

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

NIKKI: AND I'M NIKKI FICKBOHM! WELCOME TO OUR FINAL EPISODE OF "THE BEAR FACTS" FOR 1995. THIS WEEK TAKE A LOOK AHEAD TO SUMMERTIME AT BISHOP GARRIGAN HIGH SCHOOL.

MATT: TWO OF THE BIGGEST EVENTS OF THE SUMMER ARE TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW. THE QUIZ BOWL TEAM LEFT LAST THURSDAY FOR THE NATIONAL ACADEMIC CHAMPIONSHIP. THEY'RE IN DALLAS, TEXAS, THIS WEEKEND SEARCHING DEEP IN THEIR BRAINS TO COME UP WITH THE ANSWERS TO SOME OF THE TOUGHEST QUESTIONS THEY'VE EVER HEARD. AARON TWAIT IS CAPTAIN OF THE QUIZ BOWL TEAM. HE'S BACKED UP BY FRESHMAN TOM TWAIT, JUNIORS CHARLIE PLATHE, CHRIS BORMANN, AND MATT ERPELDING, AND SENIORS STEVE BORMANN AND TOM MCGREEVEY.

NIKKI: COACH DAVID BURROW AND GARRIGAN PRESIDENT FATHER GERALD FEIERFEIL ACCOMPANIED THE QUIZ BOWL TEAM ON THEIR JOURNEY TO DALLAS. DURING THEIR FREE TIME, THE STUDENTS WILL BE CATCHING THE SIGHTS OF NORTHERN TEXAS. THEY PLAN TO SEE THE TEXAS SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY, WHERE LEE HARVEY OSWALD SHOT PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND SNEAK A PEAK AT SOUTHFORK RANCH, WHICH WAS THE MODEL FOR THE "DALLAS" TV SHOW. THEY'LL ALSO POKE THEIR HEADS INTO THE HARD ROCK CAFE, TAKE IN A TEXAS RANGERS BASEBALL GAME, AND POSSIBLY CATCH A RODEO AND A COMEDY ACT. MEANWHILE THEY'LL BE COMPETING IN AT LEAST FOUR TOUGH GAMES AGAINST THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER AMERICA. THE GOLDEN BEARS ARE THE FIRST TEAM FROM RURAL IOWA EVER TO GO TO NATIONALS, AND THIS YEAR THEY'RE THE ONLY TEAM FROM IOWA IN THE TOURNAMENT. WE KNOW THE WHOLE AREA IS ROOTING FOR THEM TO DO THEIR BEST IN DALLAS. GOOD LUCK, BEARS!

MATT: THERE'S MORE GOLDEN BEAR COMPETITION THIS WEEKEND, THIS TIME ON THE BASEBALL FIELD. THE BEARS WILL FACE SOME OF THEIR TOUGHEST OPPONENTS TODAY AND TOMORROW AS THEY COMPETE IN THE TRADITIONAL CYO TOURNAMENT IN CARROLL. CYO IS ALWAYS THE BIGGEST BASEBALL EVENT OF THE SUMMER, AND COACH GENE MEISTER AND THE BOYS ARE HOPING FOR SOME EXCITING GAMES THIS WEEKEND.

NIKKI: NEXT WEEKEND GARRIGAN HOSTS THE GIRLS CYO SOFTBALL IS TOURNAMENT. THE GIRLS HAVE HAD SOME FRUSTRATING SEASONS THE PAST FEW YEARS, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THE BUILDING IS OVER AND THIS SEASON SHOULD BE ONE OF THE BEST IN RECENT MEMORY. COACH GILES STRUCK HAS STRONG PLAYERS AT ALL GRADE LEVELS, AND HE KNOWS THE GIRLS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE TOUGH NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE COMPETITION.

MATT: LAST SUNDAY WAS GRADUATION DAY FOR THE BISHOP GARRIGAN CLASS OF 1995. ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY IS THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS FOR THE TOP STUDENTS IN THE CLASS. NICOLE LOEBACH OF WHITTEMORE WAS THE BIG WINNER IN THE DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS. SHE WAS NAMED THE TOP STUDENT IN SOCIAL STUDIES, ENGLISH, AND THEOLOGY. TWO OTHER WHITTEMORE NATIVES RECEIVED TWO AWARDS EACH. ANITA LAUBENTHAL WON AWARDS IN MATH AND BUSINESS, WHILE SALLY BESCH WON THE SPEECH AWARD AND SHARED HONORS IN ART WITH RANDY WEBER OF BANCROFT.

NIKKI: TWO BANCROFT STUDENTS, SARA ULSES AND AMY ANTOINE, WERE NAMED TOPS IN THE SCIENCE AWARD. SARA ALSO WON THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE AWARD. ALGONA NATIVE DAREN DIERS WON THE DRAMA AWARD FOR HIS TECHNICAL SKILLS, WHILE JOHN MCMAHON WON THE AWARD IN ENGLISH COMPOSITION. JESSICA REISING OF WESLEY RECEIVED TOP HONORS IN BAND, AND THE VOVAL MUSIC AWARD WENT BRIAN MERGEN OF ALGONA. A NEW AWARD WAS GIVEN THIS YEAR BY THE GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM. THIS YEAR'S HONORS WENT TO ALGONA NATIVE AARON TWAIT.

MATT: A LONG LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED AT GRADUATION. SIX OF THESE ARE SELECTED BY BISHOP GARRIGAN ITSELF, THROUGH PROGRAMS SET UP BY ALUMNI OF THE SCHOOL. THIS YEAR'S WINNER OF THE ARMSTRONG AWARD WAS BRANDIE ILLG. RENEE LAFLEUR WON THE RAHM SCHOLARSHIP, AND JEREMY ELBERT RECEIVED THE BERNHARD SCHOLARSHIP. THE GARRIGAN ANONYMOUS SCHOLARSHIP WAS SPLIT BETWEEN KIM VASKE AND MATT MESCHER, WHILE THE LARGEST SCHOLARSHIP, THE FATHER CONWAY AWARD--IN HONOR OF GARRIGAN'S FIRST SUPERINTENDENT, WENT TO SALLY BESCH.

NIKKI: FOR MANY PEOPLE, SUMMER CAN BE AS BUSY OF A TIME AS THE SCHOOL YEAR. ALMOST EVERYONE HAS SOME SORT OF SUMMER JOB, AND A LOT OF THE FRESHMEN ARE ALREADY BUSY WITH DRIVER'S EDUCATION. A FEW STUDENTS WILL BE ATTENDING SPORTS CAMPS, AND SOME WILL BE GETTING A HEAD START ON COLLEGE BY TAKING CLASSES AT IOWA LAKES. SOME OF THOSE CLASSES MIGHT EVEN BE TAUGHT BY GARRIGAN TEACHERS, SINCE MR. BURROW AND MR. AHLERS ARE BOTH TEACHING COURSES THIS SUMMER. TEACHERS IN THE SCIENCE, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, AND P.E. DEPARTMENTS WILL BE REVISING THEIR CURRICULUM THIS SUMMER, AND OTHER TEACHERS WILL BE TAKING COURSES TO FURTHER THEIR EDUCATION. THEN THERE'S DETASSELLING AND WALKING BEANS. BOTH STUDENTS AND FACULTY USE FARM WORK AS A WAY OF PICKING UP SOME EXTRA CASH OVER THE SUMMER.

MATT: NEXT FALL WILL BRING SOME NEW FACES TO THE FACULTY AT B.G.H.S. ONE OF THE NEW FACULTY MEMBERS HAS ALREADY BEEN HIRED. JULIE HERBST-ULMER WILL BE REPLACING NORM KUNKEL AS THE BISHOP GARRIGAN LIBRARIAN. THE HERBST-ULMER NAME IS CERTAINLY NOT NEW AT GARRIGAN, SINCE JULIE'S HUSBAND, TODD HERBST-ULMER, HAS BEEN OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. WE WELCOME MRS. HERBST-ULMER TO GARRIGAN.

NIKKI: ASIDE FROM BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL GAMES, THE SUMMER CALENDAR IS PRETTY EMPTY AT GARRIGAN. THE HIGHLIGHT IS AT THE END OF JUNE, WHEN THE GYM IS CLOSED FOR FLOOR RE-FINISHING. VOLLEYBALL CAMP STARTS JULY 31, WITH FOOTBALL CAMP JUST TWO WEEKS LATER. THEN, BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, IT WILL BE AUGUST 28TH AND TIME TO START THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

MATT: ON OUR FINAL EDITION OF THE "BEAR FACTS" WE'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY WHO HELPED OUT WITH THE SHOW OVER THE PAST YEAR. TWELVE STUDENTS HAVE SERVED AS ANNOUNCERS ON THIS YEAR'S "BEAR FACTS", AND SIXTY-THREE PEOPLE HAVE SUPPLIED INFORMATION FOR NEWS STORIES AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER. WE ESPECIALLY THANK THE STUDENT COUNCIL AND THE GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM, BOTH OF WHICH PROVIDED MONEY FOR OUR TAPING EQUIPMENT. AND ABOVE ALL WE THANK OUR FACULTY SPONSOR, MR. DAVID BURROW, WHO WORKS HARD EACH WEEK TO SEE TO IT THAT--NO MATTER WHAT--THE SHOW WILL GO ON.

NIKKI: AND WITH THAT WE END OUR THIRD SEASON OF THE "BEAR FACTS". THANKS TO KLGA FOR AIRING OUR BROADCASTS, AND A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO REGULARLY TUNE IN TO HEAR US. WE HOPE TO BE BACK NEXT FALL WITH ANOTHER YEAR FULL OF NEWS AND EVENTS FROM BISHOP GARRIGAN HIGH SCHOOL!