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SJMS Ring Ceremony To Be Held

All Senior Cadets, and the Junior Cadets who have indicated they will return for the 1987-88 school year, will be presented with the official St. John's School ring on Saturday, May 23.

This impressive ceremony will be a part of the St. John's Foundation luncheon to be at 11:45 a.m. at the Salina Country Club.

The ring will be inscribed with the Cadet's name and will be mounted with a black onyx stone.

The rings are being given by the St. John's Foundation with the understanding that the recipient must uphold the standards of St. John's in his adult life. The ring may be recalled if it is felt the wearer is not worthy.

Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, will appoint a "ring chairman" for each graduating class.

Gary Detman has been selected for the Class of '87. Jim Rust will be the chairman for the Class of '88.



Robert Crooks

Crooks Named Commander

Bob Crooks, 78-year-young San Diego realtor from the Class of 1928, has been named commander of the "old boy platoon" in the Centennial parade.

Announcement of the Crooks appointment was made by President Keith Duckers after a write-in vote conducted by **The Skirmisher** revealed he was the overwhelming choice.

Crooks, together with his roommate, Horace "Pete" Holmes, '28, Eureka, Ks., banker will preside at the "old boy" reception. This will be held at Chasers Lounge in the Salina Holidome at 6:30 p.m., Fri., May 22.

The "old boy" platoon will be one of the features of the Centennial parade in downtown Salina, Saturday morning, May 23.

"Old boys" planning to march should wear white short-sleeved

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COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE

Parent-Teacher/Staff Conferences	1-4 p.m., Fri., May 22
Evening Colors	6:15 p.m., Fri., May 22
Blue Beret Dinner	7 p.m., Fri., May 22 Revels Carousel, 621 Westport
First Raising of 100 Flags	7:30 a.m., Sat., May 23 SJMS Campus
Start of 6.6 mile Run	8 a.m., Sat., May 23
Foundation Board meeting	8:15 a.m., Sat., May 23 Vanier Academic Center
19-Mile Bike Race	10 a.m., Sat., May 23
Centennial Parade	10 a.m., Sat., May 23
Foundation Luncheon	11:45 a.m., Sat., May 23 Salina Country Club
Honors Convocation	3 p.m., Sat., May 23 Banes Gymnasium
Banquet/Senior Ball	6:30 p.m., Sat., May 23 Heritage Hall, Bicentennial Center
Senior Eucharist	8:30 a.m., Sun., May 24 Armstrong Chapel
Freedom Tree Ceremony	9:15 a.m., Sun., May 24
Band Concert	9:30 a.m., Sun., May 24 Perkins Field
Commencement	10 a.m., Sun., May 24 Perkins Field

Stained Glass Windows Installed In SJ Chapel

The renovation of Armstrong Memorial Chapel nears completion with the installation of ten windows.

The leaded stained glass windows depict five Old Testament and five New Testament stories.

The Biblical story selection for each window was the suggestion of the Rev. Don Davidson, Chaplain.

An additional window high above the altar will be added later. It will be purchased with memorial funds given to the School.

The Chapel re-dedication will be in connection with Parents' Weekend next Oct. 16-18.

The Old Testament windows and donors are "Creation story" given by Cloyd Pugh in memory of Maj. Dennis G. Pugh; "Noah's Ark" given by Jerry, Sammy and Shane May in memory of David and Cynthia Freestone; "Abraham and Isaac" given by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick D. Hoppe jr. in memory of Stephen J. Hoppe, Sgt. USA, 1960-1982; "Moses" given by Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Leach in memory of Arthur Clay Leach and "Isaiah's prediction of the birth of the Mighty Counselor" given by D. Dale Browning in honor of Keith and Wanda Faulkner.

The New Testament windows and donors are "The Nativity" given by Keith and Elizabeth Wohlgemuth Duckers in honor of their parents, Charlie and Sadie and Ed and Thelma; "Suffer the Little Children" given by Denny, Judy and Pam Dumler in honor of David Dumler, Class of 1987; "The Last Supper"

given by the Virgil B. Loy family; "Resurrection" given by Lt. Col. Paul H. Kellogg, (USMC-Ret.) and Mary Kellogg; and "Pentecost" given by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vanier to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for their children.

New Organ Installed In Chapel

A custom Johannus Opus 260 classical organ has replaced the old organ in Armstrong Chapel.

The organ was made possible by a memorial donation by the Don Hough family in memory of Nedra Hough. Mrs. Hough had taught vocal and instrumental music at SJMS. She died as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Florida.

Other donors to the project were Mr. and Mrs. E.S.F. Brainard, Canadian, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Berkley, Bennington, Ks.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Houston, Orange Park, Fla.; Mrs. Phyllis Cramm, Wichita, Ks.; Mrs. Nelda Linger, Loveland, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry May, Clovis, N.M.; and Miss Nina Livingston and Mrs. Lesta K. Vanier, both of Salina.

Commencement Starts Centennial Celebration

The Centennial celebration of St. John's Military School will begin during Commencement weekend, May 22-24.

Additional activities have been scheduled causing some changes in the usual Commencement weekend schedule.

Parent-teacher/staff conferences will be held on Friday afternoon instead of Saturday morning. Staff members will be available from 1-4 p.m., Fri., May 23 for conferences.

The campus will be closed from 4 to 6 p.m. to visitors. Evening colors will be held at 6:15 p.m., Fri., May 23. The reviewing officers will be the Centennial committee chairmen, D. Dale Browning, Class of 1955, Denver, and the Rev. Col. R.L. Clem, former superintendent of SJMS, Denver.

The "old boy" stag will begin following evening colors at the Salina Holidome.

The Blue Beret Dinner is set for 7 p.m., Fri., May 23 at Revels Carousel, 621 Westport. The dinner is only for members of the Blue Berets and invited guests.

Flag Raising

The first raising of the 100 flags will be held Saturday morning, May 23.

Flag donors and families are to meet on the porch of the Vanier Academic center at 7 a.m. and to take their places at the flag poles at 7:15 a.m.

One hundred Cadets will march onto the campus carrying the flags to the honorees. The Color Guard will march to the large flag pole at 7:30 a.m.

The National Anthem will be played at 7:40 a.m. and the flags will be raised.

The SJMS cannon will be fired at 8 a.m. to start the 6.6-mile road race.

Registration for runners and bicyclers will be from 7 to 9 a.m. on the tennis courts at the School.

The 19-mile bike race will leave the intersection of Santa Fe and Prescott at 10 a.m.

The Centennial parade will follow immediately. The SJMS Color Guard will lead the parade which will proceed north by a reviewing stand at the corner of Santa Fe and Iron and continue onto the campus at the north end of Santa Fe. There will be no military field day this day.

To Change Command

The Crack Squad and Color Guard change of command will take place at the corner of Santa Fe and Iron at the conclusion of the parade. Current commander Chuck Riley will turn over the

command to the Cadet to command the 1987-88 squad.

The SJMS Foundation luncheon and meeting will begin at 11:45 at the Salina Country Club. Cost is \$7.25 per plate. Advance reservations are a **MUST** according to Mrs. Donna Vanier, Foundation secretary.

The Honors Convocation will be at 3 p.m. in the Wiley T. Banes Gymnasium.

The Centennial Banquet and Senior Ball will begin at 6:30 p.m., Sat., May 23 in Heritage Hall of the Salina Bicentennial center. Astronaut Joe Engle will be the speaker. Greetings will be given by Col. Keith G. Duckers, SJMS president; former SJMS Superintendent, Colonel Clem and D. Dale Browning, Centennial committee chairman.

The Grand March will begin the Military Ball at 8 p.m. with the dance ending at 11 p.m.

Sunday activities will begin with the Senior Eucharist at 8:30 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel. Seniors are required to attend but the service is optional to others.

The Senior Cadets will pay final respects at the Freedom Tree by placing a flower at the base of the tree and saluting "freedom forever". This ceremony is conducted by President and Mrs. Duckers.

Band to Play

The First Infantry Division Band, Ft. Riley, will play a concert beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Perkins Field.

The processional of the 99th Corps of Cadets will begin Commencement ceremonies on Perkins Field. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Banes Gym.

The address will be given by Col. Albert J. Ransom, USMC, Class of 1956, Commander of the Marine Corps Air Station, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Presentations will include Brigadier medallions, Senior diplomas, and awarding of the Gordon Prize.

The "handle ceremony" will be observed.

Battalion Commander of the 99th Corps of Cadets, Travis Klopfenstein, will hand the Hardy Sabre, symbol of command, to the Cadet selected to command the 100th Corps.

The pass in review and retreat parade will follow.

The dismissal of the 99th Corps-forever-will conclude the ceremonies at approximately 12 noon, May 24.



NEWS

... from the past

As a monthly feature, leading to the Centennial celebration planned for Commencement 1987 to Commencement 1988, news from **The Skirmishers** of past years will be appearing on this page.

SPRING--1922

Salina defeats St. John's in track. **The Skirmisher** commented: "The loss of two key men was a death blow to the cadets. Another probability is that, if some of the lounge lizards of the barracks had taken an interest in track, we could have had a better team." ... The chaplain explained the meaning of resurrection as used by St. Paul in the Easter chapel service ... Major Ganssle selected a group of boys to go to Junction City to drive back the horses that were given by Mr. Fegan to the school. (Editor's Note - The son of Mr. Fegan, donor of the horses, the late Bob Fegan served on the School Board of Trustees in recent years). The trip was expected to take several days; so it was necessary to make arrangements for camping overnight and preparing meals along the road. Problems encountered were that it was necessary to stop in a few small towns to obtain water for the truck. At the first lunch the catastrophe happened - the group had only one can of pork and beans ... With the first sight of dandelions comes the formation of the dandelion squad, made up of those cadets having extra duty. Their purpose is to join forces and beautify the campus by removing the dandelions from the lawn and put them where they can do no further damages.

SPRING--1937

Lent is fittingly observed at the school. The chaplain holds many inspirational services.

SPRING--1941

With the arrival of spring, military drill is proving to be more exciting. Because the weather has been favorable, the cadet corps has been able to take a more active part in the solving of tactical problems and to spend more time in work on extended order, formations and parades ... Playing their last scheduled game of the basketball season at Lincoln, Neb., St. John's cadets were defeated by the Teachers College high school of Lincoln by a score of 37-34.

SPRING--1957

Crack Squad-Platoon return from 4-day Colorado trip. The trip to Denver and return was made by a U.S. Air Force KC-97 ... Rare honor for Rector, Colonel Clem gives prayer in U.S. Senate ... Ground was broken for a house being constructed for Capt. and Mrs. Keith Duckers. The three-bedroom house will be located just inside the main gate on the east side of the drive (The Commandant now lives there) ... Dave McClanahan has been awarded a U.S. Navy ROTC scholarship for four years of college.

SPRING--1967

Work starts on Spencer Cadet Center. A financial grant from John Galen Spencer will underwrite the cost of the construction of the basement area of the building. This area will house a 6-point rifle range, armory, small arms locker, storage space and ROTC offices ... Battalion review is highlight of inspection ... The Corps has been working hard in the hope that St. John's can earn the "Honor School" ranking in its first year under the Junior ROTC program.

Larry Lysell Leaves Post

Lt. Col. Larry Lysell, a veteran member of the St. John's staff, will leave his position as administrative assistant at the close of the 1987 school year.

Lysell has accepted a position as principal of Wilson Junior and Senior high schools.

However, Lysell will continue his association with SJMS as an admissions counselor during the summer months.

He will return to the Denver area in late May, where he will headquarter during the summer months. He will interview and enroll Cadets in Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico. He will also contact all "old boys" in that area.

Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, praised Lysell's contributions to the School. "Larry has been a positive and successful force in every area in which he has worked--coaching, teaching, recruiting and as an administrator."

Duckers continued, "Wilson High school is fortunate to land him. Their gain is our loss, but we are pleased he wants to continue his association during the summer months. I hope this will be a long-lasting relationship."

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Martin To Head Admissions Staff

Certain changes in the front office will go into effect at the start of summer according to Col. Keith G. Duckers, President.

Tom Martin will assume overall responsibility for admissions. He will continue with the title of Business Manager but will share some of those responsibilities with Joel Looney, Comptroller.

The admissions staff will include Lt. Col. Larry Lysell, Capt. Doug Gordon, Maj. Mike Miller and CM Sgt./Maj. Bob Strait.

The admissions staff will travel extensively in Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas.

Recruiters will spend more time in Texas this summer because of the increasing number of boys enrolling from Texas, particularly the Houston and Dallas areas.

Old Boys To Host Hospitality Suite

The Embassy Suite at the Salina Holidome has been rented by Pete Holmes and Bob Crooks, Class of '28, for the entire Commencement weekend.

The suite will serve as a general gathering spot for all "old boys" during the weekend.

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★ OLD BOYS CORNER ★

Class of 1955 . . . Larry Rice has moved to a new home. His address is 1952 S. Queen Dr., Lakewood, Colo. 80227.

Class of 1972 . . . John J. Vnuk was graduated from Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He is a partner in one of the fastest growing nutritional consulting and supplemental distributors in the West. Look for his monthly column "Mining for Minerals" in **Health Freedom News**. In a recent phone con-

versation with President Keith Duckers, Vnuk indicated he would try to visit the School at Commencement. He says he proudly displays his St. John's sabre and medals over his fireplace.

Class of 1986 . . . Jeff Baker is stationed with the Army at Ft. Bragg, N.C. Due to his SJMS training, he got to wear a stripe all during Basic Training and then received one of the few promotions when he graduated from Military Police School.

Detman Heads Upper School Honor Roll

Gary Detman was the leader on the Upper School Honor Roll for the fifth grading period. He was named to the Blue Berets as were Damon L. Polk and Travis Klopfenstein.

Douglas Otto was also named to the Honor Roll.

Earning honorable mention were Neil Bandy, John Marshall, Jay Macrum, Kipp Ertl, Keith Logan, Kent Churchill, Chris Pinson-Smith, Brad Heinrich, John Stebbins, Jeff Shore, Hans Krogh-Hanson, J.D. Utter, Gilbert Thompson, Maxwell Brooks, Ed Clementson, Kevin Sparks, Jason White, Chris Moran, Dean Troutte and Doug Simmons.

Pemberton Heads Fifth Honor Roll

Sid Pemberton was the leader on the Middle School honor roll for the fifth grading period. Lorenzo Rubio, Chad Wing and Pemberton were named to the Blue Berets.

Earning honorable mention were David Hale, Jon Treadway, Rusty Taylor, Dustin Robinson, Robert Ellis, Albert Farley, Roger Hernandez, Jeremy Kinner, Adams Capps, Todd Probasco and Kendall Lang.

Former Trustee Scanlan Dies

Col. John "Mike" Scanlan, SJMS Trustee from 1974-80, died in early March at his home in Salina.

Scanlan had been a former base commander of Smoky Hill Air Force Base and later of the same base when it was renamed Schilling. He was the Executive Director of the Salina Airport Authority until his retirement a few years ago.

Forensics Team Wins League Championship

The SJMS Forensics team won the Post Rock League championship for the third year in a row at Bennington High school, April 4.

Travis Klopfenstein and Damon Polk took first place in duet acting. Gary Detman placed third in original oration. These wins qualified them for the State Speech festival to be held May 2 in Salina.

Receiving first division ratings and qualifying for state at the Regionals held April 11 at Manhattan were Max Brooks, prose; Kipp Ertl, prose, and Cameron Miles and Ertl, duet act.

Others competing this year were Michael Porter, Randy VanDerSik, Charles Evans, David Dumler, Glen Wiedenbeck and Jeff Taber.



THE MULESKINNER

F/Sgt. Bill Bunting, Operations NCO, was authorized to grow a beard and ordered not to shave. He will portray "The Muleskinner" during Centennial activities at the School. He will wear an authentic uniform designed for the celebration. (Photo by Don McCann)

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SJMS Resolution Passes The Kansas Legislature

... After fire-works

A resolution commending St. John's Military School for its service to the state was passed by the Kansas Senate after some discussion and debate in the House of Representatives. The resolution, sponsored by State Sen. Ben Vidricksen, commended the School on the 100th year of its founding.

A contingent of Cadets and school officials were seated in the House gallery for the reading of the House resolution the morning of April 2. Such resolutions are approved routinely by the House throughout the session.

But the St. John's resolution fell prey to a festering mood of political dissatisfaction among House Democrats who were upset that resolutions introduced by their members were being buried by the Republican leadership.

Challenged

Consequently, after Salina Representative Bob Ott, a Republican, finished his motion to have the resolution adopted, Rep. George Dean, a Democrat from Wichita, rose to challenge the innocuous-sounding resolution.

He asked the House to refer the resolution to the Education committee for further study. His amendment failed on a 22-82 vote, and the resolution subsequently was adopted on a substantial voice vote.

Later, Dean said the St. John's resolution had the misfortune to be presented at a time when Democrats were stewing about the fate of resolutions introduced by members of their party.

A similar measure was approved in the Senate later in

the day. (A copy of the resolution appears in this **Skirmisher**.)

Honored by Senate

During the afternoon session of the Senate, Vidricksen introduced as special guests of the Senate--Col. Keith Duckers, School President, and Mrs. Duckers; Tom Martin, Business Manager and Sgt/Maj. Bob Strait, Commandant, and the delegation of Cadets.

Vidricksen expressed the pride felt by the city of Salina at having the military school and congratulated the Cadets on their drill performance in the rotunda for the pleasure of the Governor.

Mrs. Duckers presented to President of the Senate, Bob Talkington, a 100th anniversary commemorative mug.

President Talkington welcomed those present from the School and expressed his deep appreciation for the mug.

President Duckers said he was surprised by the partisan attack in the House. "We just wanted the governor to sign the diplomas," Duckers said. "He already signs our warrants and commissions for Cadet officers."

Vidricksen commented that "a resolution has no more power than the badge you get at Dodge City saying you're an honorary marshal."

The Resolution

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1860

By Senator Vidricksen

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending St. John's Military School in Salina, Kansas, on its 100th anniversary as a military school in the State of Kansas and empowering and encouraging the Governor to sign the diplomas of its future graduates.

WHEREAS, St. John's Military School has served the State of Kansas and the nation since 1887 by preparing young men for life and leadership roles consistent with the highest standards of education and character development; and

WHEREAS, the effectiveness of St. John's Military School is evidenced by the numerous alumni who have become leaders in government, education, business, the military and the various other vocations they have pursued; and

WHEREAS, St. John's Military School has maintained its educational quality through periods of natural disaster, war, economic stress and social change and is entering its 100th year with a renewed dedication toward academic excellence and high standards of individual conduct: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend St. John's Military School on its 100th anniversary as a military school in the State of Kansas and its many years of valuable service to the youth of Kansas, and that we empower and encourage the Governor to sign the diplomas of future graduates of St. John's Military School; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to St. John's Military School, Salina, Kansas 67402 and the City of Salina, Salina, Kansas 67402.

Governor Hayden Given Buckle

Kansas Governor Mike Hayden was presented with a Centennial belt buckle following a noon drill by the St. John's Crack Squad in the rotunda of the State Capitol building.

The squad, commanded by Chuckie Riley, presented a seven-minute drill honoring the Governor.

Cadets making the trip were Travis Klopfenstein, Michael Porter, Robert Wachal, David Dumler, Martin Riley, Ronald Pniak, Marshall Wilson, Eric Eisenman, Doug Otto, Kevin Smith, Keith Logan, Jim Rust, Joe Richards, Cameron Miles, Doug Conley, Douglas Knowles, Troy McGinnis, Scott Winner, Chris Pinson-Smith and Chris Allen.

★ PROMOTIONS ★

The following promotions have been made since the April **Skirmisher**.

Promoted to:

CAPTAIN — Keith Logan.

FIRST LIEUTENANT — Francisco Lanz-Duret, Hans Krogh-Hansen.

SERGEANT MAJOR — Joseph Richards.

MASTER SERGEANT — Jeff Taber.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS — Jason White, Chris Moran, Brooke Wilkison, Gilbert Thompson.

STAFF SERGEANT — Robert Ellis, Chris Jetter, John Stebbins, Joe Tannahill, Chris Allen, Brent Buchanan.

SERGEANT — Jay Macrum, Sid Pemberton, Eric Eisenman, Michael Noah, Jeff Shore, Scott Winner, Ron Flaherty, Roy Vogel, James Higgins, Pat Baird, John Marshall, Randall Van Der Slik, Jeff Bahr, Brian Stevens, Rod Massad, Kevin Sparks.

CORPORAL — Kenneth Grant, Peter Hastings, Adam Gibson, Aaron Lines, Daniel Archer, Gerald Miller, Robert McDonald, Jon Cunningham, Jai Hutcherson.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS — Thomas Berry, David Hale, Brad Bates, Jakob Utter, Jonathan Tarbutton, Neil Bandy, Brian Sweeney, Charles Evans, Jeff Herronen, Darren Thomas, Kevin Haptonstall, Jason Mumford, Rusty Taylor, Adam Capps, Ed Clementson, Chris Johnson, Scott Crangle, Maurice Vigneron, Adam Baker, Jack Kelley, Doug Knowles, Vincent Parsons.

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Kansas Astronaut To Speak



Brig. Gen. Joe Engle

Brig. Gen. Joe H. Engle (USAF-Ret.) a crew member on two Space shuttle flights, will be the speaker at the Centennial Banquet at 6:30 p.m., Sat., May 23 at Salina's Bicentennial center.

Engle, a native of Chapman, Ks. and a 1955 graduate of the University of Kansas, was one of the 19 astronauts selected by NASA in April 1966. He was back-up lunar module pilot for the Apollo 14 mission.

He was commander of the second orbital test flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia, which launched from Kennedy Space Center on Nov. 12, 1981. Despite a mission shortened from five days to two days because of a failed fuel cell, the crew accomplished more than 90 percent of the objectives set before returning to a landing on a dry lakebed at Edwards AFB, Calif.

Engle was next commander of STS 51-1 which was launched from Kennedy on Aug. 27, 1985. The mission was acknowledged as the most successful Space shuttle mission flown. The crew deployed three communications satellites and also performed the successful on-orbit rendezvous and repair of the ailing SYCOM IV-3 satellite. The shuttle completed 112 orbits of earth before landing at Edwards on Sept. 3, 1985. With the completion of this flight, Engle logged over 224 hours in space.

Currently Engle is retired from the U.S. Air Force. On Dec. 1, 1986 he was appointed to the Kansas Air National Guard and subsequently promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. He is an aerospace and sporting goods consultant and continues an active flying career in high performance aircraft.



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Cadets Star In Talent Show

A talent show featuring Cadets in acts somewhere between the "gong show" and "star search" was held April 1 in the Battalion Assembly Area of the Vanier Academic Center.

Eleven acts were presented during the show.

Winning the first place prize of \$50 were Jai Hutcherson and Kyle Brazzel on the drums.

The second prize of \$30 was won by the "diaper drillers"--Gary Detman, David Dumler, Travis Klopfenstein and Ron Pniak.

Brian Sweeney, David Yost and Brazzel won the third place prize of \$20.

Winning movie tickets for fourth place were Sweeney, Yost and Brazzel.

Jay Macrum and Tim Kyle won a cake for placing fifth.

Other participants were John Miller, Tom Keefe, Nat Marshall, Kendall Lang, Scott Weaver, Gerald Miller, Darren Fred, Steve Myers, Bill Bates, Jason Mumford, Jason Cartier, Lamont Hendrick and Chuckie Riley.

Judging were Brian Chapman, Dean Chiles, Joel Looney, Martha Lohmann and David Rose.

Episcopal Clergy Meet At SJMS

The Clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas met at SJMS Tuesday, April 14.

A Chrism Mass was held at 10 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel with the Rt. Rev. John F. Ashby, Bishop, as the celebrant.

The Oil of Chrism and Oil of Unction were blessed at the service.

The clergy ate lunch with the 99th Corps of Cadets in Nichols Dining Hall.

Arrangements were made by the Rev. Donald Davidson, SJMS Chaplain.

Former Trustees To Be In Parade

Former Trustees of SJMS have been invited to ride in the Centennial parade.

Former Kansas Governor and former SJ Trustee, Bill Avery, Wakefield, has offered to drive his team of big Persian horses to pull a wagon on which former Trustees will ride.

Trustees are urged to wear a Centennial costume or a white shirt, black string tie and perhaps a derby.

Col. Keith Duckers, President, said this should be something of a reunion for many of the Trustees.

The former Trustees are asked to assemble in the old Weeks parking lot at 9:30 a.m., Sat., May 23.

Parade Ribbons Given

The Junior ROTC parade ribbons have been awarded to five Cadets. They are Kenneth Grant, Jeff Herronen, Chris Johnson, David Hale and Chris Jetter.

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Riley Paces Track Team

Chuckie Riley paced a fine performance by the St. John's Military track team, April 10 at the Emporia State relays by setting a record in the Class 3-4A long jump.

Riley leaped 22 feet, 4 inches to win the event and also anchored the Cadets' winning 440-yard relay team (46.7 seconds). Travis Klopfenstein, Jon Tarbutton and Kevin Smith also ran in the event.

Riley was also second in the 100 meters (11.3) and ran on the second place 880-yard relay team (1:37.5) with Klopfenstein, Smith and Ron Pniak.

Tarbutton also finished third in the 100-meter dash (11.7) and ran on the third place mile relay team (3:44.1) with Klopfenstein, Smith and Robert Mariani.

Centennial Parade Set

The SJMS Centennial parade will be one of the biggest parades to be held in Salina in recent years.

A variety of units have entered the event according to Tom Martin, Business Manager, and Maj. Mike Miller, Senior Army instructor.

Military units will include the 1st Infantry Division Band and Color Guard; Kansas National Guard tanks and vehicles, and the unit color guard, and possible units from the 89th U.S. Army Reserve unit in Wichita.

Ken Hake, Tipton, Ks., is a collector of early World War II jeeps and jeep proto-types. He will provide vehicles in the parade.

The SJMS Band and 99th Corps of Cadets will march, of course.

A special unit of individuals wearing uniforms of all the different wars in which SJMS Cadets served will march.

And there will be the "old boy" platoon commanded by Robert Crooks, Class of '28.

The Isis Shrine Temple of Salina will furnish several units.

Featured in the parade will be past and present members of the SJMS Trustees, area dignitaries and politicians, vintage automobiles, high school bands, the Nancy-ettes, Salina municipal band and the mounted sheriff's posse.



The Steeplechase

Kevin Smith competed in the 2000-meter steeplechase at the Emporia relays recently. The track team is having a successful season.

Riley Stars In Track Meet

Chuckie Riley looked in late-season form April 7 as he sprinted and jumped to three gold medals in the Southeast of Saline Invitational track and field meet.

In his first meet of the season, Riley, a senior, won the 100-meter dash in 10.99, the 200-meter dash in 22.0 and the long jump with a leap of 20-6 1/2. The sprint victories were both School records. The long jump effort was six inches off his career best.

"He's going to lower his times in everything this season," said St. John's coach Don McCann. "He has a lot of potential left."

After watching Riley, Sacred Heart Coach Bill Sullivan spoke in envy.

"He's a good one," said Sullivan, who has seen many outstanding tracksters in his more than 20 years at SHHS. "Most people in this area know about Chuckie, but those who don't will sometime this season."

Riley's 30 points, plus the four he helped earn in anchoring St. John's fourth-place 200-relay team, boosted the Muleskinners to a seventh place finish in the 10-school meet.

St. John's scored 45 points. Coach McCann commented, "I can remember the first couple of years we went to this meet when we didn't score a point."

McCann believes he has his best track team and Riley is the major reason for it. He is crediting increased strength and better starts out of the blocks for Riley's improvement. "I had him on a weight program this year," McCann said.

If he continues to lower his times, Riley could be the state 3A favorite in the sprint events. He was the only three-time individual winner in the meet which was contested in beautiful weather.

Century Classic Run, Bike-Race Set

The first annual Century Classic 6.6-mile run and 19-mile bike race will be held Saturday, May 23.

The event is being co-sponsored by St. John's Military School and the National Bank of America.

Pre-run instructions will be given at 7:50 a.m. and the 6.6-mile race will begin at 8 a.m. at St. John's Military School. Runners will continue down Santa Fe to Kansas Wesleyan, turn around in the KW circular drive and proceed north back to the School.

Pre-race instructions for the bike race will be given at 9:50 a.m. with the race starting at

the corner of Santa Fe and Prescott at 10 a.m., prior to the start of the Centennial parade.

The bike race will finish on the SJMS campus.

The entry fee for a single event is \$8 prior to May 23 and \$12 on the day of the race.

The overall winner with the lowest total time recorded for both events in both men's and women's division will receive an engraved plaque. The second and third place finishers will receive engraved medallions. Awards ceremonies will be held 15 minutes after the completion of each race.

All entrants will receive a Century Classic T-shirt.

Commander Crooks (Cont. from Page 1)

shirts and dark trousers. The School will provide arm bands with the graduation year.

Any "old boy" that can still fit into his Cadet uniform is urged to wear it.

Crooks has high aspirations for his "crack outfit." He said, "I plan to mold this crew into an Olympic level drill unit. Perhaps for the 1988 Worlds Fair?"

Col. Al Ransom, '56, the scheduled Commencement speaker, has been in contact with Crooks and says his style of discipline reminds him of the

worst of Major Guernsey, Captain McCandless and Colonel Kellogg.

Crooks attended SJMS for eight years. He was the Battalion Commander, president of the Senior Class and served on the athletic board of control. He also served on **The Skirmisher**; drilled with the Crack Squad, was a member of the Drum and Bugle Corps, and was an expert rifleman. He was active in athletic activities of football, swimming, basketball and track.

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