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SJMS Is Honor Unit

St. John's Military School again earned the designation of High School Honor Unit with Distinction for its junior ROTC program.

The announcement was made Commencement morning by Brig. Gen. Daniel W. French, Commander of Third ROTC Region with Headquarters at Ft. Riley. He offered congratulations to the 89th Corps of Cadets and presented the certificate of achievement to Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent.

He said that the School had attained exceptionally high standards of military training and discipline during the 1976-77 academic years to earn the designation.

The award is based on a day-long inspection of records, barracks and Cadet Corps by a team of visiting Army officers.

Brigadiers Receive Medallions

The 1976-77 Brigadiers were recognized during Commencement ceremonies, May 22. A Brigadier is an individual giving \$1,000 to SJMS in money or services during the year.

The Brigadiers are S. Dean Evans, Salina; Walton C. Ferris, Lincoln, Neb.; Leon Fuels, Kansas City, Mo.; Graves Truck Line, Salina; the Rev. Loyd Holifield, Salina; Cecil Jordan, Wichita; Lt. Col. Paul H. Kellogg, Salina; Milton Morrison, Salina; Dr. William Null, Salina; Planters State Bank, Salina; Susan Ratcliff, Lakewood, Colo.; Betty Rounds, Wichita; Jack Vanier, Brookville; Wardens & Vestery of Trinity Church, Atchison and H.T. Wellman, Longview, Tex.

Kyle Duckers Made Honorary Cadet

Kyle G. Duckers, son of Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent, and Mrs. Duckers was made an honorary member of the 89th Corps of Cadets following the Senior Breakfast in Nichols Dining Hall. Duckers, a graduating senior at Salina High Central, was born and grew up at St. John's Military School. He also worked in the Spencer Cadet Center on weekend during the school year. He will attend the University of Kansas in the fall.

His older brother Edward, a KU junior, is an honorary member of the 87th Corps.



The Change of Command

Dan Siburg (left) receives the Hardy Sabre from John Livingston, Cadet Battalion commander of the 89th Corps of Cadets. Siburg will command the 90th Corps to be formed next fall.

Meidell Encouraged Seniors — "Be Winners"

"You can do anything in the whole wide world if you have a heart, a brain and courage," William "Bill" Meidell told members of the 89th Corps of Cadets in the Commencement address, Sunday, May 22.

Speaking on Perkins Field on a bright, sunny morning Meidell, an SJMS graduate with the Class of 1954, said, "Learn to listen, listen to learn, learn to teach. True communication is to be able to put yourself in the other man's shoes."

Meidell is an executive with the Western Auto Corporation and lives in Ripon, Wis. He attended Wichita State University after graduating from St. John's and had a long career in sales before joining Western Auto four years ago.

He noted that John Livingston has received 29 awards at the Awards convocation the previous evening. Meidell noted that he also received 29 in one month, but they were all demerits.

As a St. John's Cadet, Meidell teamed with Dean Hargrove, Class of '55 in producing Saturday night skits that have become a legend. Hargrove is now the executive producer of the Columbo series.

He said that successful people need two things — self sufficiency and self discipline. "You can't live the past over. If you fall short, reset your goals and go on. Learn to live for today and live today for all its worth."

He urged members of the class to be motivators, first of themselves and second of others.

Meidell was accompanied by his wife, Judy and two of his three children. In closing he read a poem he had written for his son, Chris, in January of 1975.

The text of the poem follows:

BORN TO WIN January 1975

A child—that's the way we start.
No sense of direction—only heart.
Needing affection, love and such
Gaining strength we need so much
We're growing now and learning things
But still not knowing what the future brings.
You're oblivious now to all the bad—
You only know of the good to be had.
It's so much fun growing up this way,
Something new happening every day.
But it's not like this forever, you see.
Although its how you always want it to be.
Now you're older and going to school,
Romp and playing and acting the fool.
With new found friends and lots of fun.
Enjoy yourself, Chris my son.
Someday you'll grow up and be on your own
You'll look back at all the good times you've known.
Just look in the mirror and say with a grin—
My parents once told me I WAS BORN TO WIN."

Faculty Promoted

Two members of the SJMS faculty received promotions during Commencement weekend activities. Paul Sommers, Guidance Counselor, was promoted to Major. Larry Lysell, new assistant for admissions, was promoted to Captain.

Year Ends With Pageantry, Honors

Pageantry, advice to seniors, an honor school rating, the change of command and a West Point appointment were all part of Commencement activities on a sunny May morning on Perkins Field.

The morning festivities began with a 9:30 a.m. concert by the First Infantry Division band from Ft. Riley. The band provided music for Commencement and the final pass-in-review.

In the formal Change of Command, John Livingston, Commander of the 89th Corps of Cadets, presented the Hardy Sabre to Daniel Siburg, who will return in the fall to command the 90th Corps of Cadets.

The Gordon prize for excellence in academics, leadership and athletics was presented to Livingston by Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent. The winner's name is inscribed on a marble tablet in Vail Hall and is donated by a former Gordon Prize winner, Lt. Col. Al Ransom, Class of 1956.

Diplomas were presented to 18 graduating seniors by the Rt. Rev. William Davidson, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas; Col. Duckers and Lt. Col. Kenneth C. Faerber, Director of Studies.

Medallions were presented to the members of the Brigadier.

Maj. Andrew Tucker, recently resigned Senior Army Instructor, was presented a Certificate of Achievement for his work in the ROTC program by Brig. Gen. Daniel W. French, Commander of the Third ROTC region. Gen. French also announced the Honor School rating with distinction for SJMS and the appointment of John Livingston to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

From "The National Anthem" to "Taps" the First Division

John Livingston Gets West Point Appointment

John Livingston, Battalion Commander of the 89th Corps of Cadets, received an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He will report in July to become a member of the class of 1981.

The announcement was made by Brig. Gen. Daniel W. French, commander of the Third ROTC Region, during Commencement ceremonies and was presented a Certificate of Achievement. The previous evening Livingston was presented a special award from the SJMS Board of Trustees for his accomplishment.

Livingston, a five-year Cadet, served during his senior year as president of the Chapel Council, Explorer Scout Post, National Honor Society and Key Club.

He earned school letters in cross country, basketball and track and was a member of the S-Club. As Battalion Commander he also served as chairman of the Cadet Court.

Livingston was a licensed layreader in the Episcopal church. He was an active member of the yearbook staff.

A Cadet Colonel, Livingston earned 30 awards, medals and certificates for his many accomplishments including the coveted Gordon Prize which is given only in a year when a Cadet is outstanding in the areas of leadership, academics, activities and athletics. During the 1976-77 school year, Livingston lead the academic honor roll for all six grading periods.

band and the 89th Corps presented a musical and colorful pageant, until retiring Battalion Commander Livingston dismissed the 89th Corps forever.

Other stories related to the Commencement will be found elsewhere in the "The Skirmisher."

Cadets Earn State Honors

Scholarship awards were presented to several Cadets as a result of testing competition sponsored by the Kansas High School Activities Association.

John R. Livingston earned honorable mention in three areas in competition against students from high schools of all classes across Kansas. The areas were Physics, Health, and American Government. Jeff Dowhower earned honorable mention in American History. Randy Krueger received honorable mention in Health. Mike McCormick received a General Science honorable mention certificate and Robert C. Worrell received one for General Health.

In competition among Class 2A schools, Livingston earned first place in Health and third place in Physics.

Earning 2A honorable mentions were Livingston, American Government; McCormick, General Science; Worrell, General Math and Dowhower, American History.

A super show

(Editor's Note -- The following editorial appeared in the May 25 issue of The Salina Journal.)

All Commencements are great, of course, but the one St. John's Military school puts on here each year is something special because of its pageantry.

Much of the credit for that must go to the First Infantry Division band from Fort Riley which plays a pre-Commencement concert and accompanying music during the ceremonies.

Its patriotic music stirs the heart, as does the precision marching of the school's cadets. By the time the band plays "Auld Lang Syne" at the end of the activities, those who attend have had a super treat.

Incidentally, this year's outdoor Commencement was further graced by excellent weather.

All in all, it was a great show.

PROMOTIONS

A number of promotions were made by special order at the end of the school year.

Promoted to:

COLONEL -- John Livingston.
LIEUTENANT COLONEL -- Jeff Zuercher, Randy Krueger,
MAJOR -- Rick Smith.
CAPTAIN -- Tim Cook, Gary Santillanes, Rafael DelMoral.

FIRST LIEUTENANT -- Robin South, Rick Coutts, David Howard, Roberto Colon.

SECOND LIEUTENANT -- Rick Stitt, Jeff Turner.

MASTER SERGEANT -- Jerry Mischel, Scott Furlong, David Bassett.

FIRST SERGEANT -- Mike Davis, George Miklos, Kirk Erwin.

PLATOON SERGEANT -- Bret Hagglund, Ken Strickland, Mark Bassett.

STAFF SERGEANT -- Ian Snider, Scott Ratcliff, Scott Martin, Jeff Mackey.

SERGEANT -- Mark Shadowen, David Schaaf, Martin Hopper, Malcolm Gillespie, Brad Hartley, Phil Crouch, Tim Cejka.

CORPORAL -- Mike Fengel, Eric Sornson, Randy Peoples, Jim Nicholson, Earl Hoffman, David Henderson, Jerry Graham, Rick Bos, Dean Bailey, Ronald Mies, Fred Yates, Bob Worrell, Kevin Williams, Steven Saied, Tony Rumpf, John Powell, Bill Marsh, Shaun Leavers, Steve Lauber.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS -- Alan Stoddard, Mark Smith, Anthony Nelson, Mark Leaser, Elvin Henson, Merle Stout, Bradley Hopper, Mike Hill, Clay Hamlett, Tim Burke.

Capt. Woody Gets Award

Capt. Gerald Woody, Lower School teacher, was presented with an award from the University of Kansas School of Education for his 25 years of teaching and service to youth in Kansas. The certificate was presented at the close of the Awards convocation.

Good Conduct Ribbons Given

Good Conduct Ribbons for the school year were awarded by special order.

Earning the ribbons for the fifth year were Randy Krueger and John Livingston.

Dan Barbour received the award for the fourth year.

Three-year winners were Ariel Anaya, John Berrey, and Jeff Zuercher.

Two-year recipients were Mark Bassett, Paul Dean, David Howard, Brad Landes, Scott Martin, Beau Lockett, Brian Reintjes, Bill Sherman, Dan Siburg and Mark Wholgemuth.

One-year ribbons went to Rick Anderson, David Bassett, Tim Cejka, Cliff Cernick, Gary Cline, Jeff Dowhower, Scott Furlong, Malcolm Gillespie, Mark Hopper, Shaun Leavers, Giley McConnell, Richard Makoski, Randy Mason, Ronald Mies, Jerry Mischel, Carlos Moser, Steven Saied, Gary Santillanes, Craig Staley, Jimmy Strachen, Jeff Turner, Erroll Waddell and Fred Yates.

Santillanes Heads Octagon

Gary Santillanes was elected president of the Octagon for the 1977-78 school year at the final meeting of the current year. Other officers are Robin South, vice-president; and Mike Davis, secretary-treasurer.

The club donated \$130 to the SJMS scholarship fund. Certificates were presented to the retiring officers, Randy Krueger, Rick Smith and Tom Miller. Serving a two-year term as president, Krueger increased the membership 200 percent and the club gained honor status from the sponsoring organization, Optimist International.

Livingston Heads Final Honor Roll

John Livingston headed the academic honor roll in the Upper School at the end of the sixth grading period. Others named to the roll with grade averages above 90 were Malcolm Gillespie, Mike Davis, Jeff Turner, Jeff Dowhower, Randy Krueger, Jeff Mackey, Eric Pederson, Jerry Mischel, Charles Maxie, Jim Nickelson, Randy Peoples, Scott Furlong, Kelvin Orndoff, Billy Tarter, David Schaaf, Carlos Moser, Ken Langness, Randy Mason and Dan Siburg.

Earning honorable mention were John Mings, Tom Miller, John Louisot, Mark Wohlge-muth, Gary Santillanes, Arnaldo Anaya, Jim Davis, Kevin Williams, Bob Worell, Mark Shadowen, Trevor Hare, Mark Smith, Todd Clift, Ariel Anaya, Bob Hartley, Brad Landes, Roberto Colon, Bill Sherman, Kirk Erwin, Tom Rust, Larry Gross, David Bassett, and Rafael DelMoral.

Snakes Go Home Alive Or As Skins

The snakes caught on the annual rattlesnake hunt near Wynoka, Okla., went home with the Cadets either alive or as skins.

Each year in April, Lt. Col. R.L. Guernsey, Science Department chairman, sponsors a trip to catch the snakes. This year the Cadets returned with four rattlesnakes, a number of whip snakes and blue racers. Other "trophies" were two horned and one tarantula.

Jerry Graham killed and skinned his rattlesnake and dried the skin. He may use the skin to cover a belt or a hat band. Mike Luttrell skinned a whip snake and will mount the skin as a trophy.

Earn Drill Medals

The Commandant's medals were awarded to the winners of the manual-of-arms competition held as a part of Military Field Day activities. Eric Pederson received the Upper School award and Brian Autry, the Lower School award.

Chapel Service Opens Commencement Day

Commencement Sunday began early with a 7:15 a.m. Service of Holy Communion honoring the Senior Class in Armstrong Memorial Chapel. Celebrant and preacher was the Rt. Rev. William Davidson, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas.

Two memorial gifts to the Chapel were blessed by Bishop Davidson at the beginning of the service. The Abbott Memorial Prayer Desk in the Meditation Room was given in memory of J. Mac Abbott, Class of 1926, by Paul S. Holland, Denny K. Farnsworth, Lyman Linger, Ed Orr and E.P. Ripley.

The Livingston Memorial candles on the altar were given in memory of Walter Livingston by his sister, Nina Livingston, School bursar.

The Holifield Memorial Cross

SJMS Foundation Undertakes Project

Various projects to improve Cadet life and the quality of educational programs at St. John's Military School were approved by the St. John's Foundation at its meeting May 21.

The semi-annual meeting followed a luncheon at the Hilton Inn.

The Foundation will purchase 250 place settings of stainless steel flatware for use in Nichols Dining Hall. Cost of the project is \$500.

Additional equipment and replacements for the developmental reading program costing \$1,077 were approved. To be added will be a multi-use machine combo and a reading context program. New filmstrips will be purchased to replace strips suffering from extended use.

A cassette-overhead projector for sound filmstrips for use in the Social Science-Business department will be purchased.

The Foundation voted to provide \$500 travel expenses for the Fencing team to attend the National Fencing Championships.

A fund of \$1,500 was approved to replace the present videotape recorder ensemble which Mrs. Martha Lohmann, Librarian, described as a "lemon". The present recorder will be traded in to obtain a new machine.

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Cadet Achievements Honored At Annual Awards Convocation

Outstanding achievements by Cadets in all areas of life at St. John's Military School were recognized at the annual Awards Convocation Saturday evening, May 21 at Memorial Hall.

John Livingston, a graduating senior, received many of the awards given for excellence in academics, athletics and leadership. He was awarded the Golden Eagle scholarship award, the Effort medal, Wilson Loyalty medal and the American Legion medal, as the commissioned officer with the highest grade average.

David Howard received the Golden Eagle award for the junior class.

Livingston and Randy Krueger were both awarded Rotary medals as the graduating seniors who had attended the school for the longest period of time. Both entered SJMS in the eighth grade and attended five years.

Mark Wohlgemuth was awarded the Sage Memorial medal as the "old boy" senior making the most advancement during the year.

Jeff Turner earned the Rose medal as the new boy making the most satisfactory record during the year.

John Berrey received the Ninninger Award as the Cadet making the most of his talents and abilities.

Honors in the Lower School went to Dan Martin, Progress medal; Martin Hopper, Effort medal; Giley McConnell, Lower School medal and Gordon Snider, Athletic Scholarship medal.

The School Specialty Supply awards for the highest academic standing in each class went to Andrew Wolfe, grade four;

Shaun Leavers, grade six; Paul Dean, grade seven; Gordon Snider, grade eight; Kenneth Langness, grade nine; Jeff Turner, grade ten; Malcolm Gillespie, grade eleven, and Livingston, grade twelve.

Other awards earned by Livingston were the Lippincott Memorial award; Athletic Scholarship medal; Kansas State University Dean's award, Activity, Leadership medal, the Cummings Memorial Award and the Kennedy-Holifield award as the Cadet best exemplifying the religious standards of the school.

James Mackey received the Hardy Rifleman for outstanding performance on the Rifle team.

Richard Stitt received the Bishop's award as being of the most assistance in the Chapel program during the school year.

Earning the Foundation awards for the best character ratings were Gary Cline, Lower School; Kenneth Langness, freshman; Eric Pederson, sophomore; Mike Davis and Malcolm Gillespie, juniors; David Bassett and Brad Landes, seniors.

Jeff Zuerchers earned the "I Dare you Award."

Charles Maxie received the Heaton trophy and the Lee Mirth award.

Ferris awards for excellence in the shop program went to Eric Pederson, Shop I; Robin South, Shop II; Patrick Laumeyer, Mechanical Drawing I; and Mark Wohlgemuth, Mechanical Drawing II.

Relay Team Sets Record

The SJMS Medley Relay team set a new school record of 3:49.6, running in the state regional track meet. Members of the team were Eric Pederson, Rafael DelMoral, David Schaaf and John Livingston.

Other Cadets competing were Kirk Erwin, high and low hurdles; Dan Barbour, two-mile; Rick Stitt, one-mile and Jerry Mischel, the half-mile.

Livingston received the Bausch and Lomb Science award.

The National Sojourner's ROTC award went to Zuercher.

The Kansas High School Activities Association citizenship awards were presented Daniel Martin, Lower School and Livingston, Upper School.

Earning the "God and Country" awards given by the Boy Scouts were Livingston, Krueger, Zuercher, Kirk Erwin, Danyl Barbour, and Stitt. Steven Saied received the "Alpha Omega" award given by the Scouts.

Danyl Barbour received marksmanship medals including the Cheney medal; Upper School Marksmanship medal and the Reserve Officers award.

Brian Autry was given the Lower School athletic medal and Thomas Miller the Fry Athletic medal.

Musical awards went to Jerry Mischel, Bugler; and best bandsman; Charles Maxie, drummer.

Cline was the recipient of the Lower School Marksmanship medal and the Lower School Citizenship medal.

Scott Martin was awarded President's medal of AMCSUS as the eighth grade Cadet with the greatest potential to be an outstanding Upper School leader.

Mischel received the VFW Citizenship medal; Krueger, the DAR medal and T. Miller, the SAR medal.

Dean Heads L.S. List

Paul Dean headed the Lower School's honor roll at the end of the sixth grading period. Others with grade averages above 90 were Gordon Snider, Andrew Wolfe and Max Montgomery.

Earning honorable mention were Paul Hughes, Giley McConnell, Gary Cline, Dan Martin, Shaun Leavers, Loren Curtis, Craig Staley, Lance Allen and Merle Stout.



HAULING IN THE AWARDS at the annual Awards convocation was John Livingston. He came prepared to carry his 29 awards, certificates and medals home.

Academic Achievements Honored

Certificates for having the highest average for each course in the Upper School were presented at the awards convocation on Saturday evening, May 21.

Receiving six awards for the highest average in English (College Prep), Sociology, Advanced Math, American Government, lay-reader's course and physics was John R. Livingston.

Earning four course awards was Malcolm Gillespie. He earned the high honor in English III, vocal music, American History and religion.

Earning three awards were Billy Joe Tarter, Orientation, Democracy and English I; David Howard, chemistry, French II and Physical Ed and Health; and Jeffrey Turner, typing, English II and Biology.

Taking two awards were Ian Snider, Forensics and Geometry; Carlos Moser, reading and Algebra I; Randy Krueger, speech and economics; Jim Davis, Pre-algebra and Media Arts, and Jerry Mischel, Algebra II and Physical Science.

Earning one award were Roberto Colon, driver training; Michael Davis, Visual Exploration II; Jeff Dowhower, Psychology; Steven Fields, English IV; Trevor Hare, World History; Brad Landes, Religion II; Kenneth Langness, French I; Pat Laumeyer, Mechanical Drawing I; John Louisot, General Business; Jeff Mackey, physical education; Randall Mason, General Math; Charles Maxie Shop II; Thomas Miller, World Geography; John Mings, Visual Exploration I; Kelvin Orndoff, Fundamental Math; Eric Pederson, Shop I; Gary Santillanes, Drama; Dan Siburg, Current Science; Kevin Williams, Applied Math; Mark Wohlgemuth, Mechanical Drawing II; and Randall Peoples, Basic Science.

ROTC Medals Given

ROTC Superior Cadets Decorations for excellence in the four Military Class programs were awarded. Earning the awards were Jeff Turner, Military I; Eric Pederson, Military II; Dan Siburg, Military III, and John Livingston, Military IV.



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Charlie Company Takes Top Company Honors

"C" Company, commanded by Jeff Zuercher, took top honors during the Military Field Day drill events.

The drill platoon award for 1976-77 went to a "C" company platoon, commanded by Robin South. Members of the platoon were Scott Martin, Bob Worrell, Mike McCormick, Martin Hopper, Kevin Williams, Brent Pray, Randy Mason, Brian Autry, Scott Ratcliff, Bill Slagle, Raymond Price, Mike Luttrell, Tim Burke, Tony Rumpf, Max Montgomery, Mike Fengel, Chris Coulson, Richard Hallberg, Brian Reintjes, Arthur Stewart, Elvin Helson, and Bill Marsh.

"C" company also was presented the Honor Company pennant for the current school year.

And then "c" Company took the award as the Best Drill Company.

Members of the Company not in the "honor platoon"

group were Lance Allen, Dan Bailey, Mike Clark, Tim Cook, Loren Curtis, Brad Hartley, Alvin Hess, Mark Philippi, John Sack, Craig Staley, Merle Stout, Tom Wallace, Fred Yates, Jim Allison, Ricky Bos, Todd Clemence, Paul Dean, Tim Garrett, Clay Hamlett, David Henderson, Mike Hill, Paul Hughes, Sean Lynch, Charles Madden, Dan Martin, George Miklos, John Powell, Vincent Raetz, Jon Rounds, Bill Sherman, Gordon Snider, Boyd Tyler, Todd Wamhoff, Andy Wolf, Gary Cline, Rick Coutts, Joseph Fazekas, Mark Haag, Bob Hart, Brad Hopper, Shaun Leavers, Giley McConnell, Richard Makoski, Alan Stoddard, Stephen Skwarok, Richard Vest and Andy White.

Young Scholars Honored

Departmental Achievement awards were presented to Lower School Cadets during the Awards convocation, Saturday evening, May 21.

Receiving five awards for mathematics, reading, English, science and social studies was Andrew Wolfe, fifth grade.

Receiving four awards were Paul Dean, Shaun Leavers and Gordon Snider. Dean received his for math, English, science and social studies, seventh grade level. Leavers for sixth grade science, English, reading and math. Snider earned the awards for eighth grade science, math, English and shop.

David Henderson a fourth grader, received two awards for religion and physical ed.

Earning one award and the department were Lance Allen, social studies six; Brian Autry, physical fitness eight; Gary Cline, physical fitness seven; Mark Haag, reading eight; Brad Hopper, reading seven; Giley McConnell, religion seven; Daniel Martin, physical education six; Max Montgomery, religion eight; Craig Staley, social studies eight and Todd Wamhoff, religion six.

Tennis Awards Presented

School letters were presented to members of the varsity and "B" tennis teams.

Earning varsity awards were David and Mark Bassett, Kent Clemmons, Steve Fields, Jim Griesbach, Pat Laumeyer, Jeff Turner and Jeff Zuercher.

B-team awards were earned by Ariel and Arnaldo Anaya, John Berrey, Mike Davis, Charles Good, Steve Lauber, Randy Peoples, Tom Rust and Billy Tarter.

Golf Letters Awarded

School letters for participation in the varsity golf program were awarded.

Earning varsity letters were Tim Cejka, Randy Krueger, Ken Langness, Ross Nelson, Jim Nickelson and Eric Sornson.

B-team awards went to Beau Lockett, Kelvin Orndoff and Alan Stoddard.

New SAI Selected

The Senior Army Instructor to replace Maj. Andrew Tucker, US-Army-Ret., has been selected according to Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent. Major Tucker has resigned to return to his home state of North Carolina.

His replacement is Lt. Col. James E. Rose, currently serving at Ft. Leavenworth, Ks. At the Fort he is the executive officer of a large combat developments directorate numbering 65 military and civilian personnel.

He has a career background as an infantry officer for more than 24 years working with company-size units and assignments at brigade and lower levels both overseas and in CONUS.

Rose has a BA degree in geography from Kansas State University and has completed Infantry Officer Candidate school, Ranger course, Armor Career course, Airborne Course and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff college while serving in the military.

Given Salina Keys

Keys to the City were presented to Commencement speaker Bill Meidell and the Third Region ROTC commander, Brig. Gen. Daniel French, by Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent of SJMS and also mayor of Salina.



THE SENIOR CLASS

Drama, Speech Awards Made

Awards for excellence in forensics and thespian activities were presented during the Commencement weekend.

First division awards in the Kansas High School Activities regional Drama and Speech festival were awarded Gary Santillanes, Richard Stitt, Philip Crouch, Mike Davis, Brian Pratt, Ian Snider (2) and Mark Smith. Second division awards went to Crouch, George Miklos (2) and Davis.

Awards for the KSHSAA competition for first ratings went to Ian Snider, (2) Santillanes and Stitt. Second division certificates went to Crouch, Davis, Pratt and Santillanes. Mark Smith earned the third rating in prose.

A Certificate of Merit was presented to Snider for his participation in the "Voice of Democracy" contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

International Thespian Society awards for meritorious participation in Theatre Arts went to Crouch, Davis, Miklos, Mings, Brian Pratt, Scott Ratcliff, Perry Skinner, M. Smith and Stitt.

Good Students Are Good Fishermen

Members of the National Junior Honor Society proved that they not only make good grades but they can catch lots of big fish.

The annual picnic outing to Evans Pond was held Sunday, May 15.

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