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A look at next week...2019 Grygla Fall Festival theme and information shared!

Making the best better



Nathan Friesenhahn and Walter Jones, both 4-H members who participated in a Texas/Minnesota State Exchange Program at each other's homes.

Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

You may remember this headline from last year when the Grygla Eagle ran a story on Walter Jones and his 4-H State Exchange experience. If not, let's refresh your memory. Last summer, as part of an exchange program, Walter Jones, son of David and Lori Jones, flew down to Texas and spent a week with a host family. Walter is a member of the Roseau

County 4-H program and belongs to the Grygla/Gatzke Go-Getter's. The State Exchange program is paid for through the Roseau County 4-H, but the kids do a lot of fundraising prior to the trip.

Last year, Walter was welcomed into the home of Michael and Lisa Friesenhahn, whose son, Nathan, is also involved in 4-H.

After a week of new experiences in Texas for Walter,

it would be Nathan's turn to "state exchange" this summer. Well, that time arrived and Nathan, along with other 4-H youth, recently flew to Minnesota as part of the program where area families opened their homes. Since Walter stayed with Nathan's family last summer, it was the Jones' turn to host Nathan this summer; he had never been to Minnesota before and the week was full of fun experiences for him!

Through the program, there are group activities and also fun activities that each host family plans on the side. As a group, the days were full of planned activities, but in their downtime, Walter and Nathan spent a lot of time roping and doing chores at the Jones farm in Gatzke.

June 25th-July 2nd proved to be a busy schedule for the entire group. Check out all the fun activities they took in:

Day 1: The Texas group was picked up in Fargo. From there, they headed to Detroit Lakes/Perham, ate at Zorbaz and spent the night at a cabin on Little Pine Lake.

Day 2: This day was full of a lumber camp breakfast, character challenge course, the Headwaters of the Mississippi River, stops in Bemidji and supper at the Jones farm.

Day 3: Activities this day included the Polaris Experience Center, ATV trail ride, lunch at Bec's, Marvin Visitor's Center, The Shed (car collection), Doc's and a hotdish dinner at the Roseau City Park.

Day 4: The group headed up

to Canada this day for a Menonite Village tour/lunch, a tour of Royal Canadian Mint, Fort Whyte, a Walmart visit in Winnipeg and a fun border crossing experience for all!

Day 5: The 4-H group visited Hanson's robotic dairy farm in Goodridge and Wagge Feedlot. There were plans to go to the races in Greenbush, but they were cancelled due to the weather, but the crew was still able to enjoy a cookout.

Day 6: This was a family day that included a cookout and barn dance.

Day 7: Last summer in Texas, the kids went to the southern-most point of the United States; this year, they decided to visit the Northwest Angle, which is the northern-most point of the United States. The group took a boat tour of the islands on Lake of the Woods, had lunch at Sunset Resort and also enjoyed a walleye fish fry.

While in Minnesota, the Texas kids enjoyed the long days as it's dark in TX by 8:30pm. They also commented on how everything here was so green, wide open and miles & miles of farmland. Many of the young adults had never had lefse, hotdish or walleye before, either. (They also got to try Rocky Mountain Oysters, thanks to Walter!)

This is such a neat experience for both the youth and adult host families and a great way to meet people from our country.

The 4-H motto: Making the Best Better!
Indeed.



Expanded local calling

The Garden Valley Technologies board of directors were pleased to approve the new expanded local calling area. GVT strongly believes in our communities and this is the perfect way to keep friends and family connected.

Effective July 1, 2019, Garden Valley Technologies will be expanding its local calling area to all landline subscribers. This free service will allow you to make unlimited calls within Garden Valley Technologies 26 exchanges, which also includes local cellular numbers.

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When making calls in the free expanded local calling areas, simply dial the 7-digit telephone number. Numbers located outside of GVT's service area, dial 1 + 10-digit telephone number. (Long distance charges apply).

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Bags and Brats – Round 2

The Grygla Junior Community Club (Formerly Grygla Jaycee's Club) will be hosting another bean bag tournament on Sunday, July 28th, at the picnic shelter in the Grygla School Park. Registration begins at 2pm with the tournament beginning at 3pm. Cost is

\$10/team and open to all ages. If enough kids are interested, separate brackets will be done. The JC's Club will be serving brats, chips and water, however, feel free to bring a beverage of your choice. Come out for another afternoon of fun!

Picnic & Movie in the Park

A Picnic & Movie in the Park Fundraiser Night will be happening on Sunday, July 21st, at the City Campground Park in Grygla. The picnic will start at 7pm with the movie starting at dark. This year's movie will be Megamind! There will be games before the movie and

the picnic menu includes brats, chips and juice for \$5/person. Movie admission is a freewill donation. Concessions will be available during the movie. BYOC – bring your own chair! Money raised will be put towards new playground equipment for the park.

Legacy Scholarship Ride

On June 29-30, the American Legion Riders Post 444, of Middle River, MN, hosted a Legacy Scholarship Ride that included many area stops, including Grygla. The Legacy Scholarship Fund provides scholarship money to children of post 9/11 veterans who died on active duty or have a combined VA disability rating of 50 percent or greater. Last year, Minnesota alone raised over \$225,000 for the scholarship with Middle River's Post raising over \$3,000 from their 2018 rally.

For the 2019 rally, all riders

were once again welcome to join in the ride, which included stops in 11 different towns beginning in Middle River and ending in International Falls, which was an overnight stay.

When the crew arrived in Grygla on Saturday, June 29th, around 9:20am, they met at the Veteran's Memorial Gazebo. The American Legion Post 162 donated \$50, which was presented by Wayne Hanson, Commander. Lyle Nelson also presented the group with a \$50 donation out of the Veteran's Memorial Fund.



Wayne Hanson, above, and Lyle Nelson, below, making donations to Post 444. Photos courtesy of Rose Hanson



Last summer in Texas, the 4-H kids went to the southern-most point of the United States; this year, they decided to visit the Northwest Angle, which is the northern-most point of the United States. Photos courtesy of Lori Jones



CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
 Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
 Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Wednesday, July 17:
 8pm Interfaith Bible Study
Sunday:
 OS: 9am Worship
 Grace: 10:30am Worship

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
 United – Gatzke; Our Savior's – Thief Lake
Sunday:
 UL: 9am Worship
 OS: 11am Worship

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

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
 Nazareth: 9:45am Worship
 OP: 11am Worship

Church Calendars due to the Eagle by the last Sunday of the month.

Community Calendar

Wed | July 17
 Pennington County Fair; Accel in Grygla 7-9am; Chargers Youth Baseball Small Fry Tourney in Warren 9am; JV/V bball tourney in Fergus Falls; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; Open Gym Volleyball in Goodridge 4pm; Grygla Lion's Picnic in the Park (supper 6pm, meeting 7pm); Softball in Grygla 7pm; BBB practice in Grygla 7pm

Thurs | July 18
 Pennington County Fair; Accel in Grygla 7-9am; Sand VB League in Goodridge 6pm; GBB practice in Grygla 6pm (grades 9-12)

Fri | July 19
 Pennington County Fair; Grygla Open at Roseau Golf Course; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Sat | July 20
 Pennington County Fair; Grygla/Gatzke Food Shelf open 8-10:30am; Chargers JV/V bball tourney in Pequot Lakes

Sun | July 21
 Pennington County Fair; Roseau County Fair; Picnic/Movie in the Grygla City Campground Park 7pm

Mon | July 22
 Roseau County Fair; Accel in Grygla 7-9am; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Open Gym Volleyball in Grygla 4pm; Monday Night Football in Grygla 5pm; GBB practice in Grygla 6pm (grades 9-12)

Tues | July 23
 Roseau County Fair; Accel in Grygla 7-9am; Summer League Bball in Grygla 6pm

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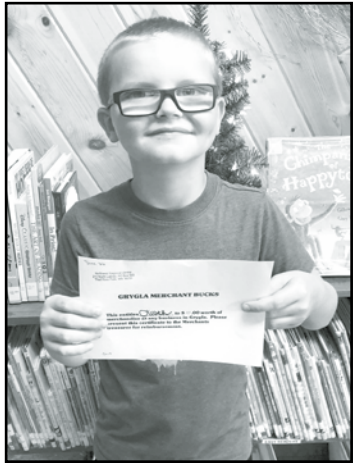


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GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian

I've got a couple cute pictures to share with you this week! As part of our Summer Reading Program, when kids come in and check out items in the library, their name goes into a drawing for \$10 in Grygla Merchant Bucks. Recent winners were Oliver Smeby and Willa Sundberg! Both were pretty excited to come in and pick up their "treat money."



I also give out a weekly treat to the youngsters who come in. Last week's treat was a bag of popcorn. Matthew Haack came in and checked out a couple of dinosaur books and was pretty excited to get his own bag of popcorn. It looks like he is enjoying the evening treat!



For anyone who enjoys a good Western book, I got a whole tote of them in last week. I will have them all on the shelves by next Wednesday, July 24th. Personally, I'm not a huge fan of paperbacks, but I know a lot of you are. The whole tote is paperbacks so come and check some out – there's a great selection.

Other library news includes our August 14th program with Noah Soanie – the magician/illusionist. I hope we have a packed Community Center for that 4pm show as I've heard awesome things about him. I'm also in the process of lining up a fiddler out of Red Lake Falls to come and do an hour concert at the Veteran's Memorial Gazebo in Grygla. It's looking like that will happen in August sometime so more information on that to come! I love bringing you guys a variety of programs; we've got some good ones lined up for this fall.

Well, I'm out of the library this Wednesday, the 17th. I've got a sub from Karlstad working for me – Rebecca Bakke – I was so appreciative of her coming so I didn't have to close the library. I hate doing that when it's only open one day a week! Hopefully Rebecca got to meet a lot of you! I'll be back next week and will see you then.

Summer League Standings

Week 4 Standings		
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Gold	5	3
Gray	4	4
Blue	3	5
Orange	3	5
Purple	1	7

Week 4 Results
Green 56
 Brady Olson 25
 Dayle Larson 10
Blue 51
 Steven Hanson 26
 Brandon Bakken 15

Gold 62
 Jordan Coan 19
 Cole Halvorson 16
 Hunter McMillin 13
Purple 56
 Nick Groven 16

Gray 76
 Tyler Schulz 29
 Michael Lawrence 26
 Matt Busse 14
Orange 60
 David Jones 23
 Robbie Anderson 12
 Nolan Anderson 11

Blue 74
 Brandon Bakken 24
 Levi Kiesow 20
 Steven Hanson 20
 Andrew Sundberg 10
Gray 67
 Tyler Schulz 40
 Michael Lawrence 14

Green 54
 Brady Olson 22
 Dayle Larson 15
 Riley Manderud 13
Gold 44
 Cole Halvorson 15
 Brandon Stanley 12

Orange 60
 David Jones 21
 Robbie Anderson 10
Purple 57
 Ethan Schulz 18

Applications open for new career pathway program

The Department of Natural Resources, the Conservation Corps Minnesota and Iowa, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources have partnered to launch the Increasing Diversity in Environmental Careers program.

The program is geared toward environmentally-minded college students or soon-to-be college students interested in pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math. It will consist of three parts – a fellowship with stipends to help address financial need and support academic success, a mentorship to connect students with professionals in the field, and an internship to ensure the students have experience in the field before graduation.

Fifteen students will be accepted as part of the first cohort, and will begin the program at the start of the academic year in the fall.

Applicants must be in pursuit of a STEM major with a desire to work in a natural resources or environmental career after graduation; be ac-

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NIGHT to UNITE!

Neighbors Joining Together

August 6, 2019
5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Marshall County Fairgrounds

Come join the Marshall County Sheriff's Office for Night to Unite, and enjoy meeting Marshall County's emergency personnel including Eva (Marshall County K9), fire departments, and ambulances from around the county. The Marshall County Mounted Posse will be there with horses for kids to ride.

- FREE -

Burgers, Brats, Beans, Chips, & Ice cream for all who attend.

Foot Care Clinic scheduled

North Valley Public Health will hold Foot Care and Blood Pressure Clinics on the following dates:

Oslo Community Center:
 Monday, July 22, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Contact: North Valley Public Health at 218-745-5154

Grygla Community Center:
 Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Contact: North Valley Public Health at 218-745-5154

• Please call the person list-

ed above to sign up. We require sign-up sheets so that we can staff accordingly. If you are not able to keep your appointment, please call to cancel.

• Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time.

• The North Valley Public Health staff will soak feet and trim nails. The fee for this foot care service is \$20 per person.

• The North Valley Public Health staff will do free blood pressure checks upon request.

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Happy Birthday to Doris Smeby and Ronald Waling, who celebrated their July birthdays at the Grain Bain Café last week. Photo courtesy of Thelma Thomas

An Early History of Gatzke, Minnesota

Note: Over the course of the next few weeks, we are going to be sharing things out of the book titled *“An Early History of Gatzke, Minnesota: Second Edition - As told by Walter Lunsetter.”*

Walter Lunsetter’s family were amongst the pioneers that settled Gatzke, and when the first edition of his book was published

in October of 2013, at 98, he and a few scattered second cousins were the only ones left who remembered the glory days of the thriving little town it used to be. The second edition of his book includes additional material about events during Walter’s life.

Walter died at home on November 19, 2013, but he was able to see his book pub-

lished and enjoyed its enthusiastic reception in the community.

The Grygla Eagle will be making its way through the pages of Walter’s book and looks forward to bringing you the pictures and stories over the course of the next few weeks.

Let’s dive into Week 2...

Settling Rollis Township (continued from last week’s article)

-Mrs. Esther Nelson (written as a tribute to her father H.A. Lunsetter in 1951)

The first winter the men were busy obtaining logs for more permanent buildings, while the women were busy melting snow for the cattle and for household needs, as the wells did provide enough water. There were, of course, no roads, so travel was often very difficult. The horses were often mired in snow or mud. Although the Nels Mugaas, Simon Anderson and Rollis families had come some time during the winter and lived just a few miles away, they were hardly aware of it because of lack of communication. Mr. Rollis started a store and brought in a few groceries from Thief River Falls when weather and driving condition permitted. Otherwise, TRF was the nearest shopping center and that was 45 miles away. (Rollis, organized in 1899, was named for Otto Rollis, formerly of Warren, who became a storekeeper in this township, but later moved to Colorado.)

The following spring several families came from Ulen, MN. Most of this group had originally come from Norway.

One of the first concerns of this pioneer group was the spiritual welfare of the members. They had brought with them, as the custom was, their hymn books, Bibles, catechisms, and other devotional literature, but it was not enough to satisfy the longing for some established place of worship and for the services of a trained minister of the Gospel. With much joy did they receive the news that Pastor Bredeson was coming to Rollis and would visit the

settlers of the community. My mother tells of her embarrassment the first time the pastor came to call. Since the log house in which they lived was plastered with clay, it became a daily chore to sweep up the plaster which would fall out of the cracks. She had just gathered this in the middle of the floor when in walks Pastor Bredeson on his first call. (In those days it was considered quite important that everything be well in order when the pastor called.) However, it was with much gratitude in their hearts that those families greeted Reverend Bredeson. He conducted family devotions and encouraged them by singing hymns. Another Mission Pastor succeeded him, and for the next two years the people looked forward to visits and encouragement from Pastor Siminon.

Then the group who had banded together and formed Landstads Congregation called Pastor Loftus. In 1901, a Ladies Aid group was organized. A devout Christian layman, Mr. Annanias Stennes, helped organize this group. Mrs. Stennes was the first President and Mrs. Berndt Johnson was the first Vice-President. The organization meeting was held at the Shager home and was decided that they should meet every other week. They should come in the forenoon and work all day. The hostess served a full meal at noon and a lunch in the afternoon. (Yes, and usually a cup of coffee when they first arrived.) The women spent the day spinning, knitting, piecing quilt covers or doing a bit of fancy work. In the fall, an auction was held. The first

sale was held at the Lunsetter home. Mr. Stennes organized the first Sunday School and conducted services when no pastor was available. The services were held in the school houses, which had been built in 1899. Mrs. Waller was the first teacher.

It has always been interesting to me to hear the folks tell of some of the experiences they had those first years. When they arrived at TRF, Melvin was very sick with tonsillitis. The doctor decided that the tonsils must be removed immediately and did so without the use of any anesthetic. Then the children got whopping cough and mother says you can imagine the coughing there was in the little house where the three families lived together, when the nine children started to cough.

During those first couple of years it would take 3-4 days to make a trip to town and then they would often have to come home with very few provisions. One time Dad and Mr. Mugaas decided to hitch each a team of horses on one wagon so they could bring home more. All they could get along because of the difficult roads was 300 lbs. Many of the worst places in the roads had to be filled in with logs and they came to be known as corduroy roads.

The first spring Thorwald Jornlin and Dad tried to get some field in. They worked at clearing the south end of our land, but to get there they had to cross some low spots. Here the horses had all they could do to get through without pulling a load, so it was up to the men to carry the plow and seed across. After much labor they

were able to seed ten acres that first spring.

Dad was the first assessor in this community and he tells of walking the distance to Warren and back to return the assessor’s books. This would be a total distance of about 140 miles. They tell of Tallak Johnson carrying a 100 lb. sack of flour from Rollis to his home, a distance of several miles, through water that was so deep that it was impossible for him to set down the bag of flour anywhere so that he might rest.

Mother says when they went to Ladies Aid in those days it was not by car, but they walked most of the time, often in water up to their knees in places, but she says they were happy days and almost everyone seemed satisfied.

There are not very many of those intrepid pioneers who are still living. Of those whom I have mentioned of the adult group who came, there are Nels Muggas, Mrs. Ole Aune, and Mrs. Anna Lian (the latter two were of the group who came from Ulen), John Shager and Mr. & Mrs. Lunsetter. My parents celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary in November and Dad will be 87 yrs. old now the 27th of January. They were of the sturdy, God-fearing pioneer stock who asked only that they be permitted to work for their daily bread, worship their God according to their dictates of their heart and rear their families to be honest, respected citizens in this great country of ours. We, their children, feel that we owe much to their courage, their sacrifices and their undaunted faith.



Results from last week’s StatePoint puzzle.

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cepted to or enrolled in a two- or four-year full-time program at an accredited state, community, private or tribal college or university; be willing to commit to the full program; and be authorized to work in the United States.

Preference will be given to racial or ethnic minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, individuals who face barriers to education and employment, first generation college students, first year college

students and individuals demonstrating a strong financial need.

The program is funded by the Minnesota Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund.

Application instructions, as well as more information about the program, can be found on the Conservation Corps Minnesota and Iowa website. Applications are open until the cohort is full.



A couple of concessions stands were set up at last week’s Charger’s Youth Baseball game in Grygla on Monday, July 8th, against Argyle. The boy’s basketball team was selling burgers, brats and ice cream treats as a fundraiser for the program. The Yagers also had their stand set up selling snow cones, hotdogs and chips.

Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Early days in the town

By the 1920’s, Gatzke was a thriving town: there were 2 grocery stores: A.P. Nelson’s and Christ Engelstad’s. For a while, there was a 3rd store. There were 3 restaurants, a bank, barbershops, a garage, the creamery, a blacksmith shop, the local post office, a shoe and harness repair shop run by Ole Hall, and a stockyard located east and south of where the Senior Citizen’s building is now. Small circuses even made visits to Gatzke. Most of the people in the Gatzke area were Norwegians, so when you came to town in the early days, you seldom heard anything spoken but Norwegian.

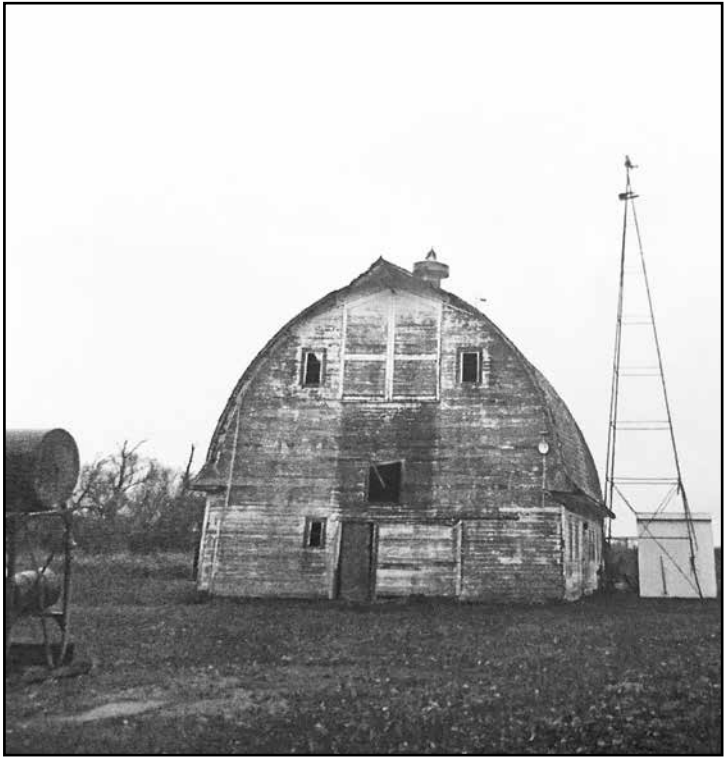
The Creamery & Butter Making:

The Rollis Co-op Creamery was built in 1907. In the summertime, cream days were Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Cars would line up at the Creamery to wait their turn to deliver cream. To find out if the cream was sweet or sour, a long dipper was dipped into the cream can, and someone at the dairy tasted the cream. In the winter, all sorts of conveyances were used to bring cream to the

Creamery: bobsleds, one horse cutters, heavier two horse cutters, stone boats, full length cabooses or short cabooses which are made from a cab placed on the front part of a bobsled. Afterwards, the farmers would go to the store to buy their groceries and do some visiting.

In the early years, about the only income to be earned was when the men went out to North Dakota to work during harvest - shocking and threshing grain and some fall ploughing. When the Creamery was built, it provided a market for cream and that was a big help to the farmers to pay their store bills. If the Creamery had not been built, it is doubtful if the community would have survived.

The Creamery issued paychecks to the farmers once a month for their cream. The farmers would go directly to the bank to cash their checks, and then on to the store to pay the store bill. One could also get an advance payment on the cream, so sometimes there wasn’t much left at the end of the month.



In the early 1920’s, Christ Engelstad built a big barn which is still standing today. I was a small boy at the time, and I was listening to my Dad and another man talking about the barn that Engelstad was building. One of them said, “Well, that barn is built with cream checks.” I was so curious and ran over to the barn to look, but I couldn’t see any cream checks there!

The Butter-Maker’s House was moved into Gatzke in the early 1940’s

The first butter maker that I remember was Albert Lloyd. Nils Mugaas was the next butter maker, then Hugo Lundmark, Paul and Art Lundmark, Henry Grondahl, Johnnie Ruud, Wally Johnson, and Orvis Mugaas. The butter maker’s house was moved into Gatzke in the early 1940’s and is still on the north side of the road at the edge of town. Hugo Lundmark moved in there when he worked in the Creamery.

Eddie Engelstad hauled butter tubs from the Creamery to Middle River with horses. The butter was then loaded on

a train. Eddie brought groceries back for the store. Later on he bought a Model T truck to haul with. Engelstad also hauled eggs to Middle River, to be shipped on the train. Before they shipped the eggs, they had to check them to see they weren’t spoiled. They had a gas lamp inside a short stove pipe. The pipe had a small hole about the size of an egg in it. Holding the egg partly in this hole would allow them to see the inside of the egg. This was called “candling eggs.” We would get a partial advance payment for our eggs and then a final payment after they were sold.



The above photo was taken of the old Gatzke Grocery store shortly before the new store was built in 1979.

This week’s stories and photos covered pages 7-12 in Walter Lunsetter’s book. Stay tuned for next week; we’ll pick up where we left off: The Engelstad Store.

England’s quiet nook in the woods is ‘Yard of the Week’



This week’s ‘Yard of the Week’ goes out to Lon England of Gatzke. This has to be one of the most serene yards around as it’s nestled into a well-maintained, quiet nook in the woods and just envelopes you in a peaceful feeling. Personal touches are all around Lon’s yard, including his flowers lining the front path and his weather forecasting station set up out in the yard. *Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*



20th Anniversary of ALS Walk/Run honors Individuals

The ALS Walk/Run will be held Saturday, July 20, at the Roseau School. You can pick up your packets Friday, July 19, from 7-8pm or Saturday, July 20, from 7:15-8am at the West Entrance of the Roseau School. The first event starts at 8:30am on Saturday. Bounce games will be available for the kids.

The 20th Anniversary of the ALS Walk/Run honors and remembers all the individuals and families who have fought with this horrific disease.

Being honored are Father Don Braukmann of Bemidji, Annette Bruggeman of Thief River Falls, and Kris Jensen of Badger.

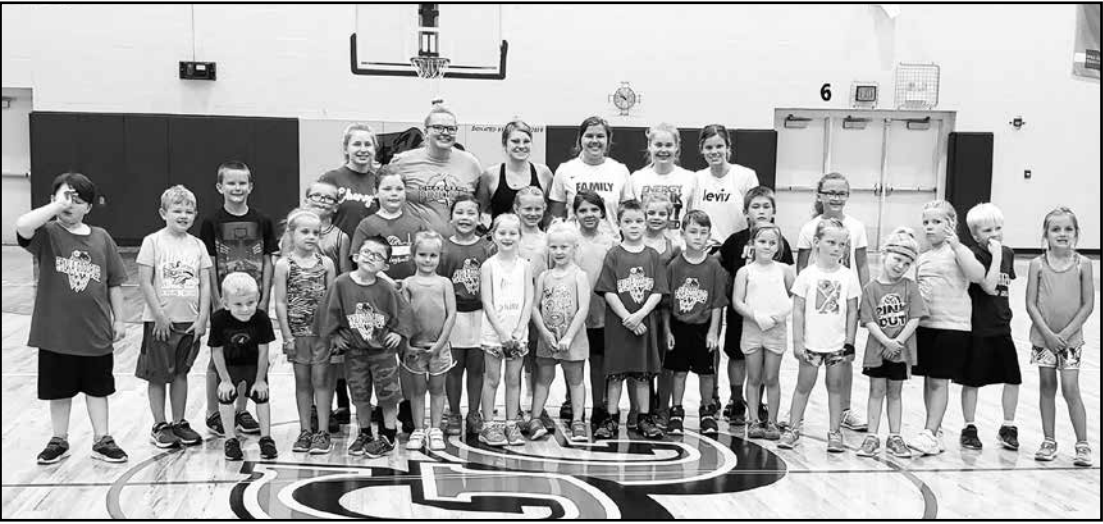
We also remember those who have succumbed because of this disease, including: Edwin Anderson, Eldon (Eldy) Anderson, Wendy Blais, Wes Blakeslee, Nancy Burggraf, Margie Douglas, Francine Fish, Abe Foss, Dorothy Didrikson Grotte, Mavis Johnson, Janet Jensen, Sylvia Jensen, Bob Kauppila, Ray Carlson, Evangeline “Vany” Larson, Clifford Nordine, Richard “Dick” Novacek, Marlow Martin, Melvin Mortensen, Silvia Raymond, Larry Rislov, Jack Ritteman, Wayne Hites, Chad Schmitz, Ellen Smith, Delsie Thiessen, and Orville Dybedahl. As you can see, many families in our area have dealt with ALS. Families are encouraged to bring a poster board of memories of their loved one to share.

This event started 20 years ago, mainly due to Lenni Billberg, who had a great interest in the history of sports and Lou Gehrig. ALS is also known as “Lou Gehrig’s Disease.” Lenni’s neighbor, Nancy Burggraf, a well-known power-skate trainer, was diagnosed with ALS. Lenni wanted to help. Thus, the Make a Difference for ALS Walk/Run committee was formed. Many volunteers have kept this event active. The Roseau ALS Chapter has contributed over \$1,500,000 to help fight this disease.

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Summer League has been happening every Tuesday night in Grygla and will continue through the month of July. Michael Lawrence puts up 3 of his 26 points; Justin Kiesow tries to stop Ethan Schulz under the basket. *Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*



A Future Charger’s Basketball Camp was held last week in Grygla. Pictured above are the K-3 graders; pictured below are the 4-8 graders. The 2 day camp was hosted by the Chargers Junior Varsity and Varsity Girls Basketball players and Head Coach Elroy Johnsrud. *Photos by Gretchen Smeby & Grygla Eagle Newspaper*



The FUN-damental traveling volleyball camp was held in Grygla last week, hosted by Larry Woodbridge and Jason Heydt.

Larry “Woody” Woodbridge has been involved in coaching in the Midwest for the past 25+ years, including: UND Fighting Sioux assistant coach, UM-Crookston assistant coach and Co-Director and coach for NVJ Junior Olympics. He has been the Director of FUN-damental volleyball camps for 10+ years. Jason Heydt has been an established coach in the Grand Forks area for the past 25 years. Most notably, he has been involved with the Grand Forks Red River volleyball program for 14 years.

The GG Chargers FUN-damental Camp was held July 8-10 at the Grygla School. The 7-12 graders had camp from 8am-12pm while the K-6 graders went from 1-3pm. *Photos courtesy of Larry Woodbridge*



Of interest: Author touring Midwest this summer with tales from Hollywood

What really goes on behind the scenes of a movie set? How does it pull together? What are the famous actors really like? Why are there so few books like this? Hollywood is protective of its secrets, and directors don’t let reporters roam around movie sets. One reporter managed to get free reign for the five months of production, including access to the production crew, big name actors and director Jon Turteltaub.

Award-winning journalist Meredith Jordan hits the road this summer to give her lively talk on how Hollywood really works based on the book, *Below the Line: Anatomy of a Successful Movie*. Her interest began when she couldn’t find an independent book that covered it all in one place. All of it seemed controlled by the studios. She persistently reached out to different moviemakers about following from the inside, only to get a look of disbelief that said “no way that is going to happen!” Until one day, nearly 10 years later, it happened.

Last Vegas is a comedy about four retired guys who throw a bachelor party for the

last one of them to get married, has a stellar cast: Robert De Niro, Michael Douglas, Morgan Freeman, Kevin Kline and Mary Steenburgen. Jordan’s talks are peppered with anecdotes about the actors, as you’ve never seen them, going to work like regular people.

But Jordan believes that it’s the professionals behind the scenes whose stories haven’t been told. These are the real people of the movie industry—the production designer, costume supervisor, camera operator, the props department, the artists and artisans, production assistants and accountants, the director at the helm—all of whom stopped to explain to her how things happen and how movies are really made.

For example, the prop master on Last Vegas also worked on the movie, Fargo. He talks about his time in the northern Midwest and working with the Coen Brothers during an impending guild strike. You even find out where the infamous wood chipper is today!

Jordan says she excited to visit MN and the Dakotas.

She’s looking for interesting things to see and do; let her know of your recommendations when you meet her. Who knows? Maybe it will lead to another book!

Below the Line: Anatomy of a Successful Movie will be touring around the Midwest and in the area on July 28th at Ferguson’s Books and More in Grand Forks, ND. The author visit will take place from 12-2pm.

About the author:

Meredith Jordan is an award-winning journalist who spent 25 years working full-time for east coast-based operations like Dow Jones & Co, Cox Communication and National Geographic, along with smaller newspapers, wires and magazines. As a traditional journalist, Jordan has never written about Hollywood, so she had no idea that reporters were not really welcomed on production sets. It took her nearly a decade to get onto a movie set. It’s also what sets this book apart from others because Jordan has a fresh eye and perspective on the movie making world. Jordan, now lives on the outskirts of Los Angeles.