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DNR discusses Elk Management Plan in Grygla



Community members listen intently as DNR reps get questioned about the inaccuracy in numbers when it comes to the local elk count.

DNR officials met with the public in Grygla last week to discuss the Strategic Management Plan for the local elk herd. The current plan will soon be expiring, with the new plan going into effect for 2016-2020; the final draft of the plan will not be approved until March of 2016.

DNR reps from around the state were present for the meeting, including John Williams, Regional Wildlife Manager, based out of Bemidji. Williams took to the floor first, giving a brief overview of the history of the wild elk in Northwest MN, which includes three unique herds: Lancaster area, Kittson/Roseau counties, and Grygla, which is the oldest herd. In 1935, 27 elk were released near Grygla. In the 1980's, a second herd migrated into Kittson/Roseau counties, presumably from Canada and/or the Grygla population.

Elk Management plans have been put into place to manage the population of the herds and also compensation to farmers who have experienced crop damage. Support for an increase in Minnesota's elk population appears to be growing among the state's citizens, however, local agricultural producers have limited to no tolerance for elk damage to crops, fences and stored feed. The elk population in the state will be determined by successful partnerships among producers, landowners, elk enthusiasts and the MN DNR.

During the 2015 survey, the Grygla herd was estimated at 18 elk. Area residents, who attended the meeting last week, questioned DNR officials about the accuracy of the survey counts. Doug Franke, DNR Wildlife Manager, responded



John Williams, Regional Wildlife Manager, based out of Bemidji, presented at the public meeting last week.

that the elk move around. The crew picks a 200 sq ft area to survey and conducts the count over a 3 day period. They try to

be as accurate as they can, relying on info from various landowners, but there can always be a few more that weren't picked up. Surveys are done annually and DNR officials would like to advertise more before counts are done so the public can help determine the herds location.

Moving forward with the new plans, a draft strategic vision says that the MNDNR will maintain a free-ranging wild elk population. The long-term vision is to enhance the size and range extent of Minnesota's elk population and provide increased recreational opportunities, while maintaining positive coexistence with private landowners.

DNR officials explained that wildlife food plots have been a significant component of management in the elk range. Food plots have been established to encourage elk to remain on public or private lands and away from productive agriculture.

Due to low population numbers in the Grygla herd, a hunting season hasn't happened in 3 years, which will continue to be the case. DNR reps said ideally they'd like the herd to be around 30-38; the producer side of that equation said that goal will not be changing in the next 5 years.

This article will be continued in next week's paper, which will include the 2016-2020 plan goals and objectives.



Chey Mickelson, Ava Sorvig & LaKylie Brobst in the Grygla Elementary program "Ring, Ring the Bells" that was held last Friday afternoon. The gym was full for the K-5 Christmas program directed by Mr. Gene Lunsetter.



Grygla/Gatzke Lion's hold Christmas Eve Dinner

The Grygla/Gatzke Lion's Club will hold their annual Christmas Eve Dinner this Thursday, December 24th from 12pm-2pm. The menu includes mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, turkey, beans, cranberries,

dinner roll and lefse. The meal will start at noon at the Grygla Community Center and is a free will donation.

The Lion's Club will deliver meals to Grygla/Gatzke/Goodridge addresses, as well.

Please contact Wayne Warne at 701-317-0341 to schedule a delivery, or call the Grygla Community Center the morning of at 218-294-6200.

Public notification requirements for feedlots

Submitted by Brett Brandon, Marshall County (West) Veteran Service Officer and County Feedlot Officer

A feedlot owner must provide notification to the public

whenever construction or expansion of an animal feedlot or manure storage area with a capacity of 500 or more animal units (AU) is proposed. This is commonly referred to as the

"good neighbor notice." Public notification is also required as part of the permit process for

Feedlots...
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CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Wednesday, Dec 23:
6pm Choir, No Confirmation
Thursday, Dec 24:
5pm Candlelight Service at Grace
Friday, Dec. 25:
9am Service at Our Savior's
Sunday:
Grace: 10:30am Worship
Our Savior's: 9am Worship

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
United – Gatzke; Our Savior's – Thief Lake
Pastor Craig Bowyer
Sunday:
United: 11am Worship, 10:15am SS
Our Savior's: 9am Worship, 10am SS.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith
Pastor Robert W. Dahlen
Thursday, Dec. 24:
5pm Bethany Worship, 11pm Ekelund Worship
Friday, Dec. 25:
Faith Worship 10am
Sunday:
No SS, Joint Services at Ekelund 10:30am with meal to follow

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's – Grygla; St. Ann's – Goodridge
Fr. Adam Hamness
Thursday, Dec. 24:
7:30pm Worship at St. Clement's
Friday, Dec. 25:
8am Worship St. Ann's
Sunday:
St. Clement's: 11:45am Worship
St. Ann's: 10am Worship.

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BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Pastor Steve Bliss
Thursday, Dec. 24
9pm Services
Sunday:
9:30am Worship, No SS

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Christian & Missionary Alliance of Grygla
Pastor TBA
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 Jeff Merseeth
Wednesday, Dec 23:
Nazareth Christmas Program 6pm
Thursday, Dec. 24:
Mt. Olive 9am, Nazareth 7pm
Friday, Dec. 25:
St. Petri 8am, Oak Park 9:30am
Saturday:
Mt. Olive 9am, No SS
Sunday:
St. Petri: 8am Worship
Nazareth: 9:45am Worship
Oak Park: 11am Worship

LIBERTY CHAPEL
Grygla
Fellowship of Christian Assemblies
Sunday:
9:30am Worship.

Community Education

Class: Beginner Quilting
Teachers: Lynette Jelle & Bim Smeby
Class date: January 27
Class time: 5:30-8:30pm
Cost: \$10.00 plus cost of materials

This class will cover quilting basics like rotary cutting, ironing and piecing. Sewing machines, rotary cutters and mats will be available or you can bring your own.

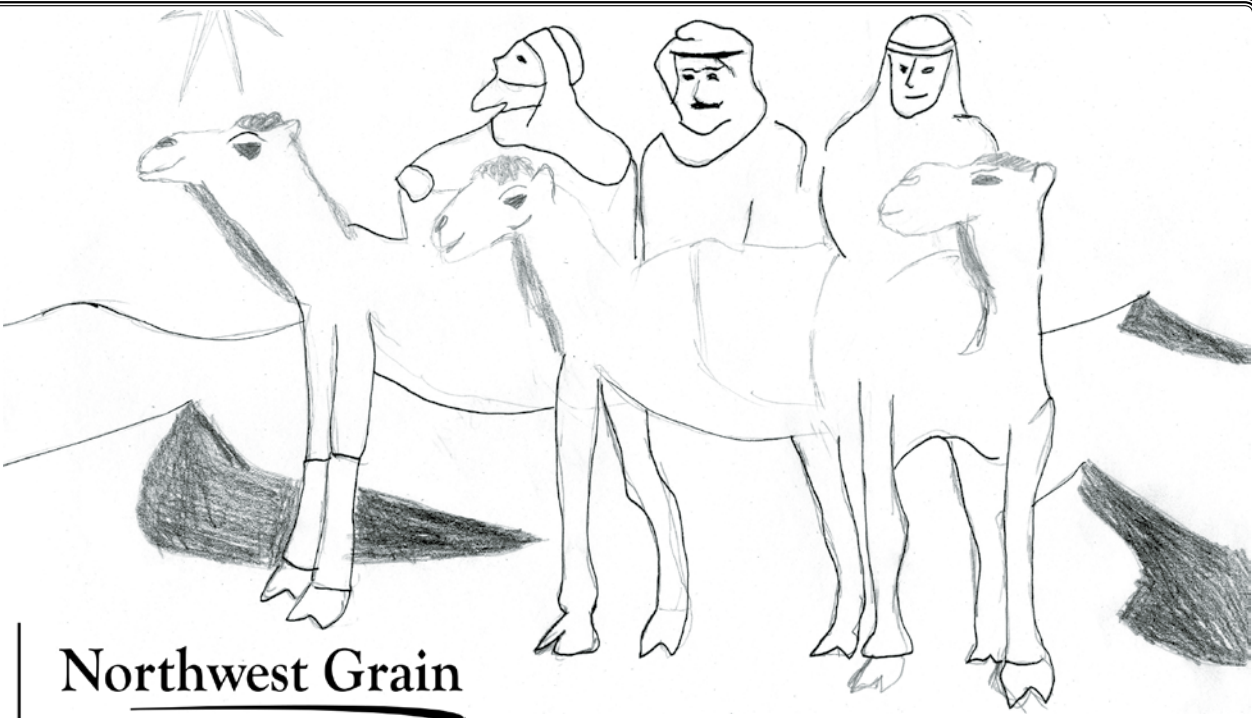
The class will be in the Grygla School FACS room. Registration is due by January 20th. Forms are available at various businesses around town and can be dropped off at the school. You can also register with Amy Holte at 218-294-6155 or online at www.grygla.k12.mn.us under the Community Ed tab. Fees may be paid at the class.

Class: Facebook 101
Teachers: Shonda Jelle
Class date: February 11
Class time: 6:30-8pm
Cost: \$5.00

Learn how to create a profile, post on your wall and others', share photos and more! This class is for beginners.

The class will be in the Grygla School Library. Registration is due by February 5th.

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Steenerson Township Filing for Township Election

Notice is hereby given to qualified voters of Steenerson Township, Beltrami County MN. that filing for town offices will be held for a two week period beginning December 29th, 2015 and closing on January 12th, 2016 at 5:00 pm. Filing fee is \$2.00. Affidavits of candidacy shall be filed with the Town Clerk, Darlyne Roen. Call 294-6505 to make an appointment.

Offices to fill at the March 8th, 2016 Election are One Supervisor-3 yr. term and One Clerk-2 yr. term. Last day for withdrawal of candidacy is January 14, 2016 at 5:00 PM.

Darlyne Roen
Steenerson Town Clerk

GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK

By: Karen Olufson

Hello Favorite Readers! Happy Holidays to all of you! Hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Are you doing anything special for the holidays? Hope you have time to sneak a little reading in, in the midst of the busyness. Maybe you even decided to give books as gifts this year! (Smile!) What a treat for someone if you did. I wish I was on the receiving end of that! (Smile!)

Let's see ... what's new here? We have two brand new, adult books on the shelves if they haven't already been taken out by someone by the time you read this. The first new book is THE MURDER HOUSE by James Patterson and the second book is COMMAND AUTHORITY: A JACK RYAN NOVEL by Tom Clancy. Both look like really good books, but then I'm a bit partial as I'm a fan of their authors! (Smile!) I would take them out myself, but I already have some books I'm reading so I'd better not get any more right now.

I'm just wondering if any of you have tried to set up your own account on the new system that we've had for a couple months now. If you've tried and it doesn't work you may have to get a new password, but that's easy enough. Passwords have

Notice: Benville Township

Benville Township March elections will have a Supervisor and Clerk position. If you wish to run against the incumbents, contact the clerk for the required paperwork between December 29th and January 12th.

Great turnout at Grygla Blood Drive

Blood drive coordinator Ralph Rundell, and the Grygla Lion's Club have sponsored another very successful blood drive. The drive held in Grygla on December 2nd saw 56 people volunteer to donate blood with 46 being able to give.

Eight people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine which collects two units of red blood cells during the donation, so a total of 54 products were collected. Three people gave



Thank you for the "get well" cards and gifts from the staff and kids at the Grygla School. Also, thanks to those who helped with the feeding of the cows and fieldwork.

A big thanks to the bus drivers and to Bonnie Nelson for filling in.

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blood for the first time. According to Katie Bartelson, Senior Donor Recruitment Representative for United Blood Services, "Communities like Grygla make a regional blood program work. People volunteer to donate when there has been a well-organized campaign, informing the public of the need for blood."

The Grygla Lion's Club was responsible for registering donors and providing refresh-

ments. Others who assisted were: Sheldon Peterson, Mildred Klamar and Nadine Wold. Space to hold the drive was provided by the Grygla Community Center. On behalf of the patients who benefited, United Blood Services appreciates all the thoughtful people who volunteered to help others by giving of themselves. Blood is for sharing; you have truly given the "Gift of Life."



Steve and Susan Saurdiff, Grygla, are excited to announce the arrival of their granddaughter Raven Angel Niffenegger. Raven was born to Russell and Angie Niffenegger on November 2nd at 6:12am. She weighed 7 lbs., 4.1 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Also welcoming her home are siblings Sienna and Adrian, along with other proud grandparents Kimberly and Paul Niffenegger.

Donkey Basketball is back

Donkey Basketball will be held on Thursday, January 7th, at 7pm at the Goodridge School Gym. You can purchase your tickets in advance for \$6 at the

school or with any Goodridge Close-Up Student, otherwise tickets are \$8 at the door. For more information, contact Mr. Farris at the Goodridge School.

New Year's Eve Bash at United

Bring in the New Year with family and friends at the United Lutheran Church, in Gatzke, on December 31, 2015, with a pancake supper from 5-7pm. After supper join in on some wild games of Bingo complete

with prizes. A prayer service will be held right before ringing in the New Year. This is a free-will donation and everyone is welcome! Come help celebrate closing 2015 and blessing in 2016.

Holiday Business Hours

- Yo-Hawn's**
Christmas Eve: 10am-3pm
Christmas Day: Closed
NYE: 10am-1am
NYD: 12pm-1am
- Grain Bin Cafe**
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Christmas Day: Closed
NYE: 6:30am-2pm
NYD: 6:30am-2pm
- Diamond's**
Christmas Eve:
Christmas Day:
NYE:
NYD:
- Farmer's Union**
Christmas Eve: 7am-12pm
Christmas Day: Closed
NYE: 7am-4pm
NYD: Closed
- Coop**
Christmas Eve: 6:30-12pm
Christmas Day: Closed
NYE: 6:30am-4pm
NYD: Closed
- American State Bank**
Christmas Eve: 8:30am-12
Christmas Day: Closed
NYE: 8:30am-3pm
NYD: Closed

Community Calendar

Wed | Dec 23
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla School dismisses at 12:30pm; Grygla Library open 2-6pm

Thurs | Dec 24
Grygla Eagle office open 9am-12pm; Grygla/ Gatzke Lion's Christmas Eve Dinner at the Grygla Community Center from 12-2pm

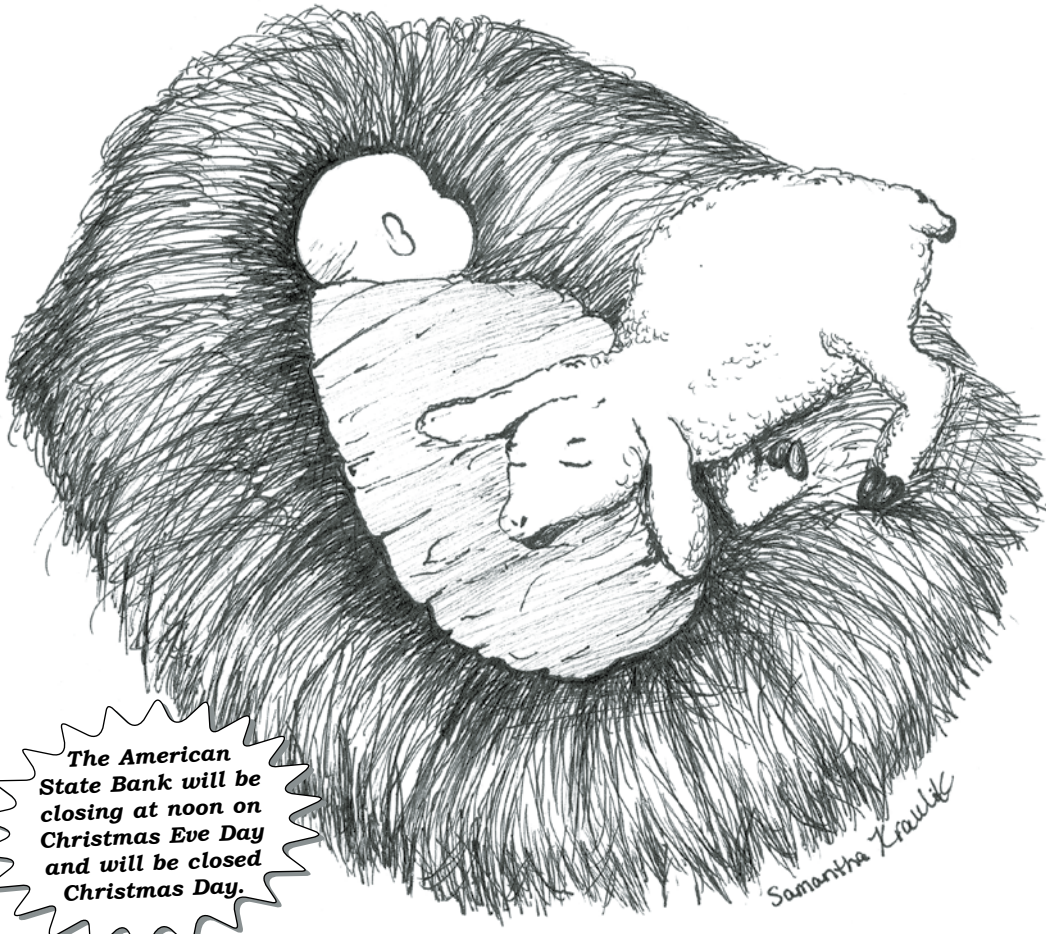
Fri | Dec 25
Merry Christmas!

Sat | Dec 26

Sun | Dec 27

Mon | Dec 28
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Tues | Dec 29
Legion Aux. Meeting with gift exchange at the VFW/Legion Building at 7pm



The American State Bank will be closing at noon on Christmas Eve Day and will be closed Christmas Day.

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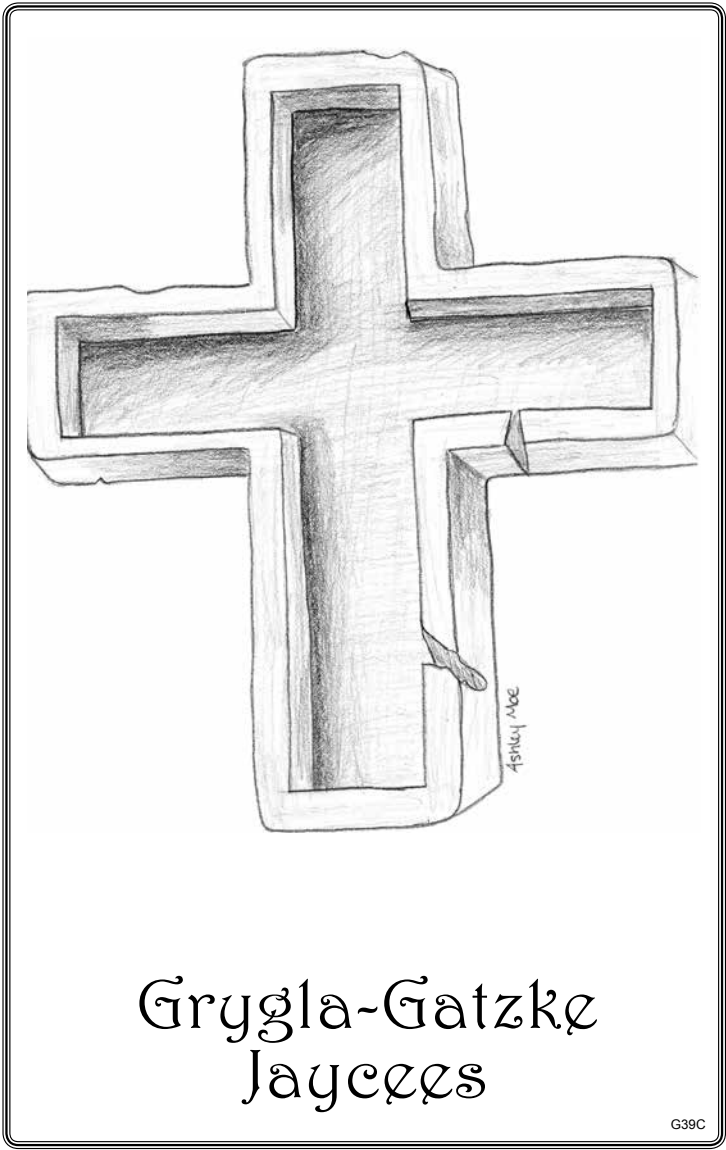
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Word of the Week
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Clishmaclaver
Noun
Gossip; idle or foolish talk.

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A Note from Principal Lunsetter's Desk

"You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You are able to say to yourself, 'I lived through this horror. I can take the next thing that comes along.'"

~ Eleanor Roosevelt

In the end, we are what we've created ourselves to be. It's true that circumstances do have an affect on WHAT happens in our lives, but they don't have to impact WHO we become. We teach ourselves how to react in different situations because we consistently do it that way. Too often we want to blame the problems in our lives on the things that are happening around us. It shouldn't be that way. When we train ourselves to do the right things, when we take responsibility for our faults, and work to improve them, we create the person that we want to be.

DO IT YOURSELF

A couple of life hacks for you this winter. First, use one of your car mats to get traction when your car is stuck in the snow. It's worth a shot, right? Especially when you're out of other options. Next, throw a piece of carpet or area rug over your windshield to keep off the ice and snow. Tuck it under the windshield wipers to hold it down then toss it in your trunk when you're ready to go. If you get stuck, you can also use that to help with getting traction.

If I Were A Gift....

"If I Were A Gift..." by the Grygla First Graders

Blake Stanley: I would be a dog and give it to Ryelin.

Colbie Johnson-McManus: I would be pease and I would give it too the wrld.

Ryelin Stanley: I would be a cat and give it to Blake.

Rylie Statton: I would be a cat I would give it to Torii.

Braeden Nordby: I would be legos and I would give to Brett.

Taylor Dougherty: I would be a dog and I would gift to Torii.

Brett Rychlock: I would be a gift of love. I would give it to my mom.

Jens Oslund: I would be ice cream of sweetness and give it to Joseph.

Autumn Osse: I would be a Monster High and give to Taylor.

Landon Nordby: I would be a270 rifle and give it to my Dad.

Wade Tornow: I would be a car and I would give it to my mom.

Connor Boutain: I would be a pick up and I would give it to my Dad.

Torii Anderson: I would be a puzzle and I would give it to Taylor.

Joseph Stinson: I would be a toy and I would give it to Jens.

Sierra Mickelson made a holiday garland at the Community Education class that was held at the Grygla School.

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SIMPLY DELICIOUS

Apple Cranberry Almond Coleslaw

Who doesn't love coleslaw? It's crunchy, it's creamy, it's slightly sweet, and it'll go with all of the other dishes on your holiday table this week.

This Apple Cranberry Almond Coleslaw has a mild flavor to it but if you'd like a more pronounced flavor you can definitely add in a tablespoon or two of dijon mustard to the dressing. And if you want to skip a step you can use a coleslaw mix in place of the shredded cabbage and carrots.

Yield: Approximately 8 servings

Ingredients

Dressing

¾ cup fat free Greek Yogurt

¼ cup mayonnaise

¼ cup honey

2 tbs apple cider vinegar

Coleslaw

1 small cabbage, shredded (6-7 cups packed)

1.5 cups matchstick carrots

2 large apples sliced into matchsticks (abut 3 cups)

½ cup sliced green onion

¾ cup sliced almonds

¾ cup dried cranberries

Directions

In a mixing bowl, whisk together Greek yogurt, mayo, honey and apple cider vinegar until smooth. In a large bowl, toss together cabbage, carrots, apples, onion, almonds and cranberries. Pour dressing over cabbage and toss to evenly coat. Serve immediately.

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Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year!

Our Sincerest Thanks to all our Customers and Friends with Warmest Wishes for the Holiday Season and the New Year.

From the Grygla Eagle



Shirley Holte paints & assembles a Christmas tree card holder at one of the Community Ed. classes held at the Grygla School. The class was taught by Amy Holte, Hazel Thomas and Tami Irlbeck. See page 2 for upcoming classes.

EXTENSION NEWS

By: James Stordahl

Prepare for Ice Dams
Winter has provided little snow as of yet. However, now that we are beginning to get enough of the white stuff just in time for Christmas, it's a good time to prepare for common winter problems that can affect your home. Ice dams are one such common problem on many homes, especially when we have snow coupled with rather warm temperatures.

An ice dam is a ridge of ice that forms at the edge of a roof and prevents melting snow from draining off the roof. The water that backs up behind the dam can leak into a home and cause damage to walls, ceilings, insulation and other areas.

For ice dams to form there must be snow on the roof, and at the same time, higher portions of the outside surface of the roof must be above freezing while lower surfaces remain below freezing.

Since most ice dams form at the edge of the roof, there is obviously a heat source warming the roof elsewhere. This heat is primarily coming from the house. In rare instances solar heat gain may cause these temperature differences, or may be a combination of both.

In a house, heat moves through the ceiling and insulation by conduction through the slanted portion of the ceiling. In many homes, there is less space for insulation, so it is important to use insulation with high R-value per inch to reduce heat loss by conduction. If ice dams are a problem, you may want to check your attic insulation levels. Certain insulation products may settle over time and become less effective.

In all Minnesota communities it is possible to find homes that do not have ice dams. These homes may have better insulation or it may be due to position of the home, the color of the shingles or the simplicity of the roof lines. But, the biggest factor is heat loss and ice dams can be prevented by controlling it from the home.

If ice dams are an annual problem on your home, the

short term solution is to remove snow from the roof. This eliminates one of the ingredients necessary for the formation of an ice dam. A "roof rake" and push broom can be used to remove snow, just be careful you don't damage the roofing materials.

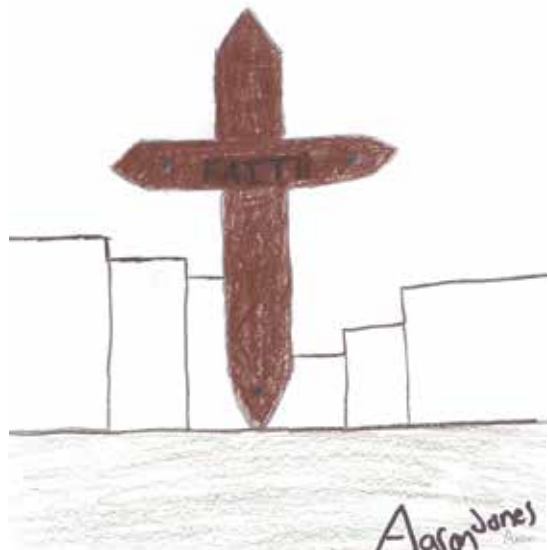
The longer term solution is to make the ceiling air tight so warm air cannot flow from the house into the attic space. After sealing air leakage paths between the house and attic space, consider increasing the ceiling/roof insulation to cut down on heat loss by conduction.

This may increase the snow load that your roof has to carry because it will no longer melt. If it is built to current codes, there should not be a structural problem. Roofs, like the rest of the home, should have been designed to withstand expected snow loads. In Minnesota, plans showing design details to meet expected snow loads are usually required to receive a building permit.

Natural roof ventilation can help maintain uniform roof temperatures, but if the long-term actions described here are done effectively, then only small amounts of roof ventilation are needed to maintain uniform roof surface temperatures. If heat transfer has been reduced substantially, then snow will build up on the roof and cover natural roof ventilation systems, reducing attic ventilation rates. Natural attic ventilation systems are needed to dry the attic space and remove heat buildup during the summer.

Lastly, other factors such as recessed lights, skylights, complicated roof designs and heating ducts in the attic will all increase the risk of ice dam formation. If you plan to build a new home, these factors should be considered.

For more information, contact me at 800-450-2465 or stordahl@umn.edu. This article was adapted from the UM publication, "Ice Dams".



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Fourtown-Grygla Sportsmans Club



Ben Groven in the Chargers vs. Freeze game last Friday evening in Grygla. The GG Chargers lost 39-69.

Charger Basketball results

Monday, Dec. 14th: *GBB vs. Stephen Argyle at NCTC. GG 45, SA 68.*

Ashley Moe 10 pts, Ashlyn Henrickson 4 rebs, Brooke Limesand 2 pts, Carlye Kiesow 2 pts/4 rebs, Hannah Dietsch 2 pts, Karlee Johnson 2 rebs, Madison Bakken 9 pts/2 rebs, Mariah Coan 6 pts, Shantel Verbout 14 pts/5 rebs.

Coaches Comments: This was our second time playing Stephen Argyle this season. So, this was a good time to see if we had improved in the 3 weeks that we have had since we last met them. I think we have. We handled the pressure better, ran through our offense, made some of our outside shots, and played good defense. We had the lead with 9 minutes left in the 1st half. Our starters and subs started to get tired and we started to make some mental mistakes. That's a part of the game that can fixed. Madison Bakken did a good job defensively and offensively. She also did a good job on the floor in general, making sure that everybody was in their place. Ashley Moe had an excellent night shooting the ball.

Tuesday, Dec. 15th: *GBB vs. Northern Freeze at NCTC. GG 47, Freeze 52.*

Ashley Moe 2 rebs, Ashlyn Henrickson 1 pt/6 rbs, Carlye Kiesow 2 pts, Hannah Dietsch 12 pts/8 rebs, Madison Bakken 11 pts/5 rbs, Mariah Coan 6 pts/4 rebs, Shantel Verbout 15 pts/5 rebs.

Coaches Comments: It was a hard fought game. A bunch of our passes were tipped by the defenders for a turnover. We had 28 turnovers. Defensively we played well. Hannah had a good game with 12 points and

8 rebounds. She also did a good job bringing the ball up and starting our offense. Mariah Coan came off the bench and played well on both sides of the ball.

Thursday, Dec. 17th: *GBB vs. RLCC at NCTC. GG 69, RLCC 37*

Ashley Moe 11 pts/1 reb, Hannah Dietsch 11 pts/8 rebs, Ashlyn Henrickson 4 pts/5 rebs, Karlee Johnson 2 pts/4 rebs, Mariah Coan 4 pts/4 rebs, Shantel Verbout 28 pts/7 rebs, Madison Bakken 9 pts/1 reb.

Coaches Comments: We came off the tip and played well. We pressured the ball, and our second line came up with some steals. We hit our outside shots as well. That is going to be something we need when the defenders pack the paint. Overall we shot 46%, and made 80% of our free throws. We turned the ball over 9 times, which is our lowest total this season.

Friday, December 18th: *BBB vs. Northern Freeze in Grygla. GG 39, Freeze 69*

Scoring: Austin Brateng 9, Blaine Kriel 8, Tyler Stinar 7, Dylan Walker 7, Ben Groven 6, Ty Jelle 2.

Rebounds: Dylan Walker 7, Blaine Kriel 6, Ty Jelle 5, Tyler Stinar 4, Austin Brateng 3, Benji Wilebski 2, Ben Groven 2, Cameron Naeseth 2, Robert Brummitt 1.

Coaches Comments: We played a decent 1st half. Looking at the stats we were even in most categories except our shooting percentage. We actually got off 6 more shots. They shot the ball better than we did. We are struggling putting the ball through the hoop. The Freeze has a very good team.



Grygla Senior, Austin Brateng, at the free throw line. He led the team with 9 points in the game against the Freeze.



Above: Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington is a self-proclaimed cheese head! She received this cheese hat as a gift from the congregation at Our Savior's Lutheran Church last Saturday evening during the Christmas program. Pastor Vicki's granddaughters, Kya and Emma Hovland, were representing the Vikings, though, on their visit to grandma's house!

Below: Harper, Noah, Brianna and Addi Severts made sure to discuss last minute plans with Santa, who made a quick stop by the Grygla School to visit with kids after the school Christmas program.



Feedlots...

Continued from front

feedlots or manure storage areas that are required to obtain national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) or state disposal system (SDS) permit coverage.

Notice of construction or expansion – “good neighbor notice”

The good neighbor notice is required regardless of the type of permit coverage desired. A permit applicant must notify the public with the good neighbor notice when any of the following apply:

1. Construction of a new animal feedlot or manure storage facility, with a capacity of 500 or more AU, at a location where an animal feedlot or manure storage area does not currently exist (i.e. new site).

2. Expansion at an existing animal feedlot or manure storage area such that the animal holding or manure storage capacity will exceed 500 or more AU upon completion of the expansion.

3. Expansion at an existing animal feedlot or manure storage area that currently has animal holding or manure storage capacity of 500 or more AU.

Note: Expansion includes any activity that increases animal unit or manure storage capacity. An expansion may or may not involve construction (e.g. adding more animals to an existing barn). It is important to understand that the act of construction at an existing facility does not trigger the need for the good neighbor notice, unless it is also an expansion. Construction activities that do not increase animal holding or manure storage capacity can occur without the need for this type of notification to the public. Below are some common examples of construction activities that would not require the good neighbor notice:

- Construction of a feed storage area or commodity shed
- Construction of a dead animal management area (e.g. dead box, compost bunker, etc.)
- Construction of a roof over an open lot provided animal holding capacity is not increased

Please be aware that even though the good neighbor notice may not be required, a permit, or permit modification, may be required prior to commencement of the project.

How to complete the good neighbor notice

When required, the permit applicant must provide notification to residents and property owners within 5,000 feet of the proposed/existing feedlot or manure storage area. Completion of the notification can be accomplished by any of the following:

1. Delivery by first class mail (must send via certified mail – see verification section below)
2. In person
3. Publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the affected area
4. Equal or greater notification required as part of a county or township permit process. A copy of the notice must also be sent to the town clerk via first class mail. It is recommended the notification process start prior to the submittal of an application for a permit. Completing the notice early in the process allows feedback from neighbors to be considered in the design and layout of the feedlot or manure storage area, possibly easing concerns that they may have. An additional reason to complete the notification process prior to application submittal is that the MPCA, or delegated county, must wait 20 business days after the completion of the good neighbor notice before a feedlot permit can be issued.

Required good neighbor notice contents

The notification must include the following information:

1. Owner name or legal facility name
2. County, township, section, and quarter section
3. Species of livestock and total animal units
4. Types of animal holding areas (e.g. total confinement barns, open lots, etc.)
5. Types of manure storage areas (e.g. concrete pit, earthen basin, etc.)

An example newspaper notice is provided below (insert your facility-specific information within the bracketed areas):

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LIVESTOCK FEEDLOT PERMIT

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 116, that {LEGAL NAME OF FACILITY}, has made application to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency or the County of {COUNTY NAME} for a permit to construct or expand a feedlot with a capacity of 500 animal units or more.

The existing and/or proposed feedlot will be located in the {FACILITY LOCATION} – LEGAL DESCRIPTION}, Minnesota. The existing facility consists of {SPECIES, TYPES, NUMBERS, AND ANIMAL UNITS; TYPES OF BUILDINGS AND/OR OPEN LOTS; AND TYPES OF MANURE STORAGE AREAS}. The proposed facility consists of {SPECIES, TYPES, NUMBERS, AND ANIMAL UNITS; TYPES OF BUILDINGS AND/OR OPEN LOTS; AND TYPES OF MANURE STORAGE AREAS}. The total animal unit capacity will be {TOTAL ANIMAL UNITS}.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.

Published in the {NEWSPAPER NAME}, Dated {PUBLICATION DATE}.

Verification of good neighbor notice

The MPCA, or delegated county, must verify that the good neighbor notice was completed and cannot issue the desired permit until 20 business days have passed from completion of the notice. Proof that the notice was completed can be provided by any of the following:

1. List of all parties visited in person with date and their signature;
2. List of all parties visited with certification signed by notary public indicating in detail what was discussed;
3. List of all parties with certified mail report of delivery or attempted delivery (return receipt optional);
4. Affidavit of publication from the newspaper used to provide notification

The permit application may be submitted prior to providing the required verification of the notice; however, a copy of the content of the notice must be submitted with the permit application so that the notice can be evaluated for adequacy.

Public notification of permit actions

In addition to the good neighbor notice, the MPCA is required to public notice its intent to issue, reissue, or modify coverage under a NPDES or SDS permit. This public notice is completed by the MPCA, not the applicant. After receipt of a complete permit application, and approval of its contents, the MPCA will notice its intent to issue, reissue, or modify permit coverage. This notice period is at least 30 days and allows for public participation in the permit process, including the opportunity to submit written comments. Public notice occurs on the MPCA website at www.pca.state.mn.us/public-notices.

For more information about the feedlot program in Minnesota, please visit the MPCA website at www.pca.state.mn.us/feedlots and for Marshall County Feedlots contact Brett Brandon at 218 689 3974