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New program starts

by: Sydnee Gully

Last week, the energy bus became an even bigger part of first and second grade's lives as they started the new Bearkat Buddies program. This program was implemented by senior Tatum Braden who was looking for a way for older and younger students to connect with each other.

Braden started this program as a part of her Ford Leader Scholars program. She had to have several meetings with people across the community, and while meetings with Mrs. Marr, the idea of a pals program was brought up. After falling in love with the idea, Braden decided to make it a reality, and Bearkat Buddies was born.

Starting last week, juniors and seniors in Student Council were paired up with first or second graders to start getting to know each other. In the coming weeks, they'll begin reading books with the energy bus themes over the course of three weeks. After these weeks, the younger students will be able to take an AR test to show their knowledge of the book.

Bearkat Buddies is a fun way for elementary and high school students to interact, learn, and expand their knowledge together.







Food Challenge brings home top awards

by: Sydnee Gully

Last Wednesday, Garden City students drove to San Angelo to compete in the annual San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Food Challenge contests. Competing against approximately 150 teams, an intermediate team and a senior team entered into their respective categories, and they spent the day preparing dishes and a presentation for a panel of judges.

The food challenge contest consists of a 40 minute preparation time and a 3-5 minute presentation to judges. They are given one ingredient and access to a "pantry" where they can choose from a variety of ingredients to add to their dish. Additionally, they are given a category (Main Dish, Side Dish, Appetizer, Healthy Dessert) to make their dish fit into.

In the presentation, they discuss the different ingredients' relation to MyPlate, nutrition, safety precautions they followed, and how they made the dish.

The intermediate team with Reagan Hillger, McKenzie Parker, and Aubrey Halfmann got second in their category. In the senior division, they were in the category side dish and given a potato. They chose to make 'The Healthy Hash' as a play on hashbrown. This performance got them first in their category and advanced them to finals.

In the finals, there were only 4 teams remaining. They were given sausage for an appetizer, and they made a play on mini smash burgers. With this, they ended up second in the contest.

Overall, both teams competed really well for such a popular, competitive contest.

In the Classroom: AG

by: Landry Baker

Things were busy in the AG shop last week. With the Ag Mech Show only being two weeks away, students are rushing to finish their projects. Mr. Hauser opened the shop Tuesday through Friday for those who need extra time to finish, along with allowing those students more time in Prime Time. Zachary Wilson has recently just finished his domino table and has now started working on his project book, and many are on the same path and have started their books. At the same time, students have started practicing for their upcoming CDE's and SAE's, spending more time memorizing speeches and taste testing milk. It was a busy and productive week in the AG shop.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

- Winston Churchill

Tractor Tech Team Competes at Area

by: Sydnee Gully

Caleb Stewart, Grady Ivins, and Sterling Schwartz competed at the area Tractor Tech contest last week through FFA. This contest was full of ups and downs and a lot of hard work, but these boys pushed through to finish in 7th place.

"Even before the contest started, we had to do a few things like pack up our stuff," Stewart said.

At the contest, they faced some tough challenges, too. Since they had to look at the different components of a tractor, diagnose a tractor, and take a written test, the day was full.

"My favorite part was probably diagnosing the tractor," Stewart said. "There's five things wrong with the tractor, and we had to work to find them."

For Stewart, the most challenging part was the written exam, as there wasn't a question bank to study ahead of time. Despite the challenges, the boys competed incredibly well and represented the school in a positive way.



Students of the Week

by: Claire Eggemeyer

This week we have another group of seniors who are doing a great job at representing our school.

First up is Sadie Fuchs who will be attending Texas A&M University to major in Public Health. Her favorite teachers are Mrs. Solano and Mrs. Nuñez and her favorite class is Anatomy and Physiology. When asked who her role model is, she said, "My sister Claire because she's very independent and never relies on other people to do things for her."

Fuchs's biggest challenge this year had been balancing her scholarship applications with her work and her biggest accomplishment was getting third as a team at State Cross Country. If she could give some advice to other students it would be, "Treat school like a job, but don't let it consume you."

Next is Karly Baker who will be attending Texas Tech University to major in accounting and master in finance. Her favorite teacher is Mrs. Solano and her favorite class is Art. When asked who her role model is, she said, "My dad because he is a hard worker and he is always putting other people before himself."

Baker's biggest challenge has been balancing all of the work that comes with being a senior and her biggest accomplishment is being district champions in basketball her junior year. If she could give some advice to other students, it would be, "Don't procrastinate on all of your assignments but still have fun."

Last up is Rylan Cypert, who wants to attend South Plains college to major in Business Management. His favorite teacher is Coach Fryar and his favorite class is lunch. When asked who his role model is, he said, "My dad, because he's my best friend and has been there for me thick and through."

Cypert's biggest challenge this year has been showing up to school and his biggest accomplishment is passing all of his dual credit classes. If he could give some advice to other students in high school, it would be, "Don't do drugs."



Basketball competes with Bronte for District play

by: Karly Baker

The Lady Kats and Bearkats traveled to Bronte Tuesday night to continue district play. The girls started their second round of play as the boys were still in their first round of play.

The Lady Kats had an outstanding night on the court, putting on a dominant performance in both games. The JV girls started things off strong with a commanding 48–2 victory, setting the tone early with aggressive defense and constant pressure that never allowed Bronte to find a rhythm. Their teamwork and hustle were on full display as they controlled the game from the opening tip.

The varsity girls continued the momentum with an impressive 58–14 win, improving their district record to a perfect 7–0. The atmosphere in the gym was exciting as the Lady Kats showcased their intensity and determination on both ends of the floor. Their strong defense led to fast breaks and easy scoring opportunities, and their execution from the three-point line kept the crowd energized throughout the night.

The varsity boys faced a much tougher challenge in a close matchup against Bronte. In a back-and-forth battle, they fought until the final buzzer but came up just short with a 41–39 loss. Despite the outcome, the boys showed heart and resilience, and now stand at 3–2 in district play as they continue to push forward in the season.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JH Basketball at Bronte	**JVB/ VG/ VB Basketball at Veribest** **JVG Basketball at Hamlin vs Jayton**		**High School Tennis at Big Spring** **JVG Basketball at Borden County Tournament**	**JVB/ VG / VB Basketball vs Water Valley**

SATURDAY		
	High School Powerlifting at Clyde	**JVG Basketball at Borden County Tournament**

In the Classroom: Culinary

by: Holley Stiles

Last week, Prostart students made some delicious Guacamole and Fajitas. Entrepreneurship and Intro to Culinary made Chicken Fettucini Alfredo and Cowboy Cookies. The Meats and BBQ class made several dutch oven dishes, including Easy Cobbler, Mac and Cheese, and Enchiladas. It was a busy and flavorful week for all of Garden City's culinary programs!



WEEKLY MENU

Monday

BREAKFAST PIZZA
OR
CEREAL & TOAST

HOT DOGS, CHILI, OVEN FRIES BABY CARROTS, RANCH, FRUIT & A BROWNIE

Tuesday

FRENCH TOAST STICKS & SAUSAGE OR CEREAL & TOAST

POP CORN CHICKEN, MACARONI & CHEESE, GREEN BEANS, GARDEN SALAD, RANCH, FRUIT, & A ROLL

Wednesday

PANCAKE ON A STICK & YOGURT OR CEREAL & TOAST

NACHOS GRANDE, SALSA, REFRIED BEANS, ZESTY CUCUMBERS, & FRUIT

Thursday

SCRAMBLED EGGS, BISCUIT, GRAVY, & BACON OR CEREAL & TOAST

FRITO PIE, NACHO CHEESE OR SHREDDED CHEESE, CARROTS, GARDEN SALAD, RANCH, & FRUIT

Friday

DUTCH WAFFLE & BACON OR CEREAL & TOAST

POTATO & HAM SOUP, BABY CARROTS, RANCH, FRUIT, ROLL, & A BANANA PUDDING CUP

What do you call a magic dog?
- A labracadabrador.

