

TRANSCRIPT OF
"THE BEAR FACTS"
AS BROADCAST ON KLGA RADIO
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MATT: GOOD MORNING! I'M MATT ERPELDING!

AARON: AND I'M AARON TWAIT! WELCOME TO ANOTHER EDITION OF THE "BEAR FACTS", WHERE WE KEEP YOU UPDATED ON EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENING AT BISHOP GARRIGAN HIGH SCHOOL.

MATT: AT A RECENT QUIZ BOWL MEET, A COACH FROM A SCHOOL EAST OF HERE ASKED, "WHAT IS IT ABOUT KOSSUTH COUNTY THAT MAKES THE KIDS SO SMART?" THE COACH WAS FRUSTRATED BECAUSE FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS THE TEAMS TO BEAT IN EVERY QUIZ BOWL TOURNAMENT IN OUR AREA HAVE BEEN BISHOP GARRIGAN AND ALGONA HIGH. THAT WAS CERTAINLY TRUE AGAIN LAST SATURDAY AT THE ALGONA P.T.O. QUIZ BOWL TOURNAMENT. TWO GOLDEN BEAR TEAMS WERE AMONG THE TOP EIGHT THAT ADVANCED TO THE PLAY-OFFS. THE GARRIGAN TEAMS PLAYED EACH OTHER IN THE QUARTERFINALS, AND THE TEAM CAPTAINED BY AARON TWAIT WON THE MATCH. THEY RALLIED FOR A SOLID VICTORY OVER ALGONA HIGH IN THE SEMI-FOIANLS, AND THEN SAILED PAST CLEAR LAKE TO WIN THE TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP.

AARON: OTHER MEMBERS OF THE WINNING TEAM WERE SENIORS TOM MCGREEVEY AND TRACY STUDER, JUNIOR JEAN LAPPE, AND FRESHMAN TOM TWAIT. THE OTHER PLAY-OFF QUALIFIERS ENDED UP WITH A SEVENTH PLACE FINISH. THEY INCLUDED CAPTAIN STEVE BORMNN, FELLOW SENIOR ANITA LAUBENTHAL, SOPHOMORE SCOTT REISING, AND FRESHMAN JEFF GEVING. THIS WAS THE SECOND TOURNAMENT VITORY FOR GOLDEN BEAR QUIZ BOWL THIS SEASON. IN FOUR TOURNAMENTS SO FAR THIS YEAR, THE BEARS HAVE TWO FIRSTS, ONE SECOND, ONE THIRD, AND ONE FOURTH PLACE FINISH.

MATT: IT LOOKS LIKE MANY OF THOSE QUIZ BOWL STARS WILL HAVE BIG PLANS FOR THE SUMMER. ARRANGEMENTS ARE UNDERWAY FOR THE BEARS TO BE PART OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMIC CHAMPIONSHIP THIS JUNE. THE QUIZ BOWL TEAM WILL TRAVEL TO RICE UNIVERSITY IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, FOR THE TOURNAMENT, WHERE THEY WILL GO HEAD TO HEAD WITH THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER AMERICA. WE'LL KEEP YOU UPDATED AS PLANS FOR THE TRIP KEEP PROGRESSING.

AARON: LAST WEEKEND QUIZ BOWL WAS THE BIG EVENT. THIS WEEKEND THE FOCUS IS ON SPEECH. MORE THAN TWENTY GOLDEN BEARS RE IN SPENCER TODAY FOR THE IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION STATE LARGE-GROUP CONTEST. THEY WILL BE COMPETING IN THE FIELDS OF ONE-ACT PLAY, READERS' THEATRE, CHORAL READING, AND ENSEMBLE ACTING, AND WE HOPE ALL SIX GARRIGAN ENTRIES COME HOME TONIGHT WITH I'S.

MATT: TWO GOLDEN BEAR BASKETBALL STAND-OUTS WON HONORS AT THE RECENT CYO TOURNAMENTS. SENIOR O.J. FROELICH AND FRESHMAN KATIE VASKE WERE BOTH NAMED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS. THAT MEANS THAT THEY WERE AMONG THE TOP FIVE PLAYERS FROM AROUND THE SIOUX CITY DIOCESE. O.J. IS KEEPING ALIVE A TRADITION IN BOYS' BASKETBALL. AT LEAST ONE GOLDEN BEAR HAS MADE THE ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM EACH OF THE PAST FIVE YEARS. KATIE'S NOMINATION, ON THE OTHER HAND, SHOWS THAT THE GARRIGAN GIRLS' TEAM HAS REALLY COME TOGETHER. THE BEARS ARE NOW TIED FOR SECOND IN THE NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE, AND THEY'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO PLAY-OFFS, WHERE THEY'LL LIKELY FACE SMALLER SCHOOLS THAN THE CONFERENCE RIVALS.

AARON: STUDENTS IN GARRIGAN'S GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM HAVE BEEN DOING SOME CREATIVE STUFF LATELY. TWO STUDENTS THIS YEAR ARE WORKING ON FASHION DESIGN, WHILE ANOTHER IS STUDYING ARCHITECTURE. ONE STUDENT IS LEARNING VIDEO PRODUCTION, WITH THE GOAL OF CREATING A FULL-LENGTH VIDEO, COMPLETE WITH SPECIAL EFFECTS. THERE'S ALSO STUDENTS OF FRENCH AND LATIN--LANGUAGES WHICH NORMALLY AREN'T TAUGHT IN THE LOCAL SCHOOLS. AND THERE'S EVEN ONE FUTURE MOZART WHO IS WRITING AN ORIGINAL SCORE OF MUSIC FOR ALL THE PARTS OF A MASS.

MATT: YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE GIFTED TO BE CREATIVE. STUDENTS IN MR. BURROW'S GEOMETRY CLASSES HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT NETWORK THEORY THIS YEAR. THEY SUMMED UP THEIR KNOWLEDGE WITH AN EXTRA CREDIT PROJECT ABOUT SUBWAYS OF THE WORLD. THE STUDENTS LEARNED HOW TO MAKE THEIR WAY THROUGH THE MAZE OF SUBWAY CONNECTIONS IN CITIES RANGING FROM NEW YORK TO MOSCOW TO BUENOS AIRES TO CAIRO. FOR THE END RESULT OF THE PROJECT, STUDENTS HAD TO DESIGN ROUTES AND STATIONS FOR AN IMAGINARY SUBWAY SYSTEM THAT WOULD SERVE THE NEEDS OF ALGONA. THERE WERE LOTS OF DIFFERENT DESIGNS. MOST PEOPLE INCLUDED STOPS AT BUSY PLACES LIKE THE REC. CENTER AND THE MALL, BUT SOME HAD SPECIAL FEATURES LIKE EXPRESS LINES TO WESLEY AND SMITH LAKE.

AARON: INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL CONTINUED LAST WEEK, BUT THERE'S ONLY ONE SCORE TO REPORT. THE FACULTY BEAT THE ANGRY DOGS BY A SCORE OF 68 TO 38. THE FACULTY HAS THE OVERALL LEAD SO FAR, WITH THE GREY BIRDS ON TOP OF THE STUDENT TEAMS.

MATT: THIS WEEK'S SENIOR SPOTLIGHT SHINES ON NICOLE LOEBACH AND CHRISTY HENKEL.

NICKI LOEBACH IS A WHITTEMORE NATIVE WHO'S PROUD OF HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MUSIC. SHE'S BEEN TO ALL-STATE, AND YOU MAY HAVE HEARD HER MERRY MELODIES AT POPS CONCERT OR THE MADRIGAL DINNER. SHE IS ALSO ACTIVE IN DRAMA, SPEECH, AND NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY. NICOLE'S FAVORITE CLASS IS GOVERNMENT, AND WHEN SHE'S NOT AT SCHOOL, SHE KEEPS BUSY BY WORKING AT THE AMPRIDE CONVENIENCE STORE IN WHITTEMORE. GOOD LUCK, NICOLE!

AARON: CHRISTY HENKEL CAME ALL THE WAY FROM GERMANY TO JOIN US AT GARRIGAN. THIS EXCHANGE STUDENT IS STAYING WITH THE DAVID SEILER FAMILY NEAR ALGONA. YOU'D BETTER WATCH OUT, BECAUSE CHRISTY HAS EARNED HER BELT IN KARATE, AND SHE ALSO CONSIDERS HERSELF A POOL SHARK. AT SCHOOL SHE ENJOYS MATH AND CHOIR, AND SHE WAS PART OF THE GOLDEN BEAR VOLLEYBALL TEAM LAST FALL. WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE CHRISTY HERE AT GARRIGAN.

MATT: OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR BEGINS WITH THE STATE LARGE-GROUP SPEECH CONTEST TODAY IN SPENCER. ALL WEEKEND LONG MUSICIANS SCOTT MCMAHON AND J.P. OWEN WILL BE IN AMES FOR THE IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY HONOR BAND.

AARON: TOMORROW AFTERNOON INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL CONTINUES, WITH THE CNICKS, THE NO-NAMES, THE ROASTED ARMADILLOS, AND THE CPAS TAKING THE FLOOR. ALSO ON SUNDY THE JUNIOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS WILL BE VISITING AREA NURSING HOMES TO SEND THEIR VALENTINE'S GREETINGS. AT 3:00 THEY'LL HAVE A VALENTINES PARTY IN THE GARRIGAN CAFETERIA.

MATT: MONDAY THERE'S J.V. BASKETBALL, WITH THE BEARS HOSTING WEST BEND/MALLARD.
TUESDAY THERE'S A J.V./VARSITY FOURSOME, AS THE GIRLS AND BOYS TAKE ON CLEAR LAKE. TUESDAY WILL BE PARENTS NIGHT FOR THE PLAYERS, CHEERLEADERS, AND DRILL TEAM.

AARON: WEDNESDAY SEVERAL STUDENTS WILL BE OFF TO MOUNT KATO AS A PRIZE FROM THE CALENDAR DRIVE LAST FALL. THIS TRIP WAS POSTPONED FROM EARLY JANUARY, WHEN BITTER TEMPERATURES FORCED A CHANGE. ALSO ON WEDNESDAY THERE'S A FIFTH GRADE BAND CONCERT AT SETON, AND WE'LL HAVE AUDITIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S POPS CONCERT AT GARRIGAN.

MATT: NEXT THURSDAY A FEW GARRIGAN MUSICIANS WILL BE OFF TO UNI FOR HONOR BAND. THEN ON FRIDAY THE BEARS TRAVEL TO EAGLE GROVE FOR ANOTHER OF THOSE EXTRA-LONG JV/VARSITY, BOY/GIRL MATCH-UPS.

AARON: STARTING FRIDAY NIGHT, BISHOP GARRIGAN WILL BE HOSTING A SEARCH RETREAT FOR STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE SIOUX CITY DIOCESE. THE SEARCH ACTIVITIES WILL CONTINUE THROUGH SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

MATT: THAT'S THE "BEAR FACTS" FOR THIS WEEK. BE SURE TO TUNE IN AGAIN NEXT TIME FOR MORE NEWS FROM BISHOP GARRIGAN HIGH SCHOOL.