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A look at next week... The 7th Annual Back Breaker's Vintage Snowmobile Show & Ride has been scheduled



Grygla business closed its doors for good last Sunday, January 1st

Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor
Diamond D's, Incorporated, located on Main Avenue in Grygla, closed its doors after being a popular and recognizable landmark for many locals and out-of-towners alike for the past 20 years.

Patrons stopped by the local bar & grill for one last time on Saturday, December 31st, when the bar hosted a New Year's Eve party, complete with free juke box and drink specials.

"I'm feeling a lot of different emotions right now," says owner Denise Ostby. "I feel sad, yet I feel relieved." Ostby is one of four owners of the local liquor establishment. Diamond's is currently owned by Ostby, Sherri Hagen, Steve Anderson and Betty Ostby. Its legal name, Diamond D's, Incorporated, was built from the ground up in 1997. Then owners, Shannon & Denise Ostby, along with Tommy & Denise Ostby, purchased the business before it was destroyed by a fire and rebuilt into the struc-

ture that stands today. The original building that had stood since the beginning of Grygla had housed a number of businesses including a café, drug store, pastry shop and bar. Some of the owners throughout earlier years included Carl & Helen Peterson, Jim Boman and Duane & Diane Lillevold. What was once called "Peterson's" and "Diamond Jim's" became recognizably known as "Diamond D's, Incorporated."

Though 2017 marks its 20th year of business, the decision to close the doors has been looming in the air for quite some time. Ostby says it has just gotten to be too much work. All of the business owners work full-time jobs, and due to an extreme lack of help, most of them have had to pick up multiple shifts, spreading themselves much too thin. "It's just gotten to be too much and help has been impossible to find," offered Ostby. The decision to close the doors was made by the group about a month ago. Diamond's has been 'for sale'

for the last five years, being listed with three separate realtors, but no such luck on obtaining a new buyer. The establishment is now listed 'for sale by owner.' Interested parties can contact Ostby at 218-686-1714 for more information. She adds, "We would consider 'contract for deed' for the right buyer."

As for the inventory inside the building, no decisions have yet to be made. No orders had been placed the last few weeks so the supplies were getting down there; the owners were hopeful that the remaining goods would sell by the time the doors closed.

As mentioned, one last bash was planned over the weekend with Diamond's throwing one last New Year's Eve party. There were drink specials throughout the night, along with free juke box. The party went until 1 am when the doors officially closed for business.

Eagle Scratches from 2016

(July-December continued from last week.)

July – Mauer Nordby, along with his family, spend a memorable day with Joe Mauer and the Minnesota Twins baseball team through an event called 'Mauer & Friends Kids Classic' and the Gillette Children's Hospital. Motel 89 holds open house to showcase all of the recent changes and updates to the building. Local Grygla teens, Ashley Moe & Ryce Skime, along with Goodridge teens, Kristin Farris & Cameron Naseth, attend Boys and Girls State, which is a week long program that teaches young men and women responsible citizenship and love for their country. Grygla native, Kyle Anderson, embarks on a new business endeavor, introducing the newest advance in patient care and unveiling his new smart card called PHRplus. An 'old time' Skime School & Community picnic is held at the Golden Valley Town Hall. Northwood Church holds 18th annual picnic. Construction begins on the new 'Safe Routes to School' sidewalk project in Grygla. The David & Lori Jones family meets NFL's Carson Wentz through a contest put on by Scheels. The Grygla Eagle spends the afternoon at Wild Rose Ridge Ranch in Goodridge and meets with horse enthusiasts Tanya and Josh Mickolio. Local 4-H kids stay active at the Roseau County Fair.

August – Writing and performing songs together, Goodridge sisters, Kendra & Kansas Jensen, prepare to perform at the Grygla Fall Festival. Summer basketball league wraps up for the season. American State Bank celebrates its 40th anniversary. Grygla kids head to Fosston for swimming lessons. Three fifth grade students attend Legionville School Safety Patrol Training in Brainerd. Goodridge Lutheran Parish hosts Pathways Day Camp. Local band, Eagle Creek, shares 'then and now' story as the gear up to perform for the Fall Fest crowd. 'Back to School' kick-off night is held. The 25th Annual Grygla Open Golf tournament is held in Roseau. 2016 Grygla Fall Festival is another one for the books.

September – Chargers kick off the 2016 Fall Sports season with jamborees. Area youth head BACK TO SCHOOL! Kacey (Miller) Stromlund, an alumni of Goodridge High School, wins the MSAA Grand Champion award in archery. Marshall County Sheriff's office purchases a new K-9 unit. Mike Brobst represents the Grygla Go-Getters 4-H Club in his final year at the MN State Fair with his blue-ribbon steer, Cupid II. First football game of the season is a 46-8 win for the Chargers over Cass Lake-Bena. Local families head to the Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge to help officials capture and band ducks. Fourn town/Grygla Sportsman's Club holds annual gun safety training and picnic at Grande Corner. Grygla School holds a 'Walk & Bike to School' day to promote the new sidewalks that were installed over the summer through the 'Safe Routes to School' grant. GHS hosts an alumni flag

football tournament. Megan Thompson, Grygla High School alumna, serves local on a medical service trip to Costa Rica & Nicaragua. Grygla High School holds their Homecoming coronation crowning Queen Kaitlyn Olson and King Tanner Anderson. Goodridge High School holds their Homecoming coronation crowning Queen Ashlyn Henrickson and King Blaine Kriel.

October – Grygla's VFW Post 3858 closes its post due to low membership numbers. Courtney Salo, of Salo Signs in Goodridge, was recognized at the Oklee Flag Raising program as she designed the city flag. Parent's Night is held for football and volleyball players. Chix from the Stix hosts a volleyball PINK OUT in honor of October being Breast Cancer Awareness month. Goodridge High School gains a new exchange student, Marzia Deodato, who comes to the area from Italy. Ethan Schulz, of Grygla, undergoes a procedure to donate his bone marrow to someone in need, and who was his match, off of the National Bone Marrow Registry. Grygla Fire Department visits the school and also holds an 'open house' at the fire station in recognition of Fire Prevention Week. Goodridge Veteran's Memorial Park puts up a new picnic shelter. Many area kids have a successful youth deer hunt!

November – Grygla High School presents six students with distinguished awards (Lucian Tinnes Minnesota Mile, Abby Kiesow HOBY, Carlye Kiesow ExCel, Clay Irlbeck Boys State, Alaina Monson Girls State, Kaitlyn Olson AAA). Chargers fall sports come to an end with athletes being recognized at a banquet in Grygla. Chix from the Stix host annual Hunter's Bash. Goodridge School hosts a Veterans Day program with Arlen Johnson being the guest speaker. The Grygla Eagle features Veterans Day stories on Ronald Byklum (United States Army Specialist E4, Vietnam War) and Norman Newton (United States Navy Seaman Second Class, World War II). Tobacco-free parks policy passes in Grygla. Grygla Eagle subscriber, Keith Mork, shares family WWI history. Eric Mickelson named 'Teacher of the Year' at Goodridge School.

December – Grain Bin Café holds a Christmas Holiday Bazaar. Grygla Lion's Club sets up a holiday blood drive. Fourn town/Grygla Sportsman's Club provides Snowmobile Safety Training for kids ages 11 years or older. The centennial committee holds another holiday extravaganza & bingo night at the Grygla Community Center. Marshall County Fair Board announces the Grand Stand demolition in Warren and shares plan for the replacement. 2016-17 Goodridge/Grygla Chargers Basketball begins. Grygla's first Teen Book Club meets. Betsy Saurdiff's art students' talents are displayed in the paper in the form of ads sponsored by local businesses and organizations. Grygla Lion's Club holds annual Christmas Eve Dinner, preparing 96 meals.

Eagle office to be closed for a week

The Grygla Eagle office will be closed from January 12th-18th and not checking emails or voicemails. The staff at Richard's Publishing will be putting together the January 18th issue of the paper. If you have any ads or information that needs to get into the paper, please email or call Kari Sundberg from now until January 11th at grygla.eagle@gmail.com.

com or 218-294-6220.

If it is after January 11th, you will need to call and email Richard's Publishing directly to get your ad and items in for the January 18th issue; ad deadline is Monday, January 16th by 10am. Susan Sims or Corrine Richards can help you by emailing or calling 218-487-5225 or sending to richards@gvtel.com.



American State Bank of Grygla recently held three Christmas drawings – Winning the two wagons full of toys from ASB were Addi Severts (pictured with her siblings) and Gus Jones! Winning the \$150 cash card was Nancy Byklum.

Antique appraisal event set for February 8 in Grygla

Northwest Regional Library System will host eight antique appraisal events featuring author and antiques expert Mark F. Moran. The programs are set for Feb. 6-10 and include a stop in Grygla, so make sure you mark this exciting event on your calendar!

Feb. 6, Godel Memorial Library, Warren, starting at 5 p.m.

Feb. 7, Red Lake Falls Public Library, starting at 11 a.m.

Feb. 7, Thief River Falls Public Library, starting at 5 p.m.

Feb. 8, Grygla Public Library, start time 2 p.m.

Feb. 9, Warroad Public Library, starting at 11 a.m.

Feb. 9, Roseau Public Library, starting at 5 p.m.

Feb. 10, Greenbush Public Library, starting at 11 a.m.

Feb. 10, Hallock Public Library, starting at 5 p.m.

Formerly senior editor

of Antiques and Collectibles Books for Krause Publications in Iola, Wis., Mark Moran has also been a contributing editor for Antique Trader magazine. He has served as editor of Antique Review East magazine; as producer of Atlantique City, an antique show held in Atlantic City, N.J.; and as editorial director of F+W Media's Antiques Group.

He is the author or co-author of more than 25 books on antiques and collectibles, including three editions of the 800-page annual Warman's Antiques & Collectibles.

Moran bought and sold antiques for more than 30 years, specializing in vintage folk art, Americana, and fine art. He has been active as an appraiser of antiques and fine art for more than 20 years.

All items must be registered in advance prior to the appraisal event, which can be done by

contacting your library help desk.

Moran is also available to make home visits for people with big things or fragile people (or a lot of things). House calls are \$75 an hour and there is no mileage charge if within 10 miles of the appraisal event site. To arrange a house visit, call 715-281-5060 or email moranm1953@gmail.com.

Categories of acceptable objects may include:

Fine art, including paintings, drawings, prints and statuary

Furniture (photos of large pieces may be sent in advance)

Ceramics, including figural pottery, vases, dishes, kitchenware and stoneware

Glassware, including lighting, marbles and souvenir items

types

Advertising, including posters, lithographed tin, paper and figural objects

Folk art, including carvings, quilts, weathervanes, windmill weights and "outsider" art

Assorted toys, including dolls (bisque, composition and plastic), windups and mechanical banks

Metalware, including iron, bronze, brass, pot metal, silver, silver plate

Clocks, including mantel, hanging and figural; also pocket and wristwatches

Costume jewelry, including brooches, bracelets, earrings

Musical instruments, including string, wind and reed instruments

Books
Sporting Memorabilia

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CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Wednesday:
6pm Choir, 6:30pm Confirmation, 8pm Interfaith Bible Study
Sunday:
Grace: 9am Worship with Christmas program
OS: 10:30am Worship w/ 9:30am SS

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
United – Gatzke; Our Savior's – Thief Lake
Pastor TBA
Sunday:
United: 9am Worship
OS: 11am Worship

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith Interim Pastor Phil Johnson
Wednesday:
No confirmation
Sunday:
Faith: 8:30am Worship, 9:45am SS
Bethany: 9:45am Worship, 11am SS
Ekelund: 11am Worship, 9:45am SS
Monday:
Faith quilting at 9:30am w/ potluck

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's – Grygla; St.

Ann's – Goodridge
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sunday:
St. Clement's: 9:30am Worship

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Pastor Steve Bliss
Sunday:
11am Worship w/ annual meeting & potluck following service

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Christian & Missionary Alliance of Grygla
Sunday:
9:30am Worship, 11am SS

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri – Grygla; Mt. Olive, Nazareth – Trail; Oak Park – Oklee
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wednesday:
Wednesday School/Confirmation 5-7pm
Saturday:
Mt. Olive: 9am Worship
Sunday:
St. Petri: 8am Worship, 9:15am SS
Oak Park: 9:45am Worship, w/ 8:30am SS
Nazareth: 11am Worship w/ 10am SS

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

Wanted: vintage clothing pieces

The Grygla Red Hat Society is looking for any and all vintage clothing that you might have. The group is busy planning for a vintage style show that will be held at the 2017 Grygla Centennial. If you have any vintage clothing that could be borrowed for this event, it would be much appreciated. Categories will include wedding and formal wear, sport's wear (including old vintage baseball uniforms or letterman jackets), everyday wear (including children's clothing), and military uniforms.

They are looking to showcase styles from the last 100 years, including modern-day fashion, which is what they need the least of. Clothing from the early

1900's, 20's, 30's is what members are hoping to receive more of.

If your pieces aren't in good enough shape to be worn, the group is also looking for certain pieces to be put on display. The Red Hats are also asking for volunteer models to participate in this unique fashion show. All ages and sizes are welcome.

Please contact Donna Lian at 218-294-6042 or email donna8@gvtel.com; Marie Konickson at 218-294-6789; Eunice Schulz at 218-294-6393; Carol Engelstad at 218-459-3312 or email clengelstad@gmail.com

Items can be dropped off with one of the names mentioned above or also at the Grygla Eagle office.

Quilts, antiques and more

Written by Cheryl Sistad
Now that the holidays are over, my thoughts are turning back to the centennial celebration.

A subcommittee meeting for the quilt show will be held on January 9, 2017, at 7:00 PM at the Community Center in Grygla. This will be held off to the side from the regular centennial committee meeting.

You do not have to be a quilter to attend. Anyone interested in helping to set up, write up descriptions, or help in any way is encouraged to attend.

We are planning on having two categories of quilts displayed. One is historic. We would love see your families quilts and have a written his-

tory of them. Condition is not important, as that is part of their history! The second part is artistic – quilts that do not follow a particular pattern, but have the quilters unique personal touch.

We would also like to display other needlework items from the past – crochet embroidery, and knitting. This may include doilies, aprons, dishtowels, tablecloths, etc.

Along with these displays, we plan to hold some demonstrations in the morning – spinning, weaving, crocheting, embroidery, and a quilting technique.

On to Antiques – We have heard that there is some interest in having some antiques



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displayed along with the quilt display. If there are people interested in this, please come, so a subcommittee can be set up and get the ball rolling on this project as well!

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Excluded items: all weapons, including swords and knives (though folding knives with advertising are accepted); traps (like leg-hold); Nazi memorabilia; coins and paper money; fine jewelry, including precious gems; Beanie Babies

Questions about objects not covered here can be submitted to Moran in advance to determine if they are appropriate. Suggested categories for advance inquiry include, but are not limited to: Oriental, Native American and other tribal objects (African, Oceanic); ancient artifacts (Egyptian and other early cultures); fossils and minerals; books; automotive items; nautical and military-related objects; records; antique tools and technological objects (typewriters, cameras, assorted machinery or instruments for scientific measure, like sextants, telescopes, microscopes, etc.). When in doubt,

Annual Membership Banquet this weekend

The Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club will be holding their Annual Membership Banquet this Saturday, January 7th, at the Grygla Community Center. The evening will start with a 5pm social hour and a 6pm dinner to follow; door prizes and dancing will begin at approximately 8pm. The meal, consisting of prime rib, potatoes, veggie, side salad and a roll, is \$15/plate.

You are invited to attend and become a member of the active sportsman's club. A

email inquiry can often address this.

Regarding the Grygla program, it is set for 2-5pm with approximately 12-14 people being seen each hour. Please call Kari, Grygla Librarian, at 218-689-6901 to set up your appointment and discuss the items you are wanting appraised. (Each item appraised is one slot in the hour. Depending on how many people register, will depend on how many items you can bring; each location will vary so it is important to call ahead. Also, there will be seating available for folks just interested in coming to listen!

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single membership is \$15/year with a family membership costing \$30/year.

Upcoming events in February include a monthly meeting on the 21st at Yo-Hawn's in Grygla at 7pm. The group is also planning a snowmobile trip with the location TBD. If you are interested in attending, please contact Tonia Haack at 218-294-6025.

Make sure to check out the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club Facebook page for photos and info on club happenings.

Community Calendar

Wed | Jan 4
Grygla Eagle office open 9am-6pm; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; Grygla Library open 2-6pm

Thurs | Jan 5
7/8 BBB at TRF (times: 5:30pm vs. Northern Freeze, 6:45pm vs. TRF)

Fri | Jan 6
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; GBB/BBB Double Header at WAO (times: GBB at JV 4:30pm, BBB JH at 5pm, BBB JV/ GBB V at 6pm, BBB V at 7:30pm)

Sat | Jan 7
Snowflake Elementary Basketball Tourney in Bagley (times TBD); Junior High GBB/BBB Tourney in Roseau (Boys at 8:30am, Girls at 2:45pm); Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club Annual Membership Banquet (Social Hour 5pm, Dinner 6pm, Dance 8pm)

Sun | Jan 8

Mon | Jan 9
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Café 11am; BBB vs. Northern Freeze in Grygla; Grygla City Council meeting at Civic Building 7pm

Tues | Jan 10
GBB vs. Northern Freeze (location TBD)

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Monday, January 9th
BBB vs. Northern Freeze in Grygla on KTRF

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Christmas program at Grace Lutheran

The Grace Lutheran Church Sunday School program has been rescheduled for January 8th. Worship will be held at

9am; if parents could please have their children to the church by 8:15am.

GRYGLA LIBRARY LINK



Written by Kari Sundberg, Grygla Librarian

First of all, I want to tell you about our new rotation schedule at the library. Sounds kind of boring to read about, I'll admit, but I promise it's only to your advantage! Every week, I'll be removing a section of books from the shelves and getting new ones in to replace them with. The next week, I'll do the same from another section of the library. This will now be happening EVERY SINGLE WEEK from here on out. So many of you come in and take advantage of our little library that it's really exciting to now constantly have new items on our shelves for you! I will have a sign up in the library each week letting you know "WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK" and "WHAT'S COMING NEXT WEEK" so you are in the loop. Won't that be fun? I can tell you that this week we are getting a whole new section of Adult Fiction books A-F.

Also, guess what just started? Our 'Hot Reads for Cold Nights' adult reading program! The 8-week program will run during January/February and will work like this: for every book you read, you'll put your name and title of the book on a piece of paper that will go into the drawing. Every other week we will be drawing for a hooded sweatshirt! That means



we have 4 sweatshirts to give away ~ maybe you'll be one of the lucky winners!? (Sweatshirts come in a variety of sizes to choose from.)

Make sure to swing in to the Grygla Library on Wednesdays from 2-6pm so you can get your name into the drawing – especially if you've been spending some quality time with a good book.

Instead of a book suggestion this week, I'm going to do a movie suggestion. I hate to say this and take away any business from the movie rental places, but why would you want to pay \$3-\$7 for a movie rental or PPV movie when you can come and get up to 10 movies for free at the library?! We have new releases, also! My family is big into movies and we have saved so much by just getting them through the library. You also get them for an entire week vs. just the night. It's a win-win. I'm not sure why more people don't swing in and grab some?!

Anyway, two movies: Unbroken and Miracles from Heaven. Both are based on true stories and both really, really amazing movies. Unbroken is about Louie Zamperini, who was an Olympic distance runner and attended the 1936 Summer Olympics in Germany. Shortly after, WWII broke out and Louie enlisted in the military. After his plane crashed in the Pacific, he survived 47 days adrift in a raft, until his capture by the Japanese navy. Louie was sent to a POW camp and the movie shares his incredible and cruel fight for survival.

Miracles from Heaven is another one worth mentioning. It recounts the true story of a young girl who had a near-death experience and was later cured of an incurable disease. Jennifer Garner plays the mother, Christy Beam, in this movie and does an EXCELLENT job. The entire movie I was either bawling, smiling or both. Very, very worth the watch and one the entire family can enjoy.

We also have a couple dozen kids' movies to choose from with new ones coming soon, so don't hesitate to bring the youngsters in, ok? I love seeing them come in and each kid always seems so satisfied to pick out a book or movie and check it out at the counter with me—it's adorable. See you there.....

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

Word of the Week

...enhancing vocabularies

one Grygla Eagle at a time.

Senectitude

noun

1. the last stage of life; old age



Fourtown/Sportsman’s Club trail report

Photo taken by Aaron Holthusen along the trail going to Faunce.

As of last week all trails of Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman’s Club have been groomed by Holthusen Construction and will be groomed weekly, or as needed, depending on snow conditions for the rest of the season. The signing of these trails is currently being up-

dated and will be finished soon. Trails consist of Fourtown to Washkish, Mertz loop, Fourtown to Faunce, Fourtown to Grygla, both north and south side, and Grygla to the Gatzke warming shack.

The Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman’s Club maintains about 236 miles of grant-in-aid snowmobile trails and wishes everyone a safe and fun ride.

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 - Wear away
 - Luciano Pavarotti, e.g.
 - Roman goddess of plenty
 - Previously an Oiler
 - “*”...I’m ready, yes, I’m ready for you. I’m standing on my own _____
 - “*”On a dark desert high-way, cool wind in _____
 - It’s all the rage
 - Person, place or thing
 - PC brain
 - Bingo-like game
 - Moses’ older sister
 - Be in pain
 - Sail support
 - “*”Come on, shake your body, baby, do the _____
 - “Heat of the Moment” band
 - Single-cell protozoan
 - “*”Then along comes _____
 - Great white, e.g.
 - “Goodness gracious!”
 - Commoner
 - “*”Raindrops are falling on _____

- Saharan-like
- “Cause I’m a woman! W-O-M-A-N...” singer
- Like Roman Empire
- ENT’s first concern
- “*”My daddy’s sleeping and mama ain’t _____
- “*”So put another dime in the _____
- “*”...I’ll tell you all about it when I see you _____
- “_____ to Joy”
- Abomination
- Formal dishes
69. “*”So bye, bye Miss American _____
- “*”Oh, I was only twenty four hours from _____

71. Front-line combat vehicle
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- DOWN
- Quilter’s stuffing
 - Not many
 - Something that’s unacceptable
 - Disappear, like into the sun-set
 - Unbroken series of events
 - See him run!
 - Cleopatra’s cause of death
 - Whatchamacallit
 - “Summertime” or “Porgy and Bess,” e.g.
 - “Laughing on the inside” in text
 - Month of Purim
 - D.C. bigwig
 - Thai or Mexican food, e.g.
 20. a.k.a. dropsy
 - Delish!
 - Small bouquet
 - Geological rift
 - Aggressive
 - “Umble” Heep
 - “*”I’ve got a blank space, baby, and I’ll write your _____
 - Boisterous play
 - Collectively
 - Come to terms
 - “*”...Here’s my number, so call me _____
 - Container weight
 - Kind of ski lift
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 - Draper of “Mad Men”
 - Actress Fanning
 - Parkinson’s drug _____
 - Updike’s “Rabbit _____”
 - Turkish honorific
 - “*”All you get is pain. When I wanted sunshine I got _____
 - Sound on Old MacDonald’s farm
 - Audience’s rejection
 - Hillary’s hubby
 - British river
 - December 25th, for short
 - Pre-college challenge
 - Party bouful8 photos total

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WHAT A JOKE

* ‘Twas the month after Christmas and all through the house, nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.

The cookies I’d nibbled, the eggnog I’d taste. All the holiday parties have gone to my waist. When I got on the scales there arose such a number! When I walked to the store (less a walk than a lumber).

I’d remember the marvelous meals I’d prepared; the gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared.

The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese, and the way I’d never said, “No thank you, please.”

As I dressed myself in my husband’s old shirt, and prepared once again to do battle with dirt.

I said to myself, as I only can, “You can’t spend winter disguised as a man!”

So away with the last of the sour cream dip. Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip.

Every last bit of food that I like must be banished. ‘Til all the additional ounces have vanished.

I won’t have a cookie, not even a lick. I’ll want only to chew on a long celery stick.

I won’t have hot biscuits or corn bread or pie. I’ll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.

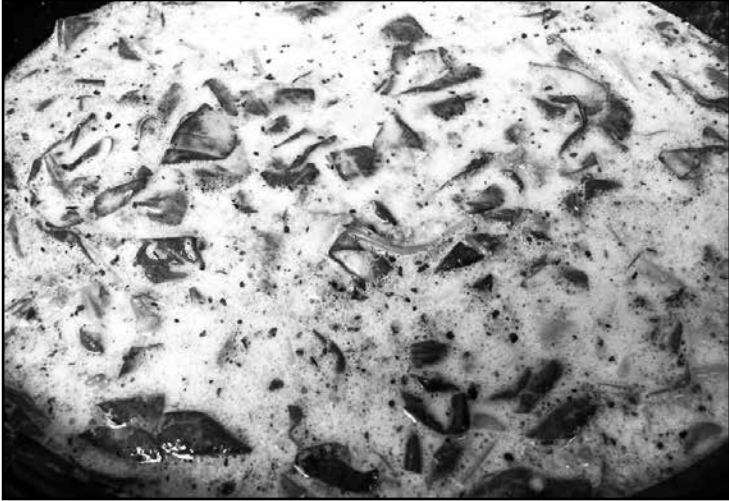
I’m hungry, I’m lonesome and life is a bore. But isn’t that what January is fore?

Unable to giggle, no longer a riot, Happy New Year to all and to all a good diet.

* My weight is perfect, I just happen to be 11 feet too short.

* I try to avoid things that make me overweight...like scales, mirrors and photographs.

SIMPLY DELICIOUS



Written by Kari Sundberg, Eagle Editor

January is **NATIONAL SOUP MONTH!** Can I get an AMEN!?!?

Soup. Is. My. Favorite. Food. It’s so comforting and cozy. More so in the winter months, too, so that was well-played to name January as the national month for soup. For the next few weeks, I am going to share only soup recipes for you. Not chicken noodle, not vegetable beef, and not a chowder recipe either. We’re going to venture out of our comfort zones a little bit so you can hopefully try something new in your kitchen. Some of my favorite soups are Zuppa Toscana, Lasagna, White Chicken Chili, Tomato Bisque and Cheeseburger. Let’s start with Zuppa Toscana this week. It’s delicious, it has a great zip to it, plus I just made it so I’ve got the photo ready to go below!

Zuppa Toscana soup is basically Italian Sausage, potato and kale (or spinach) soup. This recipe serves approximately 6 big bowls.

- Ingredients**
- 1 tbsp olive oil
 - 1 lb. ground Italian sausage
 - 3 cloves minced garlic
 - 1 small onion, diced
 - ½ tsp dried oregano
 - ½ tsp dried basil
 - ½ tsp crushed red pepper flakes (optional, as this gives it the zip!)

- Salt and pepper to taste
 - 5 cups chicken stock
 - 1 bay leaf
 - 4 medium-sized potatoes, peeled and diced
 - 3 cups of kale (or spinach)
 - ¾ cup heavy cream
- Directions**
- Heat olive oil in a large stockpot over medium heat. Add Italian sausage and cook until browned, making sure to crumble the sausage as it cooks and drain the excess fat.

Stir in garlic, onion, oregano, basil and red pepper flakes. Season with salt and pepper. Cook and stir for 2-3 minutes.

Stir in chicken stock and bay leaf and bring to a boil. Add potatoes and cook until tender, about 15 minutes. Next, stir in your kale or spinach until it begins to wilt, which only takes a minute. Stir in the heavy cream until heated through and serve.

I like to skip the crackers for this soup and serve it with a fresh garlic-buttered bun or breadstick instead. And not that soup (as a main course, especially) needs another liquid with it, but I like to pair Zuppa Toscana with a glass of white wine, choosing either a Riesling or a Pinot Grigio. I’m not an expert on wine-pairing, so I suppose that part depends on your own taste buds, but in my personal opinion, both of those wines compliment it well and don’t take away from the flavor.

School Board approves November Minutes

The Grygla/Gatzke School Board approved their November minutes at the December meeting; they are included below for your reference.

Wednesday, November 17, 2016, 8:00 PM

Vice chairperson of the board Gary Polansky called the meeting to order at 8:08 p.m. with Karina Tinnies, Jim Verbout, Jeremy Rychlock, Principal Lunsetter, and Superintendent Clow present. Absent were Nicolette Leach and Charisa Limesand.

Pledge of Allegiance
Motion by Karina Tinnies, second by Jeremy Rychlock, to approve the agenda as presented.

Minutes of the 10/19/16 regular school board meeting were approved as printed, along with the payment of the bills check #34650 through check #34733 and wire payments.

Finance Report: 2015-16 audit report given by Tracee Bruggeman from Brady Martz. The general fund balance increased by \$73,838.00 from 2015 to 2016. Lack of internal controls/separation of duties was a finding again this year, which is due to the small number of employees. The district was found to be in good financial position; however, the district needs to continue to be conscious of declining enrollment and possible loss of state aid.

Given by Superintendent Clow.

General Fund	\$160,060.72
MSDLAF	\$1,583,186.81
Food Service	5,114.91
Checking	41,725.29
Comm. Service	857.43
Scholarship	0.00
Scholarship Trust	0.00
Total	\$166,033.06
Total	\$1,624,912.10
Student Report:	Given

by Jeremiah Gordon and Nolan Anderson. Student council hosted turkey bingo on 11/14/16; there was a large crowd, and they made a nice profit. Wednesday, 11/16/16, was the fall student council summit in Oklee: 330 students and 20 advisors attended. An upcoming event for student council is the blood drive on 12/7/16; as usual they will assist the Grygla Lions at the drive, bring bars/cookies, and donate blood themselves. The peer helpers created a great haunted hallway in October with some new features. Elementary students attended a Halloween party in the small gym on 10/31/16. Robotics will compete at NCTC on 11/18/16, and Mr. Gene Lunsetter will take five students to participate in honor band at NCTC on the same day. Students attended the solo contest in LOW on 11/15/16. The fall sports banquet will be held at the Grygla Community Center, with the Grygla Lions catering, at 7 p.m. on 11/21/16. The 7-12 band and choir students will present a concert on 11/22/16. Girls basketball practice started on 11/14/16, and boys basketball practice will begin 11/21/16. Grygla will host the girls basketball jamboree on Saturday, 11/19/16. Parent-teacher conferences were held on 11/10 and 11/15/15; the book fair was open in the library those evenings as well as before school for a week. Senior high FACS students are preparing for the Christmas Tea. American Education Week will be celebrated the week after Thanksgiving: the elementary is planning a food drive, and parents are invited to eat lunch with their children on 12/2/16.

Teacher Report: Given by Greg Monson and Travis

EXTENSION NEWS

Beef Home Study courses offered online

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The University of Minnesota Beef Team is offering three online Home Study Courses in Winter 2017, titled “Introduction to Cow/Calf Nutrition”, “Health Management for the Cow/Calf Herd” and “Introduction to Cattle Feeding”. Courses focus on practical applications of topics.

Each lesson will include online activities designed to encourage participants to become familiar with electronic resources and an online forum gives participants the opportunity to connect with other producers.

Following completion, participants will receive a cer-

tificate of completion and the opportunity to highlight their continuing education through a LinkedIn Certificate Badge.

The first lessons will be available January 11, 2017 and the following lessons will be posted every 2 weeks. The fee for course registration is \$75 and can be accessed through www.extension.umn.edu/beef.

Registration is open through January 17, 2017. Internet access and Microsoft Office software are required.

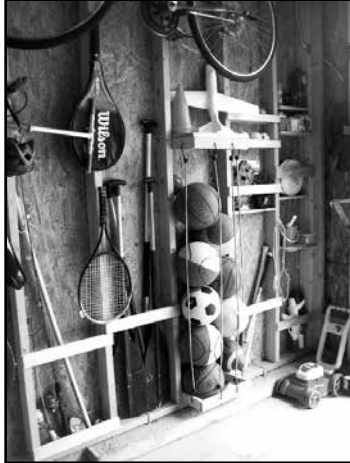
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DO IT YOURSELF

It’s still winter, but since most of us are stuck indoors due to the cold temps, now is a great time to organize all your tools in the garage and get ready for the spring season. Here are a few awesome DIY garage organization and space saving tips and ideas.

1. If you have open, exposed studs, this would be so easy to make a sports equipment wall storage.



2. Create a cheap and easy fishing rod organizer from a pool noodle.



3. Use mason jars to store leftover paint instead of in the can – takes up less space and easier to open and close when you need to do touch ups.



4. Hang a 5-gallon bucket so you can wrap the hose around it and store the sprinkler right inside the bucket. So smart!



5. Got a rusty old steel rake? When mounted times-out on a shed or a door, the rake’s head becomes a rack for your gardening tools.



6. If you have some leftover pieces of PVC, you can cut them on the angle, to allow space to drill them to a board secured to your wall. Each tool has two pieces of PVC to hold the top and bottom.



Generosity of others makes Marshall County Christmas projects possible

The 2016 Marshall County Social Services Christmas Projects were, once again, successful because of the generosity of so many in the communities of Marshall County. The Food Basket and Sharing Tree Projects would not have been possible without the support of the local banks that set up trees and collected gifts for the project; many church groups and individuals that donated handmade quilts; church and community groups that collected and donated toys, outerwear, and clothing in support of the project; students and staff from our local schools and communities that donated

toys, pajamas, books and other gifts; monetary donations from community businesses and individuals; the Marshall County Literacy Council for their donation of books; and the help of so many volunteering their time to help with the project in some way. Through the generosity of many, Marshall County Social Services was able to distribute food baskets to 185 people and gifts to 212 children in need this Christmas Season. The people of our communities have made this Christmas Season a little bit brighter for many in need because of their love and caring.

OF INTEREST

Governor Mark Dayton released his first budget proposal of the 2017 legislative session, calling for a 25 percent reduction in health insurance premiums for the more than 125,000 Minnesotans facing significant increases in the individual market.

"For more than two months, I have proposed this relief, so that 125,000 Minnesotans can better afford the health care they need and deserve," said Governor Dayton. "I urge the legislature to agree to health insurance premium relief immediately, so that we can get help to the Minnesotans who need it most."

The Governor's plan would reduce the average premium increase facing Minnesotans in the individual market from 55 percent to 16 percent. Under the Governor's plan, some families could save as much as \$594 per month on their health insurance premiums. If approved today, Minnesotans could start seeing relief by March 1st, with subsidies being retroactive, to reimburse the high costs some Minnesotans are already paying. Governor Dayton is calling for legislators to approve this relief by this Friday, January 6, 2017.

Governor Dayton first proposed a premium relief plan in October. But legislative leaders were unable to come to agreement on the plan, leaving more than 125,000 Minnesotans facing rising health insurance premiums. If the Governor's proposal had been passed during a special session, it could have taken effect immediately in January, and would have given Minnesotans some certainty about what their premium costs would be, and what they could afford.

About Governor Dayton's 25 Percent Health Insurance Premium Reduction

As part of his 2017 Budget for a Better Minnesota, Governor Dayton is calling for a 25 percent health insurance premium reduction to address rising health insurance premiums for the 125,000 Minnesotans expected to purchase health insurance on the individual market in 2017 who do not receive federal tax credits.

The Governor's direct relief would reduce average 2017 rate increases from 55 percent to 16 percent for individuals with incomes over \$47,520 and families of four with incomes over \$97,200, but who did not receive federal tax credits.

Great team win for the Chargers

It was a quiet week for sports last week as there was no school in session, but the boys basketball team hosted RLC in Goodridge despite. The game was held last Friday evening, December 30th, and it was a great team win for the Chargers. The final score over RLC was 67-38.

"The team played a good game. We took good shots, rebounded well, and played pretty good defense. Everyone con-

tributed...great team win," says Varsity Head Coach Mike Gast.

Scoring: Blaine Kriel 20, Ben Groven 17, Dylan Walker 16, Dylan Manderud 5, Jake Tharaldson 3, Jaden Kiesow 2, Hogan Lundeen 2, Robert Brummitt 1, Jeremy Wiskow 1

Rebounding: D.Walker 12, B. Groven 8, B. Kriel 4, H. Lundeen 4, J. Wiseth 3, B. Stanley 3, R. Brummitt 2, D. Manderud 1, J. Wiskow 1, J. Tharaldson 1, K. Sjulestad 1



The Grygla FACS class held their annual Christmas Tea, honoring staff and seniors, on Wednesday, December 21st. The buffet included bacon-wrapped smokies, party meatballs, hanky panks, pickle wraps, queso and chips, krumkake, homemade oreos, pb blossoms, oreo and cookie dough bon bons, and much, much more . . . topped off with sherbet punch.

Students decorated the room and added lots of festive lights for the event. "It was fun to see the kids work to put it together and the pride they displayed in hosting their event," says Grygla FACS teacher Beth Kucera. "They were amazed at the amount of time and energy it took to pull something like this off!"

Pictured are staff members Galen Clow and Anne McCabe enjoying the homemade goodies at the Tea.

Below is Grygla Junior, Alaina Monson, who was among the students that helped prepare (and enjoy!) the food and decorations for the annual Christmas Tea!



Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

Many kids (and adults alike!!) have been enjoying the mild weather and snow over their Christmas vacation from school! These snow day photos were sent in by local Eagle readers.



The Grygla Go-Getters 4-H club went on a hayride at Shannon & Denise Ostby's home on December 27th. The group stopped in the woods for a bonfire and completed the party with pizza, hot cocoa and a gift exchange! Shannon's sleigh was in the shop so the group rode the wagon, which was pulled by a set of Percheron horses, Ivy and Heather.



L-R: Lakylie Brobst, Walter Jones, Lewis Jones, Gus Jones, Shannon Ostby, Lori Jones, Nolan Gast, Josie Saurdiff, Angie Mickelson, Lucy Mickelson, Carlye Kiesow, Cheyenne Irlbeck, Chey Mickelson, David Jones, Torii Anderson, Brody Saurdiff, Colette Brobst, Kamdyn Brobst, Riley Saurdiff and Missy Saurdiff.



The Hagen kids, Harlie, Jackson and Grayden, enjoyed the snow hill at Grandpa Bruce Grossman's house over their Christmas break from school!



Above is Bruce Grossman and Stephanie Hagen enjoying a winter ride on December 29th.



Jennifer Amiot says, "My boys, Levi and Emmett, have been putting their new shovels to good use!" Levi and Emmett Amiot are the grandsons of Steve and Susan Sundberg.