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1995 Homecoming Royalty Queen Missy Aberle and King James Sullivan Crowned at Coronation

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Aberle, Sullivan reign over Homecoming

By Crista Weiers

The 1995 Homecoming week started out with the crowning of the new home-

coming king and queen. James Sullivan, son of Pam and Larry Sullivan, was crowned LHS Homecoming king, and Missy Aberle, daughter of Cathie and Jim Aberle was crowned queen during coronation ceremonies on Monday, September 25.

King candidates for this year's ceremony were, Jeremy Larson, son of Karon and Gary Larson; Jason Hagerty, son of Sharon and Richard Hagerty; Jesse Hanna, son of Linda and Roger Hanna; Kyle Percy, son of Karen and Arlie Percy and Brent Morlock, son of Donna and Myron Morlock.

Queen candidates for this years ceremony were, Andrhea Collins-Erickson, daughter of Ellen and Les Erickson; Erin Phillips, daughter of Cara Pat and Bob Phillips; Kena Juso, daughter of Grace and Nels Juso; Allison Eastmo, daughter of Virginia and Ron Eastmo and Mary Tyler, daughter of Karin and Dave Tyler. Pages for the ceremony were Elizabeth Baker and Todd Cleveringa

The emcee was once again Assistant Principal Darren Paulson. He kicked off the night by introducing the parents followed by the introduction of the candidates. Paulson then nar-

rated a slide show which showed pictures of the candidates from the time they were born to the present. He also listed activities the candidates had been involved in throughout their

high school years.
Special music "Turn the
Key" was sung by A Capella choir under the direction of Mr. Dean Peterson.

Juniors Leah Ruff and Brian Cleveringa crowned the king and the queen, and then presented them with gifts.

Football Co-captains Scott Rogers and James Sullivan presented the Homecoming game ball for its traditional blessing by the queen. Each captain gave a short speech. Sullivan thinks the score will be 96-0 and Rogers also agreed. Rogers "graduated" (congratulated) the new homecoming king.

Football cheerleaders led the audience in the Loyalty. The band provided

the music.

Following coronation, the parents and candidates attended a reception held at the Golden Hills where they enjoyed refreshments and cake made in the candidates' honor.

The coronation ceremony was arranged by the LHS Student Council and advisor Mr. Gary Linn. Lighting was provided by the Drama Department.



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Painting of the wall becomes a

war

By Krissi Sack

A big tradition has been the Senior Class painting the wall during homecoming. The tradition has been ruined because of the Senior and Sophomore Classes. Lately, it seems as if these two classes are at war with each other.

It seems like every time the Senior Class paints the wall, the sophomore class paints over it the following night. If the sophomores cannot be mature enough to respect what the other classes paint on the wall, then they should simply just stay home at night and leave the wall alone.

The Sophomore Class isn't the only class to blame. The Senior Class has also written some pretty nasty things on the wall and that is unfortunate.

One way to solve this problem would be to go back to another tradition. The names of the graduating class members would be painted on the wall. This way everyone in the class gets recognized. This idea used to be utilized every year and seemed to work well. This is one way that this problem could be solved.

Every class has had to wait their turn to paint the wall. The sophomores should respect the fact that it is the senior's turn to paint the wall. In two years, they will have a turn. If they can't wait, the seniors and the sophomores should simply paint their own stuff on the

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eat any. The different pastas were great though," said Ms. Loeffen.

Only one hotel they stayed in had air conditioning, and it was hot! "I know I'm a spoiled American," Ms Loeffen said, "but I was so hot, I had trouble enjoying myself at times." The weather was hot and humid in Italy and a dry hot in Greece and Turkey. The best weather was on the cruise, when they were

The teachers met their tour guide and the rest of the group in Rome. Traveling through Rome, Florence and Sorrento they were able to see many famous sights: the Colosseum, the Forum, Vatican City, the Catacombs, the archeological dig of the buried city of Pompeii, Michelangelo's Pieta, Moses, David and

They experienced a Greek Ferry ride from Italy to Greece. In Greece, first they visited the ancient ruins of Delphi, and then went to Athens. While in Athens they climbed the Acropolis, shopped in the old Plakka District, and experienced traditional Greek dancing and food. Boarding a cruise ship they sailed through the Greek Islands, stopping at the islands of Mykonos, Rhodes and Patmos. Then they ventured into Turkey, where they saw the ruins of the city of Ephesus and shopped in the Turkish markets of Kusadasi.

The teachers said it was a wonderful opportunity to visit other countries, seeing ruins thousands of years old. However, Ms. Loeffen also said, "It was a great trip, but I'm glad to be home. Before going I couldn't really imagine that other countries would be so different. I am so glad that I was born an American, I think we truly live in the best country on earth."

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The crumbling marble library was reconstructed by university students in Ephesus, Turkey. The library was an important learning and social center for the citizens Ephesus.

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Teachers travel

"It was really hot and really fun. We walked for miles and miles and drank gallons of bottled water. It is incredible what the ancient civilizations could build," said Mrs. Virginia Eastmo about her recent trip to Italy, Greece and Turkey.

Eastmo planned and organized the trip with the educational tour company, EF World. Two other LHS teachers-Ms. Kim Loeffen and Ms. Barbara Fosheim, retired teacher Mrs. Mary Loeffen, and Central Elementary teachers Ms. Andre Silva and Ms. Mary Caropino left Denver for their two week trip on Aug. 2, for Rome, Italy.

The old saying, "When in Rome do as the Romans do," could have been the theme for the trip. The teachers experienced many cultural differences, from a hard roll, juice and strong coffee for breakfast, to showering without curtain. Ms. Loeffen was concerned about refrigeration and wouldn't eat any meat in Italy. "I saw sides of meat (couldn't tell what it was) hanging in shops, I just couldn't

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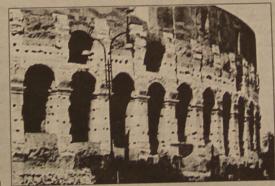


Left: Close up of a sea creature that is just one section of the Trevi Fountain in Rome, Italy.

Top Right: Turrets on castle used to protect the walled city of Rhodes from the Arabs. Island of Rhodes, Greece.

Bottom Right: The outside of the Colosseum in Rome, Italy.







Plaster cast of space left by a body in the volcanic ash of Mt. Vesuvius in Pompeii, Italy.



Turkish Carpet Weaver Kusadasi, Turkey.



White washed buildings with bright red and blue doors cover the hillside of Mykonos, Greece.





Inside St. Peter's Basilica (Rome Italy) is Michelangelo's Pieta.



Jean Martin



Francis Schaffer



Todd Seeley



Robin Hagen



Virginia Garcia

LHS gains five new teachers of varied experience

By Kelly Sexton

Five new teachers have been added to the staff. Mr. Francis Schaffer, Mrs. Robin Hagen, Mrs. Virginia Garcia, Mr. Todd Seeley and Mrs. Jean Martin.

Martin is a graduate of LHS. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa and her Master's Degree from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colorado. Martin taught at the Anne Arundel County School in Maryland in 1969 and at Sky Ranch for Boys from 1971 to 1972. She taught at the Deadwood Middle School from 1973 until this year. Martin said that she made the move from DMS because she had been there for many years and was ready for a change. She had many of the students in her history classes before, so she doesn't have many new names to learn. She is teaching American History and Government. Martin said that the faculty has been very helpful and welcoming to her.

Martin left the Black Hills area to go to college but she missed it. She said that she missed the quietness and that she feels more secure here than in a big city environment. She has traveled around most of the western United States, Italy, Germany and Austria. Martin is still involved in her sorority of Delta Kappa Gamma. She says that she has been the treasurer for the Northern Hills Community Choir and the Terry Peak-Deer Mountain Ski Club secretary forever.

Schaffer graduated from Redfield

Public High School in 1979. He then went to the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology where he received his Bachelor's Degree in 1983. Later Schaffer obtained a Bachelor's Degree from SDSU in 1988.

During 1984 Schaffer worked as a Control Engineer for the Cargill Company in Eddyville, Iowa. He moved to the Rolscreen Company in Pella, Iowa and was a Facilities Engineer during 1985-86. Belle Fourche was Schaffer's next stop as a middle school math teacher from 1988 through 1992. He attended the seminary program for the Diocese of Rapid City. Decising the seminary wasn't for him he returned to teaching, this time for the Lead-Deadwood School District.

Schaffer left the diocese program to return to education.

Seeley is teaching Algebra, Applied Math and Geometry. He is a graduate of Sundance High School, in Wyoming. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Farm and Ranch Management from the University of Wyoming at Laramie and his Bachelor's Degree in Education at Black Hills State University, Spearfish.

From 1982-1991, Seeley worked on a ranch in Sundance. He is a Forestry Technician during the summer for the United States Forest Service. He currently works as an EMT II on a Sundance Ambulance. He was on the University of Wyoming wrestling and rodeo team, and in the BHSU math club. He was the

Wyoming Class IIA State Wrestling Champion in 1986.

Seeley decided to teach at LHS because he wanted to stay in the Black Hills area. He said the faculty and students have been very helpful, he is looking forward to getting to know them better.

Hagen is from Dickinson, North Dakota and she graduated from Dickinson High School. She went to Minot State University in Minot, North Dakota where she received her Bachelor's Degree in Education in.

Hagen's last teaching position was in El Paso, Texas as a physical education teacher from 1989-1994. She is a volunteer for the Special Olympics and has been a gymnastics, basketball and track coach. She was also on the high school and college gymnastics team.

She came to the Lead-Deadwood area last year from El Paso, Texas. Hagen is married and has two sons, Parker and Blake. The move for her family and herself from a large town to a small town was a big change. She said that she was impressed with the administrators and staff when she met with them this summer. She is teaching physical education and one period of Freshmen English.

Garcia started first grade with a language barrier because her father wouldn't allow her to speak English. Because she struggled in school learning English she knows that if the students she has in Spanish don't give up, they can learn a

second language too. As a senior Garcia gave up, (she quit school) feeling that the faculty would not understand her. Attending school in California she felt like just another number not a person. After 17 years she got her GED and then went on to college. Garcia says "I am so glad I did. I only wish that I would've finished high school and found the support in the faculty. I hope that I will in some small way make a difference to my students."

She wants to encourage her students to learn the Spanish language, she said, "I'd like to tell them, that when it gets tough, hang in there,

for 'After every storm, there is a rainbow. "

Garcia has three kids Nicolaus-13, Joshua-12, and Tabitha-10. Garcia lived in Spearfish while she was going to BHSU and before that she lived in Worland, Wyoming for 15 years.

One of the reasons why Garcia chose LHS is because during her interview she felt that Principal Mr. Ross Lothrop was a very down to earth person and assumed that LHS was a reflection of the principal. Garcia has participated in the AIDS Committee, United Ministries and Chi-Alpha where at BHSU.

New students speak out

Ry Vanesa Foxworthy

As you are walking through the halls, you are bound to notice some new faces. Some of those faces belong to new students.

One student, senior Bridgett Miller, moved here from Mississippi. Her parents are Ken and Claire. She has two sisters, Louise and DeAnna, and two brothers, Andy and Chris. Miller has five pets, Sassy, Fluffy, Twinkles, Duke and Tasha.

When asked how LHS was different from her other school, Miller said that LHS was bigger and had more education opportunities, and the people are nicer. Miller thinks that the best thing about LHS is the locker space and the people. If she were given the chance to change one thing, it would be to have open campus. Miller said her favorite class is psy-

chology because "Mr. Delzer is fun and he makes the class interesting."

Another new student is Tadd Howatae. Howatae, who moved here from Ohio, is a junior. He says that LHS is different from his old school because it is not as computer oriented. He was involved in sports at hisother school and hopes to become involved in sports here as well. Howatae's favorite class is also psychology.

DeAnna Miller, who is a sophomore, is also one of the new students. Her sister is Bridgett Miller, whose interview is above. DeAnna said that the classes here are different and better than they were at her old school. DeAnna stated that the best thing about this high school is the friendly people. If she could change one thing, she would have like to have fewer stairs.



Austrian student experiences classes

Ry Kena Uuso

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to visit a foreign country? Well Georg Mayer doesn't have to wonder anymore.

Mayer is a foreign exchange student from Austria who has come here for a new experience. He has been staying with the Burington's for two months and plans to attend school here for a month before going back home. He said that there are many differences between LHS and his school back home. Mayer stated, "Schools are more relaxed in Austria. We are not watched in lunch and have longer breaks between each class. Also, we do not move around for different classes. We always stay in one room." Another thing that he said was different are some of the rules that we have. Even though we could be sent home for wearing clothes that show our stomachs, there is no problem with that in Austria. Mayer said that one thing he really likes about our school is that there is a bigger choice of classes to take. In Austria most of the classes are required with only a few electives. One of the requirements in Austria is that they have to begin to learn English while they are still in middle

School sports is another main difference between here and Austria.

Mayer said that he plays basketball and volleyball but instead of practicing every night, they just play for one hour a week. He also said that they don't really play other schools for competition but instead just play



for fun. They also don't have cheerleaders for any of the sports.

Some of our school's long time traditions are nor even familiar to the students in Austria. For instance, Mayer has never heard of initiation or senior pictures. The seniors get their pictures taken with the rest of the classes instead of

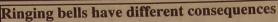
getting them taken professionally. They also don't have school yearbooks or a school newspaper.

Another thing we may take for granted is being able to drive beginning at the age of 14. In Austria you must wait until the age of 18 to drive. But most of the places the kids there wish to go are in walking distances.

Mayer seemed surprised to hear that most kids in high school have some sort of job as a source of money. In Austria none of the kids have a job of any kind. They always get their money from their parents, usually in a weekly allowance. As a matter of fact, Mayer got all the money to come here from his parents.

Mayer says that even though many things may be different many of our pastimes are the same. He and his friends go to movies, out to supper, and in the summer they spend time at the many lakes around his village. They either go swimming or boating, the same as we would.

When asked if he would ever come back to visit again he replied,"Yes, I like it here. I spent some time here a couple years ago and I was happy to come back again."



Ry Stephanie Engle

Some of the school rules have changed since last year. No food or drinks are allowed into the hall-ways, the traditional senior floor was taken because there are so many freshmen, and the major change is the new tardy policy.

The new tardy policy has each teacher counting the tardies and giving students punishments in a suitable way. Many teachers are shutting and locking their doors after the bell rings, leaving late students out in the hall. Other

examples include spending a halfan-hour with the teacher after a student gets a certain amount of tardies, or earning extra credit if no tardies are issued. Students will be admitted late to class only with an excused pass. If the student does not have a pass, then the student will be sent to the office for that hour and they will be counted absent. Senior Jennifer Harlan commented, "It seems to be a little more strict, but now people will be on time for class.

New technology arrives in lab

Ry Vennifer Harlan

During the course of the summer a few changes have been made. Not only are there a few new faces among the faculty and students, and new front doors, but now when you go to the computer lab to type an important you will notice new updated computers.

In Mrs.Marcia Torgrude's classroom, the old Macs were replaced with the LC 575. These new computers have a built in CD Rom and a larger harddrive for all the new programs. They are faster then the old computers which will give students more time to do more things.

"Use of the new CD Rom will enhance learning. There is a larger range of equipment to use with the CD Rom, which means you have more sources of information," said Torgrude about the lab.

The Mac SES from the other side of the lab, were replaced with the LC 580. These don't have the CD Rom drives, but are the same in the set up of programs and placing of the icons. The old Mac SES have been moved down to the second floor in room 106 to form a second computer lab

Senior Stephanie Engel said," The new computers are nice but no one knows how to use them, so we all have to learn how to use them again."

Sophomore Mary Sullivan, who is in Mrs. Torgrude's Computer Lit. class said," They are much better then last years' because you can do so much more stuff on them."

Torgrude also said," I hope the new computer labs are beneficial to all the teachers and students."

School paves parking lot

Ry Krissi Sack

The student parking lot is old, yet new. The parking lot across from the front steps of the school is new because it has been paved.

This parking lot was put in after the road construction of highway 85.

The pavement is a nice change because last year when it rained or snowed, students would get muddy. The janitors are happy too because the

floors are not getting all tracked with mud.

The parking lot also has a new sign, which the City of Lead installed sometime in August. It welcomes people entering the city.

Even though the parking lot has been paved, there are still problems with people parking in the middle of the lot when it fills up. This isn't a big deal until someone has to leave and they are blocked in.

According to Principal Ross Lothrop, the lot is supposed to have lines painted showing the students where to park. Hopefully this will solve the problem of people getting blocked in.

Commenting on the paved lot, Senior Jennifer Harlan said, "I feel that it is about time that the school got some decent parking so we will not have to park on the hill come winter time. Maybe there will be less accidents to park on the hill come winter time. Maybe there will be less accidents

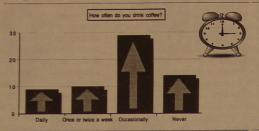


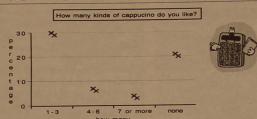


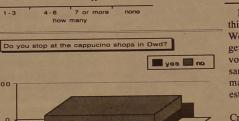
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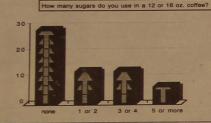
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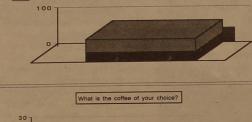
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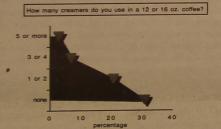


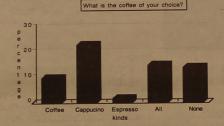












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Coffee, Coffee, Coffee

Drinking coffee used to be something just people like your parents did. Well not anymore. Coffee drinkers are getting younger. Coffee shops are in vouge right now and if you haven't sampled a cappuccino or expresso yet maybe this article will perk your interest

Some dessert coffees are Emerald Cream, Kahlua Fudge and Golden Pecan. Some specialty coffees include cold mocha, almond swiss, vanilla and chocolate.

You can get these coffees at different places. The "Pony Hills Coffee House" and the "Sherman Street Bakery" in Deadwood, also at most gas stations and restaurants in the area.

Some hate the new brands. Jennifer Harlan said "I like just like regular coffee not cappuccino." Others enjoy the great coffee tastes. Kristy Eastman says she likes drinking cappuccinos. Her favorite kind is the Snicker flavor.

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Attitudes Win games

"If a player doesn't approach a game seriously during the week, they won't all of a sudden be able to turn it up a notch at game time. Sports is 85 percent mental and 15 percent physical," stated Head Football Coach Steve Rice on good attitudes and games.

This is Rice's fifth season coaching at LHS. He has been a coach and teacher for 18 years. He has taught American History, World History, geography, physics and PE. He has been a Head Football coach for thirteen years, one year as a girls basketball coach and nine years as an assistant boys basketball coach. He enjoys coaching and teaching because he likes being around young people. However, teaching and coaching can have their bad sides too. Rice enjoys coaching this year's football team because of their attitudes. "They work hard in practice and they don't know how to quit. They play hard in each game right down to the final whistle," stated Rice. He believes the team needs to improve in every aspect of the game. He doesn't think any player should be satisfied with their performance, because there is always room for improvement. The offense needs to improve so they can be competitive.

Rice said, "Homecoming will be a tough game, but we're good on our home field." As for the rest of the season he said it looks good if they can avoid any injuries. Rice believes making it to state is a very realistic goal. When Rice isn't coaching or teaching, he enjoys boating, fishing and watching sports on TV.

Assistant Varsity Coach Darren Paulson has been an assistant coach for four years, a head coach for three years and has taught for six years, because he likes working with kids. The last two years he has been the school's activity director and vice principal.

Paulson likes coaching this year's football team because he feels they are committed and work hard, getting the most out

of themselves. Paulson said for future games they need to work on blocking and tackling. If they improve a little each week it will help them out a lot the rest of the season

. He also believes a good attitude is important for winning games. The team's successful start to the season has helped them, but they also need to win on the road. Paulson thinks it is too early to tell what will happen with state, but believes the Homecoming game looks good.

Junior Varsity Coach Brian Jandahl has been a coach and taught for four years. He has coached football and basketball and taught business classes, accounting, American History I,II,and III, and World History. He enjoys coaching and teaching because he likes sports and continuing his education, also he likes working with kids. What Jandahl likes about the team this year is that they are hard working, have great team unity, and they never give up. What he doesn't like is, "Tuesday and Wednesday flues, they hurt students academically and the team." Jandahl thinks the JV needs to work on skills. He thinks the rest of the season "looks very promising," and if everyone stays in good health good things will happen. In his spare time he enjoys spending time with his family, water and snow skiing and spending time out doors.

Freshman Coach Francis Schaffer has coached football and wrestling for six years, three in Belle Fourche and three in Lead. He has taught middle school math for six years, and this year he is teaching Algebra I, Algebra II, Applied Math II and Physical Science. "Seeing the look on a young person's face when he/she does something the way I have explained/ demonstrated and it worked for him/her," he said is the reason he enjoys teaching and coaching. Schaffer likes seeing kids succeed, disliking when kids limit their opportunities in life by the decisions they make. Discussing the freshman team Schaffer said," I honestly think

if we as a team gave effort, I mean 100 percent effort, every play we'd feel better about ourselves even if we lose the game." He thinks they are improving, good attitudes help and the team has had a good attitude all season. In his spare time he enjoys reading books on philosophy and religion. In the summer he helps out his brother's farm and garden's on his own time.

Assistant Freshman Coach Shannon Percy is still attending college at BHSU to get his degree in physical education. This is his fourth year in coaching, three of those four have been in Lead-Deadwood. He enjoys bringing a group of kids together and making them into a team. Percy enjoys coaching the freshman because they give him 100 percent of their time. He thinks the team could improve with a lot of free hitting. He said, "The team out look is to put it all together and making the big wheel turn." A player's attitude during the week makes a lot of difference in their playing, stated each coach interviewed.

A winning season on its way

Ry Kristy Eastman

The girl's basketball program is up and running. The team started practicing two weeks before school started and went with two practices

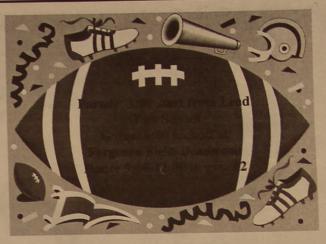
The Varsity Girls Basketball Team includes seniors: Heather Grinager, Kristy Eastman, Jennifer Berry, Crista Weiers and Missy Aberle; juniors: Michelle Wiswell and Natalie Aberle; sophomores: Julie Oberlander, Lindsey Palmer, Lacey Woodle, Betsy Berry and Miranda Mattson; freshmen Laura Weiers. The Junior Varsity Team includes sophomores: Julie Oberlander, Lindsey Palmer, Lacey Woodle and Susan Hobernicht; freshmen: Amanda Hawki, Shelbee Sanito, Lisa Glover, Laura Weiers, Sara Reausaw and Marie Grosek. The Freshmen Basketball Team includes: Laura Weiers, Sara

Reausaw, Marie Grosek, Amanda Hawki, Shelbee Sanito, Lisa Glover, Nikki Kaberna, Sarah Dirksen and Amanda Gentz.

As the players dicussed the season Heather Grinager said, "I'm really excited about the rest of the season. This is the seniors last year to prove to the school and to ourselves how good our team is" Amanda Hawki said, "This is our first season up here and we need to keep playing hard and play confident the rest of our high school years."

Their first two games against Belle Fourche and Spearfish ended as losses. But then the luck turned and the girls headed for Douglas, they were 0-2 hoping to bring home a win before leaving for Labor Day Vacation. The team had their minds set, and they played a winning game.

Then they went down and matched up against tenth ranked Custer for another loss. The team lost 39-41, but they played their hearts out. After that it has been all up hill. The girls faced the AA Sturgis Scoopers for a 50-38 victory, and with this victory the team headed for the West River Invitational in Newell. Their first match was against the Faith Longhorns and with a 59-9 victory they headed into Thursday's game looking forward to playing the Newell Irrigators. It was a tougher game but they came out on top with a 38-33 win. Looking forward to playing in the Rapid City Civic Center the girls meet up with the sixth ranked A team, the Wall Eagles. The girls came out tough and never let the Eagles get ahead, winning a 44-31 Victory with a first place trophy.



Boys golf teeing off with top places

Ry Jennifer Rerry

The boy's golf season is in full swing for the year and the guys have been pretty successful fo far this season.

This year's members of the team are, seniors Spencer Erickson, and Kyle Percy. Juniors include Brian Cleveringa, Ryan Nelson, Jeremy Barrett, and Paul Anderson. Sophomores are Luke Carr, Shane Phillips, and Tyler Barrett. Middle School team members are eighth graders Chad Aberle, Cable Davis, Ryan Orr, J.C. Charles, Matt Ruff, and Alex Weiers. Also belonging to the Golddiggers is seventh grader Garret Hoeffer.

The Diggers opened up their season at the Spearfish Invitational. Although they didn't place well, it was their first meet and they have improved through out the year. Brian Cleveringa was medalist at a Pierre dual with a 78. Their first victory of the season was against Sturgis.

Coach Joan Rachetto has been pleased with the way the boy's are doing. She stated, "Brian has been medalist 5 out of our 7 meets, and Garrett Hoeffer has been steady for our varsity. Our varsity is very competitive. We have 7 boys vying for 5 spots." Sophomore Luke Carr stated, "We are a very young team, but we are still competitive." Coach Rachetto also added that the Diggers would like to place competitively in the Black Hills Conference.

Varsity Football at a loss

By Veremy Larson

"We have an excellent chance of winning our Region and going to the Dome this year," stated Brent Morlock. Working for a Dome going record the Digger football team has already posted a 3-2 record and won as many games as were won last season. However because of controversy dealing with an ineligible player, the Diggers had to forfeit the first two wins changing the record to 1-4.

The only forfeited game that could effect the team later in the year is Hot Springs, because they may end up seeded higher in the playoffs giving them home field advantage

in the playoffs.

The varsity team has many returning lettermen and starters. They are seniors: Scott Rogers, Tom Piper, Shad Kaberna, Jeremy Larson, Jesse Hanna, Brent Morlock, James Sullivan, Justin Denton, Jason Hagerty, Dustin Heupel, Jason Keller, Rob Wibben, Jason Haltiner and Chris Regan; juniors: Jaron Cockrum, Curt Tyler, Brent Stott, George Leon, Monte Thiesse, Ben Vardiman, Damon Morris, Troy Kucera, Kory Lanphear, Eli Trevino, Rob Gerving, Royal Mitchell, Ben Grosek and Steve Janssen; sophomores: Cody Stahl, Dylan Brondenberg, Nathan Milos, Jarrod Olson and Tavis Walker.

A main problem in the first three games was turning over the ball, it occurred13 times on fumbles and interceptions. In the fourth game against Spearfish, the team didn't have as many turnovers but Spearfish recovered a fumble and ran it in for the final touchdown of the game.

With a hard schedule ahead, the Diggers will have to focus on keeping the ball in possession and not turning it over. The team also needs to work on being consistent on both offense and defense.



Hot Springs Cross Country Invational Champs Left to Right: Lesie Shama, Sarah Runyan, Josie Squyer, Allison Eastmo, and Sarah Mason

Running away with Cross Country

Ry Narissa Stahl

Coached by Lorna Squyer, the fourteen girl and eleven boy team have started off their second cross country season.

The team has competed in five meets. They started off their season at Douglas with Josie Squyer and Sarah Mason taking home medalist honors.

The girls surprised everyone when defeating the state champions, Hot Springs, at their third meet in Belle

Fourche. Coach Squyer stated, "I was surprised it happened so early in the season, but I am very excited." At their fourth meet, freshman Sarah Mason captured first place at Custer with teammate Josie Squyer finishing third.

Senior Robert Hobernicht said, "While you are running it is not very fun but when you're done you are glad you've done it."

The boys season highlight has

been Austin McNall setting a new school record with a time of 17:54, breaking Keith Kline's record of 17:59. Josie Squyer holds the girls' record with a time of 16:26.

With the freshmen starting out strong, Sarah Mason, Gretchen Graff and Eric Eisenbraun have shown much improvement over the last few meets. If the Freshmen continue to run strong the next few years look promising the Diggers Cross Country team.



Back row L to R: Kena Juso, Jason Hagerty, Erin Phillips, King James Sullivan, Kyle Percy, Mary Tyler and Brent Morlock. Front row L to R: Jeremy Larson, Andrhea Collins-Erickson, Page Elizabeth Baker, Queen Missy Aberle, Page Todd Cleveringa and Allison Eastmo.

Diggers enjoy week's activities with dress up days and coronation

Right: Sophomore Nikki Ryan studies in hippie gear.

Middle: Freshmen Mike McNeill and Mike Brick sport their initiation clothes.

Left: Senior Andrhea Collins-Erickson is all decked out in her hawaiian clothes.





