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In this issue ... Grygla's Archery League sets up a 1-mile long 3D course complete with 18 targets.

Grygla Lion's Club celebrates 50-year charter members

The Grygla Lion's Club was officially started in 1971, which makes this year the 50th anniversary! When the club first began in the winter of '71, there were 79 Charter members on the list. A few of those founding members are still playing an active role in the club today!

Recently, five Lion's charter members were presented with a 50-year Milestone Chevron Award to commemorate and recognize their years of service as a Lion. From the smallest project to the largest undertaking, these gentlemen and their years of service have made a huge impact on the Grygla Community. Receiving the awards were Billy Wikert, Sheldon Peterson, Ralph Rundell, Richard Engelstad and Ronald Engelstad.

One of the first projects of the Lion's Club was to begin raising funds for a community center in town; they were successful in that undertaking with the Grygla Community Center still being a place of gathering today. The Lions were also instrumental in getting the Grygla Eagle Newspaper started and were in charge of selling the first subscriptions back in 1973. Along with the Jaycees, the Lion's Club also helped build the tennis courts in Grygla. Charter Officers of the Grygla Lions were: Roy Nordby, Sheldon Peterson, Howard Hendrickson, Amos Thompson, Ken Rustin, Orlin Ostby, Morris Hermanson, Arden Thomas, Henry Holte, Bob Santl, Ralph Klein and Stewart Sistad.

As of current day, Lon Englund is serving as President of the Grygla Lion's Club. Presidential duties include leading and overseeing the club and all of its decisions, and leading monthly meetings.

The local club still takes part in many community activities. Each year, the smelt fry is the biggest fundraising project they organize and host, though due to COVID-19, that has been on pause since 2019, but will hopefully resume next year.

Money raised by the club goes towards the Grygla Community Center, Grygla School scholarships and numerous school activities and clubs, including the local 4-H club.

Lion Fundraisers also benefit the city and some of its improvements. The Grygla Lion's Club also provides funding to LCIF, which benefits a variety of international projects that include sight, hearing, diabetes, and leader dog organizations.

In addition to benefitting our community in some of the ways mentioned, Lion members also host a Senior Night each spring for graduates and their parents. They volunteer to clean 2 miles of Adopt-A-Highway around the 6-mile corner, help at Fall Fest events, which includes serving a big Sunday morning breakfast, and members coordinate community blood drives throughout the year.

At many events in the community, it's likely you'll see a Grygla Lion there helping out and volunteering their time and effort. Being a Lion is a willingness to serve others and that's evident with our local club and the long-standing members, such as the five charter members here who were presented with their awards.

Today, the Chapter is 50 years old and thriving, thanks to members' willingness to continuously serve and lead. Membership sits at a roughly 75, making it one of the largest clubs in the state, which is impressive for such a small community.

The Grygla Lion's are always looking for new members and invite you to consider joining. Congratulations to these long-standing members. We thank them for their service to the community.

25-year celebration

An article originally published in the January 25th, 1996, issue of the Grygla Eagle recognized the quarter-century of service by the Grygla Lion's. There was an anniversary party for all Lions, spouses, and their invited guests to attend. The article read:

Do you remember when Ralph Rundell flew over the head of a donkey when Grygla Lion's played Goodridge Lions in donkey basketball?

How about the time that all the older bachelor Lions bought good homemade food and female company at a Lion's basket social?

Do you remember when the old MarBell hall was torn down and the new Grygla Community Center was started?

And the old roller-skating parties – remember them?

Where you there when Rudy Perpich spoke at the Lion's Ladies Night banquet? Remember the long dresses all the ladies wore?

Can you picture in your mind the Norwegian Snowmobile Lawrence Neuschwander created for his prize-winning entry in the Lion's Sno Fest parade?

These and many other memories will be shared when the Grygla Lion's Club celebrates a quarter-century of fellowship and service to the community.

The Lion's international motto is: "We Serve." Serve, for the Grygla Lion's, often has a double meaning. One of the ways Grygla Lion's have served the community over the past 25 years is with their frequent Sunday breakfasts at the Community Center. Because the Sunday breakfasts have been an ongoing project for the past 25 years, the 25-year anniversary Lion's pin has been designed with a lion wearing a chef's cap and apron and serving pancakes. The new pin was designed by Lion Joy Nordby.

The anniversary party will begin with a social hour from 6-7pm, followed by a banquet meal. Recognitions, memories, musical entertainment and special guests will be included in the program.

Article from February 1st, 1996 (after the banquet)

The Community Center was full to capacity for the 25th anniversary celebration of the Grygla Lion's Club. 150 people were served a banquet meal, with a program and a dance to follow. Guests from a number of nearby towns were in attendance, including Argyle, Thief River Falls, Roseau, Goodridge and Wankaska. Lion Ronald Engelstad, a 25-year charter member, served as MC for the program. Lion Ralph Rundell, also a 25-year charter member, introduced the governor and other guests, and 25-year charter member Roy Nordby gave a presentation on past history of the club.

Special guests included Lion District Governor Wayne Swanson of Crookston, who installed new members and gave a brief presentation, and Rev. Terry Cuppet, who entertained with vocal and guitar music, and also talked about the seeing eye dog program. Pastor Arlen Lloyd of Gatzke gave the invocation and benediction.

Lion President Orvis Haugen presented certificates and/or pins to the following charter members: Amos Thompson, Sheldon Peterson, Roy Nordby, Ronald Engelstad, Richard Engelstad, Billy Wikert, Basil Stavenes, Melvin Wilkens, Ray Sorenson, Wallace Sistad, Karl Sundberg, Stewart Sistad, Ralph Rundell, Palmer Lian, Harry Johaneson, Bob Prestebak, Leonard Newhouse, Palmer Holte, Sheldon Nomeland, Roland Klamar, and Bob Santl.



Bringing Back Fun in 2021

That is this year's theme of the Grygla Fall Festival, which is set for Saturday and Sunday, August 28th-29th. (You'll notice that there are no Friday events this year.) The winners of the logo contest were Jodi Schulz and Lindsay Oslund, who will receive 4 buttons as their prize. The logo will also be featured on the buttons, posters and all other items related to the upcoming Fall Fest.

Next week, a breakdown of the events will be shared. But for now, you're encouraged to spread the word and consider taking part in the following:

Parade: The Grygla Fall Festival Parade will be Saturday, August 28th, at 10:30am. There is no entry fee for floats. You are encouraged to enter your business, club or organization. Contact Helen Anderson at 218-689-4950.

Farmer's Market: There will be a Farmer's Market/Vendor Show on Saturday, August 28th, from 9am-3:30pm, set up east of the Grygla Veteran's Memorial, near the Community Garden. Looking for crafters, farmer's market, vendors and artists. Contact Rose Hanson at 218-280-5944.

Grace & Our Savior's welcomes Marilyn Grafstrom



Grace and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches welcome Vicar Marilyn Grafstrom to the Grygla Parish, where she'll be doing her internship for the next two years.

Marilyn will be in Grygla every Wednesday afternoon, starting with lunch at the Grain Bin Café. If anyone would like home visits for themselves or loved ones, please text or call 218-242-4964.

A Note from Pastoral Intern Marilyn Grafstrom

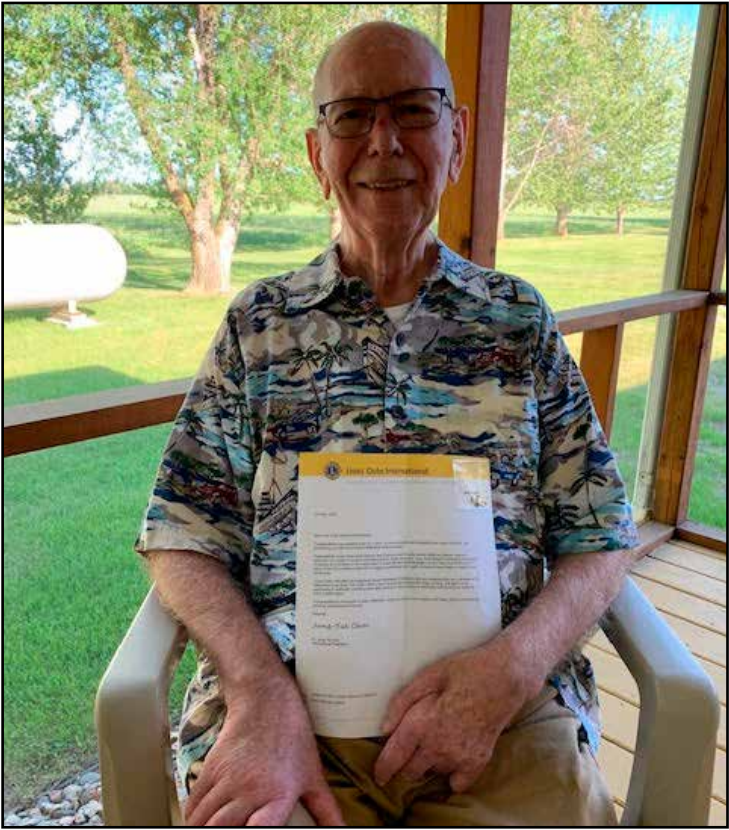
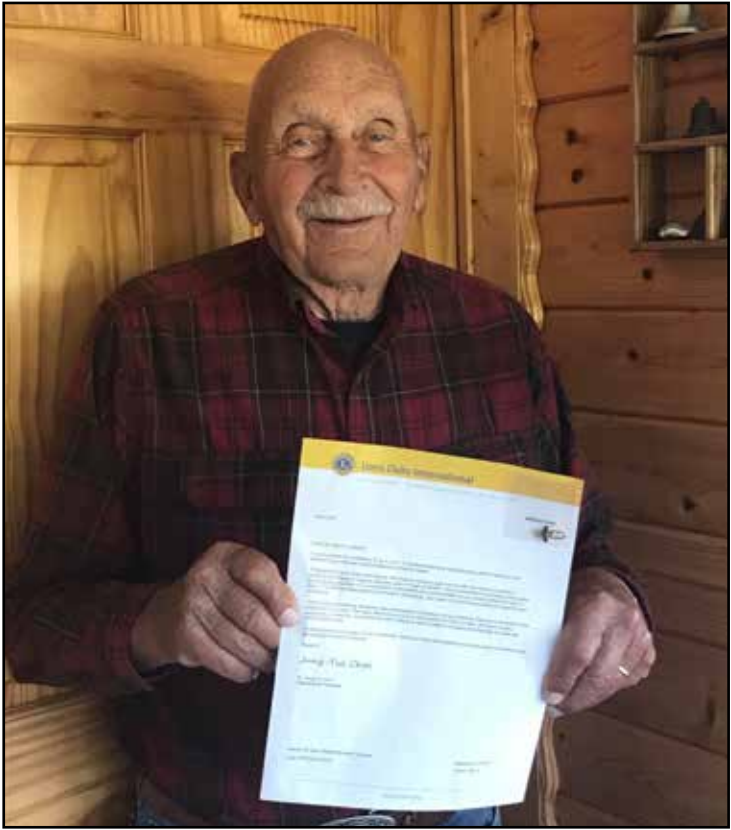
What a delight it is to introduce myself to the wonderful congregations of Grace and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches!

I am Marilyn Grafstrom, married to Peter Grafstrom. We live with our 17 year-old daughter about five miles east of Roseau, exactly 40 miles from Grygla. We also have three grown up children (Jaimie Nelson, Jody Nelson, Kane Nelson) and six grandchildren (Cooper & Emery Manka; Graykley, Eiseley, Esmae and Grey Nelson). I have been a nurse for thirty years, working in long term care, acute care, home care and hospice, quality and risk management, and at a state level, assisting hospitals with quality and safety. My last position was as Director of Nursing in the nursing home in Warroad, MN. Our home congregation is First Lutheran Church of Salol, MN.

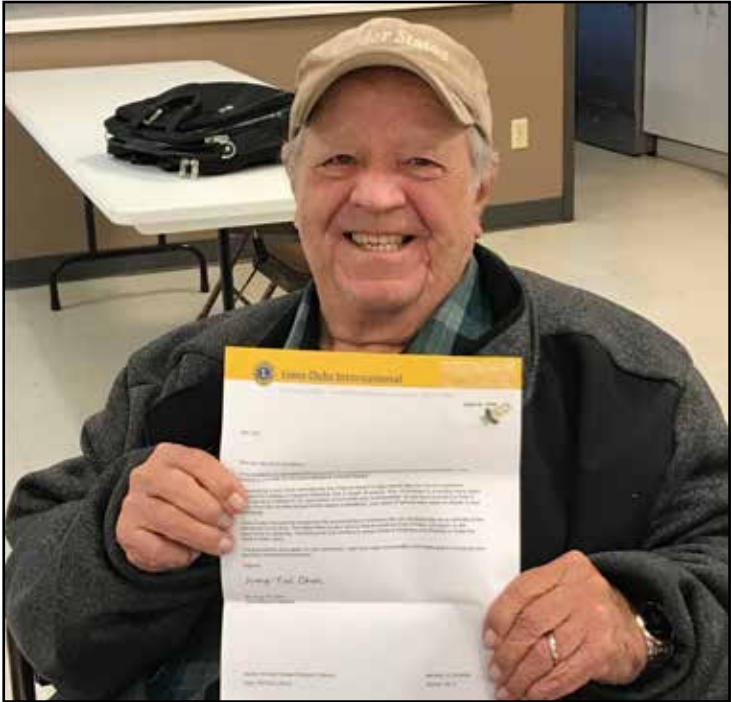
Around a year ago, in my daily Bible reading I came to Matthew 9 where Jesus looks at the crowds and had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. And he said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." I immediately thought of the many Lutheran congregations around me without ordained ministers in a time when our world is harassed and helpless due to a pandemic and division. My personal call to pastoral service landed soundly in my heart and I began to explore options for seminary.

During my exploration I learned about Luther Seminary's Master of Divinity Accelerated (MDivX) program. The program was designed to more rapidly prepare seminarians for service: the traditional four years of seminary are condensed into two constant years of theological and practical training.

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Billy Wikert (top left), Sheldon Peterson (top right), and Ralph Rundell (bottom left) are all pictured with their 50-Year Milestone Chevron Awards they were presented with recently. *Photos courtesy of Grygla Lions Club*



Grygla Lion's President Lon Englund presented Richard Engelstad (left) and Ronald Engelstad (right) with their awards as Grygla Lion's charter members. The club was started in 1971, 50 years ago!

Marshall County Sheriff's Press Release

On July 10, 2021, at 4:43 a.m., the Marshall County Sheriff's Office received a call of a possible kidnapping in progress. The caller stated that two juvenile females (ages 12 and 14) were forced into a vehicle driven by Julio Clauson. The caller and another individual were following the vehicle and giving the Marshall County Sheriff's Office information about where the vehicle was going. The caller stated Julio is trying to lose them.

Julio Clauson took the girls from the park in Stephen, Minnesota. The girls where there with a few other friends. The 3 friends left for a bit and when coming back they saw Clauson there talking with the two girls. They knew who Clauson was because of conversations on Snapchat. Clauson was using aggressive language and gestures towards them and the girls where scared and got into his vehicle. Clauson was driving recklessly around Stephen trying to lose the caller and then eventually headed south on Highway 75 towards Warren, MN. Clauson was driving at speeds excess of 100 mph. Clauson drove around Warren for awhile, then headed south on Highway 75 towards Crookston. Clauson was eventually stopped by Polk County Sheriff's Office. The girls were not in the vehicle at that time, but were found by the Marshall County Sheriff's Office walking back to Warren on Highway 75. The girls were unharmed.

Julio Clauson was taken into custody by the Polk County Sheriff's Office for warrants out of St. Louis County. There are pending charges on Julio Clauson out of Marshall County.

Become a Northwest Minnesota Arts Council Board Member

Would you like to be more involved in the arts in northwest Minnesota? Consider becoming an Arts Council Board Member! The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is looking to fill a number of open positions on our board.

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council has openings for representatives from these counties: Roseau, Kittson, Pennington, Red Lake and Norman. We are also looking for three at-large members who can be from any of our seven counties of Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau. Board members will serve for a three-year term from this fall until Fall 2024 with the option to add an additional three-year term afterwards.

As part of the Arts Council, you will become familiar with arts groups and individuals who are making the arts happen throughout our seven-county service area in northwest Minnesota. You will also have the satisfaction of knowing that you have contributed to the vitality of the arts in our part of Minnesota.

The Arts Council meets five times a year usually in Warren or virtually and reviews and approves arts grants and arts policy and arts services for seven counties in Minnesota. You must be confident on a computer and have internet access to be a board member to communicate between meetings.

For more information and to receive a nomination form for yourself or a friend, contact Mara Hanel, NWMAC, at 218-745-8886; or email her at director@nwartscouncil.org. General information on the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council, including the nomination form, can be viewed at www.NWArtsCouncil.org in the About Us section.

NWMAC Arts Grants applications have August 1 deadline

A reminder that applications are open for Arts Project Grants & Arts Legacy Grants from NWMAC's 7 county regions. Grants are awarded to nonprofit arts organizations, communities, schools, and individuals. Contact Director Mara Hanel for more details. Her info is listed above.



The Charger's JO Volleyball 14U team were named Champions of the tournament that was held in TRF on Monday, July 12th. They are coached by Karlee McMillin. Photo courtesy of Robin Johnson

Read, Write, Math students take a field trip to Roseau



Grygla's "Read, Write, Math" kids went on a field trip last week. They had a tour of Roseau County Museum, checked out books at the Roseau Library and went to the Splash Pad. Lunch was served to all the kids at the Grygla School before leaving. A total of 15 kids went, ages preschool up to 6th grade, and lots of fun was had! The Coordinator of "Read, Write, Math" is Robin Johnson. The group is pictured above on a big wooden bunk that was on a ship carrying immigrants from Europe to America. Photos courtesy of Robin Johnson



Being a big horse lover, Scarlett Sundberg enjoyed seeing this old side saddle.



Word of the Week

...enhancing vocabularies one Grygla Eagle at a time.

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Noun
A visionary or dreamer.

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tical preparation, including summers. This was attractive to me because I am not young, and because my heart longed to be fruitful as soon as possible. The idea of being able to begin interning at a congregation sooner rather than later fit well with my personal call.

I have been serving as pulpit fill since Mother's Day and will start my formal, part-time (15-20 hours/week) internship at Grace and Our Savior's the week of June 21. My internship supervisor is Pastor Mark Helgeland, a retired pastor from Thief River Falls, who I will meet with virtually or in person every week. I have not yet been

authorized as a Synodically Authorized Minister. Until my application has been approved, and I am able to meet with Pastor Helgeland for instruction in communion, I am unable to provide this sacrament.

I feel grateful and honored to have been paired with such a beautiful bunch of people. I plan to work with to prioritize and determine what works best for all of you in terms of pastoral care, assisting with youth ministry, congregation outreach, and community outreach in a part time role. I am a singer and plan to join the choir when it resumes in the fall. I have already been having a blast singing with Joy. Thank you for accepting me as your intern. God is good.

• GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian

First off, I want to give a little recognition this week to Mary Jo Olson. She so kindly purchased and donated a unique book to the Grygla Library, along with some foam Grygla Hockey Pucks. The pucks are for giveaway to anyone who'd like one, but they go hand-in-hand with the book, titled Home Ice.

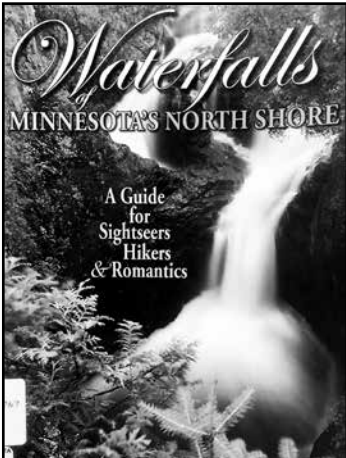
Home Ice is a coffee table book dedicated to the classic hockey rinks throughout the state of Minnesota. The rinks are presented in their purest form - empty, quiet, serene - they are brought to life through the images within the book. Matthew Jasper did beautiful work capturing rinks around the state and it includes the Brian W. Olson Memorial Arena! That's right! Grygla's very own ice made the pages and it's so cool to see. We're so happy to have a copy that will now circulate among our NWRL's, though its home library will be in Grygla.

I'll include some photos below that feature the arena, but also suggest you come check it out! I can't think of anything better to cool you down on these blistering hot days. Thanks for sharing this with us, Mary Jo!

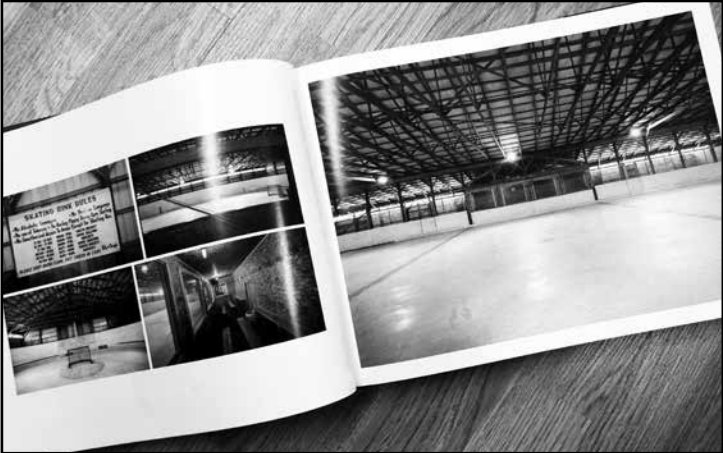
Another book to throw your way is this guide book, which I shared last year, but a couple of people asked about it so I'm sharing again.

This guide book comes in so handy for that Duluth trip you have planned. Everything you

need and want to know about hiking to all the waterfalls on the North Shore, including a detailed map, waterfall ratings, difficulty of trail & hike, and hiking time & distance. So many of us sneak away to Duluth for the weekend or a little getaway - and these little guide books come in handy for all the exploring opportunities that area provides.



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Pictured above are Justin Kiesow and Jeremy Haack on the 3D course last Sunday; both are coordinators of the Grygla Archery League. Last Sunday, they set up a 1-mile long 3D course complete with 18 targets. The event was held at the home of Justin Kiesow with a dozen archers attending. Photos courtesy Grygla Archery League

Grygla’s Archery League sets up 3D course



There was a \$10 entry fee per participant last Sunday. The fee that went towards a cash payout to the top two shooters. Placing 1st and 2nd were Darien Byklum and Trevor Kiesow; Blake Rychlock came in 3rd. The winners are pictured above in order of 1st-3rd. Pulled pork sandwiches and chips were served after the course was completed. Participants included: Justin Kiesow, Jeremy Haack, Wayne Byklum, Dacotah Byklum, Darien Byklum, Blake Rychlock, Brett Rychlock, Sheldin Sundberg, Hunter McMillin, Trevor Kiesow and Levi Kiesow.

Community Calendar

Wed | July 21
Accel Weight Room 7-9am;
FB Mini Camp in Goodridge
9-11:30am; GBB JV/V Tourney in EGF; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am;
Grygla Library open 2-6pm;
VB Open Gym in Goodridge 4pm; Roseau County Fair; Marshall County Fair begins

Thurs | July 22
Accel Weight Room 7-9am;
FB Mini Camp in Grygla 9-11:30am; Roseau County Fair; Marshall County Fair; Goodridge Sand VB League 6pm

Fri | July 23
Marshall County Fair; Roseau County Fair; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Sat | July 24
Marshall County Fair; Grygla/Gatzke Food Shelf 8-10:30am

Sun | July 25
Marshall County Fair

Mon | July 26
Accel Weight Room 7-9am; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; VB Open Gym in Grygla 4pm

Tues | July 27
Accel Weight Room 7-9am; Summer League Basketball in Grygla 6:15pm; JO VB 18's in Fergus Falls



A few action shots from last week’s Summer League Basketball in Grygla. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Dayle Larson was busy at the net during last Thursday’s Sand Volleyball League in Goodridge. On the left, he goes up for the block against his sister, Justyne. On the left, Kristine Dougherty serves up a few points for her team! Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Minnesota enters drought warning phase

With 52 percent of Minnesota now experiencing severe drought and 4 percent in extreme drought, the state has entered the drought warning phase. With this designation, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and others are taking additional steps. Current drought information, including details on areas subject to surface water use suspensions, is available on DNR’s website.

The warning phase for drought occurs when a significant portion of the state passes thresholds for severe drought conditions at major watersheds. We have reached this threshold.

Actions that are triggered in a drought warning include:

- Convening the State Drought Task Force, a panel of state, federal, regional and local experts with water-related responsibilities. The Task Force was last convened in 2012.

- Notifying water appropriators with DNR permits that they should follow water conservation measures, such as reducing landscape irrigation, using more efficient irrigation equipment, and checking for and repairing water leaks.

- Notifying public water suppliers that it is time to implement their water-use reduction actions. Residents and landowners should watch for communications from their municipal or public water supplier for details on local water use reduction actions and restrictions.

- Temporarily suspending or modifying some water appropriations in response to low stream flow conditions as necessary. As of July 15, the DNR has suspended water appropriations in 10 watersheds. Suspension of more surface water appropriations is expected, unless there is a dramatic change in the current precipitation pattern.

Under current conditions, it will take at least three to five inches of precipitation spread over a period of about two weeks to significantly alleviate the drought. Soils are more efficiently replenished by multiple rainfall events than by any single heavy rainfall event. Surface water and groundwater respond somewhat differently over time.

Drought is a naturally occurring feature of Minnesota’s climate. Some level of moderate and severe drought typically occurs in the state almost every year for at least a few weeks. Most severe drought in Minnesota is short-lived, but drought in Minnesota does occasionally enter the extreme intensity classification.

“DNR is taking the drought seriously. We have a robust plan in place, strong partnerships across the state, and continue to take actions to respond to the current situation,” said DNR Commissioner Sarah Strommen. “We understand that people are seeing the impacts of the drought in their daily lives and have concerns about water levels and availability. While occasional water level fluctuations are natural, normal and beneficial to ecosystems, they can negatively affect tourism and recreation, agriculture, businesses and other activities that are dependent on water. Times of drought remind us all about the importance of water conservation.”

Minnesotans are encouraged to learn how much water they are using compared to the average American home and identify ways to reduce water use now and in the future. More than 75 percent of Minnesotans rely on groundwater for their water supply. Reducing use today saves water for the future.

“One area in which drought can be very apparent to Minnesotans is the fluctuation of water levels in lakes, rivers and streams,” said Katie Smith, director of DNR’s Ecological and Water Resources division. “The DNR and other government agencies only manage a relatively small number of lakes and rivers with water control structures, and these operate under specific management plans. So the vast majority of Minnesota’s waters are subject to natural fluctuations.”

Lakes, streams, and rivers are dependent on the amount of precipitation an area receives, how much of that moisture is contributed by runoff, how much water is recharged or discharged through groundwater, and how much water evaporates.