

GRYGLA EAGLE



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Wednesday, December 30, 2020

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In this issue ... Have you seen "The Ditch of Ducks" in Minnesota? Read more about it on page 3!



Krystle's Daycare holds outdoor program

Krystle's Daycare held their Christmas program last week. Parents enjoyed a hot cocoa bar while watching their kids sing and dance on the front porch of Krystle Ruud's home/daycare. The kids sang a number of songs and also made their parents ornaments and a keepsake canvas!

Top picture, L-R: Briggs Anderson, Krystle Ruud, William Ruud, Blakelee Brobst, Faith Gieseke, Whitley Brobst, Presley Anderson, Myla Holthusen, Summer Ruud, Ihle Holthusen. Not pictured: Otto Englund and Jett Anderson. *Photos courtesy of Krystle Ruud*



American State Bank wagon winners



Congratulations to Harper Peterson, who was the winner of the Girl's Wagon in the American State Bank of Grygla Christmas drawing! Winning the Boy's Wagon was Hunter Olson, who likes like he plans to share it with his brother, Eli!

Photos courtesy of ASB



Grygla City Council approves November minutes

The December meeting of the City Council was held at the Grygla Civic Building on Monday, December 14th. Council members approved the November minutes, which are included below. Official minutes are taken by Grygla City Clerk and recapped by Eagle Editor. For the full version, including receipts & disbursements, visit www.grygla.govoffice2.com

November 19th Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Grygla City Council

The regular meeting of the City Council was scheduled to be held at the Grygla Community Center at 7:00 pm. The meeting was called to order, at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mosher with the following council members present: Gavin Nordby, Dave Dunrud and Robert Thompson (phone). Absent: Lindsay Oslund. Also present: Denise Ostby, Karla Byklum, Devin Ruud and Rose Aune.

Council approved minutes, along with receipts, disbursements, checking, savings & total balances for that month. The payment of all bills was also approved. Other items included

WATER TOWER

Rose is working with Moore Engineering to help them figure out the city's income and usage.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Steamatic came back to redo the floors and lowered the cost to \$900. Carol Stueck has been hired for cleaning the CC.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Payment has been sent for the playground equipment.

REVOLVING LOANS

Council will accept a payoff of \$10,000 split between the owners of the Diamond D's by the end of 2020.

MARBEL HOMES

There was nothing new to report at this time.

COVID GRANTS

The spending of the CARES FUNDS was approved. Expenses can be viewed in full on the City of Grygla website, under "Agendas and Minutes/November 2020" Total payments for the year equal \$17,253.00.

FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE

Council approved the ordinance, which can be viewed in its entirety on the City of Grygla website, under "Agendas and Minutes/November 2020."

AIRPORT BUILDING LEASE

There was nothing new to report at this time.

ASSESSING DELINQUENT WATER BILLS

Council will assess the unpaid account numbers 8, 20, 39, 46, and 63 if not paid by the end of the month.

CANVASSING 2020 ELECTION RESULTS

Council approved. FIRE HYDRANT BY COOP STORE MNDOT will be working on Hwy 89 through town. The fire hydrant by the coop store is in the way for the proper incline in the sidewalk. The state wants the city to move the hydrant. Awaiting to discuss options at an upcoming meeting.

EXTRA MEETINGS

Oslund, Nordby, Thompson, Mosher had policy meeting

Coan signs with Pioneers



Congratulations to Vivian Coan! On December 14th she signed a Letter of Intent to play basketball for the Pioneers at Northland Community & Technical College in Thief River Falls; the Pioneers are coached by Shannon Nelson. Vivian is pictured above with the Chargers Girls Head Basketball Coach, Elroy Johnsrud.

Photo courtesy of Goodridge School

'Years of Service' awards



In lieu of their yearly Christmas party, Machinewell, Inc. held an employee luncheon recently where Years of Service awards were also given out. Shane Torgerson has been with the company for 25 years; Steve Anderson has been employed for 20 years. *Photo courtesy of Machinewell*

Grygla Lion's serve and deliver Christmas Eve dinners

The Grygla Lion's Club held their annual Christmas Dinner last Thursday, December 24th. Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, plans were altered a bit. Instead of a traditional sit-down meal this year, the Grain Bin Café was hired to prepare the traditional turkey and dressing feast, which was made available by delivery or curbside pick-up. Approximately 125 meals were provided this year, which is a new record. Along with the Grain Bin staff cooking and prepping the meal, Lion's Club President, Bryan Grove and Lion Leann Wikert helped coordinate delivery of

the to-go containers. In addition, 14 Lion's members volunteered to deliver meals.

The Christmas dinner is a long-standing tradition and serves as the Grygla Lions Club's annual gift to the community. Lion Wayne Warne said they are the only club in the region to provide a community Christmas dinner. The club provides the meal cost-free to anyone who requests it. This is possible through Lions fund raising events; together with many generous donations from area businesses and individuals.



For an updated fishing report, check out the Northern Lights Fishing Report on page 2. With a busy ice fishing season expected, the DNR offers tips for safe, successful season on page 3. *Photo courtesy of Ben Kucera*

CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Ken Bowman
In-person Worship services are suspended at Grace Lutheran and Our Saviors in Grygla until further notice.
Recorded services will still be available on-demand on the church website and will play on Garden Valley channel 36 on Wednesdays 7pm and Sundays 9am & 7pm.
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GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith
Pastor Kristin Dahlen Ostercamp
In-person Worship and activities are suspended through the end of 2020. Sunday services will be posted online on the Parish YouTube channel. They are rebroadcast on the GVT Channel 36 on Wednesdays at 9am and 6:30pm.

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Adam Hammes Sunday:
St. Ann's: 10:15am Worship in church
St. Clement's: 12pm Worship in church

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss Sunday:
8am Worship, in-person with 11am Facebook Live Broadcast every Sunday.

LIBERTY CHAPEL
Grygla
Congregation-Led
Calendar/information not available at this time.
UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH Gatzke
8:30am Worship with 9:45am SS.

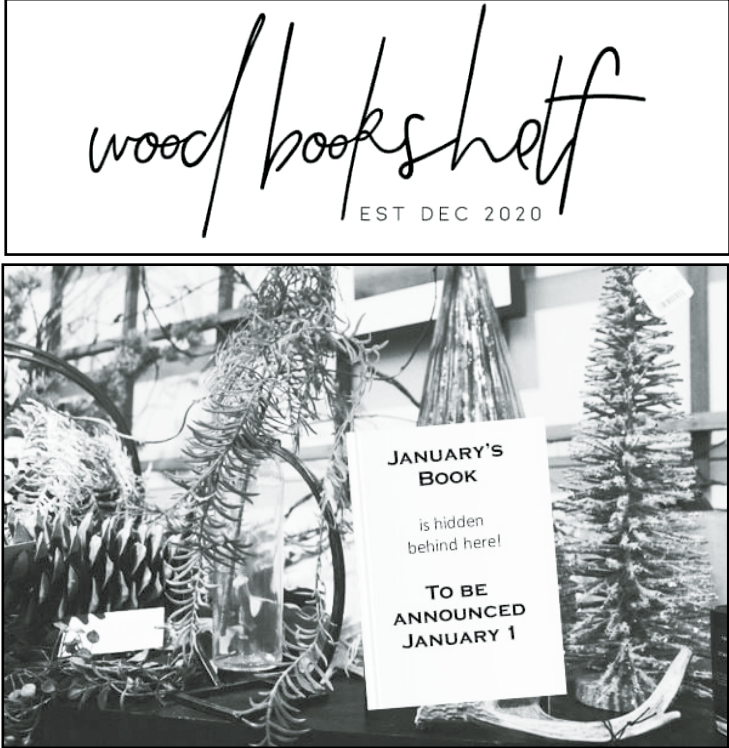
CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wednesdays 5-7pm Wednesday School
Saturdays 9am Worship at Mt. Olive
Sundays St. Petri: 8am Worship
Oak Park: 9:45am Worship
Nazareth: 11am Worship

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GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK



Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian
This week, I'm using this space to share and promote my new book club with you guys. It's not affiliated with the Grygla Library at all; it's just something I've started on my own as I love reading. I'm taking a little bit of this, and a little bit of that, and running with it. Those likes and interests have helped me to create "woodbookshelf."
It's an online book club via Facebook and Instagram. My hope is we can have some occasional in-person gatherings once some restrictions get lifted, but for now, this is how we're workin' it and it's going to be fun, according to me. Ha.
I launched both social media pages on December 28th.

The first inaugural book pick will be announced January 1st. Not only do I feel I've picked a book you guys will enjoy, but I've also been in contact with the author and she's willing to interact and engage with us throughout the month of January! She even sent me a free, signed copy of the book that will be given away to one of the woodbookshelf members. I'm so grateful for her generosity and excitement, as well. It'll be fun to do a Q&A with her at the end of January.
Anyway, instead of recreating the wheel with how it'll all work, I'll just copy and paste my "bio/about" section here.
Afterwards, go give woodbookshelf a "like" on Facebook and find it on IG by searching woodbookshelf20.

Aren't part of a cool, hip book club?
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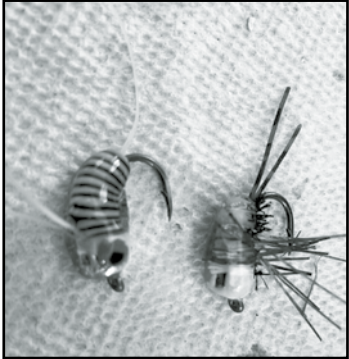
If no one has told you yet today...you can handle anything. Especially 12 books a year.
This is a laid back group for readers everywhere. We'll be reading one book a month with Kari selecting and announcing that book the 1st of every month. You are welcome to read them with us and join the discussions on this page.
The monthly book will always be the cover photo. It will be featured on a different woodbookshelf each month, with the location being announced along with the book pick.
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-KINDNESS REQUIRED-
Interact with every post, other members and discussions...or sit a few out.
Read every monthly book I select and enjoy the occasional meet up...or sit a few out. Here at woodbookshelf, I just invite you to get cozy, grab a blanket and book, and stay as long as you'd like.
"Reading gives us some place to go when we have to stay where we are."
January's book selection is photographed on a woodbookshelf at BlackBarn in TRF, MN.

Northern Lights fishing report

Written by Ben Kucera
On this week's report, Lake of the Woods continues to build ice. But first, this week I celebrated Christmas at my mom and dad's, and my brother and I were able to sneak away for an hour or so and hit the river. There was about 12" of ice and we managed to catch 6 pike with the biggest at 28". We also lost a couple of jigs to them, as well.
Sunday, I hit the big frozen water. I took Christina and Riley and we got a house out of Rainy River Resort. They were great and put us on some fish. We were out in about 28'. The morning was best with a bite every couple minutes and slowed down through the rest of the day. In all, we caught around 45 fish; only 2 walleye, and majority of them were 14"-15". The hot lure for us was a small tungsten jig that glowed blue with pink and chartreuse tipped with a small chub. Most of the fish preferred a small presentation. A jigging spoon with a shiner also worked very well. The ice conditions continue to build and we had a solid 12" of ice.
Out of Adrian's road, they were allowing midsize SUVs

out. Most of the lake is letting some sort of vehicle traffic out on marked trails; just make sure you call ahead to see what is being allowed. In a week or so they may be allowing almost everything.
Red Lake continues to be busy and fishing is still spotty across the lake with the most luck in the 12'-13'. Make sure to call ahead there, as well, to see what is allowed out. I've heard they are letting most vehicles out now some with combination of wheel houses.
I have been busy in the office, still getting orders out and am making progress. If you need some new jigs or a new rod give me a call and I can get it done.
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.



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Affidavits of candidacy shall be filed with the Town Clerk. Call Darlyne Roen to make an appointment. 294-6505
Offices to be filled at the March 9th 2021 Town Election are
Supervisor - 3yr. term
Treasurer 2yr. term
Thank you
Darlyne Roen, Town Clerk

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HEALTH FACT:
THIS IS ANNUALLY ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.
ANSWER: GET HEALTHY

How they SAY that in...
ENGLISH: Exercise
SPANISH: Ejercicio
ITALIAN: Moto
FRENCH: Exercice
GERMAN: Sport

Maze Craze
Can you find your way through the center of the maze?
START
FINISH
START
FINISH

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY
DEC 29
• 1851: THE FIRST YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (YMCA) OPENS IN BOSTON.
• 1937: THE IRISH FREE STATE IS REPLACED BY A NEW STATE CALLED "IRELAND."
• 2003: THE AKKALA SAMI LANGUAGE IS RENDERED EXTINCT WHEN ITS LAST KNOWN SPEAKER PASSES AWAY.

New Word
RESOLUTION
a firm decision to do or not to do something

Did you know?
THE UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON SAYS ABOUT 8 PERCENT OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS ACHIEVE THEIR NEW GOALS.
Vocabulary Words:
1. Set new day
2. New year
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4. New year
5. New year
6. New year
7. New year
8. New year
9. New year
10. New year

GET THE PICTURE?
Can you guess what the bigger picture is?
ANSWER: DUMBELL

Only in Minnesota: a weekly feature in the Eagle



“The Ditch Ducks” of Highway 65 in Minnesota are some eye-catching critters. Just like everywhere else in the United States, Minnesota is home to plenty of quirky attractions. If you’ve ever traveled down Highway 65 near McGrath, Minnesota, you may have noticed the strange sight of many colorfully painted ducks by the roadside. Highway 65 is a 272-mile highway that runs north-south through Minnesota, from Minneapolis to Littlefork. Much of

the road is surrounded by rural fields and farmland. But near McGrath, Minnesota, between mile markers 101 and 102, a unique attraction has sprung up in a small pond along the roadway. It all started when a passing motorist mistook a stick coming out of the pond for a turtle. After that, her traveling partner placed a floating duck in the pond to remind her that it was just a stick. After that, many more ducks were added to the pond. Today, dozens of ducks

float in the small pond. They’re now called Ditch Ducks, and they’re a welcome sight along a long, unremarkable stretch of Highway 65. Many of these floating duck decoys are painted in bright, colorful designs. They may celebrate Minnesota culture, or simply show off creative skills. Duck artists may sign their names to commemorate their visit, or they may remain anonymous. There are as many different designs as there are ducks!

Others who are interested in leaving their mark may add their own decorated duck to the ditch. But make sure you do so safely. Highway 65 is a busy road, and it’s not safe to stop next to the pond. There’s a small area up the road where cars can park out of the way. After that, feel free to drop in your duck and admire all of the others that came before you!



DNR offers tips for safe, successful ice season

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds new and veteran anglers alike of their responsibility to keep themselves safe and to be a considerate member of the ice angling community. Some of Minnesota’s most popular winter fisheries, such as Upper Red Lake, have drawn remarkably high numbers of anglers already this season, while in other places people are patiently waiting for a cold snap to make the ice thick enough to drive on.

- Safety first**
- The recommended minimum thickness for walking on new, clear ice is 4 inches. Wait for 5 to 7 inches before heading out on an ATV or snowmobile, and keep cars off until there’s 8 to 12 inches. Anyone planning to drive out in a truck, should wait until there’s at least 12 to 15 inches of ice. Double these minimums for white or snow-covered ice.
- Wear a life jacket or float coat on the ice (except when in a vehicle).
 - Carry ice picks, rope, an ice chisel and tape measure.
 - Bring a cell phone or personal locator beacon.
 - Don’t go out alone; tell someone about trip plans and expected return time.
 - Before heading out, inquire about conditions and known hazards with local experts.

If you see someone fall through, remain calm and call 911. Do not attempt a rescue unless there is a means of self-rescue. Throw the person any piece of buoyant gear available, as well as a rope, jumper cables or other object to pull them out of the water or away from thin ice. Let go if they start pulling you toward dangerous ice.

Be a positive member of the ice fishing community

- Pick up after yourself. Anything but an impression left on the ice is litter.
- Do not go onto private property unless you have permission to be there. If you are traveling to Upper Red Lake, know the Red Lake Indian Reservation is closed to people who aren’t members of the band. Stay east of the longitudinal coordinate of 94 deg. 43’ 12.0” to ensure you are on state waters.
- Maintain a social distance of at least 6 feet from members of other households at public access sites and on the ice. If the access is full, try another lake or try again at a less-busy time.
- Minimize noise, and remember to keep a respectful distance from other anglers.

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

Swivet
Noun
\Swiv-it\
A state of nervous excitement, haste, or anxiety; flutter.

Simply Delicious

By Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

Love hearty stew recipes? You’ll flip for this. Loaded with three types of meat, some veggies and beans, Cowboy Stew takes the best parts of your favorite recipes and simmers them to perfection!

Ingredients

- 4 slices bacon, chopped
- 2 (12 oz) packages kielbasa sausage, cut into ½ inch slices
- 1.5 lbs ground beef
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 tbsp. flour
- 1.5 tsp salt
- ½ tsp. pepper
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- 1 can petite diced tomatoes, with liquid
- 2 (16 oz) cans baked beans, with liquid
- 1 (7 oz) can chopped green chilies, with liquid
- 1 (15 oz) can sweet corn, with liquid
- 2 medium potatoes, peeled and cut into ½ in. cubes
- 1 cup water
- 2 tbsp. parsley, chopped

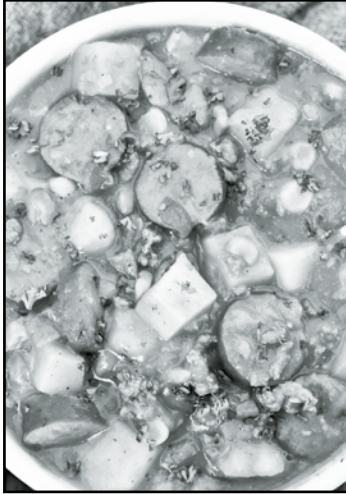
Instructions

Cook bacon until brown and crispy in a soup pot. Transfer to a plate. Then add your sausage to that same pot (with drip-

pings left in it). Brown sausage on both sides. Once that’s done, remove from pot and add to the bacon plate.

Next, add beef, onion and garlic to the pot. Once the hamburger is browned, sprinkle flour, salt, pepper and chili powder over. Stir and cook for one minute.

Add diced tomatoes, baked beans, green chilies, sweet corn, potatoes, bacon, sausage, and water. Bring to a boil then immediately reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Garnish with parsley.



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StatePoint Crossword Puzzle Theme: Board Games

(Results shared next week.)

ACROSS

1. Dealer's hand, in cribbage

5. Wade's opponent

8. Galsworthy's "The Forsyte ____"

12. Nevada city

13. Prima donna

14. Weasel's cousin

15. Makes collar for RBG

16. Between the id and super-ego, pl.

17. Can be hot or cold, meteorologically speaking

18. *Real estate-related board game

20. Elvis Presley's "____ and Fortune"

21. Preface, e.g.

22. *A top one is a game piece in #18 Across

23. Open carriage

26. Having a malignant influence

30. "Wheel of Fortune" request

31. Stay clear of

34. Knife wound

35. Touch of color

37. Computer network acronym

38. Awaken

39. Wet nurse

40. Castrated man

42. Yale-____ College, Singapore

43. Aircraft's additional equipment holder

45. They're denoted in red

47. Eric Stonestreet on "Modern Family"

48. Allergic reaction to bee sting

50. Amusing

52. *Word game

55. Don McLean: "Drove my chevy to the ____"

56. Joie de vivre

57. Charlie Parker's nickname

DOWN

1. Tube in old TV

2. Paper unit

3. "He's Just Not That ____ You"

4. Herzegovina's partner

5. Excessive sternness

6. Convex molding

7. *Candy Land difficulty level

8. *Napoleon-themed game of strategy

9. Niels Bohr's study object

10. Autry or Wilder

11. Simon's former partner

13. Performed comprehensively or in-____, pl.

14. Butcher's refuse

19. Beginning of sickness

22. TV classic "Hee ____"

23. *Board game island ready for settlers

24. True inner self

25. Linear particle accelerator, for short

26. Take-out handout

27. Half human-half goat, pl.

28. February "People," e.g.

29. *Game with rooks

32. *Game involving Mr. Boddy's murderer

33. Chewbacca's sidekick

36. *a.k.a. draughts

38. Type of parallelogram

40. Liberty Tree, e.g.

41. Vacuums, e.g.

44. Extra shirt, e.g.

46. Sabbath, alt. sp.

48. Audience's approval

49. Window treatment

50. Bloody king of Israel

51. "Metamorphoses" poet

52. Serum, pl.

53. *The Game of ____

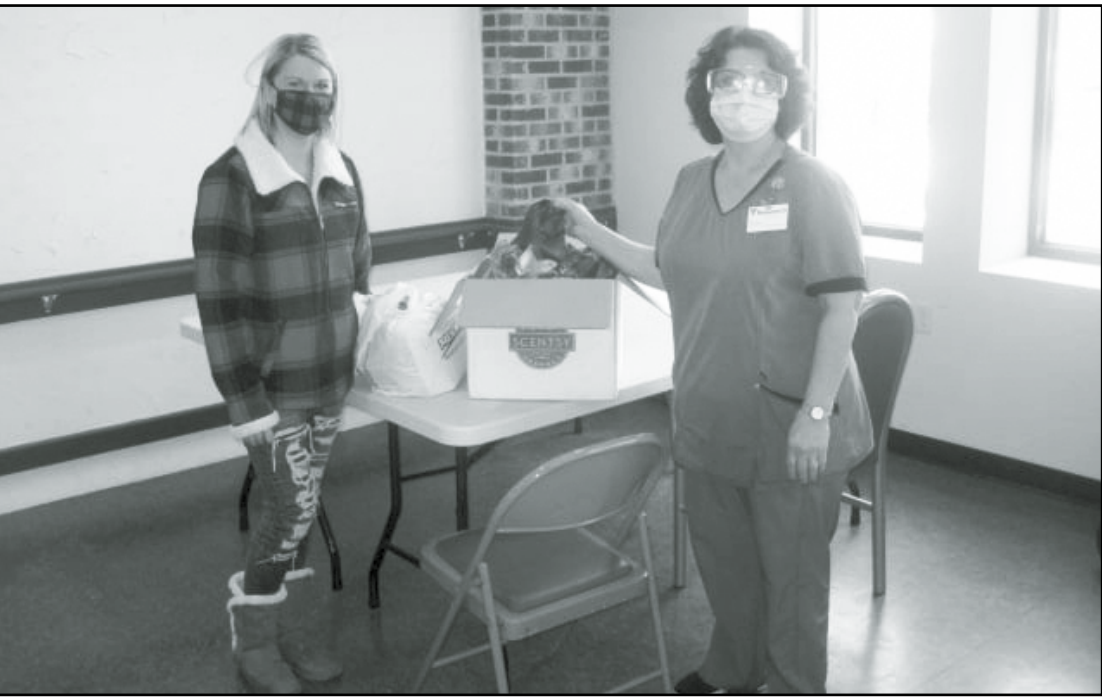
54. Makes mistakes

55. Acid drug

58. Part of URL

'Tis the season for GIVING

Goodridge Lutheran Parish youth helped make Christmas a lot brighter for residents of the TR Care Center and Oakland Park. With Tanya Kotrba leading the project, along with help from MANY individuals, families and businesses, over 150 goodie bags were assembled and delivered last week right in time to spread some Christmas joy. Many came together to help financially and physically, resulting in goodie bags that each contained the following: A homemade Christmas ornament, a pair of grip socks, a small lotion and chapstick, and a handmade card. Photos courtesy of Tanya Kotrba



Tanya Kotrba, left, organized the project and also delivered the goodie bags last week!



Each family was asked to give a \$5 donation to help purchase the socks, lotion and chapsticks that helped make up the goodie bags. Photos courtesy of Tanya Kotrba

Happy 2021 New Year!

FROM ALL OF US AT RICHARDS PUBLISHING!

The Leader Record, Grygla Eagle, McIntosh Times and Oklee Herald

What A JOKE

Why do birds fly south for the winter? Because it's too far to walk.

Not to brag, but I already have a date for New Year's Eve. It's December 31st.

My resolution is to read more. So I put the subtitles on

my TV.

At the beginning of the year I made a resolution to lose 10 pounds. Only 20 more to go.

What happened to the man who shoplifted a calendar on New Year's Eve? He got 12 months.

Grygla Art students design holiday ads

My fingers do this cool thing and loose feeling.

So... Why do you love winter again?

Grain Bin Cafe & Gift Shop
294-6306
TERRY & KIM CLEVEN, OWNERS

Anna Sundberg

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Grygla/Gatzke JCC's

Happy New Year!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Happy NEW YEAR!

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