



Football (3-0) returns to action tonight after a bye last week facing off against the Hanson Beavers (0-4) in Alexandria.

# Blue Ink



## Hurricane Florence set to make landfall today

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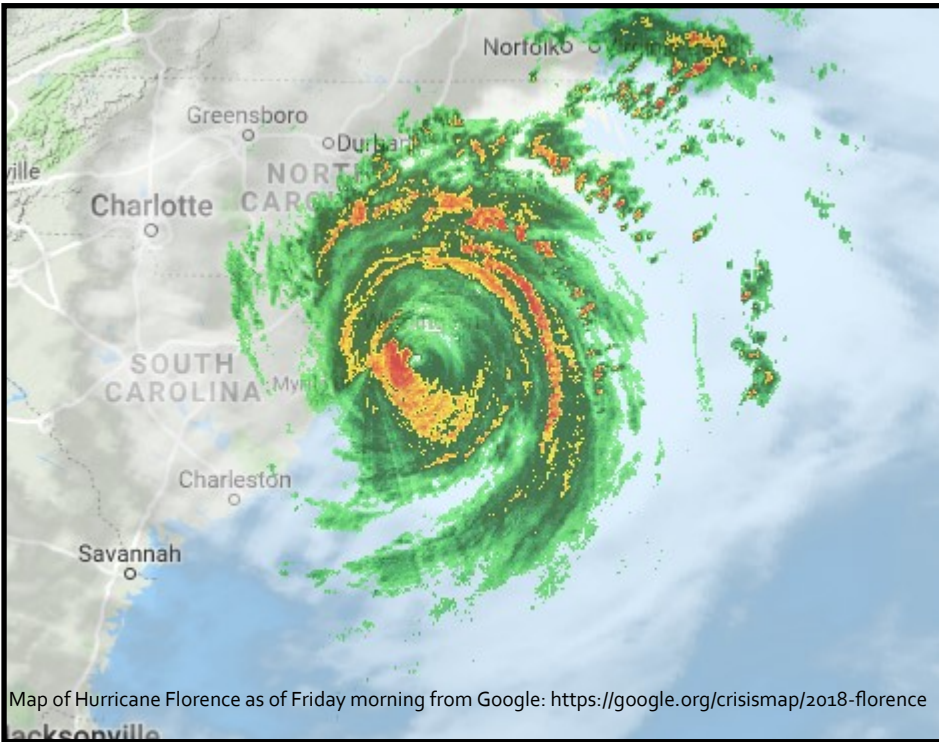
Hurricane Florence is said to affect more than 10 million during the week in the southeastern U.S as it hit the Carolinas. Once a category 3 hurricane then upgraded to category 4 an hour later has been downgraded to a category 1 hurricane as it is predicted to hit the eastern coast tonight.

The classification category one means that it has up to 74 mile per

hour winds. Meaning that for the most part it is expected to do minor damage to property during the storm.

However just because it is category one storm does not mean it will not be dangerous. In 2012 Hurricane Isaac, a category 1 storm, lasted from August 21 to September 1. Isaac's path included Haiti, Cuba, southern Mississippi and southern

*Despite being downgraded to a Category 1 hurricane, Florence still expected to drench Carolina coasts through rainfall, oceanic surges*



Map of Hurricane Florence as of Friday morning from Google: <https://google.org/crisismap/2018-florence>

Louisiana.

Isaac caused \$2.8 billion in estimated damage during this time. With a death toll of 34: five in the US, five in the Dominican Republic, and 24 in Haiti; Isaac, a category one hurricane, was still dangerous storm.

At the moment the storm is about 10 miles east of Wilmington North Carolina and 80 miles east of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina according to the National Hurricane Center as of Friday morning.

Florence is moving west at 6 mph and has maximum sustained winds of 90 mph. The Hurricane-force winds reach as far out as 80 miles outward from the center of the storm and the tropical force winds can be felt up to 400 miles away, about the size of the whole state of South Dakota.

With a combination of the hurricane and the tide, normally dry areas near the coast will be flooded by rising waters moving inland from the shoreline. Water levels could reach as high as 11 feet from Cape Fear to Cape Lookout, North Carolina.

### This Week's Need to Know

**FACT OF THE WEEK:** Almonds and Peaches are members of the same family.

**LIFE HACK OF THE WEEK:** Drinking fruit juice doesn't even come close to the benefits of eating fruit. Fruit juice often contains more sugar and a lot less fiber.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** Why shouldn't you write with a broken pencil?

**BRAINTEASER OF THE WEEK:** Who makes moves while being seated?

*Answers to joke and brainteaser are on the bottom.*

### Upcoming Events

- Friday, September 14**  
- Football @ Hanson (7:00)
- Saturday, September 15**  
- Soccer @ Groton (1:00)
- Monday, September 17**  
- JH/JV FB @ Hanson in Alexandria (4:00)  
- VB v. Flandreau Indian School (6:15)
- Tuesday, September 18**  
- JH VB v. Dell Rapids (4:00/5:00)  
- C/JV VB v. Dell Rapids (5:00/6:15)  
- VB v. Dell Rapids (7:15)
- Wednesday, September 19**  
- FFA Land Judging @ Parker (10:00)  
- XC @ Dell Rapids (2:00)
- Thursday, September 20**  
- JH VB v. Chester (4:00/5:00)  
- C/JV VB v. Chester (5:00/6:15)  
- VB v. Chester (7:15)  
- Soccer v. SF Christian (6:00)  
- JV Soccer v. SF Christian (7:30)
- Friday, September 21**  
- Football @ Baltic (7:00)

## Second grade class raises, releases butterflies

*Ms. Neugebauer brings back favorite using monarchs to teach metamorphosis, life cycle*

by Jacob Facile and Cody Erickson  
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Ms. Neugebauer's 2nd grade class started a butterfly project to give students a hands-on experience with a butterfly's migration period and its life cycle.

Ms. Neugebauer begins preparation for this in the summer. She will go at the end of July to start collecting caterpillars; she even lets students bring in their own caterpillars.

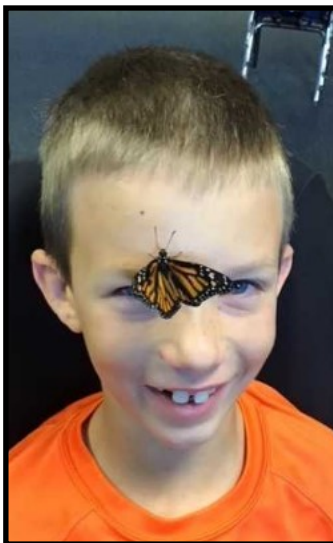
The students' have been learning a lot from Ms. Neugebauer. Not only are they observing metamorphosis in action and finding the joys of scientific discovery but the students get to release the butterflies as well.

Ms. Neugebauer wanted to show her students what she's learned and teach the students about how to tell if butterflies are female or male and if their poisonous or not. Ms.

Neugebauer loves to see the reaction of the students and the students love doing the project as well.

"The students and I have a wonderful time doing [this project] and it makes for a great learning experience," said Neugebauer.

The students put a sticker on the right wing at the bottom of one of the petals before releasing it. This sticker helps researchers track butterfly migration as well as identify the butterflies' gender. Some butterflies travel over 3000 miles during their migration. The monarch butterflies, prima-



Second graders get hands on experiences with the caterpillars and butterflies, taking turns releasing them as well as studying body structure, traits, and creature clues. Photo by Ms. Neugebauer

ry species being released in Ms. Neugebauer's class, typically voyage to Mexico.

"Some of the students during recess will chase them around the play ground," Ms. Neugebauer said about how much fun they've been having.

The students like to have a little fun when releasing the butterflies, some letting the insects lift off from their hands, others choosing a nose as the butterfly's launch pad. Ms. Neugebauer and her second graders have released almost a dozen butterflies so far.

### Worth Mentioning

**Choose Kind** this is the idea that Garretson schools are rallying around this year. There was an all-school viewing of the movie *Wonder* where the Mr. Browne's opening precept (defined as a general rule to regulate behavior and/or thought was "When given the choice between being right and being kind, choose kind." - Dr. Wayne Dyer"

# Garretson athletics hitting mid-season stride

*Soccer gets rematch against Vermillion, volleyball faces Flandreau twice in four days, cross country sees mixed performances, football looks to remain undefeated*



The Garretson Soccer team has made Kick Out Cancer night an annual event. Through generous community donation and raffles, the soccer team was able to raise almost \$500 to donate to the American Cancer Society.

Photo by Teresa Johnson



Cody Erickson puts in another successful PAT. Erickson is perfect on varsity so far this season.

Photo by Nadalie Johnson

## SOCCKER

by **Malia Johnson**  
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The soccer team honored cancer survivors, those currently fighting the disease, and those who have lost the battle at its third annual Kick Out Cancer Night on Tuesday.

Team members were responsible for collecting prizes for the event from local businesses. A total of 19 Garretson and Dell Rapids businesses generously donated prizes varying from bags of apples to a collectable John Deer Tractor. Drawings were held throughout the games and names of those in attendance, fighting or surviving cancer were announced. The event especially hit close to home for two Blue Dragon team members who recently lost family members to cancer.

Eighth grader Morgan Damman said, "It was really cool to see everyone come together for a cause like this, and playing well helped!"

A total of \$480 was raised as the Garretson Blue Dragon Soccer Team met the Vermillion Tangers for the second time this season.

The Blue Dragons lost to the Tangers 0-3 when meeting them in August, but were out for revenge Tuesday night. A tough defense held the Tangers to a scoreless game. Unfortunately, the home team only came close to a few goals and were held scoreless as well.

Ending the game 0-0 didn't give the Blue Dragons a win, but a feeling of accomplishment instead. Senior Kyley Greenhoff said, "Knowing that after we lost to them at the beginning of the season we have improved enough to compete with the current #2 seed."

The tie did improve the team's chances of making it to playoffs at the end of the month. No Blue Dragon team has made it to playoffs or had as many wins as this year's team. Each victory (and tie) is giving the players confidence in themselves and their team.

## Cross Country

by **Riley Altman**  
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The cross country team traveled to Luverne last Saturday to compete. Adair Hanisch and Adisynn Fink both competed in the JH race coming out in 3rd and 11th, respectively. The boys JH race consisted of eighth graders Sam Schleuter and Chris Wynia. Schleuter took home 4th with a time of 12:58, meanwhile Wynia finished 25th with a time of 15:42.

All three girl JV runners finished top 10. Jordyn Williams finished 3rd with a time of 17:30, not far behind her was Payton Campbell who finished in 5th with a time of 17:46 and Mikalya Heesch with a time of 18:09, brought home 8th.

Jayse Miller finished 6th with a time of 15:58 in the boys' JV race, while Evan Debates placed 30th with a time of 17:42.

Geraldine Fry took on the Luverne varsity race with no teammates, she finished 45th with a time of 26:29. Eighth grader, Preston Bohl competed in the boys' varsity race along with teammate, Devon Leady. Bohl took a 14th place finish at a time of

18:19. Leedy placed 41st with a time of 20:36.

The runners traveled to Chamberlain yesterday, getting a taste of difference competition. Despite a hot, humid day, Bohl led the Dragon harriers with an 11th place finish.

Cross country's next meet is September 19 in Dell Rapids.

## VOLLEYBALL

by **Jayden Clark**  
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The Garretson volleyball team wrapped up the Big East Conference on Saturday in Flandreau. Coming out strong, the girls won the first set 26-24. After this initial victory, the Garretson volleyball team was unable to pull off another win, losing to the Flandreau Fliers in four sets. Mattea Fiegen led the team with 14 digs, followed by Kenzie Northrup with eight. Peyton Beckman led the team with 10 assists and Lily Ranschau added seven kills.

This past Tuesday, the volleyball team had another shot at the Flandreau Fliers; during warmups, starting sophomore setter Peyton Hove went down with a sprained ankle causing a last minute lineup change. The Blue Dragons lost in a straight three sets; 22-25, 20-25, and 12-25. Defensively, Jaelyn Benson led the team with 37 digs and Ranschau

added another 21. Offensively, Kennedy Buckneberg paced the team with seven kills followed by Ranschau with six. Peyton Beckman led the team with 17 assists.

The junior high, junior varsity, and "C" teams hit the court again last night. The junior high team played West Central and both seventh and eighth grade teams swept the Trojans. The junior varsity and "C" team played Sioux Falls Lutheran. The "C" team (3-0-1) kept their undefeated record in place, sweeping Sioux Falls Lutheran. The JV dropped the first two sets but came back to win the next three, earning their second win in a row.

The volleyball team hits the court again on September 17 against the Flandreau Indian School (1-5). They then play the #4 (A) seed Dell Rapids on Tuesday and the #4 seed (B) Chester on Thursday. All games are at home in the Dragons' Lair.

## Football

by **Riley Altman**  
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The Blue Dragons (3-0) are off to a great start. They took on Menno/Marion last Friday. By the end of the first quarter both teams had 14 points. Sophomore, Isaiah Robinson, scored both Blue Dragon touchdowns. The second quarter came with four more touchdowns for the Blue Dragons and only one touchdown for the Razorbacks. The half ended 42-20.

By the end of the game the younger athletes had a chance to play. The Blue Dragons added another 21 points in the second half, meanwhile the tough Garretson defense kept the Razorbacks scoreless all through the second half. The game ended 63-20 with a Blue Dragon victory.

Sophomore, Cody Erickson, was 9 for 9 on point after touchdown (PAT) attempts, which is an unofficial school record. Erickson, first time kicker for the Blue Dragons, is 12 for 12 on the season.

The Dragons JV and JH teams took on the Razorbacks on Monday and both came out with wins. The Blue Dragons are back in action tonight in Alexandria vs Hanson



Mattea Fiegen, Peyton Hove, and Kennedy Buckneberg stack up at the net waiting for the serve to come over against Sioux Valley in the Big East Conference tourney. Garretson lost in close sets to a scrappy Cossack team.

Photo by Morgan Pierret

# White House in FEAR as book released

by Sam Gonzalez  
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*Washington Post executive journalist releases book chronicling President Trump's Administration*

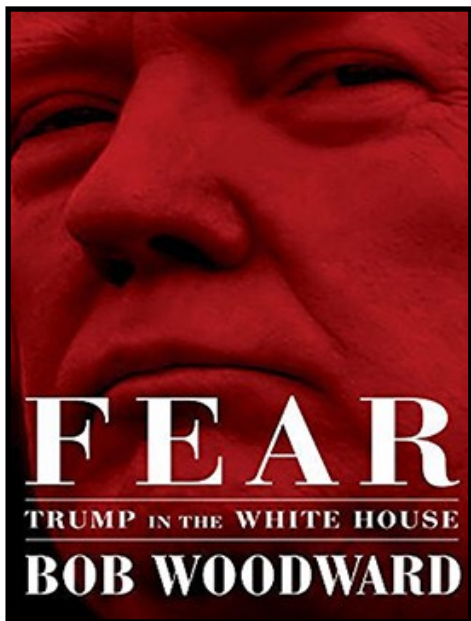
The author of many political books, such as All the President's Game, released his most polarizing book yet. Out of all the days in the year, ironically on September 11, Bob Woodward released Fear: Trump in the White House. Instantly there were backlash and critiques defending Trump and the administration after some scandalous details were released.

Many critics including President Trump himself have come after Woodward to bash on his credibility as a writer. Bob

Woodward has worked for the Washington Post since 1971 and won the Pulitzer Prize in '73 on his work, with journalist Carl Bernstein, on the Watergate Scandal against former President Nixon. Nixon had hired people to run a campaign of burglary, sabotage and more for his 1972 reelection.

Fear has released many secrets untold such as one where President Trump considered declaring that he was withdrawing family members of US troops from South Korea, and by doing that would possibly encourage the idea of WWII. Along with that, many of his officials like the Defense Secretary Jim Mattis who has apparently said that Trump acts like a fifth or sixth grader as they were discussing North Korea. In an interview for his upcoming release of Fear, Woodward was asked by Washington Post, "How do you feel when the president says you're lying?"

"I'm not" replied Woodward



# Light at the end of the tunnel finally appears for those fighting the California wildfires

by Kyler O'Neal  
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"The flames were over the tops of trees, 50-foot high, right here on the shoulder on both sides of Interstate 5," said Sgt. Tim Hinkson of the California Highway Patrol as reported by the *LA Times*. The California Fires have become very large at 410,203 acres but are 98% contained as of September 5, 2018.

There are over six thousand different fires throughout the state but the main ones are Delta, Snell, and Irving. These three have burned a total of about 1.5 million acres of land. The smoke from these fires have reached halfway across the country to Sioux Falls which has had a really negative effect on air quality across the nation. In California as the skies are turned orange and here at home, haziness from both the California and Canadian wildfires this summer have taken its toll visually and physically.

The firefighters are working hard doing 24 hour shifts for days at a time. They have at least four firefighters deployed in each area including a team leader. Even though the fire is miles away from any residences, they are suppressing it the best they could possibly can to control any flare ups.

I-5, the major roadway running down the state of California that was closed in areas due to the fire's proximity, is now re-opened as of September 12, 2018. Delays are still expected as crews are still fighting over 53,000 acres of forest fire.

These fires were expected to burn until the end of August but it's the middle of September and those flames are still blazing.

# Off duty police officer shoots man in own apartment

by Mason Hofer  
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*Fatal misunderstanding costs officer more than just her job*

On Saturday, September 8th, a Dallas woman made a choice that will impact her life forever. Four-year veteran police officer, Amber Guyger, wandered into an apartment she believed was hers and saw an unfamiliar face. That face was a 26 year old man, Botham Jean; the man died at the hospital after receiving a gunshot wound to the torso.

Guyger was the caller for 911, but was arrested on terms of manslaughter (the killing of a person without any prior thought) but her charges might change due to questions being raised by her statements. Guyger claims that she gave verbal warnings to Jean before opening fire, but he ignored them. Guyger then let out two shots one hitting his torso.

Multiple stories from neighbors have been shared as well, one neighbor stated all she heard was gunshots and a woman crying for the police, while another stated they had heard a woman pounding on a door trying to be let inside, even though it was reported the front door was unlocked.

Detectives are investigating if this could actually be a murder case. Officers are also exploring the options that she may have been under the influence of alcohol or drugs, if the two had any prior beef, or even if Guyger was sleep deprived. All these things could play a factor in her trial due to a shaky story.

The funeral for Jean was held yesterday where friends and family talked about how they met him and told stories from his short life. CNN interviewed his family and found out they are worried that she won't get the justice she deserves, and wishes she would just come clean. More details to come later on as more information is being uncovered every day.

# Newest Miss America crowned

*New York succeeds North Dakota as latest woman to hold title*



Official headshot of Miss New York 2018, and newly crowned Miss America 2019, Nia Franklin.  
Photo via Miss New York official Twitter account

by Kennedy Buckneberg  
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staff writer

New York was crowned Miss America for the seventh time since 1968 last Sunday.

The Miss America 2019 pageant was the 92nd Miss America and Nia Franklin is proud to be crowned. The 24-year-old was competing as Miss

New York but also has some North Carolina roots. Franklin earned her undergraduate degree in vocal performance at Eastern Carolina University, and also got her masters degree in music composition from the University of North Carolina's School of the Arts. Her social impact initiative for the scholarship pageant is advocating on the arts.

Being crowned Miss America wasn't the only thing that was exciting for Franklin that night. After she was crowned, she sang a song she wrote when she was five years old and got an enormous amount of applause.

This year's pageant was different from years prior because of the lack of swimsuit competition. This is the reason why Miss America is now named Miss America 2.0.

Franklin takes over for Cara Mund, Miss North Dakota 2018, as Miss America.

# Second Saturdays a success

by Dominick Krueger  
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In Garretson we have a small community of about 1,200 people. One resident, Shelly Hofer, decided to start an event to promote community growth and activity, similar to First Friday in Downtown Sioux Falls.

Second Saturdays give local businesses a chance to feature new items, entice people to spend time downtown, and provide entertainment for the whole family. This year the park board was lucky enough to

work with Garretson and local business sponsors to help the community have movies at Split Rock Park.

This past weekend was September's Second Saturday. Garretson celebrated Nordstrom's 2.0 Open House. There was also a block party with live music by Southside Pine and Tim Watson, and movie in the park: Despicable Me 3.

Second Saturday promotes community growth, attracting more people to come Garretson to visit and live. It's also a way for community members to support local businesses.