



This Week's Need to Know

FACT OF THE WEEK: Writing in blue ink while studying actually helps you retain information better.

BRAIN TEASER: Mary's father has five daughters: 1. Nana, 2. Nene, 3. Nini, 4. Nono. What is the name of the fifth daughter?
Answer on back page

JOKE OF THE WEEK: What washes up on tiny beaches?
Answer on back page

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, September 6

- Football @ Viborg-Hurley @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 7

- JV Football @ Viborg-Hurley
- 7/8 Football @ Viborg-Hurley

Sunday, September 8

- "Think Pink" color run @ 1:00 p.m. @ the athletic complex

Monday, September 9

- Coronation @ 7:00 p.m.
- Powder Puff @ 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10

- Cross Country @ Garretson
- Soccer vs. Vermillion @ 6:00 p.m.
- Volleyball @ Colman-Egan starting @ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 12

- Float Building after lunch
- Volleyball - Big East Conference Tournament @ Garretson

Dragons Cruise Past Flyers

By Aaron Dunn and Joshua Liester

The Garretson football team started the season last Friday night against the Chester Flyers. After fifteen years in 11-man, this our first game back in 9-man. When asked about the switch, seniors Alex Thorson and Tyler Willems stated, "Oh heck yeah, we're excited for the new competition and new teams." The game started off with a touchdown by senior quarterback Jesse Brockhouse in the first quarter. He then completed a pass to Alex Thorson for the two-point conversion. The score was still 8-0 going into halftime.

The Dragons came out roaring in the second half, with Brockhouse scoring a goal line touchdown and converting the two-point conversion, making the score 16-0. We didn't stop there though, as juniors Matt Johnson and Ben Hanson both scored touchdowns in the fourth quarter. Austin Matthiesen also contributed, but this time on the defensive side

Harrisburg Blanks Garretson

By Katie Giesler

The Garretson girls' soccer team's most recent game was an away match against Harrisburg on Saturday August 31st. The first half came across as a shock to the team, as they were surprised by Harrisburg's abilities, but head coach Mitch Lynch said the girls quickly regrouped and went on to play well during the second set of forty minutes.

It was a hot one that day, and since there weren't many subs waiting on the bench, the girls had no choice but to play some longer minutes. However, Coach Lynch said that both teams had to deal

by returning a fumble back for a touchdown. Chester also scored in the fourth quarter, making the final score 36-6 in favor of the Dragons. Johnson finished the game with 23 carries for 137 yards. Brockhouse ended up with 16 carries for 107 yards.

"We had a lot of question marks going into the game," said head coach Kevin Steckler. "I was very nervous before the game because we didn't know much about the team. Our goal is not to necessarily be the best team now, but to be the best team in November. We need to focus on our fundamentals and continue to get better while having a good attitude." Junior Blake Severson summed up the game by saying, "We could've played better in the first half, but we came out and destroyed in the second half." He also added, "I was nervous, but I think everyone else was nervous as well."

The next game is on Friday at Viborg-

with this, so there really wasn't an advantage or disadvantage on either side. Although the final score went in Harrisburg's favor (7 to 0), our girls weren't badly discouraged.

One discouragement for the Blue Dragons is a potential injury, diagnosis pending. The team may have suffered a great loss with this, but will keep the focus on continuing success on the field and working as a team.

Their next game is at home on September 10th versus Vermillion.

Cross Country Excels in First Meet

By Jennie Hegge

The Cross Country team started off the season in Beresford with a bang! The girls' team placed first with individual placings of: Haley Sage-4th, Carmen Bohl-5th, Teisha Carnicle-19th, Jaden Bly-25th, Macey Bohl-26th, and Lydia Olsen-32nd. When asking Coach Bohl how he thought the season was going to turn out after starting off with a first place, he said, "I don't know, we'll see. We'll try and improve each week, so that we're running our best by the time the region meet comes. The girls' biggest compe-

tion for regions will be West Central and Madison.

The boys team took 3rd with individual placings of: Josh Liester-7th, Josh Powell-9th, Evan Fick-14th, Tait Johnson-27th, and Jacob Fitzgerald-28th. Coach Bohl said, "We've got to close the gap between our top 4 runners. If they keep doing what they're doing, they're going to have a lot of success throughout the year. We hope to win conference and qualify for the state meet." The boys' biggest competition for the conference will be Parker

and Flandreau.

Placings from Salem for the girls' are: Carmen Bohl-5th, Haley Sage-8th, Teisha Carnicle-18th, Jaden Bly-20th, and Macey Bohl-26th. The Girls' took 2nd that meet just behind West Central. For the boys': Josh Liester-4th, Josh Powell-13th, Sam Powell-22nd, Jacob Fitzgerald-27th, and Tait Johnson-32nd. The boys' team took home the gold with a first place!

Next meet is Tuesday, September 10, in Garretson.

Cross Country Senior Spotlight

MARIAH NELSON

Years in Cross Country: 2

Favorite Course: Garretson, home course advantage

Predictions for the season: Both girls' and boys' will win state

Future Plans: Be the first woman to walk on the moon



SAM POWELL

Years in Cross Country: 6

Favorite Course: White, it's flat and not boring

Predictions for the season: The boys' team should do pretty good at state

Future Plans: Attend a 4 year university and join the National Guard



Thorson Honored with A.C.E Award



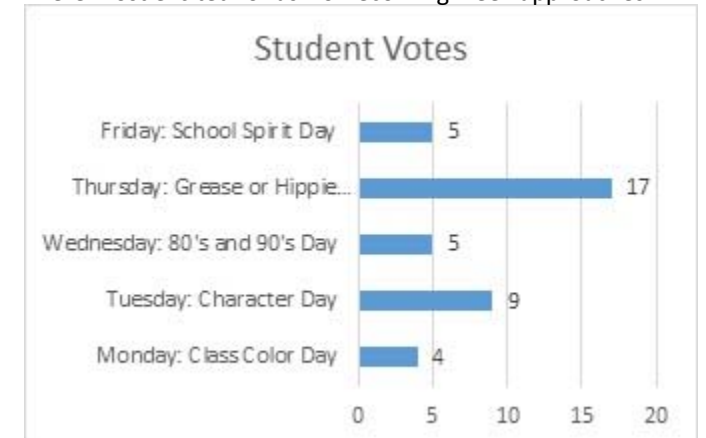
Thorson is a senior captain and leader for the GHS football team; he plays a major role in all three phases of the game. Alex's contributions extend beyond the football field as he is also a leader and positive role model within our school and community. Congratulations Alex!

ANSWERS:

Brain Teaser: If you thought Nunu, you're incorrect. It is Mary. Read the question carefully. "Mary's father has five daughters..."

Student Opinion Poll

This week students were asked which dress up day they were most excited for as Homecoming week approaches.



Stop by room 210 starting on Monday to vote in next week's student opinion poll.

Joke of the Week: Microwaves

Homecoming

By Teila Carnicle and Morgan Frewaldt

FINALLY! The best time of the year is here...no not the end of the year, HOMECOMING! On Tuesday the homecoming royalty was chosen. For the boys: Austin Matthiesen, Austin Ethriem, Conner Blosmo, Jesse Brockhouse, and Tyler Willems. For the girls: Haley Edmundson, Kendra Jonson, Jennie Hegge, Kara Ellefson, and Mariah Nelson. The final vote took place yesterday and the winners will be crowned on Monday before the powderpuff games!

Speaking of powderpuff, get your

Homecoming Schedule

Sunday: Think Pink Color/Spirit Run—1:00 p.m. at the Athletic Complex

Monday: Dress Up Day—Class Color Day Powder Puff Practice—2:13—3:20 p.m.

Coronation—7:00 p.m.

Powder Puff—8:00 p.m.

Hot Dog Feed—Sponsored by Garretson Food Center

Tuesday: Dress Up Day—Character Day

7/8 Volleyball @ Colman

C/JV/V Volleyball @ Colman

XC—Jesse James Invite

game face on ladies...it's back! We went around and talked to a person from each grade to get their opinion about powderpuff. Hailey Steffes, a freshman, said she was excited for the game and that they had already started practice.

When asking Jennie Hegge what she thought about having powderpuff practice she told us that, "I don't think we should be able to have practice because it makes it more fun to wing it than to see who can run plays the best and take it too seriously."

Soccer vs. Vermillion

Wednesday: Dress Up Day—80's 90's Day

Thursday: Grease or Hippie Day

Palisades Manor visit for Royalty, Senior

Athletes, Cheerleaders, Band

Float Building—7th and 8th periods

7/8 Volleyball @ Tri-Valley

Volleyball Big East Conference Tourney @

Home

Friday: School Pride Day

HS Family Feud—8:30 a.m.

MS Kickball Tourney @ softball field—8:30

The sophomores are doing just that. When we spoke to Morgan Gloe she told us how they were just going to wing it, but their coaches have faith in them.

The Garretson school student council tries to bring out school spirit by having dress up days! Monday is color day, freshman are pink, sophomores are green, juniors are orange, and seniors are black. Tuesday: Character day, Wednesday: 80's & 90's, Thursday: Grease day, and Friday is school spirit day!

Dragon Olympics—9:45 a.m.

Homecoming Parade—1:15 p.m.

All Community Pep Rally—New Gym after parade

School Dismissed @ 2:30 p.m.

Whopper Feed—Garretson Athletic Complex @ 5:00 p.m.

Football vs. Baltic @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

5/6 Volleyball—Deubrook @ 9:00 a.m.

Cross Country—Nike Heartland Meet

Volleyball BEC Tourney @ Baltic

Lady Blue Dragons Place 2nd in Weekend Tourney

By Mrs. Buchholz

The Garretson Lady Blue Dragons volleyball team saw their first action of the 2013 season this past Saturday in Canton. The invitational hosted eight teams from the area: Canton, Dell Rapids, Garretson, Lennox, Sioux Falls Lincoln Junior Varsity, Parker, West Central, and West Sioux (IA). The teams were split into two pools to determine seeding for the championship matches later.

The Lady Blue Dragons were placed in Pool B along with Dell Rapids, Lennox and West Sioux. Each match in pool play consisted of the best of three sets. Garretson and West Sioux

squared off in the first match of the day. The Blue Dragons won the first set 25-18. Unfortunately they dropped the second by a score of 14-25. The third and final set of the match was a close one, were the teams volleyed for the lead frequently with Garretson landing on top 26-24.

Leading the Blue Dragons offensively in that match was senior Haley Edmundson with four kills. Senior Brianna Duerr had seven blocks, while sophomore Peyton Heitkamp contributed three of her own. Senior Jennie Hegge led the team with nine digs, accompanied by Morgan Frewaldt

and Taiya Bunde with seven and six respectively.

Next Garretson faced familiar foe, Dell Rapids. The Lady Blue Dragons were unable to muster up enough to come away with another match win. They fell to the Quarriers in two straight sets, 13-25, 23-25.

Once again Hegge led the team with five digs, Bunde popped up three and also tallied two kills. Heitkamp had the lone block of the game and served an ace. Senior Chayce Brinkman aced two in the match.

With the Dragons sitting at 1-1 in pool play, they needed to win the

JV Dragons lose to Bulldogs

By Wyatt Fink

It was the time for the underclassmen to get there shot at a game as they traveled to Baltic on Tuesday. The first quarter didn't start well as the bulldogs scored on the opening drive with a run to the outside for a touchdown and a two point conversion. Baltic lead 8-0. With Garretson possession they went three and decided to punt. On the next bulldog possession they went for the drive and scored again with another run to the outside for a touchdown and a two point conversion. At the end of the first quarter the score stood Garretson zero Baltic sixteen.

The second quarter wasn't any better. The dragons didn't score at all

Volleyball

match in order to have a chance at being seeded into the championship match. They took on the Lennox Orioles who were also 1-1 on the day. The Blue Dragons rebounded well from the tough loss to Dell Rapids, beating Lennox in two sets: 25-8, 25-19.

Edmundson led the way with seven kills. Duerr and sophomore Lara Luke downed three and two respectively. Brinkman tallied 15 assists, five digs, and two aces over the two sets. Hegge picked up seven digs as well. Duerr served up five aces. Heitkamp floored one of her own and had eight blocks during the match.

Garretson was tied with West Sioux after pool play, both 2-1; however, the Lady Dragons won the tie breaker and advanced to the championship match against the Parker Pheasants. Parker decisively swept their pool, winning each of their three matches in the

7/8 Football Shows Toughness on Field

The seventh and eighth grade Blue Dragons hit the Gridiron against Ches-

ter during the second quarter. The dragon punted most of the second quarter and also threw an interception. But they only gave up one touchdown and it was twenty-two to zero at halftime.

The Dragons finally scored in the third quarter by a touchdown pass from freshman quarterback Shay Gibson to sophomore Sean Tillma and were able to get the two point conversion by a pass from Shay Gibson to junior Wyatt Fink. The score stood Baltic twenty-two Garretson eight. Right when Garretson thought they had a chance Baltic scored off a kick return for a touchdown but failed on the two point conversion.

minimum of two sets.

Garretson kept up with Parker but was unable to finish set with a win. They dropped three straight sets, 20-25, 18-25, 19-25.

Edmundson led the team with seven kills and four blocks. Duerr, Heitkamp, and Luke all put up two blocks of their own. Luke also had three kills during the match. Hegge had 13 digs; Brinkman had seven, and Frewaldt picked four.

The girls played a competitive tournament and were able to walk away with two wins and a solid second place finish to start their season.

The Lady Dragons faced the Sioux Falls Christian Chargers on Tuesday, September 3. They fell in three straight sets 19-25, 6/25, 13-25. The JV and C team also dropped their matches against Sioux Falls Christian.

Garretson rebounded Thursday, September 5 against Baltic taking the

The start of the fourth quarter Garretson scored again and made it 28-14. The rest of the game went to the bulldogs as they scored two more times and made the final score was 44-14.

I asked some questions to assistant coach Matt Schrank. What did the team do well? He said, "I thought that the offensive line was physical and great". I asked what the team needs to work on and he replied, "We are a young group and we need more time in practice to meld as a unit". The last question I asked was what player should the parent's watch he said, "all of them because we are trying to find are identity."

first two sets. However they dropped the last three. Losing the match 2-3.

The JV also had a strong showing against Baltic. They could not have played the team any closer. Garretson lost the first set 27-29. They rallied to take the second set 25-17. Unfortunately they came up on the wrong end of a close battle in the third, 13-15.

Sophomore Brianna Callsen led the JV with eight kills. Sophomores Peyton Heitkamp and Katie Giesler contributed two of their own. Sophomore setter Morgan Gloe put up 13 assists on the night.

The C team played tough and showed improvement but fell to the Bulldogs 2-0.

The seventh and eighth grade teams also saw their first action of the season. Their hard work paid off as they played competitively but Baltic once again completed the sweep of the Garretson teams.

ter earlier this week. They came out with a decisive 34-6 win. Their next

match is Saturday, September 7 at Viborg-Hurley.