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Wednesday, December 1, 2021

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Coming next week ... JCC's host Santa Day & Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

# A “farm-to-family” business



The following interview was conducted by the Grygla Eagle with Jennifer Sundberg of Phoenix Family Farms, located in rural Grygla. Matt & Jennifer Sundberg have started a new business venture selling pasture-raised meats and poultry, and it's truly a “farm-to-family” way of life. Matt and Jennifer have two children, Clayton (age 6) and Maple (age 4), both of which are already great farmhands. Enjoy the interview below and take notice of the Phoenix Family Farms ad on page two.

**Name of your family business?** Phoenix Family Farms

**What is your family business?** We sell pasture-raised meats and poultry.

**What are your current occupations in addition to Phoenix Family Farms?** Matt is in his 9th year as the Industrial Technology (shop) teacher at Marshall County Central High School in Newfolden. I had been the FACS teacher in Newfolden for the past 5 years but decided to resign this year to be able to focus more on the homestead, business, and home life.

**A little background info to share with our readers:** Matt and I have been married for 7 years. Matt has lived in Grygla his whole life with the exception of a few years spent in Moorhead and Bemidji for school and work. I grew up on the Iron Range and then spent some time going to school and working in different parts of the world, including India, Uganda, Thailand, and Fiji. I

came back to Bemidji to work at the Bemidji Middle School. Matt was working as the Technology teacher there at the time, which is how we met.

**Is this new venture a side business/full-time gig, or hobby?** Phoenix Family Farms has slowly evolved into what it is today, which is pretty much a full-time gig. Matt is also working as a teacher and still does a few carpentry jobs here in there.

**What got you interested in this?** Matt has been farming beef cattle with his family most of his life. From a young age, his parents instilled in him a great understanding and appreciation for the hard work that goes into raising animals and tending a large garden. As a married couple, we always wanted to raise meat animals for our own use. Not only do we see the value of raising and growing our own food, but we also see how this type of lifestyle bonds us as a family. Everyone, including the kids, have a role to play in keeping the farm running. There is a great sense of satisfaction to be able to sit down to a meal that has been fully produced by our own hands. We love being a part of the whole process. Two years ago, we decided to purchase three Mangalitsa gilt piglets and a Mangalitsa boar. This breed fascinated us because they are so unique! They are known for their exceptional meat quality (dark red and marbled), their ability to forage, and their wooly coat! We wanted a breed that worked well with our landscape and

would be well suited to root around on rotating pastures. The fact that Mangalitsas are an old-world, heritage breed was another plus for us. This breed grows slower and is also considered a “lard” pig. For this reason, we have elected to omit corn and soy from their diet so that the end product isn't too fatty. Although we originally wanted these pigs to help work the land and feed our own family, we quickly became passionate about making the farm part of a business that would make us more self-reliant. Since that time, we've also added a small herd of Katahdin (hair) sheep and heritage breed Red Broiler chickens. This process has been so rewarding as a family. No matter how successful our business is, we feel that anything that brings our family closer together, is worth it. We're so grateful to be on this path and cannot thank God enough for being our steadfast guide. As JRR Tolkien writes, “Deep roots are not reached by the frost” - and deep roots are exactly what we are trying to put down with our way of running our farm and raising our family.

**What do you raise on your farm?** We raise pigs, sheep, chicken (for eggs and meat), and cows.

**Do you have any animals as pets?** We have two Great Pyrenees dogs (Lady and Finn) who are great livestock guardians. We also have a black lab named Otis, two barn cats, a few ducks, and a huge (and a bit ornery) African goose who the kids lovingly call Hector the Protector.

**What animals are raised for meat?** Pork, lamb, chicken, and beef.

**What makes Phoenix Family Farms so unique?** There has never been a better time to support small, local businesses. We are 100% family owned and run. Knowing the faces and names of the folks raising your food and knowing where your food comes from, is invaluable. Not only do our customers have the satisfaction of buying locally raised food, but they also have the peace of mind knowing that our animals are raised well and in a way that is sustainable. Since we are a small, local farm providing products that are heritage-breed and pasture-raised, we feel we are providing some-

thing unique and truly special. When customers purchase meat from us, the kitchen table in which their lovely slow-roasted pork roast sits is at the end of a very short chain. Our animals are born and carefully raised all in one place, and our goal is to work directly with the people who want to put quality, pasture-raised meat on their table. This is why we say we are a “farm-to-family” business! We are always open to providing farm tours (or just a visit!) for anyone who'd like to see more.

**How did you come up with the name of your business?** Phoenix Family Farms, for us, is symbolic on a number of levels. The Phoenix is a mythical bird known for rising from the ashes and facing a newness of life. We have taken a huge leap of faith on a journey we truly believe in. We may make mistakes along the way (talk about on-the-job learning!), but with our whole hearts we are striving toward what is good and real and whole. We want every aspect of our life and business to reflect that. The Phoenix is truly a magnificent, radiant, and fierce creature, and our little family farm is trying to blaze its way through in order to be and provide something truly wonderful.

**Meat bundles/sampler boxes:** Phoenix Family Farms now has local pasture-raised meat bundle and sampler boxes available that are perfect for the holidays. See page two for the Phoenix Family Farms ad that lists product and pricing. Signature or custom boxes are available. Meat products are processed at USDA Inspected Heart O' Lakes Quality Meats in Pelican Rapids, MN. Poultry products are processed on-farm with MDA poultry processing registration.

Meat Bundles and Sampler boxes are subject to change based on availability. If an item is sold out, it will be replaced by a comparable item(s). Weights of items listed are approximate. Boxes will be available for local delivery or on-farm pick-up. Orders can be placed online, by phone, or in-person.

**Contact:** Matt & Jennifer Sundberg: 218-766-9582 or 218-294-6095; Website: phoenixfamilyfarms.com; Social Media: @phoenixfamilyfarms



Congratulations to Kjerstin Nelson! Kjerstin has committed to run cross country and compete in track and field for Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, starting in the fall of 2022. She is pictured at last week's signing with Coach Grandstand and Coach Nelson.  
*Photo courtesy of Goodridge School*

## Craft & Vendor Show



There was a Holiday Craft & Vendor show at the Grygla Community Center last Friday to help locals with some holiday shopping. About half a dozen vendors were set up, along with the Grace/Our Savior's Lutheran Church Confirmation class selling goodies to raise money for an upcoming ice fishing trip. They sold out in two hours and made about \$600! *Photos courtesy of Lynette Jelle*



## Upcoming Santa Day & Tree Lighting Ceremony

The Grygla JCC's have been busy planning a festive day for all to enjoy! On Sunday, December 5th, there will be a full afternoon and evening of holiday cheer. The fun begins at 2pm at the Grygla Community Center. The scheduled list of events is as follows:

2-3pm: Bingo  
3-5pm: Chili feed & hot chocolate, kids crafts & coloring, Christmas movies, (S)elfie Station

3:30-5pm: Santa visits & Sleigh rides  
5pm: The Lighting Ceremony

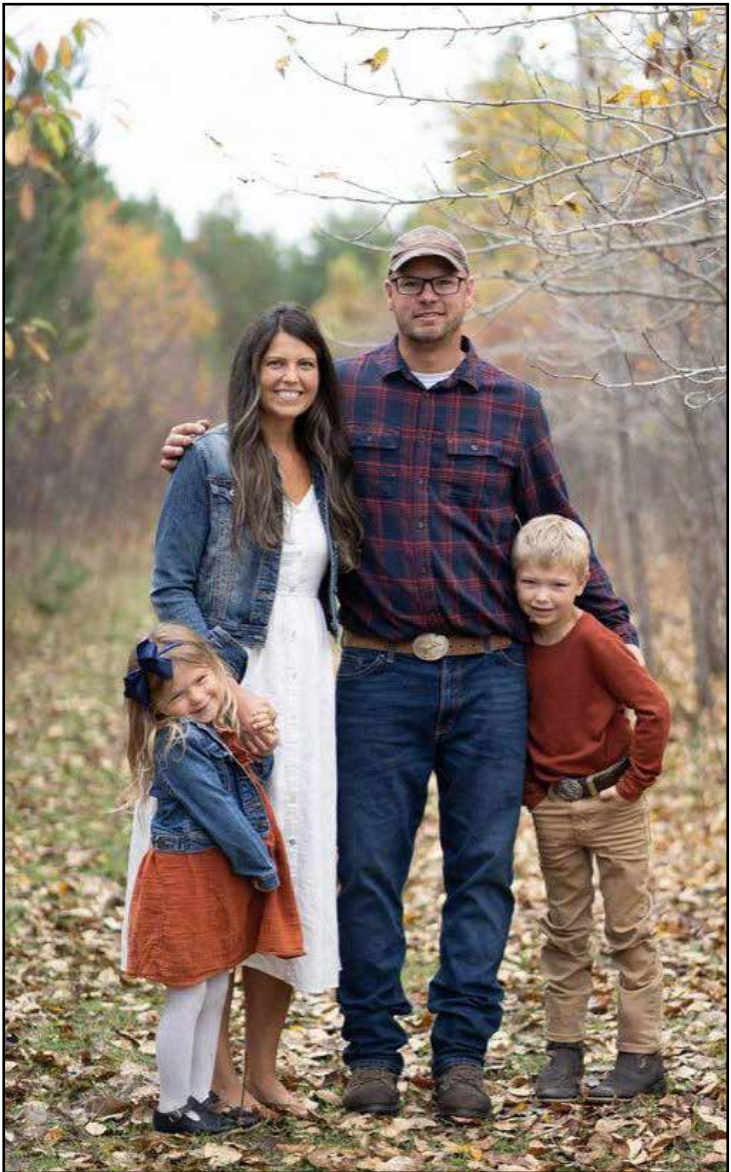
At 5pm, everyone is invited to the Veterans Gazebo where Christmas caroling will be led by Grace Lutheran LYO and Choir members prior to the big tree being lit up for the season. The entire community is invited to come out and enjoy all of these festive activities. Cost: free-will donation.

## House Fire Benefit

On October 20th, Gretchen Smeby and her son, Oliver, lost their home to a house fire. Fortunately, no one was injured, however, what didn't burn was so smoke damaged that it couldn't be saved. Gretchen is involved in many community organizations like the Grygla Junior Community Club, a member of the Grygla-Gatzke School Board, Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club member, and Grygla Fall Festival Committee member. Oliver is in 4th grade at Grygla Elementary

School. He enjoys the farm and all of his animals!

Please join the community on Friday, December 10th, at the Grygla School. The benefit will begin at 5pm and is held in conjunction with the GG Chargers vs. Roseau Rams boys basketball game. A taco-in-a-bag meal will be served, along with a silent auction. To donate to the Smebys, or to donate a silent auction item, please contact Jamie Lunsetter (218-294-6155) or Lindsay Oslund (218-242-5671).



Matt & Jennifer Sundberg, along with their children, Clayton and Maple are pictured above. The Sundbergs raise Mangalitsa pigs, in addition to sheep, chicken and cows. They welcome farm-tours or a visit anytime.  
*Photos courtesy of Jennifer Sundberg*





## • CHURCH CALENDARS

**GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH**  
**Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla**  
**Vicar Marilyn Grafstrom**  
 Recorded services are available on-demand on the church website and will play on Garden Valley channel 36 on Wednesdays 7pm and Sundays 9am & 7pm. [gracelutherangrygla.weebly.com](http://gracelutherangrygla.weebly.com)  
**Calendar N/A by print time**

**GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA**  
**Bethany, Ekelund, Faith Pastor Kristin Dahlen O-tercamp**

Sunday services are posted online on the Parish YouTube channel. They are rebroadcast on the GVTV Channel 36 on Wednesdays at 9am and 6:30pm.

**Wednesday, Dec 1**  
 7pm Advent Worship at Bethany  
**Saturday, December 4**  
 Ekelund Advent Supper 4:30  
**Sunday, Dec 5**  
 Ekelund: 8am Worship, 9am SS, 7pm Council Meeting  
 Faith: 9:30am Worship, 10:30am SS  
 Bethany: 10am SS, 11am Worship

**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF**  
**St. Clement's – Grygla; St. Ann's – Goodridge**  
**Fr. Adam Hamness**  
**Sundays:**  
 St. Clement's: 10:15am Worship.  
 St. Ann's: 12pm Worship

**BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 Skime  
**Pastor Steve Bliss**  
**Wednesday, Dec 1**  
 Midweek Worship 7pm  
**Sunday, Dec 5**  
 9:30am Worship, 11am FB Live Broadcast

**UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH**  
 Gatzke  
**Pastor Tim Lundeen**  
**Sundays**  
 8:30am Worship

**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
**St. Petri – Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth – Trail; Oak Park – Oklee**  
**Pastor Jeff Merseth**  
**Wednesday, Dec 1**  
 Wednesday School 5-7pm, LYS 7-8pm  
**Saturday, Dec 4**  
 Mt. Olive Worship 9am  
**Sunday, Dec 5**  
 St. Petri: 8am Worship, 9:15am SS  
 Nazareth: 8:30am SS, 9:45am Worship  
 OP: 9:45am SS, 11am Worship



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[www.johnsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.johnsonfuneralservice.com)

## Community Calendar

**Wed | Dec 1**  
 Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; BBB practice Grygla/GBB practice Goodridge; Grygla Archery League (practice) 6:30pm

**Thurs | Dec 2**  
 BBB practice Grygla/GBB practice Goodridge; Grygla School High School Band & Choir Concert 7:30pm

**Fri | Dec 3**  
 Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; BBB vs. Kelliher/Northome in Goodridge

**Sat | Dec 4**  
 JH BBB/GBB tournament in Roseau

**Sun | Dec 5**  
 Grygla JCC's Santa Days at Community Center 2-5pm with Tree Lighting Ceremony at Veteran's Gazebo at 5pm

**Mon | Dec 6**  
 Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; BBB at RLC; GBB practice in Goodridge

**Tues | Dec 7**  
 COVID vaccine clinic at GryBBB practice Goodridge; GBB JH at RLF

## HELP WANTED

American State Bank of Grygla, Grygla Branch is seeking an Operations/Customer Service person. The ideal candidate will maintain a professional image to assist customers with our banking products. Strong communication skills and basic computer knowledge required. Please submit a resume to [missy.saurdiff@asbgrygla.com](mailto:missy.saurdiff@asbgrygla.com) or send to American State Bank of Grygla, PO Box 78, Grygla, MN 56727.  
 EOE of women, minorities, protected veterans and individuals with disabilities.

## GHS Band & Choir Concert

The Grygla High School Band & Choir concert will be on Thursday, December 2nd at 7:30pm. Just a note for your calendars that the Elementary concert will be on Friday, December 17th.

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# Grygla Archery League begins

The Grygla Archery Club will be starting up their league again next week. There is a practice shoot being held this Wednesday, December 1st at 6:30pm at the Grygla School. Rules and scoring will also be reviewed. The official start

of the league will begin next Wednesday, December 8th. All are welcome. If you have any questions or want to sign up, please contact Justin Kieszow (218-416-2541) or Jeremy Haack (320-260-7509).

**2021 SHARING TREE**

*is now set up at American State Bank*

- 1. Choose an Ornament from the tree**
- 2. Sign up on the Sharing Tree List**
- 3. Purchase a \$20-\$30 gift**
- 4. Return unwrapped gift to this site before December 8, 2021**

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# Spreading Christmas kindness

Marshall County Social Services is once again sponsoring the Christmas Sharing Tree Project, by collecting gifts for children throughout the county in need. The Sharing Tree Project has had a wonderful community response this year, but there is still time to donate if you wish.

If you are wanting to buy a gift, there are still a few ornaments on the trees in the county; or you can call Marshall County Social Services at 218-745-5124 for information. (For Grygla residents, American State Bank of Grygla is a participant in The Sharing Tree.)

Gifts are due Wednesday, December 8th. to the business location where your ornament was picked up.

Marshall County Social Services appreciates all the support and donations received throughout the county and wishes everyone a Holiday season filled with kindness.

# American Education Week is celebrated

This week Grygla School is celebrating American Education Week with the following activities planned and organized by Tausha Severts and Tina Taus.

Monday, November 29th: School Board Members, Administration, and Office Staff will be recognized. There will be a mystery speaker of the day, along with the high school students writing letters of appreciation to all staff members that will be delivered throughout the week. The elementary students will also write what they would do if they were principal for a day!

Tuesday, November 30th: Custodians and cooks will be recognized this day with another mystery speaker of the day.

Wednesday, December 1st: All Para-Professionals and substitute teachers will be recognized today with another mystery speaker of the day.

Thursday, December 2nd: School social workers, bus drivers and preschool teachers will be recognized today with a mystery speaker again.

Friday, December 3rd: All teachers and coaches (past and present) will be recognized today with another mystery speaker planned!

## Northern Lights fishing report

*Written by Ben Kucera*  
 On this week's report, muzzleloader opens, and ice fishermen hit Red Lake. This past week, I went down to Big Stone Lake for Thanksgiving and to chase some roosters around. Thursday after Thanksgiving dinner, I went out for a little scout mission in hopes to find a rooster and see where some hunting land was. I wound up getting 2 roosters. Friday morning my buddy joined me and west we went. After walking upwards of 10 miles, we jumped 1 rooster that's it. So, after that disappointing hunt we set our sights on joining another buddy in Minnesota to hunt private land. We jumped lots of pheasants but only 3 roosters and got 1 again walking several miles. So overall a really disappointing time in the land of pheasants.

A lot of fishermen hit Red Lake this past weekend. Most of the resorts were letting out

foot traffic only and out to 8' of water. Ice conditions varied from 4"-6" and thinner out past their stakes. Fishing was very slow with a few walleye hitting the ice. There are some reports of cracks opening up and ice shifting as well. Some other small lakes have 4"-6" of ice so make sure to use caution.

This coming week I hope to get out fishing somewhere on Wednesday and then my wrestling season starts. Also, this week I will be getting some jigs up to the store. Good luck everyone and be safe.

*Ben Kucera is the owner and creator of Northern Lights Tackle & Custom Rods. He is also a Marshall County Sheriff's Deputy residing in Grygla with his wife and children. Ben is an avid fisherman who will be writing and submitting a fishing report weekly. You can follow his Facebook page at Northern Lights Tackle and/or contact him at 218-684-0588.*

# COVID-19 Funeral Assistance program

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is a foundational member of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) National Board and would like to share with our family of partner agencies information regarding its COVID-19 Funeral Assistance program.

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought grief to every corner of our nation, taking the lives of over 700,000 people. FEMA is committed to reducing the financial burden of these deaths and is providing individuals who incurred COVID-19-related funeral expenses with funding for eligible costs. Since FEMA began the program, over one billion dollars in assistance has already been distributed.

FEMA is providing financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred on or after January 20, 2020.



Grygla Archery League officially begins next Wednesday, December 8th. A practice/review week will be held this Wednesday the 1st. More info shared in the writeup on the left. *Photo courtesy of Grygla Archery League*

**The Phoenix Sampler**  
*A little bit of everything: \$130*

- 1 whole chicken (4-6 lbs) (when available)
- 1 pack chicken legs (2 lbs)
- 1 pack chicken wings (2 lbs)
- 2 packs breasts (1.5 lbs ea.)
- 1 ground lamb (1 lb)
- 1 pack lamb chops (4 chops per pack)
- 1 pack lamb steaks (4 steaks per pack)
- 1 ground pork (1 lb)
- 1 pork chops (2 chops per pack)
- 1 pork roast (2-3 lbs)



**The Little Piggy**  
*Small bundle: \$100*

- 2 ground pork (1 lb each)
- 2 pork chops (2 chops per pack)
- 2 packs pork steaks (2 steaks per pack)
- 1 pork roast (2-3 lbs)
- 1 pack smoked Bratwursts (4 large brats)

**High on the Hog**  
*Large bundle: \$200*

- 3 ground pork (1 lb each)
- 3 pork chops (2 chops per pack)
- 3 packs pork steaks (2 steaks per pack)
- 1 pork roast (2-3 lbs)
- 2 pack smoked Bratwursts (4 large brats)
- 1 pack sliced bacon or side pork (Customer's Choice)
- 1 Holiday Ham (Whole 3-4 lbs)
- 1 pack spare ribs (2 lbs)

**Orders can be placed online, by phone, or in-person.**  
**Matt & Jennifer Sundberg**  
**218-294-6095 or 218-766-9582**  
**Website: phoenixfamilyfarms.com**  
**Social Media: @phoenixfamilyfarms**

## Charger's School Store re-stocked



The Grygla School Store is now fully stocked with all the latest Charger styles just in time for Christmas! Three different logo designs and colors are available, along with sizes ranging all the way from youth to 3x. T-shirts, crewnecks and hoodies are available. Stop by the Grygla School Store and get some of your holiday shopping done, courtesy of Ms. Dallager's Business 101 Class! *Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*



Only in Minnesota: a weekly feature in the Eagle

The tiny Amish town in Minnesota that’s the perfect day trip destination

Most people, when they think of the Amish and where they live, do not imagine Minnesota. States such as Ohio and Pennsylvania typically take the cake when it comes to the country’s largest Amish communities. But Minnesota is home to quite a few Amish people. There’s one tiny Amish town in particular that is home to the state’s largest population of Amish people. Not only that, but there are many other attractions as well, making Harmony, Minnesota, the perfect day trip destination.

Harmony, Minnesota, is a tiny town in the southeastern corner of the state. It’s about 130 miles south of the Twin Cities. This part of the state is famous for its beautiful landscape. Rolling farmlands make picturesque scenic drives that will delight any one with an eye for Minnesota’s quiet beauty.

The town is also famous for being the largest Amish community in the state. If you drive through the countryside, you might just spot the famous horse and buggies driving down farm-lined

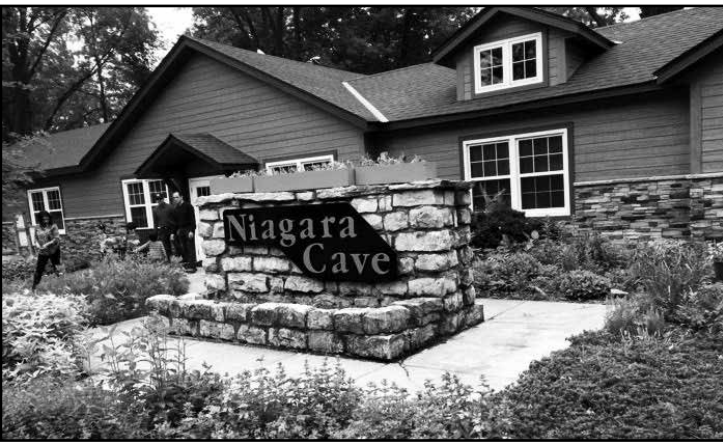
dirt roads.

There are plenty of places to shop for Amish-made merchandise. For example, the huge antique mall has items from over 100 vendors, including some local Amish. There are plenty of other activities in this little town, too. The downtown area is lined with charming historic buildings.

Browsing local shops and restaurants is a popular activity for visitors to this community.

There are also many outdoorsy activities. If you’re into biking, the Root River State Trail connects Harmony with the nearby town of Preston. The nearby Niagara Cave is also a popular attraction. It’s the only known cave in Minnesota with its own waterfall! Once you’re done exploring downtown Harmony, you’ll love this mysterious state treasure.

Next time you’re in southern Minnesota, definitely check out Harmony. From its Amish attractions to its charming businesses to its beautiful nature areas, it definitely lives up to its nickname as the Biggest Little Town in Minnesota.



Goodridge School releases Honor Roll



Goodridge School 1st Quarter ‘A’ Honor Roll  
Front row, L-R: McKenna Parnow, Norah Philipp, Emilea Johnson, Paige Sturre, Kjerstin Nelson, Jorja Salo, Ava Halvorson, Taylyn Banasau, Nevaeh Kotrba, Easton Parnow.  
Back row, L-R: Nick Groven, Chantel Grindeland Wyatt Seyller, Carter Lee Johnsrud, Payton Homme, Sadie Anderson, Kylie Delage, Jennah Henrickson, Madelyn Thompson, Tiana Banasau, Madelynn Nelson, Sawyer Jacobson, Hank Jones  
Not pictured: Hannah Wilebski, Mylee Sjulestad, Tessa Langer, Skya Wilson, Lily Beavis, Karson Nerhus  
Honor Roll photos courtesy of Goodridge School



Goodridge School 1st Quarter ‘B’ Honor Roll  
Front row, L-R: Kayden Hodny, Noah Kiviaho, Kiana Carpenter, Paige Nelson, Makayla Erlandson, Sophia Beck, Izabel Horning, Marissa Parnow.  
Middle row, L-R: Morgan Underdahl, Evan Rubischko, Noelle Merill, Brianna Carpenter, Emma Seyller, Kennedy Panek, Jamisen Wilson, Kylie Carpenter, Morgan Coan, Brooklynn Kriel, Chesney Salo, Ashlyn Nelson.  
Back row, L-R: Chase Manderud, Preston Moen, Brandon Burns, Paige Burns, Sebastain Groven, Trustin Wiseth, Jennings Johnsrud, Hunter Kiesow, Jordon Johnson, Elliot Philipp, Caitlyn Jacobson, Donald Johnsrud, Carson Rubischko, Caden Marquis.  
Not pictured: Hannah Lovly, Isabelle Brown, Ian Mickolio, Weston Wilson



Charger’s Boys Basketball traveled to Clearbrook Saturday for a jamboree. First season game is this Friday, December 2nd, in Goodridge! Photos by Grygla Eagle



Word of the Week  
...enhancing vocabularies  
one Grygla Eagle at a time.

NebbishNoun\\Neb-ish\\

A pitifully ineffectual, luckless, and timid person.

CROSSWORD

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6. Make a scene  
9. Rubik’s puzzle  
13. Hawaii environs  
14. Toothy fish  
15. Cone-shaped dwelling  
16. White Swan in “Swan Lake” ballerina  
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18. \*Decorate with wreaths and holly, e.g.  
19. \*Either dessert or source of heat (2 words)  
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23. Land parcel  
24. Strauss of denim fame  
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28. Clarified butter  
30. Acute one and obtuse one  
35. Southeastern Asian country  
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43. Tel \_\_\_\_, Israel  
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52. Bear’s winter quarters  
53. Hoodwink  
55. Scepter’s partner  
57. \*Number of days in Christmastide  
60. \*\*“Ugly” holiday party garb?  
64. Prepare a letter  
65. “Bingo!”  
67. Hunger for  
68. Pass-the-baton race  
69. \*Cranberry sauce some-times comes from it  
70. Same as tori  
71. Raise the roof

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1. Whiny and miserable  
2. Shade of beige  
3. Finish a ceiling, to a plasterer  
4. Marlboro alternative  
5. Not digital  
6. Bug-eyed  
7. Not Uber  
8. Social group  
9. Ghana monetary unit  
10. Second word of many fairytales  
11. Cause of Titanic’s demise  
12. Poetic “even”  
15. Burdensome  
20. Not this or that  
22. Lab eggs  
24. Time off  
25. \*Champagne holder  
26. \*Wassailing composition  
27. Raccoon’s South American cousin  
29. Feeling of superiority, pl.  
31. \_\_\_\_ gum, food additive  
32. Furiously angry  
33. Exclude or omit  
34. \*Number of candles in kinara, Kwanzaa  
36. \*Troika vehicle  
38. “Will be,” according to Doris  
42. Asian goat antelope  
45. Potpourri  
49. Chevy Suburban, e.g.  
51. Builds  
54. \*Popular holiday wish  
56. Munchausen’s title  
57. \*Bedecked arbor  
58. Shakespeare, to his friends?  
59. And others, for short  
60. Minus  
61. Tropical edible root  
62. Anon’s partner  
63. Take a load off  
64. Like some humor  
66. \*Traditional main holiday dish

Charger’s Jamboree



Straight from the desk of Coach Andrew Sundberg, Head Coach for the Chargers: “The Chargers Boys’ BB team started practice last week. We have 25 boys playing in grades 9-12, as well as 23 boys participating in 7th and 8th grade. The varsity team traveled to Clearbrook on Saturday for our conference jamboree. We scrimmaged and did very well against Red Lake, Bagley, and Win-E-Mac. In our jamboree half game, we came up a bit short against a very solid Blackduck team.  
Our first game is in Goodridge on Friday, Dec. 2 against Northome/Kelliher. The team is really looking forward to competing this year! We have a lot of home games before Christmas and we’re hoping to get off to a strong start this season. After last year’s limited attendance, we are hoping to have big crowds to cheer us on. We’d appreciate your support! Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper





**Boys Basketball 7th grade**  
 Front row, L-R: Jens Oslund, Easton Parnow, Cash Johnsrud, Evan Rubischko, Landon Nordby.  
 Middle row, L-R: Blake Stanley, Connor Boutain, Brayden Nordby, Ian Micholio.  
 Back row, L-R: Brett Rychlock, Joseph Stinson, Coach Cole Halvorson, Ryelin Stanley, Hank Jones. *All photos courtesy of Thoele Photography*



**Boys Basketball 8th grade**  
 Front row, L-R: Raymond Moe, Sawyer Jacobson, Jennings Johnsrud.  
 Back row, L-R: Sebastian Groven, Owen Larson, Trustin Wiseth, Carter Horgeshimer, Coach Cole Halvorson.



**Boys Basketball Junior Varsity**  
 Front row, L-R: Brody Saurdiff, Spencer Coan, Payton Dougherty.  
 Middle row, L-R: Rease Stratton, Brennen Parnow, Christian Loken, Donald Johnsrud, Chase Manderud.  
 Back row, L-R: Coach Brady Olson, Anton Schmiesing, Russell Rian, Thor Henrickson.



**Boys Basketball Varsity**  
 Front: Allie Sundberg (Manager).  
 Kneeling, L-R: Lewis Jones, Matt Busse, Sheldin Sundberg, Elliot Philipp.  
 Middle, L-R: Coach Andrew Sundberg, Justin Thompson, Kaylor Torgerson, Andrew Loken, Carson Rubischko, Tucker Verbout, Coach Brady Olson.  
 Back row, L-R: Jordan Coan, Reece Sundberg, Blake Rychlock, Nick Groven, Coach Cole Halvorson.

# Let's get ready for some Charger basketball



**Girls Basketball Junior High**  
 Front row, L-R: McKenna Parnow, Izabel Horning, Norah Philipp, Marissa Parnow.  
 Middle: Nevaeh Kotrba, Taylyn Banasau, Janessa Torgerson.  
 Back: Coach Justyne Klasen, Kiana Carpenter, Emma Seyller, Mylee Sjulestad, Torii Anderson, Sophia Beck, Coach Jason Salo. *All photos courtesy of Thoele Photography*



**Girls Basketball C Team**  
 Front: Nevaeh Kotrba and Janessa Torgerson.  
 Middle: Kinsley Oslund, Ashlyn Nelson, Anna Sundberg.  
 Back: Brooklyn Kriel, Coach Ryan Kriel, Taylyn Banasau.



**Girls Basketball Junior Varsity**  
 Front row, L-R: Ashlyn Nelson, Chesney Salo, Emilea Johnson.  
 Middle: Molly Cullen, Payton Homme, Morgan Underdahl.  
 Back: Kinsley Oslund, Coach Ryan Kriel, Callie Loken, Aaliya Smith, Brooklynn Kriel, Presley Kramer (Manager), Anna Sundberg.



**Girls Basketball Varsity**  
 Front row, L-R: Payton Homme, Chesney Salo, Caitlyn Jacobson.  
 Middle: Kjerstin Nelson, Katelyn Larson, Hannah Wilebski.  
 Back: Coach Ryan Kriel, Molly Cullen, Kylie Dalge, Presley Kramer (Manager), Sadie Anderson, Morgan Underdahl, Coach Elroy Johnsrud.