

104.7 identifies their choices for worst mascot names in SD

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These paragraphs consist of comments from the talk show/radio, 104.7 with comments from me as well. This was on 104.7, Tuesday morning and was about the top 5 worst mascot names. The radio host basically listed their top 5 worst and had a couple comments on why they thought that.

1. PERHAPS CORNY, BUT NOT A JOKE

The Kernels mascot name is not unique to Mitchell, as another school in Washington shares the same mascot name. It's where the Kernels do battle that really makes this mascot name stand out over the others. The Kernels play their home games at the Corn Palace, a facility that is famous worldwide due to its murals made of corn and other agricultural materials, not to mention amazing architecture on the outside. Yes, they're named after a kernel of corn. That, if you will, is a kernel of truth.



2. JUMPING INTO A WORLD OF WATER



Lake Preston, in Kingsbury County in east-central South Dakota, was the home of the first diving board to ever be inside a South Dakota school. The school's mascot name is the Divers; it features and used to feature a cartoon guy in Speedo as a mascot. But has recently been switched to a more appropriate choice. We don't know how long the diving board was, but you have to say that it's a pretty big achievement for a town with an estimated population of around 600

people. At least they didn't choose to be the Lake Preston Cannonballs.

3. THESE KIDS REALLY ROCK OUT

Now everyone knows about the Dell Rapids Quarriers. It's kind of an ironic choice for the mascot name. But if you've ever been to Dell Rapids you'd find out quickly why it was named that way. The town, for a longtime, has been home to countless granite mining quarries. Even the streets downtown

are made of granite; which you don't see a lot of anymore considering the roads we see in Sioux Falls. So you can probably imagine this prompted the schools education board to name the school after this.

Don't worry guys I promise I'm not taking this mascot for "granite".

4. DON'T MIND ME JUST SCOOPING OUT A LIL BIT OF THAT MOOLAH

Sturgis is best known for the massive motorcycle rally that rolls through town each summer, but the small city also is home to a high school with a well-named mascot. The Sturgis, High Scoopers are, in fact, named after prostitutes. It's true. Scoopers or then known as prostitutes would scoop money out of the prospec-

tors (fancy term for rich people) pockets in exchange for, well, you know. Luckily, the school doesn't use a traditional "scooper" as the physical representation of the mascot, but rather the prospectors who paid them which is armed with a very large shovel. Now there's your scoop.

5. YOU CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF THIS BLUE DRAGON HEAT

Our school has always had a unique mascot name. However, 104.7 does not see it as we do, they see it as an unnecessary usage of the word blue. They said that it would be much more understanding if we took away the word blue in front of our mascot name. However, I disagree and think we should always keep in the same. If we used some other lame color instead of blue, for example pink or green. We could potentially be the laughing stock of the entire state. Blue is a great color, personally I love the color blue, and I may or may not be obsessed with a certain relative of the color blue. In the end, if push comes to shove. I would never vote to change our school's color. I think it's perfectly fine the way it is.



Would you Rather...

Tableside conversations



- live without internet OR live without AC/Heating
- teleport OR read people's minds
- live on the beach OR in a cabin in the woods
- know when you die OR how you die
- go back to age five with all the knowledge you have now OR have all the knowledge you'll ever have in your life right now
- be the absolute best at something no one takes seriously OR be well-above average, but nowhere near the best, at something that is well-respected
- be supersensitive to hearing OR supersensitive to taste
- never use social media apps or sites again OR never watch another movie or TV show

Would you rather ...

The Lenten season

by Kylie Uhl
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What is it

Lent started February 26 and goes until April 11. Lent is symbolized as the 40 days that Jesus fasted for god and proved he could overcome the temptation of food. It is also known as a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice and good works in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Why 40 days

While Lent is said to be 40 days or six weeks some religions say that doesn't include Sundays and Sundays are known as a "cheat day," while in others they take out the whole weekend and cover the 40 days over 8 weeks.

The number "40" has always had special spiritual significance regarding preparation. On Mount Sinai, preparing to receive the Ten Commandments, "Moses stayed there with the Lord for 40 days and 40 nights, without eating any food or drinking any

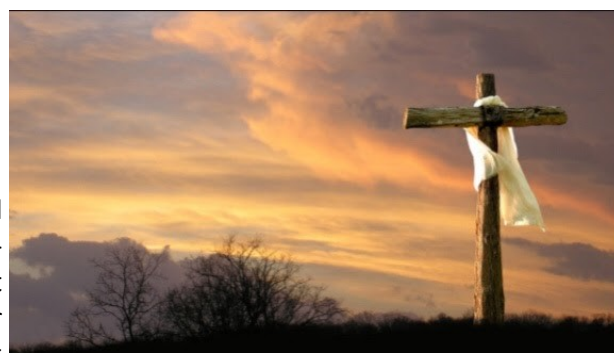
water" (Exodus 34:28). Elijah walked "40 days and 40 nights" to the mountain of the Lord, Mount Horeb (another name for Sinai) (I King 19:8). Most importantly, Jesus fasted and prayed for "40 days and 40 nights" in the desert before He began his public ministry (Matthew 4:2).

Guidelines On Lent

Both Catholics and Lutheran associate with Lent, however many say that Lutherans do take the tradition seriously but can make their own interpretations on how to handle it. Originally stated in the Catholic Church for the guidelines of lent: No meat, eggs, or dairy for all 40 days.

Later this rule was modified because farmers and labor workers would get sick because of lack of protein. It has since been changed: no meat on Fridays or Ash Wednesday. It is also common that you may give something up for lent.

"I guess it doesn't really matter if



people give up stuff for Lent or not; I think it's totally up to them but doing a good deed would probably make up for not giving up something." said sophomore Maren Bonte and Zion Lutheran church member.

Tradition for the church

The tradition of Lent has been around since Jesus fasted for his 40 days. Junior Molly Hulscher and member of Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church, said, "I believe that we keep this tradition because it is a very impactful teaching in the church. There is so much going on in our lives and we don't always make time for God. I've found that when I want candy or soda I stop myself and it reminds me of his sacrifice for me and it makes me want to do better."

"I believe that the Catholic Church

has been doing this tradition for a long time because it can show a change for the better and not only did the Lord change us for the better but changed the world. So I definitely think maybe that has to tie into the idea," said sophomore Chloe Schleuter a member of the Zion Lutheran Church.

Difficulties

Each religion varies on their own rules but several of the interviewees stated that they too face and have faced difficulties in this holy time.

"I think it's hard on Fridays to remember that I can't have meat because I'm used to eating it whenever," Isaiah Robinson, junior of Lincoln high school and member of Saint Rose of Lima catholic church.

"The hardest part of Lent is definitely staying positive and keeping your fast going, it takes a lot of willpower," stated Hulscher

"The hardest part about Lent is sticking to whatever you may have given up or whatever your plan is. That can be hard because it can change a routine in your days/weeks," concluded Schleuter.

Biden takes commanding lead after super Tuesday

by **Mason Hofer**
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The biggest day of the voting primary's, Super Tuesday occurred this week, and as usual, it gave most candidates a reason to drop out. High profile candidates like Michael Bloomberg and Elizabeth Warren have dropped out, this leaves only Biden, Sanders, and Gabbard.

Gabbard surely will not be in the race much longer, as she has not won a state yet.

Joe Biden won 10 of the 14 states, including Alabama, Arkansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennes-

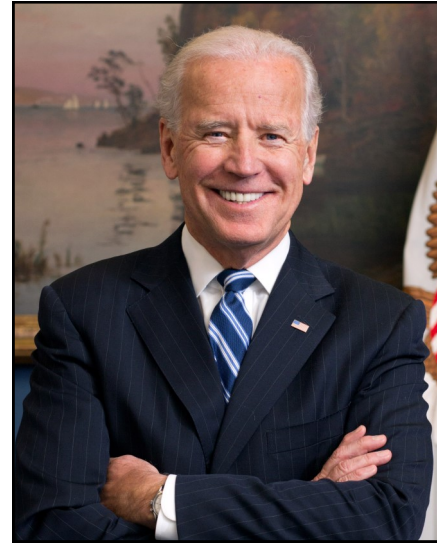
see, Texas, and Virginia. Texas being the largest state with 228 delegates available, because everything's bigger in Texas.

Bernie Sanders won the remaining four states, California, Colorado, Utah, and Vermont.

Joe Biden has won a total of 566 Delegates, Bernie Sanders with 495, and Tulsi Gabbard with a whopping two delegates.

Very big surprise here, in fact the biggest surprises, you'll never see anything like it, Donald Trump has one 833 delegates to Weld's 1.

RealClearPolitics puts Biden's nomination percentage at 84%, a



Former Vice President Joe Biden has turned around his campaign after late surges and support from former candidates who have thrown their endorsements behind him.

Photo from Wikimedia Commons

miraculous come back from last week's 10%.

SF Domino's pizza delivery guy shot and killed

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Officers were called to East Bragstad Drive just south of 26th Street near Cleveland Avenue in Sioux Falls around 8:45 p.m. on Wednesday. The police released the name of the 30-year-old Domino's Pizza delivery man who was shot and killed in a Wednesday night robbery in eastern Sioux Falls. Police identified the victim as Casey Paul Bonhorst, 30, originally from Brainerd, Minnesota.

Bonhorst was delivering a pizza to a residence on the street at about 8:41 p.m. After the delivery was made, neighbors heard gunshots. Two minutes later, a caller reported to police that a man was lying in the road. Bonhorst died at the scene with a gunshot to his head.

Witnesses then told police they saw and heard a man run from the scene, wearing a light-hooded sweatshirt and light-colored pants. It's also unclear how the person who ordered the pizza may have fit into the situation.

Police still do not have a suspect in the case. Officials said during Friday's daily police briefing that there was no other new information available from the homicide, including the results of a preliminary autopsy report conducted Thursday.



The unexpected tragedy surprised a quiet neighborhood in Sioux Falls this past weekend.

Photo from Argus Leader

Police don't think any particular person was targeted. They also don't think there was any specific area that was targeted. Police say that people should really just keep an eye out on their surroundings all the time especially if they live in the residence. If you know any information about this call SF police at 367-7000 or 911.

Coronavirus still standing strong

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What is actually coronavirus? So coronavirus is an infectious disease caused by severe respiratory syndrome, a virus that is closely related to the SARS virus. Common symptoms are fever, dry cough and fatigue which is really similar to the normal flu. It first started in China in 2019 and started to spread all around the world. There are at least more than 100 cases and 9 deaths in United States by now.

There have been many comparisons of coronavirus to flu. But it is worth noting that we are in the middle of a severe flu season and the flu



is still a significant risk to many Americans.

Getting your flu shot not only decreases the likelihood you will get or be hospitalized from the flu, but ultimately preventing the flu and can also support our response to coronavirus.

The coronavirus has spread abroad, with alarming new clusters of the disease in the United States, Middle East and Europe. Scenes once limited to China and East Asia started to wear face masks, sold out hand sanitizer and toilet rolls, disinfectant trains and empty public scenes, are now being seen globally as authorities worldwide scramble to contain the outbreak.

The Seattle nursing home outbreak, which has 108 residence and 180 staff members, happened a couple days ago and they still don't know how it got there. So far there are 200 of them inflicted and 4 of Life Care resident dead. It is believed that another visitor, from North Carolina, got inflicted while being there, and brought it back to North Carolina.

Is wearing masks really helping? Masks are not recommended for use by most Americans and hoarding of masks can actually hurt our response by reducing the supply available for medical professionals who need them. It's critically important our health providers have masks and other medical supplies when caring for people who have been exposed to the virus.

GBB post season

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The Garretson girls basketball team battled the Quarriers of Dell Rapids on Tuesday. This was the first round of regions for the Blue Dragons. The girls have already played Dells so they already knew what to expect. The first time they played each other the Dragons won beating them 64-45.

This time around the Lady Blue Dragons were planning to do the same thing, and they did just that. Again they beat Dell Rapids with a score of 68-46, moving on to the second round against Tri-Valley on Thursday.

A big player in Tuesday's game was junior Lizzie Olson. She had a huge game leading the team with 25 points and 17 rebounds. Lizzie Olson also achieved a big milestone by scoring 1,000 career points.

I asked Lizzie some questions.

Q: Do you plan to continue your basketball career in college?

A: Yes, I plan on furthering my basketball career at either USF, DWU, SMSU, Dordt University, or BHSU.

Q: What is your favorite memory from this season so far?

A: My favorite memories this season are beating Beresford during the BEC tournament, beating Sioux Valley, and our team meal before our game on Monday.

Q: How do you feel after scoring 1,000 career points?

A: After getting my 1,000 points I felt really accomplished and relieved. It was kind of always in the back of my head this season. But it felt amazing to have everyone cheering for me and congratulating me during and after the game.

The Garretson girls basketball team continued their post-season push last night going in as the #3 seed. They squared off against the #2 seeded Tri-Valley Mustangs. This was a rematch of the first game of the season for both teams.

While the Mustangs convincingly took that regular season opening matchup, post-season was different.

It was a tight game last night with just a two point differential at halftime thanks to a last second shot by the Mustangs to break the tie.

However the Blue Dragons struggled to find a rhythm in the second half and they ended up being bested by Tri-Valley again, 52-56.



Two cyclones rip through Music City



One of our helicopters just landed after surveying tornado destruction from overnight.



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by **Mason Hofer**
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24 confirmed deaths after two horrific tornadoes tore through the city of Nashville, and central Tennessee on Tuesday morning. Tennessee went into statewide emergency on Tuesday after the disaster that has left thousands without their homes and many other damages.

"We have had loss of life all across this state," Governor Bill Lee, who declared a state of emergency, stated. Besides those confirmed dead, some people are unaccounted for, he said. "There are folks missing."

At the time of writing, the number of missing civilians has decreased from twenty to three as the state has been on constant search ever since the cyclone ripped through.

"In the worst of circumstances the best of people comes out, and that's

what we're seeing here in Tennessee," Lee said. "It is as we would expect."

The 174mph wind cyclones were on the ground for a total of around 50 miles. Due to damage, 50,000 homes were left without power.

Since it was Super Tuesday this Tuesday, the tornadoes may have had an impact on the amount of people that were able to make it to the polls. "I'm sure if your house collapsed, the last thing you would be worried about is going to vote," stated Junior Nate Skillman.

Officials made sure that all voting precincts affected by the storm, were open for the required 10 hours.

Main street of Nashville has been shut down due to debris on the road and walkways. Officials will ensure that the city of music will be jamming again as soon as possible.

March madness reading

Elementary has created their own March Madness bracket with Dr. Seuss books, celebrating his birthday this past Monday as well as Read Across America Week.



Senior spotlight

Austin Napoli

SENIOR PROJECT:
Rebuilding a 454 big block

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:
None

WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:
I will miss most of my classmates...

PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR
Working on a car probably



Read Across America Week

While it is for all to celebrate, the Garretson Elementary chance had a chance to showcase their super reading powers during Read Across America Week.

They celebrated with dress up days all week featuring their super powers of empathy, relationship building, connections, as well as reading and all the doors it can open for you.



Mrs. Etrheim's fourth graders paired up with Mrs. H-V's kindergarteners to read and celebrate the week. Photo from Garretson's Live Feed



Seniors visited Kindergarten and 1st grade classes to read during the week as well. Photo from Garretson's Live Feed