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Ken and Laurie Brein were named the 2024 Clearwater County Outstanding Senior Citizens last weekend. They became the fifth couple to be selected since it started in 1976. The family from left to right: Denise (daughter) and Ben Buer of Gonvick, Ken and Laurie and Tricia and Dan Brein (son) from Detroit Lakes.

Brein's selected as Outstanding Senior Citizens for the county

A husband and wife were named the 2024 Clearwater County Outstanding Senior Citizens at the County Fair. They became the fifth husband and wife couple to receive the honor since the program began in 1976. They include Helen and Arnold Skiple in 1986; June and Patrick Johnson in 2004; Anne and Frank Bergh in 2008 and Marilyn and Darol Melby in 2016.

The two Ken and Laurie Brein of Leonard work together in every thing they do. It would not be possible to nominate one without the other.

For 50 years they have been members of the Clearbrook American Legion, where they have held several positions. They currently chair the membership committee for the Legion and Auxiliary. For years they have been familiar faces working the serving line at the steak fry's, meatball and lute-fisk suppers. They sell poppy's over Memorial Day and place poppy's on area cemetery's. They both serve in the honor guard, march in area parades

and at military funerals.

They are not only active in their church but help with upkeep of other church's and cemetery's as well. At their home church, Our Saviors Lutheran in Leonard, they have served on the council, call committee and visitation group. They deliver meals on wheels, work at the food shelf, are there for cemetery clean up and have always been a big part of the family meatball supper. They serve at funerals and all special events. This past year they joined another couple in taking care of the abandoned Zion church yard and cemetery, as well as helping with the restoration.

Probably the biggest project is their involvement in the Lake Itasca Regional Pioneer Farmers. They have been members since 2008. He served as the organization president for 8 years. During his time as president he organized and helped build four buildings and the remodeling of the Westweet kitchen. He was a big part of

moving the old King Post Bridge from Greenwood township to the Pioneer grounds. He has been able to bring many new exhibits to the show. She works along side him on all these projects. She has also taken on many cleaning and painting projects inside and out. She does a lot of maintenance on the grounds. She also runs the fry bread kitchen during the show. Along with their endless patience and labor they donate the use of much needed machinery and tools. In 2022 they were crowned King and Queen of the Pioneer Farmers Association.

They are members of the Clearwater County Historical Center, where they volunteer. She has served two terms as a trustee.

In their township they both serve wherever needed. They mow lawns for elderly and at cabins in the area. They remove snow for many in the neighborhood. He has been a township supervisor. She has served as election Judge for over 30 years and on the town board.

District 4 Commissioner Candidates

There are three candidates running for District 4 Clearwater County Commissioner District. They include the townships of Clover, Dudley, Leon, Sinclair, Clearbrook City and Leonard City.

The three on the state Partisan Primary Ballot for August 13, 2024 elections. Two of them will go on the November ballot.. One will be eliminated.

The three are Bruce Emmel, Corey Petterson and Juleigh Prosser. Letters from each candidate are listed below.

Incumbent John Nelson decided not to run again.



Bruce Emmel for Clearwater County Commissioner District 4 July 23 2024

Dear Leader Record and Friends of District 4,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your request. I believe I am the most qualified candidate with the proven experience needed to navigate our changing economic landscape. I've spent 30 years working in management; 16 years as a Station Manager for Mesaba/ Northwest Airlines followed by 14 Years as the Founder and CEO of Home at Heart Care in Clearbrook providing Waivered and Personal Care Services for 11 Counties in NW Minnesota. I've been a manager in both good times and hard times. In September of 2020 I sold my percentage of Home at Heart Care to my business partner, thinking it was time to do something else. However I discovered the next month that God had his own plans for me when I was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. The next 8 months meant chemo and radiation, but since that time, by the Grace of God, I have had 3 years of good reports with no sign of remission. Last year I even drove school bus and plan to continue driving this fall.

In my past I also served as

Bruce Emmel...
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Hello, my name is **Corey Petterson** and I am running for District 4 Clearwater County Commissioner. I was born and raised in Clearwater County and have worked and raised my family here.

As a graduate of Gonvick Trail High School, I went on to receive my associates degree from the University of Minnesota Crookston (UMC) and my bachelor's degree in Animal Science from North Dakota State University (NDSU). During the summer I raised Yorkshire pigs and a cow/calf operation on my parents' farm. I worked for Lakehead/Enbridge Pipeline as a summer laborer. I graduated college in 1989 and was hired on permanently by Lakehead/ Enbridge in 1990. Although I have now retired from Enbridge after 34 years of service in 2020, I still own and run a cow/calf operation.

I met and married the love of my life, Stacie Peterson, and together we raised our 3 boys, Tanner, Austin and Caleb. They all graduated from Clearbrook-Gonvick High School, where Stacie teaches in the Early Childhood/Parent Education Program.

During the past years I have been involved in many areas that I feel have prepared me

Corey Petterson...
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Dear Clearwater County District 4 Neighbors,

My name is **Juleigh Prosser**, and I am excited to be your candidate for District 4 County Commissioner. My husband, Kevin, and I are proud residents of Clearbrook.

First and foremost, let's extend our heartfelt thanks to John Nelson for his 24 years of dedicated service as District 4 Commissioner. We wish him a happy retirement!

A bit about me: I grew up in Minnesota, spending my childhood between a suburban life in the Cities and the peaceful countryside at my grandparents' home. I pursued my education at Bemidji State University, where I studied chemistry and met my husband, a Clearbrook native, in physics class. After a stint in Phoenix for my career, Kevin and I reconnected in 2013, and I was delighted to return to Minnesota in 2015. Clearbrook has been our cherished home ever since.

You might wonder, what does a County Commissioner do? Over the past few years, I've attended numerous County Commissioner meetings and conducted research to understand this role better. Here's what I've learned:

• County government pro-

Juleigh Prosser...
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Border Bank Celebrates 89th Birthday by Launching Winter Warmth Drive

Border Bank will be celebrating its 89th birthday by giving back to the communities it serves through a bank-wide Winter Warmth Drive. The project will be launched on the bank's birthday, Friday, August 9 and extend through September 30. The initiative aims to collect new and gently used coats, jackets, snow pants, hats, mittens, scarves and boots for children and adults in need of winter gear.

Border Bank was founded August 9, 1935 in Greenbush, Minnesota. Since then, the bank established eight more branches in Minnesota, including Middle River, Badger, Thief River Falls, Roseau, Bau-

dette, International Falls, Coon Rapids and Clearbrook – and two branches in Fargo, North Dakota. In addition, Border Bank owns Northern Ag, an insurance agency providing crop insurance, commodity marketing advisory and brokerage services. Northern Ag has offices in Roseau and Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

All eleven branches and the two Northern Ag locations will serve as drop-off points for the winter gear. Items collected will be delivered to local non-profit organizations and shelters for proper distribution.

"We are proud to launch this Winter Warmth Drive as a way of celebrating our 89th

birthday," said Kory Shae, Border Bank's CEO. "Our goal is to help ensure those in need are equipped with winter gear to stay warm and safe this upcoming winter season. Finding impactful ways to give back to the communities we serve and call home is part of our culture. Facilitating the drive is a fitting way to say thank you to our customers and communities we have been privileged to serve over the course of 89 years."

Winter gear drop off locations will be serving cupcakes and refreshments on the bank's birthday, Friday, August 9. The public is invited to join us in the celebration.



Abello Acoustics Band will be giving a concert at 1:00 p.m. at the Samhold Lutheran church in honor of their 125 anniversary.

Samhold Lutheran Church will celebrate 125 years August 11

The year 1899 pioneers around Gonvick got together to organize a congregation to build a house of worship. Samhold Evangelical Lutheran Church was formed. Church was held in homes of members until the church was completed.

July 12, 1903 they had their first services in the new church. The service was conducted by Pastor Thoreson. Pastor Will Anderson is now serving the congregation since last September 2023.

The church has gone through many changes. A steeple and bell was added with the basement and kitchen equipment. The outside of the church had extensive remodeling with a new look. The congregation decided to keep the original altar in the new surroundings. Other improvements have been made with the addition of an elevator, an addition on the North Side of the church with a storage room and entrance on basement level, additional large Sunday School room on the main level. Changes to the kitchen to make it easier for the ladies working there.

The congregation built a



August 11, 2024 Samhold Lutheran Church will be celebrating 125 years. There will be a church service at 10:30 am followed by lunch and sharing from 11:30 to 12:30. At 1:00 pm the Abello family Acoustics Band will present a concert.

parsonage in 1906 for the pastor and the first one to live in it was Rev. Martin Iverson. They sold that house and built a new parsonage in 1948 and Pastor EM Berg was the first to live in that house.

During the time that Pastor Don and Ann Walker lived

in the parsonage it was hit by lighting. The interior had to be redone. A two car garage was built onto the house in 1991.

Painting and other maintenance issues have all been done to the four bedroom home in the past few years.

In 2009, the congregation changed, with Pastor Tom Jacobson, from the ELCA to NALC, the North American Lutheran Church. After Pastor Anderson came the congregation voted to change to LCMC, Lutheran Congregation in Mission for Christ.

Ministers who have served since Samhold celebrated their 100th year in Faith in 1999 were: Pastors Eric Midthun, Tom Jacobson, Jill Torgerson, Mike Giese, Peter Gunderson and Jimalee Jones and Kris Snyder, Bill Goodman, Nathan Engebretson and now Rill Anderson.

ALCW officers for the 100th celebration were Barbra Books, JoAnn Birkeland, Marilyn Erie, Lin Johnson, Lauraine Bruhjell,

Samhold...
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Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers Show August 16, 17 and 18

Time does go fast... the Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers event is set for August 16, 17 and 18, 2024. Friday, Saturday and Sunday will have many events scheduled.

Open at 7 am Daily
Friday - Breakfast 6:30 am -8:30 am (Caramel Rolls, Orange Juice & Coffee); Parade at 1 pm; Supper at 5 pm; Country Gospel Music Show; 2024 Pioneer King & Queen Coronation.

Saturday - Breakfast 6:30-8:30; Parade at 1 pm; Kid's Pedal Tractor Pull at 2 pm (approx); Country/Old Time Music Show at 5 pm; Supper at 5 pm

Sunday - Breakfast 6:30-8:30; Worship at 9 am; Parade at 1 pm; Old Time Tractor Pull after Parade; Quilt Raffle during Parade.

The Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers 48th annual show has two ladies featured on the show buttons. They are two sisters, Margaret Johnson and Phyllis Baumann. The ladies manage the main kitchen on the show grounds. Margaret has served as a director and Phyllis is currently a director.

A new King and Queen will be crowned on Friday. Last year Lynette and Keith Butler from Lake Itasca were named.



Keith and Lynette Butler were name King and Queen at the 47th annual Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers Show. They live at Lake Itasca and they worked with the Centennial Wagon Building Program that went from St. Paul to Itasca Park.

Daily Events include:

Log Handling/Loading, Lumber Sawing/Planing, Tractors Threshing/Grain Handling, Shingle & Lath Making, Tools Log Sawing, Demonstrations, Grain Grinding, Arts & Crafts Blacksmithing, Railroad in Operation, Model Engines & Machines, Vehicles, Machinery, Gas/Steam/Diesel Engines, Flea Market, Broom, Birdhouse, Signmaking and More!

The event is located at 16914 at the North Entrance Drive at Lake Itasca, Minnesota.

Questions can be directed to:

President: Bryan Mesich, 701-730-2390
Show Information: Keith Butler, 218-616-0320
Posters Advertising: Charlene Olson, 218-694-2685
Country Shoppe: Karla Netland, 218-694-2564
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Community Calendar

Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to meet"

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to meet on Monday, August 12th, at 7:30 PM at the clubhouse in Leonard. Fall trail work will be discussed.

Primary Election Canvass Board Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Clearwater County Canvass Board Meeting will meet on August 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. to certify the Primary Election results. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner's Board Room in the Courthouse.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Aug. 7 - Amanda's Lasagna, Green Peas, Bread stick, Tropical Fruit, Milk.

Thurs. Aug. 8 - Pork Chop with Rice Pilaf, California Blend Vegetable, Pineapple Chunks, Roll, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk.

Fri. Aug. 9- BBQ Chicken, Diced Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Bread, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Mon. Aug. 13- Honey Glazed Chicken, Rice, Country Vegetable Blend, Fresh Fruit, Roll, Milk.

Tues. Aug. 14 - Meatball & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Slice Peaches, Roll, Milk.

Wed. Aug. 15 - Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, California Blend Vegetables, Fresh Fruit, Bread-stick, Milk.

Meal subject to change.

Notice of Flag Ceremony Retirement of old colors

The Gonvick American Legion, Post 304, is planning to present a ceremony to retire old and worn out American flags. This ceremony will be held August 17- 2024, at 10:00 am at the Legion Cabin grounds. Anyone wishing to attend this ceremony is welcome to attend.

Commander LeRoy Sundquist

Check the furniture room at CWLC

"Restore It! Furniture room at CWLC Clearbrook is overflowing with good used furniture and changes every week so make sure you stop in often to check it out! It is open the same hours as Shop at the Top.

CWLC Gonvick has the Restore it! Work shop and As Is room which has recently moved and is now in a more spacious room down the hall across from Choice Therapy. Two Loons has moved to downtown Gonvick on the Main Street, freeing space for the AS-IS Room to expand and improve the shopping experience of our DIY (Do It Yourself) customers.

If you are wanting a piece that you can match to your décor and/or make use of your skills and creativity, the AS-IS Room is for you! "As Is" room is open Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM."

We kindly request that you deliver your furniture to Gonvick only after receiving pre-approval for your items. You may contact or visit the Clearbrook office at 218-776-2789 to initiate this process.

Backpack/School Supply Distribution at Country Faith

There will be a Backpack/School Supply Distribution at Country Faith Church at 46125 – 149th Ave, Clearbrook (from Clearbrook, 1 mile south, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6) on Thursday, August 15th, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (Doors open at 5:45pm.) FREE Backpacks and school supplies will be available for families who could use a little help with this school expense.

If this is something that could help your family, please come. If you have questions, would like to donate supplies, or would like to receive supplies but are unable to come that night, please call: Country Faith Church 218-776-3367. Backpacks & supplies are given on a first come-first serve basis, so please try and make it to the event.

Legion Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Gonvick American Legion will be held August 13 at 8:00 pm. Time change is due to the Primary Election that day. See you there!

LeRoy Sundquist, Cmdr.

History Center invites Government Officials to tour the Shevlin Campus.

The History Center in Shevlin will be open on Sunday August 11 from 1:00- 4:00 and invites all County, Township and City officials to visit the museum and see what the people of Clearwater County have been supporting over the last 30 years.

Public Support for the Clearwater County Historical has been a key component to its success yet many officials have never had a tour of the center. New township officers and future candidates for public office are especially encouraged to come and see what the History Center is all about.

The public is also invited for tours of the historic buildings as well as "behind the scenes" tours of the museum and its collections. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call the History Center at 218-785-2000



New county recorder, Rodney Knutson, swore in by County Commissioner Mark Larson. Photo credit: TJ Rhodes

Bears continue to disturb dumpsters; county and residents seek a solution

By TJ Rhodes, Farmers Independent

The Clearwater County Commissioners met for a regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 30. Here, the commissioners approved extra hours for two county employees who were reaching their limit yet are still needed to do their tasks.

The commissioners also swore in new County Recorder Rodney Knutson.

But their biggest discussion followed the environmental services report by Dan Hecht.

It's reported that different townships in Clearwater County are experiencing excess amounts of bear encounters, especially in relation to each township's dump site.

It also reported that one township, Rice, requested the removal of their dump site and that the county is working with the township to flesh out the details.

Additionally, two residents joined the meeting to further elaborate, stating that bears are not the only concern. They, like many other residents, do not like the dump sites visually. They also reported people dumpster diving and doing illicit acts around the dumpsters, making them a visual and physical issue.

August Ruby's Pantry event.

Join us Wednesday, August 7th at Country Faith Church, 46125 149th Ave, Clearbrook for Ruby's Pantry, Clearbrook. Our drive-thru distribution will run from 5-6:00pm or until food items are gone. Bring a \$25 cash donation and receive a "share" which is an abundance of grocery items that are valued over \$100 which varies every month. **Please bring exact change. There is a maximum of 2 shares per vehicle. No registration needed for drive-thru distribution. No boxes needed, everything will be prepackaged for you. Ruby's Pantry is a pop-up non-profit food ministry serving our rural communities across MN & WI on a monthly basis, hosted by non-profits and made possible by volunteers at each site. There is no income or residency requirement. Questions? Contact Country Faith at 218-776-3367. Find us on Facebook: Ruby's Pantry-Clearbrook, MN

Ruby's Pantry – Clearbrook location will be held at Country Faith Church, 46125 149th Ave, Clearbrook on Wednesday, August 7th, from 5-6:00pm (or until items are sold out).

This distribution will be outside again with the drive thru format. For the safety of our guests and volunteers please read this in its entirety.

Distribution will start by 5:00pm (could be a tad earlier if ready).

Samhold... Continued from front

Shirley Graftaas, Donna Rude, Myrtle Lien and Lavonne Rossell.

Samhold Church Council in 1999 for the 100th were Barb Brooks, Shirley Graftaas, Brenda Skime, Allen Danielson, David Erie, Jim Gunvalson, John Gunvalson, Tippy Berg, Carroll Hetland, Richard Richards, Robert Vanderport, Mark Lien, Pastor Eric Midthun, Julie Gustafson, Norman Lee, Chester Lee and Mary Brovold.

Samhold Church Council in 2024 for the 125th year are David Spray, Kevin Berg, Pamela Goebel, Lonny English, Mandi Arlaud, Kathy Bergman, Donna Pfeiffer, Debbie Pletschett, Wade Bakke, Steve Pfeiffer, Gary Quern, Nick Spray, Tim Stebe, Richard Sather, Barb Brooks, Denise Buer, Jeanie Sorenson, Liz Bakke, Danielle Derby, Samantha Lindom and Dennis Bergerson.

ALCW officers for the 125th celebration are Eileen Lien, Sheryl Berg, Evon Quern, Roxy Bakke, Sharen Dyrdahl, Carole Johnson, Lynette Lene, Debbie Pletschett, Gwen Eck, Darlene Sawyer, Jeanie Sorenson and Cheryl Mollin.

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Jarred LeBon, Pastor
Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.
Tuesdays: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson,
www.facebook.com/bethelfosston
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Aug. 11: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Michael Wright
Good Shepherd
Tue., August 6th – Thursday, August 8th, 10am-1pm VBS
Thurs., Aug. 8: 8:00am Men's Breakfast, Leonard Café.
Sun., Aug. 11: 9:00am Pastor Michael's Installation & Worship Service; 10:00am Coffee Hour

Our Savior's
Thurs., Aug. 8: 8:00am Men's Breakfast, Leonard Café.
Aug. 11: 10:00am Coffee Hour 11:00am Pastor Michael's Installation & Worship Service

Ad deadline:
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Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Benefit for Seth Ellefson

Clear Waters Life Center will be hosting a benefit for Seth Ellefson. They will be serving a lunch and also have a silent auction. Would you like to partner with us by attending the event, making a donation or donation an item for the silent auction?

The event will be September 22 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the 226 Elm Street location in Gonvick.

They will be collecting items September 9 to 20th at CWLC Gonvick or they can arrange to pick something up if needed, just call 218-776-2789.

Gonvick Site: 226 Elm St.

Senior Cooking class: Monday August 12th

The second Monday of each month we have a free cooking class for seniors. Although you don't have to be a senior to join the class. Each class Angie and Connie will show you how to prep and make a nutritious meal then sample it.

Clearbrook Site: 256 2nd Ave., SW

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Pastor Jeffrey Merseth is On Leave
Rev. Carl Busse
Rev. Gene Lilienthal
Sat, Aug. 10: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Aug. 11: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 9:45 a.m. Worship. Nazareth: 11 a.m. Worship.

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMC, Gonvick
Pastor Will Anderson
August 5- August 11
Breakfast
Wednesday: 9:30 AM Women's Walk Bible Study:
Sunday: 125th Anniversary Celebration
10:30 AM Worship
11:30-12:30 Lunch & Share
1:00 PM Abello Acoustics Band will Perform

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Check the website or Facebook for up-to-date information.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Randy Reimer
Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Quilting. AWANA meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm weekly. Call for information. 218-776-3252. 7:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer throuh August

Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship

Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

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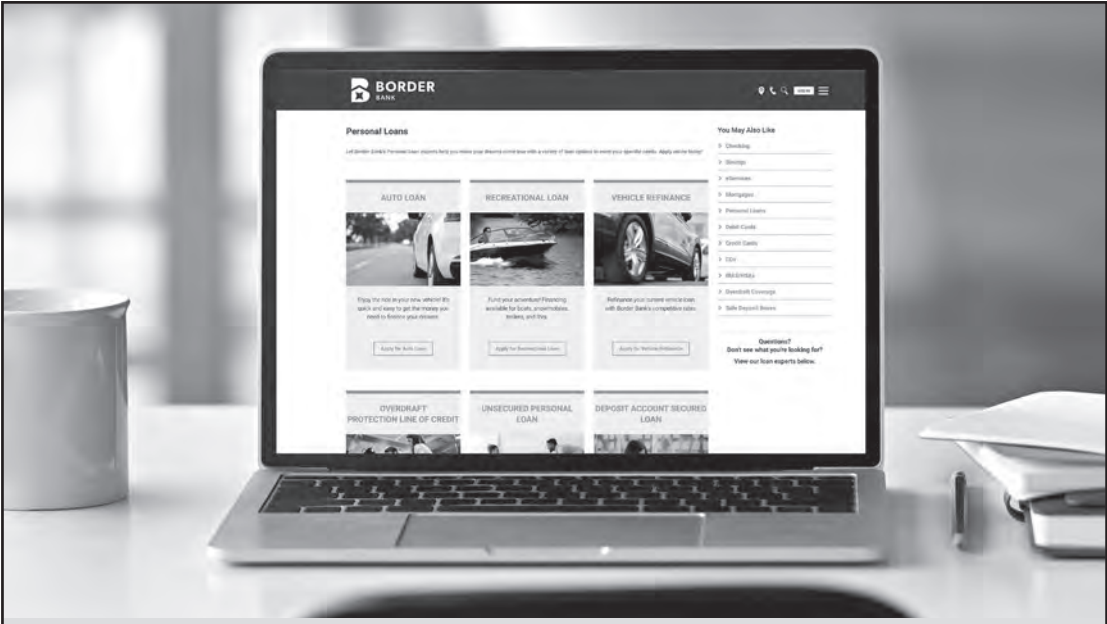
As I write this it's the last night of the fair and I just want to say, from my perspective, it was a great time! I would like to give a great big thank you to old friends and new who stopped by and voiced support. Audrey and I were both overwhelmed. I had some awesome conversations about very valid concerns and I spoke with both current and former county employees who gave me first hand insight into the challenges they face.

To all of the above who came out to visit and for those who wanted to come, but couldn't make it, Thank you! Your trust in me will not be forgotten.



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This week's Inky Wink uses a photo I took for inspiration. It's of a cabin I've stopped by many times while in Wyoming visiting my mom, Ellen Torgerson Tretter, formally of Berner. Old, abandoned homes fascinate me. Maybe you too? The drive to this home is a difficult one. The road is only drivable during dry weather in the summer. It's particularly beautiful to me. I shared the photo with writer friends of mine asking if they'd write something inspired by it. It was a fun activity.

WHO LIVED HERE? By Ann Marie Newman ©2024

In Red Canyon, Wyoming sits a house in rugged harmony with its surroundings. Long empty of human habitation, it remains vigilant at some 6,000 feet above sea level.

Many times, over the last thirty years, I have stopped here to stare. Admiring the house's determination to keep standing strong in the tall grass with two, old cottonwood trees watching its back. Birds and small, furry critters currently reside within. I feel them peer out at me from cozy accommodations built into assorted nooks and crannies.

This is a beautiful place to live, but harsh and isolated. Is that why the house now sits abandoned? Did children once live here? Did their mother sweep its wood floor while keeping a watchful eye on the cookstove where the family supper cooked?

I can imagine all I want about the old place. It's pleasant to do so. Let the wooden boards, the empty windows speak to me in a "Once Upon a Time" language rich with mystery and what-ifs. I stand before it with admiration in this wild untamed canyon with its red rock walls and red, dusty wind blowing my hair astray.

Strong hands, hope filled hearts, a steady eye.
The roof line is still straight against the summer sky.
The wood siding's faltered; weather raised the grain.
It's not a cozy home now, that's seen very plain.
Why the shelter emptied, we aren't privy to learn.
But they boarded up the windows...an intention to return.
-- Cindy Kolling ©2024

Clearwater County Sheriff	
Weekly activity by Darin Halverson	
Bear Creek - Total 2	07/29/24 21:30:07 Traffic Stop
08/03/24 00:01:14 Information	
Only	
City of Bagley - Total 20	07/28/24 03:06:45 Traffic Stop
07/28/24 21:54:24 Traffic Stop	
07/28/24 22:38:18 Traffic Stop	
07/29/24 00:10:06 Traffic Stop	
07/29/24 10:13:14 Information	
Only	
07/29/24 14:11:40 Court Order	
Violation	
07/29/24 23:33:04 ASSIST	
07/31/24 01:33:14 Traffic Stop	
07/31/24 07:39:57 Motor Vehicle	
Crash	
07/31/24 19:57:37 Medical	
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08/02/24 16:10:22 Medical	
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08/03/24 03:53:55 Alarm	
08/03/24 17:17:12 Threats	
08/03/24 18:08:29 Harassment	
08/03/24 21:58:08 Assault	
City of Clearbrook - Total 5	
07/30/24 15:21:11 TEST	
07/30/24 23:51:51 Assault	
08/02/24 21:10:47 Runaway	
08/02/24 22:18:42 Trespass	
08/03/24 00:47:46 Medical	
City of Gonvick - Total 1	
07/29/24 14:45:38 Vehicle Lock	
Out	
City of Shevlin - Total 3	
07/29/24 20:37:52 Transport	
08/01/24 03:07:21 Traffic Stop	
08/02/24 02:53:32 Information	
Only	
Clover - Total 1	
08/01/24 16:35:02 Vandalism	
Copley - Total 1	
07/28/24 21:12:04 Information	
Only	
07/29/24 13:40:39 Harassment	
07/29/24 17:01:48 Information	
07/29/24 18:23:37 Traffic Stop	
07/29/24 19:02:49 Traffic Stop	
07/30/24 19:58:05 Disturbance	
07/31/24 13:38:02 Transport	
07/31/24 17:32:34 Information	
Only CW Copley	
7/31/24 20:08:26 Traffic Stop	
08/01/24 02:52:33 Traffic Stop	
Dudley - Total 5	
07/29/24 12:40:27 Welfare Check	
07/31/24 12:37:26 Medical	
07/31/24 19:43:14 Suspicious	
Activity	
08/03/24 08:41:12 Medical	
08/03/24 08:44:24 Property	
Damage	
Eddy - Total 1	
07/31/24 13:02:41 Traffic	
Complaint	
Falk - Total 2	
07/28/24 11:33:58 Vandalism	
07/29/24 13:54:07 Suspicious	
Activity	
Holst - Total 1	
08/03/24 22:34:50 Traffic	
Complaint	
Itasca - Total 2	
08/03/24 07:50:43 Vehicle Lock	



ABANDONED HOMESTEAD

I wonder at the giant tree,
That stands behind the house,
All that's left; except perhaps, a mouse.

I wonder what that tree has seen,
Beneath the leaves and branches, green.

Did an emigrant file for rights,
To build upon this land?
Did he dig a well, and build a barn,
And do it all by hand?

Did he fetch a wife, from his far home,
And bring his children here?
Did they work together side by side,
With aspirations clear?

Did they have babies, strong and healthy?
Did they grow up to be poor, or wealthy?

Did they sit around their table,
Eating food that they had grown?
Did they share it with their neighbors;
Or eat it all alone?

Why did they leave, or did they?
Are they here beneath the soil?
Did they get fame, or fortune,
For the toil?

We can only wonder-we can only hope,
They were nurtured in this homestead,
Achieving their potential,
In life's kaleidoscope.

By Janet Knutson July 28, 2024

Out
Itasca State Park - Total1
07/31/24 15:18:24 Information
Only
LaPraire - Total 1
08/01/24 23:49:00 Assist Other
Agency
LaPraire N - Total 5
07/28/24 02:33:04 Traffic Stop
07/30/24 07:42:09 Assist Other
Agency
08/01/24 10:09:23 Information
Only
08/01/24 10:38:09 Motor Vehicle
Crash
08/01/24 21:43:04 Traffic Stop
Leon - Total 3
07/30/24 19:27:22 Property
Damage
07/31/24 10:52:44 Fire
08/02/24 09:27:58 Motor Vehicle
Crash
Long Lost Lake - Total 1
08/01/24 18:01:56 Medical

Moose Creek - Total 2
07/31/24 20:52:39 Animal
Related
08/02/24 12:22:31 Traffic
Complaint
Nora - Total 4
07/28/24 14:48:55 Suspicious
Activity
08/03/24 07:28:21 Animal
Related
08/03/24 11:43:54 Traffic Stop
08/03/24 11:51:45 Traffic Stop
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 4
08/01/24 22:08:11 Transport
08/01/24 23:25:11 Assist Other
Agency
08/03/24 13:29:48 Information
Only
Pine Lake - Total 2
07/28/24 15:40:21 TEST
07/29/24 23:50:06 Suspicious
Activity
Popple - Total 1
08/02/24 13:51:25 Attempt To

Locate
Rice - Total 1
08/03/24 12:05:30 Traffic Stop
Shevlin - Total 4
07/30/24 08:50:08 Alarm
07/30/24 20:28:50 Suspicious
Activity
08/02/24 02:00:29 Medical
08/03/24 04:11:09 Animal
Related
Sinclair - Total 6
07/28/24 18:46:38 Information
Only
07/29/24 07:44:31 Trespass
07/29/24 22:02:44 Extra Patrol
07/29/24 22:30:44 Fraud
07/31/24 00:42:02 Extra Patrol
07/31/24 21:50:07 Information
Only
Winsor - Total 1
08/02/24 14:49:14 Welfare
Check
Total Records: 89



Taking part in the Clearwater County Fair Horse Show were Haley Kortan and Brooke Hammen. Barn signs have been put up all over the fair grounds for the various buildings courtesy of West Fraser of Solway.



Gladys Luecken made two beautiful quilts that were given away as door prizes at this years Out Standing Seniors Citizens program at the Clearwater County Fair last Saturday. They were won by Joni Hagen and Vicki Kuester.



Tucker Coombs of Bagley was Senior Showmanship at the Clearwater County Fair.

VOTE FOR COREY PETTERSON

County Commissioner for District 4

I would like to represent you as your next County Commissioner for District 4

I would appreciate your vote on August 13th at the Primary Elections



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Thursday, August 15th
6:00-7:30pm
(Doors open 5:45)

Country Faith Church
46125 - 149th Ave
Clearbrook

FREE Backpacks &/or school supplies will be available for families who could use a little help with this school expense. If this is something that could help your family, please come. It'll be a 1st come, 1st serve set up. We have a limited supply and will hand out until we run out!

If you have questions, or would like to receive supplies but are unable to come that night*, please call: Country Faith Church at 776-3367.
*Supplies given out after that night will be based on remaining items available.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

This weekend will be the fish fry at the Gonvick Legion on Saturday night. The usual meal with time to visit with friends and neighbors.

Shorty's in Gully will be having prime rib on Friday and Saturday night with Bingo on Saturday night.

August 11 Samhold Lutheran Church will be celebrating 125 years. Church Service at 10:30 a.m. with lunch and sharing from 11:30 to 12:30 pm. At 1:00 pm The Abello Family will be performing.

Saturday, August 10 from 7 in the morning to 7 at night there will be a Swap Meet and Flea Market at the Lengby-Fosston Knightriders Clubhouse at 42582 360th Ave SE Fosston. It is their third annual one that they have had. Food vendor on site with gate open on Friday at noon for vendors.

Bear Bait has arrived at Clearbrook Elevator!!

A wide variety of options! From barrels of carmel popcorn to pails of frosting. Stop in or call us for more information!! 218-776-3511

They are open Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 and Saturdays 8:00-12:00

Bemidji had severe wind damage last Wednesday. Trees were down all over town. Damage at Diamond Point Park, downtown near Paul and Babe with the events that were going on with the Dragon Boat Festival. We were lucky in our area.

From my e-mail

Hi Corrine: Just when I thought we were gaining on the "case of the missing newspapers", they had a relapse. Just got the July 17 issue this morning (Friday, August 2) and you must have had some hot news

in it because it is also damp! I know you can't do anything about it, but just thought I would let you know in case you ever need to file a claim or justify something to the post office.

Still enjoy getting the paper. Have a good rest of the summer. Patti Malm

From Cheryl Huseeth. It really upset me today when I went to the dumpsters. This was at pine lake. Someone had left a box saying "I was left here and I need a new home". There were at least three cats. I contacted the authorities but it makes me mad. Tame or partially tame cats should not be left to fend for themselves. They have always had food. I don't know if they can hunt! I have always had a heart for animals! We have services that help with these situations so please call someone! Animal control or the sheriffs department can help these animals! Sheriff's department, animal control, Danny 218-556-1943

Joke time

From an old TV/radio blooper book.

Grease Job- The station in

Cincinnati where a woman giving cooking hints blooped... And then you take a well-greased bedpan ... NO BREADPAN.

Nature in the Raw... On Art Linkletter's kid show, he asked a little girl what she would buy if she had ten dollars. This was her reply, "I would buy my parents some pajamas, because they sleep together without any clothes on!"

Last week kicked off the world's largest motorcycle rally in Sturgis, S.D.. More than 8.3 million motorcycles are registered in the U.S. - with more than 200,000 in Minnesota, alone - and there are approximately 30 percent more bikers on the road in July and August than during the rest of the year, per the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Coming events

If you watch the television series on The History Channel called, "American Pickers". They are planning to film in Minnesota in September. If someone has a unique item, story or tell and are ready to sell you can contact the show. They don't go to stores, flea markets, malls, auctions or museums. You can call 646-493-2184.

The pumpkin patch in Gonvick is growing. Hope they will be ready for Pumpkin Day, September 28.

Blood Drive in the area... Looks like we are usually in Gonvick in January and June and Clearbrook in April and September.

8/19 Bagley 11:00am-5:30pm sponsor code: bagley

9/9 Clearbrook 11:30am-6:00pm sponsor code: clearbrookmn

The Second Annual Driving for Greens! Golf Tournament is in the works. All proceeds will benefit charities within Clearwater County and be used for scholarships in the Clearbrook and Bagley school districts. Driving for Greens begins with a shot gun start on Saturday, August 17th at 11:00 am at the Twin Pines Golf Course in Bagley. Registration begins at 10:00 am and the dinner and prizes are slated for 5:00 pm

The Gully 100! Committee, together with the Gully Community will again be presenting a fall show. The date has been set for October 5th.



Providing special music at the Senior Citizen event last Saturday was Allie Dalrymple



Bryce Helberg with his Clearwater County Fair animal in the cow wash. He received Reserve Champion Showmanship and Rate of Game for his steer.



Pastor Michael Wright congratulates the new Outstanding Citizens of Clearwater County, Laurie and Ken Brein. He read the information before the announcement of the new couple



Chloe Marsh with the Jack Pine Pals with the alpaca at the Clearwater County Fair.



Chucky Auginaush was the winner of the E-O "Beef Machine" at the Kids Power Wheels Baja Races Thursday night at the Clearwater County Fair.

Clearwater County Demolition Debris Landfill and Waste Transfer Facility

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- ✗ Scrap Metal
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NO regular household trash

Hours:	Tuesday	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
	Thursday	2:00 pm – 7:00 pm
	Saturday	8:00 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATED 1.5 miles NE of Bagley on County Road 24
For fee schedule log on to www.co.clearwater.mn.us

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Clearwater County Environmental Services

Clearwater County Recycling Drop-Off Locations

Accepting:

- aluminum cans
- steel food cans
- glass bottles and jars with lids removed
- plastic containers #s 1, 2 and 5
- newspaper and office paper
- clean cardboard



Two drop-off locations, one in Bagley and one in Clearbrook, both at County Highway Department shops.

Mixed recyclables from these locations are sorted at the Materials Recovery Facility in Fosston. Revenue from recyclables sales helps offset tipping fees paid by the County for garbage disposal at the Fosston Incinerator. Please contact Clearwater County Environmental Services at 694-6183 for further information.

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Wednesday, August 7, 2024

Elect Bruce Emmel

For District 4

**Clearwater County Commissioner
Proven Experience**

30 years of Management and Executive Experience

- o 16 Years as an Airline Station Manager for Mesaba and Northwest Airlines in Bemidji
- o 14 Years Founder and CEO of Home at Heart Care in Clearbrook MN, providing Waivered and Personal Care Services for 11 Counties in NW Minnesota, serving 300 + clients and employing more than 250 people when he retired in 2020
- o Former Vice President, Treasurer and Interviewer for the Clearwater County Food Shelf
- o Current Vice President and Treasurer of Clear Waters Life Center
- o Current Finance Committee Chairperson of Clear Waters Life Center
- o Current member of the Fosston Airport Commission

Education

- o Born and raised on a dairy farm north of Gonvick, moved to a beef farm near Clearbrook in 8th grade, graduated from Clearbrook High School 1977
- o Thief River Falls AVTI, Aviation Mechanics, Graduated 1979
- o Univ of MN, Crookston for Agricultural Aviation, Graduated 1982
- o Attended Oak Hills Bible College, Bemidji for 2 years plus 1 year internship in Northern Canada near the Cree Reserve of Southend Saskatchewan.

Personal

- o Married to Audrey Emmel 39 years
- o 2 adult married children, 7 grandchildren and 1 on the way
- o Served in many church capacities including; Deacon, Elder, Trustee, Vice Chairman, Sunday School Teacher, Lay Preaching, Jail Ministry and Led 8 mission trips to Ukraine.
- o Cancer Survivor
- o Currently living in Sinclair township for the past 16 years and previously Leon Township for 18 years
- o Independent, Balanced and Fair, not a member of any political party
- o Other Work Experience includes; Aircraft Mechanic, Crop Dusting Pilot, Farming, Construction, Rental Property Management, School Bus Driver

Passions

- o Pro God, Pro Life for All ages, Balanced Budgets, Less Government Intrusion, Term Limits, Christians for Public Office, American Energy Independence, Pro Israel, Pro Stop the War in Ukraine, The Great Seal of the State of MN 1858, and Legalizing Aerial Fireworks in MN.

I would appreciate your vote at the August 13th primary and the November 5th general election.

Thank you,

Bruce Emmel, 27447 Bjerke Circle, Leonard MN 56652

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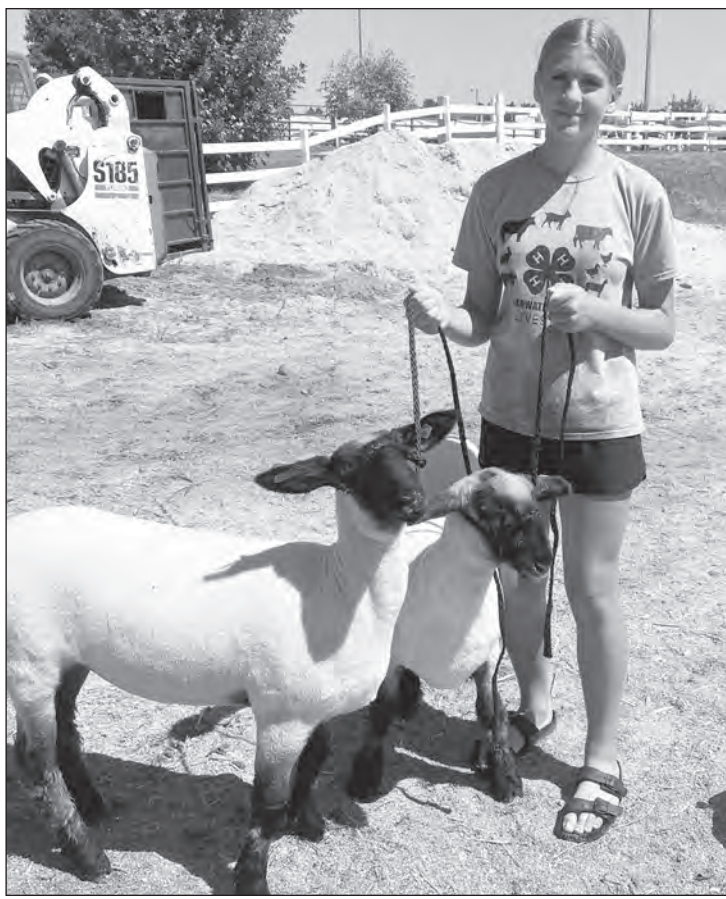
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Lily Walbergs first 4H horse show. Indy was a perfect gem for Lily and they had fun at the Clearwater County Fair in Bagley .Photo courtesy county fair board.



Gracie Riewer with the Woodside Workers 4-H club of Bagley giving her sheep a walk at the Clearwater County Fair.

FROM PANTRY TO TABLE

By Susan Anderson

Fruit-beautiful fruit! This is the season for fresh fruit and nothing tastes better with fruit than pound cak

Below is my recipe for pound cake. I got this from a man I worked with many years ago. He titled it "Authentic Pound Cake" probably because it contains a pound each of the main ingredients.

Whatever you call it; call it delicious!

- 1 Lb softened butter
- 1 Lb sugar (2 1/4 cups)
- 1 Lb sifted flour (4 cups)

9 large eggs at room temperature

4 THE LEADER-RECORD



Susan Anderson

More recipes at www.susanspantry.com

1 T lemon juice
1 T lemon zest
Grease 2 loaf pans.
Cream butter and gradually add the sugar. Beat until fluffy 6-7 minutes. Add eggs one at a time beating well after each addition. Gradually add in flour and blend thoroughly. Add lemon juice and zest. Divide the batter into the 2 pans. Bake at 350* or about 1 hour and 15 minutes. When done, remove cakes from pan and place on a cooling rack. Serve with fresh fruit and whipped cream.

Until next time, blessings to you and your family.



Jerianne Moen - 1st year exhibiting at the Clearwater County Fair. She received a blue ribbon and Grand Champion Judges Choice.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Pine Lake in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held in the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Gonvick Community Center in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

Dated: 7-25-2024 Pam Goebel Clerk of
Township of Pine Lake

R20-21C

NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the City of Gonvick in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

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Stacy Halvorson
City Clerk-Treasurer

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NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Greenwood in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held at the at the Gonvick Community Center in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

Dated: 7-25-2024 Sheila Horn Clerk of
Township of Greenwood

R20-21C

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 2311
CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 2311 shall begin on July 30, 2024, and shall close at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on August 13, 2024.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. At that election, four (4) members will be elected to the School Board for terms of four (4) years each; and one (1) member will be elected to the School Board for a term of two (2) years. Please note on your Affidavit of Candidacy if you are filing for the 4 year or 2 year term.

Affidavits of Candidacy are available from the school district election clerk, Clearbrook-Gonvick School District Office, 16770 Clearwater Lake Road, Clearbrook, MN 56634. The filing fee is \$2. A candidate for this office must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more on assuming office, must have been a resident of the school district from which the school seeks election for thirty (30) days before the general election, and must have no other affidavit on file for any other office at the same general election.

The affidavit of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district election clerk and the filing fee paid prior to 5:00 o'clock p.m. on August 13, 2024.

Dated July 2024

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

R18-21C

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Mortgage
Foreclosure Sale

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE:
September 11, 2008

MORTGAGOR: Monica Rose Lokken n/k/a Monica Rose OBrien and Stanley OBrien, wife and husband as joint tenants.

MORTGAGEE: Citifinancial Services, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:

Recorded September 17, 2008 Clearwater County Recorder, Document No. A153319.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC. Dated October 16, 2015 Recorded October 26, 2015, as Document No. A166966. And thereafter assigned to: Bayview Dispositions IVA, LLC. Dated December 12, 2018 Recorded March 14, 2019, as Document No. A173695. And thereafter assigned to: Chimera Funding TRS LLC. Dated December 12, 2018 Recorded March 14, 2019, as Document No. A173696. And thereafter assigned to: CIM Trust 2017-2. Dated February 12, 2019 Recorded March 14, 2019, as Document No. A173694. And thereafter assigned to: U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, as successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely in its capacity as Indenture Trustee of CIM Trust 2021-NR4. Dated May 1, 2024 Recorded May 6, 2024, as Document No. A184067.

TRANSACTION AGENT: NONE
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: NONE
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Citifinancial Services, Inc.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc.

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 215 Pine Avenue Northwest, Bagley, MN 56621

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 233060270
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

THE REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN CLEARWATER COUNTY, MINNESOTA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT TEN (10), BLOCK SIX (6) PLEASANT ADDITION TO BAGLEY.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED:
Clearwater
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE:
\$31,923.60

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE:
\$23,279.05

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 31, 2024 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE:
Sheriff's Office, 213 North Main Avenue, Bagley, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on January 31, 2025, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CLEARWATER
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
INFORMAL PROBATE

Estate of
Benjamin A. Eastley
Decedent (Deceased person)
Court File No. 15-PR-24-282

NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that an Application for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The Registrar accepted the application and appointed Cynthia M. Eastley, whose address is 34402 Sand Lake Ave SW, Bagley, MN 56621, to serve as the personal representative of the decedent's estate.

Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date of hearing on the objection.

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the personal representative has the full power to administer the estate,

including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters of general administration, the power to sell, encumber, lease, or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the decedent.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred
Dated: 8/2/2024

Leah Leavitt
Registrar

Dated: 8/2/2024

Carissa Scholz
Court Administrator
By: Leah Leavitt, Deputy

THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY:

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NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Leon in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held in the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Clearbrook City Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

COUNTY OFFICES

One County Commissioner for District 4

Dated: 7-30-2024 Lori Larson Clerk of
Township of Greenwood

R21C

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO HOLST
TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Notice is hereby given that the first day for filing for the Holst Township Election to be held Tuesday, November 5, 2024 is: July 30, 2024. The last day for such filing is August 13, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

FILING OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

1 Clerk – 4 year term
1 Supervisor – 6 year term
Candidates must file with the Holst Town Clerk. Please call 218-694-3933 to make an appointment. The Clerk will also be available at the Eddy Town Hall August 13 from 1-5 pm. Filing fee is \$2.00.
Stephanie Anderson
Clerk of Holst Township.

R20-21CC

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING:
EDDY TOWNSHIP

Filing for township offices will be held from July 30, 2024 at 8:00 A.M. through August 13, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. at the home of Clerk. Township offices to be elected at the November 5th General Election are:

Clerk- 4 year term
Supervisor-4 year term
Election will take place at the Eddy Town Hall from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
A \$2.00 filing fee is required by law.
Marilyn Shamp, Clerk
R20-21C

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.911, notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers of the Red Lake Watershed District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2025 General Fund Budget at 9:15 a.m., August 22, 2024, at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. The following is the 2025 proposed budget:

PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET	
Manager's fees and salaries	\$40,000.00
Board of Managers expense	24,200.00
Staff salaries	623,395.00
Payroll taxes	47,690.00
Employee benefits	168,481.00
Travel and meetings	7,500.00
Audit	10,400.00
Legal	16,000.00
Office supplies	20,000.00
Office equipment	40,000.00
Appraisers and Viewers	2,000.00
Professional services	35,000.00
Dues and subscriptions	10,000.00
Insurance and bonds	40,000.00
Repairs and maintenance-building	15,000.00
Utilities	12,000.00
Advertising and publications	4,000.00
Telephone	11,000.00
Vehicle expense & maintenance	15,000.00
Engineering supplies	3,000.00
Engineering equipment	45,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,189,666.00
LESS: ESTIMATED OVERHEAD	(935,092.50)
LESS: MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	(3,000.00)
2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$251,573.50
PROPOSED 2025 GENERAL FUND LEVY	\$250,000.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

An ad valorem tax of .0003627 times the taxable market value for 2024, collectible for 2025, will be levied on all taxable property within the Red Lake Watershed District. One-half of the levy will remain in the District for projects listed below; the other one-half of the levy will be sent to the Red River Watershed Management Board for projects within the Red River Basin.
Permitting system
Benchmarks
Flood Control studies/projects
Stream gauging
Water quality studies/projects
Rivers
Watershed hydrologic analysis
Lakes
Bank stabilization

R21-22C

NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Sinclair in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held all in the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Clearbrook City Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

COUNTY OFFICES

One County Commissioner for District 4

Lori Larson Clerk of
Township of Sinclair

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NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Holst in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held all in the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Eddy Town Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of ten (10) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

Dated: July 27,-2024 Stephanie Anderson
Clerk of Holst Township

R20-21C

NOTICE OF
PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Leon in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held all in the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Clearbrook City Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of August 2024, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 8

COUNTY OFFICES

One County Commissioner for District 4

Dated: 7-30-2024 Lori Larson Clerk of
Township of Leon

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LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CLEARWATER
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION

Estate of
Justin L. Erickson
Decedent

Court File No. 15-PR-24-280

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on August 12th, 2024, at 8:30 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Main Avenue, Bagley, Minnesota, for the formal adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Amanda M. Erickson, whose address is 46144 179th Ave., Clearbrook, MN, 56634, as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in a supervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the h hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including

the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.
Dated: 7/22/2024

(COURT SEAL)
BY THE COURT
Robert D. Tiffany
Judge of District Court

Dated: /22/2024

Carissa Scholz
Court Administrator
By: Leah Leavitt, Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CLEARWATER
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION

Estate of
Helen Kalenak
Decedent

Court File No. 15-PR-24-579

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given, that the Petition will be heard on August 12th, 2024 at 8:30 a.m., by this Court at 213 Main Ave. N, Bagley, Minnesota.

LEGAL NOTICE

Township of Sinclair
Notice of Filing

Notice is hereby given that filing an Affidavit of Candidacy for the Sinclair Township Election to be held, Tuesday, November 5, 2024, is open. The last day for such filing is August 13, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

FILING IS OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

Supervisor - Four (4) year term
Clerk - Four (4) year term
Candidates must file an Affidavit of Candidacy with the Sinclair Township Clerk, Brooke Pond, at 46727 269th Ave, Leonard, MN. Filing fee is \$2.00

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1. Notice shall be given to all interested persons (MINN. STAT. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

2. Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by:
☒ Mailing a copy of this Notice and Order at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.
Dated: 7/10/2024

(COURT SEAL)
BY THE COURT
Robert D. Tiffany
Judge of District Court

Dated: 7/10/2024

Carissa Scholz
Court Administrator
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: June 28, 2021

MORTGAGOR: Matthew James Olson, a single man.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded June 30, 2021 Clearwater County Recorder, Document No. A178697.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association. Dated

July 22, 2022 Recorded July 22, 2022, as Document No. A181016.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100392411208365968

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: U.S. Bank National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 124 McDougal Avenue Northwest, Bagley, MN 56621

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 23.030.1300

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: That part of the East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter (E½ of W½ of NE¼), Section Thirty (30), Township One Hundred Forty-seven (147), Range Thirty-seven

(37), described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of the East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 147, Range 37, hereinafter referred to as "said tract"; thence North 500 feet North of the Southwest corner of "said tract"; thence East 70 feet parallel with the South line of "said tract" to the point of beginning; thence continue East and parallel with the South line of "said tract" 100 feet; thence North and parallel with the West line of "said tract" 150 feet; thence West and parallel with the South line of "said tract", 100 feet; thence South and parallel with the West line of "said tract", 150 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Clearwater County, Minnesota Subject to and together with easements of record.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Clearwater ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$37,535.00 AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF

NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$38,547.42

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: October 2, 2024, 2024 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, 213 North Main Avenue, Bagley, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on April 2, 2025, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: August 1, 2024

U.S. Bank National Association Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

LIEBO, WEINGARDEN, DOBIE & BARBEE, P.L.L.P. Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee 4500 Park Glen Road #300 Minneapolis, MN 55416 (952) 925-6888 19 - 24-004656 FC

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Oklee Post Office to be named in honor of Coya Knutson

By Eric Mickelson On August 22nd many of you are probably aware that the post office in Oklee, MN, is being renamed in honor of Coya Knutson. Many of us in Oklee are familiar with some of Coya's story and her impact on the state of Minnesota and Oklee! Oh yes, in the coming weeks there will be more to come, but I thought we could build a little background to those who are not a familiar!

Coya Knutson was the first woman to serve in the United States House of Representatives. She was born Cornelia Gjersdahl, on August 22, 1912, in Edmore, North Dakota. After high school she attended Concordia College graduating with a degree in education. Later Coya traveled to New York where she studied opera at the Julliard School of Music. Although she had a love for music she came to the realization that a music career would be difficult and settled in Oklee where she married Andy Knutson, was a school teacher, and ran a hotel with her husband.

Coya served in local government during the 1940s and in 1949 the DFL wanted her to run for Minnesota State Legislature. After two terms in the



Coya Knutson congressional photo

state legislature Knutson ran for representative in Congress. Her campaigning and knowledge of agriculture allowed her to be elected to Congress by the voters of Minnesota's Ninth District. She served from 1955-1958. She was not reelected in 1958. In 1996, Coya passed away leaving behind the legacy of being Minnesota's first female representative in Congress as well as pushing for legislation regarding cystic fibrosis, student loans, and Minnesota Farmers. A taste of a little Coya Knutson.....more to come!

Home Country

By Slim Randles

When the world is hot and my skin is fried, scratching from the constant dry, let the clouds boil up – boil up high. And then shade the earth with the darkening sky and bring the secrets and the smell of rain. The heat and the blessed rain, again.

Our land is brown but blessed, stressed in the heat, the shiny heat of day. The slender green of desert rivers slides along, striving to continue, to feed its own along the banks – the banks where the dust rises. Rises, powdery clomp by clomp as we walk – walk the shady way.

Ours is the blessing of challenge, to live, to thrive in the heat. But bring us the clouds, the black bellied clouds, the clouds that softly hold the heads of gods in their moistening grasp. Let them come, with their silver tops and their bellies black as night and cool



as forgiveness. The summer clouds, the clouds that define our culture, our art, our summer, our hot, heavy summer. Let the magic come and stay, stay for a while, at least for a while, and wet us down, all the way down. Fill our pores, smooth our skin, wash us free of dirt and sin, with the rain, the cleansing blessed rain.

A rain, a storm, a suddenness of life and blast and sweet charity designed to keep us living here, here in the rain, here in the sun, and keep us praying, here in the rain, and looking toward the west for more, always to the west, always looking for more.

----- Brought to you by Slim's latest book, Whimsy Castle, now available at Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble and your local bookstore.

District 4 Candidates continued from front page

Bruce Emmel...

Continued from front page the Vice President, Treasurer and Interviewer for the Clearwater County Food Shelf and I am currently the Vice President and Treasurer of Clear Waters Life Center as well as their Finance Committee Chairperson. In addition I am on the Fosston Airport Commission.

In my Airline experience, I managed employees, took care of customers and dealt with regulatory agencies like the FAA. The Human Services field was similar but uniquely different. When I started Home at Heart Care in 2006 I had to meet all the enrollment criteria with the MN Department of Human Services to become a Personal Care Provider. Then we needed the blessing of our Clearwater County Human Services Board to obtain a Contract to provide services. Soon after obtaining that, we needed to be credentialed by Prime West and other Insurance Agencies. Then one county at a time, I sat across the table from their County Directors and Social Workers or Public Health people and pitched our company. Which was followed by sitting at many kitchen tables, getting to know our clients and earning their trust. When I retired in 2020 we employed more than 250 people and served close to 300 clients.

When our current 4th District Commissioner John Nelson retires at the end of the year, he not only retires from the County Board but will be vacating boards and committees related to Personnel, Insurance, Planning, Budget and Finance. But even more uniquely John will be vacating appointments to other Boards and Committees related to Health and Human Services, leaving vacant seats on committees such as;

- Clearwater County Human Services Board
- North Country Community Health Board
- North Country Community Health Services
- Prime West Committee for County Based purchasing
- Prime West Health Committee
- Association of MN Counties Policy Committee for Health & Human Services
- Headwaters Advisory Committee on the aging

As far as I know, no one else remaining on the board or running for these positions has the Health and Human Service experience that I have. Not to mention, no other candidate has brought more jobs to this district. Facility closures, such as the Good Samaritan Home in Clearbrook or the near elimination of the Clearwater County Nursing Service in Bagley should alarm everyone. Not only were these facilities important to our quality of life in Clearwater County, but according to the latest census in 2022, Health and Human Services was the largest employment sector in Clearwater County, exceeding Agriculture and Forestry by almost 4 times as much. Seeking John's appointments and bringing what I have learned serving my clientele to bear would be essential in the ongoing battle to retain and improve Health Care Options.

I am not entering this race with a personal agenda nor do I have anything personal against my opponents. I entered this race after much prayer, seeking the advice of many and the blessing of my family. If elected I would like to continue the good work that has been started. When it comes to acting on any board or making any decision, I always want to listen, investigate and pray about it before speaking. If you agree that I could best represent the voters of District 4, I would appreciate your vote on August 13th.

Thank you and thank you Leader Record for asking, Bruce Emmel

Learn more on Facebook at; Bruce Emmel 4 Clearwater County Commissioner

Corey Petterson...

Continued from front page for being County Commissioner. My years at Lakehead/Enbridge gave me the opportunity to be a union officer involved in wage and benefit negotiations. I've served as union Vice Chair and Secretary. I have also been on the Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board for over 20 years, where I have served on committees such as certified teacher negotiations, finance and building and grounds among others. My wife and I were part of the Clearwater County Emerging Leadership Program in 2005. We were selected by an interview committee to be ambassadors for the Emerging Leadership Program in 2006. I have served on the Clearwater County Extension Committee, United Lutheran Church Council in Berner, as well as many rolls in Clearwater County 4-H and the Clearwater County Fair.

I feel that property taxes are the one thing that County Commissioners have the most control over. Keeping taxes balanced and affordable, allowing and planning for upkeep on the county's infrastructure such as roads and bridges, and to brainstorm how to attract new business into our county are things I would address as County Commissioner.

I would address those issues by ensuring properties taxes are fairly assessed, budgeting dollars for future projects such as roads and bridges and looking into any federal dollars that are out there that would attract new businesses to our area. I feel our commissioners are doing these things and I would like to be part of these decisions in the future as your new Clearwater County District 4 Commissioner.

We are so blessed to live in such a beautiful area in Minnesota. I am running for County Commissioner to help ensure that these things are preserved for future generations, where they would have a place to work and raise their families such as I had the opportunity to do. I would like to thank the Clearwater County District 4 voters for considering me to represent them as their next county commissioner. I would welcome discussion of any concerns or issues. I would appreciate your vote in the primary election held Tuesday, August 13.

Thank you, Corey Petterson

Juleigh Prosser...

Continued from front page vides essential services to ensure our communities are healthy, vibrant, and safe.

The County Commission Board comprised of five members who represent their districts and collectively represent the entire county population to State and Federal Legislatures and Agencies.

Major responsibilities of a Commissioner include: overseeing county operations, managing county personnel, ensuring proper land use planning, establishing the county budget, levying taxes, authorizing expenditures, maintaining fiscal stability, and serving on the County Health Board.

Why am I the right choice for your District 4 County Commissioner?

As a successful businesswoman, I have owned and operated multiple businesses providing testing, inspection, and consulting services in the healthcare and construction industries. I have developed innovative programs that have been implemented nationwide and earned national recognition for my knowledge of codes and standards. I have sat in many board rooms, where my expertise was sought as an advisor. These experiences have taught me to be a successful team builder, collaborator, and creative problem solver. Skills that will be put to good use as your County Commissioner.

I am a Community Builder,

who in collaboration with local non-profit organizations and municipalities (via grant writing) have been part of bringing \$100,000+ into our community in the past couple of years. We are currently waiting to hear on an additional \$300,000+ in application award notifications. These grant funds have or will help to provide: Arts Access and Education, Senior Center Revitalization, Youth Afterschool & Summer Rec Programs, City of Clearbrook Public Space Enhancements and Living Local "Women Mentoring Women" Workshops.

In reviewing the list of major responsibilities of a County Commissioner and how I measure up: A) I have run multiple businesses and overseen large scale operations. B) As an employer, I understand relationship building and how to build a healthy work environment and culture, that builds success and satisfaction, both individually and collectively. C) I understand and have experience with large scale budgeting, expenditures and how to maintain fiscal responsibility and stability, while maintaining fiduciary duties. D) I have extensive experience and expertise in healthcare and construction industries. E) I have spent much of my career negotiating contracts. F) I look forward to the opportunity to use my broad knowledge base and learning aptitude to assist and develop proper land use planning for our county.

In preparation for becoming your County Commissioner, I completed a 3 month Civic Leadership Mentoring Program last fall with 100RuralWomen.org. My mentorship path has continued after my program graduation and currently I am paired with a highly respected County Commissioner who has served in this role for over 14 years.

I have been blessed with many opportunities and experiences in my life. Space is limited here, rather than providing you with a detailed resume or extensive list of my accomplishments. I welcome the opportunity to share more about my background and experience if you are interested. Please feel free to contact me at JuleighProsserCityCommissioner@gmail.com).

I am deeply grateful for the blessings in my life. I have a heart for service and a passion for making a positive difference. Clearwater County is my home, I cherish it and want to contribute my skills and experience to benefit my District 4 Neighbors and our county.

I am grateful to be part of the Create It Community Studio Art Team in Gonvick and volunteer my time as a mentor every Monday.

Last Spring, I stepped into the role of Co-Director of Activities for the Clearbrook Leonard Senior Center, and am excited for what we have coming up for our Seniors.

And finally, I am collaborating as the author, with a talented regional artist/illustrator to create a new children's book with a MN State Arts Board Grant to be published in spring of 2025.

Now, and as your County Commissioner, you will find me to be open and accessible, a knowledgeable and experienced leader, dedicated to working hard to actively represent you! I am committed to bringing my experience, skills, and passion as your next County Commissioner. It would be my honor to serve my friends and neighbors over the next four years.

Please join me for the Primary Election on August 13 as part of Team Prosser!

Your Vote Matters! To see what I am up to, please follow me on facebook at Juleigh Prosser for Clearwater County Commissioner.

Thank you for your time and attention. Warmly, Juleigh.

Attention Citizens of Clearbrook-Gonvick School District 2311

The citizens of the school district 2311 are the ultimate caretakers of the school district.

If you believe some changes should be made then here is your chance to make those changes happen.

We citizens are on the edge of receiving a new building referendum which could be close to the same dollar amount or maybe more than the last years failed referendum. We need new people on the board who are experienced business people and understand the downside of long term debt. We need more transparency in all district matters and we need it ahead of time so citizens can make their opinions known and those opinions need to be recorded and published in the minutes of all meetings. We need people who can make financially sound objective decisions based on needs of the children and not based on emotions and whims. Example: I happen to be on the building steering committee. I have proposed a 9 million dollar plan for a 10,000 square foot steel building with 10 new 900+ square foot classrooms for the students. This has so far been voted down and other proposals that contain a new 8 million dollar gym have received yes votes and range from the high 20s to 30+ million dollar construction cost plus all of the carrying costs. Yes the total cost must include the carrying costs (interest) which our advisors and contractors and planners are very reluctant to include. At a 5% interest rate for 20 years the final total cost with interest can be nearly double the construction cost.

In my opinion the steering committee structure is not representative of a democratic process. There are no requirements to be on this committee except to be a district resident, some people show up on a hit and miss basis, the public is not informed on what is going on and the planners and contractors whom the school has hired to help plan are doing most of the steering and indirectly control most of the meeting always pushing for keeping the cost higher and rarely giving any credibility to other options. I believe this definitely is a conflict of interest. These are the people who will perform the work and or supervise the work so the larger the referendum the more the merrier for them. This small group of people is making decisions on which plan will be presented to the board and these decisions could affect the 2800 citizens in the district.

So I strongly encourage you to run for the board and help improve the district structure by putting real emphasis on educating our youth first and foremost.

Best Regards, Vance Norgaard, Gonvick, MN

A citizen of the district and a non-conflicted member of the district 2311 steering committee.

PS: Please do your part and remember good board members of the past helped us receive good educations which helped us get to where we are today.

NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

Filing closes August 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.