Volmer went 3-2. At junior varsity level, Joens and Cass went 1-4 on affirmative, while the negative team of Hemmelman and Miller was 3-2.

Robbennolt, Maxwell, Miller, Volmer, Hemmelman, and Cass participated in individual events.



FFA WEEK . . . Riggs FFA members celebrated National FFA Week by hosting a cherry pie and ice cream feed for the certified and noncertified faculty members. The event is a tradition at Riggs and is only one way the FFA works to draw attention to its organization's purposes and goals. The Junior High School faculty were guests Feb. 19 and the Senior High faculty were guests Feb. 20. Pictures above are FFA members Lori Shryver and Jason Langager who serve business instructor Myron Bryant.

Students represent Riggs

Student Rotarian and Kiwanians were recently named for the second semester. These students represent Riggs High at the two civic group meetings during the school year and present monthly calendars and reviews of activities.

Student Rotarians include John Cass, vice mayor; Tammy Volmer, debate representative; Carrie Venner, Gumbo staffer; David Ellenbecker, Senior Class president; Jolene Mews, sports; Todd Johnson, second-semester mayor; Paul Robbennolt,

National Honor Society representative; Stacey Stofferahn, music representative; and Steph Hiatt, drama representative.

Kiwanians have been Steve Schwartz, student mayor; Rob Miller, debate and Governor staff; Michelle Ulmen, Gumbo; Chris Shaw, Junior Class president; Shane Severyn, sports; Michelle Ulmen, second-semester vice mayor; Jennifer Woster, National Honor Society representative; Darla Eisnach, music; and Michelle O'Day, Office Ed. and Governor staff.

The student Kiwanians and Rotarians are selected from among the student council commissioners.

Students select Student Council

By Dawn Jackson

The second semester student council has been chosen in each 2nd hour class.

Commissioners include: Kurt Kruse, Cheryl Whiteaker, Heath Tope, Connie Sibson, Katie Robbennolt, Robbie Krogstad, Cathy Pohlman, Dave Trautman, Derek Fahey, Steph Hiatt, Jon Wald, Kathy Meriman, and Todd Peterson.

The Vice Commissioners include: Brian Hines, Rhonda Langager, Ronda Hansen, Rob Miller, Mike Olson, Steph Griffith, Bill Van Camp, Steph Sibley, Martin Hoffsten, Kristen Erickson, Renae Howard, and Lisa Hyde.

Throughout the semester, the student council will meet to discuss issues and make any suggestions to improve the school.

Honor roll students named

By Paulette Gates

A total of 205 students, or 36 percent of the Riggs student body, earned a spot on either the "A" or the "B" honor roll after the second quarter of the 1985-86 school year.

Juniors topped the "A" honor roll with 17 students on the list, nearly 10 percent of the class. The seniors followed with 15 students and the sophomores had six students earning "A" honor roll status.

Seniors led the "B" honor roll with 64 students, almost 37 percent of the class. Sophomores were second with 59 students, and the juniors placed 44 students on the "B" honor roll.

Senior class "A" honor roll: Todd Christopher, Darla Eisnach, Paulette

Overdue books cause student library problems

Students having difficulty finding materials listed in the card catalogue should check with the desk and ask the librarian to check the records, according to Mr. Townsend, head librarian.

Mr. Townsend said materials not easily found may be checked out and overdue.

"Our library has overdue materials which are becoming a problem. Abuse of the four week borrowing period has resulted in a decrease in ability to meet student needs for materials.

Our current overdue policy is that each week overdue lists are posted on each bulletin board and at the end of the quarter the students are charged the replacement cost, no matter how much the item originally cost or was used," he said.

The State Library has just recently instituted a similar policy including inter-library loans.

"With increasing material costs and overdue problems, we ask students to follow the rules established by the library so as not to withhold materials from others," Townsend said.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar. 6-7 Parent Teachers Conferences

15 SAT Test

28 End of Third Quarter No School

Mar. 31 No School—Easter Monday

Gates, Craig Howard, Connie Ingle, Wendy Knight, Steve Maxwell, Linda Regynski, Paul Robbennolt, Mark Schneider, Darla Schofield, Michelle Ulmen, Carrie Venner, Brian Weiss, and Jennifer Woster.

Junior class "A" honor roll: Kelly Anderson, Loren Cass, Rick Gordon, Brian Hemmelman, LeAnn Holmes, Darleen Hunsley, Lisa Hyde, Ward Judson, Daniel Lerew, Michelle Olson, Todd Peterson, Lisa Pibal, Monty Schaefer, Chris Shaw, Stephanie Sibley, Shannon Webber, and Jonette Wellhouse.

Sophomore class "A" honor roll: Amy Cone, Tani Keenlyne, Kayla Korkow, Maia Lyngstad, Paula Paul and Stephanie Zastrow.