



Blue Ink



Grapple up

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The Garretson wrestlers had an unexpected weekend off this past Saturday with their Tri-Valley tournament being completely cancelled due to weather. That didn't stop their motivation for wrestling on Tuesday and Thursday.

This past Tuesday the grapplers went to Luverne for the first triangular of week facing the Fairmont Bulls in the first dual. First year wrestler, sophomore Gabe Johnson was the only wrestler that scored against this team. Leaving the dragons with a loss of 75-6. Their next match was up against home team the Luverne Cardinals with the Blue Dragons gaining the win with a score of 24-29.

Just yesterday the young team traveled to O'Gorman for another triangular. This time against the Dell

Rapids Quarriers and the, hosting team, O'Gorman Knights.

Garretson struggled against the Quarries and only had three out of the 10 varsity wrestlers score. Freshman Hunter Abraham, wrestling 132, won by fault, junior Parker Schlenker wrestling 170 won by pin, and sophomore Gabe Johnson wrestling heavyweight also won by a pin, leaving the score 49-15.

The Blue Dragons put up a strong battle against the Knights with five pins. The 30 points for Garretson were earned by wrestlers: Preston Bohl (106), Jayse Miller (113), Dominic Abraham (145), Parker Schlenker (170), and Jaden "Ricky" Richter (220). However the 5 pins weren't good enough with Garretson falling short 41-30.

The wrestlers have yet another weekend off from wrestling but will be back in action on Tuesday for a

home triangular, beginning at 5:00 against Parkston and Sioux Falls Lincoln. On the first of February they'll be getting back into the hustle and tussle of tournaments traveling to Wagner for an all-day tournament beginning at 10 AM.



Hunter Abraham secures the win against his O'Gorman opponent, Hunter Nelson, 3-0.
Photo by Heather Abraham

This Week's Need to Know

FACT OF THE WEEK: The first discovery of golf in California happened on this day in 1848.

LIFE HACK OF THE WEEK: To brighten the colors of your clothes, add a pinch of salt to your load of laundry.

CROATIAN WORD OF THE WEEK: Snow = snijeg (snee-yeg)

JOKE OF THE WEEK: When does a doctor get frustrated?

BRAINTEASER OF THE WEEK: You walk into a room with a match, a kerosene lamp, a candle, and a fireplace. What do you light first?

Answers to joke and brainteaser are on the bottom.

Kicking off the decade with a crunch...continued

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(If, last Friday, you were in my journalism class (or you're Mr. Stecker), I apologize. Unbeknownst to you at the time, you were given 'Chirps Chocolate Chip Cookies', a brand of cookies made with cricket flour. This was for research purposes, as I figured a majority of people would not eat cookies they knew had crickets in them.)

Regardless, last week, I wrote an article about New Years resolutions, and eating bugs. This week, I followed through and ate: cricket chips, cricket cookies, chocolate covered crickets and worms, chocolate ant wafers, a chocolate covered scorpion, bug-suckers, seasoned crickets, sago worms, diving beetles, a giant water beetle and a zebra tarantula. So, here's my coverage and opinion on it all.

Chirps Chips/Cookies: This was the first level, insects incorporated and hidden in other foods. The cookies, I only heard good things about. Just out of the oven, they were delicious, and at the time, no one had said anything about them being suspicious. 10/10 for me. The chips, though, were just OK. I purchased the sriracha flavor, and honestly it just tasted like off brand corn chips. 6/10

Chocolate covered crickets, worms, ant wafers, and scorpion: Once you get over the initial shock of

the bug-shaped chocolate pieces, they weren't bad at all! Just tasted like a chocolate covered pretzel, or another item of the sort. Luckily, the chocolate nearly entirely masked the taste. 8/10.

Bug-Suckers: I had high hopes for these, really. But, the suckers themselves didn't taste particularly good, and the suckers were so thick it'd take a millennium to get to the insect filling. However, my dogs thoroughly licking the suckers, so I can't be too harsh, 6/10.

Seasoned insect mix: Whoo... where to start. My company and I started with the smallest of the bunch -the crickets. When I first put it in my mouth, my eyes widened because the sensation of a cricket leg on your tongue is hard to comprehend. However, after crunching down, it was actually pretty good. I ended up eating 4-5 of them. The easiest comparison for me would have to be something like a chipotle-seasoned peanut. Next was the sago worm. I expected this to have the texture of a dried apricot, but since it was previously dehydrated, it was actually pretty crispy. If I had to make a comparison, it tasted like a thick whole grain cracker. Next was the diving beetles. These threw me off, because I could still move the legs and see the wings. But alas, I crunched. It was like breaking through a chocolate Easter Bunny, but...more earthy tasting. Not my favorite. Lastly of this pack, was

Journalist's New Year's resolution to try new things is put to the test

the giant water bug. This thing was HUGE, around 4-5 inches. If I saw this bug on the street, I'd avoid eye contact for fear of my life. After much consideration and the beheading of the insect (because I couldn't look it in the eyes), I crunched. I was doing good up until this point, but this bug was nasty. The smell of fish hit me as soon as I bit down (as to be expected, it IS a water bug), and the texture was like chewing reeds. This was hard to get down, and definitely takes the place as "least favorite" in my bug book. Overall, a 5/10.

Zebra Tarantula: Though I thought I would like this, I can't say I did. This arachnid had more hair on its legs than I did. So, I popped it like a potato chip, and contrary to popular belief, it did not...taste like a potato chip. It tasted like dirt. Like chewing dirt. Definitely made me feel like a kid shoving sand in their mouth in the sand pit. Salty, too. 2/10.

Overall, would I incorporate the easy stuff into my diet normally? Sure! I enjoyed the cookies, and the chips weren't half bad. If I had to eat the other stuff again, some of it I would. It's a good feeling to know that I'd have a bit of an easier time if I ever made it on a show like Survivor, or Fear Factor. However, that's about the only benefit to this New Years' experiment. If you're thinking of doing anything like this, I highly encourage it. It's a good personal challenge, and it's always good to try new things.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, January 24**
 - BBB @ Vermillion (5:15/8:00)
 - GBB @ Vermillion (4:00/6:30)
- Saturday, January 25**
 - JH GBB @ BEC Tourney in Volga (9:00)
- Monday, January 27**
 - JH GBB @ Tri-Valley (4:00)
 - BBB C Team v. Baltic (6:00)
- Tuesday, January 28**
 - JH BBB @ Flandreau (4:00/5:00)
 - BBB @ Flandreau (6:15/7:15)
 - Wrestling Triangular v. Parkston & SF Lincoln (5:00)
- Wednesday, January 29**
 - Early Out @ 1:30
- Thursday, January 30**
 - GBB @ BEC v. TBD (6:00/7:30)
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 - GBB @ BEC v. TBD (6:00/7:30)

Worth Mentioning

COUNTDOWN TO BREAK: 20 Days
We get a three day weekend starting Friday, February 14 due to Parent-Teacher Conferences the night before and staff in-service that Friday.

Note on the Calendar Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, February 13. First semester report cards will also be coming home shortly.

Superbowl 54 is here and it's going to be a good one

49ers 13-3

Feb 2, 5:30 PM FOX

@Chiefs 12-4

KC favored to win

Chiefs and 49ers square off during the NFL's 100 year anniversary



by **Mason Hofer**
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In the 100th season of the NFL, the matchup for the 54th Super Bowl is set; the San Francisco 49ers

and the Kansas City Chiefs will face off in Miami on February 2 for the final duel of the season..

It is no surprise that both of these teams are the last to remaining due to their dominance during the regular season. The 49ers finished with a record of 13-3, and the Chiefs finished at 12-4. Both teams are led by young quarterbacks who have never started in a Super Bowl before, so it will be interesting to see how both teams can deal with the pressure of playing at this high stake of a game.

The team matchups are very simi-

lar, it will be the number one offense against the number one defense. This is kind of similar to Super Bowl 50 when the offense led by Cam Newton faced off against the Broncos defense. San Francisco and Kansas City are also very close in speed; the average speed of a ball carrier for the Chiefs is 13.36 mph (first in the league) and the 49ers is 13.35 mph (second overall).

While we are all waiting for the Super Bowl, you can tune into the Pro Bowl this Sunday, and watch the leagues best players go at it.

Just in case you Iran from this tweet

by **Grace Panning**
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A bounty of \$80 MILLION has supposedly been placed on President Donald Trump's head by Iran as tensions between the country and the USA arise. A twitter post was posted on Jan. 10 announcing the bounty for Trump's head and of Jan. 15 had more than 1 million likes.

Apparently, Iranians are donating \$1 each in order to gather an \$80 million bounty on President Trump's head. The population of Iran is a little bit over 80 million, so \$1 each would be roughly \$80 million dollars. Although, this news has been going around.

Politicians doubt that this bounty claim is true because they have not been officially informed by the Iranian Government. Although the 80 million bounty is false, a true genuine bounty of 3 million was put on Trump's head by the Iranian government for real. Meaning terror and attack plots for the 45th president of the United States.

Three dead, three injured in "intentional" hit-and-run in Cali

by **Nika Sapunar**
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Three teenage boys dead and three hospitalized, when a prank led another driver crashed into their vehicle in Temescal Valley, California. When the car who was driven by 18-year old with five minors riding along was hit by another vehicle, what causing them to hit a three around 10:30 pm on a Sunday night.

One of the boys were pronounced dead on the scene, however two others died on their way to the hospital and the remaining three suffered non-life-threatening injuries. The 18-year old survived the crash, as did the two 13-year-olds. Campusano, 18, was believed to be a driver of the Prius and was described as best friend with one of the victims. According to him there were only 5 seats in the car with 6 teenagers in it.

Police arrested a 42-year old man (identified as Anurag Chandra) who also landed three other teen passengers in the hospital. Three of the passengers were

trapped inside the wreckage as the other were outside the car.

One of the boys moms said that boys were playing ding dong ditch'em at a house they thought was a young man, somewhere their age, but it turned to be that angry man. When they realized it wasn't a teenager they started running and were scared to death of him, in meanwhile they tried to get away several times, but he roamed them, and at the end ran them off the road.

The initial investigation led the Californian Highway Patrol to believe it was a hit-and-run crash, but later they were able to determinate, due to a witnesses who came forward, that's the deadly crash was 'intentional act'. After the crash, a witness followed the solo male driver and reported his location to the police. Authorities arrested him around 2:45 am.

All six teenagers were members of a church's youth group, and the church hosted a prayer vigil attended by more than 1,000 people Monday night.

Multimedia posters

by **Hayden Olofson**
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Media is a form of communication, so the posters are a form of communication. I think it's nice to have some posters hanging around school that catch people's attention.

In multimedia, the students put their creativity to the test by making and posting YouTube videos on the channel, Garretson Tech. Mr. Schrank teaches and helps students how to put together and edit videos to perfection. Every week or two multi-media students brainstorm ideas for Garretson Tech, edits for sporting events, and other ideas like the posters they made for the teachers hanging around the school.

Mr. Schrank, along with some of the students, came up with the idea to make positivity posters for the teachers. The posters idea was a swing on memes. We called them positivity posters rather than memes. The reason for this project was to show that memes are normally shown in a negative way, or making fun of a certain people or things. These posters show more of a positive spin on memes.

We plan on doing more of these and hitting more teachers and subject areas, as they are all important. The teachers seemed to like the posters, and honestly its a nice conversation piece for students and teachers!



Senior spotlights

Abby Schroeder



Malia Johnson

SENIOR PROJECT:
Photography

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:
Soccer
Golf

WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:
Seeing my mom around school

PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR
Attend a two-year tech school



SENIOR PROJECT:
Running a half marathon

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:
Softball

WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:
My friends

PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR
Attend KU

