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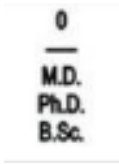
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**This Week's
Need to Know**

FACT OF THE WEEK: Your tongue is the only muscle in your body that is attached at only one end.

BRAIN TEASER OF THE WEEK:

Look Closely: What does this picture mean?



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JOKE OF THE WEEK: What do you call a three-humped camel?

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, May 6

- Track @ Howard Wood
- Kindergarten Round Up
- JV/V Golf @ BEC (9:00)

Saturday, May 7

- Track @ Howard Wood
- Track @ Parker Invite (9:30)
- Club Baseball v. Canton (2:00)

Monday, May 9

- 7/8 Golf BEC @ Flandreau (12:30)
- Track @ Dell Rapids Invite (2:30)
- School Board Meeting (5:45)

Tuesday, May 10

- Golf @ Colman-Egan (9:00)
- 7/8 Track @ BEC-Garretson (3:00)

Wednesday, May 11

- Golf @ MCM (8:30)

Thursday, May 12

- 2nd Grade Field Trip
- 4th Grade Field Trip
- FFA Banquet (7:00)



Scan for the full upcoming event schedule

Running to Renner for Golf

By Alyssa Bunde

Tuesday our GHS golf team didn't have to travel far to their meet as it was only located in Renner at the Northern Links.

The team arrived at the course greeted by delightful blue skies and fairly warm weather. Which made this meet far more enjoyable compared to the previous frigid and windy matches. This being said the energy coming from the players was an overall thrill to get golfing!

As the day started to wind down and the wind developing the players all began finishing their first nine hole and as usual you could see in their faces everyone was ready to complete the rest of their round. However, with Renner's course having only nine holes the rules were switched up forcing everyone to move back a tea box for the second nine to add an extra challenge.

Senior Micah Mader had this to say in regards to Tuesdays meet, "I was really happy with my first nine for shooting par. But the wind picked up on the back and we moved back to the blues so I didn't finish out how i wanted to."

Sophomore Jack Konechne also commented on his performance, "I didn't do as well as I was expecting, but I'm hoping to redeem myself at Dells this Friday."

Out of the five golfers brought both the Mader brothers placed. The youngest and skilled sophomore Isaiah obtained second place and eldest Micah collected eighth.

The junior high golf team was also kept busy this week as they competed with the home course advantage on Monday. With ideal weather also playing to their advantage a multitude of Garretson golfers placed.

On the boys' side, seventh grader Rave Uhlrich took first place with an impressive 44. Teammate Trey Buckneberg, eighth grader, followed closely behind with a 46, good enough for second place. Other Garretson placings for the boys were the following: Nate Skillman (53) 4th, Jake Schroeder (59) 6th, Dominic Abraham (65) 10th, and Sam Konechne (67) 12th.

The home girls were just as successful as eighth grader Malia Johnson turned in a 56 to take first place. Her teammates gave her quite the challenge placing second, third, and fourth as well: Aliah Lymon 57, Kennedy Buckneberg 62, and Peyton Hove 63 respectively. Other place finishers for the Garretson junior high girls were Nobel Nothstine (66) 6th, Jayden Clark (72) 9th, Angel Larson (83) 14th.

The varsity and JV teams as we speak are currently golfing in Dell Rapids and are without a doubt enjoying the lovely weather.



Jake Schroeder tees off on River Ridge's hole #7. Schroeder played his way to a sixth place finish on his home course Monday afternoon.

Detroit Schools are Hazardous

By Annika Hanson

Garretson is a well kept and clean school, not many of the students realize how lucky they are to have that. Some schools are billions of dollars in debt, leading to hazardous conditions such as leaks and mold.

The Detroit District has been in debt 3.5 billion dollars for weeks now, this has made it the largest city in the United States history to declare bankruptcy. As a result of this schools end up suffering along with the students who are enrolled. Mold, leaks, rodents, and exposed wires are only a few catastrophes that can be found in these unsafe schools. Some of the schools temperature systems are so bad that the students are forced to wear coats and gloves into the classrooms.

In one particular school, Spain elementary - middle school in Detroit, the children are not able to participate in physical education because the gym is off limits. When looking inside the gym mold is apparent above on the ceiling from leaks and water damage. The rain water that drips from the ceiling onto the gym has covered it with toxic black mold. The students have to get some

kind of exercise during the school day so they walk and run in the halls as their physical education class. The children are not even allowed to play on the playground because there is a rusty steam pipe pouring searing hot gas all through out the air over the equipment.

The students are also limited academically. Because of the bankruptcy these schools can not afford books, ink, performance art teachers, or even note books. How are these teachers supposed to teach their students without books? The teachers are finally standing up for the students and going on "Strike." It is actually illegal to go on strike in Detroit so all of the teachers called in sick as a way to get around the laws. As a result this rebellion is being called a "Sick out."

On Tuesday 94 of the 97 districts in Detroit were closed due to the sick out. Teachers rebelled on the streets demanding better conditions for their students and better pay checks. Most of the teachers do not get paid over the summer. One of the counselors from Detroit, Vakia Wilson, said "The

odorous smell of mold and mildew hits you like a brick wall when you step through the front doors of my elementary. The students deserve so much better than this."

Compared to Garretson, our school could be considered a paradise. Garretson art teacher Mrs. Granberg said "I have never been to Detroit but from what I have seen on the news our school is definitely cleaner. Junior Michelle Fritz also agreed, she commented "I believe that our school is clean and well taken care of."

Detroit teachers are being encouraged to return to the classroom Wednesday after assurances they will be paid for the full school year. But this is only one problem the schools are facing. Until Gov. Rick Snyder addresses the issue of school conditions they will remain the same. Now teachers and parents are patiently waiting for a reply from him as how he is going to handle this problem. Until then all everyone can do is express their disapproval.



Dollars for Scholars and Letters for the Go Getters

By Alex Uhl

Get your thinking caps on and grab your lamp pins because Monday night was National Honor Society! There were plenty of awards to hand out, both for the veteran seniors, the newly admitted freshmen, and everyone else in between. There were also a multitude of scholarships and certificates for those who are considered exceptional scholars.

One of the first orders of business that the National Honor Society wished to address was the 2016

attendees for Girls and Boys State. These individuals would attend a five-day camp that would teach them on the functions of the American government, as well as guiding them on becoming better citizens for their country. The attendees, who received American Legion Certificates are Alex Uhl, Shay Gibson, Jared Fitzgerald, Noah Rieber, Jake Hansman, Elijah Pierret, and Riley Nordstrom. The attendees for girls state are Grace Homer, Macey Bohl, Brandy Green-

hoff, Kaley Flanagan, and Kindra Clark.

Another important part of the academic banquet is the inducting of new members into the National Honor Society. While most are freshmen, some are new students who have rightfully earned their spot in the Splitrock Chapter. The new members are: Keara Beck, Andrew Blosmo, Emily Erickson, Lesly Gonzalez, Kiley Greenhoff, Collin Johnson, Dakota Johnson, Maria Mendoza, Connor Peters, MJ Vandersnick, and Hailey Sheppard.

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Junior High Golf Snaps from the Monday Tournament

Right: Seventh grader Paul Cordier tees off on #7 at this week's junior high meet in Garretson.

Below: Nobel Nothstine, eighth grader, takes a swing to advance her ball at the junior high meet in Garretson on Monday. Nothstine placed sixth in the tournament.



Right: Seventh grader Evan DeBates puts himself in good position on #8 with a solid drive off the tee box.



Above: Seventh grader Caeden Bunde takes a swing on the teebox. Bunde used an iron for the short par 3.

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On this night, other recognition was had. Levi Schmid was named Garretson Firefighter of the year. Ms. Julie Mueller is Garretson's Teacher of the Year, and Mr. Long was honored for his work as a liaison between the American Legion and the Garretson schools.

One of the moments that everyone waits for at the banquet is the awarding of scholarships to the seniors as a reward for their hard work that they have strived for since kindergarten and first grade. There was a multitude of scholarships awarded last night. Some Garretson seniors were honored with a \$1,000 Prairie Rose Scholarship each

including Kyrstyn Beck, Jaden Bly, Cole Fiegen, Evan Fick. Bly and Peyton Heitkamp both gained recognition through their athletic involvement earning the Michael Entringer Scholarship.

Other scholarships given on the night were the John Solem (Bly and Heitkamp), Alliance Communications (Lara Luke), and Minnehaha Funeral Home (Fick) Scholarships.

The Garretson Community Foundation gave away a multitude of scholarships Monday night as well ranging from \$500 to \$3,000 to help defray the cost of the seniors' post-secondary education goals.

Once again it was a great night for those who wish to excel academically. This gritty and tough year has put a strain on the students, and its nice to



Cole Fiegen accepts his scholarship certificate from Prairie Rose representative Steve Munk.

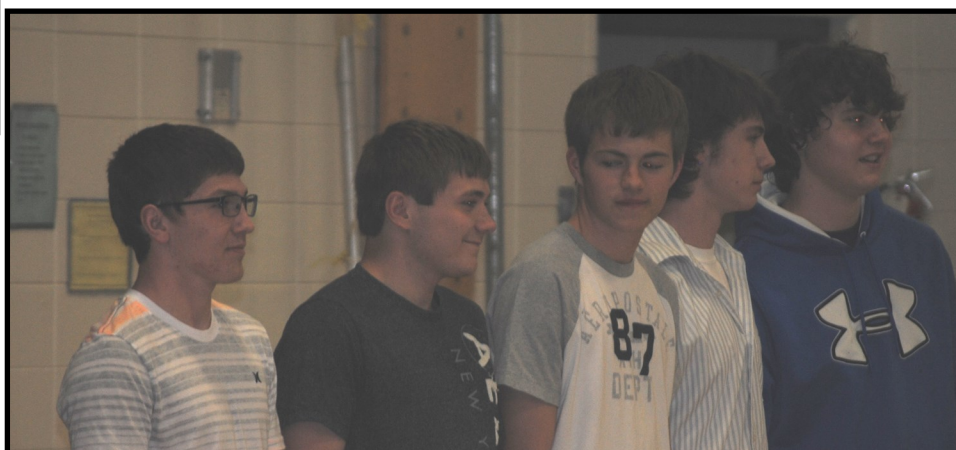
see that they are finally being rewarded for their efforts. Hopefully, the seniors will use their respective scholarships to aid them through college. As for the rest of the student body, their letter jackets should be a little heavier with the newly acquired lamp pins on their letters.



NAME: Peyton Heitkamp
SENIOR PROJECT: Sewing, specifically two dresses for little girls.
ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN: Football Stats, Volleyball, Basketball, Track, TATU, NHS, Peer Ministry
WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST: All of Mrs. Liester's kindergarten class
PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR: Attend a SDSU for an undecided major.



These five juniors will be representing Garretson at Girls State this summer. From Left to Right: Macey Bohl, Kaley Flanagan, Grace Homer, Kindra Clark, and Brandy Greenhoff.



The Boys State representatives from Garretson this year are (left to right) Jared Fitzgerald, Alex Uhl, Shay Gibson, Jake Hansman, and Noah Rieber. Not pictured are Riley Nordstrom and Elijah Pierret.