

Grygla Eagle



Today	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
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In this issue ... Charger's Football loses in triple OT!



Members of the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club met with members of the Beltrami County District 4 Con Con Citizen Committee last Monday evening on the new fishing pier out at the pit. L-R: Jack Nelson, Robert & Kari Sundberg, Ray Benson, Jean Foss, Denise & Blair Holthusen and Ray Hendrickson. *Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*

Fishing pier installed at the gravel pit

You've noticed different updates and photos shared throughout the summer from the gravel pit in rural Grygla. Along with a big sandy beach development, courtesy of Holthusen Construction, there have been other improvements including a firepit, a swimming raft, signage to promote keeping the area clean, and now a fishing pier.

Last spring, the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club voted to move forward with the installation of a fishing pier, offering a safer fishing option for individuals, kids and families.

Through the Beltrami County PILT funds, a grant for \$18,000 was awarded. The club contracted with MN Boardwalks, LLC, out

of Glencoe, MN, to install the pier, which was done a couple of weeks ago. The structure is a floating structure that will remain in the water year-round with no maintenance necessary.

The final price of the project was \$18,975. As mentioned, 18k was awarded through Beltrami County PILT funds; the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club contributed the remaining \$975.

Writing the grant for the club was Kari Sundberg. Voting in favor of the 2021 PILT funding was Beltrami County Commissioner Tim Sumner, along with District 4 Con Con Citizen Committee Members Jean Foss, Ray Hendrickson, Ray Benson and Wally Byklum.



Jack Nelson (President of the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club), Ray Benson (Con Con Citizen Committee Member) and Robert Sundberg (Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club Board Member) enjoyed some laughs out on the new fishing pier at the pit east of Grygla. *Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*



The fishing pier was designed and built by MN Boardwalks, LLC, out of Glencoe. *Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper*

Benefit for the Wichtermans



Wichtermans family. Jennifer (Saurdiff) is a 1996 graduate of Grygla High School. Ryan and Jennifer's son, Dylan, was recently diagnosed with brain cancer. He is currently receiving chemotherapy treatments in Rochester, to which the family will be traveling back and forth from.

Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated. Free will donations will also be accepted. A separate benefit will be held for Dylan on Sunday, September 19th, from 1-4pm at the Plummer City Hall.

100% of Thursday's VB and Friday's FB proceeds from the pulled pork supper will be donated to the Ryan and Jennifer

Charger's Homecoming coming up next week

Charger's Homecoming is already next week! Coronation for Grygla High School will be next Monday, September 13th, at 2:30pm. Goodridge High School will hold their Coronation on Monday, September 13th, at 2:45pm.

Due to school just starting, not all candidates have been announced as of press time. However, for Grygla, Queen candidates are Katelyn Larson, Riley Saurdiff and Brigette

Watne. King candidates are Nolan Anderson, Tucker Verbout and Andrew Loken. 1st grade attendants are Myla Holthusen and Noah Severts.

The Homecoming volleyball game will take place on Tuesday, September 14th, vs. Clearbrook/Gonvick in Goodridge. The Charger's Homecoming Football game will take place on Friday, September 17th, on the home field in Goodridge vs. Win-E-Mac.

Youth Firearm Safety course

The Youth Firearm Safety course will be held Saturday, September 18th, at Grande Corner. The all-day range course begins at 9am where students will walk through different scenarios with firearm safety instructors.

Before stepping on the range, students must complete the online portion of the course, which can take up to 15 hours, so prepare accordingly. To get started with the program, students can visit www.hunter-course.com; choose your state, enter your DOB and it's self-explanatory from there. There is also a link on the MN DNR

website. Students are asked to bring their online course completion certificate with them the day of the range course at Grande Corner.

For any questions, call Donald Haack (294-6325).

Students must be at least 11 years old to participate.

Fall Club Picnic

The Club Picnic this fall will be held after the Gun Training on September 18th. The Club provides the meat; you're encouraged to bring a side dish to share. If you are interested in joining the local sportsman's club, membership dues are \$25/single and \$35/family.



Keep in mind the online coursework needs to be completed ahead of time and can take up to 15 hours so prepare accordingly.



• CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Vicar Marilyn Grafstrom
Recorded services are available on-demand on the church website and will play on Garden Valley channel 36 on Wednesdays 7pm and Sundays 9am & 7pm. gracelutherangrygla.weebly.com
Wednesday, Sept. 8
Grace Council 8pm
Saturday, Sept. 11
9am-12pm NWMN Synod
WELCA Conf. 2 Fall Gathering at Grace
Sunday, Sept. 12
Grace: 9am Worship
OS: 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith Pastor Kristin Dahlen Ostercamp
Sunday services are posted online on the Parish YouTube channel. They are rebroadcast on the GVTV Channel 36 on Wednesdays at 9am and 6:30pm.
Wednesday, Sept. 8
Grade 9 Confirmation at Faith 7pm
Sunday, Sept. 12
RALLY SUNDAY
Ekelund: 8am Worship, 9am SS
Faith: 9:30am Worship, 10:30am SS, 4pm Council
Bethany: 10am SS, 11am Worship, 12pm Council

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge Fr. Adam Hamness

Sundays:
St. Clement's: 10:15am Worship.
St. Ann's: 12pm Worship
BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sundays
9:30am Worship, 11am Face-book Live Broadcast
UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH Gatzke
Pastor Tim Lundeen
Sundays
8:30am Worship
CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wednesday, Sept. 8
Wednesday School 5-7pm; LYS 7-8pm
Saturdays
9am Worship at Mt. Olive
Sunday, Sept. 12
St. Petri: 8am Worship, 9:15am SS
Nazareth: 8:30am SS, 9:45am Worship w/ meal to follow.
Oak Park: 9:45am SS, 11am Worship w/ meal to follow.

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Northern Lights fishing report



Written by Ben Kucera
I have been losing my mind the past week. I forgot last week's report and almost forgot this weeks! As I write this, I'm sitting hunting teal for the first ever MN early teal hunt. Last week, the geese gave me the slip and were jumping in and out of fields, only going out at night. Finally, by Wednesday, I had a plan figured out. I put 400 geese to bed in the field and we set up on them. Only 80 birds even came out that morning to play and they acted like geese that have been shot at for the last 3 weeks. We downed 4 Saturday morning and gave up. Thinking the evening could be better, we sat out there and saw 1 flock and shot a lone goose. Pretty disappointing. Sunday I wasn't so eager. We were hunting the same birds again but in a mid-morning rest area, a loaf. We had a few geese in but, again, not the

numbers and wound up with 3. My luck being what it is, the 3rd goose got up and flew away. Defeated in the field, I looked to hunt the water for Labor Day and had a lot more shooting. 8 teal and 5 geese. The grind will continue till freeze up. So enough on goose hunting, Lake of the Woods is still all over the place and not much to report on. They are starting to go shallow. A harness and a crawler seem to be the best, along with cranks. Soon the jig bite will start back up in the shallows. Good luck and stay 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.*

Community Calendar
Wed | Sept 8
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; VB practice in Grygla
Thurs | Sept 9
VB vs. LOW in Grygla; FB practice in Grygla
Fri | Sept 10
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Varsity FB game vs. BGMR in Grygla at 3:30pm (no JH practice); VB practice in Goodridge
Sat | Sept 11
C VB at Hallock; JV VB at Sacred Heart; ELCA Fall Gathering at Grace Lutheran Church 9am
Sun | Sept 12
Grygla Fall Festival
Mon | Sept 13
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Homecoming Coronation 2:30pm; Goodridge Homecoming Coronation 2:45pm; VB vs. BGMR in Greenbush; JH FB at BGMR; Grygla City Council meeting 7pm
Tues | Sept 14
VB vs. C/G in Goodridge; FB practice in Goodridge

Bridal Shower
Miss to Mrs.
Join us to shower our Bride-to-be
Erin Monson
On Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 1:00 pm
Grace Lutheran Church
114 South Main Avenue
Grygla, Minnesota
Erin is registered at Diamonds & Designs, Target & Amazon
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HELP NEEDED
Grygla-Gatzke Public School is looking for people willing to be **Substitute Teachers, Paraprofessionals, AND Bus Drivers**. All you need for being a substitute teacher is a bachelor's degree. All you need for being a substitute paraprofessional is a desire to help great kids! We will help obtain AND PAY FOR any required licenses! If interested, give Derek Gieseke a call at the school 218-294-6155.
G23-25C

Monson among graduates from Bemidji State
Erin Monson graduated with a bachelor of science in nursing from Bemidji State University in Bemidji, Minn., during the 20-21 school year.

FOURTOWN FALL CLEANUP EVENT
Saturday, September 11, 2021
10 AM to 1 PM
(or until all containers are filled up)
Location:
Fourtown Rural Site
68030 HWY 89 NW
Residents are expected to assist in unloading their items
FREE:
Household Waste, Car Tires, E-Waste (Radios, Computers, Etc.), Appliances, Fluorescent Bulbs, Household Hazardous Waste, Batteries, Scrap Metal
Limit to 12 tires per household and 8 oil filters - anything more can be brought to either the Bemidji or Blackduck Transfer Station
NOT FREE:
Demolition Debris (\$14 Per Yard)
By-Pass Material: Furniture, Treated Wood, Large Items (\$20 per Yard)
Large tires (truck and/or tractor) will cost:
• Semi Truck Tires: \$14 EA
• Tractor Tires: Fees Apply, depends on size
Beltrami County Residents "Only."
You must bring a copy of your property tax form in order to use this service.

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Art Exhibit winners announced

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is excited to announce the Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibit Winners. Student and adult artists residing in a seven-county region including Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Polk, Pennington, Roseau and Red Lake recently entered into the Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibit and competed for \$2,300.00 in cash awards. The winners were recognized at the Northwest Minnesota Artist Reception in Warroad on August 26.

“Covid Gothic” by Kansas Jensen won 1st place in the student category.

Exhibit cash award winners were chosen while the exhibit was on display at the Discovery Development Hub, 201 Lake Street NE, Warroad from August 13 to 26 by qualified juror and Region 2 Arts Council Grants Manager Holly Alcott. “I humbly thank you for

the opportunity to experience all these beautiful works of art. What an amazing amount of talent in one room, both by adults and students. I was completely blown away by some of the works that obviously came from and spoke to our shared struggles against the COVID pandemic this last year. To all of you, those who received awards and those who did not, know that the decisions were very difficult because the art works in this exhibit were of great originality and quality. You should all be proud of your work – well done!” Alcott said.

“Daddy and Son” by Debbie Aune won 1st place in the Adult Category.

Exhibit Awards include:
Adult Winners
1st Place \$500 Debbie Aune of Gatzke in oil painting “Daddy and Son”
2nd Place \$300 Heather Sabian of Crookston for sculpture

“Skin Hunger”
3rd Place \$200 Dennis Kinkead of Hallock in sculpture “Alarmed Dragon”
Merit \$100 Nick Reitzel of Karlstad in oil painting “Track of the Wolf Pack”
Merit \$100 Richard Jensen of Crookston in sculpture “Crow Mother”
Merit \$100 Summit Kuehn of Roseau in painting “Princessa Eagle”
Merit \$100 Nancy Vraa of Red Lake Falls in folk/traditional fine craft “Home Spun Origin”
Merit \$100 Glen Heppner of Warroad in oil painting “Jordan”
People’s Choice \$100 of Irene Bertils of Crookston
Student Winners
1st Place \$300 Kansas Jensen of Goodridge in acrylic painting “Covid Gothic”
2nd Place \$150 Aubree Bonham of Fertile in mixed media

“No Evil”
3rd Place \$100 Alexis Jalbert of Ada for sculpture “Sushi”
Merit \$50 Brennon Collins of Greenbush for hand-colored intaglio print “Lake Lounging”
Merit \$50 Eskyla Manriquez of Ada in sculpture “Air Jordan 1 Chicago Black Toe”
Merit \$50 Macrina Herbel of Fertile for drawing “Vignette”
Merit \$50 Donavin Hagen of Goodridge for printmaking “Bandit”
Merit \$50 Riley Saurdiff of Grygla for drawing “Pencil Pachyderm”
People’s Choice \$50 Kansas Jensen and Aubree Bonham
Fifteen exhibit pieces of student and adult art were chosen to be included in the Traveling Art Exhibit, which will travel this next year to area libraries. Watch for the schedule to be announced and for it to arrive in your community.



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“Daddy and Son” by Debbie Aune won 1st place in the Adult Category.

Rain allows for easing of some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota

With cautious optimism, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is adjusting some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota due to improved field conditions. While a large portion of the state remains in drought conditions, recent rain events have decreased, though not eliminated, wildfire risk in northern and central Minnesota

Beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3, this new direction replaces this season’s previous DNR restrictions on burning, dispersed and backcountry camping, and mechanized activities with new burning restrictions that are more limited in both scope and geographic extent.

The new Class III restrictions affect the eastern portion of Roseau County and all of Beltrami, Becker, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Ottertail, St. Louis, and Wadena counties. These restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Under these restrictions:

- No campfires are allowed for dispersed, remote, or backcountry camping on all state, county, or private lands. Camping stoves are permitted.
- Attended campfires in established fire rings associated with a home, cabin, campground, or resort are allowed.
- No fireworks may be ignited on any public or private land outside city limits. People should check with their local community for any additional restrictions.
- Open burning permits are restricted.
- Areas of Closure for state lands on the Gunflint Trail and around the Greenwood Fire remain in place and are not affected by the updated burning restrictions.

State-mandated burning restrictions are being lifted in all or part of 19 counties, and restrictions are being reduced in all or part of 16 additional counties. These changes reflect reduced wildfire risks overall, while also recognizing that wildfire danger remains high in much of north and central Minnesota. Continued vigilance is needed to protect the life and property of Minnesotans.

According to DNR acting Wildfire Prevention Supervisor, Allissa Reynolds, the rain, cooler temps and higher humidity have helped reduce wildfire risk. However, Reynolds cautions, “While it is prudent to make these changes now, we are not fully out of danger. It’s important for people to continue to follow the restrictions that remain in place, and to understand that we will expand restrictions again if conditions indicate this is necessary.”

Forrest Boe, Director of DNR’s Forestry Division, thanks Minnesotans for their continued vigilance, noting “DNR deeply appreciates all of the support from Minnesotans over this long and difficult wildfire season. Everyone’s efforts to follow wildfire-related restrictions and stay safe have made a difference! We all need to remain wildfire-aware and safety-focused into the fall.”

The updated state restrictions were developed in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service and are consistent with restrictions for the Superior National Forest, including the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. As noted above, the DNR’s restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Tribal governments may have their own restrictions in place.

The DNR wildland fire information webpage includes information on all restrictions and a list of affected state forests and parks.

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

Moratorium

\\Mawr-uh-tawr-ee-uhm\\

Noun

A suspension of activity.

Women of the ELCA to gather

The Conference Two Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering will be held Saturday September 11th, 2021, at the Grace Lutheran Church, Grygla, Minnesota. Everyone is welcome. Registration will be held from 8:30-9am with morning coffee. The program begins at 9am. The cost is \$10 per person, which includes morning coffee and noon lunch. A morning

fellowship and inspiration has been planned with Connie Moe from Grygla, a retired teacher, and her husband, Tony. The couple adopted two Korean children as infants. When they were older, the family took a trip to Korea so they could learn about their heritage. Special music will also be provided at the ELCA Fall Gathering.

Sign up for fall color alerts

Labor Day may mark the end of summer, but the Great Minnesota Outdoor Adventure continues year-round! Next up: FALL COLORS. The bright

gold and red of the changing leaves are a must-see event. Sign up for fall color alerts via email or text: mndnr.gov/fall-colors

Special reduction in property taxes

There is a special property tax homestead for property owners who are blind or disabled. This classification provides a reduced class rate for homestead property of any person who qualifies as blind or as permanently and totally disabled.

To apply for class 1b blind/disabled homestead, you must complete the appropriate ap-

plication with your county assessor by October 1 for taxes payable the following year. Your disability or blindness must have occurred on or before June 30 of the year you are filing for the special homestead classification. You must attach the appropriate documentation proving that you are blind/ disabled.

• GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian

This week I have a book suggestion for those interested. It’s called We Are the Brennans by Tracey Lange. This is a book I haven’t read yet, but it’s been near the top of my list since it came out last month. I know there are a few holds on it, but if you’re interested in reading it, let me know and I’ll add you to the hold list!

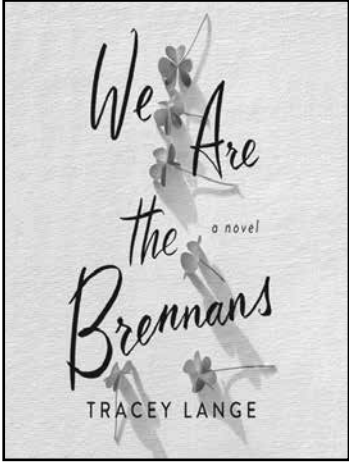
Summary:

- Some secrets you keep FROM your family.
- Some secrets you keep FOR your family.

When twenty-nine-year-old Sunday Brennan wakes up in a Los Angeles hospital, bruised and battered after a drunk driving accident she caused, she swallows her pride and goes home to her family in New York. But it’s not easy. She deserted them all—and her high school sweetheart—five years before with little explanation, and they’ve got questions.

Sunday is determined to rebuild her life back on the east coast, even if it does mean tiptoeing around resentful brothers and an ex-fiancé. The lon-

ger she stays, however, the more she realizes they need her just as much as she needs them. When a dangerous man from her past brings her family’s pub business to the brink of financial ruin, the only way to protect them is to upend all their secrets—secrets that have damaged the family for generations and will threaten everything they know about their lives. In the aftermath, the Brennan family is forced to confront painful mistakes—and ultimately find a way forward, together.



• SIMPLY DELICIOUS

Written and made by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

I love a good cheesy hash-brown casserole, but the recipe I’ve been using for years is my all-time favorite. These potatoes were on the menu for last week’s group of bear hunters and they were a hit with a few asking for the recipe. So I figured I’d just share it here and let you all in on the secret.

- 1 bag 32 ounce shredded hashbrowns, thawed
- 1 stick of butter, melted
- 1 can of cheddar cheese soup
- 1 bag of shredded marble jack cheese (2 cups)
- 1 16 oz. sour cream
- Sour cream and onion chips

Put your thawed hash-browns in a big mixing bowl. Add one stick of melted butter, one can of cheddar cheese soup, shredded cheese and your sour

cream. Mix that all together, spread in a greased 9x13 pan. Bake at 350 for about one hour. Take out and sprinkle crushed sour cream and onion potato chips on top. Serve.



Assistance for Vets

The Department of Veterans Affairs is offering a new COVID-19 Refund Modification option to assist Veterans who require a significant reduction in their monthly mortgage payments because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In some cases, Veterans can receive a 20% payment reduction — in others, the reduction can be even larger.

This new option is part of the Biden-Harris administration’s expanded, government-wide effort to help homeowners retain their homes as they weather the economic challenges resulting from the ongoing pandemic.

Under the COVID-19 Refund Modification, VA can purchase a Veteran’s past due payments and amounts of unpaid principal, depending on how much assistance is necessary, subject to certain limits. Loan servicers also modify the loan. These efforts help ensure that the Veteran can afford future mortgage payments.

“The COVID-19 Refund Modification provides Veterans a lasting and affordable solution to keeping their homes and avoiding foreclosure,” said VA Secretary Denis McDonough. “As our country recovers and rebuilds from the economic devastation brought on by the pandemic, VA and the Biden-Harris administration continue to make every effort to help Veterans keep a roof over their head as they get back on their feet.”

Like with VA’s COVID-19 partial claim option, the Veteran’s deferred indebtedness from a COVID-19 Refund Modification will be established as a junior lien. The junior lien will not accrue interest; will not require monthly payments; and will only become due when the property is sold, the guaranteed loan is paid off, or the guaranteed loan is refinanced.

Veterans can get a COVID-related forbearance through Sept. 30, 2021. For more information, call 877-827-3702.



The Grygla School shared this staff throwback photo from around possibly 1973. With the help of many community members, all were able to be identified.

Front row, L-R: Ivy Olson, Helen Knutson, Delores Saul, Bernice Jelle, Clara Boysum, Luella Solberg, Doris Simmons, Janet Lian, Harriet Nelson, Marie Knickson, Adeline Lusignan.

Back row, L-R: Mary Sletten, Mable Sundberg, Katherine Svenpladsen, Evelyn McDonagh, Wayne Paulson, Adelaide Lillevold, Thea Anderson, Marge Thompson.



FLASHBACK

This year’s GHS Senior Class of 2022 at their Head Start graduation.

Front row, L-R: Brigitte Watne, Clayton Suchoski, Andrew Loken, Riley Saurdiff, Hannah Wilebski and Justin Thompson. Back row, L-R: Wyatt Saurdiff, Malachi White, Tucker Verbout, Nolan Anderson, Avery Moe and Walter Jones.

Photos courtesy of Grygla School



The Grygla High School Class of 1991 celebrated their 30th class reunion right before Fall Fest. With only a few in attendance, the group toured the school then enjoyed time out at the Berstein/Rindahl hunting shack. Back row, L-R: Juanita (Hagen) Watne, Krista (Rindahl) Bernstein, Letty (Sistad) Peterson. Front, L-R: Shannon Nelson, Jeremy Nordby, Ryan Mosher, Chris Aune. *Photo courtesy of Krista Bernstein*



Callie Loken shot this bear last Saturday, September 4th. She was hunting with her dad by Wannaska. With 4 being her lucky number, Callie carried 4 shells on her for luck and ended up getting her bear on the 4th! *Photo courtesy of Megan Billberg*

Grygla School asks property owners to approve bond issue to replace 50 year old boiler system

(This is the second in a series of articles written by Superintendent Jamie Lunsetter providing information on the upcoming November election.)

In my last article I mainly discussed the renewal and increase of the school district's operating referendum. In addition to the operating referendum, we are also asking our taxpayers to approve a \$1.995 million bond to replace our deteriorating boiler system. Our current boiler system was installed in the early 1970's with the addition of the high school. It is nearing 50 years old, and we have seen an increased need for repairs of the boiler itself, along with the rusting piping throughout the school.

A bond issue is different from an operating referendum in that an operating referendum is used to fund the daily operations of a school. This includes, but is not limited to energy costs, personnel costs, transportation and supplies. A bond issue is used for a specific purpose, generally capital projects such as building additions, or in our case, a new boiler system. The bonds are sold to investors, and the issuing company (our school district) pays them back over the next 20 years, with the dollars collected from taxpayers. Another key difference between operating referendums and bond issues is that in an operating referen-

dum, no agricultural or seasonal recreation land is taxed. In a bond, agricultural and seasonal recreation land are included in the tax base. However, ag land taxes are reduced by a state school bond tax credit that will reduce taxes by 60% in 2022 and 70% in 2023 and later on those properties. As a result, the State of Minnesota will pay 53% of the \$1.995 million bill for the replacement of the boiler system, reducing the tax burden on our district's taxpayers.

The school district's request is a necessary one. Our current boiler system will not be able to function for much longer. Our school cannot operate without a functioning boiler. In addition, a new boiler system would also improve air quality and efficiency throughout the school. The actual tax burden will be approximately \$50 per year on a house valued at \$100,000 and \$0.21 per acre on agricultural land valued at \$1500 per acre.

We are asking that our voters allow the school district to issue bonds for the replacement of our boiler system. We will be having a community meeting to discuss this in the school gymnasium on September 28th at 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions, I encourage you to contact any of our school board members, or me at the school, or call 218-294-6155. Go Chargers!

Charger's volleyball takes the court



Chesney Salo sets to Jennah Henrickson in the JV game against WAO last week. On the right, she puts up a serve during the Varsity game that followed. *Photos courtesy of Berny Vraa*

Charger's volleyball kicked off last week with two home games in Goodridge. Monday, August 30th, the Chargers hosted WAO, getting the win!

GG 3, WAO 1
(28-26, 25-16, 26-28, 25-23)
GG Varsity Stats
Caitlyn Jacobson: ace-2, digs-18, kills-24, blocks-2; Kylie Delage: digs-4, kills 10; Chesney Salo: digs-5, assists-54; Kjerstin Nelson: ace-2, digs-10, kills-7
WAO Stats
Gracie Anderson: kills-13, dig-20; Lily Bayne: kills-10, digs-42, ace-2; Elise Oberg: assists-18

It was back to the Goodridge School again Tuesday, August 31st, for another home game vs. RLF. Chargers came out ahead again!

GG 3, RLF 1
(18-25, 25-20, 25-22, 25-22)
GG Varsity Stats
Caitlyn Jacobson: ace-3,



digs-26, kills-13, blocks-4; Sadie Anderson: kills-10, blocks-3; Chesney Salo: assists- 45

This week's volleyball schedule is as follows: Tuesday, September 8th, vs. Warroad in Grygla; Thursday, September 9th, at Roseau; Saturday, September 11th, C VB at Hallock and JH at Sacred Heart.

Chargers football loses in triple OT



In the season opener last Thursday night in Clearbrook, the GG Chargers lost to the Bears in triple overtime, 20-26. *Photos courtesy of Karlee McMillin*

It was the season opener last Thursday night in Clearbrook. The GG Chargers lost in triple overtime against the Bears 20-26. Head Coach Wilebski shared, "The Goodridge-Grygla football team charged back after falling behind 14 to 6 to a very stellar Bears defense. Chargers tied the game on a Matt Busse touchdown in the final minute. Followed by an Andrew Loken 2 pt conversion to send the rain-soaked battle into overtime.

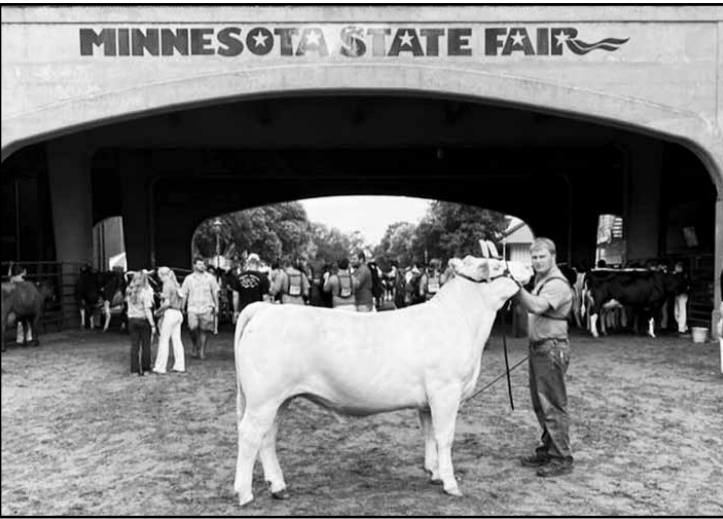
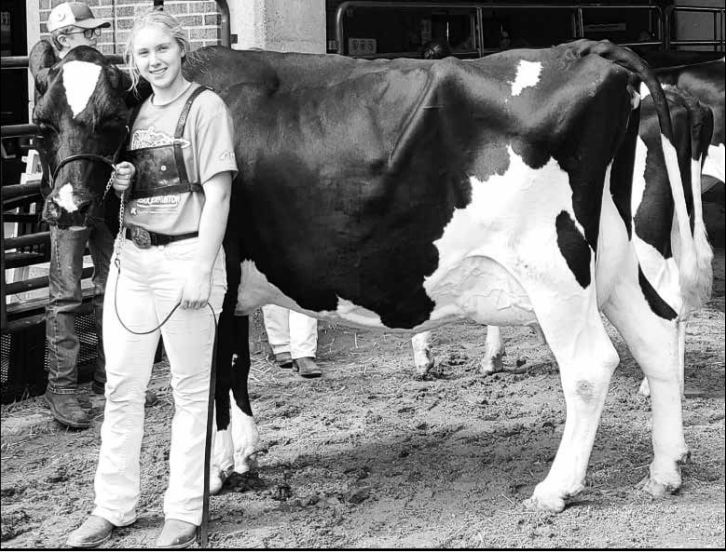
With the game even after the first OT, the Chargers (then on the defensive side of the ball) set themselves up for victory, shutting out the Bears in the second stanza. But then came two unforced fumbles, not allowing the Chargers to finish off the Bears. We gave the hosts the momentum in the 3rd over time to score and put the Chargers away, but I was very proud of how our boys battled back after playing an inconsistent game in the first 3 quarters. A lot of tough losses as a coach or team you leave it on the

field and feel good win or lose. This was a game that we had in hand and just did not finish. I hope our young men on the Charger football team realize when the opportunity arises you need to put good teams away or they will seize the moment.

The positive of all this is that it is game one of the season. Hopefully we learn from this as the Chargers get a rematch from last year's season this Friday afternoon in Grygla vs. the high-powered offense of the BGMR Gators.

GG Stats
Andrew Loken 89 yds, 2 TD; Lewis Jones 68 yds; Matt Busse 48 yds rushing, 47 receiving, 1 TD
Passing: Blake Rychlock 6/9 71 yds, 1 TD
Defense: Loken 8 tackles, Elliot Phillip 7.5 tackles; Reece Sundberg 6.5 tackles; Blake Rychlock 4.5 tackles, 1 fumble recovery; Tre Alten - 4 tackles, 1 sack; Kaylor Torgerson - Interception

Local 4H members go to State Fair



Grygla/Gatzke Go Getters Walter Jones and Katelyn Larson were among the Roseau County Livestock youth that participated in the MN State Fair August 25-29. Walter earned a red ribbon in the Beef Show and Katelyn earned a red ribbon in the Dairy Show. Katelyn was the only Roseau County Dairy exhibitor this year and she was able to earn Roseau County 2nd place in Dairy herdsmanship out of all other MN Dairy counties. *Photos courtesy of Lori Jones*