

The **Forum** Corsica High School

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Jeanine Ralston tries her hand at being a will be held April 9 and 10 in the grade school gym. saleswoman in the play "Brother Goose." The play

Playoffs become reality

After approximately 15 years of pushing for playoffs, proponents who were refused twice by the Legislature and saw playoffs voted down by school boards will finally see playoffs become a reality.

The vote came after 12 frustrated football players sued the SDHSAA because they felt they were being denied their constitutional rights. The players said they were being discriminated against by not having football playoffs because the college scouts and coaches could not watch them in championship competition.

The SDHSAA interpreted the Activities Association's constitution as needing a two-thirds vote of all schools to amend the law. However, proponents of the playoffs said they wanted to repeal the law, not amend it and their constitution has no guidelines on what percentage of a vote is needed to repeal it.

Minnehaha County Circuit Court Judge Robert C. Hegge ruled that the ban could be lifted by the 58 percent majority of the member schools which voted in favor of playoffs last June.

After Judge Hegge's ruling, the South Dakota High School Activities Association's Board of Controls decided in a 5-2 majority vote not to appeal the court's decision.

Some planning has already been done in anticipation of a reversal of the ban, but it is not certain if the playoffs will take place this fall.

'inexperienced' but 'talented'

Practice is underway for "Brother Goose", a three-act comedy by William Davidson. The production is scheduled for April 9 and 10.

Composing the twelve member cast are Jim Beukelman (Jeff Adams), Gina Dockendorf (Carol

Adams), Bryan King (Wes Adams), Michelle Drefs (Hy Adams), Denise Eggers (Mrs. Lumpkins), Jeanine Ralston (Peggy Winkel), Brenda Buck (Mrs. Trimmer), Linda Beukelman (Mrs. Mason), Laura Punt (Eve Mason), Wyla Punt (Alice), Brenda Zomer (Lenore Hudson) and Doug Beukelman (truck driver).

The plot of "Brother Goose" centers around Jeff, the inexperienced head of the family who finds the responsibility of rearing the three younger Adamses can become rather trying at times. The task becomes more complicated when Lenore Hudson, a newly made millionaire, steps into the picture with her plans to "take Jeff away from all this."

This dilemma is smoothed over with the appearance of Peggy Winkel. She and Hy form an alliance against Lenore, and together they manage to save Hy's football game and rescue Jeff from Lenore's clutches.

Sandy Marler, director, feels

her cast is very cooperative and the practices are going really well.

Marler is optimistic about the outcome of the play, "It should be a good production; the students are really cooperative and there is a lot of talent there to work with. The cast is young, but they are really good. I was impressed."

The only problem encountered is the set not being completed yet. "It (the set) is much less complicated than the last play's, and it should be completed by next week.

"If things keep going as they have, we should have a very fine production," she said.



The 1981 Girls' and Boys' State representatives Groeneweg, Cherie Bakker, John Reimnitz and alternates are, from left to right: Lowell Kathy Kredit.

Hup receives scholarship

Dennis Hup was awarded the \$500 Mendelsohn Scholarship, presented by Marc and Joy Mendelsohn.

"This scholarship is a generous way for Mr. and Mrs. Mendelsohn to show an interest and concern for the youth in this community. I hope that I will fulfill their expectations," said the recipient.

Other candidates for the scholarship were Jim Beukelman, Doug DeGeest, Laura De Vries, Rhonda Plooster and Carla Sipma.

The scholarship was based upon academic excellence and financial need. It is to be used during the freshman college year at an accredited four-year college or university in the United States.

The recipient, determined by the senior high faculty, was required to be a graduate of Corsica High School and in the top 20 percent of the class after seven completed semesters.

Boys', Girls' staters chosen

Kathy Kredit and John Reimnitz have been chosen as the 1981 Girls' and Boys' State representatives.

Cherie Bakker and Lowell Groeneweg were chosen as alternates.

The Girls' Stater was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and the Boys' Stater by the American Legion. To be chosen, the candidates had to meet certain academic requirements. The candidates also wrote a "Statement of Interest" which told why they

were interested in government.

According to Girls' Stater Kathy Kredit, "I feel that Girls' State will be a good experience, and it will help me to better understand the functions of our governmental system."

John Reimnitz, Boys' Stater, feels that "Boys' State will help me to understand our government a lot better, because I will be taking part in running and solving the problems of a government instead of just reading about it." Reimnitz also felt that it will help him to be a better citizen.

Girls' and Boys' State will both be conducted May 31 to June 6. The girls will be on the campus of Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell while the boys will be at Northern State College in Aberdeen.

Hegerfield acquires teaching experience

"Of course there are always a few exceptions, but the students at CHS seem well behaved and eager to learn," said Joan Hegerfield, student teacher.

She began conducting the classes at the beginning of the fourth quarter and will continue until May 19. The last three weeks of her teaching experience she will teach junior high classes.

Hegerfield graduated from South Dakota State University last spring with a major in public health science and a minor in microbiology. She and her husband Mike Hegerfield moved to Corsica last August. Because she was not able to find a job related to her major in the Corsica area, she enrolled at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell this past fall to obtain her teaching certification in the areas of science and health.

"Mr. Lien is very helpful," said Hegerfield. "He lets me go on my own pretty much, but he is always willing to help me."

Hegerfield is also assisting Doug Hookie with the girls' track team. "I was out for track all four years at SDSU, and now I am taking a track theory class at Dakota Wesleyan. Since I'm not able to sit in the class at DWU I have to work with the Corsica track team to get credit for my class," said Hegerfield.

In the future, Hegerfield would like to teach junior high classes at a school in South Dakota.

'The Best of Times' 1981 prom theme

"The Best of Times" was the theme chosen for the junior-senior prom, April 24.

"It was easy to pick the theme because it was the only popular song that would work for a prom theme," said Kathy Kredit, junior class president.

The banquet will be prepared by the mothers of the junior class. The meal will be served by the waiters and waitresses chosen by the junior class. Those chosen were Perry Van Roekel, Dwight Beukelman, Kevin Zomer and Carl Vanden Hoek, waiters; and

Jodie Groeneweg, Deann Gruenewald, Julie Gerlach, and Donna Metzger, waitresses.

The entertainment at the banquet will be provided by the junior class. The invocation will be given by Reverend Spiedel. Jim Beukelman, senior class president, will read the senior class wills. The prophecy for the senior class will be read by Kathy Kredit.

The band "Silver Heart", which will perform at the dance, is from Madison and has a contemporary style.

At chapter meeting

FHA learns 'Fitness Fantasia'

"Fitness Fantasia," an exercise class to music, started off the last FHA chapter meeting.

The class was taught by Jane Giles, instructor at the YMCA in Mitchell, and was sponsored by the four freshman FHA members as part of earning their junior degrees.

"I think everyone really liked it," said Amy Gjesdal, FHA adviser, "because it is exercise to modern, jazzy music."

After doing exercises the regular meeting began. Plans were made for attending the regional meeting in Iroquois next

Friday.

Action Activities are 5-10 minute timed demonstrations given by one or two people. Brenda Uttecht and Edith Heber will work together in presenting a puppet show about suicide, and Vonda Zomer and Kristi Wagner will demonstrate various exercises and menus for students.

At the regional meeting Julie Baier will compete in the Beef Cook Off, the Corsica chapter will be in charge of a scholarship raffle and four members will be participating in Action Activities.

"We've Only Begun to Change" is the theme for the regional meeting. "I think everyone attending will really enjoy it, because they'll get to see others performing," said Gjesdal. "They'll be impressed by other chapters' activities and will learn what can be done in FHA for recognition."

Other upcoming activities will be a roller skating party in Mitchell, April 6, and a chapter meeting, April 13, at which officers will be elected for the next school year.

Medics sponsor clinic

The Organization of Future Medics sponsored a first aid clinic recently.

The clinic was conducted by Darlene Bye, County Health Nurse; Marjorie Hartman, Emergency Medical Technician; and Corky Hamburg, Registered Nurse.

A film was presented that discussed emergency first aid such as bleeding, choking, heart failure, and how to summon help.

Following the film Marjorie Hartman demonstrated Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on mannequins and some students got an opportunity to practice on the mannequins.

"It was an interesting introductory class," said Dennis Hup, club president, "but it will be necessary to set up a night exclusively for CPR at a later date."

Baier first in Cook Off

Julie Baier placed first and Sharlene Drefs second in the Beef Cook Off sponsored by the South Dakota Cowbelles.

Judging the recipes which were to feature round steak were Carol E. Birgen, Extension Home Economist for Davison County, and Dr. A. T. Wahlert from Corsica.

Amy Gjesdal, home economics instructor for CHS, said about the Beef Cook Off, "I'd like to see more participation, because the kids this year really seemed to enjoy it. It's a good experience for the students, because they have the responsibility to cook something on their own."

When asked what winning the

Beef Cook Off means to her, Julie Baier replied that "It encouraged me to be more outgoing in FHA, and I learned new tips and techniques to improve my cooking."

Baier will now go on to compete at the FHA-HERO Region 5 meeting in Iroquois this Friday.

PTO presents Fun Night

The Parent-Teachers Organization sponsored a Fun Night last Monday.

Pastor Tom Hoogendoorn was the master of ceremonies for the evening of songs and skits.

Grades three and four opened with a few songs.

The first skit, "School Bus

Romance", portrayed the typical afternoon bus route. Several teacher, students, and members of the PTO played the different parts of students from Corsica High School. They brought much laughter by throwing books and paper airplanes.

The next skit, "Charge of the Bathroom Brigade", was accompanied by Pam Buehner playing the piano and Jim Beukelman reading the script while the actors played their parts on stage. The skit involved a man and a woman living in a boarding house and everytime the man would try to propose to her, he would be interrupted by someone on his way to the bathroom.

The final skit, "Chicken Man," featured a T. V. script writer who always lived the scripts that he was working on for television.

Reagan budget affects lunches

Under President Reagan's proposed budget cuts school lunch prices may increase considerably in the future, according to Irma Beukelman, business manager for Corsica High School.

Presently the school lunch program provides hot meals to students, faculty, and administrators at 65¢ for grade school students, 70¢ for high school students, and \$1.20 for adults.

"For each paid meal, the school is reimbursed 16¢ plus 15¢ for food commodities," said Beukelman. "Tentatively, if the program should go into effect, the paid meals and the food commodities would no longer be

reimbursed to the school."

The lunch program also provides hot lunches for free and reduced prices to approximately forty students. The proposed budget cuts already caused reduced lunch prices to be raised from the current 10¢ per meal to 20¢ per meal, January 1, and would cause the income guidelines for both free and reduced lunches to be raised in the future.

"We would have to raise lunch prices to keep our program going," said Beukelman. "I don't think we would reduce our staff, but it depends on how many students continue eating the hot lunches. Right now we need all of the staff that we have."

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Olivier



Joan Hegerfield, assistant track coach, leads Lisa Peters and Deb De Geest. Hegerfield is currently serving as a student-teacher and assistant coach while working for her teaching certification.



Julie Hoekman, the only Senior trackster, winds up to hurl the discus. There are 20 girls out for track this year, but only three are upperclassmen.

Track season begins

Corsica High School started its 1981 track season March 17, as 10 boys and 20 girls reported for practice.

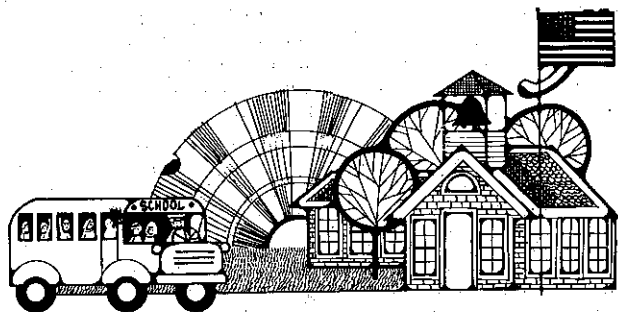
Coach Dennis De Boer replied when asked his views on the upcoming track season, "Due to the lack of numbers out for track, it will be hard to challenge any other teams in the conference for the title. But the students that we do have out are working hard, and hopefully we can qualify someone for the state.

The 10 boys that make up this year's version of the CHS boys' track team are seniors: Doug De Geest, Tom Dockendorf, Chuck Noteboom, Doug Olivier; juniors: Jerry Beukelman, Lowell Groeneweg, Curt Wagner; freshmen: Dan De Vries, David Fey and Steve Noteboom.

The 20 girls to report for Coach Doug Hookie's track squad are senior: Julie Hoekman; juniors:

Cherie Bakker, Sharlene Drefs; freshmen: Michelle Drefs, Shanon Noteboom, Robin Schoon, Lisa Vanden Hoek, Kristi Wagner; eighth graders: Kristie Bakker, Jodel Batterman, Donna Olson, Holly Van Roekel; seventh graders: Lorisa Bamberg, Kristine Bordewyk, Debbie De Geest, Becky Hoogendoorn, Lisa Peters, Marla Scholten, Tracy Vanden Hoek and Melissa Van Maanen.

About his girls' team Coach Hookie said, "We have 20 girls out for track, only three of them upperclassmen. We should do well in the distance races, especially the two-mile relay where we have all four runners finish in the State Track Meet finish in the State Track Meet returning. We will have to rely upon the younger girls for the sprints and field events."



Cagers end season at 14-5

The Comet cagers wound up their 1980-81 campaign with a loss to eventual state champion Stickney in the District 27 Tourney for a final 14-5 slate marking.

"... we had a successful season ..."

Teamwise, the roundballers chalked up some impressive statistics with 1265 total points, 707 rebounds, and 262 assists. For the year they shot 47 percent on 549 of 1178 from the field and 167 of 271 charity tosses for 62 percent. Rebounding saw the team yank down 274 offensive and 433 defensive caroms.

The Comets averaged 66.5 points per game while allowing 54.7 (1040 total) for an average winning margin of 11.8 points. Their 14-5 record computes to a winning percentile of 74 percent.

Individual scoring honors went to 5 ft. 11 in. senior guard Tom Dockendorf as he averaged 19.7 (374 total) counters per game. Doug Olivier, 6 ft. 5 in. senior pivotman and 6 ft. 1 in. senior forward Chuck Noteboom followed with 16.1 (307 total) and 13.4 (255 total) averages, respectively. Free throw honors also went to Dockendorf as he hit at a 71 percent clip on 46-65 followed by Olivier's 43-67 for a 64 percent average.

Olivier led the Comets in boardwork as he tore down 216

strays for an 11.3 average and his fourth consecutive rebounding crown. Noteboom chipped in with a 7.7 average from a 147 rebound total. Dockendorf led in the assist category with 82 handouts and a 4.3 average. He was trailed closely by 5 ft. 9 in. senior guard, Doug De Geest, who totaled 64 dishoffs for a per game average of 3.3.

"... it was a letdown not to advance in playoffs."

Presently, Olivier is the only senior who is planning to invade the college basketball ranks next season, but the others feel that with a lot of hard work they could play intercollegiately also.

Coach Dennis De Boer, along with his four graduating veterans, feels that the season must be termed successful, but all agree that they would have liked it to last longer. "In terms of wins and losses, we had a successful season, but it ended all too abruptly with loss in districts," he said. Dockendorf and Noteboom both agree that they had successful and satisfying prep careers. "I'm very happy to have played on all winning teams, but it was a letdown not to advance in playoffs. Overall, I'm satisfied," Dockendorf said. Noteboom heartily agreed.

Olivier feels almost identically but, "I guess my outlet is that I can look forward to playing in college. I don't know where yet but I'm going to give it my best shot."

Junior high team captures third place

The junior high basketball team captured third place in the Corsica Seventh and Eighth Grade Invitational Tourney earlier this month.

In the first round action Armour won over Corsica and Stickney prevailed over New Holland.

Second round action showed Corsica winning over New Holland for third place honors and victorious Stickney taking the first place trophy home leaving Armour second place.

Corsica's Comets had a slow start against Armour the first night of the tourney. The final score was Armour 38, Corsica 17.

The Comets offensive efforts were led by Brad Vanden Hoek with five counters and Troy Bosma and Brad Fisher with four points each. Finishing the Comet scoring were Paul Spaans and Dale Uttecht with two points apiece.

Armour operated behind Mark Davenport and Pat Freidel, who

had ten and nine points, respectively.

In the second round Corsica returned to win a narrow victory over New Holland to take third place.

Dale Uttecht threw in seven points to pace the Comet's offensive drive, followed by Kurt Noteboom and Troy Bosma with six counters apiece. Both Bosma and Noteboom displayed skill by shooting an impressive 100 percent each from the free throw line.

Brad Vanden Hoek and Paul Spaans finished out the Comet attack with five and four points each as the Comets spurred themselves to a close 28-24 victory over New Holland.

The Blue Jays were led by Tom De Lange who made an unsuccessful nine point effort towards a victory.

The Comets finished the season with the eighth grade at 3-9 and the seventh grade with a 1-9 win-loss record.

Boys' and Girls' 1981 Track Schedule

- April 2: USD Indoor Invitational track meet
- April 3: Kimball track meet
- April 7: Bonesteel track meet
- April 11: Corn Palace Relays
- April 14: Avon track meet
- April 16: Platte track meet
- April 21: Stickney Relays
- April 24: 49th Annual Tyndall Relays
- April 25: Platte Junior High track meet
- April 28: Burke track meet
- May 1: Tyndall girls' track meet
- May 2: Howard Wood
- May : Lake Andes track meet
- May 6: CBH track meet at Kimball
- May 9: Junior High track meet at Lake Andes Parkston track meet
- May 14: Regional track meet at Kimball
- May 22-23: State Track Meet at Spearfish

Tryouts May 1

Students to audition for choir

Four Corsica students will be auditioning for the eighth annual All-State Honors Choir at Mitchell Senior High on May 1.

Wyla Punt, Cindy Olawsky, Leanne De Vries and Lisa Gerlach are Corsica's participants.

"Honors Choir is the highest standard of choral excellence South Dakota can offer on the high school level. It is an 'honor' to be accepted into the group.

"Last year approximately 600 students auditioned and only 150 can be accepted. The caliber of music performed is very high as is the tone quality and overall musicianship of the group," said

Pam Buehner, vocal director.

Only sophomores and juniors are eligible to audition. All members of the Honors Choir must be a member of the local school ensemble and a student in good standing.

Auditions for the applicants contain three divisions: performance of a solo, a sight-reading test and a written test.

The solo is judged on tone quality, projection, enunciation, dynamics and musicality.

"Since Honors Choir meets and practices for one week before performance, it gives students an insight into the technical aspects of singing as can be experienced

only by using the voice for long periods of time," said Buehner.

If the students are accepted, they will be attending a five day summer workshop on the South Dakota State University campus in Brookings.

About the students' preparation, Buehner commented, "By the time the audition date arrives, I feel the students will be adequately prepared."

All-State Honors Choir is sponsored by the South Dakota Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association. The Music Boosters will sponsor the accepted students.

Business students compete

Fifteen students competed at the Northern State College Business and Office Skills Contest last Thursday, and twelve students will attend the CBH Commercial Contest at the Mitchell Area Vocational Technical School this Thursday.

Students attending the contest in Aberdeen were Carla Sipma, Brenda Zomer, Shorthand I; Leanne De Vries, Linda Beukelman, Business Machines; Jim Koedam, Anita Olson, Typing I; Kathy Kredit, Ione Star, Typing II; Lisa Gerlach, Kevin Goldammer, Accounting I; Michelle Drefs, Rhonda De Vries, General Business; Brenda Bultje, Brenda Van Vuuren, Secretarial Procedure; and Dennis Hup, Business Law.

Due to the number of schools invited to participate in the contest, a limit of only two students per school could compete in each event.

Results of this contest were not available.

Students that will be competing in the conference contest are Jim Koedam, Donna Metzger, Gina Dockendorf, Typing I; Ardis Everson, Carla Sipma, Brenda Zomer, Shorthand I; Leanne De Vries, Kathy Kredit, Ione Star, Typing II; Lowell Groeneweg, Lisa Gerlach, and Kevin Goldammer, Bookkeeping.

Dallas Preheim, business instructor, said. "I think the contests are very interesting in that they show us how our students compete in business with other students in our area."

Music Festival creates 'total ensemble sound'

Corsica's band members and Swing Choir members, under the direction of Tom Vondracek and Pam Buehner, performed at the Corn Palace Music Festival last Tuesday.

"The day was spent rigorously on total ensemble sound which is a task in itself with over 300 members participating," said Vondracek.

The bands from each school

joined together to form one large band under the direction of Roger Faulmann, an instructor of Percussion and an Assistant Director of Bands at South Dakota State University in Brookings.

"Although some students felt the day was rather long," Vondracek said, "the initial outcome, the concert itself, superceded this feeling with its rewarding performance."

The vocal representatives of each school performed separately. Corsica's Swing Choir performed the song "Jubilation" in the evening.

Other schools participating in the festival were Artesian, Canova, Letcher, Ethan, Mitchell ninth grade band, Mt. Vernon, and Plankinton.

Coming Events

- March 30: PTO, 8 p.m.
- April 2: USD Indoor Invitational track meet.
CBH business contest, Mitchell Vo-Tech.
- April 3: Grade vocal contest, Armour.
- April 4: Math contest, Vermillion.
- April 7, Track meet, Bonesteel.
- April 9, 10: School play, "Brother Goose," 7:30 p.m.
- April 13: Assembly program, "Frisbees," 9 a.m.
School Board meeting.
- April 14: Track meet, Avon.
- April 16: Track meet, Platte.
- April 17: Good Friday, NO SCHOOL.
- April 19: Easter.
- April 20: Easter Monday, NO SCHOOL.
- April 21: Jazz Festival at Huron.
- April 24: Junior-Senior Prom and Banquet.
Arbor Day.
49th Annual Tyndall Relays.
- April 25: Junior High track meet, Platte.
- April 26: Daylight Savings Time begins.

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