



We're celebrating Choose Kind today. Congratulations to all the successful music concerts, 1st grade, and 5th



# Retiring after 31 years

by Malia Johnson *Ms. Godbey says goodbye after one of the longest ever tenures in the district*  
staff writer

A familiar face around the elementary announced her retirement at the end of the year. Teaching young students mathematics and reading, Mrs. Godbey has taught Title in Garretson for thirty-one years. Not only will she miss her students, but along with her staff members. Mrs. Godbey has been a great asset to the elementary and her hard work will greatly be missed by all.

**Q. What are your retirement plans?**

A. "I'm not real sure yet. Take the summer off, camp and still work some in the grocery store and then make some decisions in the fall."

**Q. What will you miss the most?**

A. "The kids and the social life with the adults"

**Q. Will you miss math or reading more? Why?**

A. "Reading, because I like to read."

**Q. How long have you taught in Garretson?**

A. "Thirty one and a half years"

**Q. Most memorable moments?**

A. "Watching kids finally get it, that's so special. And reading recovery, because that's where you see it most."

**Q. Are you planning on coming back to sub?**

A. "I haven't made that decision quite yet"

**Q. Message to students:**

A. "Work hard and do your best, and take pride in your work."

**Q. What grades did you teach?**

A. "All of elementary"



## This Week's Need to Know

**FACT OF THE WEEK:** Over his/her lifetime, a high school graduate will earn on average \$200,000 more than a high school dropout.

**LIFE HACK OF THE WEEK:** Wrinkly shirt? Throw it in the dryer with a few ice cubes for five-ten minutes.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** Who is bigger? Mr. Bigger, Mrs. Bigger, or their baby?

**BRAINTEASER OF THE WEEK:** I can accurately predict any score of a football game before it begins. How can this be?

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

## Upcoming Events

**Friday, May 17**

- Golf @ Mitchell (8:00)
- Graduation Practice (8:30)

**Saturday, May 18**

- Graduation (1:00)

**Monday, May 20**

- Region Golf @ Mitchell (8:00)
- Club Softball (6:00/7:30)
- 8th Grade Transition meeting @ Old Gym (6:30)
- Dual credit meeting (7:30)

**Tuesday, May 21**

- Spring physicals (9:00-12:00)

**Wednesday, May 22**

- Spring physicals (9:00-12:00)

**Friday, May 24**

- State A Track @ Tea (9:30)
- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

**Saturday, May 25**

- State A Track @ Sioux Falls (9:00)

## Worth Mentioning

**Congratulations Class of 2019**

**Semester Tests** will take place during the first half of the week next week. Other activities are planned for the latter days.

**Choose Kind**

- May Precept: "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can." - John Wesley's Rule  
- April Precept: "What is beautiful is good, and who is good will soon be beautiful." - Sappho

# Finals mayhem

*As semester finals approach, here is some advice and tips to keep you going.*

by Sam Gonzalez  
senior writer

As semester finals approach, here is some advice and tips to keep you going. The first most important thing to know about semester tests, is to breathe. Next week high schooler's will have to take their semester finals of the year. Most let the panic start to set in....don't, it's not worth it. There are many breathing techniques from stress online to help maintain a calm persona.

The second, is study. Most students won't bother looking at material and when they've come out to find that they bombed it, the mood turns sour. It's important to look at least once through the material. Most important thing is to find the best way that helps you study and

helps you learn. Whether it be writing down everything so you remember. Teaching a fellow friend through it to help you understand it, and even if you only study for 20 minutes before the test, it's better than absolutely nothing. it's easy, but the effort to even just take 20 minutes before bed to look over the material can be extremely helpful when the test comes. You will encounter questions that look familiar that you'll remember from just looking at the test.

The third thing that most people lack, is confidence. it's super important to have faith in yourself, when you take this test. Although it may feel like you're about to bomb it, tell yourself no, and that you will do good. The more you study the

more confident you will be, but it is very important to not overthink and to not second-guess yourself. Just trust that you know your material and that you will do well. A lot of high school students get stuck on so much of the stress that comes in from studying for a semester final, I'm telling you that it'll be ok.

Grades aren't everything, and while yes, it is important that you maintains good ones, obtaining a low grade will not be the end of the world. For those who don't care, or act as if they don't, it's ok to want to do well. It is ok to care about your grade. Put the effort in into getting a better grade. All you have to do is try, and if not, then accept the grade and don't whine about it.

# This little piggy...

by Oliviyah Thornton  
staff writer

Sophomores try their hands at a little dissection of Fetal pigs these last few days. This hands on activity is for Sophomores to be able to apply what they have been learning in class to actual real life model. The dissection allows for more of a visual and hands-on.

The pigs are injected with red paint for the arteries and blue latex for the veins giving the pigs more of a realistic feel of them.

"You can read it in a book and you can talk about it or actually see it in person and that's why I do it," said Mr. Furness.

The pigs are ordered/supplied by Carolina Biological Supply Company.



Cody Erickson and Jacob Facile have a little fun while going through the pig dissection.

Photo s by Kylie Uhl



Nate Skillman works to peel back skin, making it easier to identify parts of the pig.

# Spring sports in full swing Regions currently in

by Jayden Clark  
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The spring sports seasons have been significantly impacted by the recent erratic weather and vast amounts of rain. Although the seasons have been condensed, Garretson harriers, golfers, baseball players, and trap shooters have all managed to get in a few events.



Rave Uhlich (5th), Katie Hanson (12th), and Cooper Long (13th) all earned Big East Conference honors this season.  
Photo courtesy of Garretson Golf Twitter page (Mrs. Stoltenberg)



Preston Bohl keeps pace with the lead runners. The three battled for top spot the entire race. Bohl finished in second.

### VARSITY GOLF

The Big East Conference meet was held on May 3 in Chester. On the boys' side, Rave Uhlich took fifth place shooting an 83 and Cooper Long took 13th place with a 91. On the girls' side, Katie Hanson shot a 104 and took 12th place.

The golfers then traveled to Volga for their final regular season meet on May 13. Dylan Kindt took 12th place with a 90 followed by Long who shot an 87 for 10th place. Uhlich won the boy's tournament shooting an 84. On the girls' side, Hanson shot a 96 to take home ninth.

The golfers will be moving into post season play next week and into June. They will compete in the regional golf meet in Mitchell next Monday. If they qualify, the golfers will then go on to state golf on June third and fourth, which will be hosted in Yankton.

ference track this past Monday, May 13. Two Garretson athletes received all-conference honors at the meet: Trevor Fiegen became an all-conference high jumper and Preston Bohl received all-conference accolades in the two-mile run.

Garretson hosted the region track meet yesterday, May 16. Trevor Fiegen (high jump) and Logan Bly (high jump) had already qualified for the state meet by hitting the state qualifying standard during earlier season meets. Fiegen also placed first in high jump yesterday with a jump of 6'5". But yesterday many more Blue Dragons added their name to the state qualifier list. This was done by either meeting the state qualifying standard or finishing in the top two of their event.

Joining Fiegen as a boys' representative is Preston Bohl. Bohl finished second in the 3200m with a time of 10:39.39.

The girls had a very successful outing as well. Individually Makayla Heesch (1600m, 5:54.06), Morgan Damman (400m, 1:06.15), Payton Campbell (3200m, 12:51.31), and Madden Lardy (shot put, 32'11") all qualified for the state meet next weekend.

The Lady Blue Dragon runners also had two relays extend their seasons. The girls' 1600m Spring Medley took second place with a time of 4:35.32. That team was comprised of Damman, Lily Ranschau, Aliyah Leedy, and Makayla Heesch. The girls 4x800m team finished in first place with a team time of 10:34.27. The ladies moving on to the state meet from that qualification are Heesch, Rachel Kindt, Kylie Christensen, and Jaelyn Benson.

### BASEBALL

Although the rain and field conditions have made scheduling baseball games a challenge, the Garretson club baseball team did manage to get in ten games. They ended their season in Baltic last Sunday, falling to Dell Rapids 6-2 in regions. They concluded the season with an overall record of 1-9.

### TRAPSHOOTING

On June 8, The Garretson trap team will travel to state trap Aberdeen. State trap uses an open invite format and is open to all shooters. Garretson students attending the state trap meet are Caeden Bunde, Logan Donovan, Jakob Gnadt, Sam Konechne, Jayse Miller, Alex Reker, Luke Ross, Gentry Sanders, Zachary Uhl, Cade Uhlich, and Dylan Wolf.

# Lottery surprise

by Mason Hofer  
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The NBA Draft Lottery took place in Chicago earlier this week, and boy was it full of surprises. The Draft Lottery is an event when we find out the order of the up coming NBA draft.

This year, three teams were tied at a 14% chance of getting the number one pick, the Knicks, Cavs, and the Suns; the Bulls were also right behind them with 12.5%. Of these four teams, only two got a top five pick, the Knicks and the Cavs. The reason why this is so important is this year's draft is looking like it will be the most impactful draft since 2003. The top five picks belong to.

1. New Orleans Pelicans
2. Memphis Grizzlies
3. New York Knicks
4. Los Angeles Lakers
5. Cleveland Cavaliers

The Lakers and the Grizzlies only had a 2% chance at the No. 1 pick, and a 6% chance at a top five pick, and they were both in the top five. The Bulls and the Suns were not so lucky on the other hand, falling to picks 6 and 7.

The Draft is on June 20th and will take place in the Barclays Center in New York.



# Fast food service

by Oliviyah Thornton  
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On Monday, May 13 the Film Appreciation class, Brayden Beaner, and Cody Erickson were asked to help the post office move their food for their Stamp out Hunger campaign to the Food Pantry.

When asked why they helped, Mr. Hughes answered, "We were asked and because whenever you can help your fellow community members you should do so."



# Garretson Guessing Game answers

What is this?  
Close up  
Part of the locker plate



Who is this?  
Shoes:  
Dusty Haas and Cody Steinhoff



Where is this?  
Plaque  
Trophy case near library



# Bye sister *Social media controversies exposes discovery, loyalty, and backstabbing*

by Nobel Nothstine  
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James Charles is a name many people know on YouTube, and specifically in the beauty community. Tati Westbrook, a long time friend of James's, released a 45 minute video on May 10th exposing his crude actions towards her and others. We'll delve into the what and why, but firstly let's start back at the beginning.

Before James was big on YouTube, roughly two years ago, he would spam influencers DM's to get noticed, and tell them how much he loves them and wants to collaborate with them. 35 at the time, Tati noticed James and was flattered by his attention and love. Though Tati herself was a fairly small YouTuber at the time, she gave James so much. She offered business advice, flew him to LA multiple times, helped him financially, fixed his AdSense to increase his per-video revenue, collaborated with him, gave him a place to stay in her home, and helped him get contracts.

As a result of her and her husbands help, James blows up on YouTube. Fame went to his head a bit, and he badmouthed Tati to other influencers behind her back. After learning this, Tati was outraged with James. Her reputation on YouTube is respected as a person who stays out of drama, is always honest, and does everything with class and grace. James apologizes, and their relationship goes almost back to normal. At this point, the two

YouTubers were nearly family, so much so that James actually called Tati his "Mom".

Soon after, Tati launches her new health vitamin brand, Halo Beauty. Staying true to her reputation, Tati chose the name Halo to theoretically "include everyone underneath the halo of beauty." The launch doesn't go smoothly, as there's some controversy with some of the ingredients in the vitamins. When this is resolved, another issue arises as

present day, where James promoted SugarBear-Hair on his Instagram story. Tati is rightfully upset over this, but foolishly vents about it on her social media without dropping James' name. Fans connect the dots, and now James is faced with backlash. He demands that Tati should publicly announce they are fine. When she refuses to do so, James reaches out to drama channels on YouTube and feeds them lies about Tati to save his reputation and reduce the pressure on him.

This was the final straw for Tati, and it inevitably led to her making "Bye Sister...". In aforementioned video, Tati details their long friendship and how James has wronged her. Not only that, but she goes on to call James out for being "sexually manipulative," as he pursued (at least) 3 explicitly straight males.

Once the video was released, all chaos broke loose. Tati thought she would face backlash for releasing the video, but the opposite was true. James has gone on to lose over 3 million subscribers, while Tati has gained nearly 5 million. James also released an apology video in retaliation, totaling in at 8 minutes, which has quickly become #9 on the rank of most disliked videos on YouTube with over 3 million dislikes. Many popular celebrities and influencers have now unfollowed James Charles as well, with a select few releasing statements, one of which called James a "danger to society." This isn't his first scandal, but will this be the fall of 19 year old James Charles? If so, "Bye Sister..."



two close friends of Tati's (Manny Mua and Laura Lee) decide to endorse a competitor brand of health vitamins, SugarBearHair. Tati is slammed with backlash, as consumers start saying her product must suck if her own friends endorse the competition.

James swoops in and comforts Tati through this trying time. He ridicules Manny and Laura for stabbing Tati in the back, and claims to her that he would never promote that brand. Fast forward to

## Senior Spotlights



Jack Lardy

Leah Olson

Carter Stephenson

**SENIOR PROJECT:**  
Gardening

**ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:**  
Basketball

**THREE WORDS/PHRASES THAT BEST DESCRIBE YOU:**  
Epic  
Legit  
"Ight Bet"

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR:** Go to SDSU

**SENIOR PROJECT:**  
Mentoring

**FIRST CAR:**  
1996 Jeep Cherokee

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR:**  
Attend Mitchell Tech

