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A look at next week... Goodridge holds its 100 year celebration over the 4th of July weekend with numerous events going on around town!



Summer League Basketball is held every Tuesday evening at the Grygla School with many participants in attendance. Pictured above is Tyler Stinar going up for the shot.

Pictured to the right is the green team making a plan.

See page 2 for the July Summer League schedule, and also the week 3 standings.

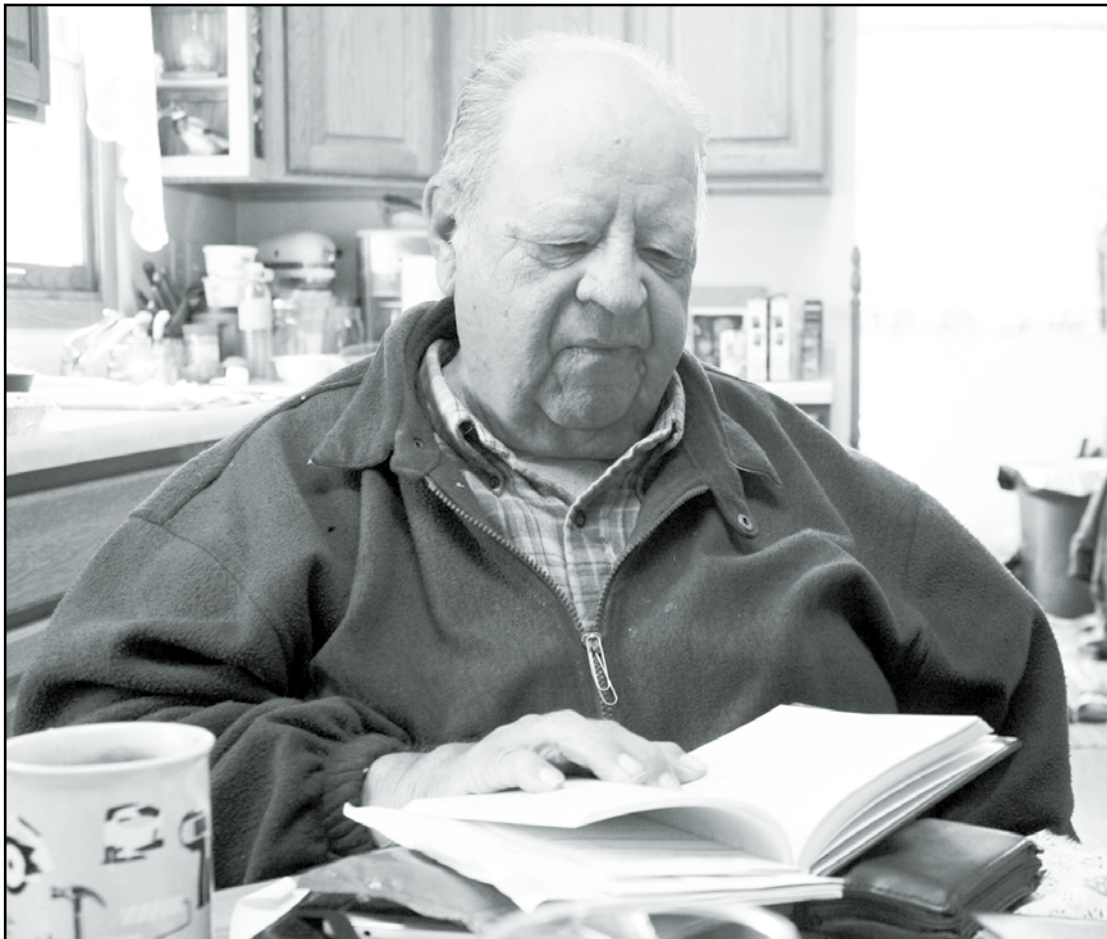
Turning back the clocks with Ralph Rundell

Written by: Trystan Jelle, Eagle Intern

In the year of 1955, a young bachelor by the name of Ralph Rundell came to the small town of Grygla, where he met the woman he would love forever and start a family with. His original plans weren't to stay in Grygla and watch the community and town develop, but sometimes plans change when you're somewhere you love with people you love.

When Ralph first moved to Grygla to start his business as an electrician, the town was thriving and full of merchants, where it seemed like any business could make it. The town seemed to have everything; three bars to unwind in, which were Nelson's Bar, Bush's Bar and Petersons. There was the Marbel Hall, which was where the community could meet for meetings. Also around town were five churches and the school, which wasn't one big building but consisted of many small ones!

Ralph's favorite bar to stop by and eat in was Nelson's Bar. He said one of the reasons was because of the waitress, Grace, who worked there and who he later married. "I remember Gordon Jelle telling me I was going to walk into that bar and meet the love of my



Ralph Rundell is pictured looking back on old photos from his younger years in Grygla.

life. I never knew how right he was," Ralph reflected.

Before he moved to Grygla, there were also three banks that had since closed because of the Great Depression. Although 20 years later in the early 1970's a bank was organized and built by the people of Grygla, which still stands today as the American State Bank of Grygla. Ralph said he could also fill up his car at two different gas stations, the Standard Oil Station and Farmer's Union. He used to buy his groceries from either the Hartz Store or the Grygla Coop and would head over to the Gamble Store for his hard-

ware needs! "Grygla once had a hospital but it was long since shut down when I moved there," Ralph said as he thought back to when he first moved here. "There also used to be a honey processing plant called the Honey House," he added.

Wanting to attend worship services, Ralph had his choice of five churches around town. There was St. Clement's Church, Pentecost Church (Liberty Chapel), German Lutheran Church, St. Olaf Church (Grace Lutheran Church), and the Valley Church. Since then, some of the names have been changed and the locations of each

church has moved.

When he moved to Grygla, schooling was also available, but it wasn't all one big building. The school used to be made up of many small town schools that were moved into the town. A class would be taught in each little school house and sports games were played at the Marbel Hall. The school house at Grande Corner was also a part of the school district at the time.

It's always fun to sit down and reflect on the past with someone you know. A town can change a lot over the years, that's for sure! Thanks for taking a trip down memory lane with us.

'Open Your Heart' Food Shelf challenge

The month of July is an 'Open Your Heart' challenge in which the Grygla-Gatzke Food Shelf is participating. During this challenge, any funding raised locally will have the opportunity to be matched by state funding through 'Hunger Solutions Minnesota'. This is the second main funding campaign each year because of the opportunity to receive matching funds. Any funding raised during the month of July will be matched proportionally to funds raised by other food shelf organizations. A minimum of \$250.00 must be raised to receive the minimum guaranteed match of \$150.00 from Hunger Solutions.

During the first funding and food drive in March, \$3,810 was received, along with 378 pounds in food do-

nations. Each year, it costs about \$10,000 to provide food for local clients.

Summer vacation may bring visions of happy, care-free children, but it is also a time when school breakfasts and lunches are not available, putting a greater burden on families to provide meals for their families.

'Hunger Solutions Minnesota' and 'Open Your Heart to the Hungry and Homeless' partner with Minnesota food shelves each summer to address this concern. If you are planning to donate to your local food shelf, July is the time to make it happen!

Donations can be sent or given to Lori Thompson Grygla-Gatzke Food Shelf, 222 S. Evelyn Avenue, P.O. Box 105, Grygla, MN 56727.

Northwood Church to hold annual picnic

The Northwood Church has scheduled its annual picnic for Saturday, July 11th. The picnic will carry on its yearly tradition with holding a program at 11am with a potluck lunch to follow at 12pm. The program includes special music by

Lois & Lois and a special portion to honor past members who are 90+ years old. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend the picnic! The Northwood Church is located at 44796 Moose River Rd NW in rural Grygla.

Art and Wine Walk in EGF to feature Grygla artist's work

Betsy Saurdiff, of Grygla, will have her functional art pieces on display at this year's Art and Wine Walk at the NWMAC gallery on July 11th.

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NWMAC) is excited to announce the opening of a Functional Arts Exhibit, Wednesday, July 1st. Functional art is creative work which may be used in and around the home. The functional pieces showcased were made by artists of northwest Minnesota and will be on display in our cool gallery in East Grand Forks' Riverwalk Centre Mall.

Showcased pieces in this Functional Art show include textiles, pottery, glass, and wood items. Rugs woven of sheep's wool or bison roving created by Carol Johnson of Lake Bronson, Cathy Forgit of Fertile, and Aliza Olson of Roseau are being shown. Also from Roseau, Bonnie Hagen's handmade bags of many sizes, patterns and functions are included.

Newly created porcelain and ceramic bowls, plates and mugs by Robin and Lorrie Foster of Red Lake Falls, and Betsy Saurdiff of Grygla are included, as are ceramic pieces by Mary Ann Laxen of East Grand Forks. Jolene Juhl of Greenbush is presenting her newest fused glass plates.

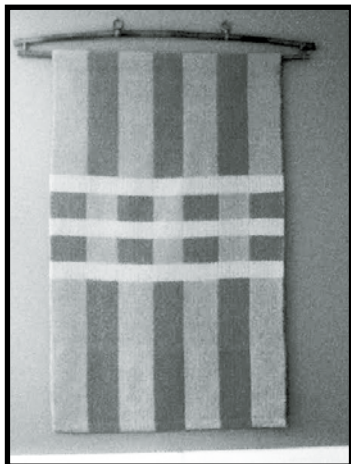


A hand-painted desk by Lois Edman of Alvarado makes its debut in this show.

The artists will be featured Saturday, July 11th, from 1-5pm during the Art and Wine Walk, at the NWMAC gallery, 211 Demers Avenue in Riverwalk Centre (River Cinema) Mall, East Grand Forks, across the street from Cabela's and next to Mamma Maria's Restaurant.

The Functional Art Exhibit will be on display in the NWMAC gallery inside River Walk Artists Shop and Gallery from Wednesday, July 1 to Sunday, August 2, 2015. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 3-7pm, and Sunday, 2-5pm. The Arts Council gallery and River Walk Artists shop & gallery are located in the River Cinema mall. Park in the large lot to the north and enter the mall door; it's the first door on the right.

Private showings are welcome. For more information or a private showing, call the arts council office at 218-745-9111; contact the gallery coordinator at 218-965-4216, or email tmjacobson16@gmail.com.



CHURCH CALENDARS

GRYGLA LUTHERAN PARISH
Grace and Our Savior's, Grygla
Pastor Vicki Saude-Worthington
Sunday:
Grace: 9am Worship
Our Savior's: 10:30am Wor-ship

GATZKE-THIEF LAKE LUTHERAN PARISH
United - Gatzke; Our Sav-ior's - Thief Lake
Pastor Craig Bowyer
Wednesday:
(Wednesday Worship for the Summer, no Sundays)
United: 6:30pm
Our Savior's: 8pm

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH, ELCA
Bethany, Ekelund, Faith
Pastor Robert W. Dahlen
Wednesday, July 1:
Mid-week Worship at Ekelund 7:30pm
Sunday, July 5:
10am Ecumenical Services at the big tent in Goodridge (Goodridge Centennial Cel-ebration)

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St. Clement's - Grygla; St. Ann's - Goodridge
Fr. Rick Lambert
Sunday:
St. Clement's: 8:30am Wor-ship.
St. Ann's: 10:30am Worship.

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday

Community Calendar

Wed | July 1
Charger's youth bas-ketball camp in Goodridge 8-11am; Youth baseball game at Stephen at 9am (bus leaves Grygla at 7:30am); Grygla Eagle office open 10am-4pm; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Caf  11am; Grygla Li-brary open 2-6pm

Thurs | July 2
Grygla Eagle office open 9am-3pm

Fri | July 3
Senior Meals at Grain Bin Caf  11am; Goodridge Centennial celebration

Sat | July 4
Independence Day; Goodridge Centennial celebration

Sun | July 5
Goodridge Centennial celebration

Mon | July 6
Youth baseball game in Grygla vs. Karlstad at 9am; Senior Meals at Grain Bin Caf  11am

Tues | July 7
Grande Corner Softball 7pm

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Skime
Rev. Paul Koch
Sunday:
8am Worship with Holy Com-munion. Women of the Church to meet after service.

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Christian & Missionary Al-liance of Grygla
Pastor Clark Hjelle
Sunday:
9:30am Worship, 11am SS and Adult Bible Class.
Wednesdays:
7pm Bible Study and Prayer.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
St. Petri - Grygla; Mt. Ol-ive, Nazareth - Trail; Oak Park - Oklee
Pastor Joseph Abrahamson
Saturday:
8:30am Mt. Olive
Sunday:
St. Petri: 8am
Oak Park: 9am
Nazareth: 10am

LIBERTY CHAPEL
Grygla
Fellowship of Christian As-semblies
Sunday:
10:30am Worship.

We want to thank Jamie Lunsetter and the staff at the Grygla School for getting the gym ready for the Holte's funeral. Many thanks to the ladies of the area for bring-ing cakes, bars, cupcakes and jello to serve after the service. And to the ladies that helped serve. Many thanks, St. Petri Ladies Aide

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Position Open

The Goodridge/Grygla Athletic Program has the following coaching positions open:
Head Boys/Girls Track
Head Girls Basketball
Asst. Girls Basketball
Asst. Boys Basketball
Jr. High Volleyball
To apply, contact Jamie Lunsetter, Paired Sports Co-ordinator, Goodridge/Grygla School Districts, 114 N. Fl-adeland Avenue, PO Box 18, Grygla, MN 56727. Phone: 218-294-6155, email: jlunset-ter@grygla.k12.mn.us.
Deadline for applications: 3 PM, 7-10-15.

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The Marshall County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications with resumes for a full time licensed Field Deputy Sheriff Position in Marshall County, Minnesota. The applicant must be Minnesota P.O.S.T. Board Licensed or eligible to be licensed. The Deputy position will be in the Grygla, MN area.
Applications may be picked up at the Marshall County Sher-iff's Office, 208 E Colvin Ave, Ste #1, Warren, MN 56762. If you would like an application mailed to you, please call us @ (218) 745-5411. Applications are also available on the Marshall County Website.
Application deadline is July 10, 2015.

July 10th Foot Care Clinic

North Valley Public Health will hold a Foot Care Clinic on Friday, July 10th, at 9am at Grace Lutheran Church. There is no age limit to attend and the cost is \$20 cash or check.

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The American State Bank will be open regular hours on Friday, July 3rd and Monday, July 6th.



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2015 Summer League Standings & Results

Week 3 Standings

	W	L
Gray	5	1
White	4	2
Orange	3	3
Green	3	3
Blue	0	6

Week 3 Results

Blue 51
Andrew Holte 17
White 57
Ty Jelle 19
Tyler Stinar 14

Green 57
Blaine Kriel 17
Ben Groven 15
Brandon Bakken 14
Gray 39
Alan Prestebak 10

Blue 54
Andrew Holte 26
Steven Hanson 14
Gray 60
Austin Brateng 21
Jordan Hagen 16
Alan Prestebak 12

Green 55
Brandon Bakken 18
Blaine Kriel 16
Orange 53
Brady Olson 16
David Hanson 13
Elroy Johnsrud 10

White 63
Dayle Larson 22
Michael Lawrence 16
Tyler Stinar 15
Ty Jelle 10
Orange 54
Brady Olson 24
David Hanson 17

July Summer League Basketball Schedule

NG: New Gym
OG: Old Gym

July 7
6:15- NG-Orange vs. Blue
OG-White vs. Gray
Refs-Green
7:00- NG-Green vs. White
OG-Orange vs. Gray
Refs-Blue
7:45- NG-Green vs. Blue

July 14
6:15- NG-Orange vs. Green
OG-Blue vs. Gray
Refs-White
7:00- NG-White vs. Blue
OG-Green vs. Gray
Refs-Orange
7:45- NG-White vs. Orange

July 21 & 28 schedule in next week's paper. (July 28 is Playoffs.)

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Readers,
There's a saying in poli-tics, "If you're not at the table, you're on the menu". Our member-owners of Ro-seau and North Star Elec-tric Cooperatives under-stand that the first step is to contact their legislators, but it can't end there. When our compelling messages are heard in St. Paul, the next step is having legisla-tors that are willing to carry our message. Let us tell you, our legislators spent a fair amount of political capital this session pushing issues important to rural electric cooperative members. At the top of the list this year was net-metering reform. This will allow coopera-tives and municipal utili-ties to recover some of the fixed costs associated with serving members when the wind isn't blowing and the sun isn't shining. This was huge because it reduces the

impact of rate subsidizing for new wind or solar instal-lations.

This was a tough legis-lative session. Our north-ern legislators stood solidly with us, so we would like to invite you to contact your legislators and thank them for their support. They in-clude Representatives Fa-bian, Dill, and Hancock and Senators Bakk, Skoe, and Stumpf. In our neck of the woods, our Democrat and Republican legislators have a lot in common, and sup-ported the member-owners of Roseau and North Star Electric Cooperatives is proof of that. We are very grateful for their help.

Cooperatively yours,
Ann Ellis and Tracey Stoll

General Managers of North Star Electric Coop-erative and Roseau Electric Cooperative

July WIC schedule

The Women, Infants and Children's Supplemental Nutrition Education Pro-gram (WIC) is being held the month of July 2015.

Infants, children up to the age of 5, and women who are pregnant or breast-feeding may be eligible for the program. We are very interested in enrolling preg-nant women in the program. We feel that the prenatal nutrition is a vital part of producing a healthy baby. Therefore, it is important to apply for WIC early in your pregnancy. No proof of preg-nancy is needed.

All potential clients must contact the WIC Program to schedule an appointment.

The following is the schedule of WIC Clinics for the month of July.

Monday, July 6
Newfolden
Evangelical Free Church
Tuesday, July 7
Hallock
Kittson County Courthouse
Wednesday, July 8
Warroad
Community Center
Thursday, July 9
Red Lake Falls
Community Center
Mon-Fri, July 13-17
Thief River Falls

Redeemer Lutheran Church
Monday, July 20

Warren
Evangelical Covenant Church

Tuesday, July 21
Karlstad

First Lutheran Church

Wed-Thur, July 22-23

Roseau
LifeCare Medical Center
Basement Auxiliary Room

Tuesday, July 28
Oklee

Head Start Building

For further information concerning the WIC pro-gram, call or write WIC Quin, PO Box 248, New-folden, MN 56738, phone 874-7845 (Newfolden, Vik-ing, Middle River, Holt or Thief River Falls residents) or 1-800-223-1591, or e-mail at quinchs@wiktel.com.

North Valley Home Health will offer immuni-zations, dental varnish-ing & blood lead testing a the Newfolden and Warren clinics from 9-11am. Ar-rangements should be made prior to clinics by contacting North Valley Public Health. For more information con-tact North Valley Public Health at 218-745-5154 or 1-800-950-6986.

DO IT YOURSELF



Do you have some extra mason jars sitting around? Check out these homemade piggy banks that are super easy to make just by using a little bit of time and creativ-ity! Just take your jar and paint it to your liking. Next, cut a hole in the top big enough for money to fit through and that's it; you've got a cool new piggy bank that your kids (or you!) will enjoy dropping some extra money into!

Wednesday, July 1, 2015

► EXTENSION NEWS

By: James Stordahl

Pine Bark Beetles

Each summer, we get numerous calls regarding ailing yard trees. Over the past couple of years, we are seeing an increase of problems on pine trees, especially red (Norway) pines. The most common concern is a loss of vigor coupled with orange/brown needles - or dead branches - on the top of the tree. In some cases, trees have been lost while others seem to struggle in a state of decline.

Trees are slow to respond to stress. Any significant stressor, such as nearby soil disturbance, drought or insect damage, typically shows up 3-5 years later after the event. Often, whatever caused the damage can be easily forgotten. When I'm called out to check an ailing yard tree, I'll ask about recent soil disturbance. "Have you dug in new water or sewer line? Have you added on the house? Have you added top soil around the trees?" About half the time, the response is, "No, we have not done any.... Oh, wait; we did dig in a new waterline right past that tree three years ago." If the stressor is not man-made, then it's typically related to weather.

Despite our recent rain, we recently experienced severe drought, the most severe occurring in 2012 and 2013. Pines are common to areas with sandy soils, so when it gets dry, their root systems are left high and dry putting them under significant stress. With the drought stress, red pines became vulnerable to insects that took advantage of their weakened state. Pine bark beetles attacked the upper crowns of many of these pines.

The most common symptom is discolored needles on branches on the top half of the tree. Pine bark beetle activity begins in the upper crown and progressively moves down the stem. Exit holes are created as the new generation of bark beetles chews its way out of the bark, and when severe, look like holes from a shotgun blast. This is positive evidence that bark beetles are active and could threaten nearby pines.

So what can you do with yard trees that may be affected?

The best, cheapest, and most practical thing to do is to water the pine trees. Keep the trees well-watered by providing at least 1-inch of water per week for the growing season. The top 8 to 12 inches of soil should be kept evenly moist around trees

during periods of drought, at least as far as the branches spread (drip line). Avoid using a sprinkler; this just waters the grass and, although you think you're watering the tree, you're not. It's easiest to position the hose near or inside the tree's drip line and let it run for an hour or more, move it slightly, and let it run. Continue doing this until you've watered most of the areas around your trees. Then repeat this next week if you don't receive an inch of rain. If you have many trees to keep watered, a large-diameter soaker hose may be more practical.

Mulching around the tree will also help to keep soil moisture high. Use needles, bark, wood chips, or other organic materials in a layer about 2 to 4 inches thick. Never place plastic under the mulch because this does not allow rain or irrigation water to get into the soil and root system.

Do not fertilize until the drought and bark beetle outbreak is over. A water shortage triggered the bark beetle outbreak, not a shortage of chemical elements in the soil. In fact, the addition of fertilizers will decrease the amount of water available to the trees, as fertilizers are salts.

Along with watering, trapping may also be used to reduce beetle populations. These traps are baited with bark beetle pheromones, airborne chemicals produced and excreted by insects that attract others of the same species. Pheromones could be thought of as hard-to-resist insect perfumes.

Usually reserved for research purposes, pheromone traps can be economically used in home settings, but are too expensive to be used in woodlots and plantations. This technology reduces the local populations of bark beetles by attracting and catching the beetles in funnel traps. You can trap many bark beetles using pheromone traps, but whether you trap enough to affect the population and prevent them from attacking other pine trees has not been proven. The traps use no pesticides to kill the beetles; they die from dehydration, starvation or predators.

Pheromones and funnel traps are available from a few different sources and typically cost less than \$50.00 each. Simply search on-line for "bark beetle pheromone traps". If computer searches are not for you, give us a call and we can give you options.

bull, the brunette tells her sister, "When I get there, if I decide to buy the bull, I'll contact you to drive out after me and haul it home." The brunette arrives at the man's ranch, inspects the bull, and decides she wants to buy it. The man tells her that he will sell it for \$499. After paying him, she drives to the nearest town to send her sister a telegram to tell her the news. She walks into the telegraph office, and says, "I want to send a telegram to my sister telling her that I've bought a bull for our ranch. I need her to hitch the trailer to our pickup truck and drive out here so we can haul it home." The telegraph operator explains that he'll be glad to help her, then adds, "It's just 99 cents a word. Well, after paying for the bull, the brunette only has \$1 left. She realizes that she'll only be able to send her sister one word. After thinking for a few minutes, she nods, and says, "I want you to send her the word 'comfortable', ok?" The operator shakes his head. "How is she ever going to know that you want her to hitch the trailer to your pickup truck and drive out here to haul that bull back to your ranch if you send her the word, comfortable?" The brunette explains, "My sister's blonde and that's a big word for her. I know she'll read it real slow." (com-for-da-bull)

► SIMPLY DELICIOUS



No one will be able to resist this mouthwatering dessert pizza made from peanut butter cookie crust and fresh green apples.

It starts with a peanut butter cookie base that's baked golden brown on a pizza stone (or a cookie sheet). Next, it's topped with a cheesecake mixture created from softened cream cheese, a little sugar and some apple butter. Delicious apples are simmered slowly to create that amazing flavor and texture we all love and Reese's Peanut Butter Cups and caramel sauce are added to make one SIMPLY DELICIOUS treat. Check out the full recipe below; the result is one scrumptious, chewy, crunchy, unique dessert pizza that everyone is sure to love.

Ingredients

1 roll of prepared & refrigerated peanut butter cookie dough
1 pkg (8 oz) cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup Musselman's Apple Butter
1/4 cup white sugar
2 medium Granny Smith apples, chopped into thin, bite-sized pieces
1 pkg Miniature Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
1/2 cup prepared caramel sundae topping

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Liberally grease a pizza stone with cooking spray. If you do not have a pizza stone, grease a standard cookie sheet instead. Set aside. Unwrap the package of cookie dough and using the heels of your hands, gently knead the cookie dough into a round pizza shape. Pat into an even layer and bake for about 12-15 minutes or until the top is set and golden. Do not over bake. Cool completely on the stone/baking sheet.

Meanwhile in a medium bowl, beat together cream cheese, apple butter and sugar with an electric mixer for about a minute or until smooth & blended. Spread the mixture evenly on top of the cooled cookie pizza, leaving a small border around the edges for the "crust." Top the cheesecake mixture evenly with the apples and the Reese's candies. Lastly, drizzle the caramel onto the pizza. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

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The Iron Chargers Robotics Team met last week and are already getting a head start on their robot for the upcoming school year. The team graduated three seniors in May, but has added five new members. L-R: Dustin Nelson, Hudson McMillin, Lucian Tinnies and Kelly Dougherty.

Word of the Week

...enhancing vocabularies
one Grygla Eagle at a time.

Stinkaroo \sting-kuh-ROO, STING-kuh-roo\

Noun: Slang; something markedly inferior in quality: a stinkaroo of a motion picture.

Grygla/Gatzke May School Board Minutes

The May Minutes were approved at the June School Board meeting on June 25th and are included below for your reference.

Present: Nicolette Leach, Gary Polansky, Shaunna Olson, Charisa Limesand, Jim Verbout, Principal Lunsetter and Superintendent Clow. Absent was Karina Tinnies.

Pledge of Allegiance was said and the following were approved: agenda as presented, last month's meeting minutes and the payment of the bills check #33376 through check #33483 and wire payments.

Finance Report:

General	Fund
\$142,104.25	
MSDLAF	\$1,315,252.94
Food Service	12,590.29
Checking	26,397.77
Comm. Service	1,637.60
Debt Service	0.00
Scholarship	0.00
Scholarship Trust	0.00
Total	\$156,332.14
Total	\$1,341,650.71

Student Report: No student report.

Teacher Report: Given by Beth Kucera and Kate Moll. The School Store ends the year with just over \$5,000 in their account; profits were over \$1,000, the store made many donations throughout the year, and a small fridge was purchased. Two students, Leah Schulz and Courtney Olson, made the senior slideshow and senior books as part of a computer science class this year. Beth and Kate will start working hard on next year's yearbook with students volunteering to come in and work during the summer. Lifetouch photos were taken this spring, and there has been talk about discontinuing them in the future. The High Mileage competition was held in Brainerd on 5/11-12/2015, and even though it rained hard both days they had a good experience. The robotics team graduated three seniors and added five new members this spring; next year's challenge is known, so they've already started working on next year's robot. The GEA awarded TEAM Foundation their Friend of Education Award this year for helping fund trips to the world championships the past few years; the robotics team went to TEAM Industries in Bagley on 5/13/15 to show appreciation for the many donations. Mr. Kvasager took a team to the state Envirothon competition on 5/18/15. This spring marks the start of viewing nights, hosted by Isaac Kvasager; people can come to the school and view the stars and planets with new telescopes. The winner of the year-long reading challenge, organized by Kate Moll, was Ryce Skime, winning a Kindle Fire. National Honor Society inducted Chris Kiesow, Dustin Nelson, and Alison Satre this spring, and the staff-served dinner was on 5/7/15; Vern Johnson was the speaker

and was presented with a framed Eagle jersey. Principal Report: Given by Principal Lunsetter. The tornado drill policy has been changed so that head start will go to the boys' locker room with grades K-6. A potential change to the daily schedule was discussed: switch elementary and high school lunch times (since it was changed this year due to Kerry Walton's schedule of third grade and special education and could change back with hire of 0.50 FTE special education teacher), eliminate the high school snack break, and end the school day nine minutes earlier. The athletic update includes: track subsection meet is in EGF today, student athlete and coach evaluations are complete, summer schedules for GBB and VB are available, and the GBB team received the Silver Academic award from the MN Basketball Coaches Association. Graduation on Sunday, 5/17/15, went well; the senior song, led by Gene Lunsetter, was excellent. Today was the last student day, with the awards ceremony this morning. Students running for student council next year gave speeches on 5/20/15, and online voting took place today. Tomorrow will be the last teacher day. State testing had many issues this spring; Kate Moll ran into many problems and the whole experience with the new testing platform was not a good one. The ACT was administered locally and during school hours for the first time this spring on 4/28/15, and it went well. Brian Loe attended the spring athletic directors' meeting (same day as ACT test) and reported that the MSHSL will be requiring online athletic training for school board members. After comparing bids, the school will be purchasing 80 Chromebooks at \$205 each; some high school teachers are looking into electronic textbook options. MDE recently audited the food service program at Grygla School, and the audit went well. Thank you to Beth Kucera for all of the events she planned and put on this spring. The community arts class completed the wall mural leading up the ramp this week; great job Betsy Saurdiff and students Samantha Kraulik, Ashley Moe, Kaitlyn Olson, Alison Satre, and Alaina Monson.

Superintendent Report: Given by Superintendent Clow. The bus log was reviewed: no problems lately with buses. It was asked why one of the smaller buses has been sitting at the school and not being used, and Jamie answered that one of the drivers felt the smaller bus wouldn't handle very well on the wet gravel roads. The 2015-16 lunch prices and fees were reviewed. The MSBA Policies reviewed: School Sponsored Student Publications and Activities, Student Promotion, Retention, and Program Design, Bullying Prohibition Policy, Protection and Privacy of Pupil Reds.

Also approved: 2015-16 membership in the MSHSL, the resignation of Mike Gast as assistant football coach, the hire of Tausha Severts at .50 FTE special education, the phased retirement program with Owen Hagen for the 2015-16 school year.

The following donations were accepted: \$100 from Fourn-town-Grygla Sportsman's Club for Envirothon, \$4,000 from TEAM Foundation for Robotics World Competition 2015, \$400 from Lion's Club of Grygla for Robotics World Competition 2015, \$100 from Thea Anderson memorial for 1st grade classroom.

Wednesday, July 1, 2015



Chix from the Stix hold entertainment night at the Gazebo in Grygla

Thursday evening, June 18th, the Marshall County Relay for Life Grygla team, Chix from the Stix, held a cookout and talent show at the gazebo in Grygla. Performers put on a great show and included Mariah Coan, Jordynn Johnsrud, Leah Schulz, Grace Lutheran Choir and Pastor Vicki Worthington. The band Ramblin' Fever played live music from 6:30-9pm that was enjoyed by all! The local Relay team, captained by Karen Severts, has raised over \$10,000 that will benefit the American Cancer Society!



YARD OF THE WEEK



Jack and Jayne Miller, 17496 380th Ave NE, rural Goodridge, have been nominated and chosen for 'Yard of the Week'. The Millers have made the list a few times, but as the parents of the Eagle Editor, they were overlooked. Too much time and attention has gone into their yard to ignore them this summer, though, and it's easy to see why they have been nominated again this year. Lots of beautiful landscapes to see no matter which direction you turn; congratulations Jack and Jayne!

Call the Grygla Eagle to nominate a 'Yard of the Week'!

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Home repair loans available through USDA Rural Development

Is your home in need of repairs? USDA Rural Development can help. The USDA Rural Development has ample loan and grant funds available statewide for very-low income homeowners to make basic repairs, install essential features or to remove health and safety hazards. The maximum loan amount is up to \$20,000 at a 1% interest rate for a term up to 20 years and maximum grant is up to \$7,500. There is a narrow window of opportunity to receive these funds with no waiting period. USDA Rural Development is looking for qualified applicants right now through the end of September to apply for these loans and grants. Call to day if you are a very-low income homeowner in need of essential home repairs. Please call the Thief River Falls office at (218) 681-2843, ext. 4 for more information on this program. Information is also available on the web at www.rur-dev.usda.gov/mm.



Goodridge School third and fourth grade students enjoyed a field trip to Lake Bemidji State Park on May 19th, 2015. Some activities the kids enjoyed included a picnic by the lake, hiking on the Bog Walk, and observing an eagle's nest through a high-powered scope. Pictured L-R: Caden Marquis, Nicholas Hagen, Hannah Lovly, Park Ranger John Fylpaa and Tiana Banasau (looking into the telescope).



Goodridge third graders on their field trip to Lake Bemidji State Park. L-R: Carter Lee Johnsrud, Tiana Banasau, Nicholas Hagen, Kennedy Panek, Lily Beavis, Emilea Johnson, Sophia Brown, Hannah Lovly, Chase Manderud, Dominic Wilson, Caden Marquis, Donny Johnsrud, Spencer Coan and Carson Rubischko.