



We are within the last two weeks of school. Please pay attention to your email for changes in schedules

# Blue Ink



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## Teacher appreciation week

by Riley Altman  
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*Garretson gathers assembly for appreciation of teachers*



This week we celebrated national teacher appreciation day around the school. We wanted to take the time this week to show how much we really do appreciate our teachers even if we don't always show it.

National teacher appreciation day movement was started by Eleanor Roosevelt. Congress then declared national appreciation day for March 7, 1980. Soon after,

the national PTA established teacher appreciation week for the first full week of May.

On Monday morning, the students gathered for an assembly to show our appreciation for our teachers. Students wrote things they like about their teacher and one comment was chosen for each teacher. The students then gave them a hug and gave them a little treat.

Teachers, thank you for all you do, you are appreciated this week and every week!

### Favorite thing about your teacher....

"Mr. Ruml doesn't just teach in the classroom, he brings us to the wrestling room to do fun things." -Jordyn Kuphal

"Mrs. Bruns always does fun art projects with us that we put on the bulletin board outside our classroom." - Avery Zweep

"Ms. Neugebauer is doing a food truck with us, we get to make food and serve it to our parents. She always does fun things with us, but my mom is my favorite teacher." -Colton Buchholz

"Mr. Terwee is always there to help if you need it. He also makes learning fun." -Raegen Altman

"Mrs. Granberg is chill and doesn't get worked up about anything and helps students when we need it." - Lily Ranschau

"Furn is always there to brighten anyone's day." -Evan Bly



### This Week's Need to Know

**FACT OF THE WEEK:** Sunday, May 12 is Mother's Day. More people purchase fresh flowers and plants for Mother's Day than any other holiday except for Christmas.

**LIFE HACK OF THE WEEK:** If you have smelly sneakers, put them in a Ziploc bag and freeze them overnight. It'll also work with jeans.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** Which May flowers grow on faces?

**BRAINTEASER OF THE WEEK:** What has to be broken before you can use it?

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

### Upcoming Events

- Friday, May 10**  
- JV Golf @ Chester (10:00)
- Saturday, May 11**  
- 5th-8th Band Solo/Ensemble Contest
- Monday, May 13**  
- Golf @ Sioux Valley (9:00)  
- School Board Meeting (5:45)
- Tuesday, May 14**  
- MS/HS Vocal Concert (7:00)
- Thursday, May 16**  
- Pre-K Promotion and Family Day (9:45/2:15)  
- Region 3A Track @ Garretson (11:00)
- Friday, May 17**  
- Pre-Region Golf @ Mitchell (8:00)  
- Graduation Practice (8:30)
- Saturday, May 18**  
- Graduation (1:00)

### Worth Mentioning

**Congratulations** to Katie Hanson, Cooper Long, and Rave Uhlich for making the All-Conference in golf.

**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  
- March Precept: "Kind words do not

## Summer ideas *Finding ways to stay busy, have fun, make money*

by Kennedy Buckneberg  
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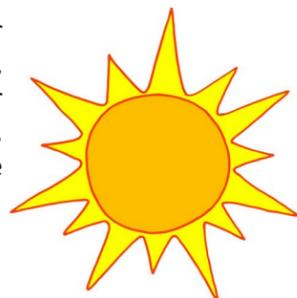
Even though we don't know the set date on when we get out of school, it's almost summer. This means students are looking for jobs and parents are planning family trips.

Although some say this town is boring, there are many ways to enjoy summer doing fun outdoor activities. There are plenty of ways to get out of the house but stay local, Sometimes people take the activities closest to

themselves for granted. Well, hopefully after reading this, you will have lots of ideas.

### Things to do

- Kayaking
- Bike rides
- Baseball games
- Golfing
- Picnic
- Rock climbing
- Jesse James pontoon ride
- Hike through Devils Gulch
- Walk your dog
- Go swimming at the pool or parks



Vacations and activities are great but we need a way to pay for them. We all want to make money, right?

Well there are also places in Garretson and close to the area that are looking to hire summer help.

"I don't have job right now, but I am going to start looking for one this summer. I am thinking I want to be lifeguard," said Lily Ranschau.

### Jobs

- Garretson Pool
- Palisades
- Daycare
- Vineyard
- O'So Good
- Grocery Store
- Nordstrom's
- Dollar General
- Subway
- Palisades Nursing Home
- Parks

So, instead of sitting inside all summer, get out at get a job or do a fun outdoor activity because before we know it, we will be starting the 19-20 school year.

**JOKE:** Tulips (two-lips)

**BRAINTEASER:** An egg

**Blue Ink Editors:** Sam Gonzalez and Mason Hofer

# First place flub

## Kentucky Derby sets many controversies for the first time ever

by Nobel Nothstine  
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When you hear "Maximum Security," the first thing that comes to mind is probably not a Kentucky Derby horse. But this last Saturday, Maximum Security and his jockey, Luis Saez, came into the 2019 Derby with their sights set high. The duo had four wins in four different races, and Saez was determined to leave Churchill Downs with a perfect record.

After winning the race and roughly 15 minutes after the conclusion, an objection from jockeys led to the first infraction disqualification of a winner in the history of the Derby. Maximum Security was said to have interfered with several horses during his race, and the fact that an overstepped hoof may have lost it all was a hard pill to swallow for Saez. After the crowd uproar concerning Maximum Security, Country Horse, a 65-to-1 long-shot estimated win, proudly took the first place title.

Here's how the payouts looked after the chaos at the top, which paid out big time because of the bizarrely long odds.

**Payouts:** Country House: \$132.40 (Win), \$56.60 (Place), \$24.60 (Show)  
Code of Honor: \$15.20 (Place), \$9.80 (Show)  
Tacitus: \$5.60 (Show)  
\$2 Exacta: \$3,009.60  
\$1 Trifecta: \$11,475.30  
\$1 Superfecta: \$51,400.10

**Finishes:** Country House (1), Code of Honor (2), Tacitus (3), Improbable (4), Game Winner (5), Master Fencer (6),



War of Will (7), Plus Que Parfait (8), Win Win Win (9), Cutting Humor (10), By My Standards (11), Vekoma (12), Bodexpress (13), Tax (14), Roadster (15), Long Range Today (16), Spinoff (17), Gray Magician (18), Maximum Security (DQ)

Not only that, but for the first time in 23 years, the Kentucky Derby winner(s) will not compete in the Preakness. On Tuesday, it was released that Country Horse is out of the May 18 Preakness at the Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore. His trainer claims it's because the horse developed a cough Tuesday morning, and coughed up blood. In fact, only three horses from the Churchill Downs race are moving onto the Preakness.

Since none of the horses moving on even placed top 3, the appeal has been partially lost for both viewers and fellow racers. We can only hope that the rest of the races in the Triple Crown cause less controversy.

# UNC Shooting

by Mason Hofer  
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On Tuesday, April 30th, an active shooter started to unleash bullets on students. But, his rampage was put to a halt after a hero, Riley Howell tackled the suspect. Riley was shot three times while pursuing the shooter, and pronounced dead on the scene.

Police say that the shooter was a former student and is believed to have targeted specific people. After the madness had concluded, two were dead and four wounded (three critically).

The liberal studies class had about 100 students in the class but only 30 were in attendance at the time. This was the last day of school and the class was just finishing up their presentations.

"All of a sudden, the door on the north side of the room slams open. A guy rushes in, pulls up a gun with his right hand, and began firing at the far north corner table" a student, Joshua Ayers stated. "He didn't speak a word, he just ran in and started shooting."

Riley Howell was killed at point blank while wrestling with the shooter. His family stated that none of them were surprised when they heard he tackled the shooter. "He was everybody's protector, you felt safe when you were with Riley" stated his aunt Morgan Moylan.

Riley Howell, who was an ROTC Cadet, was buried with full military honors including an honor guard. Hundreds of people attended Howell's funeral, and people were seen wearing shirts that said "Riley Howell is a Hero". He was given a full police escort to the burial site.

Howell's brother, Teddy stated "my superhero doesn't wear a cape, he wears Texas."

# Garretson Guessing Game



Where is this?



What is this?



# The Wookiee roars

## Iconic Star Wars character leaves a legacy, memories

by Kylie Uhl  
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Peter Mayhew an English-American actor, best known for portraying Chewbacca in the Star Wars film series, has sadly passed away on, April 30th. He died in his home in Texas of unknown reason but family does believe it was due to his age of 74 years.

"He put his heart and soul into the role of Chewbacca and it showed in every frame of the films from his knock-kneed running, firing his bowcaster from the hip, his bright blue eyes, down to each subtle movement of his head and mouth," his family said in a statement. (NBC news)

The actor was widely known as Chewbacca, a 200-year-old Wookiee from the planet Kashyyyk, who later in the series co-piloted Han Solo's Millennium Falcon, which once made

the Kessel Run in less than 12 parsecs. (Aka it went super fast.) He was told to be the perfect fit to play the Wookiee because of his height of 7'2 and the Wookiee was listed to the height of 7'4.

Many have expressed their deepest sadness over his death. Including his two closest co-stars Harrison Ford and Mark Hamill. The famous Jedi actor stated in an emotional tweet earlier this week "He was the gentlest of giants-A big man with an even bigger heart who never failed to make me smile & a loyal friend who I loved dearly. I'm grateful for the memories we shared & I'm a better man for just having known him. Thanks Pete"

Not only are his family and co-stars grieving but the fans as well. No matter if you were a fan of the Wookiee or just the Star Wars series, many say it won't be the same even if he



was just inside of costume. He may no longer be in the costume but will be forever be in heart of many Star Wars fans. Thank you Peter Mayhew

for looking like the most cuddly Wookiee ever. Who needs a Sasquatch when you have the best Wookiee?

# Controversy over Holocaust Diary

by **Mataya Trower**  
staff writer *Instagram page created for remembrance of Jewish girl*

What if a girl in the holocaust had Instagram? There is an Instagram page going viral for telling the tale of a Jewish girl's diary during the holocaust. With over 1M followers, @Eva.stories is based off the real Eva Heyman who got killed in a concentration camp. This account is filled with stories straight from Eva's diary with only slight changes to make it teen friendly. Creators of this account have said that the account is for education and remembrance as the last of the holocaust survivors die out.

Eva started the diary on her 13th birthday in 1944 with descriptions of her family, friends, her first romantic crush and school. As these episodes continue to go on, the story takes a dark twist. In later episodes it shows the Nazi invasion, leading to the concentration camp.

In the film, Eva often holds the camera herself shooting selfie videos while expressing her feelings or describing something happening around her. This, of course, resembles millions of Instagram stories uploaded to the platform every day. However, what the girl talks about in her videos is different from the usual content on Instagram.



These stories end where Eva's real diary ended: when the girl was sent to Auschwitz concentration camp in then -occupied Poland, where she was killed.

Although this story is very popular on Instagram, many people are offended by this whole project. Some see these episodes as great education and some think this is the complete wrong way to portray this story. You can find these stories @eva.stories on Instagram and see for yourself.

# Spring update

FFA had their end of the year banquet earlier this week. At that time they celebrated all of the accomplishments the FFA chapter as well as individual members have had over the course of the 2018-2019 school year. In addition to the celebration, they announced new leaders and officers that will lead Garretson's FFA chapter into more success for the 2019-2020 school year.

**OFFICERS:**

- President- Evan Bly
- Vice President- Jacob Schmidt
- Secretary- Kennedy Houghton
- Treasurer- Caeden Bunde
- Reporter- Tessa Pederson
- Sentinel-Aiden Magnuson
- Student Advisor: Ella Nelson

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

- Building Communities- Madi Decker
- Growing Leaders- Sarah Welch
- Strengthening Ag- Drew Pederson

**AWARDS:**

- Star Discovery- Drew Pederson
- Star Greenhand- Madi Decker
- Star Farmer- Evan Bly
- Star Ag Placement- Kennedy Houghton
- Attitude- Chloe Schleuter
- Innovation- Sarah Welch
- Teamwork- Evan Bly
- Success - Jacob Schmidt
- Effort- Drew Pederson
- Leadership- Tessa Pederson
- Growth- Madi Decker
- Excellence- Jenna VanHolland
- Unity Award- Kaci Danforth
- Workhorse- Aiden Magnuson
- Outstanding Middle School- Autumn Gaspar
- Washington Award- James Nussbaum
- Dekalb Award- Jacob Schmidt

## Senior Spotlights

*Hunter Goodell*



**SENIOR PROJECT:**

Building a dog kennel

**ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:**

Football

**WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:**

Furn

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR:**

Going to Mitchell Tech for diesel technology

*Ben Konechne*



**SENIOR PROJECT:**

Building a Deer Stand

**ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN:**

Football  
Wrestling  
Baseball

**WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:**

Trenton stealing my stuff in trig

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR:**

Go to college and the Army Guard

**SENIOR PROJECT:**

Photography

**WHO/WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST:**

I will miss my friends

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR:**

College



*Aiden Scholl*

