

CHOOSE KIND

Garretson staff was again able to celebrate students choosing kind. Thanks to those who helped set up the book fair.



Art News Sports Articles

Cheerleading Newspaper
Blue Dragons
Math
History
Basketball
XC
Choir
English
Baseball
Credentialed
Marching Band
Football
Stories
Volleyball
Track



by Malia Johnson staff writer **School library gets make over by adding makerspace**

Garretson elementary students have noticed a change in their weekly library visits this year. Ms. Radford has incorporated makerspace activities into her lessons. Her hope is that through makerspace, kids find a balance of creativity and technology. Makerspace activities allow stu-

dents to create with everything from toilet paper rolls to circuit boards. Ms. Radford stated that books offer young readers ideas and adventures, and makerspace activities can do the same. Her goal is to get a program called Makey Makey. This program teaches kids how little bits of electricity can

make electronics happen through the use of circuit boards. She said, "The sky is the limit" and wants to provide Garretson students with the same makerspace opportunities that students in surrounding schools such as Brandon and West Central have.

Everything deserves a second chance

by Riley Altman staff writer

After an 2017 fall formal that garnered mixed reviews, the Garretson High School student council is working hard to make this year's better. The 2018 fall formal will be held on November 17 from 8-11:30 p.m. at the American Legion. The fall formal is a time for students in grades 9-12 to get dressed up, hangout with friends, and have a good time. "We have been working on ways to change the things people didn't

like last year, so that they do have fun this year," stated Mrs. Gloe. A changes are creating a smaller and darker dance area and decorating more. As anyone who went last year would know, many people were disappointed in the music limitations. To make this better, the student council has sent out a google doc for students to list songs they would like to hear at the dance. "People need to go into this dance with an open mind, willing to make the most out of it," said student council member, Evan Bly.

Bly also said, " I think with all the things we are changing, this year will be better than last year." Isaiah Robinson, a sophomore attending the dance, stated he is the most excited for the snack bar. Junior Madisen Nordstrom stated "I think it is going to be fun, I am excited to go out with my friends before the dance" . Fall formal is a time for kids to dress up and get out of the house. There will be music, lots of dancing, and a snack bar.

New governor for South Dakota

by Jacob Facile & Cody Erickson staff writers

Election time is an exciting time for a lot of people, but it can also be a scary time for others. A lot of power and responsibility comes from being governor, who influences law-making and what should and shouldn't be invested in for the state. For the first time in South Dakota's history, there will be a female Governor, Kristi Noem. On November 6, Kristi Noem won the election between Democratic candidate Billie Sutton in a very close race. On Election Day, Kristi Noem had 51% votes while Billie Sutton had 47.6% of the votes. Noem will be sworn in January 2019 at South Dakota's highest office. Kristi Noem spent eight years in the US house as a very high-profile republican which gives her great promise and experience with handling political jobs. Noem favored in the appeal of Obamacare and she also campaigned about keeping the taxes low (South Dakota has one the lowest taxes in the United States) with that she was trying to cut government

spending and use more of government transparency. Noem also opposes Medicaid which would cover 40,000 of South Dakota's most vulnerable residents (South Dakota is one of 19 states to refuse the expansion). Former governor, Dennis Daugaard, has said that he supports the expansion, but the issue has gotten nowhere because of the opposition GOP-held legislature. This is most likely to continue with Kristi Noem. Noem is also a fierce abortion opponent, earning an A rating from the National Right of Life. Republicans in the state not too long ago passed a bill where woman thinking about an abortion are required to seek more counseling before they could consider the abortion. Nationally this election year was crazy with the gender gap favoring the Democrats but Kristi Noem is one of the few that defeated the odds and won. Some other people that followed Noem's trend include Republicans Marsha Blackburn who was running for senate for Tennessee, Marsha McSally who will replace retiring Senator Jeff Flake in Arizona.



Some seniors were able to cast their first-ever ballots during this midterm election. Mr. Steckler took the 18-year-olds over during government class. They were some of the over 950 Garretson residents to vote on Tuesday. Photo by Sam Gonzalez

Republican Kim Reynolds also made history for Iowa when she became the first female Governor, beating her democratic candidate Fred Hubbell who had 47.4% of the votes while Reynolds having 50.4% of the votes. Republican Dusty Johnson will be taking Kristi Noem's spot in the House of Representatives, joining republicans John Thune and Mike Rounds as South Dakota's congressional representatives.

This Week's Need to Know

- FACT OF THE WEEK:** Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and Skype are all illegal in China.
 - LIFE HACK OF THE WEEK:** Nasty paper cut? Put chapstick on it to immediately ease the pain and heal the cut.
 - JOKE OF THE WEEK:** Why did the scarecrow win an award?
 - BRAINTEASER OF THE WEEK:** Mr. Smith has four daughters. Each of his daughters has one brother. How many children does Mr. Smith have?
- Answers to joke and brainteaser are on the bottom.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, November 9**
 - No School
- Sunday, November 11**
 - Veterans' Day
- Monday, November 12**
 - Oral Interp @ Regions in Brookings
 - Veterans' Day Program (2:30)
 - School Board Meeting (5:45)
 - PTO Meeting (6:45)
- Tuesday, November 13**
 - FFA @ Hartford (4:00)
 - MS/HS Band Concert (7:00)
- Friday, November 16**
 - PTO Movie Night – Hotel Transylvania 3 (7:00)
- Saturday, November 17**
 - Fall Formal @ Legion (8:00)

Worth Mentioning

- Choose Kind**
 - November Precept: "Have no friends not equal to yourself."
 - October Precept: "Your deeds are your monuments."
 - September Precept: "'When given the choice between being right and being kind, choose kind.' - Dr. Wayne Dyer"
- Congratulations to**
 - Kyley Greenhoff for being named to the All-State Soccer team.

Scan this for a quick video on Kyley or click on this link: <https://vimeo.com/299702829>
Video created by Sam Gonzalez



JOKE: He was outstanding (out standing) in his field.

BRAINTEASER: Five—the four daughters and one son

Blue Dragon football season ends

Garretson has successful season but falls one game short of the dome

by **Kennedy Buckneberg**
staff writer

The Garretson football team and fans went home Friday night devastated that the season had ended. Though the Blue Dragons did not make it to the dome, the team had a great season, the best in a very long time.

The team and fans were confident for the game against the Kimball/White Lake WiLdKats last Friday night. The Blue Dragons started off the game strong with a touch-down followed by a PAT. KWL quickly tied responded and then took the lead.

With minutes left in the second quarter, Garretson was able to knot the score 14-14. But before the end of the half, the WiLdKats exposed weaknesses in the Blue Dragon defense and capitalized on a turnover to double up Garretson going into halftime, 28-14.

The Blue Dragons had a hard time scoring and could not get a defensive stop. The game ended in a 14-42 loss for the Blue Dragons.

This game, and also the whole season, was special to a lot of players on the field considering this was their last time stepping onto the gridiron as a Blue Dragon. The

team loses 10 seniors which makes the field look much different for next year.

"I think the backfield will be fine but the line will be inexperienced," said senior Cory Bryan.

The Blue Dragons had planned on making it to the dome and had a lot of fun playing this season with each other, but were devastated they couldn't pull off the semi-final win. Junior Cole Skadsen said, "With only three returning starters, it is going to be a lot of new comers and people willing to fill the graduated seniors shoes."

The Blue Dragons ended with a record of 10-1 which is a fairly good record going undefeated during the regular season. "They were easily my favorite group I got to play with," said Skadsen.

This year we had many younger classmates that were willing to help out when needed. Sophomore Cody Erickson only missed 5 PATs out of 47 attempts and this was his first year playing football. Isaiah Robinson, also a sophomore, scored 11 touchdowns this season and had 1267 rushing yards.

Fans and players are sad the season is over but are looking forward to next year and wish the best for them and future years.

Middle school students of the month

Audra Genzler—6th Grade



Audra has adjusted well to middle school and is working hard in the classroom. She is a compassionate young lady who is willing to assist her peers when they need help. Her willingness to help others is very much appreciated.

Alli Gawarecki—7th Grade



Lexi Gawarecki—7th Grade



Being identical twins, both of these girls are deserving of this recognition as they just don't look alike, they act alike, which is a positive characteristic for them. Alli & Lexi are fun to have in class. They have a lot to offer through their sense of humor, their responsible nature, and their willingness to help out. Great kiddos!

Cooper Long—8th Grade



Cooper has really picked up his effort in the classroom. He is friendly to his peers and is always willing to help his STET members.

First Quarter comes to a close

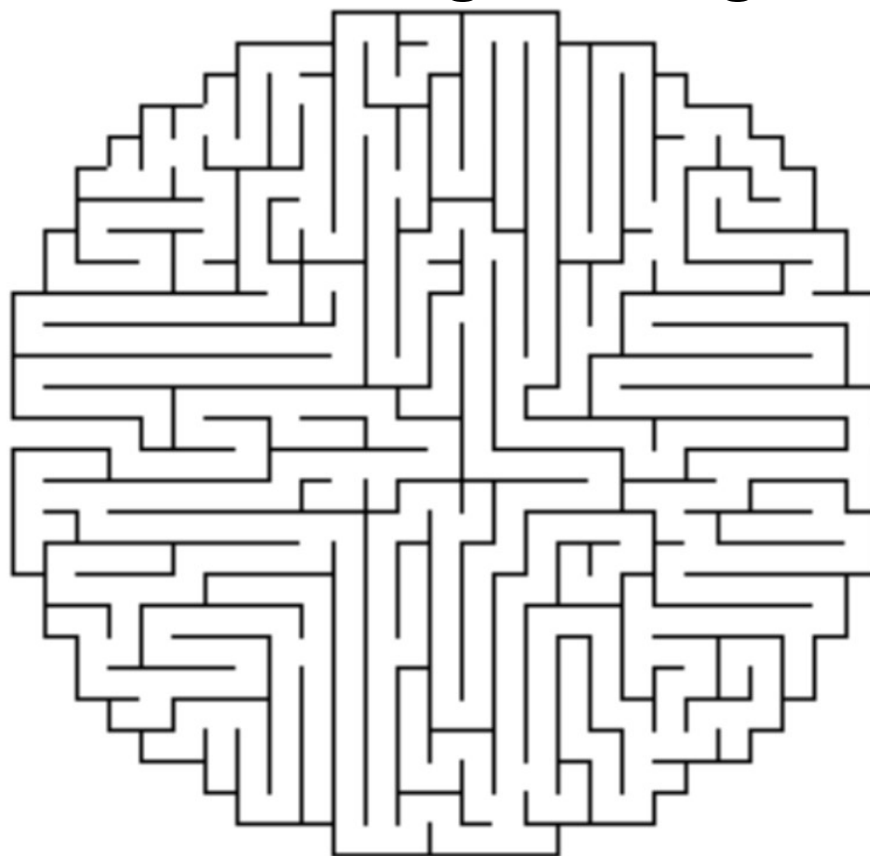
by **Jayden Clark**
staff writer

Garretson's annual fall parent teacher conferences were held this previous Monday, November 5.

The turnout followed the usual trend of previous years, which is as the students get older, the number of those whose parents attend conferences diminishes. This year about 50% of high school parents attended conferences, 70% of middle school parents attended, and elementary had a great turnout (per usual).

Also during conferences, families were given the opportunity to get their flu shots. This year there were over 200 flu shots given.

A "maze"ing challenge



Maze created by Oliviyah Thornton using puzzlemaker.discoveryeducation.com

Netflix November

by **Nobel Nothstine**
staff writer – editorial

The holiday season is coming early for Netflix subscribers with a large set of films and shows coming to the filming service in November. Netflix has been upping their game this year and doing things that increase their audience and their profit.

This month, there will be no shortage of Christmas films streamable on Netflix; some newly added films include *The Christmas Chronicles*, *Angela's Christmas*, *The Holiday Calendar*, *The Princess Switch* and *A Christmas Prince: The Royal Wedding*.

Christmas isn't the only focus though, other films debuting in No-

vember include *Next Avengers: Heroes of Tomorrow*, *Sixteen Candles*, *Hoodwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil*, *Disney's Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End*, and *Spy Kids: Mission Critical: Season 2*.

In addition, more licensed content will be on Netflix in November. *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, *Doctor Strange*, *Scary Movie (2 & 3)* and *Good Will Hunting* are all set to become streamable.

Besides their huge release of 97 new titles, 58 being originals, Netflix has also decided to release its original films in theaters. Cinephiles are torn on this topic and it also caused a bit of chaos at this year's Cannes Film Festival.

However, there's logic to the decision to theatrically release their original films: the company is a video streaming service but is going against the grain and producing significant films by celebrated directors. Examples of this include Bong Joon-ho ("*Okja*") and Martin Scorsese ("*The Irishman*"); because of this, there's a drive that the films need to be seen on large screens and in company.

Overall, Netflix is growing bigger than ever and the releasing of originals in theaters is projected to drive in an over 50% profit increase. That said, Netflix is definitely going to be making headlines with all their big news, and November is sure to be a whirlwind of cinematic history.

FFA keeps rolling on

Garretson chapter doesn't take break with two contests in the books already after returning from National Convention

by **Jayden Clark**
staff writer

The FFA team competed in two leadership development contests last week. The events were held in Brandon and Brookings.

Junior Tessa Pederson got first in Brandon and 12th in Brookings for extemporaneous speaking. Sophomore Cody Erickson finished 20th and fresh-

man Madi Decker placed 27th in agricultural broadcasting at the contest in Brookings. As a team Garretson placed fifth in agricultural sales, fifth in market plan, fourth in senior parliamentary procedure, and 10th in conducting a chapter meeting.

The chapter's next competition is Tuesday, November 13 in Hartford.



Tessa Pederson took first in extemporaneous speaking during the Brandon FFA contest last week. Photo courtesy of Garretson FFA

Colder than normal?

by **Mataya Trower & Oliviyah Thornton**
staff writer

South Dakota's weather last year in April made it hard for sports like track and golf to have any meets because of the snow and how cold it was. This year the weather just seems to be getting colder. The weather is below average by about 10-15 degrees and it's not looking to warm up anytime soon.

It's not just South Dakota that experienced colder weather in April but other states also experienced below average weather as well.

For instance Iowa and Wisconsin experienced their coldest Apriils in 124 years. Other states like Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and South Dakota all had their second-coldest April on record.

The weather is getting colder but this has no reason for cause of alarm. This could just be the weather getting colder for awhile but this doesn't show that it will keep getting colder each year.

The first weeks of November are following this colder than normal trend but by the end of the month, it looks like temperatures may rebound a bit.

New king of Youtube may be crowned

by **Dominick Krueger**
staff writer

Anyone that is familiar with YouTube knows one person has dominated the platform since 2013, Pewdiepie. He has the most-subscribed channel. However there's a new challenger trying to dethrone the king; it is T-Series. This is an Indian Media company that wants to be to be the most-subscribed channel.

There was a prediction that T-Series would take the reigns on November 6, but fans of Pewdiepie have rallied hard to keep him in the lead. One enthusiastic fan named Mr. Beast invested in major on and off-line promotion of the Swedish gamer and has encouraged others to subscribe and keep T-Series away from the top spot.

Pewdiepie is unbothered of being overthrown by T-Series. He doesn't care since it's a corporation and isn't any stranger to corporates being unfair. Pewdiepie exposed Betterhelp, an online counseling service that lies to users.

The battle is a single content creator versus a huge company. This could mean that we have a new king or the present king will still reign on top.

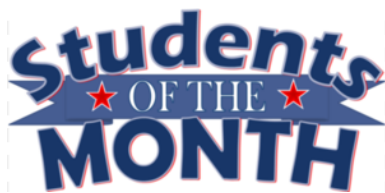
<u>Pewdiepie</u>	<u>T-Series</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swedish Gamer Estimated 69 million subscribers Started in 2011 Sweden population: 9.995 million Has subscribers from all around the world 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indian Corporate Estimated 68 million subscribers Started in 2006 India population: 1.339 billion Half of their subscribers are from India
<u>Content</u>	<u>Content</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let's player Meme review YLYL (You Laugh You Lose) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bollywood Records

High school students of the month



Erin Steen—Freshman

Erin is an excellent student who works very hard to obtain the grades that she receives. She is respectful to her peers and teachers at all times and is a great role model for her classmates.



Julia Mosley—Freshman

Julia has good character and stands up for what she believes is right and good. Julia is welcoming to others. It is my belief that everyone Julia interacts with feels respected and valued. When bad things happen, she is resilient and bounces back. Her positive attitude is contagious.



Sam Gonzalez—Senior

Sam is a team player. She consistently does what is expected, and do so to the best of her ability. She greatly contributes to class discussions, poses thoughtful questions, and challenges herself to do better each and every time. Sam has been a leader in her classes, with both her fellow seniors or the underclassmen. She isn't afraid to lend a hand when necessary and always comes to class with a willingness to learn.



Zach Klaassen—Junior

Zach is not only strong with his own academics, he has gone out of his way to be helpful to others. I respect his "can do" attitude. He has drive, because it is the right thing to do. He has initiative and takes care of things as he sees that they need to be done, rather than waiting to be told to do so.



Peyton Hove—Sophomore

Peyton is a person who has a real genuine care about school and her grades. She always gets her work done, has a great attitude and is just what you ask for in a student.

