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Thurs
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Fri
Partly Cloudy
H 75 L 53



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H 77 L 55



Sun
Mostly Sunny
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A look at next week ... Ryan Petersburg becomes Director of The Outdoor Adventure Foundation.

Goodridge family owns two Century Farms



An aerial view of how the Brian and Tracy Johnson farm has changed over the last few decades! (More photos on page 3) Photos courtesy of Tracy Johnson



Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

Over the past hundred years many things on the Johnson farm have changed, but many things have stayed the same. There is still one family working together to make the farm a viable business. Brian and Tracy Johnson have not one, but two Century Farms to be proud of and keep in their family as a new century has begun on their farm land in rural Goodridge, Minnesota.

13435 260th Ave NE is the place Brian and Tracy, along with their two kids, Isaac and Emilea, call home. It's the place where Brian grew up, and it's the exact spot where many members of his family have called home, too.

Then
Originally homesteaded by Brian's great grandfather, Rasmus Johnson first moved to the farm after emigrating from Norway. He actually first homesteaded in Laverne, Minnesota, but after getting hailed out two years in a row, he made the move to Goodridge when the land became available. The final proof of homestead entry says November 3rd, 1904, which made it a century farm status in 2004, but the paperwork wasn't filed at that time. Rasmus and Betsy Johnson established their home, farm and family. Doing most of his field work with horses, Rasmus also raised hogs for butchering,

chickens and cows. The farm even operated with dairy cattle in the 70's when Brian's parents owned it! When a chunk of land became available nearby in 1910, Rasmus took advantage of the opportunity and expanded his acreage.

Across the road straight south, was a piece of farm land that was originally homesteaded by Anton Skog in the early 1900's. The only building on the land was a small 10x20 (if even that big) building that was used as Anton's home. (This building was eventually moved over to the other farm where it still sits today and is used for storage.)

With just 148.55 acres in the original parcel, Anton Skog had first paid \$6.85/acre. It was then sold to Rasmus Johnson, who paid \$20.25 an acre in 1910. This site gained century farm status in 2010, but again, paper work wasn't filed at that time. After farming that land for some years, Rasmus' son, Bert, and his wife, Josephine, became the owners in 1929. It was Bert and Josephine Johnson who got the land established with a home, barn and all of the outbuildings. They resided on the farm and raised their four boys (Richard, Robert, Danny and Gary) until they went to a nursing home in the early 90's. The farm's major crops and products included wheat, oats, barley, alfalfa, dairy cattle and corn for silage.

The next owners of that farm were sons, Robert and Richard Johnson, who owned it for 24 years before selling it to Brian and Tracy. Currently, Brian's cousin, April Ballard and her husband, Tom, live in the original house after buying the yard portion of the farm from Brian and Tracy, who still own and farm all of the tillable land.

As mentioned, paperwork wasn't filed around the time of the 100 year mark for each farm, but as of today, both are official Century Farms.

Now
Farming is the way it's always been, currently is and, hopefully, will continue to be, Brian says. Growing a soybean and wheat rotation, Brian farms with his dad, Gary, who also lives on the property in another home. The original house was built in 1922. Brian's parents remodeled it in the 90's. Brian and Tracy moved into the home in 2002 and did a big remodel job in 2016. The original house still stands, but much has been updated and built around it. As for the barn on the property, it was originally built in 1917, and has undergone many remodel projects to make it what it is today. Along with a new foundation, floor and insulation, it's also been lowered and had a new roof put on. It's currently used as a shop on the Johnson farm. Brian, along with his sib-

lings, all attended high school in Goodridge. After graduation, he went to school in Crookston to learn how to fly and was an aerial crop sprayer for many years, in addition to farming. Although he still has the hanger and plane, Brian got out of the spraying business about four years ago. He and Tracy married on the farm in 2002. In fact, the lights are still hanging on the rafters in the airplane hangar! They laughed and said, "It was the party of the century!"

When looking towards the future, the Johnsons say it would be their hope that one of their children would want to take over the family farm, but, of course, you can't make them. Isaac will be a freshman at Goodridge High School this fall and Emilea will be in 7th grade. The entire family helps out on the farm and knows the routine well. Tracy, who is retired as a nurse, did daycare for a while and then worked as a para at the Goodridge School. "The kids keep us busy... the farm keeps us busy. I'm a farmer's wife... Brian's gopher now!" She laughed.

With both farms now being official Century Farms, the Johnsons have a plaque and certificate that read: "Let it be known that this farm (Brian and Tracy Johnson) has been in continuous agriculture operation - signifying more than 100 years of contributions to the community, state, nation and world."

There might be some luck in the farming business, but it takes much more than just that to have land stay in a family for a full century. It takes dedication, commitment, great work ethic and a hope for the future, too. And the Johnsons have that hope as they look towards a new century.

About the Century Farm Program

Produced by the Minnesota State Fair in conjunction with the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation, the Century Farm Program was created to promote agriculture and honor historic family farms in the state. More than 10,000 MN farms have been honored since the program began in 1976.

Family farms are recognized as a Century Farm when three requirements are met. The farm must be 1) at least 100 years old according to authentic land records, 2) in continuous family ownership for at least 100 years (continuous residence on the farm is not required), and 3) are at least 50 acres in size an currently involved in farming.

Century Farm families receive a certificate, along with an outdoor sign signifying Century Farm status.

Applications are available online at mnstatefair.org (click the "Recognition Programs" link at the bottom of the home page); at fbmn.org; by calling the State Fair at 651-288-4400; or at statewide county extension and county Farm Bureau offices.



Katelyn Larson, pictured with her parents, John and Dawn Larson, showed in both the 4H Dairy Show and Open Class Dairy Show on Thursday, July 19th, at the Roseau County Fair. Her awards for 4H included Grand Champion in Jr. Showmanship & Jr. Animal and Reserve Champion in Jr. Animal. Her awards for Open Class included Grand Champion and Reserve Champion in Jr. Animal. Katelyn also earned a trip to the Minnesota State Fair with her calf, Peanut. Roseau County 4H photos courtesy of Lori Jones



Local 4H kids awarded at Roseau County Fair



Lakylie Brobst, far right, showed her Market Heifer in the Roseau County 4H Beef Show on Wednesday, July 18. She earned a blue ribbon for the heifer and Reserve Champion in Jr. Showmanship. Her heifer was purchased by Hagen Farms at the Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction on Friday, July 20th. Lakylie is pictured with David, Lori and Walter Jones.



Walter Jones showed his Market Steer in the Roseau County 4H Beef Show on Wednesday, July 18. He earned a blue ribbon for his steer, Grand Champion in Jr. Showmanship, and a trip to the Minnesota State Fair. His steer was purchased by Karlstad Insurance at the Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction on Friday, July 20. Walter's brother, Gus Jones, also showed his brother's steer in the 4H Cloverbud Beef Show on Wednesday, July 18th, in Roseau.



Brian and Tracy Johnson own two Century Farms in Goodridge, MN. They are pictured with their children, Isaac and Emilea. Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



It all started in the early 1900's with Rasmus Johnson! (More photos on page 3)

CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Wednesday, July 25:
6-7pm Grace Grill out Supper;
7:15pm Worship at Gazebo
Sunday:
Grace: 10:30am Worship
OS: 9am Worship

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
United - Gatzke; Our Savior's - Thief Lake
Wednesday, July 25:
Blueberry Days Joint Service at OS 7pm
Sunday:
No Worship at OS/UL; Pastor Dahlen at First Community Worship in Warren at the Grandstand at 9:30am

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith
Pastor Kristin Dahlen
Ostercamp
Sunday:
Bethany: 8:30am Worship
Ekelund: 9:45am Worship
Faith: 11am Worship

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sunday:
St. Clement's: 11:45am
St. Ann's: 10am

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sunday:
8am Worship

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Christian & Missionary Alliance of Grygla
Sunday:
9:30am Worship, 11am SS

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Saturday:
Mt. Olive: 9am Worship
Sunday:
St. Petri: 8am Worship
Oak Park: 9:45am Worship
Nazareth: 11am Worship

LIBERTY CHAPEL
Grygla
Sunday:
9:30am Worship

Summer League Standings

Week 3 standings
(W, L)
Red 7,1; Black 4, 4; Purple 4, 4; Green 4, 4; Orange 4, 4; Blue 1, 7

Week 5 results
Purple 61
Steven Hanson 20
Tyler Stinar 15
Jeremy Wiskow 11
Green 56
Carter Burks 16
Austin Brateng 12
Brett Bakken 12

Red 55
Cole Halvorson 21
Ty Jelle 11
Jordan Coan 10
Orange 60
Andrew Holte 25
Dayle Larson 20
Jordan Brateng 15

Black 83
Brady Olson 35
Jake Olson 14
Hunter McMillin 13
Tucker Verbout 11
Cory Cleven 10
Blue 36
Nolan Anderson 13
Justin Kiesow 12

Orange 59
Dayle Larson 20
Andrew Holte 15
Charlie Wells 10
Green 31
Brandon Bakken 10
Carter Burks 10

Red 68
Brandon Stanley 30
Jordan Coan 13
Hogan Lundeen 10
Blue 42
Nolan Anderson 14
Michael Jelen 10

Purple 60
Steven Hanson 23
Tyler Stinar 16
Jeremy Wiskow 12
Black 65
Brady Olson 24
Hunter McMillin 16

Summer League schedule

Tuesday, July 31
6:15
BG 3 Seed vs. 6 Seed, Game 1
SG 4 Seed vs. 5 Seed, Game 2
Refs 1 and 2 Seeds
7:00
BG 1 Seed vs. Game 2 Winner
Game 3 Refs, Game 1 Loser
SG 2 Seed vs. Game 1 Winner
Game 4 Refs, Game 2 Loser
7:45
BG 3rd Place Game
Game 3 Loser vs. Game 4 Loser
OG 5th Place Game
Game 1 Loser vs. Game 2 Loser
8:15
BG Championship
Game 3 Winner vs. Game 4 Winner

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Community Calendar

Wed | July 25
Marshall County Fair; Grygla Accel 7-9am; PaceSetter Basketball Camp in Grygla (grades 3-5 at 8-9:30am, grades 6-8 at 9:30am-12pm); Grygla Eagle office open 10-6pm; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; BBB in Grygla 6pm; Grace Lutheran Church Community Picnic (6pm at church) and Worship (7:15pm at Veteran's Gazebo)

Thurs | July 26
Marshall County Fair; Grygla Accel 7-9am; PaceSetter Basketball Camp in Grygla (grades 3-5 at 8-9:30am, grades 6-8 at 9:30am-12pm); JV BBB Tourney in RLF; VB in Grygla 4pm; GBB in Grygla 6pm; Goodridge Sand VB League 6:30pm

Fri | July 27
Marshall County Fair; Grygla Open Golf Tournament in Roseau 9am; Varsity BBB Tourney in RLF; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Sat | July 28
Marshall County Fair; Goodridge Freedom Festival 10:30am-10:30pm

Sun | July 29
Marshall County Fair

Mon | July 30
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Swimming lessons (bus leaves at 12:15 and returns at 4:30pm); VB in Goodridge 4pm; Monday Night Football in Grygla 5pm; GBB in Goodridge 6pm; Wellness 4 Life Class at Grain Bin Café 6:30pm

Tues | July 31
Grygla Swimming lessons (bus leaves at 12:15 and returns at 4:30pm); Summer League bball in Grygla 6pm

3-on-3 ball

There will be a 3-on-3 elementary girls and boys basketball game during the Goodridge Freedom Festival on Saturday, July 28th, for ages 8-13 from 10am to 1pm (signup at 9am). This will be located at the basketball court next to the sand volleyball court in Goodridge.

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Grygla Fall Festival parade

It's parade time again! You are cordially invited to join the fun. The parade, sponsored by the Fall Fest Committee, will take place on Saturday, August 25th, at 1pm, at the Grygla Fall Festival. This year's Fall Fest Theme is "Here, There, In Between...Grygla Fall Fest 2018!" Candy will not be provided for this year. For the safety of enthusiastic children running out for candy during the parade, you are asked to not toss candy from your entry. Walkers may distribute candy, or other items, along the parade route as mandated by state law.

Fall Fest vendors wanted

The Grygla Fall Festival Committee is looking for vendors and crafters to set up at the annual Fall Fest on Saturday, August 25th. The vendor/craft fair will be at the Grygla Community Center and run from 9am-4pm with setup beginning at 7:30am. Please contact Rose Hanson at 218-280-5944 to sign up.

GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian
Attention Summer Reading Program kids!
Summer Reading Program will come to an end next Wednesday, August 1st. Ross Sutter will be performing a program at 4pm this day called "Songs Take You Everywhere!" Through songs, stories and song games, Ross will take you on a train ride to a make-believe town in California, a bus ride to an apple orchard in Minnesota, a horse ride across the fields in Sweden, a scary cruise on the ocean, and even a trip to meet the man in the moon, who it turns out isn't made of only cheese, but lots of good things to eat! Or maybe we'll just take a walk on grandpa's farm. Put on your traveling shoes and get ready to take a trip. Ross Sutter plays the guitar, accordion, dulcimer and lots of different rhythm instruments and invites children and families to sing, dance and play along as the group travels everywhere. The program will conclude about 4:45pm this day, which is also when we'll be drawing for the Summer Reading Program GRAND PRIZE! This year's drawing will be for a \$50 VISA gift card, a "Reading Takes you Everywhere" beach towel and lunch tote! Hope to see lots of young kids and families there!

...will be due August 1st, 2018 for this years delivery of August 15th.
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NIGHT to UNITE!
Submitted by Jim Duckstad, Marshall County Sheriff's Office
Night to Unite is a yearly event sponsored by the Marshall County Sheriff's Office and celebrated throughout Minnesota, where neighbors lock their doors, turn on their outside lights, and spend the evening getting to know each other. There is a party being hosted at the Marshall County Fairgrounds on Tuesday, August 7th, from 5:30-8pm. Food will be served from 5:30-730pm, which is sponsored by local businesses. Please come out and join us and meet your local law enforcement, EMT and fire personnel!

2nd Annual Goodridge Veterans Memorial Park
FREEDOM FESTIVAL
JULY 28TH 2018
Featured Music Artists:
Jeff Loven | Kristi Goldade | Kent Dudley & Bended Knee | Jensen Sisters | Jordynn Johnsrud | Eric Mickelson | Alec Kiesow
Other Featured Artists:
Don Heuserman Author | A Beliveau Rock Iron Artist | Jennifer Pullerton Polymer Clay Artist | Les Sanders Woodcarver | Kathy Sanders Glass Bead Artist | A Melroe Pen Ink Artist | Treavor Caricaturist | The Painter's Den Face Painting
Event Line-up:
10:30 - 10:45 Emcee: Eric Mickelson & Family Band
10:45 - 11:00 Alec Kiesow
11:00 - 12:00 Kristi Goldade
12:00 - 12:30 Red, White & Blue Quilters Presentation
12:30 - 1:00 The Jensen Sisters
1:00 Parade
1:30 - 3:00 Kent Dudley & Bended Knee
3:00 - 4:00 Kristi Goldade
4:00 - 4:30 Jordynn Johnsrud
5:00 - 11:00 Jeff Loven
8:00 Live Auction
10:30 Memorial Sky Lantern Send-off
Memorial Tribute Song by Jeff Loven
Something for Everyone:
Crafters and Vendors | Bouncy Houses | Rock Climbing Wall | Kids Inflatable Archery | Beer Garden
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for
McKenzie Bakken
(bride-to-be of Brock Olson)
on Sat., August 4, 2018
at 2pm at
Grace Lutheran Church
Couple is registered at Amazon and Target.

DITCH MEETING
Monday, July 30th
at the Grain Bin Cafe in Grygla
JD 11 - 9:30am
JD 21 - 10:00am

Note on time change

In regards to Grygla swimming lessons, please note the bus will leave at 12:15pm as stated in the letter that was sent home, not 12:45pm as previously written in the Eagle. Swimming lessons will be held next week, Monday, July 30th, and go through the next week until Thursday, August 9th. The bus will leave Grygla at 12:15pm and return about 4:30pm. Lessons were supposed to run until Friday, August 10th, but there is maintenance scheduled at the pool that day. Instead, the students will have a longer swimming instruction time on Friday, August 3rd. Please make note of this as the bus will be leaving the school this day at 11:15am.

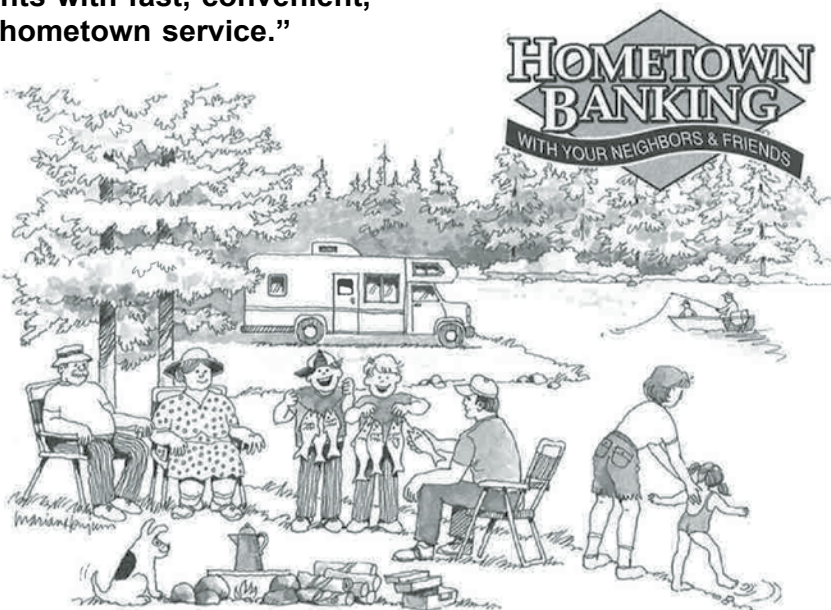
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Settler’s Square Museum comes alive during the fair

(Submitted) The Marshall County Historical Society presents: “Settler’s Square Museum Comes Alive!” on Saturday, July 28th, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Actors will be portraying business men and townspeople. Musicians performing in the Ag building and in the hotel and saloon along the boardwalk are: Lyndon Johnson, Bill Saetre, Cheryl Aakre, Cheryl Hvidsten, Leslie Widner, Billi Pietruszewski, Jean Pietruszewski, Natalie Peterson, Abby Waldorf, Anna Alme and Leslie Alme (fiddler).

Presentations will be by: Judy Sklarski, artist, Bernie Wilebski, artist (in the Depot); Anna Alme, spinner. Also see a 100 year old knitting machine in action (in the farmhouse porch), and watch demonstrations on butter churning, clothes washing, blacksmithing and more (in the cabins); Shirley Olson, Sher Koop, lefse making, (in the school); meet our circuit traveling preacher (in the church). Diane Dammann, spinner, Pam Hess, spinner (in the hotel). David Sundahl, Bruce Field and Stanley Demeyere, will be sharing about steam engines outside the Ag building and Mike Bubb will be sharing information on the Hart Parr Tractor. Check the times and locations in the Ag building for musicians and demonstrations the day of the event.

Find the wagon in front of the Ag building and have your picture taken beside it. Take a ‘selfie’ with our manikin in the front window in our Berget Studio. Coloring-for-kids is available on the lawn in front of the newspaper office. All ages are welcome to make a drawing with artist Burnie Wilebski in the depot. Also in the depot, watch Judy Sklarski paint a pastel of a sky and see her newest pastels of ‘Series of Skies’ in the depot. See lefse being made- and have a lefse treat at the schoolhouse! Treat yourself to some popcorn or enjoy an ice-cream cone with friends on a warm summer day!



This group of Grygla Seniors went on an outing last week to the Jasper’s Theater in Park Rapids. They enjoyed a show that featured music, magic and comedy!
Photo courtesy of Rose Hanson



The Grygla Lion’s Club held their annual picnic in the park last Wednesday, July 18th. Steaks hit the grill and club members gathered for their monthly meeting led by club president, Danny Bragg. Today, the chapter is 47 years old and has 6 charter members still a part of it! Those members are Sheldon Peterson, Roy Nordby, Billy Wikert, Ronald Engels-tad, Richie Engelstad and Ralph Rundell. Membership as of right now sits at over 70. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



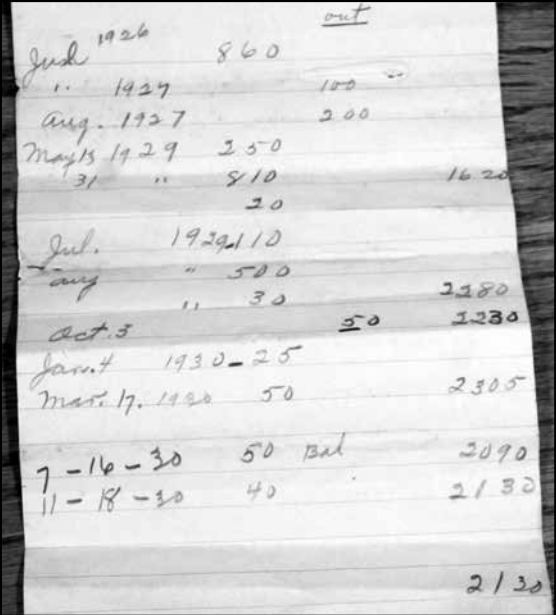
Left: Grygla-Gatzke Go-Getters helped in the 4H Food Stand at the Roseau County Fair last week. Pictured above are Lewis Jones, Russell Rian, Gavin Aune and Brody Saurdiff. Right: Gus Jones earned a green ribbon for his Lego creations he entered into the Roseau County Fair! Gus is a member of the Grygla-Gatzke Go-Getters 4H Club! Other Cloverbuds who entered projects included Josie Saurdiff and Cooper Aune! Photos courtesy of Lori Jones



Goodridge family owns two Century Farms



Left: Bert and Josie Johnson are pictured with their sons behind them, L-R: Gary, Richard, Danny and Robert. Right: In the 1920’s/30’s, original family homesteader, Rasmus Johnson, wrote down the ins and outs of what he had spent. This paper was found behind the trim in the master bedroom during a remodel by Brian and Tracy, among other things which also included a Prince Albert can of burning tobacco. They plan to frame and hang this piece of history.



Left: The original barn from 1917 has undergone many remodel projects to make it what it is today. Along with a new foundation, floor and insulation, it’s also been lowered and had a new roof put on. It’s currently used as a shop on the Johnson farm. Right: This is the original home of Anton Skog from the early 1900’s. It now sits over on Brian and Tracy’s farm as a storage shed. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



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

Stravage
verb
Scot., Irish, North England. To wander aimlessly. To saunter; stroll.

\struh-VEYG\

SIMPLY DELICIOUS

Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

This week’s recipe is an appetizer – one for the grill – and it’s pretty darn amazing. Like, SO good you’ll want to make them every week. Three ingredients is all you need, too, so who doesn’t love that?!

We were staying with friends last weekend at their lake place. Of course we had grilled food all weekend that was amazing (think ribs, pulled pork, brats, egg bake on the grill, and so on), but my favorite were these bacon-wrapped pickles dipped in Spicy Ranch.

You guys, Toasted Frog’s fried pickles are nothing compared to these. I say that because prior to last weekend, Toasted Frog was, hands down, the best place to go for fried pickles. These blow those out of the water.

So yeah. You just get some pickle spears. Wrap a piece of bacon around it. Grill it. And make sure you have Spicy Ranch for your dipping sauce. That’s it.

I’m telling you, these are everything. Photo by me!



FORESTRY NEWS

Submitted by Shane Delaney, Assistant Area Forestry Supervisor

There will be road closures in places starting Monday, July 23rd, for both the Thompson Forest Road and Dick’s Parkway Forest Road in the Beltrami Island State Forest. The section of the Thompson Road from Clear River Tower to just west of the Wobble Grade will be closed to the public as contractors start to salvage gravel and reshape the road bed. The detour route will be to utilize Roseau County Highways #2, #9 and #4 in order to get Hayes Park. This detour is expected to be in place until after the Labor Day weekend.

Dick’s Parkway will have two culvert replacements on the south end of the forest road, approximately 5 miles north of Fourn town. The Parkway will be open from Clear River to the Moose River Road. Traffic traveling to Warroad or Red Lake will have to travel around the forest using the detour route of Highway 89 to Grygla and the north south stretch of Marshall County Highway 54 and Roseau County Highway 9.

Updates will be listed on the DNR website at <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/trailconditions/listing.html>

Blueberry picking is excellent in the Beltrami Island State Forest with an abundant supply of berries found in the pine region of the forest.

A HIPPIE’S HEALTH

Written by Tara Waltman

I’ve been doing a little oil research being a new mom and all. I’ve been reading up on some oils. Some are a little more gentle for kids and babies. Like, I found out spearmint is more gentle than peppermint. You can use cypress or tea tree rather than eucalyptus. My favorite concoction I made so far was mixing lavender and Roman chamomile with a carrier oil. I used Young living V-6 oil. I use this to rub on Waverly’s cheeks right by her gums for a happier, calmer baby!

Roman and German chamomile have a calming effect very good for kids and babies! When I have a question on what oils to use for babies and kids, guess who I ask? My awesome sister in law and oil expert, Tausha Severts. She’s the best. Oil up, folks!

Tara Waltman is a licensed clinical social worker doing outpatient therapy working on health and wellness for people. She is also a Young Living Essential Oils consultant. She is the daughter of Darell and Karen Severts, of Grygla, and resides in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, with her family. She will be contributing a health and wellness column weekly.



Easton Wikert, grandson of Donny and Leann Wikert, of Grygla, caught this Northern earlier this summer, measuring 29” long on Upper Red Lake at Roger’s Resort in the brook. He reeled it in all by himself, too!
Photo courtesy of Leann Wikert



Grygla’s Outstanding Senior Citizen found a new dance partner, but said he didn’t do the Schottische very well! Doris Cleven is pictured at the Pennington County Fair Norwegian Days on Saturday, July 21st! The event is put on by Snorre Lodge Sons of Norway with Scandinavian vendors, children’s arts and crafts, food and entertainment. Photo courtesy of Tracy Loken

RiverFest in Thief River Falls August 3-4

Submitted by Ashley Nerhus, Executive Director, TRF Chamber of Commerce

The Thief River Falls Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that Arch Allies, Post Monroe and The Johnny Holm Band will be headlining RiverFest, August 4 and 5, in Hartz Park, Thief River Falls.

Entertainment will begin Friday, Aug. 3 at 6 p.m. with performances by Sapphire Brown with special guest Blake Walker and Shell Shock followed by The Johnny Holm Band at 8:30 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 4, performances will begin at 4 p.m. with Billy Kezar, Tami Lee and the Northern Lights and Four Wheel Drive. Post Monroe is scheduled to perform that evening at 7 p.m. with Arch Allies to follow at 8:30 p.m.

Admission buttons are needed to attend the RiverFest concerts. Admission buttons are for sale Digi-Key Electronics, Hugo's, Pennington Main, Pennington Square, Genereux Realty and the Thief River Falls Chamber of Commerce (located in the Carnegie Library at 102 Main Avenue North). Buttons can be purchased for \$10 until business close on Thursday, August 2 or for \$15 at the gate. Buttons are good for both Friday and Saturday. Admission for children 12 and under is free of charge.

RiverFest is an annual celebration of the Thief River Falls community, made possible by the Thief River Falls Chamber of Commerce and many local sponsors.

For more information on RiverFest go to www.facebook.com/trfriverfest or www.trfchamber.com or call 218-681-3720.

Other Events in the Community RiverFest Week

Community Bike Ride: Monday, July 30, 5:30 – 7 p.m. hosted by the Sanford Wellness Center. More Info: kjelsy.stuber@SanfordHealth.org

TRF Area Community Theater: Tuesday, July 31 – Thursday, August 2, The clas-

sic musical with an all teen cast, Grease! Performances at 7 p.m. at Northland Community and Technical College Theater. More Info: www.trfact.org

Run RiverFest 5K & 1K: Thursday, August 2, Registration from 4:30 – 6 p.m. at Greenwood Trail. More Info: 218-681-0449

Movie in the Park: Thursday, August 2 at Hartz Park featuring the movie Wonder at dusk. More Info: 218-681-2519

Cornhole Tournament: Friday, August 3, 6 p.m. in Hartz Park. More Info: 218-683-5342

Street Wizards 17th Annual Cruise-In Car Show: Saturday, August 4, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Floyd B. Olson Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. More Info: 701-520-0948 or trfstreetwizards@gmail.com

Crazy Days: Saturday, August 4, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in downtown Thief River Falls featuring local business sidewalk sales, craft/merchandise vendors, children's canvas painting and a bounce house and obstacle course.

Farmers Market: Saturday, August 4, 9 a.m. – Noon, in downtown Thief River Falls.

Pet Parade: Saturday, August 4, 10:30 a.m. in downtown Thief River Falls. Pets in costume will participate in a parade down 2nd St. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. on the corner of Main Ave. and 2nd St. More Info: 218-688-2549

Dine-A-Mite Drive-In Day: Saturday, August 4, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Rain or shine, the River Walk Public House (700 Hwy 32 S) will be transformed into a drive-in diner from the 60's. Proceeds to benefit the Pennington County Humane Society. More Info: 218-686-7039

Old Fashioned Day/Cheers to 80 Years: Saturday, August 4 and Sunday, August 5, 1-4 p.m. at Peder Engelstad Pioneer Village. More Info: 218-686-3184

Pennington County Sportsman's Club Fun-Shoot: Sunday, August 5, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. at 19929 140th Ave NE. More Info: 218-689-0846

Yard of the Week



This week's 'Yard of the Week' goes out to Andrew and Amber Sundberg, 118 Fladland Avenue, Grygla. The hearty, weed-free flower and vegetable gardens in the front add a ton of curb appeal, while the creative fire pit and patio in the back beg you to stay awhile! This well-groomed yard is much deserving of the title this week. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper

Chargers Youth Baseball comes to an end



The Chargers Small Fries 3rd grade team got 1st place in their tournament on Wednesday, July 18th, in Warren! This game marked the end of their summer season! The 4th grade Big Fries got 2nd place in a double elimination tournament. The Midgets played in Greenbush – they were the 7th seed and upset the #2 seed and made it to the semifinals, the best they have ever done in tournaments. As for the Pee-Wees, they were the #1 seed at their tournament in Argyle but were upset in the first round by the #8 seed. The kids fought but fell short and lost 7-6, according to Coach Jason Grandstrand. Photo courtesy of Tera Nordby

CITY OF GRYGLA SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of financial information concerning the City of Grygla to interested citizens. The complete financial statements may be examined at the City Hall, 219 West Beltrami Street. Questions about this report should be directed to Ms. Rose Aune, Clerk/Treasurer at (218) 294-6292.

REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS (GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS)

	Total 2017	Total 2016	Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease)
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 57,076	\$ 69,907	\$ (12,831)	-18.35%
Special assessments	13,224	16,582	(3,358)	-20.25%
Licenses and permits	3,655	2,599	1,056	40.63%
Intergovernmental	141,244	100,434	40,810	40.63%
Charges for services	81,704	88,370	(6,666)	-7.54%
Fines and forfeitures	6	510	(504)	-98.82%
Gifts and contributions	29,955	49,507	(19,552)	-39.49%
Investment earnings	989	797	192	24.09%
Miscellaneous	23,038	26,757	(3,719)	-13.90%
Total Revenues	\$ 350,891	\$ 355,463	\$ (4,572)	-1.29%
Per Capita	1,610	1,601	8	0.53%
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	\$ 59,738	\$ 66,537	\$ (6,799)	-10.22%
Public safety	42,442	67,416	(24,974)	-37.04%
Highways and streets	60,307	55,047	5,260	9.56%
Sanitation	26,051	30,666	(4,615)	-15.05%
Culture and recreation	86,519	37,096	49,423	133.23%
Conservation of natural resources	172	520	(348)	-66.92%
Economic development	29,624	4,283	25,341	591.66%
Debt service				
Principal retirement	24,780	23,780	1,000	4.21%
Interest	9,652	6,358	3,294	51.81%
Capital outlay				
Public safety	-	46,000	(46,000)	-100.00%
Highways and streets	103,711	-	103,711	100.00%
Total Expenditures	\$ 442,996	\$ 337,703	\$ 105,293	31.18%
Per Capita	2,032	1,521	511	33.59%
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (92,105)	\$ 17,760	\$ (109,865)	-618.61%
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers in	\$ 12,126	\$ 1,723	\$ 10,403	603.77%
Transfers out	(12,126)	(1,723)	(10,403)	100.00%
Proceeds from issuance of debt	99,500	(1,723)	101,223	100.00%
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ 99,500	\$ (1,723)	\$ 101,223	100.00%
Total Long-Term Indebtedness	\$ 264,470	\$ 189,750	\$ 74,720	39.38%
Per Capita	1,213	855	358	41.94%
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 224,273	\$ 216,878	\$ 7,395	3.41%
Per Capita	1,029	977	52	5.31%

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Sewer Enterprise	Water Enterprise	Total
Operating Revenues			
Charges for services	\$ 37,323	\$ 47,223	\$ 84,546
Operating Expenses			
Personnel services	\$ 28,311	\$ 27,665	\$ 55,976
Professional services	1,650	1,650	3,300
Repairs and maintenance	2,624	10,122	12,746
Supplies	2,129	1,981	4,110
Utilities	1,579	6,477	8,056
Insurance	1,032	848	1,880
Miscellaneous	959	1,621	2,580
Depreciation	190	472	662
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 38,474	\$ 50,836	\$ 89,310
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (1,151)	\$ (3,613)	\$ (4,764)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)			
Investment earnings	\$ 578	\$ 119	\$ 697
Miscellaneous	9	43	52
Special assessments	2,744	4,110	6,854
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	\$ 3,331	\$ 4,272	\$ 7,603
Income (Loss) Before Transfers	\$ 2,180	\$ 659	\$ 2,839
Transfers in	\$ -	\$ 1,006	\$ 1,006
Transfers out	(1,006)	-	(1,006)
Total Transfers	\$ (1,006)	\$ 1,006	\$ -
Change in Net Position	\$ 1,174	\$ 1,665	\$ 2,839
Net Assets - January 1	\$ 9,005	\$ 34,329	\$ 43,334
Net Position - December 31	\$ 10,179	\$ 35,994	\$ 46,173

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Sewer Enterprise	Water Enterprise	Total
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 3,603	\$ 4,424	\$ 8,027
Investments	14,014	27,286	41,300
Accounts receivable	5,193	5,567	10,760
Special assessments	2,957	213	3,170
Total Current Assets	\$ 25,767	\$ 37,490	\$ 63,257
Noncurrent Assets			
Capital assets			
Depreciable - net of accumulated depreciation	3,232	14,146	17,378
Total Assets	\$ 28,999	\$ 51,636	\$ 80,635
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Related to pensions	\$ 17,558	\$ 17,558	\$ 35,116
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 919	\$ 1,412	\$ 2,331
Salaries payable	343	343	686
Due to other governments	925	925	1,850
Compensated absences payable	113	113	226
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Net pension liability	\$ 23,876	\$ 23,876	\$ 47,752
Total Liabilities	\$ 26,176	\$ 26,669	\$ 52,845
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Related to pensions	\$ 10,303	\$ 10,303	\$ 20,606
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 3,232	\$ 14,146	\$ 17,378
Unrestricted amounts	6,947	21,848	28,795
Total Net Position	\$ 10,179	\$ 35,994	\$ 46,173

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Sewer Enterprise	Water Enterprise	Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers	\$ 36,837	\$ 47,196	\$ 84,033
Payments to employees	(26,122)	(25,476)	(51,598)
Payments to suppliers	(9,754)	(22,756)	(32,510)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 961	\$ (1,036)	\$ (75)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities			
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 34	\$ 34
Special assessments	13	-	13
Transfers in	1,006	1,500	2,506
Transfers out	(1,500)	(1,006)	(2,506)
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	\$ (481)	\$ 528	\$ 47
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Investment earnings received	\$ 53	\$ 119	\$ 172
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 533	\$ (389)	\$ 144
Cash and Cash Equivalents at January 1	17,084	31,710	48,794
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31	\$ 17,617	\$ 31,321	\$ 48,938
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities			
Operating income (loss)	\$ 1,174	\$ (3,613)	\$ (2,439)
Adjustments to reconcile net operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities			
Depreciation expense	\$ 190	\$ 472	\$ 662
Decrease (increase) in assets			
Accounts receivable	(486)	(51)	(537)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities			
Accounts payable	481	288	769
Salaries payable	(41)	(41)	(82)
Compensated absences payable	(58)	(58)	(116)
Due to other governments	(515)	1,751	1,236
Net pension liability	216	216	432
Total adjustments	\$ (213)	\$ 2,577	\$ 2,364
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 961	\$ (1,036)	\$ (75)