## **Required courses affect Riggs**

#### by Rob Miller

South Dakota has implemented many new and tougher class requirements which will affect Riggs students this year and for years to come.

The State Board of Regents, State Board of Education and Pierre Board of Education have all added to their lists of requirements for sophomores and juniors in the state in an effort to improve our educational system.

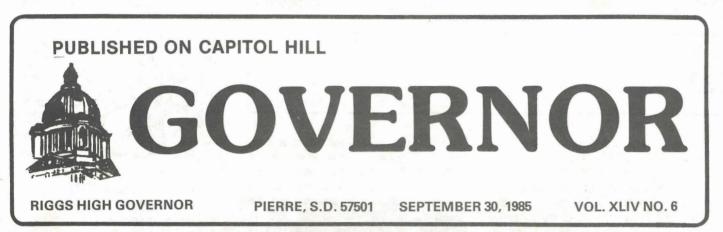
Starting with the Class of 1987, students must have 18 credits to graduate from high school. That is up two from the Class of 1986, which maintains the standard 16 credit requirement. Students graduating in 1988 will need to pick up 19 credits, while those graduating in 1989 and 1990 must have 20. Much confusion has surrounded these new requirements. Although credit requirements are the same for state colleges and Riggs High, there are major differences in the classes which must be taken. In general, Board of Regents' requirements for college entrance are stiffer than high school graduation requirements.

All students graduating from 1987-90 must increase their math credit by one class hour. Beginning in 1988, students must take two foreign language credits to enter a statesponsored college. They must also take one-half credit in computers, fine arts, and three credits in social science. The social science credit is higher than in the past. Pierre School Board requires two credits of physical education not required by either the State Board or Board of Regents.

When asked how the new requirements will affect them, students had an optimistic outlook.

"I think the new class requirements will be better for me in the long run even though I have to work harder," said sophomore LaRae Bauske. Sophomore Jason Ley agrees, "They (new requirements) make it tougher for us to graduate than classes before us."

Riggs administrators have been working hard to accommodate increased requirements. Approximately



## **Guthrie Theatre to visit Pierre**

Members of the touring Guthrie Theater of Minneapolis will present two performances of Dickens' "Great Expectations" Oct. 16 in the Riggs Theater.

A special performance of the play will be given for students grades 8-12 at noon. The public performance will begin at 8:00 that evening. Tickets for the evening performance are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door, and can be obtained at the Pierre Area Chamber of Commerce office.

Pierre was not originally a scheduled stop on the company's 33-state; 105-production tour. An extra performance here was included after more than a year of work by the Chamber of Commerce and several local fine arts groups, along with Riggs Vice-Principal Gary Merkwan and drama instructor Bill Henjum. Working out financial arrangements and schedules were the main problems. "I'm happy they're coming," said Mr. Merkwan. "This is one of the best theatrical groups in the United States, and we in Pierre don't get many chances to see this type of theatre in our area."

"Great Expectations," which lasts about three hours, including two 10-minute intermissions, is based on the novel by Charles Dickens. It tells the story of the orphan Phillip Pirrys, nicknamed Pip, who visits the wealthy Miss Havisham at her mansion and falls in love with her daughter Estella.

As an adult, Pip must live the common life of a blacksmith until a mysterious benefactor provides money for his education. He becomes arrogant and forsakes all his former surroundings in order to realize his "great expectations."

English instructors will receive special information on the play, the novel, and the theater group for use with classes before the performance.

### Sophomores

by Sarah Adam

Enrollment figures at Riggs High have increased approximately 6 percent over the 1984-85 school year.

A major factor in the increase of students is the large, 238 strong, Sophomore Class.

Junior and Senior Classes add 175 and 170 students respectively, to total 583 Riggs students.

Mavis Booze, guidance counselor, feels the increased enrollment has affected the high school. "The increase has obviously overloaded our classes, especially on the sophomore level. two and one-half full time teachers have been added this year in the foreign language area along. Student interest has changed greatly in coursework, thus the change of faculty.

Riggs Principal Roger Lonbaken stresses the fact that student interest has decreased in elective courses offered in the past. New required courses have also been added, such as geography.

Extra-curricular activities may also be affected by the requirement changes.

"I am not sure there will be any measurable effect", says Lonbaken. He says the only effect could be a decline in students participating. With added requirements, students may have little time to participate.

Lonbaken forsees a higher dropout rate and fewer students entering college due to the changes. "I would anticipate a higher drop-out rate when the jump is made from 16 to 20 units."

He says the tougher standards for college entrance may keep more out of college. However, Lonbaken prefers to keep an optimistic outlook.

"By the time they are seniors, 60-65 percent are looking at going to college now."

Those teachers are all forced to carry full loads."

numbers

Although the classes are fuller and the hallways more crowded, Vice-Principal Gary Merkwan says the area of discipline hasn't been affected.

"The increase has had little impact on disciplinary problems. Only with a larger increase of say, 100 or more students, would there be a difference," he said.

Both Mr. Merkwan and Mrs. Booze see the increasing numbers to be a continuing trend.

### Drama coach slates fall schedules

increase

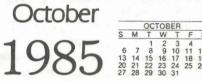
Scheduling and preparations are underway for the fall play which is slated for the Riggs Theatre Nov. 29 and 30, according to Bill Henjum, drama coach.

A play has not yet been chosen, but Mr. Henjum hopes to have a play with a theme built around high school students so that student actors can play "themselves."

"I have in mind a play that is based on teenagers and their good morals and social values," Mr. Henjum said. Other drama events slated for the year include the Regional One Act Contest, Jan. 31, 1986 and the State One Act Contest which will be held at the Riggs Theatre Feb. 6, 7 and 8. Riggs Drama Department will host 36 schools from across the state at the contest.

Mr. Henjum hopes that Pierre's hosting the state contest will generate more interest and involvement in the Riggs Drama Department.





### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 3 P.T.A. Council— J.H. Theatre at 7:00 p.m. 5 Brookings Optimist Band Competition— Brookings 10-11 S.D.E.A.—

No School

17-18 Parent/Teacher Conferences – Grades 7-12 21 Post High Planning Day 22 PSAT/NMSQT Test

26 ACT Test 29 Riggs Fall Sing— Riggs Theatre at 7:30 p.m.



HOMECOMING ROYALTY . . . Carrie Venner and David Ellenbecker were crowned Queen and Marshal at the recent homecoming coronation. (Photo by Renee Fracek)

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# EDITORIAL

### "Concentrate on the days we have . . .

September brings changes in the life styles of the students attending Riggs High School. The new Sophomores attain the honorable title of "Goat" as the Juniors climb the second rung of the ladder for the supreme position the Seniors hold. For the Seniors, September means the start of the finish.

In the following nine months most minds will be turned toward that day when school dismisses once more for the summer. May we suggest to you, that day will indeed arrive, and perhaps we should concentrate on the days we have instead of the days to come.

These three years of high school are the most important in our education. We must use them to the best of our ability. For many of us this may be the last time we enter a classroom, and twelve years of education must carry us through our entire life time. Use these years instead of wishing for them to be gone. Set a goal for yourself this academic year and work to achieve it.

For Seniors, this is the last year. Use it! Before you know, it will be gone. Don't be one to look back and regret not learning for free while you could. Look back and know you spent your time well.

Have an educational year. Set your goals high because you can achieve what you want.



usk to Dawn **Bv Dawn Jackson** 

#### by Dawn Jackson

Well, here we are; a new school year, a new start, and my favorite: a new Sophomore Class.

Hi, Goats! You've finally made it to

Riggs High (a big word for you, huh?!) The question is, "Do you really think you're gonna make it through your first year at Riggs?"

A lot of talk always accumulates in the halls about sophomores and their various styles of hair, clothes, and even their behavior. There was especially a lot of talk about singling out a few of you for the seniors' favorite homecoming activity, "THE PIE!"

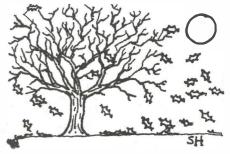
I bet it was a great feeling for a few of you to know that there were pies yourself. When you have two classes of students against your single class -you just can't win!

But look on the bright side, you're only a GOAT once! If you don't make the best of the fun and try to enjoy the tradition, you're really going to miss out on a big part of your sophomore year. It's a fun tradition that has been a part of Riggs for a long time. It's all in good fun. I guess it's our way of saying "Welcome" and "Enjoy your remaining school years here."

Besides, it gives the upperclassmen a chance to feel "BIG". So make it fun, don't take it personally, and laugh along with us. Together we'll make it a GREAT year! awaiting you with your name written all over them! I bet you almost couldn't wait (I guess you were so excited) for the day to sit in front of the student body helplessly awaiting the verdict.

What an experience, right?!? You should look forward to a year of getting shoved around, being picked on, hearing continuously as you walk down the halls "GOAT, GOAT" and of course, at the most unexpected time you'll run into a group of upperclassmen better known to you as: "GOAT BUSTERS"....

I know, as an upperclassman, I'll see a lot of you hiding behind doors, staying as far away from the seniors as possible, and trying to keep to



Autumn by Michelle Podhradsky Autumn saunters in On a carpet of leaves, Creating a whirlwind Of rust, crimson, and gold, Whistling a tune of hayrides and bonfires.

Silver and gray wings fly overhead, As cornstalk wigwams collect in fields.

Bright orange pumpkins bide their time,

Waiting for their harvest, While cool crisp wind fills the air.

## What the People Say.

As the summer comes to a close and the 1985-86 school year begins, we asked some students what their goals are for the upcoming year.

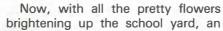
Tom Askew (Sr.): Party!!!!!!!

Mark Gibbs (Sr.): To have a full bucket like Mr. Merkwan.

**Todd Peterson (Jr.)**: To find an intelligent goat capable of carrying on an intelligent conversation.

# etter to the Editor

by Michelle Podhradsky School is back for another year, and whether you're excited about it or just wishing it were over, have you noticed anything different about it? I'm talking about the beautiful arrangements of flowers just as you walk in the school. The flowers really add something nice to the school. They make it look warm and friendly instead of cold and impersonal. We're lucky to have custodians who care about the appearance of our school. They really deserve a big thank-you.



To read at least one American

Christie Schill (Jr.):

## ay . . . goals for 1985

### DaWanda Pesicka (Soph.):

To get through it without getting pied.

### Mr. Hoover (teacher):

To try to grow hair on the top of my head!!

### Toby Barker (Jr.):

To return to my home planet.

### Scott Rounds (Sr.):

To have lots of parties, get a date with Shauna Winters, and make it to the dome.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Since every teacher is a salesper-



Tom Black (Soph.): To understand Mr. Townsend's very exciting attitude.

extra effort should be made to keep the parking lot free of garbage which really detracts from the school's appearance. It wouldn't be hard at all to walk a few extra steps and throw garbage in the trash cans, and it would make the school look really great.

Since we're the people who represent our school, and other people's opinions form around us and the way we act, we should do our best to make the school look terrific.

-Editor's Note----

*Governor* staff members believe the involvement of the students and faculty in the school newspaper is a must. We encourage you to express your views through the *Governor* by writing a letter to the editor whenever you feel strongly about current school and community issues. Staff members also encourage you to pass along ideas for feature stories or new tips. Have you been involved in something interesting? Let us know. Have a complaint? Let us know.

As a school newspaper, the *Governor* wants to and hopes to serve all of the student body. With your help we will come closer to achieving this goal.

son, wouldn't it be great if we could sell every teacher on the idea that they truly are salespeople, that they need to sell and can sell our young people the concepts which made our country great, that they need to sell

the students on the idea of doing their best; to sell them on reaching for higher objectives and making bigger contributions? With this approach, I believe the youth of today will be far more productive in their world of tomorrow.

Submitted by a Riggs High School Student

### **All-Occasion Law**

Lloyd Worley's Law—"There is no word that cannot be shockingly misspelled.

Al Dittmer's Law—"If you can't fit it anywhere else, it must be English.

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### **Emerald Regiment** marches in annual **Optimist contest**

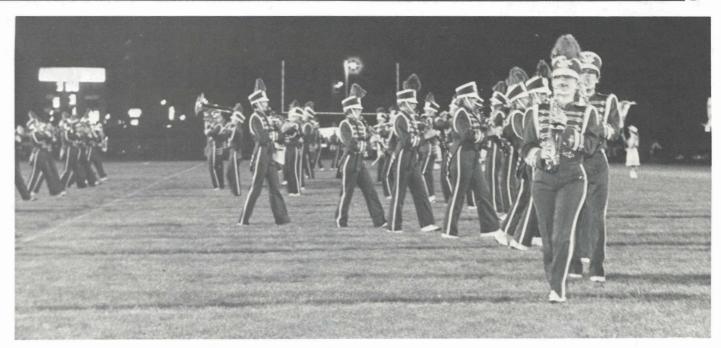
Pierre's Emerald Regiment heads for Brookings Saturday and its second competition of the year as they participate in the Optimist Band Festival.

The 96-member marching band opened its season with half time show at the Governor homecoming, then traveled to Luverne, MN for the Tri-State Band Festival. This year the Regiment's show includes "Aztec Fire," "The Way We Were," "Tennessee Waltz," and "Boogie Down," a favorite with the band members.

The band has been practicing since mid-summer to perfect its show which includes some new technigues. Director Paul Upsahl has implemented a show technique which requires the band to keep moving from one formation to another with very little holding time for each pattern.

According to Mr. Upsahl, this style of maneuvering helps the band during competition.

Preparation for the current marching season included a workshop in August. The band continues to have a before-school morning practice as well as its scheduled seventh hour class session.



PLAYING TO THE CROWD . . . Emerald Regiment performs at halftime of the homecoming game. They head for the Optimist Festival on Saturday. (Gumbo Photo)

## Three compete in scholarship program

Seniors Jennifer Woster, Paul Robbennolt, and Ronnie Sines, will represent Pierre in the 1986 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Some 15,000 high school seniors, representing men and women in all of the 50 states, were named as semifin-



NEW FACES . . . seen around Riggs this year are new teachers Mr. Joy and Mrs. Brooks.

# New teachers join staff

Two classroom teachers joined the Riggs High faculty this fall. English and literature teacher Vicki Brooks filled a position vacated by Karen De-Antoni, and Larry Joy moved up from the Junior High.

teaches Junior High Science and coaches football and track in Stanley County, Mrs. Brooks has two children, Brent is 14 and in the eighth grade, and Amber is 6 and in kinderalists in the 31st annual Merit Program.

Woster is a girls basketball cheerleader, is a member of the marching band, chorus, Gumbo Staff, Pep Club and has received an award in National Honor Society (NHS). Outside of school, she participates in FCA, ballet dancing, and the Catholic Youth Group. She is currently employed at the State Theater.

Robbennolt is on the debate team. He has won awards such as extemp speaking at State Tournament and declam. He participates in NHS, was a rotarian (last year), Gumbo Staff, Catholic Youth Group and he went to Boys State.

Sines is a member of the marching band, chorus, drill team, NHS, and FCA. Outside of school, she is active in ballet dancing, Tae Kwan Do-(Yellow Belt) and is currently employed at Capitol Area Counseling.

Every finalist will be considered for one of 1,800 single-payment National Merit \$2,000 scholarships that are allocated on a state representation basis, in proportion to the state's total of graduating seniors.

Winners will be chosen by a selection committee of college admissions counselors who will judge which of the finalists have the strongest contribution of academic and extra-curricular accomplishments.

## Chorus prepares for Fall Sing

Rigg's Choral Department will present its annual Fall Sing on Oct. 29 in the Riggs High Theater.

Under the direction of Jackie Hilding, the 103-student chorus will be performing various selections during the course of the evening. The program will include: "We're So Glad", 'Shine Down'', and "Celebrate America". Some numbers will feature soloists.

The evening will also feature music by a select mixed chorus, barbershop quartet, boy's group and a girl's group.

The Fall Sing is an evening of free entertainment for the entire Pierre community!

## Magazines donated by McDonald's

McDonald's restaurant in Pierre is the generous donator of over \$700 worth of new magazines for the school library.

During the past year and a half, these magazines have been added to the periodical section of the library. Each magazine is now encased in a plastic protective cover also donated by McDonald's. These covers keep the magazines in better condition and also contain important messages about drug abuse along with other sensitive issues.

Dale Lipp, local McDonald's man-

Pierre, Watertown, and Aberdeen. The project first started three years ago in Aberdeen.'

When asked about the reasons behind starting the project, Mr. Lipp responded, "We decided it would be nice to do for the high school. It would give students a wider variety of magazines and messages about drug abuse. It is a good and appropriate thing."

Magazines added to the library include: Cycle, Food and Wine, Women's Sport and Fitness, Dawn Beat, Travel and Leisure, Runner's

A ten-year veteran of education, Mrs. Brooks is a graduate of Black Hills State College. She has taught at Ely and Las Vegas, Nevada, and most recently at Sully Buttes where she taught English and sociology.

Here at Riggs, Mrs. Brooks currently has 127 students in various classes. Throughout the year she teaches Grammar and Composition II, American and World Literature. Shakespeare, and research.

In addition Mrs. Brooks advises the girls dance line (drill team), "I have trouble walking and chewing gum at the same time, but the girls have been great," said Mrs. Brooks, "they work well together, so all I do is sit there and clap my hands."

"The students, faculty, everyone has been nice to me, made me feel welcome!"

Education is a family affair for the Brooks. Husband Gary Brooks garten.

An outdoor person, Mrs. Brooks enjoys cooking, when she has the time, reading, and eating. She also "loves to travel."

Mr. Joy is also a graduate of Black Hills State College where he majored in physical education. He has taught

in the Pierre Schools for 10 years. At Riggs he is teaching world geography, the same course he taught at the Junior High.

Mr. Joy expects a higher level of comprehension at the high school level, and more emphasis on concepts.

"The countries of the world are so interdependent that we need an understanding of these countries," Mr. Joy said.

So far Mr. Joy enjoys teaching at Riggs. He is still keeping in contact with Junior High students by coaching their cross country team.

ager, remarked, "The idea was presented to us by a Bismarck company. Our owner is affiliated with stores in

World, Sport, Venture, Block Enterprise, Golf Digest, Tennis, and Prevention.

## -Gumbo staff chooses theme-

Students can look forward to a bigger Gumbo in 1986 as the staff adds 16 pages in addition to a number of other changes.

Built around the theme "The Year on Broadway", the book will feature a theater marque on the cover, stories will be by-lined, and headlines will be bolder, according to Terry Petersen, yearbook adviser.

"I think this year's theme is probably the best we've ever had," Mr. Petersen said. "I'm very excited about the year and all the changes we made —another All State book!"

A local production change will find the staff using the word processor to set type.

Senior Michelle Ulmen, All-Around Journalist, is Gumbo editor; assistant editor is Shannon Schneider. Section chiefs and assistants include Stacey Stofferahn, Anita Oehlerking, Noel Miller-academics; Nan Hofer, Darla Eisnach, Dawn Jackson-activities; John Forney, Cristi McKeever, Ward Judson-sports; Steph Hiatt, Craig Howard, Todd Peterson-classes; Ingrid Schmidt, Darla Schofield, Lisa Pibal-student life; Carrie Venner, Jennifer Woster, Hope Lopez-organizations.

Special assistants are Gary Jorgenson and Stacey Bartlett; photographers are Tony Curtis, Steve Schwartz and Mark Terwilliger.

## Foreign Exchange students join Junior Class

#### by Tom Maher

Two "second graders" enrolled at Riggs High this fall when Marit (Maret) Rolland of Norway and Mia (Mea) Wittaniemi of Finland joined the Junior Class.

Actually the two are second graders at three-year schools equivalent to our high school. School systems in their countries run one-six, followed by a three-year school. After graduating from this three year school, students decide on a vocational-type school to train people for jobs, or the college-bound "high school."

Students finish the third grade in one of the two advanced schools two weeks before National Day. They spend these two weeks celebrating their graduation, according to Mia.

All students in Norway and Finland take an additional language, and more classes are required there than in America. Marit has studied English for six years; Mia also studied English in many classes.

Because electives are limited in their countries, both girls especially enjoy classes such as chorus, drawing, advanced foods, and vocational agriculture here.

Mia and Marit are especially excited about homecoming, school spirit, and the Governor games. In Norway and Finland, they say, the sporting teams are not backed up by the entire school with such enthusiasm.

After their school day, Marit and Mia are also accustomed to a different life style. Entertainment there is basically the same as it is here, but several weeks behind American trends. Popular sports for their countries include soccer, or football as they call it, handball and volleyball. Most teenagers there also have a greater interest in individual hobbies



FAMILY MEMBER . . . Mia Witteaniemi becomes a member of the Jim Steele family during her stay in Pierre. The family, from left, includes Mr. Steele; Tyler; Karla, a sophomore; Mia; and Mrs. Steele. (Photo by Tom Maher)



NEW EXPERIENCE . . . horseback riding was a new experience for Marit Rolland, who is pictured with members of her Pierre family. From left are Jennifer and Jessica Melvin, Marit, and Stan and Nick Melvin. (Photo by Tom Maher)

like ballet, skiing, figure skating and cross country skiing.

Because citizens of Finland are not granted drivers' licenses until age eighteen, walking is as much passtime for them as cruisin' Euclid is here.

In Pierre the girls have experienced horseback riding, water skiing and boating.

Both students are interested in the wide open spaces here because they are from mountainous and highly populated areas. Turku, Finland is a city of 230,000 people, a metropolis

stretching over 50 kilometers. Mia is used to the sight of the ocean where shipbuilding is a primary industry. Along the southern coast of Finland, the cities are made up of 50 percent apartments.

Bergen, Norway is the hometown of Marit. It is a major trade hub of Norway and also has a shadow of agricultural economy. The mountainous region always has an abundance of snow and cold weather.

May 17 is Norway's National Day as well as its New Year. The country celebrates with parading corpses, processions, and fire works.

The foreign exchange students both chose to visit America because of its political and world importance.

Mia and Marit agree that the first thing they will tell others about their trip is about the interesting people they have met here. Among these people are their host families Mark and Diana Melvin (Marit); Jim and Linda Steele (Mia); and the students at Riggs.

Despite their year here at Riggs, neither visitor will receive credit for the course work. They will return home as "second graders."

# **'Oversized' dominates fall fashions**

by DeeAnn Gohl and Paula Paul

Fashion conscious teenagers will have a variety of styles to choose from in clothes and accessories this fall and winter.

Topping the list in fashion looks, according to local store owners, is "oversized everything", especially sweaters, blazers, and pants. In addition to being over-sized, the overall season look is basic and casual.

"Consumers are buying more separate items to mix and match instead of complete outfits," said Karen Bruske of Feinsteins. The most popular single items are the over-sized sweaters in shaker knits and a wide range of colors. As she previewed the fall colors, Jill Bartlett at the Hollywood Shop commented, "It will be the year of the brights." Jewel tones will be very popular in women's clothes. These rich, warm colors include such shades as teal, plum, royal blue, canary yellow, deep red, and burgundy. In contrast to baggy sweaters, the new tight-fitting stirrup pants are rapidly becoming popular. In addition to stirrup styles, pants are often seen with pleated or volk fronts. Rhonda Spears, manager of Michelle's, added, "Basic jeans in 100% denim are selling more than stonewashed types". Jeans are marketed in many different styles this year, some are baggy and others are very tight-fitting.

Skirt lengths will continue to vary, but mid-calf is the most popular.

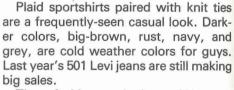
Accessories are an extremely important part of the "total look" for '85. Ann Fingerson from the Cat's Meow remarked, "It will be a wonderful year for jewelry".

Earrings and beads are even bigger than last season. Rhinestones and fake



jewels are making a big comeback. Other popular extras include bangle bracelets, hair clips, alligator, belts, and lacy or mesh anklets.

The guys are not to be left out of the fashion scene. Tony Lucas of the Lucas and Theim Men's Department observed that guys are also wearing a lot of sweater vests.



These fashions and others will be center stage this fall and winter around Pierre and Riggs High School.

ACCESSORIES . . . Ann Fingerson, new store manager at the Cat's Meow in Pierre displays fall fashions and accessories.

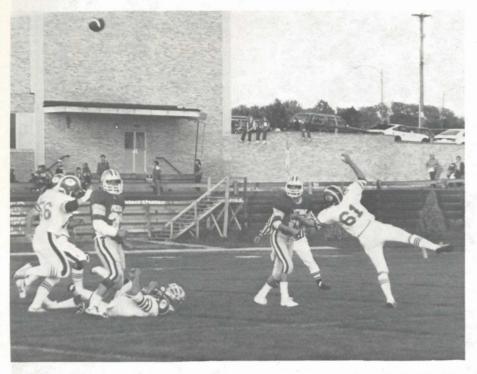


TRENDY... Cub reporters Paula Paul and DeeAnn Gohl mode fall styles including the trendy, long jacket look. Bright colors and large-sized accessories go with the over-sized fashions. (Photos by Steph Kelly)





HOMECOMING '85 . . . The way it was, top from left: Queen Carrie Venner and Marshal David Ellenbecker; Kangaroo Court Judges; Sophomore goats Tracy Shangreaux and Katie Hartford; Row Two: Emerald Regiment; The Gov Mobile and Shane Severyn, Chris Oestreich, Shane Ellwein, Mark Gran, Tom Askew, Scott Rounds, Todd Johnson, Casey Cowan, Todd Dilley and Clark Gregg. Coronation entertainment members of Total Chaos Darla Eisnach, Stuart Stofferahn and Wendy Knight; Junior Powderpuff cheerleaders; burning of the letters; Row 3: Pie Squad and victim; Not guilty: Casey Cowan, Mark Gran, Shonna Janklow and Mark Schneider; Bottom: Public enemies #1 and #2 Jeff Beougher and Toby Barker. (Photos by Doug Potter, Heath Tople, Sarah Adam, Gumbo)



BATTLE FOR THE BALL . . . A Governor struggles for the pass. (Doug Potter Photo)

## Juniors have surprise victory

#### by LeAnn Holmes

Junior Powder Puff football players found their first victory in eight years when they beat the Senior girls 6-2 at the annual homecoming contest on Hollister Field.

Led by quarterbacks Angel Walker and Jeanne Uecker, the seniors took an early second quarter lead by catching Connie Sibson with the ball

in their end zone. The juniors were held scoreless in the first half.

The juniors rallied from a 0-2 deficit after halftime, as junior quarterback

Jen Bisson handed off to Connie Sibson who ran 15 yards for a touchdown late in the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter, senior Carrie Venner received the ball from Angel

Walker and ran 75 yards before being knocked out of bounds, but the sen-

iors were unable to score as time ran out.

The seniors were coached by Mr. Charlie Walker and assisted by Mark Schneider. The senior sponsor was

Pat Cordell. The junior coach was Mr. Jim Brooks, assisted by Dawn Witte.

They were sponsored by Mrs. Brooks and Ken Larsen.

Leading the cheers for the juniors were Toby Barker, Jeff Beougher,

Bob Krier, Robbie Krogstad, and Jeff Smith.

Following tradition, the junior girls wore green and white jerseys with

"87 rules" on the front and their name on the back, while the seniors

had white sweatshirts emblazoned with "Seniors love contact sports" or seniors R invincible" or "we're seniors, fill our buckets."

## **Governors win openers**

The Governors will be looking for their third straight win over the Ar-

rows when they host Watertown on Hollister Field at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Head Coach Ken Koistinen declined to comment on the outcome of

the game saying only that Watertown was a relatively young team, and (at this writing) was 0-3 for the season.

Koistinen did say, however, that the Arrows had played fairly tough teams so far.

Koistinen also said that he was "happy to be 2-0" and hopes to con-

tinue at that pace by forcing a few breaks.

He said that the loss of Shane Severyn, who suffered a broken arm in the second quarter of the home-

coming game, was "bound to make a difference especially on defense in

passing situations." He also said that it was bound to hurt offensively as well, as the 180-pound senior has

already caught six big gain passes. Severyn is expected to be out for at least a month.

The Governor's defense might prove to be the key in the game as they have only allowed one touch-

down in their first two appearances.

In their opening game against Sturgis, Pierre won 12-7, scoring two touchdowns in the final quarter. Lidel

and Ellenbecker scored for the Governors.

In the homecoming game against Brookings, Pierre won 6-0. Dave Ellenbecker passed to Severyn in the

first quarter for the lone touchdown of the game. The game was handily a defensive battle.



VICTORIOUS . . . A jubilant Junior Powder Puff team after victory. (Tom Maher Photo)



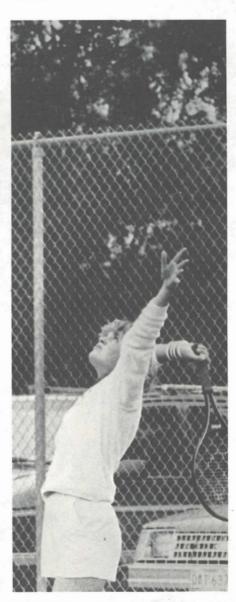
#### by Heather Duggan

"Compared to what we ought to be, we are only half awake. We are making use of only a small part of our physical and mental resources. Stating the thing broadly, the human individual thus lives far

within his limits. He possesses the powers of various sorts which he habitually fails to use."

Those famous words were spoken fifty-two years ago by the famous Professor William James of Harvard. Those powers which we "habitually fail to use" are the sole purpose of my column.

"Education," stated Dr. John G. Hibben, former president of



## 7-1 season: Pierre netters are optimistic ...look to State

Despite the loss of three top players, the girls' tennis team has served up a simply "maaaahvelous" season. Even though the team consists of

three 8th graders, two freshmen, one sophomore, two juniors, and only one senior, they have become a power in the ESD. Their record this

Princeton University, "is the ability to meet life's situations." Wake up, Governors! We have now embarked into the 1985-86 school year.

Today begins the great adventure to discover and develop your dreams. Reach within yourself and utilize your abilities.

No two persons are exactly alike. Still, every one of us possesses certain talents or gifts. It's up to you to sweat them into success. Giving anything but your best compromises all that you can be. Excuses for holding back are nothing more than barriers holding you back.

Whether your personal excellence lies in mathematics or basketball, it's up to you to put in the hours. Success requires work, and equally important, discipline. It takes courage and sacrifice to be all that you can be. When it comes right down to it, sacrifice, sweat, de-

termination, and courage are just what separate the average man from the successful one.

Life involves chances and risks. There is a risk when you take a chance on yourself. It takes courage and discipline to see that risk through. At times the sacrifices are great, but if you see your dreams through, the inner rewards received are payments enough for the struggle.

Success is the result of when one stopped wishing and started doing. Herbert Spencer best described this educational process when he said, "The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action."

GO FOR IT . . . Junior Shannon Schneider delivers a serve against Huron. (Heath Tople Photo)

year is 7-1, with their only loss to Rapid City Stevens.

Now they are looking toward the ESD tournament and then on to

State. The team is picked to do well at the ESD tournament.

Coach Don Rogers has been coaching the attitude of aggressiveness. "He would rather see us lose

and hit the ball hard than win sitting back and dinking it," says Shannon Schneider. He feels if they play ag-

gressively they can win the ESD title. Then comes State, October 14 and 15. Anissa Rauscher in looking toward State says, "We are working

more on doubles because he (Mr. Rogers) thinks we'll have a better

chance of winning in doubles because of our greater depth on the team."

## Lady Governors face Watertown

Lady Govs are on the road again, Oct. 4 in Watertown and Oct. 8 in Winner, to bring them to mid-season.

After the Brookings game the team's record was 1-3. Despite the season's slow start, Coach Shields feels this year's Lady Govs have good speed and aggressiveness. The Ladies opened the season against Huron Sept. 7 with a loss. Their only victory came against Aberdeen Central in Aberdeen's home court.

Coach Shields feels the team would be much more successful if each player were five inches taller. The team is shorter than most other teams in the state. The team's starting center Cynthia Beck is only 5'11" while Brookings center is 6'3".

This season's leading scorers are Shelly Bowers and Sarah Adam both with 29 points each. Top rebounders are Cynthia Beck and Jolene Mews both with 16 each.

Coach Shields says, Most Valuable Players of the Year are Jolene Mews, Sarah Adam and Shelly Bowers. Returning letterwomen are Darla Schofield, Sarah Adam and Jolene Mews. Juniors include Shelly Bowers and Steph Griffith.

## Forecast for First Ladies

Rigg's First Ladies are scheduled for their opening performance Oct. 1 at the Girl's basketball game. Under their new advisor, Mrs. Vicki Brooks, they will be performing to Lucky Star by Madonna. Their second performance will be Oct. 18 and will be the half-time entertainment for the football game.

Nanette Hofer leads the First Ladies as captain with Ronnie Sines and Shannon Weber aiding as first and second lieutenants. Sue Mc-Intire, Wendy Knight, Erin DeJong, Gina Clemetson, Lori Trautman, Tami Starkjohnn, Stephanie LeBeau, Stephanie Baldwin, Shannon Brooks, Jonette Wellhouse, Kristin Erickson and Heather Lowery compose the group.

J.D. Ries accompanies the girls on the drums.

The First Ladies have changed their name from a drill team to a dance line in reflection of their new technique. They will be performing routines in a dance line fashion contrary to their previous performances.

## Pierre fields "strong" team

The 1985-86 Pierre Boys Golf Team



GOING FOR A SCORE . . . Senior Jolene Mews eyes the basket in the game against Yankton. (Doug Potter Photo)

## Gifts benefit weight room

Thanks to the Lettermen's Club Riggs High School is on its way to having a fully equipped weight room.

Last spring the club spent \$2,000.00 to improve the weight lift-

ing program by purchasing weights and weight benches.

Lettermen's Club is a club composed of students who have received

one major or two minor letters in any sport or activity. Don Shields was the

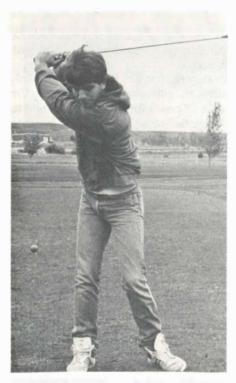
organizer of the club and is now the chief advisor.

The officers for the 1985-86 letter winner's club are David Ellenbecker,

president; Craig Howard, vice president; Carrie Venner, secretary; and Loren Cass, treasurer.

So far this year, the club has voted to help pay for the Capital Strider's

T-shirts and Lady Govs Shot Club T-shirts. This year's main goal of the organization is to purchase a VCR camera for the high school and to keep improving the weight room.



### **Cross country begins season**

Pierre runners head for Watertown Thursday for the first of the last five cross country meets before the Nov. 2 state meet here at home.

"The Pierre Cross Country Team is off to a great start," says Coach Bill Henjum. They opened the season Sept. 7 at Redfield. According to Coach Henjum, everyone ran well. The Pierre Invitational was the second meet. Henjum said it was an important meet because the team had a chance to run on the state meet course against some tough contenders.

Although the team number for girls

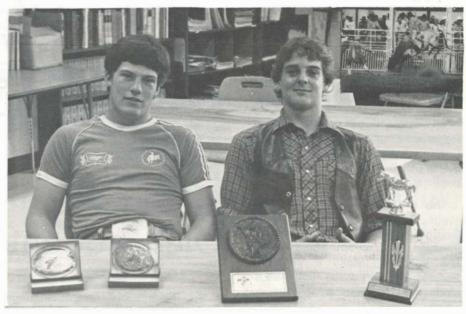
is down, Henjum is optomistic about their season. He especially cites runners Terri Ulmen and Steph Baldwin.

"The boys' team is going to be very strong," said Henjum. Led by junior Darren Chase, they're hoping for a strong season. Other runners to watch are sophomores Wade Douglas, Jim Keyes, and Scott Searles, and senior Shawn Searles. The team effort will be helped out by other sophomore runners.

Their meet schedule follows: Oct. 3 – Watertown; Oct 8 – Todd County; Oct. 12 – Sturgis; Oct. 14 – EDS at Mitchell; Oct. 25 – at Watertown; Nov. 2 – State Meet at Pierre.



OFF AND RUNNING . . . Members of the cross country team landed fourth place in the Pierre Invitational. Top man for the team was Wade Douglas who finished thirteenth. Pictured from left are Pierre's front runner Darren Chase, Jimmy Keyes (#93), Todd Peterson behind #93, Wade Douglas behind #86, and Shawn Searls, number 86. (Photo by Tom Maher)



TOP COWBOYS... Casey Cowan and Thad Bothwell display their rodeo awards. Inset top right: Bothwell in action bullriding. (Doug Potter Photo)

### **Pierre cowboys rope in awards**

by Tammy Ree and Angie Boocock Four Pierre High School Rodeo Club contestants qualified for the National High School Finals Rodeo held on July 22-28 in Rapid City this summer. Sherry Maher won first place saddles in barrel racing, pole bending, and the All-Around at the State High School Rodeo Finals, June 21-23 in New Underwood. She also won three plaques-two for placing second in individual barrel racing gorounds, and one for a second in a pole bending go-rounds. There were about 60 competitors in each event. The top four individual placers in each event qualified for Nationals, and that also included Misty Korkow, who was second in pole bending; Thad Bothwell, who was fourth in bull riding; and Julie Etzkorn, in pole bending.

gional Rodeo in Chamberlain, which qualified it's contestants to compete

"should be one of the stronger teams that Pierre has fielded for a number of years," said Coach Myron Bryant.

This statement proved true at the Mitchell Invitational on September 20th, where the guys placed third out of 13 teams with a total of 328 strokes, only two strokes from second place, Sioux Falls Washington.

This tournament was like a prestate match since six out of the seven ESD schools were there.

Individually all five varsity players look like strong competitors for state. The team record so far this season included: 2nd place at the Rapid City Quadrangular; 1st at the Pierre Invitational, and then 3rd at the Mitchell Invitational.

"The team has a lot of hard competition for state this year," Mr. Bryant said, "but with all the Govs' fans pulling for them and a lot of hard work it looks promising."

CONCENTRATION ... Robert Williams tees off during practice. (Doug Potter Photo) The Pierre High School Rodeo Club has been active in several rodeos this summer across the state. Pierre won the team title at the Rein the SDSHSFR in New Underwood.

"Thad Bothwell and Casey Cowan are the top cowboys of our school", says Terri Eberhard. "I've known the guys for a while now, and they are good."

Thad, a senior, has been in rodeo for six years and participates in saddle bronc and bull riding. He has won numerous buckles, blankets, and plaques. Thad practices one and a half hours every day. He has an ambition to be in the Cowboy Hall of Fame, and in his spare time he rides and works.

Casey, also a senior, is an All-Around cowboy. He has won buckles, blankets, and plaques, and even a saddle for being an all-around winner. Casey has been in rodeo for nine years and hopes to become Pro. He practices for three hours a day.

Both boys will be rodeoing again when Rodeo Club starts in April.

Guthrie discusses audience role

Editors Note: The following information was taken from the Guthrie Theater Student Newsletter which has been distributed to school faculty members.

Many persons are involved in every live theater performance. You can imagine the designers, the director, the technicians and, of course, the actors who breathe life into the characters. But it is important not to overlook a final but vital ingredient: the audience.

You, as a member of the audience, are necessary to complete the theatrical experience.

The audience makes live theater exciting because it provides an immediate response to a performance. Each time the play is performed it is different because each audience is different. Although it is the actors' responsibility to control the play, they are often affected by the response of the live audience.

### **Riggs High School** journalists attend **Press Convention**

#### by Brian Weiss

Governor journalists and Gumbo staffers will travel to Brookings Oct. 14, for the annual South Dakota High School Press Convention.

The event is held on the SDSU campus and attracted 1400 high school students and advisers last year. Pierre plans to send 15 to 20 students to the convention.

While there, students will attend various workshops to help them produce better newspapers and yearbooks. There will be three sections of workshops including those for newspaper, yearbook, and photography.

The convention is organized by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications at SDSU, through the South Dakota High School Press Association.

The gathering is the one major event during the school year for South Dakota high school students involved in journalism. The theme for this year is "Make it Happen". Besides the workshops, activities include publication contest awards, All-State Journalism recognition, and scholarship awards.

## Six volunteers represent Riggs in Oral Interp.

Seniors Cristi McKeever, Ingrid

Each audience has the potential to create a wonderful environment for the actors. When the lights fade in the theater, it signifies that the play is about to begin. Sometimes audiences will applaud and whistle to demonstrate their eagerness. While it is nice to know the audience is enthusiastic, this response at the beginning of the show is very disconcerting for the actors. They need quiet to set the mood, and prepare for their entrances.

Although you may be more familiar with attending movies or athletic events, it is very important that you respect the actors' needs, and wait quietly for the play to begin. At other events spectators may talk during the action. When attending live theater, however, this is bad for the performance. Actors do not have amplification (unlike rock concerts or movies, where the sound can easily be in-

creased) and must strain their voices to be heard over a whispering audience.

Because the audience is such an integral part of the performance, the actors onstage are very aware of their presence. The best audience is an attentive audience. If they remain quiet and alert, the actors know that what they are doing on stage is important and interesting.

When a play is stimulating, the audience is often eager to share their reactions with one another. Plays are designed with intermissions between acts which provide an opportunity for the audience to talk.

It is by listening carefully during the play that the audience creates a rapport with the actors, and makes its contribution to the live performance. This rapport leads to a sharing of the play, which is what makes live theater so special.



Gumbo editor Michelle Ulmen was named All Around Journalist, the top honor position, at the South Dakota State University Summer Institute for high school journalists. To earn the title, Ulmen accumulated the most points for work in writing and other labs. She earned first place awards in caption and headline writing, variable graphics, layout design, feature writing and special layout assignment; second place awards in feature; third place in interview; and, honorable mention in magazine layout. She earned Top of Class Honors in feature writing, variable graphics and special layout.

### Students elect **Class Officers**

Students have been selected as 1985-86 class officers. Some of their responsibilities include organizing pep assemblies, dances, and other activities such as selecting this year's prom band and the senior president's graduation speech.

Sophomore officers include: Doug Mikkonen, president; Katie Robbe nolt, vice president; Kayla Korkow, secretary; and John Sutton, treasurer.

Junior officers are: Chris Shaw, president; Dawn Witte, vice-president; Robbie Miller, secretary; and Michelle Olson, treasurer.

Senior officers include: David Ellenbecker, president; Mark Schneider, vice-president; Darla Eisnach, secretary; and Stacey Stofferahn, treasurer.

### **ACT** schedule is announced

Students should participate in the ACT Assessment Program during the junior year or early in the senior year, so their results will be available in time for use in planning for postsecondary education and careers, according to the Riggs Guidance Office.

The program consists of four academic tests that measure educational development and a detailed questionnaire that collects information relevant to educational and career planning. The Act Assessment is recommended or required by more than

SEEING THE SIGHTS . . . Students who toured Mexico during summer vacation are pictured in front of the fountain at the National Palace. From left are Mary Morris; Marcia Graney, Teacher; Mark Terwilliger; Missy Schuetzle; Tami Starkjohann; and Michele Podhradsky. (Photo by Randy Dalton)

### Students tour Mexico le!

#### by Nan Hofer

Six Riggs High foreign language students and teacher Marcia Graney took a Mexican Fiesta tour to Mexico this past June.

Mark Terwilliger, Tami Starkjohann, Randy Dalton, Mary Morris, Missy Schuetzle, and Michelle Podhradsky visited Mexico City, Taxco, and Acapulco.

In Mexico City the group visited the Bull Ring, The Olympic Stadium, University of Mexico, Museum of Anthropology and the Aztec Pyramids. Taxco, the silver capital, had shops filled with items of silver.

checks and get Mexican money. There are about 250 pesos for each American dollar. Shopping was a different experience in Mexico because shoppers bargain the price down. "I now am an excellent shopper," said Mark. They purchased blankets, sweaters, silver jewelry, clothes and candy.

Mark said he wouldn't do it again unless it was just Acapulco because Mexico City was dirty and filled with smog.

Schmidt, Paul Robbennolt, and Stacey Stofferahn, junior Trish Feltman and sophomore Mike Anderson make up this year's oral interpretation team coached by Mrs. Birhanzel.

The team will represent Riggs at the Regional Declam contest in Rapid City slated for late October. The State contest will be held in Huron in November. No dates have been set yet.

People involved in declam participate in one of six categories: oratorical prose, serious interpretation of drama, serious interpretation of prose, poetry reading, humorous reading, and duet memorized interpretation. All readers except those in

oratorical/prose and duet memorized interp, use scripts. Each event is limited to a 10-minute performance.

"Acapulco was great because of the ocean," said Mark Terwilliger. He went parasailing 200 feet in the air over nothing but water and snorkeling off a little island in the ocean. "I loved the ocean because I had never seen it before."

Highlights of the trip were seeing the native Mexicans selling live iguanas along the road and going to discos.

"Taxi rides were an experience. Drivers went about 55 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone," said Mark, "and honked when going through a red light."

He said that they were just about tackled by a car every time they stepped on the street to cross.

Students had to cash travelers'

Randy Dalton said, "It certainly was an educational experience. I'm sure I'll never forget it." According to him the most important thing to come from the trip were new friendships. He said they would like to go somewhere together next year, maybe Europe or Hawaii.

"The tours and the country were nice but I wouldn't spend the money again unless it was the same people as before," Randy said. One of his most memorable experiences was when Ms. Graney left their visas and tickets in a cab.

I think the kids really learned a lot about another culture and another way of life." The thing that really affected them the most was the pover-

ty. "The kids were really good, wellbehaved and seemed to be having a good time. I'd take another group,' said Ms. Graney.

2,700 postsecondary institutions and scholarship programs.

Students can obtain registration packets that contain all the information necessary to register and prepare for the Assessment from the guidance office.

For 1985-86, ACT has established this test date schedule:

	Registration
Test Dates	Deadlines
Oct. 26, 1985	Sept. 27, 1985
Dec. 14, 1985	Nov. 15, 1985
Feb. 8, 1986	Jan. 10, 1986
April 12, 1986	March 14, 1986
June 14, 1986	May 16, 1986

It takes about three hours to complete the four ACT examinations in English, math, social studies, and natural sciences. A sample copy of a full-length test is available in every high school.