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Kiwanis announces Students of the Month

By Vanessa Foxworthy

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The Students of the Month for September have been announced. They are seniors Austin McNall and Heather Grinager.

Grinager, the daughter of Eric and Ruth Grinager, lives in Lead with her parents and two sisters, Robin and Michelle. She enjoys reading, playing basketball and volleyball and spending time with her friends and her sisters. In the future, she plans to go to college and major in psychology. Eventually, she would like to attend graduate school and get her Master's degree in Sports Psychology.

McNall, the son of Gary and

Loretta McNall, lives in Lead. He has two sisters, Heidi and Heather. In his spare time, McNall enjoys skiing, hunting, hiking, basketball, horseback riding, running and fishing. His plans for the future include going to college.

Each month, the Kiwanis Club of Lead chooses two students as Students of the Month. In order to qualify, a student must be on the honor roll and be in at least one activity.

The teachers vote on the students that are up for this award. A student can only receive this award once a year.



Heather Grinager



Austin McNall



Frosh King and Queen taking part in the Homecoming Parade.

Seniors crown Freshman King and Queen

By Kena Juso

Josh Percy and Katie Mollman were announced freshman Homecoming King and Queen on Sept. 29, at the Homecoming pep assembly.

The king, son of Arlie and Karen Percy, and queen, daughter of Ray and Jody Mollman, were crowned with Burger King crowns and were given the traditional kiss by seniors Jeremy Larson and Missy Aberle.

Mollman stated, "I was honored to become Queen and to be able to represent LHS during Homecoming." Mollman believes that Homecoming helps bring the Student Body together with a show of school spirit.

Mollman's extracurricular activities include the Touch of Gold Drill Team and choir. She also enjoys singing, dancing and acting. In the future she plans to go to college and get a good education. So far, she has no definite majors or careers planned. The things that she enjoys

most about being a freshman are the privileges and finally being in high school. The thing she likes least is being in the youngest class.

Percy enjoyed being Freshman King because he liked being recognized in front of the whole school. Percy's extracurricular activities include choir, football and wrestling. His favorite hobbies are skiing and hunting and his favorite class is gym.

So far the only thing Percy has planned for the future is to go to college.

His likes and dislikes about finally being a freshman are finally being in high school, but he wishes that he wasn't in the bottom class.

The other candidates were Angel Harvey, Shelbee Sanito, Mike Brick, and Mike McNeill. These people were chosen by the Freshman Class itself, and then the entire student body voted for the winners.



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Letters to the editor

Senior football player speaks out

Dear Editor,

Last Thursday night the varsity football team was ready to start their first playoff game of the season. Second before kickoff, coach Rice received a note that said our three starting running backs could not play that night. It turned out that a possible training rule violation that took place about two weeks prior to the game caused the players to get suspended.

The alleged violations had been known about since the day after they may have taken place. No punishment was handed down and the players were allowed to participate in the last regular season game against Custer. The football team had a good week of practice, and were well prepared for the Bison.

At the last possible minute the whole team's confidence went down the drain. It's not that we couldn't have won without those players, we still would have had a great chance. The players who filled in did a great job, but had very little practice at these positions. Our confidence was gone, all of our starting backs were suspended and our chance of winning at this point was very small.

Suspending the players may have been the right choice, but not two seconds before kickoff. They punished those players, but they also punished the rest of an innocent team. The season had looked very promising. Earlier in the year we defeated Hot Springs and Belle Fourche, who would have been our next opponent.

Whoever made this last minute decision ruined the last chance many of the players had at going to state and playing in the Dome. I know that our team would now be heading for state if this decision of suspending players would have been made sooner.

Sincerely,
James Sullivan

Seniors address loss of Senior Profiles

Dear Editor,

We are writing in regards to the loss of Senior Profiles in the LHS Nugget. The Senior Profiles allow the underclassmen to get to know the seniors and also allows the seniors to know what their classmates plan to do after high school. We realize that they were taken away because seniors did not take them seriously, but why not advise the seniors to take the profiles seriously and make them appropriate when filling them out. If these two standards are not met, the profile should not be published.

Please consider our request. There are a number of other people who also feel that the profiles make the Nugget interesting and worthwhile to read.

Thank you,

Kristy Eastman
Trina Mykleby
Jen Berry

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Chipman visits China

By **Stacia Berscheid**

This summer Art teacher Sharon Chipman was selected as a delegate to visit China for the World Wide Women's Conference.

Chipman said, "Visiting China made me realize how pampered and intolerant some Americans are. I even had first hand glimpses of this occurring when Americans, who did not try to fit in, did not accept the Chinese culture."

Chipman traveled to China along with five hundred other women. There were around twenty-five to thirty thousand women in China in conjunction with the NGO and United Nations meetings also held at that time. Chipman stayed in China for ten days, attending conference meetings that dealt with women's issues and their success in society and the world.

Although the meetings were interesting the thing that struck her the most about the trip, was the people. During the time she was in China Chipman was hit hard by the realization of the heavy hand of the Communistic Government and how greatly the people of China are affected by it. Their whole life-style is run by the government.

Some of Chipman's favorite times were when she broke away from the group and got some one-on-one social interactions with the people of China. One common practice of the street vendors is bartering or "talking down the price" of their goods. At first, Chipman was reluctant, but after a few times it was entertaining and enjoyable for her. Although they are only vendors, they are well educated and most could speak English quite fluently. Just by speaking to these people while bartering she saw the goodness of the Chinese people's spirit through their kindness and always present smile.

"I loved it. It was an experience of a lifetime. Someday I hope to return," said Chipman about her Chinese trip.

Dragon Boat on the lake at the Summer Palace in Beijing, China.



Stoneworker at the Temple of Heaven in Beijing, China.

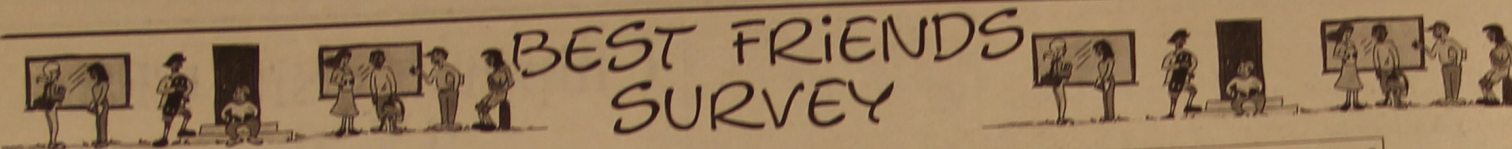
Woman standing in the center of the Temple.



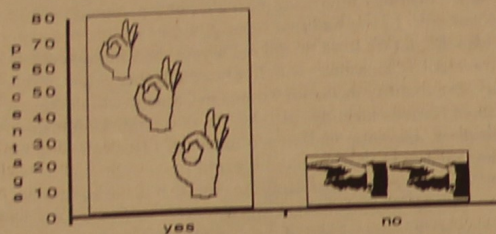
Building with sheets in the Forbidden City of Beijing, China.

Man with young child on the streets of Beijing, China.

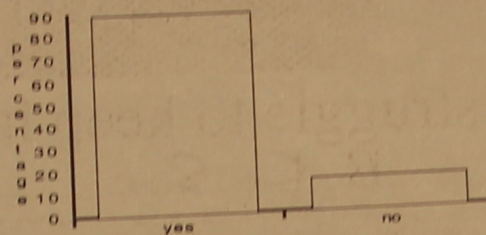


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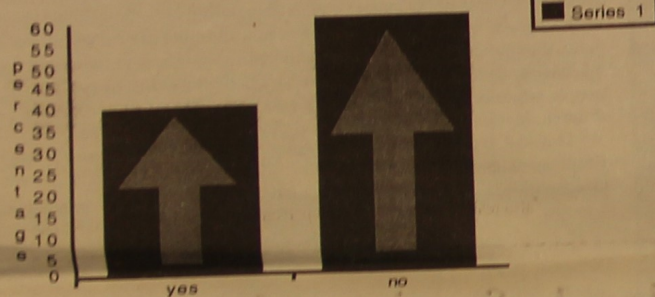
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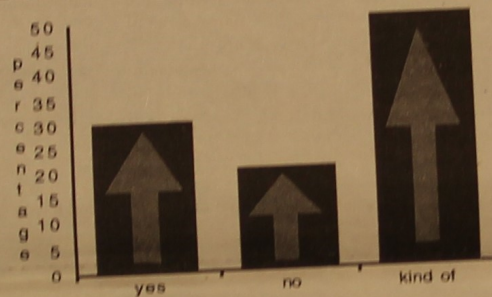
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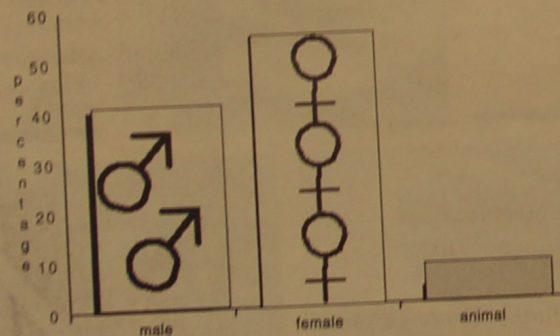
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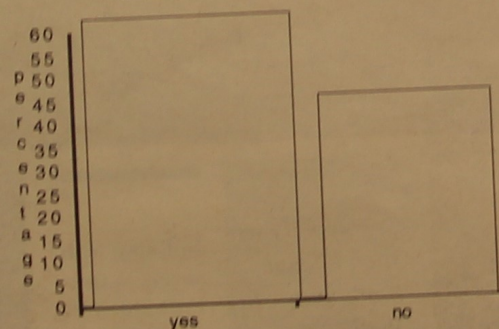
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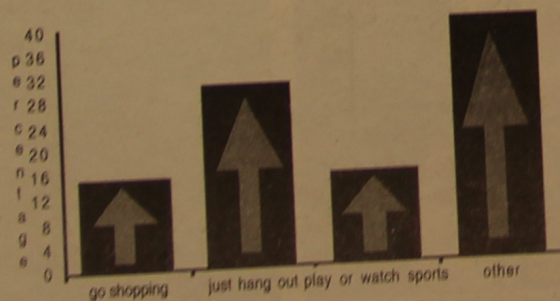
Is your best friend male, female or an animal?



Are you and your best friend the same age?



How do you and your best friend spend time together?



Friends till the end: Tiffany Johnson, Aryca Baumberger and Billie Jo Ryan

Friends Jennifer Seidler, Nancy Varick and Crystal Lax visit and eat lunch together everyday at school.



Friends to keep forever

By Mary Tyler

Have you ever wondered whether or not a friend was a true pal or just there because they wanted something besides friendship?

Sometimes it's hard finding a "true pal." In terms of good friendship most people look for the qualities of honesty, respect and loyalty, in a pal with whom you could laugh and have a good time or cry, be serious and share times of sadness. Friends may be girls, guys, boyfriends/girlfriends, pets, parents or even a sister or brother. More than likely your friend is someone that can be told anything to and not worry that the whole school will know by lunch time tomorrow. They help you through bad times and can share good and bad experiences.

Junior Sarah McNeill said her best friend is Matt Blair because, "I can talk to him about anything."

Junior Jamie Lipp said her best friend is Michelle Kleinhessel because, "She is nice and would do anything for her friend and for anyone else. Michelle is not selfish and is very giving. She's also really fun and has a great personality."

ality."

"Bad friends" are those people who are friendly on a one time basis for a certain amount of time. How long they are friendly depends on the time it takes to get what they want. An example is a girl all of the sudden calling just so she can get a date with a "friends" brother. Another way to spot a not so real friend is someone who doesn't respect your decisions or tells secrets. There is a difference in respecting someone's decisions and thinking their decisions are wrong. If they are a true friend they will talk to that person if their decision is not a good idea, not go blab it to the nearest person.

Kristi Sack said her idea of a "bad friend" is, "Someone that goes and tells all of your secrets and cannot be trusted."

When you're looking for a friend or trying to decide if a certain person is for real or not, use some common sense. If someone wants to be a true pal he or she will respect the individuality of his or her friends. Remember friendship is a two-way street. If you don't respect someone, why should someone respect you?

Friends struggle to keep in touch

By Kelly Sexton

Everyone always says it when they sign their friends' yearbooks. It's on almost every senior picture. It's that famous phrase, "friends forever". The question is: how often does that phrase come true?

Friends in high school promise to stay in touch forever. Sometimes this does happen. Friends manage to get together and to keep up with each other's lives. Unfortunately, this doesn't happen too often. After graduation everyone seems to go their separate ways. Some go off to college and others

move to different towns. A call may be made now and then but calling each other may become too costly for most graduates if they move far away. The letters may be written for a while, but eventually people may run out of time or lose the address.

Many adults tell students not to rush their high school career because the best times of their lives are happening right now. The adults also say that a life full of work is all that is ahead of the student. Thinking that the adults

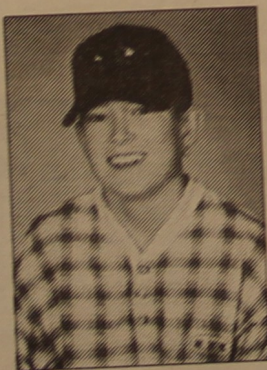
are wrong most students disagree, being ready to get their lives started in the real world. The students think that there will be no more homework or tests to take. Some students do make the best of their high school years by participating in activities like games, dances, plays, concerts, drillteam performances and pep rallies.

Are you really saying good-bye to your friends? Some people say yes and some say no. Senior Crista Weiers says yes because people lose touch and have a hard time staying close.

What qualities do you look for in a friend?



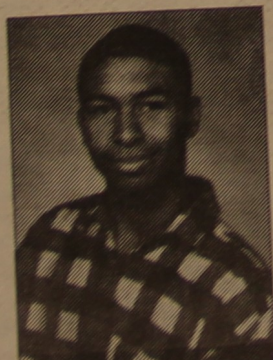
"Somebody who will stick by you."
Sophomore Tavis Walker



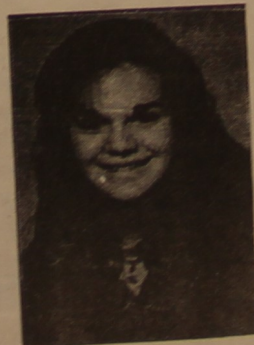
"Somebody who I can always trust and turn to."
Junior Brooke Peterson



"Somebody who will listen and not tell everybody else."
Senior Davida Fredrickson



"Somebody with a good reputation who won't bad mouth you." Freshman Nick Weiers



"One who will listen and give advice and to be with me in any mood." Teacher Marcia Torgrude

Hypnotist comes to Deadwood

By Krissi Sack

Do you know what it feels like to be hypnotized? Well, if not, you missed your chance. Gulches of Fun in Deadwood held a show on hypnotism, starring Bob Faith as the hypnotist. His shows were presented Sept. 29-Oct. 1.

Faith has been in the hypnotism business for 26 years. When he first started out, he was hypnotizing soldiers in the Vietnam War. He now travels throughout the United States and presents his shows at various places, and hypnotizes people on a one to one basis. He does this for people who want to lose weight, to quit smoking, to quit drinking, or to help them in some other manner.

While in the Deadwood area, Faith was interviewed by several radio stations to advertise his show. He also presented portions of his show to a couple of different schools around the area. These schools were Black Hills State University and Sheridan High School in Wyoming.

To start the show out, he worked with the audience as a whole and tried to hypnotize them. The people that were taken under during this time frame were then taken up on to the stage. After everyone was placed on stage and the audience calmed down, he put the people on stage into a deep sleep. If the people did not go into a deep sleep

he thanked them for trying and sent them back to their seat in the audience. After this, he let the people on stage sleep while he told the audience what he would be doing to the people on stage.

Whenever he snapped his fingers, the people on stage would come out of their sleep and would be wide awake on stage. Before he would awaken them, he would give them certain instructions of what to do when he awoke them. As soon as the people were awake, they would do what ever they had been told to do whenever Faith told them to. When the task was over, he would snap his fingers and the people on stage would automatically go to sleep. This procedure was followed throughout the show.

The people on stage did several things while under hypnosis. One of these things was when Faith told each person that they would forget a certain number between one and ten when they woke up. No one on stage knew what number everyone else would forget. When they woke up, he would tell one person to count to ten and they would. Everyone else on stage started yelling at this one person and told this person they were stupid. Also, to prove that hypnotism really does work, Faith laid one lady across the back of two chairs while two men sat on the chairs to

keep them balanced. He then stood on her stomach to prove to the audience that if you really want to be hypnotized, it does work. Whenever he said the word "Nebraska," everyone on stage started yelling at him and calling him bad names because he had told them that it was the worst word on the face of the earth. These are just a few of the things that went on up on stage. The show lasted for approximately two hours.

Three students that took part in the third show. They were Freshman Bobbi Widdoss, Junior Misty Schnabel, and Senior Krissi Sack.

When asked about how it felt to be hypnotized, Schnabel stated, "It was like waking up from a dream and you knew what had happened. You know that you did the stuff but it was like you were a totally different person. It was an awesome feeling."

In the audience was Junior Tiffany Johnson who said, "It was like the people were faking it, yet you knew that if they weren't being hypnotized, they would not have done all the stuff that they did up on stage."

According to Marc Dryden, the Deadwood Gulch Resort Manager, the company plans on bringing Mr. Faith back to town sometime in the spring.

So if you haven't experienced hypnotism yet, there will be other opportunities.



Early ancient history evolves into Halloween customs

By Jennifer Harlan

It's that time of year again. Time for the children, young and old, to dress up as their favorite character or dead unknown and go out spooking everybody. However most people don't know how their favorite party night of the year came to be.

Halloween means "hallowed" or "holy evening" because it takes place the day before All Saint's Day. The Druids, who were priests in ancient Gaul and Britain, believed that on Halloween, ghosts, spirits, fairies, witches, and elves came out to harm people. They also believed that the cat was sacred and that cats had once been human beings but were changed as a punishment for evil deeds. From these Druid beliefs came the present-day use of witches, ghosts, and cats in Halloween festivities. The customs of using leaves, pumpkins, and cornstalks as Halloween decorations also comes from the Druid autumn festival called Samhain, or summer's end.

Many superstitions and symbols are connected with Halloween. Along with Druid beliefs,

the Irish also have some of their own. The Irish have a tale about the origin of Jack-o'-lanterns. They say that a man named Jack was unable to enter heaven because of his selfishness. He also could not enter hell because he had played practical jokes on the devil too many times. So, as a punishment, Jack had to walk the earth with his lantern until his judgment day.

Today, Halloween has become a time for parties, tricks, and jokes. Most schools have costume parties for the children. The students will dress up in their costumes and parade around the school, going to all the classrooms and showing everyone their costumes. There are special games which are played at Halloween, such as bobbing for apples and telling fortunes and ghost stories. But for little children the most special part of Halloween can be going out to trick-or-treat at their neighbors' doors. This long time ritual involves dressing up and going from house to house knocking on doors and yelling trick-or-treat. Most times the owners will have candy waiting, and put a few pieces in the children's bag.

Fosheim announces cast members

By Stephanie Engel

There was great a deal of talent shown during tryouts, but there are only so many cast members needed, said Barb Fosheim. Fosheim chose *A Murder is Announced*, by Agatha Christie, because of cast size needed and she hadn't directed a mystery before this play.

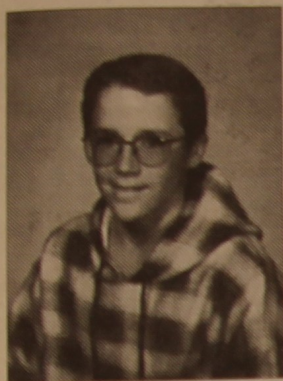
Tryouts for the play were on Friday, Oct. 13, with approximately thirty people trying out. Students making the play cast are: Afton Volner as Julia Simmons, Nicole Quaschnick as Letitia Blacklock, Mary Kay Calabro as Dora Bunner, Joshua Robinson as Patrick Simmons, Shelly Slatkin as Mitzi, Amanda Everhard as Miss Marple, Desiree Thorp as Phillipa Haymes, Nancy Varick as Mrs. Swettenham, Keith Melcher as Edmund Swettenham, Ben Vardiman as Rudi Scherz, Brian Adams as Inspector Craddock, and Jess Reausaw as Sergeant Mellors. The understudies are Dawn Richards and Jesse VanGeystelen.

Cast members practice a couple of hours every day after school for this play. The play will be performed in the auditorium on Dec. 1-2, at 7:30 p.m.

"A Murder is Announced" is about an ad in the local paper stating that there will be a murder on Friday the thirteenth at the Little Paddock house. When all of the house guest show up, it is discovered that Rudi Scherz, played by Vardiman, was murdered sometime during the day. The cast will endeavor to stay alive and find the killer.



All State Chorus members Josh Robinson-tenor, Jaron Cockrum- bass, Heather Grinager- alto, and Missy Aberle- soprano, will attend All State Chorus in Aberdeen on Nov. 10-11.



Tyler Barrett



Brian Cleveringa



Ryan Nelson

Boys golfers end season with three at state

By Jenni Berry

The Diggers qualified three golfers at the Region meet for the state meet in Pierre. The team also placed seventh. Brian Cleveringa qualified with a 88. Tyler Barrett qualified with a 98 and Ryan Nelson qualified with a 95.

At the State meet, the boys had to compete individually because they didn't have enough people for a team. In order to compete as a team, the Diggers would have had to qualify four people at the Regional meet. Even though the Diggers didn't have enough for a team, all three golfers played well and finished well. Out of 101 people, Brian Cleveringa shot a two day total of 169 and finished with 57.

Tyler Barrett had a two day total of 183 and ended up with 91, and Ryan Nelson was 100 with a two day total of 200.

Coach Joan Rachetto said "For his first time at state, Tyler Barrett played well. I was especially proud of our second place finish at conference. That was probably the highlight of the season. Brian Cleveringa was a great leader for the team. He showed great leadership for the team."

After a slow start at the beginning of the season, the team turned things around at the end. At the Black Hills Conference meet in Spearfish, the Diggers took a second place finish, with three top ten varsity

finishes. Brian Cleveringa was sixth with an 87, and Shane Phillips was right behind him in seventh place, also with an 87. Also finishing in the ninth spot was Tyler Barrett with a 90. The junior varsity team played well with three players also in the top ten. Luke Carr was fifth with an 89, his best score of the season. Eighth grader J.C. Charles took seventh place with a 95, and junior Jeremy Barrett finished ninth with a score of 98.

Luke Carr showed a lot of improvement throughout the year and I was pleased with his score at Conference. Everyone on the team showed great improvement by the end of the season."

Students participate in world's most popular game

By Narissa Stahl

When you hear the word football you may immediately think of the Dallas Cowboys or the San Francisco 49ers but in every other country besides the United States and Canada the word football stands for an entirely different game. Many people do not realize that the world's most popular game is soccer, but it is true. There are many LHS students enjoy playing soccer.

Many students play recreational or higher level soccer. Higher level soccer includes both club and/or the Olympic Development Program (ODP).

The Lead-Deadwood Under-19 team is coached by Mike Stahl and has 17 students on the team. Following is a list of players and their primary positions. Ashana Baumberger-sweeper, Mike Brick-goalie/midfield, Lucas Carr-inside midfield, Jaron Cockrum-outside midfield, Jason Grensteiner-fullback, Ben Grosek-midfield/fullback, Jesse Hanna-inside midfield, Philip Hawki-striker/midfield, Troy Kucera-outside midfield, Kory Lanphear-striker, Lance Moos-fullback, Chris Murra-Midfield/fullback, Jess Reausaw-fullback/stopper, Cody Stahl-goalie/midfield, Justin Thorp-fullback, Eli Trevino-midfield/striker and Jeremy VanDeest-stopper. The team has a record of 5-1, and during the fall season the team plays every Sunday at Mountain Top field or in surrounding towns.

The Northern Hills Under-19 girls team is also coached by Mike Stahl and has players from Spearfish, Belle Fourche and four girls from LHS. The four are Trina Mykleby, Beth Slaughter, Narissa Stahl and Desiree Thorp. All of these players play in the midfield. The team has a record of 4-2, and the games are in Rapid City or Spearfish every Tuesday or Thursday night. The girls practice every Wednesday night.

There are also three freshmen girls that play on a Spearfish team. Maria Grosek-sweeper, Ashley Stahl-striker and Cary Thrall-fullback. Their record is 2-3, and they play every Sunday afternoon.

The fall season is exclusively recreational. As soon as the snow flies the teams play indoors and participate in indoor tournaments. The spring season starts in April.

Season ends

By Krissi Sack

The cross country season ended on a good run. The girls' team qualified for the state meet, but only Austin McNall and Jeremy VanDeest qualified for the boys' team.

On Oct. 13, the teams competed at the Region meet in Hot Springs, where the girls' team finished first. Individual medals went to Sarah Mason for second, Josie Squyer for third, Emily Squyer for fifth and Leslie Shama for seventh. Austin McNall finished fourth and Jeremy VanDeest finished fourteenth.

Qualifiers were headed to the state meet at Mitchell, on Oct. 21. The girls' team finished third at the meet. The teams did a great job this year and we all had an exceptionally fun season," said Coach Squyer.



Senior Crista Weiers drives to the hoop past a Douglas defender.

Seniors last season comes to an end

By Krissi Sack

The buzzer has sounded signaling the end of the ball game. The Lady Diggers won their twelfth game of the season. The varsity team has improved their record to 12-6 on the season, and 6-5 in the Black Hills Conference.

The team's varsity experience has made the wins possible. Many of the girls on the team have played the varsity level in the past. However, Freshman Laura Weiers is getting her varsity experience early in her high school basketball career. She moved up to the varsity level one month ago. She still plays on the freshman team, so her playing time on the varsity level is limited because a person can only play six quarters of basketball a night. When asked about the

move she said, "I am proud of myself. I have achieved a goal that I always wanted to accomplish."

The District Tournament starts Oct. 30, at Grunwald Auditorium in Sturgis. The Diggers will either play Douglas, Newell, or Belle Fourche.

"We are going into district tournaments with a better record than last year, and I feel that this will help the team take first place in the state tournament in Rapid City," said a positive Crista Weiers about the season's outcome.

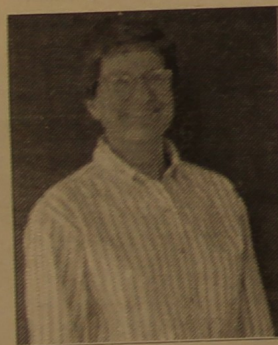
The freshman and junior varsity teams have also improved this season. The freshman are coached by Mike Maloney and the junior varsity team is coached by Cindy Smith.

Meet student Andrhea Erickson



Full Name: Andrhea Collins-Erickson
Hobbies: skiing, softball, volleyball, drill team, listening to music, and going out with friends
Grade: 12
Favorite Class and Teacher: Psychology, Mr. Delzer
Favorite Pro Sport and Team: Baseball, Atlanta
Biggest Pet Peeve: nose pickers
Family: Les and Ellen Erickson; Parents Spencer and Tyler; step brothers
Favorite movies: Fried Green Tomatoes
Future Plans: Go to college, get a good paying job, be adventurous, have fun, stay single forever, (but date Brent)

Meet teacher Kathy Rice



Full Name: Kathy J. Rice (Zimbelman)
Family: Husband - Steve, Sons-Eric 13, Dustin 10
Teaching Position: High School Math
Hobbies: Photography and just being outdoors
Favorite food: Chinese or Seafood
Favorite Movie: Free Willy
College(s) Attended: Casper College, Casper Wyoming, Valley State University, Valley City, ND; Degree B.S. in Mathematics and Physical Education
Biggest Pet Peeve: hearing students say, "I don't care"



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Thanks to all of those people who donated blood on Oct. 30. Student Council really appreciated it!

Upperclassmen attend planning sessions

By Jenni Berry

Juniors and seniors from all over the Black Hills traveled to Spearfish Thursday, Oct. 26, for the annual Spearfish Post High School Planning Day.

The first two sessions are 25 minutes long, and students are to visit a college or armed service that interests them. The third session is also 25 minutes, and is a browsing time for the students to go to one or more career choices that they are interested in and visit with the representative from that school or armed service. There was a variety of different in-state and out-of-state colleges present in Spearfish, and there were all the branches of the armed service. This was a chance especially for seniors to decide on post high school plans. Representatives from these colleges and military services tried to provide as much information about the college or armed service to catch the students' interest and keep it in mind for future plans. This was an opportunity for students to get information on different things to do after they graduate from high school.

Ticknor coaches IBA team

By Kristy Eastman

When you think of the word basketball you may think of professional teams. When Coach Duane Ticknor hears the word basketball, he is now thinking of "The Posse."

Ticknor, a former assistant coach of the Rapid City Thrillers, a CBA team, was recently asked to coach the new International Basketball Association team in Rapid City. The season runs Dec. 5 through Feb. 25. The team plays 24 games in the three month season. The Posse plays half of their games on the road and half at home. There will be 5 teams in the region this year and ten next season. The teams come from North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Canada.

Ticknor said he is excited to be working with all of these talented basketball players, although the traveling will take time away from his family. Ticknor said he hopes to keep growing at a professional level.

Although Ticknor will resign from teaching Middle School, he will still live in the area. He hopes to continue coaching the Lead High School Girl's Varsity Basketball Team.

"I think that this job for Coach Ticknor is going to make him a better coach and it is something that he has wanted to do again. And also I want court side tickets," said junior Michelle Wiswell who plays for Ticknor on the Varsity Girl's Basketball Team. Senior Heather Grinager said "Coach Ticknor is an awesome coach, and he is the person behind our success this year. I'm really happy for him and I think he will do an awesome job."

Band marches into first place

By Krissi Sack

The Marching Band took first place during the Swarm Day competition on Oct. 21.

The band has taken part in this parade for several years. For the past three years, the band has taken first place in their division. This year the band was under the leadership of Senior Vanessa Foxworthy.

The band marched to two songs throughout the parade route. These songs were *Fun Fun Fun* and the *Loyalty Song*. These are the songs that the band will march to for the remainder of the year.

They have taken part in the ceremony for the reopening of the mall, homecoming events, and several pep bands for girls basketball and football.

The band keeps busy throughout the entire school year. They play at several home sports events, attend Large Group Contest in Rapid City, put on two concerts in the LHS auditorium, and some members of the band try out for All State Band and attend Solo and Ensemble Contest in Rapid City in February. Some are also selected to attend Northern Hills Honors Band in Spearfish. Mr. Jones nominates members and a panel of judges chooses the band members. This event takes place on November 14 at Black Hills State University.

Twin City Mall grand reopening

By Crista Weiers

The Twin City Mall reopened Tuesday, Oct. 17, after being closed for almost 17 months because of a slow-moving landslide that caused the building to twist and move.

The managers of the stores strongly encouraged community members to come up and see the "new" but "old" mall. The ribbon cutting was held at 8:45 a.m., with the LHS marching band and flag team taking part in the event.

South Dakota dignitaries were on hand for the celebration, they were former Governor Walter Dale Miller, representatives from Senator Pressler, Senator Daschle and Representative Tim Johnson's offices, Senator Jim Dunn, Representatives Harvey Krautschun and Kay Jorgensen, Lead City Commissioners, Deadwood Commissioners and Mayor Barb Allen. Alco President Glen Shank also participated in the grand reopening.

Since the mall closed the engineers have made some dramatic changes in the stores layout, with the help of Four Nines Gold and Gustafson Construction. Alco is now on the top floor along with Video Adventure, Lynn's Family Foods and Twin City Drug Mart pharmacy. Homestake donated waste rock so that the construction workers could use these in the bottom half of the mall.

Alco has a bright new color scheme, lavender walls and bright colored accents. The store's isles are smaller than they used to be, but community members said they didn't mind, they were just happy to have a place to shop again. The Drug Mart occupies space within Lynn's Family Foods. Lynn's kept the Deli, but sacrificed a large section of the dairy and frozen foods sections for shelves of liquor products.

These new stores employ many students. Lynn's employs four seniors, Crista Weiers, Carmen Risty, Holli Carlson and Lindsay Scherer; three juniors, Brian Cleveringa, Ben Vardiman and Heather Cooper. Alco employs Nicole Kightlinger, Cassie Burrington, Katie Carr, Mandy Allen and Leah Ruff. The Video Adventure employs Senior Heather Grinager.

Community members expressed their excitement by attending the grand reopening. The parking lot was full and so were the stores.