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A look at next week... "Honoring the past, building the future!" The City of Goodridge to hold Centennial Celebration July 3-5, 2015.

Machinewell stands out by offering opportunities within its community

Chris Kiesow, a recent Grygla graduate, and son of Ron & Colleen Kiesow, has his future career path well planned out. With help from Machinewell, Inc., of Grygla, Minn., Chris will be attending Alexandria Technical & Community College to earn a degree in Mechanical Drafting, Design, & Engineer Technology.

When Kiesow was a junior in high school, he toured Machinewell with his class. Stating that he never knew all of the interesting projects the business did, the tour really grabbed his attention. The summer following his junior year, Chris got a much more in depth look at the industry. Attending a Machinewell open house, asking a lot of questions, and researching the job field a bit more, Chris decided this was the career path he'd like to take. He spent his senior year working part-time, every day after school, at Machinewell. For the little time he was there, Kiesow said he was able to see and pick up a lot of stuff. He will be employed full-time with the company this summer, which will bring him right up to the start of college.

The only school in the state of Minnesota that offers machining programs

is Alexandria Technical & Community College. One program is Machine Tool Technology and the other is Mechanical Drafting, Design, & Engineer Technology, which is the degree Chris plans to pursue.

Machinewell, Inc. has been providing tours of their facility to grades 7-12 every spring. This began last year with the Grygla School and they have added Goodridge to the roster this year. Machinewell Accountant/Customer Service Rep, Tonia Haack, noted, "At the end of the school tours, we explain the program we offer to get the kids' minds thinking and show them there is opportunity in their community."

That opportunity the local business offers is one that surely stands out.

To students interested in gaining the appropriate degree, Machinewell offers a program that will pay for half of the first year's tuition and all of the 2nd year. In return, the student must maintain a 2.5 GPA and remain a Machinewell employee for two years after successful completion of the machining program.

"A lot more kids, than people, realize have intentions of staying around the area if they can find some-

thing they enjoy doing. The added student benefit of having a majority of your college paid for is also a large factor for students, as well as parents." Haack added.

For Kiesow, that benefit spoke volumes. When asked what he would like to share with younger kids about this opportunity within his community, Chris said, "I'd like them to know that it's a big deal. For the size of Grygla, and the opportunity to get ¼ of your college paid for, it's great. The income and job security that also comes with this degree is very good. After I graduate college, I plan to be one of the people who draws the parts and sets up the program in the machine. I want to do my best and plan for a long, successful career at Machinewell."

Over the past few years, Machinewell has initiated soliciting employment with the college students within the machining programs at Alex Tech in hopes to better secure future employment for the company. A few students have come to tour the facility and area, but no luck with a successful transfer just yet. Bryan Dougherty, who works in the Engineering Department and who has also been working close-



In the engineering offices at Machinewell, Inc., Chris Kiesow, left, is pictured with Bryan Dougherty.

ly with Chris, is involved in the recruitment process. "It's been a bit slow finding kids at this time. It's still exciting, though, to open the eyes of many kids during these recruitment trips. They find out what kind of technical and exciting stuff a small town machining facility can produce," he com-

mented. For Dougherty, he feels the company has made a great impression on many young adults at Alex Tech and it will only be more beneficial with Kiesow enrolling in the program. "With Chris helping us in the future, and the need for manufacturing continuing to rise, I think there will be some new fac-

es appearing in our small town. In the short time I have known Chris, and worked with him, I feel he is going to do very well. He has great ambition and also a great passion for machining; that's what we need in this company and this industry," he added.

Local job shop ensures a safe workplace Machinewell presented with Safety Award

Machinewell, Inc. was recently presented with the ACUITY Safety Award. This award is given to businesses that are exemplary in their partnership with ACUITY to help ensure a safe workplace.

Headquartered in Grygla, MN Machinewell, Inc. is a job shop specializing in machining, welding, and fabricating of components and assemblies for a wide variety of customers. The internal tooling department produces several different types of jigs, fixtures, prototyping, and specialty machines for producing quality parts. Since Machinewell, Inc. first began producing in 1976, its facilities have grown to 30,000 square feet. This includes two machine shops, a welding shop, and a research and development shop.

Machinewell, Inc.'s customer base covers Canada, Iowa, Nebraska, Florida, Indiana, Illinois, North Dakota, as well as Minnesota. Machinewell, Inc. works with all types of metals - steel, stainless, aluminum,



Pictured L to R: Steve Anderson, Machinewell HR; Ron Palm, Machinewell VP; Tim Loeffler, Insurance Brokers of MN.

brass, and copper - and also plastics. They also source castings and special extrusions that require added value machining. Machinewell, Inc. is highly recommended by their customers for their dedication to quality production and on time delivery for recreational, government, and agricultural industries.

Machinewell, Inc.'s computerized business system

allows them to schedule and control orders through all steps in the manufacturing process. Quality and inspection systems are set up per MIL-145208A. The quality department utilizes the latest in CMM's, Optical Comparators, and Calibration systems. The Solid Works engineering system can import and work with DXF., DWG., and IGES files.

City of Grygla wages go up \$25,000 in two years

The regular meeting of the Grygla City Council was held last week on Monday, May 11th. Members present were Mayor Mosher, Gavin Nordby, Lindsay Oslund and Dave Dunrud. Also present was Rose Aune; Robert Thompson was absent. The official minutes are taken by Aune, City Clerk, and recapped by Eagle editor. For a full version, visit www.grygla.govoffice2.com

The following agenda items were approved at the start of the meeting: previous month's minutes, receipts & disbursements and payment of all bills presented on the claims list.

It was decided at the March Council meeting to take back the Veteran's Memorial lots when the city has the financing back in order; Mosher had said they would have to see what the financial situation is first. At the April meeting, it was decided that the May-

or would ask one of the Veterans to come to the next meeting to discuss who will be responsible for which expenses if the Memorial lot, indeed, gets turned back over to the city. Right now, there would be a \$462/year increase to the city insurance policy with a \$1,000 deductible for each claim that could possibly occur on the lot.

The council approved the repair cost of the JD tractor for \$3,381 to Evergreen Implement. Registration for Water Conference was not reimbursed. Rocky didn't go to the Airport Symposium; city held off on sending registration in until he knew if he would be able to make it due to weather. Nothing new to report on the Grygla Community Center or the Safe Routes to School grant.

City of Grygla.....Continued on page 2



Congratulations Grygla/Goodridge Graduates!



Grygla Eagle one day late next week

The Grygla Eagle will be delivered one day late next week because we will be closed on Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day.

CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Sunday:
Grace: 9am Worship
Our Savior's: 10:30am Worship

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
United - Gatzke; Our Savior's - Thief Lake
Pastor Craig Bowyer
Sunday:
Our Savior's: 9am Worship, 10am SS.
United: 11am Worship
4:30 Youth Group

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

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Rick Lambert
Sunday:
St. Clement's: 8:30am Worship.
St. Ann's: 10:30am Worship.

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Rev. Paul Koch
Sunday:
8am Worship

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Christian & Missionary Alliance of Grygla
Pastor Clark Hjelte
Sunday:
9:30am Worship, 11am SS and Adult Bible Class.
Wednesdays:
7pm Bible Study and Prayer.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee
Pastor Joseph Abrahamson
Saturday:
8:30am Mt. Olive
10:30am St. Petri
Sunday:
Oak Park 5:30pm Worship, Nazareth 7pm Worship

LIBERTY CHAPEL
Grygla
Fellowship of Christian Assemblies
Sunday:
10:30am Worship.

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday

Grygla Lions to meet Wednesday night

The Grygla Lions will be meeting on Wednesday night, May 20th, at 7pm at Diamonds. Dinner will be on your own at 6pm, with the meeting to follow at 7pm. Ken Bauer, from the Barnesville Lions, will give a leader dog presentation.

Word of the Week
...enhancing vocabularies
one Grygla Eagle at a time.
defenestrate (verb) \dee-FEN-uh-streyt\
To throw (a person or a thing) out of a window.

You're invited to attend
The Grygla Centennial Committee is having a meeting this Thursday night, May 21st, at 7pm at the Community Center. Anyone interested in serving on the committee or anyone with ideas regarding the celebration is invited to attend.

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Grygla Eagle's new look

The votes have been totaled and you're holding the winning "new look" for the Grygla Eagle. (Week 1 got 30 votes; week 2 got 23 votes; week 3 got 95 votes.) Thanks to everyone who

took the time to vote on our Facebook page and/or send an email to the Grygla Eagle; we appreciate your feedback and hope you are satisfied with the new heading on the front page!

GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

By: Karen Olufson

Hello Dearest Readers! Are you all enjoying this rainy, cold weather? (Hopefully it will be beautiful again by the time you're reading this.) Well, I guess we needed the rain so we really can't complain about it ... and hopefully it gave you some time off to catch up on your reading! (Smile!) I know a lot of you have been really busy in the fields, so maybe a little break was timely.

We got our May book delivery in last week and all the items (what hasn't already been taken out) are on the shelves waiting for you! The May items have red stickers on the bindings with "MAY" on them. We still have November items with red stickers on them, too, so don't get them confused. Anyway, I'll share some of the new items with you today and you'll have to come on in and see what else is here for yourself! (Smile!)

A couple of paperbacks we got in are NO SANCTUARY by Helen R. Myers and AFRICAN SKIES by Karen Rispin. The first book is a mystery of sorts and the second book is a romance book. Of course we got other paperbacks in also and one of them might be more to your taste.

I'll mention two Large Print books that we got in, too. For those of you who like John Grisham, we received his book KING OF TORTS. I know some of you enjoy the popular books in large print and if we don't have them on the shelf I hope you'll always feel free to ask if we can order them for you. We also got in THE BOOK OF PEACH by Penelope J. Stokes. The back cover says that the title character's friends help her find "out that where you're going usually means embracing where you've been."

If you like true crime

you'll probably like Anne Rule's book, IN THE STILL OF THE NIGHT. I haven't read this book of hers, but I've read several others and she's a very good author who does a lot of background work on her books. We also got in a book called THE SMARTEST INVESTMENT BOOK YOU'LL EVER READ by Daniel R. Solin. It's not very big, so it wouldn't take long to read.

For electronic equipment we received several movies and some books on CD. One of the movies we got is a documentary called HEY, BOO: HARPER LEE AND TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD. Another movie is called EMPIRE STATE and it says it's based on a true story.

I'll also mention two of the books on CD we got in. The first is called MAGIC CIRCLE and is by Katherine Neville and read by Megan Follows: a mystery of international intrigue. We also got a new Stephen King book on CD called REVIVAL and that is read by David Morse.

Lastly, I'll mention two, non-fiction children's books that we got in. The first book is called NATURE ACTIVITIES: NATURE RANGER by Richard Walker and the second book is called 5 ELEPHANTS by Rob Laidlaw: A book about five special elephants and fun facts about them.

Well Dear Readers, it seems we're facing the end of the column again. I sure hope you come in to take some of these items out ... or some of the other ones we have. Please have a safe and happy week, too. As always, read a great book and take some time to read to the little ones in your lives. They'll never forget it and neither will you! (Smile!) We'll see what next week brings. Until then ...

City of Grygla - (from pg. 1)

Regarding the Grygla Seed/New Lots, Mosher is going to check with Thompson on whether a price was discussed with Lyle Anderson for the extra land from the alley so the city can work on the deed. Houston Engineering inquired about having the lot lines stacked out for the 8 new lots for a cost of approximately \$1,200-\$3,500. Gavin Nordby is to talk to Tony Nordby about stacking out the lines.

The council is holding off on the "Tobacco-free Communities" for the time being.

Mosher, Hagen and Aune went to a Safety & Loss meeting in Mahanomen in March. Public works was informed that the city is responsible for taking care of all pond structures within the city limits. The League informed the city that there have been changes to data privacy policies and that all of the cities need to get these updated.

The council approved the purchase of 2 tablets for \$100 each instead of the \$75. The council will eliminate paper packets by going electronic. Aune took a session on Google Forms at her Clerk's Conference.

Marshall County Housing has added more funds for new homeowners in a low interest loan. Recipients could possibly get up to \$12,500. The permit has been received from MNDOT to put a culvert in on the field west of the ballfield. Holthusen Construction will be working on that. The council looked over the list of outstanding revolving loans. They will plan to arrange a meeting with the borrowers to get a plan in place for paying the loans off.

The expenses for the Civic Building last year were \$13,017, which included shingling the entryway and putting in a new door to help eliminate drafts coming in for \$3,075. The school reimbursed \$7,780 for half of the shingling cost and 2/3 of the electric bill.

In 2012, the last year Torgerson was maintenance man, total wages for council and employees were \$70,816.53, with \$35,500 for maintenance and \$30,000 for clerk & civic building cleaning; the remaining went to council members. In 2013, it was \$81,060 with maintenance only at 7 months. Maintenance wages were \$36,375 and clerk & civic building cleaning was \$35,900; the remaining went to council members. That year, Clerk wages went up since maintenance could not get paid more per hour due to Pay Equity. In 2014, wages went up to \$96,170 with \$52,000 paid for maintenance and \$36,000 for clerk & civic building cleaning; the remaining went to council members. Aune, City Clerk, suggested the city use the part-time workers more instead of paying for 140 hours of overtime for maintenance.

*Note: A full list of expenses and receipts can be viewed online at www.grygla.govoffice2.com.
For the latest version, click on the "Agenda & Minutes" tab and then choose "Agenda 2015". At that point, each month is available to view. Expense reports are shown when you click "Disbursements". Also available are receipts and total balances of checking and savings.

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EXTENSION NEWS

By: James Stordahl

Lawn mowing season is here

Lawn mowing is perhaps the most important practice performed in home lawn care. The simple practice of mowing impacts not only the appearance of your lawn, but also can impact the turf's ability to ward off problems.

Regardless of whether the lawn is fertilized, irrigated or other management practices, proper mowing practices are essential for a high quality lawn. Properly mowed lawns will have fewer weeds, will better withstand mid-summer moisture stress and will have a more pleasing appearance.

Regular mowing with a sharp mower blade at the proper mower height keeps grass growing vigorously and maintains adequate plant density to thoroughly cover the soil surface. Continually scalping turf seriously weakens grass plants, leaving an opening for weed invasion.

Mowing too short creates problems. For most lawns, mowing at a height of 2½ to 3½ inches screens out light to the soil surface, thus preventing weeds (such as light-loving crabgrass seeds) from germinating. Also, a higher cutting height encourages slightly deeper root systems, allowing them to gather moisture and nutrients from a larger soil volume, thereby increasing a grass plant's stress tolerance. If your grass has become very long (e.g., during extended rainy periods), lower the mower blade height gradually rather than cutting grass back all at once to reduce unnecessary stress on plants.

Mulching mowers and mulching attachments for mowers reduce the size of grass clippings, thus increasing the rate at which they decompose. And mowing on a regular basis with a sharp mower blade produces clippings that decompose fairly quickly. Allow these clippings to remain on the lawn whenever possible.

They do not contribute to thatch build-up because when they decompose they become a valuable organic source of nutrients for grass plants. In fact, yearly nitrogen applications may be reduced by 1/3 to 1/2 when grass clippings are left on the lawn. However, remove clippings that form large clumps on top of the grass. Moreover, mulching the clippings will also save the time in clipping removal. Turf mowed with the new mulching mowers has grass that has nearly the same swept or vacuumed appearance as when the turf surface was mowed with bagging attachments.

The direction of mowing should be altered every one to two mowings. Mowing at right angles (90 degrees) to the previous direction will help prevent the grass from repeatedly being pushed in one direction, an important consideration at high mowing heights. Also if scalping areas of the lawn is a problem, the different mowing directions will help minimize continual scalping in any one area.

All mowing equipment should be kept in good working condition. Having the mower serviced prior to the heavy spring mowing period will help ensure routine, maintenance-free mowing. Mower blades should be sharpened each spring and as needed during the season. A dull mower blade frays the ends of blades and results in brown tips which are unsightly and indicate damaged turfgrass.

Turfgrass should be mowed when it is dry. Wet grass is more difficult to cut and has the tendency to clog under rotary mowers. Mowing should not, however, be delayed for long periods of time because the grass is wet.

For more information, contact me at 800-450-2465 or stordahl@umn.edu. Sources: UMN, NDSU and OSU.

More than \$471,000 paid out to members

GV Co. issues Capital Credits

Over 15,500 checks, totaling more than \$471,000, were issued on May 14 to Garden Valley Telephone Company members who had service with the cooperative in 2000 and/or 2014, including over \$28,000 for members with Grygla, Gatzke and Goodridge addresses.

Advantages of a Cooperative: More than \$14 million of capital credits have been authorized by the Board of Directors for payment to Garden Valley members over the last ten years. Article VII of the cooperative's

By-Laws provides that capital credited to members may be retired and paid if the financial condition of the cooperative will not be impaired.

Garden Valley's 110th annual membership meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Win-E-Mac Public School near Erskine on Tuesday, June 2, beginning at 10:30am. Registration starts at 8:30am and "The WoodPicks" will entertain during registration.

A Note from Principal Lunsetter's Desk

"God wants us to know that life is a series of beginnings, not endings. Just as graduations are not terminations, but commencements. Creation is an ongoing process, and when we create a perfect world where love and compassion are shared by all, suffering will cease."
~ Bernie Siegel

We are in a continual state of learning and understanding and as graduation is upon us, I hope that our students see that. Our education system is not perfect. We do far too much testing and State Standards make teaching cumbersome. However, one thing that our schools do an awesome job of is teaching life to our kids. We care. Our kids know we care because of the positive relationships we have formed with them. With each graduating class, there is joy because we know that our kids have started developing the skills they will need to be successful in life and are moving on to the next chapter in their lives. But there is also some sorrow because we are personally invested in each of these kids and we know our relationships with them will change. We wish all of this years graduates continued success and remind them that we are always here, ready and willing to help with anything we can!

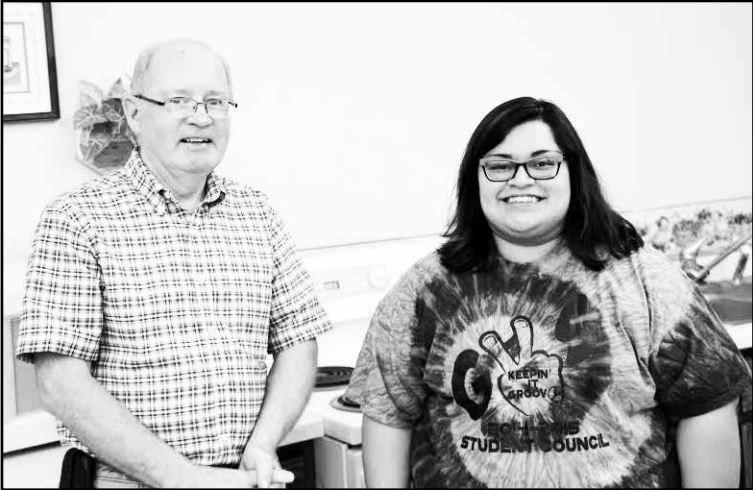


Right: The Grygla School recently held its National Honor Society induction and formal banquet. Vern Johnson was the guest speaker and spoke to the group about the benefits of being involved in your community. Teachers honored him, thanking him for his years of service to the Grygla School. They presented Vern with a framed jersey and a Chargers tie. Grygla teachers served the meal, with Hazel Thomas and Kandy Sundberg cooking.



In honor of National Teacher's Day, the Grygla Student Council prepared breakfast for all staff and school board members last Tuesday, May 5th. The delicious menu included waffles, sausage, fruit kabobs, juice and coffee.

Pictured below is Student Council member, Ashley Moe, putting her cooking skills to the test.



The Grygla Student Council members were recently put up for bid! Wayne Warne played the part of the auctioneer, and is pictured with Student Council President Chelsey Peters. The Grygla School staff/teachers were able to bid on council members in exchange for 3 hours of work. Through this service project, \$500 was raised and will benefit the student council.

Supervision guidelines for children

Marshall County Social Services is frequently asked how old children should be before they are left alone, or before they can care for other children. With summer time soon approaching, Social Services would like to provide some guidance in making decisions regarding appropriate supervision.

Although Minnesota does not have a law which states an age when children can be left alone, the Minnesota Department of Human Services has developed the following guidelines for supervision:

- Children age 7 and under should not be left alone for any period of time
- Children ages 8-10 should not be left alone for more than three hours
- Children ages 11-13 should not be left alone for more than 12 hours
- Children ages 14-15 should not be left alone for more than 24 hours
- Children ages 16-17 may be left alone for more than 24 hours with a plan in place concerning how to respond to an emergency.

In regard to children supervising other children, the guidelines state that:

- Children under age 11 should not provide child care
- Children ages 11-15 who are placed in a child care role are subject to the same time restrictions of being left alone as listed above
- Children ages 16-17 may be left alone for more than 24 hours with adequate adult back up supervision.
- There is no magic age, and it can be challenging to decide when your child is ready to stay home alone. There are many factors, in addition to age to consider. The following factors are included in MN Department of Human Services guidelines:
 - A child's age, mental ability and maturity level.
 - The accessibility of the parent/guardian/or designated caretaker to a child by phone and/or in person.
 - The presence of intellectual deficits, psychological problems, or mental health concerns; the existence of physical problems or disabilities.
 - The behavioral history of a child, including suicidal thoughts or actions, fire setting, delinquency, vandalism or assault.

- A child's age, if using the kitchen stove, an iron or other appliance.
- The establishment of a well understood escape plan that has been worked out by the parent(s), or fire drill practice that has been rehearsed with a child. The presence of a working fire/smoke detector in the home.
- The presence of unusual hazards in the home.
- A child feeling confident and safe when left alone.

Please note that the ultimate responsibility for the safety, care, well-being and behavior of children remains with the parent, whether they are present to personally supervise them or not. If you have made the decision that your child can stay home alone, you should sit down with them and go over what the rules of the house are, such as rules about telephone use, or whether or not they may have friends over. Will they have chores to do while you are away. Are they allowed to go anywhere while you are away? Lastly, review what they should do in case of an emergency and have a back up plan in place.



Grygla 2-6 graders recently participated in the Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser, raising an impressive \$3,293.00 this year. Front, L-R: Chey Mickelson, Kinsley Oslund, Brody Saurdiff, Kian Ahlbeck. Middle: Chelsie Nelson, Callie Loken, Sam Nordby, Ava Sorvig, LaKylie Brobst, Payton Dougherty, Anna Sundberg, Addison Severts. Back: Justin Thompson, Emily Carlson, Brigitte Watne, Kia Klein, Riley Saurdiff, Ahna Stanley, Dane Arveson, Walter Jones, Evan Eglund, Gavin Aune. Not pictured: Lewis Jones and Emily Johnson, who was the top fundraiser at \$420.00.



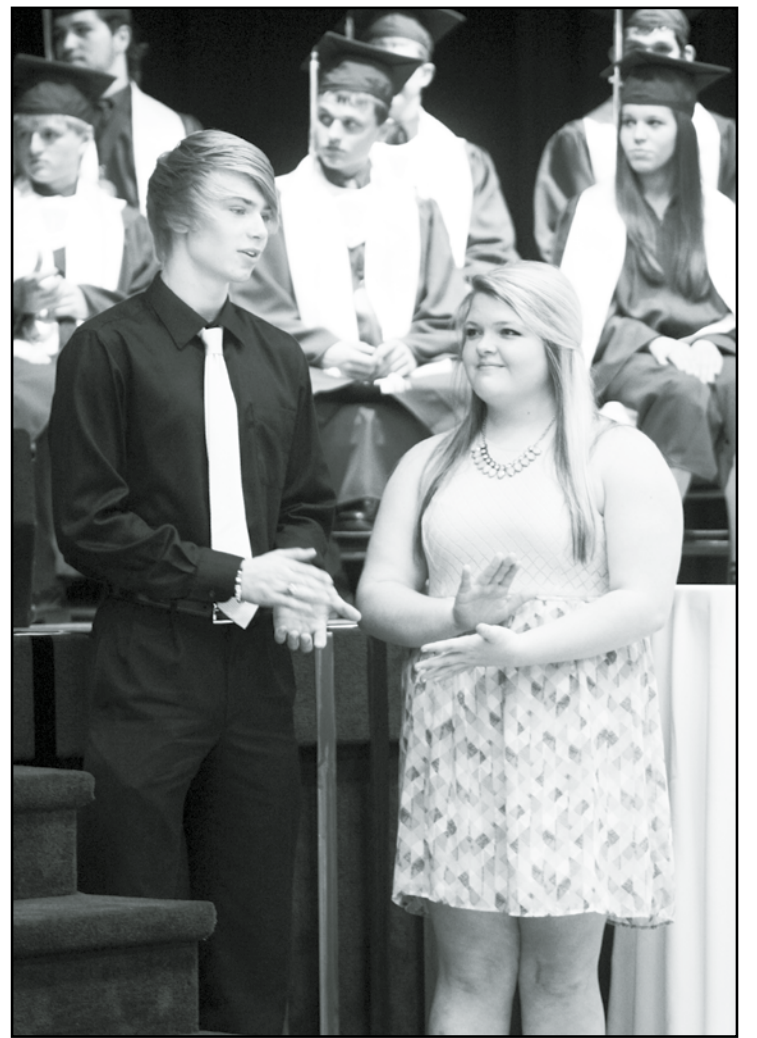
National Honor Society members, front: Chris Kiesow, Alison Satre, Dustin Nelson. Back: Leah Schulz, Shantel Verbout, Erin Monson, Maddy Bakken, Courtney Olson. (New inductees were Kiesow, Satre and Nelson.)



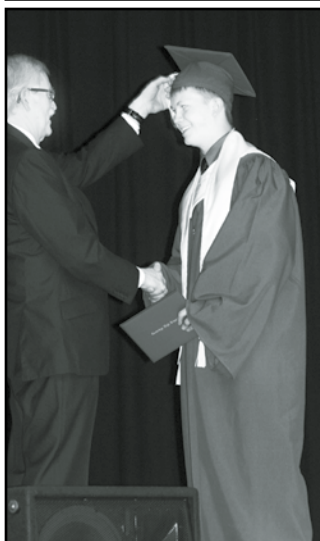
Left: Samantha Sjulestad, Valedictorian, gave the Graduation Address at Commencement. Right: Steven Hanson presented his mom, Linda, with a flower and a big hug.



Goodridge Graduation May 16, 2015



Above: Caleb Olson and Marisa Newton were 2 of the 4 Honor Guards at the Goodridge Graduation Ceremony.



Above left: Mariah and Mercedes Coan sang "Break-away". Above right: Alan Prestebak is all smiles!



Above: Collin Race gets his diploma from Goodridge School Board Member, John Lovly.



Above: Emilie Tykward



Above: Josh Lake gives class history.



Grygla Graduation May 17, 2015



Pictured above: The Grygla Senior Class sang a vocal selection titled "Hold On To The Memories".



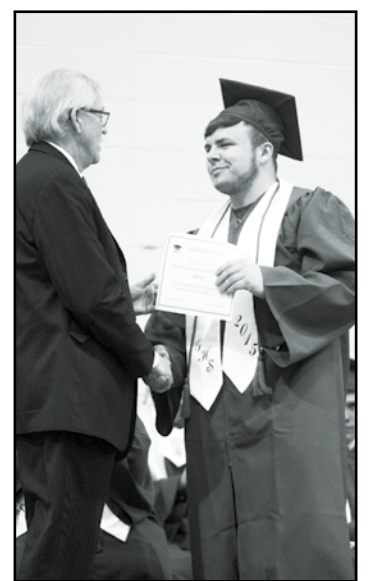
Leah Schulz and Chelsey Peters celebrate, along with the rest of their classmates! Congrats to the class of 2015 and best of luck to you all!



Nikki Leach presents Jaci Hasbrouck with her diploma.



Courtney Olson (above) and Zach Dunrud (below) receive their scholarship awards from Superintendent Galen Clow.



Pictured below is Senior Dylan Morey presenting a flower to his mom.

