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This Week's Need to Know

FACT OF THE WEEK: "Almost" is the longest word in the English language with all the letters in alphabetical order.

BRAIN TEASER: An electric train is going 40 mph north, the wind is blowing 60 mph south. Which way is the train's smoke blowing?

Answer on back page

JOKE OF THE WEEK: What do you get when you cross Jason Vorhees and a box of Cheerios?

Answer on back page

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, September 13

- Homecoming Parade @ 1:15
- Whopper Feed @ the athletic complex starting @ 5:30
- Football vs. Baltic @ 7:00

Saturday, September 14

- 5/6 Volleyball @ Deubrook
- Cross Country @ Sioux Falls

Monday, September 16

- 7/8/JV Football vs. Baltic starting @ 4:00 p.m.
- C Volleyball @ Baltic @ 4:00
- Soccer vs. West Central @ Yankton Trail @ 6:00 p.m.
- PTO Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 17

- Volleyball vs. Flandreau starting @ 4:00 p.m. 7/8/JV/V

Thursday, September 19

- Cross Country @ SF Christian
- Volleyball @ West Central starting @ 4:00 7/8/C/JV/V

Coronation

By Teila Carnicle

Finally! On Monday night, right before the powder puff games, the winners of homecoming king and queen were crowned! The winners were Mariah Nelson and Austin Etrheim!

Who wouldn't be excited to win homecoming queen? Being passed the crown from last year's winner, Lindsay Bohl, Nelson said, "I don't know, it was enthralling, I feel like my life is complete!" She said that she wasn't expecting to be crowned, but she's happy she was!

On the other hand Austin Etrheim had a great amount of confidence when waiting to see who would be crowned. When he had the

king's crown placed on his head from last year's winner, Alex Anderson, he said, "I had a pretty good feeling that I was going to get crowned. When I won, it felt good!"

Kara Ellefson was one of the candidates voted onto royalty. When asked if she was sad that she didn't win she replied, "No, I wasn't sad, I was happy with both king and queen because I thought they both deserved to win."

A lot of people agreed with Ellefson when she said they deserved it. Chayce Brinkman, someone who wasn't voted onto homecoming royalty but was still excited to see the outcome



Dragons Bring Home Win

By Katie Giesler

Garretson went up against Viborg-Hurley in Hurley last week and came home with a big win!

The Dragons ended up taking the victory with the final score at 38-12, bringing their record to 2-0.

When asked how it felt to come home with a big win, Derek Decker, a senior tight-end said, "It felt really good."

When questioned about how nine-man was different from eleven-man, Decker said, "It's just as hard [as eleven-man]. We work just as

hard and, I like it. It's fun."

During the game, Matt Johnson scored three times and garnered plenty of points, making it quite an exciting game for the Dragons! Jesse Brockhouse also contributed to the Dragon's score tally with a touchdown of his own accord.

"We've taken big steps of improvement [since the first day of practice]," said Coach Steckler, "We've had setbacks, but we can improve every day."



Junior High Football Team Follows in Steps of Varsity

The Garretson seventh and eighth graders made the same trip to Hurley last Saturday, just like the varsity. They were hoping for the same result, a win, which would keep them at a perfect 2-0, modeling after the varsity Blue Dragons.

Coach John Hauck said, "[We] started out

slow and gave up a touchdown on the opening possession."

However, Garretson was quick to retaliate and proceeded to score 34 unanswered points. Garretson came away with a 34-6 win over Viborg-Hurley.

The junior high football team is sitting at 2-0.

Color Run: Senior Experience Project Helps Others

By Jennie Hegge

When you think of breast cancer, the first thing that typically pops in your head is the pink ribbon. To raise money for research, the Garretson community took it one step further by hosting our 2nd annual Color Run. The money raised from the run, will be donated to breast cancer research programs to help find new cures. It's be-



Kara Ellefson

cause of research programs like that, that Kara Ellefson's mentor, Bridget Oveson is alive today.

Kara put on the Color Run as a part of her senior project. She spent hours upon hours organizing



Participants gather for one last color throw after crossing the finish line.

and getting everything set up and ready to go by Sunday, September 8th.

Her biggest struggle of the project was getting people to sign up and pay. Once the word got out though, people were signing up like it was their job.

There were about 100 participants and around \$1600 raised. A very generous

donation was made by Nordstrom's as well and is greatly appreciated!

The participants ran a 5K around Garretson. There were four stops where the runners would be splattered with col-

ored powder. The color stayed on them throughout the race, making them



Sam and Emily Schleuter after color run.

There's No Place Like Home

By Wyatt Fink

There's no place like home as the cross country team was at home on Tuesday.

The girls placed 3rd. They were led by sophomore Haley Sage who was 6th. Right behind her was eighth grader Carmen Bohl who placed 7th. Junior Teisha Carnicle was 16th and eighth grader Peyton Sage was 17th. Following them were freshman Macey Bohl who was 35th and junior Lydia Olson who was 41st. Garretson's homecoming queen senior Mari-ah Nelson was 59th.

Junior Lydia Olson was asked if she felt that Garretson had an advantage she re-

plied, "yes and no! We got to run the course the day before so everyone could get a feel of how the course was and which directions to go but some people might not like our courses that are from Garretson."

She was asked do you feel you had a good meet. She replied, "It was an okay meet. Almost everybody beat their times by a minute or more."

The last question that was asked was do you feel good after a meet or more so like death? She replied, "It depends on the courses, some courses are more difficult than others and that has a huge fac-

tor on how you feel."

The boys placed fourth; they were led by junior Josh Liester who was 8th and right behind him was freshman Josh Powell at 11th. The following runners placed this way: sophomore Evan Fick, 20th; senior Sam Powell 25th; sophomore Jacob Fitzgerald, 26th; junior Tait Johnson, 28th.

Johnson was also asked about how he thought the team did; he replied, "I thought we did pretty well; we got fourth



Senior Spotlight

KARA ELLEFSON

Favorite High School Memory: Playing Powder Puff

What are you going to miss the most?: Seeing Taiya and Gaspar

Activities: none

Future Plans: Join the National Guard, Attend SDSU for Psychology



AUSTIN ETRHEIM

Tell us about your 'King' Speech: Well there was nothing actually on the paper. I found it in the locker room right before coronation. I maybe put 5 minutes of thought into it.

Favorite High School Memory: Raging to "SandStorm" at Prom



What are you going to miss the most? Easy Classes

Activities: Football, Track, Baseball, Band, FFA

Powder Puff Provides Excitement Despite Early Ending

By Morgan Frewaldt

Powder puff on Tuesday started off with a bang right after coronation at 8 o'clock sharp. With everyone on the field, flags ready to go, the games kicked off.

Freshman played the seniors to start out their first game ever in the powder puff competition by losing 19-2.

When asking a group of freshman players how they felt about their first time in powder puff some said they did badly and that the seniors were scary, but overall it was pretty fun!

Some people said that it might be karma due to spelling their home town name Garretson, wrong on their shirts. The players also sarcastically claimed that next year they are going to use three T's or

maybe a J instead of a G to keep their new tradition going.

The freshman have already started practice for their sophomore year and are ready to take home the win.

On the other side of the field the sophomores were battling it out with the juniors to compete against the seniors for first place. It was a very tough game with lots of competitive attitude flying around.

When talking to sophomore Lara Luke about the game, she said "There was a lot of juniors yelling and it was uncalled for!" and Jaden Bly backed up her comment by stating, "There was a lot of swearing and name calling" but over all they still had a good time. In the end it paid off for the

juniors with a very close win of 16-14.

In the loser's bracket were freshmen and sophomores ready to juke it out for third place and in the winner's were juniors and seniors competing for bragging rights of first place.

The losers were playing a steady game with the score at 10-10 with 16 minutes left in the game when apparently lightning was seen from a ways away.

The winners were in a gruesome game with a score of 2-1 with the juniors leading when the game was called.

Everyone was dismayed when the announcement was made over the intercom of the incoming lightning.

Mr. Long said, "Unfortunately when it

'Hawk Sighting

By Aaron Dunn

It's homecoming week and everybody has a different way of showing school spirit. Some of the football players donned the old-fashioned mohawks, but others went the extra mile and dyed their mohawks blonde.

Football players have been getting weird and crazy hair-dos for many years to show their school spirit. They have had mohawks in the past but dyeing them is something completely new.

Junior Bryce Wollmann has had his

mohawk for a year now and was the inspiration for some of the others. He "improved" the do by changing it from brown to its current color, blonde, this summer.

Junior Tanner Gutzmer also dyed his hair blonde over the summer. Fellow juniors: Blake Severson, Tristen Wagner, Tony Wieland, and Wyatt Fink also got the new improvements to their hair courtesy of Marissa Wollmann.

But it wasn't just the junior class that

got the hawks. Alex Thorson is the lone senior who made the change. Some of his coaches over the last year have gotten to know him as Red Hawk, name given by former baseball coach Brett Williamson, but they can no longer call him this.

There are a few different reasons for getting the hawks. Junior Tristen Wagner stated that he was "forced and cuffed into



A.C.E Award Bestowed on Three Athletes



Jaden has been a member of the GHS Varsity Girls Cross Country program for the last three years. She expects the best from herself and always works hard to make her team



Josh is the leader of a relatively young GHS Cross Country team. He not only excels on the cross country course but is an honor student and key contributor to our school and community.



As a sophomore, Peyton is a starting middle hitter for the varsity team. She has shown tremendous growth from last season and constantly pushes herself and her teammates to do their best. Peyton is always willing to lend her knowledge and experience to younger players. Her passion for the game as well as for helping others comes through in even the toughest of situations.

Hawks Take Down Dragons

By Joshua Liester

The Garretson volleyball team was back in action on Tuesday, September 10 against the Coleman-Egan Hawks. The Dragons went into the game with a 2-4 record while Coleman-Egan stood at 2-3.

The game started off slow for the Dragons, losing the first set 16-25. The Garretson girls worked hard the second set, but fell short again 14-25. The third set was better for the Dragons, but not enough to stop the Hawks from winning the match

with a third set score of 23-25.

Jennie Hegge led the Dragons with 21 digs. Haley Edmundson and Kristen Martens chipped in eight and four digs respectively.

Brianna Duerr led the team with five kills, while Lara Luke added four. Edmundson also contributed three kills, and Brianna Callsen added two of her own.

Chayce Brinkman had nine assists and Morgan Gloe had four.

Edmundson, Luke, and Duerr also had two blocks each.

“We need to work on our communication,” stated junior Taiya Bunde.

Senior Morgan Frewalt also added, “We are hoping for good results and positive attitudes in our tournament this week.”

Assistant coach Kelsey Buchholz is looking forward the upcoming tourna-



Junior High Volleyball Shows Growth

Junior high volleyball had a busy week as they participated in their Big East Conference tournament last Saturday and traveled to Colman-Egan on Tuesday.

The seventh grade volleyball team

went 1-2 in the tournament while the eighth graders were unable to secure a win, going 0-3.

The teams swapped successes when it came to their battle against the Hawks.

The seventh graders lost two close sets, 23-25 and 22-25. While the eighth graders snagged a victory taking Colman-Egan to three sets. The Blue Dragons came out on top 25-22, 12-25, 17-15 to take the

Garretson Soccer Improves Second Half, Comes Up Short

The Garretson Soccer team hosted Vermillion earlier this week. The Blue Dragons were looking to rebound from a tough loss to Harrisburg from the previous week.

Vermillion played strong in the first half and took advantage of the Garretson defenders’ anxiousness and were able to score four goals in the first forty minutes of play.

Coach Mitch Lynch noted that Vermillion had some tough ball handlers, probably some of the strongest the Blue Dragons have come up against this season. Regardless, at the end of the first half, the Blue Dragons were down 4-0.

The second half was a marked improvement for the soccer team. Garretson held Vermillion scoreless; unfortunately, Garretson was unable to score any goals dur-

ing that time as well.

“The second half was an improvement. It was an indication of who we are as a soccer team,” stated Coach Lynch.

“Everyone stepped up their game in the second half.”



Student Opinion Poll

This week students were asked which Dragon Olympics event they were most

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

ANSWERS:

Brain Teaser: The train is electric; therefore, there would be no smoke.

Joke of the Week: A cereal killer

