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THE LYMAN LINGER MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING

Linger Hall is located on the west side of the campus. The building is finished and landscaping work is being done. The entire

area will have a sprinkler system and the area has been planted with new grass. Standing in front of the building is Bryan Marvins.

Parents Weekend To Feature Linger Hall Dedication, Oct. 19

The dedication of the Lyman Linger Middle School will be the highlight of Parents Weekend set for Oct. 18-20.

The dedication blessing and the corner-stone laying will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 19 at the new building on the west side of the campus. An open house for visitors to view the building will be from 10:15 a.m. to noon.

Activities will begin with registration in the Vanier Academic Center from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18. Parents may visit with teachers and tactical officers during the afternoon.

A Parents' Mixer sponsored by the SJMS Foundation, will be at 4 p.m. on the lawn area east of the Vanier Center. Retreat formation will be at 5 p.m. The 104th Corps of Cadets will pass in review.

Passes will be granted from 5:15 to 7 p.m. The Cadets will play Hope High School on Perkins field at 7:30 p.m.

Passes will be issued after the game and will end at 11:30 p.m.

Saturday activities will begin with the morning formation at 8:10 a.m. to be followed by the Foundation breakfast in the Banes Gymnasium. Reservations are requested.

A Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel. Attendance is optional.

Activities at Linger Hall will follow.

Cadets may spend the rest of the day with parents and patrons.

Passes will end at 6:30 p.m. with Evening Colors and roll call of Cadets.

The SJMS Homecoming dance is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the gym. The pass gate will be open for eligible Cadets following the dance until midnight.

Sunday, October 20, is basically a free day for Cadets to spend time with their parents or approved adult friend.

There will be a Service of Holy Communion service at 11:30 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel on the school campus.

Passes will end at 5:30 p.m. and all parents are asked to leave the campus. Evening formation will be at 5:55 p.m. to be followed by evening mess at 6 p.m. The regular schedule will resume at 6:30 p.m.

The 104th Cadet Corps Is Formed

The 104th Corps of Cadets was formed at 8 a.m., Monday, Sept. 2.

The Battalion Commander and the staff were introduced followed by the Company Commanders. Then, each individual Cadet was introduced with his rank, name, position and hometown. The Cadets then reported to their respective companies.

A special convocation followed in the Battalion assembly area of the Vanier Academic center. All members of the faculty and staff were introduced to the Corps by Cadets.

Parents Weekend Schedule

Registration	12-4 p.m., Oct. 18
Parents' Mixer	4 p.m., Oct. 18
Retreat Formation	5 p.m., Oct. 18
Football game	7:30 p.m., Oct. 18
Morning formation	8:10 a.m., Oct. 19
Foundation breakfast	8:30 a.m., Oct. 19
Dedication and Blessing	10 a.m., Oct. 19
of Linger Hall	
Homecoming Dance	7 p.m., Oct. 19
Passes	7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Oct. 20
Holy Eucharist (optional)	11:30 a.m., Oct. 20
Armstrong Chapel	
Passes end	5:30 p.m., Oct. 20
Regular schedule resumes	6:30 p.m., Oct. 20

Bronze Bust To Honor Col. R.L. Clem

Lou Fulton, Class of 1946, has started a fund drive to raise the money to have a bronze bust of the late Colonel, The Rev. R.L. Clem, longtime head of the School who died last November, made.

Fulton is contacting "old boys" who attended the School in the 1940's but emphasized that donations will be accepted from all "old boys" and friends of the colonel.

Dr. Richard Bergen will sculpt the bronze. Bergen is the sculptor of The Muleskinner bronze statue in the tear-drop area on the School campus.

Fulton said, "I know that Col. Clem gave everything he had to St. John's Military School. Let's all show our appreciation with a tribute to him that will last forever."

A bronze bust of Lt. Col. Paul H. Kellogg, retired Commandant, was dedicated at Commencement in May.

Cadets Come From 23 States, 6 Countries

The 165 Cadets in the 104th Corps of Cadets come from 23 states and six foreign countries.

The largest delegation is from Kansas, 43, followed closely by Colorado with 40.

Other states with representation are Texas, 15; California, 12; Oklahoma, 8; Arizona, 7; and Nevada, 5.

Three Cadets are enrolled from each of the states of Illinois and Wyoming.

States with two Cadets each are Washington, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, and Missouri.

One Cadet is enrolled from each of the following states: Florida, Idaho, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York and Wisconsin.

Three Cadets are enrolled from Canada and 3 from Mexico. Other countries are Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Aruba and the Philippines.

Linger Hall To Be Blessed; Stone Placed

The cornerstone will be placed and Linger Hall will be blessed at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 19.

Dedicatory remarks will be made at the end of the Foundation breakfast in the Banes Gym. Larry Britegam, "old boy" and chairman of the Fund Drive for the new Middle School, will speak.

Welcoming parents and friends will be Salina Mayor Steve Ryan.

Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, will introduce Nelda Linger, the widow of the late Lyman Linger. The building is named in honor of Mr. Linger, Class of 1926. Mrs. Linger will make a presentation to the School.

The 104th Corps will form and move as a unit to the northeast corner of the building for the cornerstone laying.

The symbolic ceremony of laying the cornerstone according to Masonic rites will be conducted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of A F & M of Kansas, Conrad F. Johnson.

The invocation will be given by W. Gilbert A. Farmer, Grand Chaplain. The box will be placed. A list of the contents of the box will be read by R.W. Albert O. Arnold Jr., Grand secretary.

The working tools will be presented and the stone tested.

The stone will be consecrated. Johnson will make remarks and Clifford D. Knauss, Grand Orator, will give a brief address.

Following the laying of the cornerstone, the Rev. James Cox, SJMS Chaplain, will conduct the blessing of the building assisted by members of the Cadet Council.

Fr. Cox will pronounce "open wide the doors" and the building will be open for visitors to tour the new facility. Visitors to the campus for Parents Weekend and members of the Salina community are welcome to attend the open house which will last until noon. Refreshments will be served.

Items are now being collected to be placed in the box within the cornerstone. Bob Kastner, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, is constructing the metal box and will seal it before it is placed in the stone.

Ground for the building was broken during Parents Weekend last year. The building was finished in time for its use at the beginning of the school year for the Middle School students.

Parkview Hall, former classroom building, is now being razed.



NEWS

... from the past

FALL--1931

At 5:30 on the evening of September 11, St. John's school opened its 45th year with roll call. The new commandant urged the boys that throughout the year all be honest; play the game square and not be satisfied with the half-way method of doing things . . . Colonel Perkins dies in Salina during July. His funeral in the Masonic Temple was the largest ever held in Salina. The casket was carried on an Army caisson, drawn by artillery horses.

FALL--1941

Mrs. Prince, housemother for St. John's for many years, was badly injured while attending a football game on Perkins Field. Mrs. Prince was watching the game from the sideline when a ball carrier swept around his right end, was tackled by three St. John's cadets and thrown out of bound with all four players crashing into Mrs. Prince. She suffered a fracture of the left leg . . . Cadets' homes widely distributed. Kansas leads; next comes Colorado followed by Oklahoma, Nebraska, Missouri and Wyoming. One Cadet each is enrolled from the District of Columbia, New York, Indiana, South Dakota, Texas and California.

FALL--1961

St. John's Military School opened for the year with a record enrollment of 171 Cadets. The Cadets come from 17 states and two foreign countries, Venezuela and Lebanon . . . A Cadet can purchase all clothing items and other school items at the school store for the first time in the history of the school. The school bank and allowance distribution are also a part of the quartermaster setup. Previously, allowances were distributed through the office.

FALL--1971

A white mule was given to the School to be used in parades. (Editor's Note--The mule was wild and would kick and attack Cadets. It was given to a farm near Salina. It also liked chewing tobacco.) Cadets in the Corps came from 19 States and five areas outside the continental U.S. Six sets of brothers were enrolled. Three Cadets had older brothers who had graduated from St. John's and three Cadets were sons of "old boys" . . . Mrs. Fred Trump joined the teaching staff. She is teaching two hours of chemistry.

FALL--1981

The 94th Corps of Cadets was organized with an opening day enrollment of 173. Represented in the Corps are students from 20 states plus Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Mexico, Peru, Bolivia and Hong Kong . . . SJMS campus laundry opens.

President Announces Major Gift

St. John's Military School is the recipient of another major gift, school officials have announced. The late Constance Beech Eiker of Sun City, Ariz., left a specific bequest to St. John's in the amount of \$340,792.36.

The announcement was made jointly by Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, and Robert H. Kastner, Chairman of the Board.

Constance Eiker was a sister of the late Walter Beech, founder of Beech Aircraft.

"The bequest was encouraged years ago by Connie's sister, H. Maud Beech, who was then on the St. John's Board of Trustees", Duckers stated.

The nephew of Constance Eiker and Maud Beech, Bill Beech was a 1956 graduate of St. John's.

Duckers and Kastner indicated the gift will be added to the School's endowment fund.

Lamb Named New Secretary

Nancy Lamb is the new secretary in the Commandant's office.

Mrs. Lamb is a graduate of Wichita High School North and earned an associate degree with secretarial emphasis from Pittsburg State University.

She has worked as a clerk for the Salina public schools and the Salina city clerk's office. Other positions were held at

Koch Industries, Wichita, where she was an executive secretary and legal secretary.

Her husband, Mark, is the football coach and teacher at Salina High School South. They are the parents of two sons, Garrett, 10, and Brad, 7.

The family enjoys camping, boating, fishing, hiking and attending sports events.

Astronaut Was SJ Friend

Moon explorer turned evangelist James B. Irwin died of a heart attack Aug. 8 while mountain biking in Western Colorado.

Irwin was a visitor to the SJMS campus several times. He was the speaker when the flag pole and fountain area were dedicated in 1973. The School flag pole is a tribute to his walk on the moon. The plaque at the pole base reads: "Pointing to the moon and the heavens above, this flag pole is dedicated to the glory of God and as a tribute to Col. James B. Irwin who walked on that moon during the Apollo 15 flight 26 July - 7 August 1971.

Irwin was a personal friend of SJMS honorary Trustee, Honald Leach, Colorado Springs.

Irwin was the speaker for the 1976 Bicentennial Commencement at the School.

Irwin was one of only 12 people who have walked on the moon. He is the first of the moonwalkers to die.

He was a 1951 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He was selected by NASA for astronaut training in 1966.

Irwin was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery Aug. 15. Speaking was Al Worden, another Apollo 15 astronaut. Representing the School at the service were Edward and Kyle Duckers, sons of the School President, Col. Keith G. Duckers, and Mrs. Duckers.

FLASH!

Football is fun this fall at SJMS. The varsity team is 4-0; the junior varsity is 2-0; and the Middle School is 1-1.

Kansas U. To Honor 3 Cadets

The University of Kansas alumni association will honor three Cadets at an Honors banquet, Oct. 16 at the Salina Country Club.

The Cadets are Scott Gruber, Adi Hasan and Isaac Magdaleno.

The purpose of the Honors program is to provide local recognition to high school seniors for their outstanding academic achievements. Honored are seniors who rank in the top ten percent of their classes. The ten percent cut-off point is the standard across the state. Academic records through the previous semester are used and the selections are made regardless of curricula, majors, occupational plans or higher education goals.

Following the dinner, students receive an engraved certificate and a special edition of *The American Heritage Dictionary*.

★ OLD BOYS CORNER ★

Attended in 1918 . . . Col. and Mrs. Keith Duckers visited with "old boy" Roy Edwards in Houston this summer. He attended the School for one year when he was nine years old. He celebrated his 83rd birthday in August. He said, "I appreciate receiving *The Skirmisher*. I think the training I received at St. John's has been very beneficial throughout my life."

He was graduated from Oklahoma University with a degree in mechanical engineering. After college, he worked as an engineer with companies involved in the petroleum industry.

Edwards said, "I am proud of my contribution to the pipe laying barge for laying pipe on the ocean floor. My part of the design cost one million bucks. The barge is still in service and has been used in foreign waters."

Class of 1944 . . . Ed Lehman, publisher of *The Longmont Daily Times Call* and *The Loveland Daily Reporter-Herald*, is featured in an advertisement for GMA integrated inserting systems. He is quoted as saying, "We chose the GMA SLS-1000." Why? "Because of GMA's commitment to engineering and technical innovation for the newspaper mailroom."

Attended 1964 . . . Kent Saul runs the Kopy-Fax Store,

Inc., in Peralta, N.M.

Class of 1975 . . . Edward Duckers, Honorary Class member, and his wife, Katherine, became the parents of a son, Christopher Charles, born July 12. The family lives in McLean, Va. The proud grandparents are Col. Keith Duckers, School President, and Mrs. Duckers.

Class of 1988 . . . Brian Sweeney and Brenda Zweygardt, former SJMS receptionist, were married June 29 in Littleton, Colo.

DEATHS

Margaret Clevenger, wife of Joe Clevenger, Lower School Director in the 1950's, died this summer at their home in Baldwin City, Ks.

The Rev. Rudolph W. Treder, 80, Dodge City, died Sept. 21 at Trinity Manor, Dodge City. Fr. Treder was a longtime friend of the school and had referred many boys to SJMS during his 40 years as rector of St. Cornelius Episcopal Church, Dodge City, and priest in charge of St. Albans Church, Cimarron. He had received an award from the school for his distinguished service to the School. Services were held at the Church Sept. 24. Representing the School at the funeral were Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, and Mrs. Duckers.

Cadet Chaplain Selected For Year

Isaac Magdaleno, Adjutant of the 104th Corps of Cadets, was recently named the Cadet Chaplain for the 104th Corps by the Rev. James Cox, Chaplain.

In his capacity as Cadet Chaplain, Magdaleno will automatically serve as President of the Cadet Chapel Council, serve as Sub-Deacon or Master of Ceremonies at Chapel services, and assist Fr. Cox in the supervision of Cadet acolytes, lay-readers, chalice bearers and ushers.

Magdaleno is last year's recipient of the Litchman Scholarship Award, a scholarship provided by Christ Episcopal Cathedral, Salina, and named for the Very Rev. Frederic Litchman, Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral and former Trustee of St. John's.

Other Chapel Council Officers announced are Arthur Cannon, vice president; David Godin, secretary; Daniel Goldstein, treasurer, and Jeremy Gosch, Senior Acolyte.

Doug Morrison is the Middle School representative. Chris Allen represents the Upper School.

Gabe Boyle Earns Award

Gabriel Boyle, Cadet Battalion commander, was awarded the commendation ribbon for meritorious leadership for his preparation and execution of leadership camp responsibilities Aug. 18 - Sept. 1.

Lt. Col. Houston Ward Jr., Commandant, said that Boyle's leadership was note-worthy and aided the quick formation of the 104th Corps of Cadets.

Market Game To Start

Students in the Economics Class, taught by Doug Randolph, will be participating in the Stock Market Game.

The game, sponsored by Kansas State University, is a positive educational program which the students enjoy according to Randolph.

The teams are divided into regions and are ranked according to the amount of money each team makes in a 10-week period.

Each team started with \$200,000 (fake money) and hopes to increase that sum.

Team members are graphing possible stocks, writing companies for brochures and talking to stock brokers.

Team members are Chris Clark, Jeff Day, Dalton Hollmann, Chris Jagels, Jason Merrifield, Ryan Overton and Larry Ford.

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Commandant's Comments

Welcome and best wishes to the 104th Corps of Cadets. Cadet Major Gabe Boyle, Franktown, Colo., and his able battalion staff are rapidly implementing their summer planning and recent Leader Camp program initiatives.

Boyle has set School-Year goals for the 104th Corps and is actively pursuing his objectives. Better teamwork within the School and improved dining room operations are but two of his goals that will help the 104th Corps to be the best ever at St. John's.

Our Military Cadre and Academic Faculty assisted his effort with two productive weeks of leader and athletic camps. Leader curriculum in the areas of: St. John's History and Tradition, Cadet Leader Duties, Military Corps Operations, Corps Support Programs, Academic Operations, Chapel Programs, Drill Ceremonies, and Training Management produced Team Building Programs that gives the 104th a big edge in better organization and improved communications. The camp bottom line of leader ethics was presented in our last session and highlighted the mark of a true leader: Loyalty, Honesty, Tenacity, and Humility. We concluded this fantastic camp experience by rewarding twelve deserving cadets for their exemplary performance.

Congratulations to all who assisted in providing the camps with the best of professional instruction.

Houston E. Ward, Jr., Commandant
LTC, USA (Ret.)



Houston
Ward

Gruber Heads Blue Berets

Scott Gruber is the president of the Blue Berets.

Blue Berets are selected as the top three on the academic honor rolls in the Upper and Middle Schools. Six Cadets are named each grading period.

Chad Caruso is the vice president and Chris Nicola is the secretary/treasurer.

Other members are Adi Hasan, Isaac Magdaleno, Nivi Reddy, Charles Robertson, Chad Mathis, Mark Richards, Chris Allen, Jerry Webb, Rod Webb, Joe Miller and Chad Kellogg.

The sponsors are Lt. Col. Kenneth Faerber, Academic Dean, and Carl Hensley, Middle School teacher.

NHS Elects Officers

Chad Caruso has been elected president of the National Honor Society. Other officers are Brian Weber, vice president, and Adi Hasan, secretary/treasurer.

New members are being considered. Checks are being made on academic grades and deportment in the Military Department.

A dinner meeting to induct new members is being planned for Oct. 24.

The fall Book Fair will be Friday, Dec. 13.

Companies Attend Chapel

Each Company in the Corps of Cadets attends Chapel, as a unit, on an assigned morning one day each week.

The services are at 6:25 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel. These services are in addition to the Sunday morning services at 11:30 a.m. and a brief evening prayer service on Wednesday evenings following mess.

School Pictures To Be Taken

Photographers from Russell studio will be on campus Oct. 14 - Oct. 20 taking pictures.

During the week they will shoot faculty, staff, administration, and Cadet pictures. They will take pictures of groups on Friday, Oct. 18. They will remain on campus during Parents Weekend to take pictures of scheduled events and pictures of Cadets with their families.

Pictures will be used in the school yearbook and will be available for purchase.

Guard Cord, Ribbons Given

Members of the Color Guard have been authorized to wear the cord and ribbon.

Bryan Atkins also received the silver lamp.

Bronze lamps were awarded Arthur Cannon, Lawrence Ford, and Steve Huff.

Chad Kopecky wears the Commander's "figure 8" cord.

Others on the guard are Chris Allen, Michael Ebert, DeAndre Grassity, Chris Jagels, Leon Neil, Dale Vandel, Jerry Webb and Rodney Webb.

Two Attend Rifle Camp

Two Cadets, Tom Fournier and Chris Nicola, attended the National Rifle Association Olympic smallbore rifle camp at Camp Mary Dell, Abilene, Aug. 16-18.

Both Cadets were placed in the advanced class.

On the last day they competed against other shooters in their class. Fournier placed third.

SFC Tony Blair, Rifle team coach, said the personnel running the camp were impressed with the Cadets.

Promotion Criteria Explained

How are promotions made at SJMS?

A memorandum from the Commandant, Lt. Col. Houston Ward Jr., explains the criteria.

Promotions are normally made at the end of each grading period, however, changes within the Cadet chain of command may dictate that promotion of certain Cadets must be made at any time.

At the beginning of each school year certain promotions must be made in order to properly staff and man duty positions at the Battalion and company levels.

Points considered for promotions are:

1. Time at SJMS
2. Time in grade
3. Disciplinary record
4. Academic record
5. Military knowledge and bearing
6. Leadership potential
7. Attitude/barracks living

Cadets in the Middle School will not be promoted to a grade higher than staff sergeant unless a waiver has been approved for outstanding meritorious performance of duty.

Recommendations for promotion can be made at any time. Normally at the end of each month an administrative review of the recommendations will be conducted to determine eligibility for promotions.

Band Insignia Authorized

Several Cadets were authorized to wear the blue band tab, bib scarf and cord.

They are Jason Craig, Tom Fournier, Jeremy Gosch, Collin Guinn, Tim Henry, Shawn Hensel, Mark Manos, Jason Merrifield, Joe Miller, Paul Palombo, Ranjan Ray and Ryan Wagner.

Firing Badges Given

Three Cadets were awarded marksmanship badges. Earning marksmanship badges were Aaron Branjord and Daniel Frazier. Lee O'Guin was named a sharpshooter.

SJ Color Guard Performs At Fort

The SJMS Color Guard was selected to present the colors at the change of command ceremonies for the U.S. Army Third ROTC region.

Col. Michael P. Eskew relinquished command of the region to Col. John C. Parrish during ceremonies at Fort Riley, Aug. 27.

Cadet participants were Chad Kopecky, Bryan Atkins, Jerry Bessie, Chris Allen, Larry Ford and Dalton Hollmann.

Meet The Trustees

... Introducing L.O. Bengtson

(Editor's Note: As a new feature in *The Skirmisher* biographical information will be published about members of the SJMS Board of Trustees. Trustees will be introduced in alphabetical order).

L.O. "Larry" Bengtson, Salina, is beginning his second three-year term on the Board. He grew up in Smolan, a small town near Salina. He earned his A.B. degree and his law degree from Washburn University, Topeka.

He was in private law practice in Salina until he merged with the law firm of Clark, Mize and Linville in 1984. Bengtson served as Salina City Attorney from 1962-1985 and was the U.S. Commissioner for Kansas from 1956-69.

Active in St. John's Lutheran

Church, Bengtson served on the National Executive Council of the Lutheran Church in America for four years.

He was chairman of the Board of the Assaria State Bank for 20 years. He was on the boards of St. John's-Hospital, Salina; Swedish American Insurance company, the City Attorneys Association of Kansas and the Salina Country Club.

Bengtson said, "I've enjoyed serving on the SJMS Board. I've particularly enjoyed learning of the success stories of the Cadets who attend the School."

Bengtson and his wife, Marjorie, are the parents of two sons, Mike, Dallas, and David, Wichita. Both boys are lawyers. They have two grandchildren.

★ PROMOTIONS ★

The following promotions have been made since the beginning of the school year.

Promoted to:

SECOND LIEUTENANT

— E. Hagan Watts, Chris Mackey, Tory Merriman, Chad Mathis.

SERGEANT MAJOR —

Chad Kopecky.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS

— J.R. Taylor, Geoff Nelson, Ryan Munich, Tom Fournier, Robert Hall, Charles Robertson, Chris Nicola.

STAFF SERGEANT —

Christian Martens, Jeff Day, Chris Allen.

CORPORAL — Daniel

Ditto.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

— Dale Vandel.

PRIVATE OLD BOY —

Tony Barlow.

Grading Periods Set

The number of grading periods this year has been reduced from six to four. The periods will end Oct. 25; Jan. 1992; March 6, 1992 and May 8, 1992.

Cadet Court Is Named

The Cadet Court for the 104th Corps of Cadets has been selected.

Gabriel Boyle, Cadet Battalion Commander, wears the orange and black "figure 8" cord with bronze lamp as president of the court.

Authorized to wear the student government ribbon as court members are Brady Brigman, Chris Mackey, Chad Mathis, Tory Merriman, Chris Miller, Ralph Shoemaker, John Vaughn and E. Hagan Watts.

New Service Manages Dining Hall

The Marriott Management services is the new food service group managing the operation in Nichols Dining Hall.

The director is Kevin McCoy who started in food service at the age of 14 as a bus boy. He earned a B.S. degree in home economics with emphasis in commercial food service from Central Missouri State University. After managing family restaurants in the Kansas City area, he joined the Marriott operation.

He and his wife, Brenda, and son, Jacob, live on campus. McCoy said, "We were happy to come to Salina and St. John's. We were looking for a campus that would allow us to be a part of the campus family and be closer to our relatives."

Assisting McCoy in the kitchen is Dolan Branning. Branning, originally from Frostproof, Fla., has been with Marriott for a year.

Leader Camp Awards Made

Cadets were honored with commendation and/or proficiency ribbons for their work during the Leadership training camp.

David Godin earned commendation and proficiency ribbons for Camp 1. Earning proficiency ribbons for Camp 1 were Jerry Bessie, Jeff Day, Chris Jagels, Tory Merrifield and Dale Vandel.

Arthur Cannon earned the commendation and proficiency ribbons for Camp 2. Earning proficiency ribbons were Tom Fournier, Robert Hall, Steve Huff, Chris Miller and E. Hagan Watts.

Librarian Asks For Exhibits

Martha Lohmann, Librarian, has asked members of the faculty and staff for any collections of interest to Cadets. She would like to keep the items on display in the glass display case in the library.

SJMS Tops White City

St. John's Cadets held off a last minute scoring drive by White City to post a 20-14 victory in an Eisenhower League contest, Sept. 13.

White City, 0-2, drove to the St. John's four-yard line in the closing seconds, but without any timeouts, was unable to stop the clock for a final play.

The Muleskinners, 2-0, were stunned in the early going when a White City player ran the opening kickoff back 70 yards to take the lead.

Chad Caruso scored the first of his two touchdowns on a seven-yard run with 5:08 remaining in the first quarter, then put the Muleskinners in front for good with a four-yard run with 20 seconds remaining in the first half. A Chad Kellogg to Isaac

Magdaleno pass was good for the two-point conversion.

Kellogg's one-yard run with 8:10 remaining in the third period put the Muleskinners up 20-8 and would prove to be the winning points for St. John's.

"Those guys were up for us," said Coach Phil Kellogg. "It was a hard-hitting ball game on both sides. White City opened with that kickoff return and that deflated our balloon real quick."

But other than that return and a long run in the third quarter we held them pretty well on defense most of the night," he said.

St. John's Overwhelms Wakefield

St. John's Military School's football team is 4-0.

The Muleskinners moved to that mark after rolling over Wakefield, Sept. 27, 34-8 on Perkins Field, to give St. John's one of its best starts ever. And the Cadets defeated Wakefield the same way they put away their first three opponents with a smothering defense and an opportunistic offense.

"We are for Real," exclaimed an enthusiastic St. John's coach Phil Kellogg. "This was our best game of the year."

The St. John's defense set the tone the entire game, and have not given up a touchdown in their last 10 quarters, as Wakefield's only score came on a fumble recovery and score by the Bombers in the second quarter.

The defense allowed the Bombers' offense into St. John's territory only once the entire game and gave up only 83 total yards, while causing four turnovers.

As they have all year, the Cadet offense was there to take advantage of nearly every opportunity.

Scoring after two of the turnovers, and taking advantage of great field position all night, the Cadets put the Bombers away with 20 fourth quarter points and 219 yards in total rushing.

The Wakefield coach said, "They are real solid. They just line up six across the front and come at you very aggressively on defense. Their size wears on you after a while."

Even though the fourth quarter was the decisive period as St. John's broke open a close game, the end of the second quarter proved to be a pivotal portion of the game.

Wakefield had just tied the score at 8-8 with 1:57 remaining in the first half on the fumble recovery. But Mike Goins' 34-yard kickoff return gave the Muleskinners good field position at their own 35 and on second down, quarterback Chad Kellogg found Isaac Magdaleno down the far sideline for 31 yards.

Four plays later on a fourth and 9 play from the 13-yard line, Kellogg found Chad Caruso on a 12-yard pass play to the one. Kellogg capped the quick drive on a quarterback sneak to give the Muleskinners the lead and a much needed momentum swing heading into the locker room.

Freshman linebacker Chris Nicola picked off two Wakefield passes in the second half to thwart Bomber Drives. Nicola's second interception and return gave the Muleskinners the ball on the Wakefield 2 and the 5-foot 11, 170-pounder converted the pickoff into six-points as he scored on the next play.

Scott Gruber came close to another 100-yard rushing night with 92 yards on 27 carries.

Punting three times, Gabe Boyle averaged 28 yards per kick.

Junior Varsity Wins Over Centre, 54-8

The Muleskinner Junior Varsity football team had an impressive run over Centre, 54-8, in its first game of the season.

The attack was lead by several Cadets.

Manuel Palacios scored three touchdowns and a two-point conversion. Adam Kaye scored a touchdown, a two-point conversion and intercepted three passes.

Rodney Webb intercepted a pass and ran it back for 78 yards. He also recovered two fumbles.

DeAndre Grassity scored a two-point conversion.

Gavin Stein ran an interception back for a 20-yard touchdown.

Brandon Smith ran for a touchdown and a two-point conversion.

Thaddeus Alexander scored on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Smith to end the game with 2:12 left to play in the game.

In eight-man football when a team is ahead by 45 points the game is called.

SJMS Defeats Solomon

The Cadets won their third ball game of the season with no losses by downing Solomon 14-0 on Perkins Field, Sept. 20.

The Cadets marched up and down the field but had difficulty scoring TDs.

"We couldn't score any touchdowns tonight," coach Phil Kellogg said. "We moved the ball up and down the field all night but couldn't get the ball into the end zone. It was a good thing our defense played well."

And for the third week in a row, the Muleskinner defense rose to the occasion. The St. John's defense has now allowed only three touchdowns this year, and have helped the Muleskinners get off to what is believed to be one of its best starts ever.

"I can't say enough about the defense," Kellogg said. "They stuck it to them, just like they've been doing all year so far. I just hope it continues."

The St. John's defense forced three Solomon turnovers and gave up only 48 total yards of offense in the first three quarters.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the ball, senior running back Scott Gruber was bulling his way to his third 100-yard plus

rushing effort of the season. The 5-foot-11, 175-pounder was the workhorse the entire night, especially in the second half, when he carried 16 times for 93 yards. Gruber finished the night with 140 yards on 31 carries, and scored one touchdown.

St. John's got on the scoreboard through the air, as junior quarterback Chad Kellogg, found end Isaac Magdaleno behind the Solomon defense for a 28-yard scoring strike. Gruber's PAT run failed and the Cadets were up, 6-0 at the 3-minute mark of the first quarter.

The St. John's defense handed its offense a golden scoring opportunity just before half-time, when the Cadets blocked a Solomon punt attempt and Chris Nicola recovered the ball on the Gorilla 2-yard line.

Gruber scored easily on the next play, and added the two-point conversion.

Solomon did push the ball deep into St. John's territory late in the ball game, but turned the ball over on downs both times.

SJMS Building On Last Season

A program typically small in numbers, Coach Phil Kellogg believed he might have trouble filling some important positions as the Muleskinners began their first full year as a member of the Eisenhower league.

But with numbers up almost 50 percent from last season, when St. John's posted the only winning record (5-4) among the Salina high schools, Kellogg has found those personnel problems solving themselves.

The Cadets return five starters on defense, including linebackers, Scott Gruber and Brian Weber. Gruber earned All-Post Rock League honors at linebacker last season, while Weber earned League recognition at offensive guard.

Gruber helped Kellogg solve one of his biggest problems, as he moved from wide receiver to running back. He was joined by freshman Chris Nicola, who impressed Kellogg with his improvement from the Middle School program.

Calling the signals for the Cadets is junior Chad Kellogg, his son, and freshman Chris Allen.

"I always want to establish a running game but I see us passing the ball quite a bit," Kellogg said.

Seniors Chad Caruso, Gabe Boyle and Geoff Nelson are two-way starters. Nelson at offensive guard-defensive tackle; Caruso at defensive end-split end and Boyle at defensive end-center.

"The defensive line as well as the offensive line are all senior returning lettermen," Kellogg said, "and that will be our strong point."

St. John's Opens With Win

Scott Gruber scored three touchdowns and Mike Goins added two scores on Sept. 6 to lead St. John's to a 46-8 victory over St. Xavier High School, Junction City, on Perkins Field.

Gruber scored on runs of 3, 4, and 44 yards as St. John's overcame an 8-8 tie to blow the game open in the final quarter.

"We were just sluggish in the first half," SJMS coach Phil Kellogg said. "We came out in the second half and played like I knew we could. We just wore them down in the second half."

Rifle Team Plans Season

Rifle Team Coach, Tony Blair, expects the Rifle team to be the best in recent years at SJMS.

Cadets are competing to fill three vacant slots on the team.

Returning lettermen are Adi Hasan, team captain; Tom Fournier, Ryan Overton, Isaac Magdaleno and Chris Nicola.

The number of matches in the North Central Kansas Smallbore league may be doubled this year. This would extend the season from November to March.

Practices are now being held after the academic school day.

Cross Country Runners Are All New

All the runners on the cross country team are running for the first time, according to coach Gerald Martin.

Team members are Karl Carnagey, Dan Ditto, Shawn Hensel, Jonah Horton, Chris Martin, Lee O'Guinn and Rangan Ray.

Ineligible to compete this fall but running with the team are Charles Mersberger and Dan Reagan. Reagan is also serving as team manager.

Carnagey was the first runner to finish for St. John's at the Hesston meet, Sept. 12. Hensel was the first runner to finish for St. John's at the Clay Center meet on Sept. 19.

Martin said, "It's a young team with some promise. I look for several of the runners to develop into good trackmen."

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Middle School Wins One, Drops One

The Middle School football team lost its first game to Bennington, 20-0.

But bounced back to defeat Hope badly on Sept. 26.

Coaches Doug Randolph and Bryant Stateham felt the team performed well against Bennington but made some costly first game mistakes.

The coaches are pleased with the Cadets' sportsmanship. Everyone on the team got to play in both games.

Randolph said, "The season is just getting started and the team is showing improvement each day."

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