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A look at next week ... The Iron Charger's Drone Team recently competed down in Dallas, Texas!



Goodridge High School held their Graduation Ceremony last Friday evening, May 20th. Nine seniors graduated in the Class of 2022. L-R: Preston Moen, Jordan Coan, Kjerstin Nelson, Nicholas Groven, Jolson Sargent, Isaac Johnson, Hannah Wilebski, Skya Wilson and Tessa Langer. (More Grad photos on back page.) Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Congratulations to the Classes of 2022



Grygla High School held their Graduation Ceremony last Saturday afternoon, May 21st. Twelve seniors made up the Class of 2022! L-R: Nolan Anderson, Walter Jones, Katelyn Larson, Andrew Loken, Avery Moe, Ellie Sabourin, Riley Saurdiff, Clayton Suchoski, Justin Thompson, Tucker Verbout, Cooper Walton and Brigitte Watne. (More Grad photos on back page.) Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Burglary suspect arrested

On 5/21/2022 at approximately 9:46 PM, Beltrami County Deputies were advised of a burglary in progress occurring in 66000 block of Highway 89 NW, Hamre Township, rural Grygla.

A door on an outbuilding had been forced opened to gain access. Surveillance footage shows individuals attempting to steal items. The property owner was notified by the surveillance system. He drove to the property and interrupted the burglary. The individuals fled the building. Deputies were able to get photographs of the suspects committing the burglary from the surveillance system on the property.

Deputies arrived on scene and began to investigate the incident. At 1:43 AM, a vigilant neighbor noticed a suspicious vehicle in the area. A description of the vehicle was given to the deputies, who located and stopped the vehicle. Deputies questioned the occupants of the suspicious vehicle. The driver said he was called by one of the suspects asking for a ride. Deputies were able to identify the individuals that committed the burglary.

At 5:03 AM, deputies were patrolling the area looking for the suspects. They located an individual walking on Hwy 89. The individual was identified as Shawn Charles Martin (age 48) from Red Lake, MN. Shawn Martin was identified as one of the individuals that burglarized the outbuilding. Shawn Martin was arrested without incident and transported to the Beltrami County Jail pending charges.

The Beltrami County Sheriff's Office continues to search for the other suspects. The Beltrami County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Red Lake Police Department.

Saurdiff among artists at Park Point Art Fair



selling work in a unique outdoor setting just steps from the sandy shores of Lake Superior in Duluth, MN.

Held annually during the last full weekend in June, this laid-back festival at the Park Point Recreation Area attracts an estimated 10,000 visitors for art, food, live music and family art activities in a unique and welcoming location. Artists and visitors have easy access to booth spaces, which line both sides of a paved, accessible path.

Betsy Saurdiff, of Grygla, will be among the artists at the Park Point Art Fair in Duluth June 25-26. Check out her artwork at <https://bettspottery.com>

For more information about the art fair, check out parkpointartfair.org

Grygla City Council approves April Minutes

The May meeting of the City Council was held at the Grygla Civic Building on Monday, May 9th. Council members approved the April minutes, which are included below. Official minutes are taken by Grygla City Clerk and recapped by Eagle Editor. For the full version, including receipts & disbursements, visit www.grygla.govoffice2.com

The regular meeting was called to order, at 7pm at the Civic Building by Mayor Mosher. The following council members were present: Gavin Nordby, Devin Ruud, Lindsay Oslund and Karla Byklum. Absent: None. Also present: Rose Aune.

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

WATER TOWER
Moore Engineering had to wait on Tribal Compliance from 15 different tribes they needed to hear back from.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT
Looking into getting some concrete in for each pole. Hoping to start in June.

AIRPORT
Oslund is working with Aaron Peterson and John Glesne from KLJ on possibly paving the runway with help from funding from MNDOT for part of those funds.

TRAP RANGE
Lunsetter was still interested in setting something up for trap. He was asked to come to a future meeting.

CLERK'S CONFERENCE
Rose found out that the city can use ARPA funds for the Community Center, since there was lost revenue there during the pandemic and it is a location for vaccines for the county.

SWEDBRO EPOXY FLOORING
A vendor that is with CPC through the NWSC. There's a possibility the city could get a discount through them with their NWSC membership. The committee needs to get together still to discuss various flooring options.

Rose talked with the vendor from the company the playground equipment was purchased from. She checked on what it would cost to have someone from there come here to help with the installation. It would be an additional \$10,750 for the help. The council decided that would not be a good added expense to the project right now.

The League is looking at collaborating with a vendor to do digital imaging for city documents, to reduce some of the paperwork that's required to be kept for the city. Information on a potential program to come.

TENNIS COURTS
Oslund is going to look into buying ball cages for the tennis courts. Rocky is going to bring over another garbage can to the courts. Hopefully that will help with some of the garbage left on the courts. The kids have been using the courts, which is good to see. They also took it upon themselves to clear the snow off the courts at the beginning of spring.

RABIES CLINIC
A Rabies Clinic is set for Wednesday, May 18th, from 5-7pm at the City Garage.

SPRING CLEANUP WEEK
May will be Spring Clean Up month. Items can be dropped off at the city garage for \$10/item.

STREET SWEEPING
Rocky is to hire someone to get the streets swept before graduation.

ROSE'S VACATION
Rose will be taking vacation from May 12-30th.

• 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, May 25
11am Bible Study, 6pm Grace Choir
Sunday, May 29
OS: 9am Worship
Grace: 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.
Sunday, May 29
Joint Worship Service at Faith 10:30am

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Adam Hammess
Sundays:
St. Clement's: 11:45am Worship.
St. Ann's: 10am Worship
BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sunday, May 29
8am Worship
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 Merseth
Saturday, May 28
Mt. Olive Worship 9am
Sunday, May 29
St. Petri: 8am Worship
Nazareth: 9:45am Worship
OP: 11am Worship

Community Calendar

Wed | May 25
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; 4H Ditch Cleaning

Thurs | May 26
Sub-Section TM (TBD)

Fri | May 27
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Sat | May 28

Sun | May 29

Mon | May 30
Memorial Day; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am

Please email any community events to grygla.eagle@gmail.com

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One day late
The Grygla Eagle will be one day late next week due to the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 30th, 2022.
“A day to remember and honor all the brave heroes who served to hold our flag high.”

NOTICE

The Marshall County Highway Department is accepting requests for spreading calcium chloride for dust control in front of residences that lie along County or Township gravel roads within the boundary of Marshall County. The cost for a 24-foot wide by 300-foot long strip will be approximately \$400. The homeowner will pay this cost after the work is completed. The cost will be adjusted according to the size and rate of application. The application site must be flagged from start to finish by the resident.

Interested parties should contact the Marshall County Highway Department at 218-745-4381. The County will send out an application upon request. The application is also available on our website at www.co.marshall.mn.us. It must be completed and returned by the homeowner. The County must receive the completed application before the service is performed. NO requests will be accepted AFTER MAY 27, 2022.

**Social Worker/Teacher Substitute Needed**

Grygla School is looking for a full time-position. Three days per week Social Work, and 2 days per week teacher substitute. If you are interested in the position, please contact Jamie Lunsetter or Derek Gieseke at 218-294-6155.

G10-11C

**Paraprofessional Needed**

Grygla Public School is looking for a full time Paraprofessional to start the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact Derek Gieseke with any interest.

G10-11C

Thank you! I'd like to thank the City of Grygla and the Grygla Fire Department for all of their time, effort and supplies to help me during the recent flooding. Thanks also to the Grygla School for sending out kids to help, and to the others that showed up to lend a hand. It was all much appreciated.

G10C **Gene Dobmeier**

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Hogs gone wild

This is an interesting article taken from the MN Dept of Natural Resources "Minnesota Conservation Volunteer" May-June 2022 Issue. It's written by Keith Goetzman.

Will feral swine, an extraordinarily invasive species, invade Minnesota? Only if we're unable to outsmart the pigs.

In early March of 2016, amid the mature aspen forest, grasslands, and wetlands of West Valley Wildlife Management Area in far northwestern Minnesota, piglets were born. Their mother had wandered off a nearby farm with other pigs and gone feral—begun living in the wild—when she gave birth in the WMA. Though the births were at first undetected by humans, they soon came to light and achieved dubious distinction as an extremely rare instance of feral pig reproduction in the state—and on designated wildlife lands, no less.

The incident struck a chord among Minnesota resource and wildlife experts whose role is to guard against invasive species like feral swine. Minnesota is fortunate not to have a self-sustaining population of feral pigs, but many other states do, and their problems inevitably began with only a few hogs. In this case, the Minnesota system of hog prevention did its job.

Captain Pat Znajda of DNR Enforcement, then a lieutenant and district supervisor, responded to the initial call about the loose pigs in **Marshall County** in March 2016. He learned from a neighbor that the animals belonged to a landowner who didn't live on site. Znajda contacted the owner, who told him the swine had been free roaming for at least a year.

Znajda informed the landowner that it's illegal, under Minnesota Statute 97A.56, to possess, release, or allow feral swine to run at large. When Znajda revisited the site a week later, he found a new but clearly inadequate fence: a double strand of barbed wire 40 inches off the ground, with "swine going in and out of the fencing," he wrote in an incident report. He warned the owner that the pigs could be eliminated if they remained at large.

They did. The mother sow on WMA land was soon tracked, found, and shot by USDA Wildlife Services removal specialists, which was when the recent piglet births were discovered. Wildlife Services returned that October and shot four more pigs on private property in the area. The pigs' owner was cited, convicted, and fined \$135 for a feral swine violation. Although the incident was resolved and a booming wild pig population averted, it sent a warning sign: What if those pigs hadn't been reported and found until more roaming and more breeding and more births had occurred?

"That Marshall County [case] kind of made you realize that, wow, we documented that the pigs were loose and living on their own for quite some time, and had actually reproduced in the wild," says Gary Nohrenberg, Minnesota director of USDA Wildlife Services, which removed the pigs. "And it's not hard, with even a little imagination, to realize how they could have become established deep into a fairly remote WMA and thrived for quite some time before someone ran across them."

Smart and Invasive
They're intelligent, they're elusive, and they're destructive on the landscape. Pigs living in the wild—feral hogs—are spreading across North America, trampling, foraging, wallowing, and rooting up land as they go. They are fouling springs and streams, disturbing native plant and animal habitat, eroding soil, and otherwise damaging public and private land, including cropland, to the tune of more than \$1.5 billion annually. They can spread diseases that could cross over to domestic pigs. They are an extraordinarily invasive species with hooves, tusks, and a long track record of damage wherever they've gone.

No member of the swine family, Suidae, is native to North America or, for that matter, to the entire Western Hemisphere. Whether you call them pigs, hogs, boars, razorbacks, or swine—domestic or wild—they all originated on the other side of the world from Minnesota.

Minnesota natural resource managers, feral swine experts, and hog farmers all fear repercussions and damages if we don't take the right steps to keep feral pigs from setting up shop here.

"They're a threat to resources," says Eric Nelson, wildlife animal damage program su-

pervisor at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. "If you look to southern states, the damage that they can do is astronomic, not only to natural resources but to agricultural producers."

There are more than 6 million feral pigs in the United States, according to the USDA. In 1982, pigs were living in the wild in 544 counties in southern states from east to west. By 2020, they had spread to 1,915 counties, moving inland and northward, with small pockets as far north as the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and in North Dakota near the Canadian border. At the same time, a population of hardy Eurasian boars is expanding in Canada, with a lobe reaching down ominously toward Minnesota's northwest. As feral swine move into new territory across the continent, resource managers are taking on extra expense and effort to deal with them, and residents in those areas are learning that wild hogs often don't make good neighbors.

"They're considered one of the most aggressive invasive species that we have on the landscape," says Nohrenberg of Wildlife Services. "The potential is there for them to make a big impact in a short amount of time if they're unchecked."

Swine Sources
A self-sustaining population of feral pigs could become established in Minnesota in several different ways. They could come from pigs that escape captivity, a regular occurrence across the state. They could come from hogs that are intentionally released, which has occasionally happened. Or they could simply walk or swim in from a population in a bordering state or province.

Because pigs reproduce prodigiously—females can give birth at 6 months old and can produce two litters of 4 to 12 piglets a year—their numbers can grow exponentially if unchecked.

"You just can't leave a single female and a single male on the landscape," says Alan Leary, state feral hog coordinator at the Missouri Department of Conservation. "If they're out there for a year those two could become 30."

Missouri has seen the damage that feral swine can do to wildlife and habitat.

"You know the old term 'sloppin' the hogs,'" Leary says. "Hogs eat anything they come in contact with. They'll eat the nests of ground-nesting birds, they'll eat reptiles and amphibians, they'll occasionally take a fawn deer. They will compete with our native wildlife for acorns and food sources."

Missouri conservation staff have had to fence off a federally threatened plant species, Mead's milkweed, from feral hogs, and Leary is concerned about the federally endangered Hine's emerald dragonfly, which lives in the distinctive wetlands called fens. "If hogs get into a fen, they can tear up a fen pretty bad," he says.

Pigs change soil chemistry when they turn soil over with their rooting and foraging activity, says Dwayne Etter, wildlife research specialist at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

"We have a lot of high-quality streams and rivers in Upper Michigan that are really prized by our trout fishermen in particular," he says. "And we've had concerns that [feral swine] would change the water chemistry in those environments if we got enough pigs on the landscape."

Etter too cites potential impacts to vulnerable species, especially in wetlands. "A lot of the threatened and endangered species are dependent on wetlands, and these pigs have a high affiliation for those wetland areas."

It's not just the natural world that takes a hit from feral pigs. Commercial agriculture suffers too. "They do tremendous damage to agriculture," says Etter. "A sounder [group] of 15 or 20 hogs can easily destroy 10 acres of corn in one night."

Hog disease that could devastate the U.S. commercial hog industry is also a serious concern because some diseases can cross between domestic and feral swine. Scientists have detected pseudorabies, a disease eradicated in 2004 in the U.S. commercial swine herd, in Michigan feral swine, says Etter, and African swine fever is an ever-looming threat for hog producers.

"It becomes a really big issue if we get a foreign animal disease established in the feral swine population in the U.S.," says Beth Thompson, executive director of the Minnesota

Northern Lights fishing report

Written by Ben Kucera
On this week's report, mildly better weather. This past week was a little better on the weather side of things, but still cold and rainy with a side of wind. This coming week looks a little better. With weather aside, fishing is picking up.

South Tip has been producing fish shallow in 5'-10' of water. Same with around the Blinker, Springsteel, and Swift Ditch in shallow water. Most are bulling a small jig, under 1/4oz, and live minnow. The goal is to use a heavy enough jig to get to the bottom but light enough to longline that jig like you are pulling a plug behind the boat. Spinner rigs with a small gold, white/pink, or orange blade would work as well. It's springtime; you never know

what will work so try anything until the fish respond.

My plan this week is to chase trout and panfish Thursday and then head to Blackduck on the weekend to see if I can't snag a walleye or something. I'm hoping to have some jigs up at the store this week as well.

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.

High mileage

Below: Grygla's High Mileage crew spent a couple days at Brainerd International Raceway last week for a competition. Unofficially, they got 3rd place in the super sport class. Top run of 340.33 mpg, with a 6 run average of 295.08mpg. Photo courtesy of Grygla School





ASB will be closed all day May 30, 2022 in observance of Memorial Day.

A Tribute To Our Nation's Heroes

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Board of Animal Health. “Not only does that affect international trade for our commercial herd; it is also going to be close to impossible to eradicate a foreign animal disease in that [feral] population.”

Incredible, Adaptable Pig

Pigs, even ones raised on farms, can adapt much more easily than one might think to live and thrive in wild places.

“Pigs are smart,” says Thompson. “They can figure out how to overwinter. They can figure out in times of drought or other weather events where they need to go to bed down. Where to get their food, where to get their water. All of that.”

A common misconception is that pigs undergo a dramatic physical transformation when they go feral. But “there’s no difference when you start getting morphological,” says Nelson of the Minnesota DNR. All pigs have tusks, though the tusks on domestic hogs are sometimes docked, and all pigs grow hair. “You can’t just look at a pig and say, ‘That’s feral swine,’” he says.

Genetically, all swine are descended from the same Eurasian boar relatives, but regional differences among North American feral swine populations are emerging from new science.

In Michigan, says Etter, genetic analysis by researcher Timothy Smyser has shown that the majority of feral swine sampled were Eurasian boars or Eurasian boar hybrids (sometimes called Russian boars or Russian boar hybrids). This is in line with other research showing that feral swine in more northerly states, and in Canada, have more boar genetics than those in southerly states, which “have a lot more domestic pig in them,” he says.

Home-range studies done with tracking collars show that northern swine with more boar genetics can roam farther, especially in winter conditions. Males ranged over more than 22 square miles and females covered about 7 square miles in winter in a Michigan study, says Etter, compared with ranges under 3 square miles for males and under 2 for females in typical southerly locales.

“When you think about trying to locate and remove animals in those large wetland complexes that we get in northern Michigan, northern Minnesota, now you’ve got an animal that covers a lot more ground. It’s just harder to find them.”

And as the Minnesota WMA pigs show, they can even live alongside large predators such as bears and wolves. One trail camera placed by Wildlife Services showed a wolf in the same area as the feral pigs.

“When they removed the sow that came in to their bait pile,” says Nelson, referring to the Wildlife Services crew, “they went and found 3- to 4-week-old piglets still in there. She’d fought off wolves and other animals, living out there in the wild in February and March in subzero temperatures and deep snow. And those were pigs that were being raised for food!”

Wherever loose pigs come from, and whatever type of genetics they have, they all pose an equal hazard to Minnesota lands, natural resources, and agriculture, says Nelson.

“A feral swine is a feral swine,” he says, “and it needs to be removed. They all have the same impact and threat.”

Who Let the Hogs Out?



Marshall County Sheriff's Office Press Release



On May 16, 2022, the Marshall County Sheriff's Office received a call from a lady that her boyfriend (Abraham Lee) was trying to run her off the road by Alvarado, MN. She stated that Abraham had run

Currently, Minnesota’s feral hog problems are basically temporary loose pig problems. Few escaped hog reports in Minnesota end up like the WMA incident, poised to unleash a new feral population on wild lands. Most cases are more mundane stories where pigs briefly escape captivity in less remote areas.

That doesn’t make our feral hog control experts any less vigilant. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the Minnesota Board of Animal Health, and USDA Wildlife Services are the three entities jointly in charge of feral hog control in the state. The Board of Animal Health prohibits the importation of feral swine, guards against swine disease, and assists hog owners in keeping their pigs fenced in. The DNR investigates feral hog reports that come in through conservation officers, local law enforcement, citizens, and other channels. And USDA Wildlife Services gets involved to eliminate feral pigs when the Board of Animal Health can’t identify their owners and the DNR requests monitoring and removal.

Representatives of this wild pig triumvirate, dubbed the Minnesota Feral Swine Working Group, meet regularly to stay up to date on hog issues, and they confer whenever a case is considered for lethal resolution via Wildlife Services removal specialists. This step is taken only when all three parties collectively agree on its necessity, which happens a handful of times each year.

“Oftentimes we’re called in as kind of the last resort,” says Nohrenberg.

About a dozen times a year, on average, loose pigs are reported in Minnesota. There’s no “typical” escaped pig report, says Nelson. A call can come from a rural area, a suburb, or a city. “We’ve had them on the edge of Rochester, we’ve had them down in Shakopee,” he says. Most reports, Thompson says, involve “some defect or failure of fencing—or human failure to watch the fence.”

Virtually no reports come in from large commercial hog facilities where confinement is the name of the game. Smaller hog farms are more likely to lose a pig or pigs now and then. And people who are new to keeping pigs, like owners of pet potbellies or locavores trying to raise their own food, sometimes underestimate the abilities of pigs to break free from the confines of the pallet fence whose design they got off the Internet.

Potbellies pop up regularly among escaped pigs, say those who deal with feral swine in Minnesota. In fact, one literally popped up and spooked a farmer in the dark near his cow pasture, says Mackenzie Reberg, a veterinary officer at the Minnesota Board of Animal Health who investigated the case and warned the owner to keep her potbelly penned up.

In 2009 in southwestern Minnesota, a “handful” of potbelly pigs were released on private land, began breeding, and soon grew to more than 50, predated the WMA pig reproduction by several years, before they were shot by local law enforcement. This was before Minnesota had a feral swine statute and before the DNR was tasked with hog control.

Now, any escaped pig incident in the state is logged as a feral hog report, and that’s important: Such reports establish a record that is used in part to determine Wildlife Services funding for the state from the National Feral Swine Program,

which was established in 2014. States with the worst wild pig problems, classified as level 5, get the most help, while those with the lowest, level 0, get none. Minnesota has since 2017 been a “detection” state, existing in a limbo-like classification above 0 but not yet at 1.

Both Nelson and Nohrenberg express concern about federal funding levels, which could potentially cut off money to detection states that report no feral swine for two years, causing those states to backslide on hog control. “It’s important for us to stay in the game, to respond to the types of damage that we know does occur and could occur from even loose domestics,” says Nohrenberg.

Pig Prognosis
There is some good news on the feral hog front. Since 2014, when the national program began encouraging and helping states tackle their feral swine problems, several states have cut back their feral swine ranges and numbers. And overall feral swine population numbers in the United States have decreased due to “statewide elimination efforts,” according to the USDA.

This success is no reason for complacency, say the experts who deal with wild hogs in other states. Asked for words of advice for Minnesotans staring down an uncertain feral swine future, Etter, from Michigan, urges awareness and vigilance.

“The first thing is just to recognize how detrimental these animals could be to native wildlife,” he says. “Once they become established, it’s extremely difficult to remove them all. And even having small numbers can become big numbers really quick.”

Missouri’s Leary, whose state deals with feral hogs on a scale that Minnesota aims to avoid, echoes the sentiment.

“Commit the resources to prevent the problem from getting started,” he says. “It would be a lot less expensive and a lot easier to prevent it than to have to try to eliminate them after they become established.”

Hold Your Fire
It’s illegal to hunt feral swine in Minnesota under Statute 97A.56. “We don’t want people to shoot pigs; we want them to report them,” says Eric Nelson of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. If someone does shoot a pig, they need to surrender it to the DNR within 24 hours or they can be prosecuted for hunting feral swine.

So ... if feral hogs were to become established in Minnesota, couldn’t we just legalize hunting them? We’d have another game animal to pursue, and we could make bacon!

Not so fast. There are many good reasons why hunting is a particularly poor solution to feral swine problems and can in fact even exacerbate them. Here are the top strikes against it:

Hunting teaches pigs to avoid humans

Pigs are social animals that in the wild live in groups called sounders. Citizen hunters might pick off, say, one or two pigs from a sounder of 20, but that will only teach the remaining pigs to be even warier of humans. And “with the reproductive rate of feral hogs, that’s just not going to do any good,” says Alan Leary of the Missouri Department of Conservation.

In Minnesota, USDA Wildlife Services state director Gary Nohrenberg is in charge of the professionals who track down and lethally remove escaped hogs when necessary.



Newfolden, MN. The caller stated that Emalee Sibley had assaulted her son.

A Marshall County Deputy responded to where the caller’s son was and spoke with the victim there. He stated that Emalee and he are in a relationship and have a child together. He stated that they were arguing in the morning, and both started throwing diapers at each other. Emalee got mad and grabbed and knife and started to cut the victim. There were multiple cuts/scratches on the victim. All superficial wounds.

Emalee was taken into custody by the Marshall County Sheriff's Office and charged

Their goal is to remove the entire sounder at one time.

“They’re an intelligent species, and it seems like they can smell gun blue at about one mile once they’ve been shot at,” says Nohrenberg, referring to the oxide coating used on firearms. “So they become very leery, and that’s one of the reasons that we’d prefer people not shoot them. The risk is that they potentially would break up a sounder and maybe even disseminate or spread the pigs even further.”

Allowing feral swine to be shot incentivizes the illegal release of pigs on the landscape.

The killing of hogs was wholly unregulated in Missouri prior to 2016, and the state saw “a lot of intentional releases,” says Leary. “There’s very clear evidence that people were releasing hogs to create more hunting opportunities.”

From the mid-1990s, when Missouri started having feral hog issues, until 2016, when hog hunting was banned on lands owned, leased, or managed by the state, “the hog population continued to grow quite significantly,” says Leary. The state now depends on full-time trappers to control hogs.

Missouri has made a nod to swine hunting, though: It’s now legal, if you’re hunting deer or turkey in season on state lands and have an unfilled deer or turkey tag, to opportunistically take one feral hog.

Hunting encourages the release of destructive breeds

When hunting is the goal, illegal hog releases are more likely to be Eurasian boars or Eurasian boar hybrids. These breeds, while more sought by hunters as the epitome of the wild boar, are even harder and potentially more destructive on the landscape than escaped domestics.

Hunting is not an effective way to control feral hog populations

Hog hunting is legal in Michigan. Is it helping the state reduce its feral hog population? “No, it’s not,” says Dwayne Etter of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. “Even in the states that have high feral pig abundance, hunting has no impact on those populations. It’s been shown repeatedly.”

“Hunters just can’t make the effort necessary to reduce enough animals,” adds Etter. Operating as recreationists, they can’t match the well-honed tactics of trained professionals—and moreover they don’t want to.

Says Leary from Missouri: “Anybody who hunts knows that you’re going to go hunt where the population of whatever you’re hunting is high. And if that population is reduced, you’re no longer going to hunt there. Nobody’s ever going to call you up and say, ‘Hey, I’ve got a horrible spot for hunting hogs, I’ve never seen one there in five years, you want to go hunting there with me?’”

“When the goal is elimination, you continue to remove the animals until the very last one is gone. And that’s just not generally how it goes when you’re hunting.”

In Missouri, 48 full-time trappers—16 for the state and 32 for USDA Wildlife Services—have learned the ways of the pig well enough to trap large numbers at once in baited, penlike traps. “We had a guy who, with one drop of the trap, got 72 hogs at one time,” says Leary. “That’s what we need to do. Hunting doesn’t do that.”



with 2nd Degree Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Emalee was given a \$1,000.00 bond which she posted a few days later.



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

Nubilous

\Noo-buh-luhs, nyoo\

Adjective

Cloudy or foggy; Obscure or vague; indefinite.

• SIMPLY DELICIOUS



Written and made by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

These are very similar to traditional oatmeal cookies. The only extra ingredient you need is rhubarb, which keeps them very soft. You’ll dice it small and then stir it in at the end.

You can even use frozen rhubarb, just be sure to thaw and drain it completely before using it in the cookies.

Ingredients

- For the Cookies
- 1 c. butter, softened
- 1.5 c. brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 3 c. flour
- 1.75 c. quick-cooking oatmeal

- ¼ tsp. salt
 - ½ tsp. cinnamon
 - 2 tsp. baking soda
 - 1.5 c. rhubarb, finely diced
- For the Cream Cheese Frosting

- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 4 tbsp. butter, softened
- 2 c. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1-3 tbsp. milk, as needed

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350° F. In a large bowl, cream together butter and brown sugar. Beat in eggs and vanilla. In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, oatmeal, salt, cinnamon and baking soda. Stir the dry ingredients into the wet. Gently stir in the rhubarb.

Drop dough by teaspoonfuls onto a cookie sheet. Bake in a preheated oven for 15-18 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with coarse sugar if desired. Let cool on the tray for 2 minutes before moving to a wire rack to cool completely.

Frosting Directions

To make the cream cheese frosting, beat the cream cheese and the butter until combined and fluffy. Add the powdered sugar and vanilla and beat until smooth. Add milk as needed to get a spreadable consistency.

Chargers Track Results

Junior High Track Results from May 14th in Roseau

Girls Results
100 M Dash
Janessa Torgerson-2nd Place
Brooklyn Kriel-6th Place
200 M Dash
Janessa Torgerson-1st Place

Boys Results
800 M Run
Marissa Parnow-6th Place
1600 M Run
Ashlyn Nelson-5th Place
McKenna Parnow-6th Place
100 M Hurdles
Ashlyn Nelson-1st Place
McKenna Parnow-5th Place
Girls 4x100 M Relay-2nd Place

Girls 4x200 M Relay-7th Place

Long Jump
Kinsley Oslund-3rd Place
Triple Jump
Anna Sundberg-2nd Place
Emily Johnson-4th Place
Shot Put
Ashlyn Nelson-4th Place
Discus
Anna Sundberg-4th Place
Shelby Williams-5th Place
Izzy Horning-6th Place
Mylee Sjulestad-8th Place
Boys Results
200 M Dash
Blake Stanley-4th Place
Ian Mickolio-6th Place
Payton Dougherty-7th Place
400 M Dash
Payton Dougherty-2nd Place

Evan Rubischko-7th Place
800 M Run
Hank Jones-4th Place
Jens Oslund-8th Place
1600 M Run
Hank Jones-3rd Place
110 M Hurdles
Ian Mickolio-1st Place
4x100 M Relay-1st Place
4x200 M Relay-2nd Place
Long Jump
Owen Larson-2nd Place
Evan Rubischko-5th Place
Payton Dougherty-6th Place
Shot Put
Raymond Moe-5th Place
Discus
Owen Larson-2nd Place
Seth Kaczor-4th Place

Raymond Moe-6th Place

Team Rankings
Girls Rankings
1. KCC
2. Warroad
3. BGMR/Freeze
4. Goodridge Grygla
5. TRF
6. Roseau
7. LOW
8. RLC

Boys Rankings
1. Goodridge/Grygla
2. TRF
3. Roseau
4. Warroad
5. RLC
6. BGMR/Freeze
7. LOW

Varsity Track Results from May 17 in TRF

Girls Results
100 M Dash
Caitlyn Jacobson-5th Place
200 M Dash
Caitlyn Jacobson-5th Place
400 M Dash
Molly Cullen-2nd Place
New School Record
100 M Hurdles
Ashlyn Nelson-8th Place
New School Record
4x100 M Relay- 5th Place
Caitlyn Jacobson, Molly Cullen, Sadie Anderson, Janessa Torgerson
4x400 M Relay-7th Place
Sadie Anderson, Anna Sundberg, Hannah Wilebski, Kjerstin Nelson
Long Jump
Caitlyn Jacobson-5th Place
Boys Results
100 M Dash
Kehan Nelson-6th Place
800 M Run
Lewis Jones-5th Place
4x100 M Relay-7th Place
Lewis Jones, Blake Rycklock, Kaylor Torgerson, Christian Loken
4x200 M Relay-6th Place
Christian Loken, Kaylor Torgerson, Kehan Nelson, Owen Larson
Shot Put
Jolson Sargent-8th Place
Long Jump
Blake Rycklock-3rd Place
Triple Jump
Blake Rycklock-3rd Place
Lewis Jones-8th Place



Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Grygla/Gatzke April School Board Minutes

April 21, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Vice-Chairperson of the board James Verbout called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with, Tera Nordby, Luke Nordvick, Gretchen Smeby, Principal Gieseke and Superintendent Jamie Lunsetter present. Jeremy Rychlock and Clinton Brobst absent.

Pledge of Allegiance
Motion by Luke Nordvick, second by Gretchen Smeby to approve the agenda as presented. Passed 4-0. Minutes of the 3/17/22 regular school board meeting are approved as printed/amended. Approve payment of bills: Motion by Gretchen Smeby, second by Tera Nordby to approve payment of the bills check #38817 through check #38857 and wire payments. Passed 4-0.

Finance Report: Bills: General Fund \$152,484.65 MS-DLAF/Checking \$1,215,849.79 Food Service \$7,083.09 \$ Community Service \$160.00 Trust \$ Scholarship \$ Student Activity \$5,209.35 Total \$164,937.09 Total \$1,215,849.79

Student Report: Given by Colbie Johnson-McManus, Callie Loken and Ellie Sabourin. The students reported on a busy Spring. Student Council has sold 325 Eastergrams, and planned Spring Fling from April 4-8. They had coronation, with the 9th grade winning, and a game night on the 8th. Thank you to Grace Lutheran Church and Falls Cinema for their help in putting on the Release Day for grades 7-12. Keith Hawkins delivered an inspirational and motivational speech to the student body and spent some time in the afternoon with the Student Council. The World Drone Competition will be held the beginning of May. Student Council will also be hosting a staff appreciation breakfast this Spring. The High School band and choir concert is coming up soon. Prom will be held on April 30th. The Elementary program will be on May 13th. Charger Kindness Day will take place on May 17th.

Teacher Report: Given by Abby Sundberg. The following activities are taking place in Science: 7th grade is dissecting, 9th grade is working on roller

coasters and the 10th grade is preparing for the Envirothon. Three 6th graders will be participating in the 6th grade History competition in Roseau. Twenty students raised over \$2800 in Jump Rope for Heart. Five elementary students attended Honor Band in Moorhead. K-2 students and staff will be attending the Shrine Circus this year. Fourth graders will be working on their civilization projects to be displayed at the Elementary music program. A huge thank you to Alyssa Aune for the 12 weeks she spent teaching Art in the elementary. We are hoping to have her back next year!

Principal Report: MCA testing is wrapping up for the school year. The teachers were certified in CPR and First Aid last night. Juniors have taken the ACT test, done at the Community Center. The e-learning plan for next year is nearly finished. This will take the place of up to 5 storm days. The support staff will have training sessions as an option, possibly through Vector Solutions. The date of the Scholarship meeting will be on May 2nd.

Superintendent Report: Athletic Update-The Spring season is off to a slow start. The Fall and Winter schedules are complete for next year. Jerseys will be ordered for BBB this Spring. Bus Log-General maintenance is happening on the buses after a hard winter. Other-We are working on a School House purchase agreement.

Motion by James Verbout, second by Tera Nordby to approve 2022-23 School Yearly Calendar. Passed 4-0. Motion by Gretchen Smeby, second by Luke Nordvick to approve 6th Grade Class Trip. Passed 4-0.

Motion by Tera Nordby, second by James Verbout to approve the following donations: Open Trails-\$250, Midway USA Foundation-\$2575. Passed 4-0.

Motion by James Verbout, second by Tera Nordby to approve Region 1 Payroll proposal. Passed 4-0.

Trustee Reports: None.
Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned at 7:25. Next Meeting is 5/19/22, 7:00 p.m.



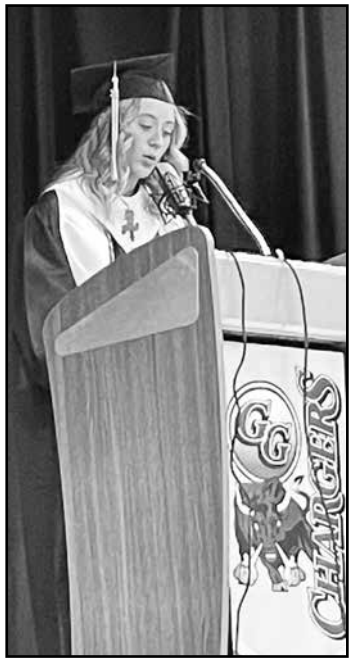
Charger Kindness Day was held last week on May 17th. Students in K-12 helped clean up various yards around the community, and tackled ditch cleaning and home projects for residents needing an extra hand! Photos courtesy of Grygla School

Charger Kindness Day held May 17



Grygla Elementary students performed their spring concert on May 13th under the direction of Mr. Gene Lunsetter! Photo courtesy of Gretchen Smeby

Goodridge & Grygla hold Commencement Programs



Hannah Wilebski, Goodridge Class Valedictorian, gave the Graduation Address. Student Scholarship information for both schools will run in next week's Eagle. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper

