

Transcript of
"The Bear Facts"
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DANIELLE: Good morning! I'm Danielle Elbert!

MATT: And I'm Matt Erpelding! Welcome to another edition of the "Bear Facts", where each week we keep you up to date on all the news from Bishop Garrigan High School.

DANIELLE: Tonight is time for an evening of romance and celebration at Garrigan. It's Prom Night, 1995. This year couples can literally promise each other the sun, the moon, and the stars--because that's the scene for "Distant Dreams", this year's out-of-this-world prom theme. The juniors have been working hard all week making sure that everything is just right for prom night. Now it's time for the dancing and romancing to begin. The Grand March starts at _____ tonight, and everyone is invited to the Garrigan gym to watch the festivities.

MATT: Even when the DJ spins that last disc, the evening is still young. That's when it's time for the traditional after-prom party to begin. Again this year the junior class parents are sponsoring this all-night fiesta to ensure that prom night is both fun and safe for everyone. In addition to all the activities, there's prizes ranging from small amounts of cash to a television set. No one ever gets much sleep on prom night, but you can be sure that it will really be a memorable evening.

DANIELLE: Prom is the last big fling before graduation. This year's commencement ceremony is set for Sunday, May 28th, at 1:00 in the Garrigan gym. The top seniors recently voted to have Sarah Ulises of Bancroft deliver this year's farewell address. The Class of '95 has chosen burgundy and ivory for their class colors, and the class flower is the ivory rose. The prom theme, "Distant Dreams", fits with their class motto, which is: "Before the reality comes the dream." This is one of the largest classes of the '90s at Garrigan, with seventy-five different members.

MATT: Almost all of those seniors will be getting together at Charlie's Supper Club next Tuesday for the traditional senior banquet, which the Student Council sponsors as one last tribute to the class. The heart of this year's banquet will be the announcement of a list of who's "tops" in the Class of '95. Last week the seniors voted for the top boy and girl in categories ranging from "Most Likely to Succeed" and "Most Musically Talented" to "Sexiest" and "Biggest Brown-Noser". We'll give you a run-down on the winners on next week's show.

DANIELLE: The calendar may say it's near the end of this school year, but plans are already underway for next year. This week the Student Council finalized plans for Homecoming, 1995. The celebration will be earlier than usual, with the big Homecoming football game scheduled for Friday, September 15th, against the Eagle Grove Eagles. Next year's homecoming theme will celebrate the Olympics coming to America as the Bears "Go for the Gold!"

MATT: With all the rain the past couple weeks, there haven't been a lot of golf or track meets. They finally did manage to get in the North Central Conference golf meets, though, and the Bears made respectable showings. On the boys' side both senior Miguel Karlen and junior Scott Nelson were named to the All-Conference Team, as the Bears finished second overall, losing only to Webster City. The girls ended up sixth in the conference meet, but junior Mindy Berte had another outstanding meet.

DANIELLE: Last Wednesday a record number of people attended the Bishop Garrigan Fine Arts Awards Potluck. More than fifty students received honors in speech, drama, and visual arts this year. Conference art awards went to Sally Besch, Jenny McGuire, Randy Weber, Jim Weber, and Josh Anderson. Jenny McGuire won a special "Service Above Self" honor in art. Sally Besch won the Career Achievement Award in drama, while Renetta Seiler received the same trophy for her work in speech. Matt Erpelding also formally received his Outstanding Performer Award for his All-State qualifying performance in Acting.

MATT: Also this past week fifteen students were named letter-winners on the Golden Bear quiz bowl team. All fifteen have been members of trophy-winning teams this year. Tom Twait was the lone freshman letter-winner, while Dennis Becker was alone among the sophomores. Junior winners included Chris Bormann, Matt Erpelding, Jessica LaFleur, Jean Lappe, and Charlie Plathe, and the senior awards went to Steve Bormann, Renee LaFleur, Tom McGreevey, Tracy Studer, and Aaron Twait. To no one's surprise, Aaron was also named the 1995 quiz bowl MVP, but a special recognition also went to Tracy Studer for his four years of outstanding contributions to the quiz bowl team.

DANIELLE: This week's Senior Spotlight shines on Patty Von Ruden and Tim Ricke. Last fall, Patty Von Ruden was one of the nominees for Homecoming queen. Over the years she has been in a number of activities, including both sports and music. In the voting for "tops" this week, she was definitely in the running in many different categories. Good luck, Patty!

MATT: When we asked Tim Ricke what he did when he was away from school, he said, "I grill hamburgers." You may have seen him back in the kitchen at McDonalds. Tim has been a member of the gifted and talented program, and he still has a very challenging schedule. Some of his favorite classes are Physics and Pre-Calculus. We wish Tim the very best in the future.

DANIELLE: This week's calendar includes "Distant Dreams for Prom tonight, and Mothers' Day tomorrow. Modnay there's girls' sectional golf, and Tuesday is the Senior Banquet.

MATT: Wednesday is the Spring music concert and art show. Then on Thursday night there's a meeting for parents of next year's confirmation candidates. Then on Friday there's girls' regional golf and the girls' state track meet.

DANIELLE: That's the "Bear Facts" for another week. Thanks for bending an ear, and be sure to listen up next week for more information on just what's going on at Bishop Garrigan High School.