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Saurdiff & Sons Trucking

A 77-year legacy comes to an end

After more than 75 years of service, Saurdiff & Sons Trucking business has come to an end. Last month, Lee Saurdiff made his last run on the road and now joins his brother and long-time business partner, Steve Saurdiff, in retirement.

First started by their father, Paul Saurdiff, in 1948 in Grygla, this family-owned business has been a staple in the community for decades. Paul's sons, Steve and Lee, carried on the legacy, with Steve retiring in 2020 and Lee completing his last load in December of 2024.

The impact of Saurdiff & Sons will be remembered by all who were part of the journey. Many members of the Grygla community worked alongside them over the years, whether it was employees who were brought on or local & area businesses the company serviced.

A legacy begins in 1948
The story of Saurdiff & Sons Trucking began with Paul Saurdiff, born in Warroad, MN, on April 6, 1919. Paul, who passed away in 1998, started his trucking business after a diverse career. Before venturing into trucking, some of his jobs included working as a commercial fisherman on Lake of the Woods, working in various taverns/cafes, working for Farmer's Union and working as a beekeeper. Paul even served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. When he returned from service in 1946, he worked various jobs before purchasing a trucking business from Orin Benson in 1948. What began as a small operation hauling livestock down and feed & cement back, soon grew to become a beloved and reliable company known for its service throughout northwest Minnesota.

For decades, Paul's sons, Steve and Lee Saurdiff, carried on the family business. While the trucking industry has evolved over the years, with advancements in technology and equipment, the Saurdiffs maintained a steadfast commitment to hard work and customer service. Early on, when he first started, Paul worked without the convenience of modern equipment like hopper-bottom trailers, so he had to load fertilizer and shovel it out. There also wasn't bulk back then so things like hauling cement, well, that was done in 100 lb. bags. It was a different game when it came to trucking back then.

Generational commitment to service
Years ago, both David and Richard Saurdiff also worked with their dad, but eventually each went their own way. Richard went on with one of the trucks and hauled for Christian Brother's Hockey Sticks, while David started farming. David still helped haul cattle, though he wasn't full-time, like Steve and Lee.

Lee, who started driving for the company in 1976 at the age of 18, continued working for the family business until December 2024. His final load took him to Minneapolis, where he went twice, sometimes three times a week for most of his career. Steve, who began working with the company in 1973, retired in 2020 after the onset of COVID-19.

Frequent routes, familiar faces
The brothers both look back on their time in trucking with a sense of pride, noting the camaraderie they built along the way. They both said they will miss the friendships the most. Lee ex-

plained that he would make 7...10...15 stops every time he was down in the cities. "You get to know these people and make some real good friends," he noted, saying he'll miss that the most in this next chapter.

Steve fondly remembers how much simpler things seemed back in the day, with people relying on a handshake and a quick conversation to get things done. One example of that is back in the old days - Steve said there was a liquor salesman who had no technology or means of scheduling things other than to stop the Saurdiffs on the road and tell them where to stop and pick up "liquor for Petersons" down in the cities. Well, everything was always ready to go that next day! "Now days, they have ten different ways of contacting you and nothing is ever ready on time," laughed Steve.

Over the years, the business ran pretty smoothly in a routine where Steve and Lee would take turns going further out. One would go to Chicago and one would go to the cities, then switch it around the next week.

Over the years, Saurdiff & Sons Trucking earned the trust of a loyal customer base, including prominent local and area businesses like Machinewell, Arctic Cat, Marvin Windows, and American Crystal Sugar. The Saurdiffs also hauled a wide range of goods for companies such as Steigers out of Red Lake Falls, Erico Manufacturing in Viking, and Old Dutch, with many of their customers spanning three generations. Their services were integral to the region, from hauling livestock and grains to hauling potatoes, lumber, flour, sugar, liquor, carpeting and hardware across the state.

The company's employees, too, have played a key role in its success, with many coming on to help haul cattle twice a week. Drivers included Rodney Carlson, Vernon Neuschwander, Richard Holen, Norman Hanson, Jimmy Johnson, Jerry Sistad, Jerry Holthusen, Richard Mosher, Rick Beito, Brian Cyr, Chris Bergeron, Travis Neuschwander, Orvis and Roy Nordby, Ola Byklum, Llyod Klausen, Donald Thomas, Tony Moe and Darold Nordvick. Darold Nordvick hauled a lot of loads for Marvin Windows all over the place. Carson Saurdiff, Steve's son, drove from about 2004-2009, spending time on the road before venturing into his own career.

A bittersweet farewell
Over the years, Saurdiff & Sons had quite a few different trucks on the road, but with the business winding down, only Lee's truck remains, which will soon be sold.

As they close this chapter, the Saurdiff family is grateful for the years of hard work, the friendships forged, and the legacy they built. They are thankful to the community for its unwavering support, which has made Saurdiff & Sons Trucking a standout business in the region for over seven decades.

"Retirement is a bittersweet feeling," said Steve. "It's been a great run, but it can't go on forever." Lee also agreed with that as he joins the world of retirement now, too.

The family's contribution to the region will always be remembered, and the Saurdiff name will forever be tied to the roads they helped pave and the freight they carried through the heart of the region.



Left: Lee, Betsy and Hannah Saurdiff in the 90's. Right: Saurdiff & Sons float that was in the Grygla Fall Festival Parade in August 2003. Years ago, the business had an answering service down in the cities, but with how easy the development of cell phones made things, eventually people just called Saurdiffs direct.



It Takes a Village

Funds supporting Grygla students in need

A special fund at Grygla School, titled "It Takes a Village," is helping students with essential needs that may otherwise go unmet. Currently holding about \$5,000, the fund has been primarily sustained through private donations and memorial gifts.

The fund has provided support for a variety of student needs, including athletic equipment, activity participation fees, winter clothing, shoes, and boots. Requests for assistance have come from a broad

network of community members, including peers, coaches, teachers, social workers, and others who notice a student in need.

To make a request for support, students or community members can approach Mr. Gieseke, Mr. Mumm, or any staff member at the school.

For those interested in contributing to the fund, donations can be made by sending a check to Grygla School with "It Takes a Village" noted in the memo line.

Grygla Cup this Saturday

Puck drops at 9 a.m.

The 31st Annual Grygla Cup hockey tournament is happening this Saturday, February 1st, with the puck dropping at 9 a.m. The following teams will be playing: Grygla Flames, Grygla Ice Devils, William Wolves and Red Lake Falls.

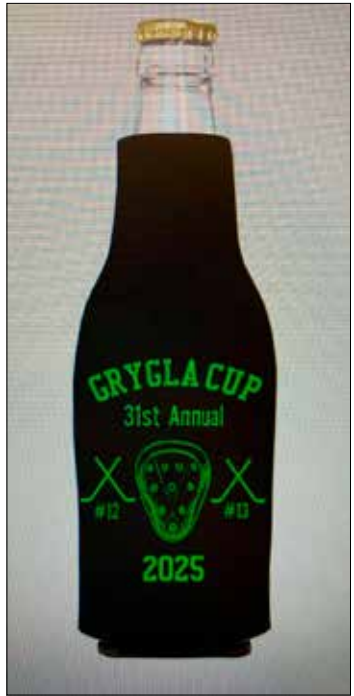
If there are any goalies out there interested in playing, the Grygla Ice Devils are still looking for a goalie!? You can contact Nick Olson (689-0830) or Robbie Anderson (684-1740).

Grygla Cup Schedule
9am: Flames vs. Ice Devils
10:30am: RLF vs. Williams
12pm: Flames vs. Williams
1:30pm: Ice Devils vs. RLF
3pm: Ice Devils vs. Williams
4:30pm: Flames vs. RLF

There will be a free-will donation lunch throughout the day consisting of pulled chicken and BBQs. There will also be a 50/50 drawing that runs throughout the day with the drawing taking place right before the championship game. Bottle koozies will also be on hand to purchase for just \$5.

Last year marked the end of an era for the Grygla Flames, who had previously held the ti-

tle for 18 consecutive years, but were overthrown by Red Lake Falls. Who will take the Championship title this year? Plan to attend the action on ice and cheer on your favorite team.



Bottle koozies will be sold on Saturday for \$5.

Ag Arama success



Gracie Lunsetter, a Gatzke native and student at the University of Minnesota Crookston, is pictured (far left) with her roommates, all of whom had a successful and enjoyable time at the 50th Annual UMC Ag Arama. Lunsetter earned multiple accolades, including ribbons for wheat and soybeans, a third-place finish in the Ag Business Sweepstakes, and first place in the Agronomy Sweepstakes. Her roommate Christina received ribbons for both horse and dog showmanship. Another roommate, Heather, garnered ribbons for rabbit and goat showmanship and was also honored with the prestigious True Grit Award.

Bar Bingo returns

Hosted by Grygla Lions

The Grygla Lion's Club is excited to announce the return of Bar Bingo, starting February 1st at The Hound. The event will kick off at 6:30 p.m. and run for 10 consecutive weeks, offering a fun and engaging night out for the community.

Each week, local clubs and organizations will volunteer their time to help run the

event, with a Lions Club member handling the final paper-work at the end of the night.

The highlight of the evening will be the Progressive Black-out game, which will start with a jackpot of \$500 and 53 numbers to be called.

Come join the fun, support your community, and try your luck at winning big!

• CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Grace Live Stream will play on Garden Valley Channel 36 on Sundays 9am (9:30am last Sunday of the month).
Wednesday, Jan 29
11am Bible Study, 2:15pm Release Time, 3:30 FFF Night, 7pm Confirmation
Thursday, Jan 30
9am-12pm Grace Quilting
Sunday, Feb 2
Grace: 9am Worship
OS: 10:30am Worship

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith
Sunday, Feb 2
Bethany: 8am Worship, 9am SS
Faith: 9:30am Worship, 10am SS
Ekelund: 10:30am SS, 11am Worship w/ annual meeting and pancake feed to follow
Monday, Feb 3
Faith Mission Monday, Quilting 9am-2pm

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COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's – Grygla; St. Ann's – Goodridge
Fr. Bryan Kujawa
Sundays:
St. Clement's: 11:45am Worship
St. Ann's: Time N/A

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sunday, Feb 2
9:30am 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 Jeffrey Merseth
Sunday, Feb 2
St. Petri: 9:45am Worship
Nazareth: 9:45am Livestream
Oak Park: 8:45am SS, 9:45am Livestream

Community Calendar

Wed | Jan 29
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm
Thurs | Jan 30
BBB JH vs. RLCC at Oklee; BBB (C, JV, V) in TRF
Fri | Jan 31
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Elementary Intramurals 1-3pm; GBB at Fertile; BBB vs. WEM in Goodridge
Sat | Feb 1
GBB C Team tourney in Fosston; Grygla Cup 9am; Grygla Lion's host Bar Bingo at The Hound 6:30pm
Sun | Feb 2
Groundhog Day
Mon | Feb 3
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Double Header GBB/BBB in Grygla vs. KCC
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Grygla Elementary Intramurals

Grygla Elementary Intramurals are underway for students in grades 4-6. Games are held every Friday from 1-3pm and will continue through mid-March. The games are open for parents, grandparents, and community members to go watch.

Academic Honors

If you haven't signed up the Grygla Eagle Newspaper as your hometown paper at college, please remember to do so if you want any academic honors published. They'll send

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Snowmobile Safety Training

There is a Snowmobile Safety Training scheduled for Sunday, March 2nd, at 1pm at the Grygla Bus Garage. Students must be 11 years of age or older – certificate is valid at 12 years of age. Please sign up in advance. Please come dressed for riding and winter weather. Helmet required. There is an

online class that must be completed prior to March 2nd. You can access that at snowmobile-course.com. Please contact Bob Thompson at 218-689-1374 or Jack Nelson at 218-689-8807 for more information. This course is hosted by the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club.

Goodridge-Grygla 500 cancelled

Just a reminder that the Goodridge-Grygla 500 snowmobile race has been cancelled. Cor PowerSports Race Series, along with our local reps that coordinate the Goodridge-Grygla 500, both announced the cancellation of the race that was scheduled for February

8-9, 2025.

This is the second year in a row that the Goodridge-Grygla 500 Snowmobile Race has had to be cancelled due to a lack of snow. The crew is still selling raffle tickets; proceeds will go to the Grygla and Goodridge EMS and Fire Departments.

2025 Fridays with a Forester – Zoom series

Courtesy of University of Minnesota Extension

Join the University of Minnesota Extension foresters to discuss some of the key issues and questions around forest and woodlands facing Minnesota landowners. These online sessions will be very informal, open to the public and free of charge. Each session will start with a brief presentation, followed by a discussion framed around participants' questions on the topic. Each zoom will be from 9 to 10 a.m.
• February 14: Minnesota ash woodlands and emerald ash borer - Eli Sagor and Josh Donatell
• February 21: Trail Design: Structures to cross obstacles - Mel Baughman
• February 28: Eco-anxiety: Nurturing resilient people to steward resilient ecosystems - Angela Gupta
• March 14: Climate-ready woodlands: Promoting the re-

silience of your backyard woodlands - Anna Stockstad

• March 21: Expanding agroforestry grants and practices - Gary Wyatt, Tyler Carlson and Caleb Langworthy
• March 28: ACORNS: Access, Collection, Organization, and Redistribution of Nuts and Seeds - Kira Pollack
• April 11: Finding and working with a local woodland service provider - Eli and service provider panel.
• April 18: 2025 Participatory Science projects - Angela Gupta
• April 25: Forestry for Minnesota birds – What can the birds tell us? - Jayme Strange
To learn more about each topic and sign up for these zoom sessions, register at z.umn.edu/Fridays2025.
Recordings from all webinars in the series will be made available on our YouTube page at z.umn.edu/Fridays.



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StatePoint Crossword
Theme: Super Bowl

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- Bungle
- Cause of a trip?
- Dao, alt. sp.
- Between marquess and viscount
- Super garb?
- Inlet in Norway
- Cogito ____ sum
- Long story
- Deprived of a limb
- *Half-time headliner
- Ice, dark or middle ____
- *Cindy Crawford wore "____ Dukes" in a Super Bowl
- ad
- Flightless bird
- *Last year's Super Bowl winners
- A cheap, run-down motel
- "____ the fields we go"
- Merry
- Actor's part
- Expensive
- Not him
- Cell phone bill item
- Civil Rights icon
- *David Tyree's ____ Catch

- Letters of distress
- What rule follower does
- Get cozy
- Greed, biblically-speaking
- Grieve for the dead
- Time period
- *Team with most Super Bowl appearances
- 3600 seconds, pl.
- Casino chip
- Salmon's output
- En ____, all together
- Like Piper of Hamelin
- Uber alternative
- ____ Robinson
63. Acronym, abbr.
- "Come Sail Away" band

DOWN

- Service charge
- Songbird
- Craving
- Marilyn Monroe, e.g.
- ____ lazuli
- Hot
- 52 cards
- Hefty volume
- Greek god of war
- 1, e.g.
- Cherry red
- Post vitriol

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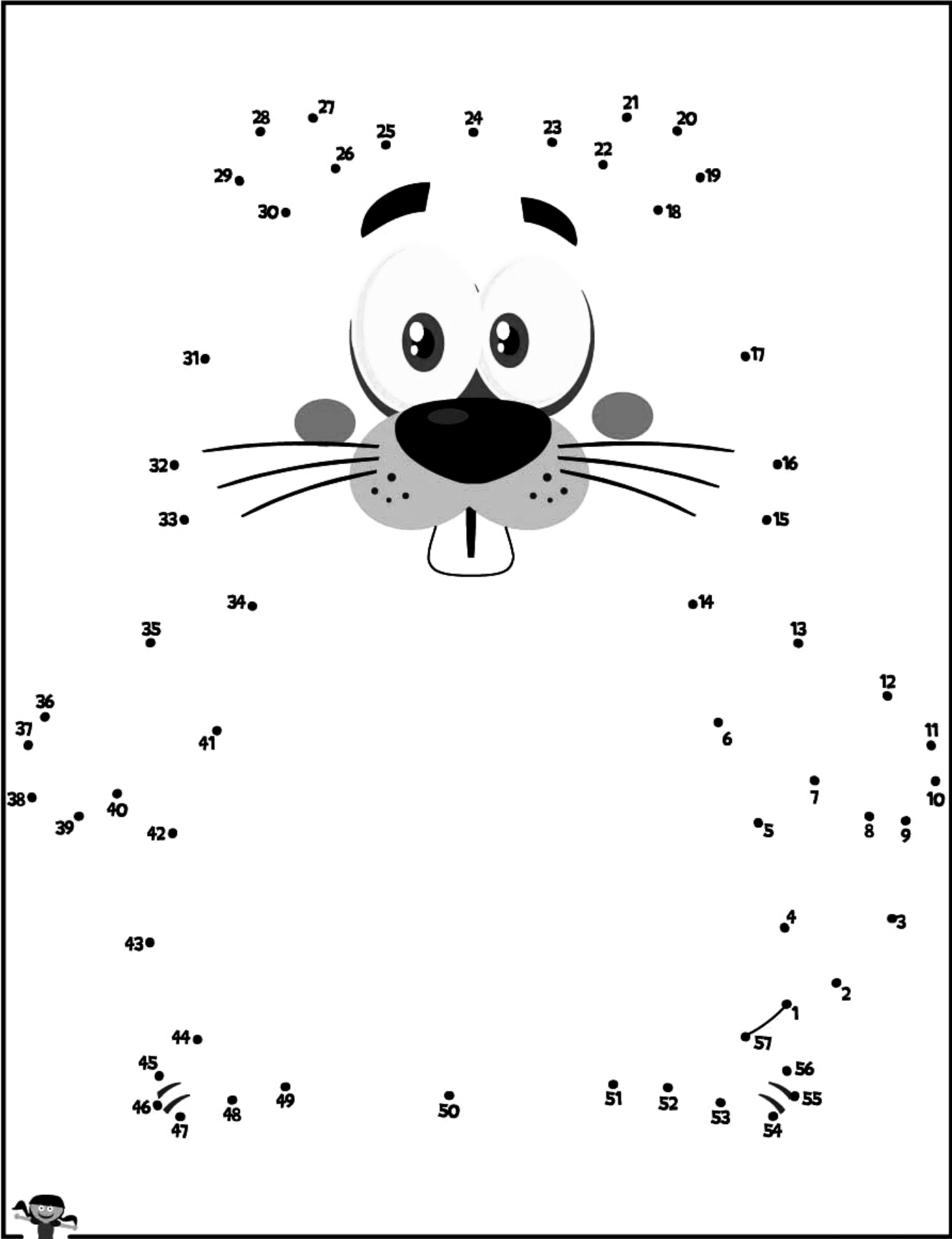
Community Blood Drive

The Grygla Fire & Rescue Department is hosting an upcoming Blood Drive at the Grygla Community Center on Wednesday, February 5th, from 12-6pm. 47 donors are needed! To sign up for a life-saving donation, go to donors.vitalant.org and use the code "Grygla" or contact Paul Nordby at 689-0435 or Lynn Anderson at 689-5892.

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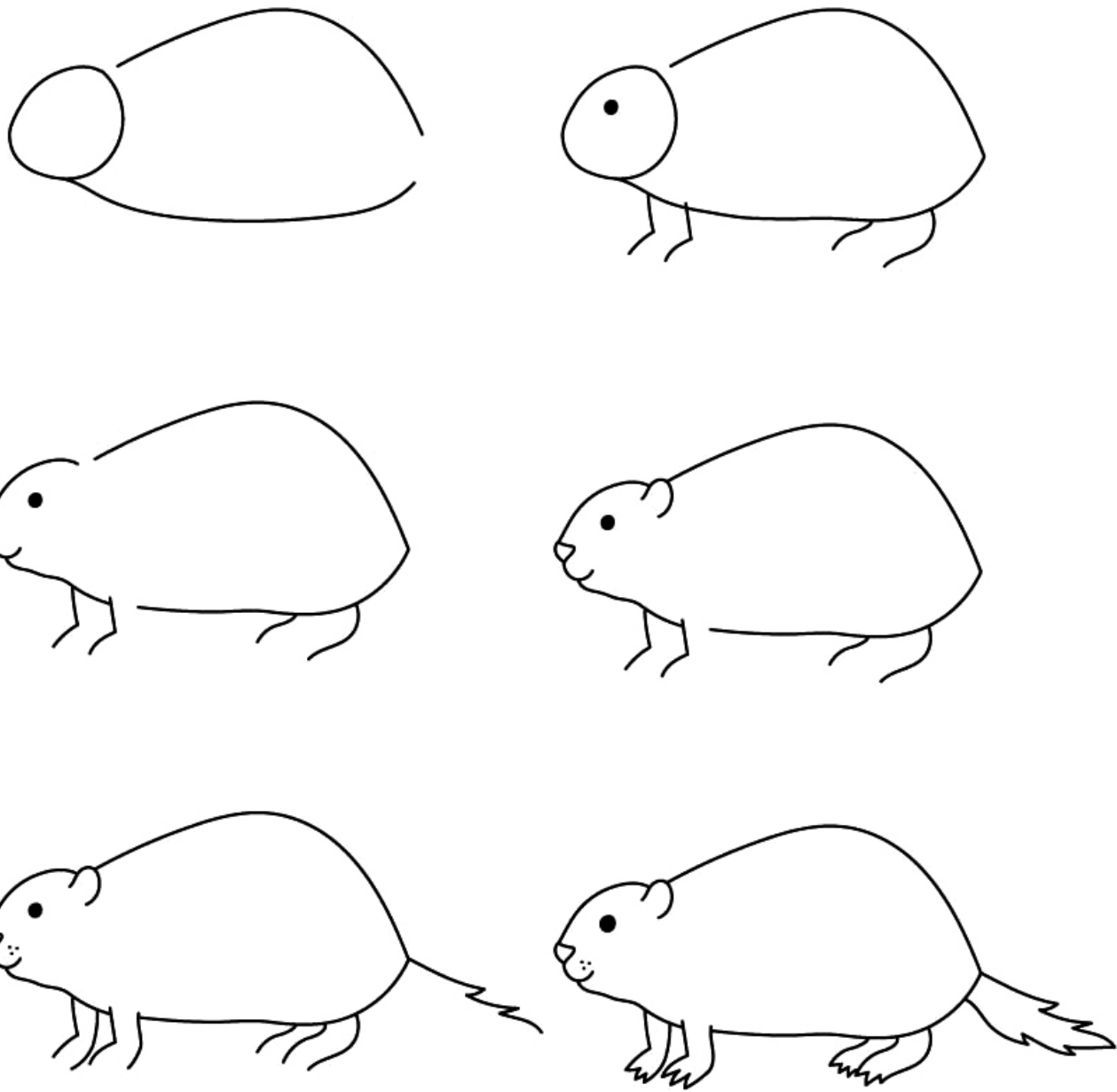
- *Team with no Super Bowl appearances
- Looney Tunes duck
- Architrectural add-on
- Meat of coconut
- Roman king of Judea
- Like certain whiskey
- Grow crop
- Brag
28. Algorithmic language
- Ganders' companions
- Tom Jones's "____ a Lady"
33. Rolodex abbr.
- *____ Superdome
- Wombs
- Lady lobster
- Hardened
- Follows wash
- Pig sounds
- Bouncing off the walls
- Weasel's aquatic cousin
- Fly like an eagle
- Boot-wearing kitty
- Mama Bear's husband
- To perfection (3 words)
- *Justin Timberlake's "____ Back," sung in Super Bowl show
55. Expression of doubt
- *Steelers' number of Super Bowl trophies

Happy Groundhog Day this Sunday



It's always nice to include some fun activities for the youngsters. With Groundhog Day coming up on Sunday, now is a good time to sit the kids down, explain what the meaning of the "holiday" is, then cut out these sheets and set them loose!

How to Draw a Groundhog!



Word of the Week

...enhancing vocabularies

one Grygla Eagle at a time.

well-night

adverb

very nearly; almost

wel-nahy

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Results from the StatePoint Crossword puzzle on pg. 2.

Upcoming deadline for arts grants for organizations is February 28

Applications are open for arts grants for nonprofit arts organizations, communities, schools, and other nonprofit organizations from our seven county Minnesota service area including Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau counties.

Nonprofits and government organizations can apply for one arts project at a time. Upcoming grants deadlines for these are February 28. Grants are between \$500 and \$10,000. Funding sources for these grants are Clean Water, Land and Legacy funds and general allocation funds from the State of Minnesota.

Organizational arts activities funded through these very important grant opportunities include festivals, community theatre projects, folk music entertainment, sponsorship of visual demonstrations, creative writing workshops and many other activities that improve the quality of life of people in our communities. This is a great way to bring arts experiences to your community.

We are offering a grant writing workshop online or in person to assist you with your application. You are welcome to come to our office in Warren for the workshop or to work on your grants. RSVPs are required for grant writing sessions – please email director@nwartsCouncil.org.

The session will be held Tuesday, February 11 at 4:00 PM. You can also set up a time to work one-on-one with our director on the grant writing

process.

Schools in our seven-county region can also apply now for an Artist Residency grant of \$2,600 plus an additional \$400 if the residency needs supplies. Our teaching artist roster is a great resource to view artists available to teach in our area and is available on our website at www.NorthwestMinnesotaArtsCouncil.org under the artists tab. Another resource to view artists available to enhance curriculum is COMPAS.

Schools can initially apply for one residency. Then based on remaining funding, can request up to three additional residencies into spring and summer. Funding for residency activities comes from the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment in Minnesota.

Also available on a first come-first served basis are Quick Turnaround Grants for \$500. These grants are awarded to performing artists, visual artists, media artists, and creative writing artists from our seven county Minnesota service area including Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau counties.

To learn more about these grant programs and start an application visit www.NorthwestMinnesotaArtsCouncil.org. The grant application process is completely online and NWMAC's Director Mara Hanel can help walk you through the process of using the grants portal to get accustomed to it. Please contact her at director@NWArtsCouncil.org or call 218-745-8886.

This week's Charger game schedule

Monday
Monday, the GBB team will travel up to Baudette to play LOW.

Tuesday
Tuesday is Parent's Night for the BBB in Grygla. JH GBB will play in Goodridge vs. CG this day, also. As for Parent's Night, the boys will play Northern Freeze in Grygla.

Thursday
BBB teams travels to TRF for the Mental Health Awareness Game. (PE Gym) C @ 5:30, (Main Gym) JV @ 6:00 and Varsity @ 7:30.

JH BBB will head to Oklee and play RLC with 7th @ 4:30 and 8th @ 5:30.

Friday
GBB @ Fertile-Beltrami; C

@ 4:45, JV @ 6:00, and V to follow. BBB vs WEM in Goodridge with C @ 4:15, JV @ 5:30, and V to follow. No 6, 7, or 8 practice.

Next Monday's Double Header/Autograph Night

Next Monday, February 3rd, there is a double header in Grygla vs. KCC. The girls schedule: Combined GBB JH @ 4:30, Big Gym - JV @ 3:30 and Varsity @ 6:00. The boys schedule: Small Gym - 7th @ 5:30, 8th @ 6:30, Big Gym - JV @ 4:30, and Varsity @ 7:30. The Boys/Girls Varsity and Cheerleaders will also be doing an autograph night. They will all be signing posters immediately following the boys' varsity game. Cost is \$5 each or all three for \$10. Sponsored by the Grygla Sports Boosters





Enjoy all of these action shots from the exciting Chargers vs. Gators game that was in Grygla last Friday night! The crowd was very into it, which makes for a very fun environment, providing they are shouting out positive cheers in their role as a fan. Please take a minute to read the message from the GG Athletic Directors below and remember the role of each person in the gym when it comes to coaches, refs, players and fans. GO, CHARGERS!

Message from the Athletic Directors

Courtesy of Tomas Loberg, Goodridge AD

As Charger Athletic Directors, Mr. Mumm and I feel so fortunate for our athletes that they have such tremendous communities and parents supporting them while they compete or participate in activities. Wherever the Chargers play or participate, we bring some of the biggest and most supportive crowds.

This is just a friendly reminder that we also want to be remembered as having the most respectful and tidy

crowds, as well. We want to ensure that our athletes hear positive messaging throughout our program and in the stands, as well. There is so much pride in our Charger activities and we all have the same common goal that we want to give our athletes our very best. The best way we can all collectively do this is to continue setting the most positive example that we can and continue to support our athletes every step of the way.

Coach Mumm and I are so proud to say that we are Ath-

letic Directors from Goodridge/ Grygla because of the support we have from one another and the pride that we all have for our athletes, activities, and schools. This is just a friendly reminder to ensure we are all doing what we can to continue setting a positive example for our athletes at sporting events.

We also love to see the bleachers spotless when our parents/fans leave their section after a sporting event.

Go Chargers and see you at the game!



Congratulations to, L-R: Philip Holte, Nels Jensen and Matthew Haack. (Not pictured: Carder Haugen.)

At the boys basketball game in Grygla on Tuesday, these young boys were recognized for completing their shot club and dribble club challenges over the summer.

These future Chargers were recognized/honored for reaching their shooting & dribbling requirements. Grygla AD Jeff Mumm offered the following: "During the introductions, I saw some very excited kids and was very pleased in how our Charger team welcomed them during the team introductions. One of my favorite readings is There Are Little Eyes Upon Us

and it was powerful tonight.

There are little eyes upon you and they're watching night and day. There are little ears that quickly take in every word you say. There are little hands all eager to do anything you do. And a little boy who's dreaming of the day he'll be like you. You are setting an example every day in all you do. For the little boy who's waiting to grow up to be just like you.

Leadership is a privilege, and sometimes a title like Coach, Captain, Principal, Manager, or Chief Executive Officer serves as a reminder of

the responsibilities of leadership. In reality, we are all afforded opportunities to lead by example every day.

There are little eyes upon you. Sometimes children, sometimes peers, sometimes employees, or faculty, or members of the community watching to see in a moment of choice - whether or not you'll choose integrity.

Be the example every day in all you do. For the little boy, (or girl, or staff, or faculty, or family member...) who's waiting to grow up to be just like you."

Boys basketball stats from last week

Monday, January 20th, in Roseau

Roseau 83, Chargers 64
Stats- Shay Jacobson (26 pts, 9 reb, 5 asst), Sawyer Jacobson (2 pts), Payton Dougherty (3 pts), Owen Larson (11 pts, 6 reb), Brody Saurdiff (3 pts), Evan Rubischko (2 pts, 3 reb, 8 asst), Landon Nordby (10 pts, 2 reb), Trustin Wiseth (2 pts, 3 reb), Gus Jones (5 pts, 2 reb)

Coach's comments: This was the first game of the season where we just didn't have the energy we usually play with. We actually started out strong and had a double digit lead halfway through the first half, but we just didn't get enough defensive stops to stay close enough. We gave up way too many second chances and uncontested shots to the Rams, and they took advantage. Shay and Owen had very good games and were aggressive offensively.

Tuesday, January 21st, in Grygla

WAO 64, Chargers 41
Stats- Hank Jones (2 pts), Shay Jacobson (5 pts, 6 reb), Sawyer Jacobson (2 reb, 2 asst), Owen Larson (5 pts, 6 reb), Landon Nordby (2 pts, 5 reb), Trustin Wiseth (19 pts, 8 reb), Ray Moe (6 pts, 2 reb), Gus Jones (2 pts)

Coach's comments: Going back to back against a very good Ponies team was going to be a tough ask for the Chargers. We started the game very well behind some hot shooting from Trustin and we were very competitive in the first half. We went ice cold in the second half and wound up shooting only 24% for the game, largely due to the Ponies' very long and active defense. I thought our defensive intensity was much improved from the past game, but we couldn't make enough shots to hang with WAO in the second half.

Friday, January 24th, in Grygla

Chargers 57, BGMR 52
Stats- Hank Jones (2 pts), Shay Jacobson (21 pts, 5 reb, 7 asst), Sawyer Jacobson (1 pt, 3 reb), Payton Dougherty (3 pts), Owen Larson (5 pts), Brody Saurdiff (3 pts), Evan Rubischko (6 pts, 5 reb, 3 asst), Landon Nordby (6 pts, 10 reb), Trustin Wiseth (8 pts, 12 reb), Gavin Aune (2 pts, 3 reb)

Coach's comments: We finished the week playing an improving Gators squad at home. It was a tight game throughout and both teams played well defensively. We kept a 4-8 point lead most of the second half and made enough free throws in the final minutes to get the win. Rebounding was a key to our win - Landon and Trustin really did a great job on the boards. It was a much needed win for the team!

(No stats provided from the GBB game at WAO.)

