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The Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship has made a difference to so many here



58 University of Minnesota Crookston students have received academic scholarships from the Nielsens. Pictured above is Les Nielsen, who spoke at the Nielsen Family Student Scholarship Recipient Reception that was held last week at UMC.

Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

By now you've probably heard of the Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship, especially if you're from around the Grygla, Gatzke or Goodridge area. This is an amazing, full-tuition scholarship through the University of Minnesota Crookston that has been available to students in the GGG area for a few years now.

The Nielsens have given so much and helped so many.

A Nielsen Family Student Scholarship Recipient Reception was held last week at the University of Minnesota Crookston, where Les and June

Nielsen, along with members of their family, were in attendance, along with recipients of their scholarship. This was an opportunity for the students who have been awarded this special scholarship to meet the Nielsens, offer their thanks, and take part in the special reception.

Les and June Nielsen offer their full-tuition scholarship to students from the Grygla/Gatzke and Goodridge areas, along with Red Lake Falls, Euclid, and Clearbrook/Gonvick. They have chosen to do with what they have been blessed with because of the connections to these areas. Les

Nielsen's mother grew up west of Grygla. When he was growing up, his family lived in the Red Lake Falls and Euclid areas. June Nielsen's hometown is Gonvick, MN. They specifically chose to focus on these rural areas and award student scholarships to those who plan to attend the University of Minnesota Crookston. The scholarships are in honor of their son Mitch Lien Nielsen, who passed away in a motorcycle accident 35 years ago. "We give to support our rural and regional roots," commented Les. "We also use this as a way to honor our son and have his memory live on through these students."

At the reception on Monday, April 29th, Les Nielsen got up and spoke to the crowd. There were many in attendance, including some of the GGG students who have received the Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship.

The Nielsens have been sharing their blessings with the University of Minnesota for quite some time. Different scholarships have been available throughout the years with this one just becoming available in 2021, which benefits students specifically from the areas mentioned.

In 2014, Les and June Nielsen gave a monetary donation to the campus that was used for the new Wellness Center; the lobby was also named in memory of their son Mitch.

Les Nielsen was born in 1937 – a couple of miles out of

Red Lake Falls on a large farm. Over the years, he moved to a couple different places before moving back to his grandparents' farm by Euclid. Les attended school through 8th grade but didn't have the money to continue on. He worked a variety of jobs all over the United States and eventually ended up going back to high school and graduated in 1958 at age 21 years old. Les attended the Northwest School of Agriculture and earned his business degree from the U of M. When he and June were married, they moved to the cities area due to more jobs being available. In 1968, he started a business with a friend that is still going strong today; that business is called Herc-U-Lift. Les and June worked alongside each other for decades at their business. What started off with just four employees is now over 200.

The Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship for students in this specific area started in 2021. When accepted to the University of Minnesota Crookston campus and awarded the scholarship, students are asked to write a "thank you" letter to Les and June. The Nielsens shared that they have held on to those letters over the years, reading some over and over. One of those letters was from Kari Sundberg, editor of the Grygla Eagle Newspaper and student recipient of the scholarship. Les asked her to speak at the banquet last week as he said he was touched by the words expressed in her letter. Sundberg offered the following, "It was an honor to speak at the event last week and meet the Nielsens. They have given such a significant, life-changing gift to so many people, including myself and so many in our town. 'Thank you' just doesn't feel like a strong enough word."

The Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship is still available for incoming UMC students. At the banquet Les shared his admiration for the U of M Crookston campus saying it is just a gem of a school.

In the closing of her speech, Sundberg said to Les and June, "Thank you for placing such a high priority on education. Thank you for investing in me...thank you for investing in all of us."

GGG students who have been awarded this full-tuition scholarship are listed below.

Grygla/Gatzke
Levi Kiesow, Kari Sundberg, Nolan Anderson, Katelyn Larson, Andrew Loken, Riley Saurdiff, Justin Thompson, Cooper Walton, Tre Alten, Kia Klein, Morgan Larson and Reece Sundberg.

Goodridge
Matthew Busse, Jennah Henrickson, Payton Homme, and Elliot Philipp.



Johnny Schmidt is pictured with his grandparents, Ray and Marshelle Benson, of Grygla. Johnny just graduated from South Dakota State University - Jerome J. Lohr College of Engineering with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics. He graduated with Academic Honors of Cum Laude. He will be teaching middle school math in his hometown of George, Iowa, this fall. More grad photos shared on the back page. Photo courtesy of Jamie Schmidt

Congrats, college grads



Hailey Knutson graduated from Bemidji State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science. She was also 1 of 4 to complete the Honors program. Hailey will attend UND in the fall for her Doctorate in Occupational Therapy. More grad photos shared on the back page. Photo courtesy of Tera Nordby

Cleven benefit



Last Wednesday evening was a great night giving back to one of our own. It was "Backing the Bin" night at the Grygla School where many came out to support the entire Cleven family after the recent loss of Terry. The school coordinated a huge, successful silent auction event while the Grygla Lion's Club served a delicious spaghetti meal to a full house.

Kim and Terry have always been a great asset to the school and community for years. They have given so generously to so many; it was our time to step up and give back.

Pictured above, L-R: Cory, Carlton and Kim Cleven are pictured with Tausha Severts and Shaunna Olson, who put in a lot of time and effort coordinating the benefit. More photos on page 3. Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



Nielsen Family Memorial Scholarship recipients were invited to attend the special banquet last week at the University of Minnesota Crookston where they were able to meet Les and June Nielsen. A handful of Grygla/Gatzke and Goodridge students attended the event, showing their appreciation and thanks to the family.

Pictured front row, L-R: Matt Busse, Andrew Loken and Elliot Philipp. Back row, L-R: Riley Saurdiff, Payton Homme, Reece Sundberg, Les and June Nielsen, Justin Thompson, Kari Sundberg and Katelyn Larson.

Out of the 58 student scholarships the Nielsens have gifted to UMC students, 16 of them have been from the Grygla/Gatzke and Goodridge area. Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



The Grygla High School "Be a Light" music concert was held last Wednesday night. Under the direction of Mr. Gene Lunsetter, the Junior and Senior High Band and Choir members performed a variety of musical selections, which included numerous solos. More photos on page 3. Photo by Grygla Eagle Newspaper



• CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla

Pastor Marilyn Grafstrom
Grace Live Stream will play on Garden Valley Channel 36 on Sundays 9am (9:30am last Sunday of the month).

Wednesday, May 8
11am Bible Study; 6pm Grace Choir, 8pm Grace Council

Sunday, May 12
Grace: 9am Worship
OS: 10:30am Worship

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith

Wednesday, May 8
Confirmation Day

Sunday, May 12
Faith: 8am Worship
Bethany: 9:30am Worship
Ekelund: Worship 11am

Tuesday, May 13
Rachel Circle 9am

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Bryan Kujawa
Sundays:

St. Clement's: 11:45am Worship
St. Ann's: 10am Worship

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sundays
8am Worship

UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH Gatzke
Pastor Tim Lundeen
Wednesday, May 8
Church Council meeting 6pm

Sundays
8:30am Worship

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee

Pastor Jeff Merseth
Saturday, May 11
Mt. Olive Worship 9am

Sunday, May 12
St. Petri: 8am Worship
Nazareth: 9:45am Worship
Oak Park: 11am Worship

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Community Calendar

Wed | May 8
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm; Grygla Class of 2024 Lion's Banquet at The Hound 6pm

Thurs | May 9
JH Track TRF; GG/NF Baseball vs. Wauben in Karlstad (Senior Night) JV/V with JH in Wauben; Grygla Garden Club meeting The Hound 6pm

Fri | May 10
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; GG/NF Baseball in Karlstad vs. Ada-Borup West with JH in Ada; Grygla Elementary Music Concert 2pm; V Track in WAO; Roseau/GG Golf Varsity at TRF

Sat | May 11
Roseau/GG Golf JV/V Meet

Sun | May 12
Mother's Day; Grygla Trap League Day 12-3pm

Mon | May 13
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Varsity Track at Roseau; High Mileage in Brainerd, JV Golf at Crookston; Grygla City Council Meeting 7pm

Tues | May 14
High Mileage in Brainerd; JH Track in Roseau

Please send events to: grygla.eagle@gmail.com

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Junior High Football Coaching Position

The Goodridge/Grygla Chargers are accepting applications for 1 **Junior High Football Coaching Position**. Please email letter of application and resume to tomas.loberg@goodridgeisd561.org or jmumm@grygla.k12.mn.us. Please contact AD Tom Loberg at 218-378-4134 or AD Jeff Mumm at 218-294-6155 if you have any questions.

G7-9C

JANITOR POSITION

American State Bank of Grygla is looking for a janitor. Flexible schedule, general housekeeping duties. Please stop in at ASB to inquire.

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G8C

Senior Night for graduates

On Wednesday, May 8th, the Grygla Lion's Club will be hosting their annual Senior Night at The Hound Pub & Grill. The evening will begin at 6pm with a social hour, 6:30 meal, and a 7pm presentation. Graduating seniors will eat free, while parents and siblings will be charged \$16/each. The guest speaker at the event will be Paul Sather, the UND Basketball Coach.



Congratulations to Ashlyn Nelson for earning Tru North Conference Honorable Mention placing 3rd in the 300m hurdles.

The Marshall County Highway Department is currently accepting applications for the following FULL-TIME positions:

Mechanic (Warren Shop)

- This position is responsible for the management of all maintenance equipment including scheduling all maintenance work, scheduling major repair work with equipment manufacturers, keeping records of equipment operating hours and repair history. DOT Certification preferred, but able to obtain after hire date.
- Pay range is \$25.62-\$33.84, depending on experience.

Motor Grader Operator/General Maintenance Worker (Holt Shop)

- This position schedules and performs blading, snowplowing, and other minor roadside maintenance functions on route assigned. Responsible for reporting unsafe or insufficient conditions existing on roadways and bridges on assigned route.
- Pay range is \$23.69-\$30.91, depending on experience.

Applications and job descriptions are available on the Marshall County Website and at the Highway Department Office, 447 South Main Street, Warren, MN 56762.

A valid Class A Driver's License is required for each of these positions. Positions are open until filled.

Marshall County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Marshall County Demo Landfill Reminder:

Construction/Demolition waste ONLY!
(Untreated wood, masonry, glass, concrete, siding, etc.)

No household garbage, furniture, cardboard, caulking tubes, pop/water bottles, cans, etc.

This state rule applies for any C&D landfill.

Hours: Wednesdays, May through end of October, 8:00-4:30

Questions? Call 218-745-5841

G8C

Elementary music concert

Next Friday, May 10th, is Grygla Elementary Program Day! In fact, you will enjoy TWO programs as well as the 5th grade band. K-2nd grade will be performing "Pajama Party." K-2 students are encouraged to wear pajamas for the day or bring some PJ's to change into for the program. They are also asked to bring a "stuffy" or a doll; blankets are optional. If any of them have an "out of order" video game or some type of component they can bring those as well.

Grades 3-5 are performing "Phantom in the Music Room" - written by a music teacher from Minnesota. Students in these grades can dress like normal students who are in school. Be ready to test your "classical music" knowledge!



Farmer's Market

Plans are underway for the annual Fall Fest that will be taking place August 24-25, 2024. Calling all vendors for the Farmer's Market. If you've ever considered having a booth and selling your items, now is the chance to do so. Local crafters, artists, handmade goods, vendors and independent sellers are wanted for the Farmer's Market at the Grygla Fall Fest on Saturday, August 24th, from 9:30am-3:30pm.

Please contact Chelsey Peters at 218-689-2115. Cost is \$10 per booth.

Cash Calendar

There are cash calendars being sold until July 31st at 5pm. Cash calendars can be purchased at American State Bank, Fountown Store and Tavern or Grygla General Store. They can also be purchase through Amy Holte, Gretchen Smeby, Jaclyn Moe, Jodi Schulz, Karla Byklum, Lindsay Oslund or Tonia Haack.

If your name is drawn, it goes back in to be eligible for more drawings. If anyone is interested in helping the committee out by selling a few calendars, please contact Jodi Schulz 218-689-1454. Cash Calendar proceeds will be going towards fixing up the horseshoe pits and other Fall Fest expenses.

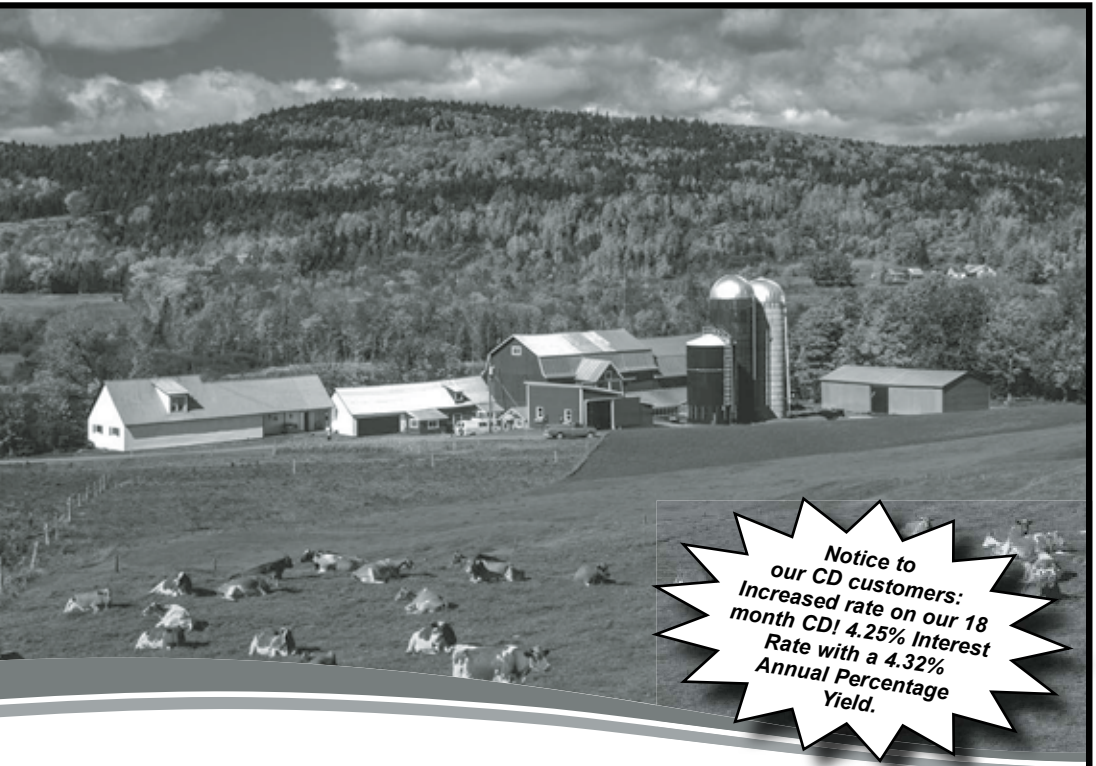


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Results from last week's StatePoint crossword puzzle.



Introducing your Tru North All Conference 4x800m relay team that also broke the school record with a new time of 11:03.12! Congratulations Sophia Beck, Morgan Underdahl, Ashlyn Nelson, and Nevaeh Kotrba. Photo courtesy of GG Track



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Charger Track Meet results

Varsity Track Results from Friday, April 26th at LOW

Boys

100 M Dash
Sawyer Jacobson-5th
200 M Dash
Shay Jacobson-8th
1600 M Run
Braeden Nordby-5th
4x100 M Relay-2nd
Owen Larson
Sawyer Jacobson
Shay Jacobson
DaMontay Johnson
4x200 M Relay-3rd
Shay Jacobson
Sawyer Jacobson
Sebastian Groven
DaMontay Johnson
Shot Put
Owen Larson-4th
Sawyer Jacobson-8th
Discus
Owen Larson-5th
Long Jump
Shay Jacobson-4th
Evan Rubischko-8th

Girls

100 M Dash
Janessa Torgerson-3rd

Place

200 M Dash
Brooklyn Kriel-3rd
Alayla Blanco-4th
Marissa Parnow-7th
400 M Dash
Molly Cullen-1st
800 M Run
Morgan Underdahl-7th
100 M Hurdles
Alayla Blanco-7th
300 M Hurdles

Results from the True North Conference Championship Track and Field Meet in EGF on Friday, March 3rd. 1st place finishers are named All-Conference; 2nd and 3rd place finishers are named Honorable Mention for the Conference.

Boys

1600 Meter Run
Braeden Nordby-8th Place
110 Meter Hurdles
DaMontay Johnson-6th Place
4x100 Meter Relay-5th Place
Shay Jacobson
DaMontay Johnson
Owen Larson
Sawyer Jacobson
4x200 Meter Relay-4th Place
Sawyer Jacobson
Owen Larson

Ashlyn Nelson-3rd
4x100 M Relay-3rd
Sophia Beck
Morgan Underdahl
Brooklyn Kriel
Janessa Torgerson
4x200 M Relay-1st
Brooklyn Kriel
Molly Cullen
Ashlyn Nelson
Janessa Torgerson
4x800 M Relay-1st
Sophia Beck
Ashlyn Nelson
Molly Cullen
Nevaeh Kotrba
Long Jump
Nevaeh Kotrba-7th

DaMontay Johnson
Shay Jacobson
Shot Put
Owen Larson-8th Place
Discus
Owen Larson-6th Place
Long Jump
Shay Jacobson-6th Place

Girls

100 Meter Dash
Janessa Torgerson-5th Place
800 Meter Run
Nevaeh Kotrba-8th Place
100 Meter Hurdles
Ashlyn Nelson-5th Place
300 Meter Hurdles
Ashlyn Nelson-3rd Place,
Honorable Mention
4x100 Meter Relay-5th Place
Makayla Erlandson
Marissa Parnow
Sophia Beck
Janessa Torgerson
4x200 Meter Relay-7th Place
Sophia Beck
Nevaeh Kotrba
Alayla Blanco
Janessa Torgerson
4x800 Meter Relay-1st Place, All-Conference, New School Record
Sophia Beck
Morgan Underdahl
Ashlyn Nelson
Nevaeh Kotrba
High Jump
Morgan Underdahl-4th Place, Tied School Record



May is Community Action Month

2024 marks the 60th year since the Community Action Network was established to help American families and communities overcome obstacles to poverty. Over 1000 agencies across the country are working every day to create opportunities and transform the lives of their neighbors making communities stronger and helping families across the US thrive. This year, Northwest Community Action, Inc., a proud member of the Community Action Network, commemorates 59 years of helping families throughout Roseau, Kittson, Lake of the Woods and Marshall Counties.

“Each May, during Community Action Month, we reflect on the impact NWCA and our network has had on families,” said Sharon Millner, Executive Director. “Last year alone, Community Action served nearly 2,000 people across northwest Minnesota and over 15 million across the country with immediately needed services such as shelter and food, and also long-term solutions like education, asset building, financial literacy training and job search.”

NWCA programs like Head Start, Energy Assistance, Weatherization, Little Brother /Little Sister, Team EPIC, SNAP Outreach, and Homeless

Prevention employ 67 people across the area. NWCA employees are committed to The Promise of Community Action: “Community Action changes peoples’ lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.”

To learn more about Community Action, visit our website at nwcaa.org, the Minnesota Community Action Partnership at minncap.org and the National Community Action Partnership at commu-

nityactionpartnership.com. NWCA has Headstart Centers in Grygla, Viking, Karlstad, Greenbush, Badger, Roseau, Warroad and Baudette; the central office is located in Badger.

Local NWCA employees include:

Janna Sistad, Grygla School Classroom Teacher; Susie Olson, Grygla School Family Advocate; Brittany Sletten and Chelsea Stanley, Grygla School Classroom Paras; Stacie Meyer, Head Start Data Manager/IT Coordinator in Badger; and Jackie Stinson, Family Services Manager in Badger. Photo courtesy of NWCA

Senior Spotlight

The last two issues of the Grygla Eagle Newspaper have featured Goodridge and Grygla students in the “Senior Spotlight” interviews. We’re taking a pause on it this week so we can get the final senior interviews turned in and run all the remaining students together next week.



Jerry Wayne presents a \$500 check on behalf of the Goodridge Lion's Club to Officer Jamisen Steer and the K9 unit in TRF. Photo courtesy of David Sjulestad



The 6th graders in Goodridge had DARE graduation last week. Bottom row: Carly Jensen and Payzlea Kainz. 1st row: Craig Cullen, Aerial Turbes, SunniMae Stratton, Stella Sorensen, Avery Schultz, Tylas Northup, Graysen Metcalf, and Abram Kiviaho. 2nd row: Skylar Swenson, Maddie Underdahl, Adrienne Fanfulik, Jersey Horgeshimer, Sophia Rystad, Easton Wikert, Mrs Rystad. Back row: Bryson Fiedler, Brayden Beito, Chase Burns, Braxton Homme, Emily Larson and Officer Kyle T. Miller. Photo courtesy of Lindsay Rystad

Grygla Trap



Congratulations to Brett Rychlock and Chelsie Nelson for their 25 straights in Trap last week. That was Chelsie's last day for her High School Trap career. Both of them started in 6th grade. Photos courtesy of Grygla School

Backing the Bin & music concert night



The benefit for the Cleven family was held at the Grygla School last Wednesday night - the same night as the High School Spring Music Concert. More information on the front page. Photos by Grygla Eagle Newspaper

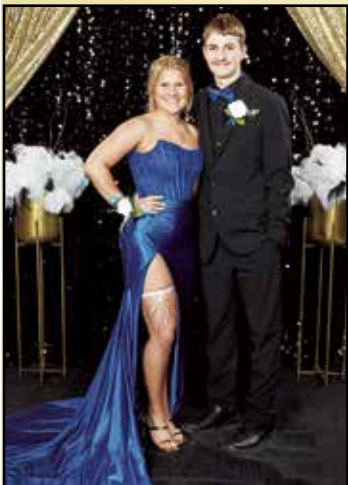


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one Grygla Eagle at a time.

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Noun
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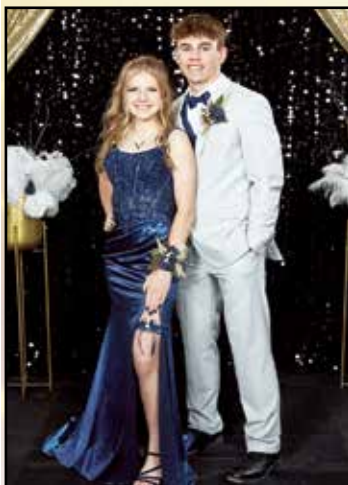
Goodridge High School Prom 2024



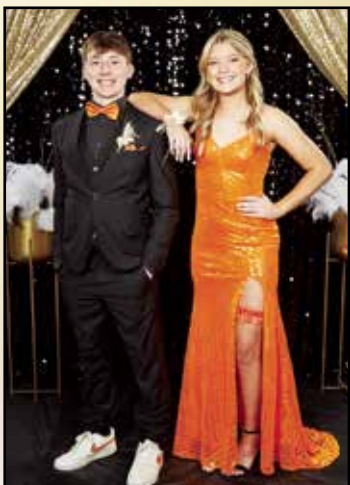
Morgan Coan escorted by Payton Dougherty



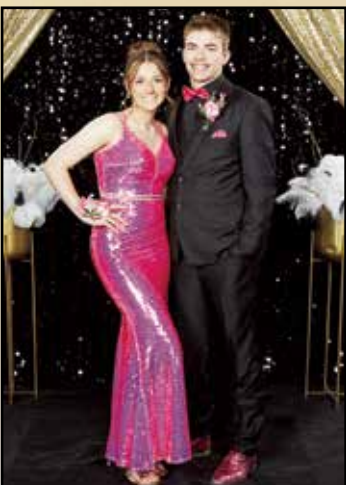
Goodridge High School held its prom last Saturday, May 4th. The theme was Golden Rendezvous. All of the couple photos featured on this page are courtesy of Thoele Photography. The group photo above features some of the couples who gathered beforehand for pictures; that photo is courtesy of Deanna Coan Photography.



Nevaeh Kotrba escorted by Sawyer Torgerson



Evan Rubischko escorting Makayla Erlandson



Norah Philipp escorted by Sawyer Jacobson



Trustin Wiseth escorting Mylee Sjustestad



Hannah Lovly



Brody Rystad escorting McKenna Parnow



Kehan Nelson escorting Teagen Jensen



Brandon Burns escorting Madelyn Nelson



Spencer Coan escorting Chesney Salo



Ashlyn Nelson escorted by Derek Tibbetts



Breno Jamal escorting Presley Kramer



Jamisen Wilson escorted by Tucker Pasch



Emma Seyller accompanied by Lily Beavis



Ava Halvorson escorted by Guy Bergeson



Madelynn Thompson escorted by Micah Anderson



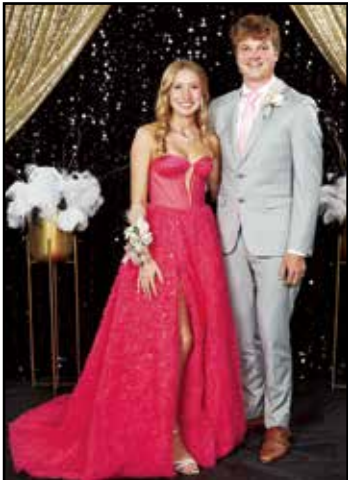
Mollie Lunsetter escorted by Lincoln Panek



Carson Rubischko escorting Morgan Underdahl



Brooklynn Kriel escorted by Jayden Whitlow



Carter Lee Johnsrud escorted by Wyatt Harbott



Chase Manderud escorting Sadie Anderson



Kennedy Panek escorted by Caden Marquis



Donny Johnsrud escorting Becca Harbott



Emilea Johnson escorted by Erich Belden



Izabel Horning escorted by Hunter Kiesow

Congratulations, college graduates



Mya Anderson graduated from the University of Minnesota Duluth with a Bachelor of Applied Arts in Psychology and Bachelor of Arts in Criminology. Photo courtesy of Lindsay Oslund



Elise Monson graduated from Bemidji State University with a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Students and Political Science with Academic Honors of Summa Cum Laude. Photo courtesy of Maureen Monson



Kari Sundberg graduated from the University of Minnesota Crookston with a Bachelor of Science in English and Communications with Academic Honors of Distinction. She is pictured with her children, Sheldin and Anna. Photo by Kari Sundberg