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Serving the Communities of Clearbrook, Gonvick, Gully, Leonard and Trail

Council set April 20 to 26 as Spring Cleanup Week

Gonvick City Council at their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 8 set April 20 to 26 as Spring Cleanup Week. Have your items by the curb for pick-up. A reminder that the following items will not be picked up: paint, chemicals, hazardous waste, pesticides, yard waste, tires, computer monitors, fluorescent bulbs and TVs.

Items they will pick up are various metals such as: bikes, trikes, swing-sets, mattresses and box springs, carpet, appliances, furniture.

The brush dump behind the sewer plant will be open to accept yard waste only. If you have a questions on what can be placed call the City Clerk at 487-5243.

The Council passed the Resolution accepting the bid on the fire hall addition for

\$118,709.00 to RPM Construction. The company is owned by Josh Gerlofs and the city has obtained the performance bond and proof of liability/workers comp insurance that was stipulated in the specifications that were advertised from the company. Work will begin in two or three weeks for the 40 x 60 addition to the Gonvick Fire Hall. Money for the project is from the John and Paye Hedin Foundation.

The city renewed the Gonvick American Legion liquor license for \$200.00

The council approved Alison Johnson to do the mowing at the Community Center. Dan Johnson council member abstained.

The tables that are being stored at the Gonvick Shed are being donated to the Clear

Waters Life Center (CWLC) in Gonvick. City Maintenance Joe Amundson will check over and bring them to the center. The city uses the new tables that are in the Gonvick Community Center and they will stay there and will not be loaned out to people. The city uses CWLC for Santa Claus Day and for Rodeo Days flea market. These tables would not have to be moved back and forth for those events.

Bills were paid for General \$34,436.20, Water and Sewer \$4,286.00, Fire \$3,952.46 for a total of \$42,674.96.

Police Chief Dan Gazzelka gave the city the March 2015 police department incident report. Animal 1; Harassment 2; Public Assist/Misc. 1; Suspicious activity 2; Traffic stop 7; Arrests 0; Citations 0 for a total of 13.



James Bettin has been greeting the students at Clearbrook-Gonvick since January. He is the student teacher under John Lavin and Gus Vettleson and will complete his assignment on April 24.

James is a Senior at Bemidji State University in Math Education and will graduate on May 8. He has been teaching two classes of Geography, two of Algebra 1, one class of Algebra 2 as well as a robotics class.

He is a 2010 graduate of Blackduck High School and in the future he would like to stay in northern Minnesota.

He stated that the kids are great in the school district. He was also amazed how friendly everyone is at the school. On his first morning when he was walking down the hall he was greeted several times.

USDA offers Home Loan Programs to Low-Income Households

USDA Rural Development, a federally funded agency, offers loans for low income households to purchase or build single family dwellings, as well as home improvement loans for very-low income households who already own their homes. Applicants for both programs must meet established income guidelines, have an acceptable credit history and show repayment ability.

Our home loan program offers: no down payment; a current interest rate of 3.0%; and a 33 year term. Depending upon your income, your payment could be subsidized by the Government making homeownership more affordable.

Already own a home? Our home improvement program for very-low income house-

holds offers: an interest rate of 1%; up to a 20 year term; and a maximum loan amount of \$20,000. Grants up to \$7,500 may be available to those 62 and older who qualify to remove health and safety hazards from their homes.

To schedule an appointment or for more information call the USDA, Rural Development Of-

Cluster 4 Spring Gathering April 18

You are invited to the Cluster 4 Spring Gathering on Saturday April 18, 2015 at Calvary Lutheran Church 2508 Washington Ave SE Bemidji.

Registration will be from 8:30-9:00 with the program starting at 9:15.

Speaker will be Dawn Reising from Sauk Centre. Her topic "A Day without Laughter is like a

fice at (218) 751-1942, Ext. 4, or write us at 3217 Bemidji Ave. North, Bemidji, MN 56601. You can also visit the USDA website at www.rd.usda.gov/mn. The Bemidji Office services the counties of Beltrami, Clearwater, Itasca, Koochiching and Lake of the Woods. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer

Day without Sunshine". Nancy Vyskočil, President of Northwest Foundation, will be sharing about "A Home for the Homeless in Bemidji"

Special Music will be provided by Becky Colebank. Registration is \$8.00 (includes lunch)

Plan to attend and bring a friend.

March Minnesota FoodShare Campaign A Huge Success

The Clearwater County Food Shelf completed its Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign on April 7, 2015. The March campaign is the largest annual food and fund drive in the state and the only time of the year contributions leverage additional dollars. This year the local Food Shelf collected \$18,996.98 in cash donations and 3,326 pounds of food.

"The outpouring of support for our organization was heartwarming," said Clearwater County Food Shelf President Becky Colebank. "We are so grateful for the way Clearwater County businesses, organizations, churches and individuals stepped up to the plate to

help feed the hungry in Clearwater County. We always pray to use our resources wisely and are confident that we are being led in the right direction to put it to good use."

Food Shelf Site Coordinator Suzann Moen added, "I especially want to commend our youth organizations that contributed. The Boy Scouts are always there for us. The Jack Pine Pals 4H Club members are also repeat contributors and I was epically impressed by the enthusiasm BHS Student Council Representatives Andrea Friborg and Nick Kaiser exhibited. They raised a considerable amount of money. The fact that we have activity

and dedication from the youth of Clearwater County is awesome. What a great month. I'm so glad to be a part of it."

SFA Seed Swap April 26 in Bagley

Lake Agassiz Chapter of Sustainable Farming Association (SFA) invites interested farmers and gardeners to a SFA Seed Swap on Sunday, April 26 from 4-5 p.m. at the American Legion Club 112 N Main Av. Bagley, Minn. Optional Potluck to follow from 5-6 p.m. Do not need to be a member to attend.

Bring extra seeds you have been saving from your crops or left over purchased seeds.

Please bring seeds in containers that are not spill prone and clearly labeled, along with small envelopes to carry home your exchanges. Please...no treated or GMO seeds. Cuttings, scion wood, etc. are welcome.

No seeds? NO SWEAT! Come anyway and pick up some things that interest you. Discussion welcome on the history of heirloom seeds and ancient grains.

Contact Jim Ingvaldson 218-694-3071 for more information.

Law Enforcement Appreciation Day April 16

The Law Enforcement Appreciation Day event will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 16 at the American Legion Auditorium in Bagley. This will include a light meal, an informal program with comments, live music and more. Everyone – the general public and law enforcement personnel -- is welcome to stop in for a meal of pulled pork on a bun, beans, chips, refreshments and cookies. While you are there, be sure to visit with law enforcement staff involved in serving the public's safety, so you can ask questions about their work and let them know you appreciate the job they do. This event is being organized by a group of Clearwater County citizens, with support provided by willing businesses and civic groups. Law enforcement personnel have already been invited, and law enforcement retirees are also encouraged to attend.

The Light Up the Lake event will take place at Fireside Grill and Patio on Friday, May 1, from 4:30 till 7:30 p.m. The admission ticket of \$20 go towards the Bagley fireworks display that is set up and fired off by volunteers from the Fire Department every 4th of July over Lake Lomond. This event features numerous stations where a person can sample foods, wines and beers of various flavors. Live music is also a popular feature which keeps people coming back! Ticket availability will be advertised soon, once they become available. The person is charge of this event is Bagley Municipal Liquor Store Manager Chris Arnold.



The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce the graduation of approximately 115 fifth grade students from the Clearwater County DARE program. The students are from both the Bagley and Clearbrook/Gonvick schools.

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson is the DARE instructor and this was his 19th year of teaching DARE. The DARE program is designed to teach children to make healthy, wise decisions and also talks about bullying and what students can do to help stop it or

what to do if it is happening to them. "It is really important to teach kids how to make good choices so that they don't go down the wrong path in life," stated Sheriff Halverson. "I am very proud of the DARE graduates this year and look forward to seeing them grow and become good citizens," added Halverson. The DARE program is taught in schools nationwide and has been in existence since 1985.

Shown above is Jenny Bakke's 5th grade class and below is Marinda Bakke's 5th grade class at Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary School.



Community Calendar

Gonvick Lions Club meeting April 21

The Gonvick Lions Club will be meeting on Tuesday, April 21 at Sportsmens Lodge at Pine Lake. Social hour at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.

Music Jamboree

There will be a Music Jamboree with Country & Country-Gospel Music at Cornerstone Residence (30 Sunset Ave. Nw.) in Bagley on Sunday, April 19th. The time is 1:00-4:30. Everyone is welcome!

Writing in the Woods

Writer's group searching for creative, enthusiastic writers needing the extra prompt or nudge to make time to write. Willing to commit to a once or twice a month meeting at Farm By The Lake in Bagley.

Write, critic, and network. All ages and abilities welcome. If interested contact: 218-694-2084

Marty Cobenais and Dawn Loeffler Caretakers
Farm By The Lake
<http://farmbythelake-bagleymn.blogspot.com>

Samhold women NALC meeting

The Samhold Women NALC will meet in Samhold Church basement in Gonvick on Thursday, April 16th. Business meeting at 2:30 following by a program. Christian Women's devotions, "Spring Clean up for Heart and Soul" followed by special music by Carole Tharaldson and Tanya Tharaldson.

Serving 4:00 to 6:00 pm is cook's choice of casseroles, variety of salads, rolls and assorted bars. Adults \$5.00, students under 12 \$2.00, preschool free and take outs \$5.00.



Dr. Chelliah, Marilyn Lee and Cecil Malme.

Rusty Chords Trio at Bagley

The Calvary Evangelical Free Church at 12 Bagley Ave N.W. Bagley will present a gospel concert Sunday, April 19 at 6:230 p.m.

Special musical guests for the day will be "Rusty Chords." The members of the "Rusty Chords Trio" are Dr. Noah Chelliah, Marilyn Lee and Cecil Malme.

Dr. Chelliah is a noted cardiologist who has been practicing in Grand Forks for over 30 years. The beautiful accompanying music via Dr. Chelliah's

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Clearbrook-Leonard LSS Senior meals

Wed. April 15 - Meatloaf, whole parselied potatoes, County Blend and milk.

Thurs. April 16 - Pork chop, gravy and mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll and milk.

Fri. April 17 - Mandarin Chicken Salad, fresh fruit, tomato cucumber salad and milk.

Mon. April 20 - Chicken, green beans, Tropical Fruit, bread and milk.

Tues. April 21 - Meatballs with gravy and mashed potatoes, beets, bread, fruit and milk.

Call 776-3154 to sign up.

There will be a
Bridal Shower
for **Laura Tollefson**
on **Tuesday, April 28th**
at **6:30 PM**
at **Elim Lutheran Church**
Laura is registered at Target.
Everyone is welcome.

Bridal Shower
for
Jessie Marie Sattler
bride-to-be of Jared Hoeft
April 25th
at 2:00 pm at the
Gully Community Hall
Gully
Everyone welcome

Pie and Ice cream social Sunday

A pie and ice cream social will be held at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. The social is set to begin at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19.

There will be local talent and homemade pie with ice cream served.

The event is sponsored by the Good Shepherd WELCA and everyone is welcome.



Diane Moore and Bev Cucci are busy planning the assortment of plants to put in their baskets at the Grow-It basket party. After planting, the greenhouse will keep the baskets for the participants until they are ready to be placed outside.

This young gentleman shown below was great help when it came to moving the larger containers!



Clearwater County Fair Raffle winners

Sat. April 4: Patty Swenson, Bagley, \$20

Sun. April 5: DeVona Haugen, Bagley \$20

Mon. April 6: Cheryl Grover, Bagley \$20

Tues. April 7: Michelle Fultz, Bagley \$20

Wed. April 8: Ryan Anderson, Clearbrook \$20

Thurs. April 9: Marlan Thoring, Pinewood, MN \$20.

Fri. April 10: Vern Johnson, Bagley \$20

Artists wanted

Artists wanted for displaying and selling their art along with non profit food vendors 28th Bagley Art in the Park July 11, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Held at the Bagley City Park

If interested in participating please contact Malotte at 218-209-6050 or apply at bagley.artinthepark@hotmail.com

Happy 70th Birthday,
Frank Buer
APRIL 15TH

In Loving Memory of W. Ray Snobeck

A precious one from us is gone
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.

Gone to be with the Lord,
April 13, 2014.

Missed by his loving family

Card of Thanks

We want to thank the medical staff at Bagley and Fargo for their care. Thanks to Cease Funeral Home, Pastor Bob Kirchman for his words of comfort. Thanks to Emory Schmidt and Shari Solberg for the music. Thanks to the Ladies Aid of Our Savior's for serving the lunch. Thanks to those who brought food, sent cards and gave memorials and flowers, and for the telephone calls.

Your thoughts, prayers and presence meant so much to our family at the loss of our dear loved one, Laurie.

Yours truly,
Family of
Laurie Hanson

Samhold Women NALC

will meet in

Samhold Church

Basement in Gonvick

on **Thurs. April 16**

Business meeting at 2:30, followed by a program.

Christian Women's devotions, "Spring Clean-up for Heart and Soul" followed by **Special Music** by **Carole Tharaldson** and **Tanya Tharaldson**.

Serving 4-6 pm is Cook's Choice of Casseroles, Variety of Salads, Rolls and Assorted Bars.

Adults: **\$5.00**

Students under 12: **\$2.00**

Pre-school: **Free**

Take-outs: **\$5.00**

Servers are: Eileen Vanderport, Pat Graffas, Tamara Anderson, Renae Bakke, Barbra Brooks, Shirley Ness, Jackie Crane, Dani Churness, Darlene Eck, Kim Solberg, Peggy Airlaud, Debbie Moy, Darlene Peterson, Valerie Reichert, Corrine Richards, Judy Sather, Brenda Skime, Cheri Gunvalson and Kari Vinson.

"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."
Psalm 51:10

Church News

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley
Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting.
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Youth Pastor Troy Churness
Children's Minister Nikki Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept 7-May 17) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check church website for dates)
Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
***Wednesdays:** Care groups in various homes

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
Cell: 218-358-0162
gonvickparish@gmail.com
WED., APRIL 15 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study, 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study, 10:30 AM Crafts & Laughs
THURS., APRIL 16 2:30 PM Samhold WNALC meeting with meal to follow
SUN., April 19 9:30 AM Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship Service
UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
55070 149th Ave., Gonvick
(218) 487-5308
WED., APRIL 15 7:30 PM Joint Council Meeting with Samhold and United Councils to meet separately to follow
SUN., April 19 9:00 AM Worship Service, 10:00 AM Sunday School

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
Clearbrook Branch
305 Lake Ave. E.
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00-11:00 a.m.; **Sunday School:** 11:20 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; **Young Women's:** 12:10-1:00 p.m.; **Primary:** 11:20 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

REDEEMER EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
Church Location:
Corner of Hwy. 2 & Red Lake Ave. SW
Bagley, MN
Pastor Linden B. Wendzel
Sunday Divine Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School / Adult Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

FOR RENT
3 BR, 2½ bath, open concept main floor in Clearbrook. Ref. required. \$650/mo. plus utilities. Deposit required.
218-776-3795
leave message for Mike

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

CLEARBROOK OFFICE HOURS:
8:00 AM-12:00, Tuesday-Friday
Be sure check our web site: www.clearwaterslife.org or Facebook pages for more information on any of our events.

Clearbrook Location:
256 2nd Ave. SW, 218-776-2789

Youth Connection:
Challenge Night, Friday. Apr. 17, 6:30-9:00 PM. Invite friends, 7th-12th grade, from out of town. FREE, including food!!! Regular YC schedule: Tues., 5th-8th grade, 3:15-5:00 PM. 7th-12th grade: Fri., 3:30-5:00 PM.

Shop-at-the-Top: Bag Sale on selected items. Open Mon.-Fri., 10:00 - 4:00, & Sat., 10:00 - 3:00.

Gonvick Location:
226 Elm St., 218-487-5290
Grow It! Greenhouse & Garden Center: M-W-F, 9-4 & Sat., 9-12

Dad & Me: Sat., Apr 25, 10 AM-12. elementary age students & an adult male. Create a planter for Mother's Day or a birthday gift. Cost of finished basket will vary. **Registration deadline is: Apr 18**

Create It! Community Art Studios: Miniature Garden Class, session 2, Monday, Apr 20, 6:30-9PM. \$5 class fee. Call to register, Ext. 2. Drop-ins welcome.

Mother's Day Fundraiser & Kitchen Open House: Sunday, May 10, 11:30 to 2:00. Call to reserve your space.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: Open M- W-F, 9 to 4, & Sat., 9 to 12. Donations accepted during business hours. Use north entrance.

This ad is sponsored by:



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Bagley 218-694-6416
Pastor: Fr. Manny Sundaram
Pastoral Associate: Sr. Debra Berry, SMP
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m. Call for weekday Mass times.

FAITH BIBLE CHAPEL OF CLOVER
Leonard, MN
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook

Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. April 15 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.

Thurs. April 16 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and Prayer at Summerfield Apts.
Sun. April 19 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service,

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Good Shepherd
Wed. April 15th & April 22nd - 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice
Thurs. April 16th 9:00am-12:00pm Quilting; 2:00pm WELCA Good Samaritan Center Birthday
Sun. April 19th 9:00am Worship/Communion; 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour Service Group 3 meets after church in fireside room. 7:00pm Entertainment & Pie Social at Good Shepherd

Joint Activities
Wed. April 15th & April 22nd - 6:00pm Confirmation
Our Savior's
Thurs. April 16th 2:00pm WELCA meets in the fellowship hall; 6:00pm Church Council meets in the fellowship hall
Sun. April 19th 9:45am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship/Communion

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Clearbrook
Wed. April 15 - 6:30 p.m. Awana

Thurs. April 16 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer meeting at church

Sat., April 18: 7:00 am Men's prayer breakfast.

Sun., April 19: 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:45 morning worship. 5:00 p.m. Sunday night Fellowship

Upcoming events:
April 26 - Potluck meal after the service followed by quarterly business meeting.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Joseph Abrahamson

Wed, April 15: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:30 p.m. Oak Park Ladies Aid.

Sat, April 18: 8:30 a.m. Mt. Olive. 10:30 a.m. St. Petri.

Sun, April 19: 5:30 p.m. Oak Park. 7:00 p.m. Nazareth.

Wed, Apr. 22: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com

Wed, Apr. 15: 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Thu, Apr. 16: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.

Fri, April 17: 8:30 a.m. Friday School.

Sun, Apr. 19: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.

Tue, Apr. 21: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.

Wed, Apr. 22: 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister

Wed, Apr. 15: 2:00 p.m. WELCA at Sand Valley.

Sun, Apr. 19: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston

Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson,
Assist. Pastor

Sun, Apr. 19: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship

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Lunch Menu

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Lunch menu

Thurs. April 16: Taco salad, black bean salsa, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Fri. April 17: Turkey Subs, baked chips, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Mon. April 20: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy and roll, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Tues. April 21: Hamburger on bun, baked beans, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Wed. April 22: Hamburger on bun, baked beans, fruit and vegetables choices and milk.

BREAKFAST MENU-
Monday- Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice and Milk Adult-\$2.05

Tuesday- Biscuit w/Gravy, Tri Tater, Fruit, Juice and Milk

Wednesday- Breakfast Sandwich, Fruit, Juice and Milk

Thursday- Pancakes, French toast or Waffles, Sausage, Fruit, Juice and Milk



Meet the Seniors.. from Clearbrook-Gonvick



Channtal Baker

Family members: Bradley and Vicky Baker. Sisters include Kyla, Callie, Shayla and Mickela.

Best High School Memory: Performing in "Suessical the Musical".

Favorite Song: "A Thousand Years: by Christin Perri

Favorite Movie: "The Hunger Games"

Favorite Class: Art
Advice to Underclassmen: Study hard and pursue your dreams.

What are your plans for next year? Go to work for the year to make money for college.



Austin Petterson

Family members: Parents: Corey and Stacie. Brothers: Tanner, Caleb

Best High School Memory: Listening to the funny jokes and stories in Mr. Handley's class in the 9th grade.

Favorite Song: "I Drink Alone" by George Thorogood

Favorite Movie: "Tommy Boy"

Favorite Class: Shop class

Advice to Underclassmen: "Keep your stick on the ice."

What are your plans for next year? I plan to attend Itasca Community College for engineering; that and work, all summer.

With articles submitted by the staff, administration and students at the Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior and Senior High Schools

Friday- Breakfast Roll, String Cheese, Fruit, Juice and Milk Cereal w/ Muffin Choice available daily as a 2nd choice option ELEM. /HS- \$1.30/ Monthly \$27.30

Clearbrook-Gonvick Community Education

Register by calling Community Ed. at 776-3112 ext 102. Please register a week ahead of the class unless otherwise indicated. Many times we must cancel classes simply because not enough people have registered. We will accept late registrations if the class is still on and there is enough room in the class.

You may also obtain information on Community Ed classes through: the school web site: www.clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us, some local businesses, email (send your request to: jengebre@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us) or on Facebook!

RAPE PREVENTION & SELF-DEFENSE

Steve Holm & Police Chief Dan Gazelka

Steve taught this class for

a number of years while he was an active police officer in Hennepin County. This class is for females (ages: teenagers and up). We encourage mothers and daughters to take this class together. There will be some self-defense training and some lecture. Instructors will walk through some case studies of real rape cases and will discuss prevention techniques.

This class is being taught as a public service. The fee is for Community Education.

Thursday, April 16 6:30-

8:30 PM
CG School Library
\$3.00

ESTATE PLANNING BASICS

Fred Sundquist from Invest Forward

This class is for all ages: couples, singles, guardians will benefit. It could be a starting point or a checkup on your current plans. The class is an overview of the estate planning process covering the following: planning for incapacity, healthcare, property management, wills & probate, tax basics, lifetime gifting, trusts & life insurance. There will be opportunity for questions. Hand-out provided. Class is provided as a public service. The fee is for Community Education.

Tuesday, April 21 6:30-

8:30 PM
CG School Library
\$3.00

CLASS RESCHEDULED! SPREAD THE WORD!!!!

IPAD BASICS & Q & A-Jay Jones

Want to know more about that great little iPad you own? This is the class for you! Jay will cover iPad basics for about 30 minutes and then answer questions for the remainder of the class. If you have specific questions, please note them when you register. If you don't own an iPad but are interested in learning more, we have some available. Please indicate this when you register. You will need a current email in order to download apps.

Monday, April 27 6:30-8:30 PM

Room 407 (Art Room) \$15.00

School News

The 4th Annual Bear Share & Science Fair will be held on Thursday, April 23 from 5:00-7:00. Science Fair displays, other displays, demonstrations, etc can be seen in the gym, commons and hallways by the classrooms. Book Fair in the Conference Room! Everyone welcome to come and see the amazing things our students do!!! Spaghetti Feed Football Fundraiser will be held from 5:00-6:30 for a Free Will Donation!

Teenage girls through adults: Rape Prevention & Self Defense Class: Thursday, April 16 from 6:30-8:30 in the Library. Cost is \$3.00. Sign up list in the office. Please sign up by April 15.

There will be a one day BOGO (Buy one get one free) Scholastic Book Fair on Thursday, April 23rd. The book fair will be open from 9 am until 7 p.m. (to coincide with the Bear Share Fair). Each elementary class will have a chance to come into the fair (in the Conference room) and purchase a book. The students can also shop after school and during the Bear Share Fair. There will be many books to help our kids read throughout the summer.

IMPACT students please come pick up your RAFIKI chains you have set aside in Mrs. Kjolhaug's room as soon as possible. THANKS! :)

TEEN SERVE signup sheet is in the office. Please sign up by April 30th.

This is an opportunity to not only serve your community but to work alongside 200 other students from across the United States who will be coming to spend the week in our school. You will be going to various work sites and have an opportunity to paint homes and then come back to the school for evening activities to do with the youth who have come to volunteer. Sign up in the office and Mrs. Kjolhaug will see to it that you get an application. This is for grades 7-12 and the dates of TEEN SERVE are June 7-12. Phil Joel from the Newsboys will be here for the entire week serving with his family. He will be part of the evening events each night. This is a chance of a lifetime to serve in your own backyard while serving alongside other teens from across the United States.

MINIATURE GARDEN CLASS AT CWLC-GONVICK: Each session in the series is \$5.00. 7th-grade adults. Younger students may come, but must be accompanied by an adult.

Sub-Section Champion t-shirts: We have several Adult X-large shirts remaining for \$5.00 each. See Judy in Community Ed to purchase.

Winter Sports Banquet:

Monday, April 13 at 6:30. Info has been sent home.

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK IS APRIL 13-17, 2015

COUNSELORS CORNER:

Seniors: Scholarship opportunities will be listed in the weekly bulletin. The list will also be on the Clearbrook-Gonvick Scholarship Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ClearbrookGonvickscholarships>

Paper applications will be available just outside the Counselor's office. If you have questions, see the CGHS counselor. Newly added scholarships are in large print. Older ones will remain in small print and then will remain on Facebook only.

MSNA Paul Bunyan Chapter 34 Scholarship (1 award - \$500)

Eligibility: A graduating senior from Bagley, Clearbrook-Gonvick or Red Lake that is pursuing a degree in Food Service, Nutrition, Dietetics, or a related field.

Application: Paper application in the counselor's office. Submit one letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor. Include a copy of your acceptance letter from the post-secondary school you'll attend. Include a copy of your grade transcripts.

Deadline: April 15, 2015.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Saturday, April 18: Prom & Banquet

April 23: Bear Share & Science Fair: 5:00-7:00, Spaghetti Feed from 5:00-6:30 (Free will donation for football team)

ONGOING EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Parents: Please check your lunch accounts regularly so you can keep up to date.

iMPACT meets every Tuesday at 8:00 am in Mrs. Kjolhaug's room. Everyone welcome!

Check out our students on TV! Great job folks! Keep up the awesome work!

<http://www.lptv.org/golden-apple-cupcakes-for-a-cause/>

If this doesn't work, go to Lakeland News and type clearbrook-gonvick iMPACT into the search box.

Drivers Education Behind the Wheel: Students with a valid permit who want Behind the Wheel training, please sign up on the list outside the Community Education office.

Listen to the school news every Tuesday at 2:05 on KKQC 96.7 or if you miss it listen online at: <http://www.rjbroadcasting.com/index.cfm?page=local-news>

YOUTH CONNECTION: 5th-8th grade: Tuesday, 3:15 to 5:00 PM. Ride Bus #1 from school to CWLC. PLEASE NOTE: You Must have a signed permission slip to ride Bus #1 to the Center.



April Spotlight on Support Staff: Virgil Tronnes, Custodian

Virgil, his wife, Amy and their three daughters, Janessa (11th grade), Jacey (8th grade), and Jayna (5th grade) all make up the Tronnes family. Virgil is from the wilds of Pinewood, is half norwegian, and "most people can tell, they just can't tell me anything much." Virgil began his career back in June of 2006, giving him a strong nine years with our school.

Why did you decide to work at a school? My children attend school here, I think the drive to work is scenic, and when I grow up, I want to be just like my idol, Duane Johnson.

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? Milked cows, worked at a machine shop, and hauled garbage.

What is your favorite part of your job? Sweeping, I find is soothing. Saying hi to all the kids and telling them to eat their vegetables.

What is the hardest part of your job as a custodian? Bathroom "misses and messes." Misses meaning, 'Ooops, I didn't make it, and messes meaning, 'How did this happen in here?!" "You see me coming down the hall with a plunger, don't ask!"

If you could have any job in the world, what would it be? Why? Master Gardener for the Queen of England. I like to garden big. The English mix a lot of flowers into their gardens and do most of the work with their hand tools.

What do you do when you are not working? Garden; both, vegetables and flowers. I do woodland crafts, wreaths, and diamond willow.

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community? I like a K-12 facility, the little kids can be involved in Homecoming and pep fests.

Any other favorites you would like to share? I like working here and everyone is real nice. I have great co-workers in the janitorial department.

And now a word or two about Virgil from the stu-



dents...

Why do you think Virgil Tronnes decided to work here at Clearbrook-Gonvick school? "For kicks and a job." "So he could spy on Janessa and make sure she eats her vegetables." "He needed a job." "To get more money." "He retired from his other job. He wanted to." "Because he wants to be helpful." "Clearbrook-Gonvick School is the best."

What do you think Virgil does when he is not working here at school? "Fishes, talks smack, and supports C-G athletics." "Rides his motorcycle." "Taking care of his kids." "Stay at home and work." "Washing his house, eating supper." "Probably help out at home." "Hanging out with family."

What do you think Virgil was like in School? "The bad boy; the black sheep." "Outing. Comical. Teachers worst nightmare." "Good student-hard

working." "Hard-working." "He was working hard on math." "A very nice/funny person." "Quiet."

What is the best thing about Virgil? "His comical mind." "Good sense of easy going humor." "He's nice." "He cleans the school and if he didn't, there would probably be a bunch of food on the floor." "Kind. He gave us pussywillows." "He always makes people smile." "He cleans the school."

If Virgil did not work as a custodian, what do you think he would do instead? "He'd wrestle for the WWF." "He would be a motorcycle gang member." "Fire department firefighter." "Maybe be a carpenter." "Work at a waterpark." "Work at Walmart." "Help people somewhere else." "He would work at a lumber yard."

If Virgil was a superhero, which one would he be? WHY?"Batman; because he has lots of gadgets." "He would be Thor because he has pure power of thunder which he uses to unclog toilets." "Superman because he kinda looks like it would fit him." "Super Cleaner' because he cleans the school & mows the lawn in summer." "Wonder Woman so he could grab people with his rope, Superman, so he could rescue people." "Spiderman because then he can help people." "Batman because I could just see him being batman." "We call him Mr. Whiskers."

What is one thing Virgil Tronnes ALWAYS says? "Hello; good day." "You know I'm the one who is going to have to clean that up." "Hello." "Hi." "Hi!...gives high fives." "Thank you." "Hey!" "Are you going to eat your vegetables?"

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Clearbrook City Council

A regular meeting of the Clearbrook City Council was held on March 9, 2015 in the City Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor George Postier.

Present were: Mayor: George Postier; Council Members: Ryan Solee, Dylan Goudge, Shawn Johnson, Kevin Prosser; Others present: Lucie Thompson, Dan Johnson, Dan Gazelka, Joy Walberg, Gary Prosser, Ole Johnson

Shawn Johnson made a motion to accept the February 9, 2015 regular council meeting, with one change noted, and the March 4, 2015 special council meeting minutes, as presented. Dylan Goudge seconded the motion, the motion passed with all present voting in favor.

Presentation of Petitions and Complaints by Council Members and Citizens

Ole Johnson, Clearbrook business owner & resident, addressed the Council about his concerns of City projects. Mr. Johnson noticed the Depot was being resided and was concerned that he wasn't asked to bid on the project. When the windows in the Depot were replaced, he sold the windows to the Depot Committee at cost, as well as donated to the Depot Fund. Mr. Johnson is upset with the business being done outside of the City of Clearbrook and if the City could require contractors to buy in town. The Council agreed it would be best to encourage contractors to buy in town.

Police Report/Update – Dan Gazelka, Police Chief

-40 Incidents Reported for February 2015.

-There was an incident at the Community Center. Chief Gazelka asked the council about looking into getting a camera system for the Community Center. Council agreed on installing a camera system. Research and pricing will be done.

-The new squad should be ready the end of April.

Liquor Store Report/Update – Joy Walberg, Liquor Store Supervisor:

-Liquor Store monthly summary was reviewed by the council.

-Joy's Report –

•February was a quieter month. Two wedding dances are scheduled for March. Specials for St. Patrick's Day. Free pool on Friday nights & free darts on Saturday nights. Planning a Throw Back Prom Party for April.

•Liquor Store is looking for part time help. Help wanted ad will be run in local newspaper.

Maintenance Report/Update: - Danny Ulrich & Dan Johnson

-Meter at TBS needed repair. Checking other meters that are scheduled for maintenance.

-As the melting happens, maintenance will try to spread out the ice to help it melt faster.

-Discussion held on spreading the agri-lime on the new field at Kloster.

City Clerk Update:

- Discussion held on the griddle in the Banquet Room. Currently, only one of three areas of the griddle works. Parts to fix the griddle are not available due to the age of the griddle. Price quotes were received. The Legion members have been contacted. The Legion is in favor of replacing the griddle and has agreed to pay for half of the cost of replacing the griddle. Griddle will be ordered and installed before the steak fry on March 21st.

-Discussion was held on a new seasonal position, a Parks/Pool Director. This position would maintain & run operation at Kloster Park, as well as operations at the Clearbrook Community Pool. The job description was discussed. An ad will be place in the local newspaper advertising for this position.

-Discussion was held on ordering a bronze plaque for the dedication of the Community Center in June. Options and prices were reviewed. Follow up with more information at the April 2015 meeting.

- Discussion was held on city projects for 2015. Items discussed were: Community Pool, old playground/new playground, trees for the planters on Main Street, addressing old City buildings and City clean up & blight addressed in the spring, with action to follow. Trees will be planted in early spring. Will need to get black dirt to fill tree boxes. Olson Pool & Spas has been contacted about the issues with the kiddie pool and to get a quote for replacing tile around the pool. Clearbrook-Gonvick School will be contacted about any interest in the goal post from the old football field.

-City work orders were reviewed by the Council.

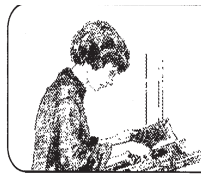
-Discussion held on ordering sweatshirts & t-shirts for City employee and having Clearbrook Liquor Store clothing available for sale at the Liquor Store.

Monthly Claims Totaling \$21,057.92; Kevin Prosser and Ryan Solee made and seconded a motion to accept as presented. Motion carried.

Additional Claims Totaling \$29,422.77; Ryan Solee and Kevin Prosser made and seconded a motion to accept as presented. Motion carried.

Single Approval of North Country Hardware claims of \$124.37 and \$249.62 for March was made and seconded by Dylan Goudge and Kevin Ryan Solee to accept as presented, with Shawn Johnson abstaining. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Lunch will be served and they will have specials both days.

A pie and ice cream social will be held at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. The social is set to begin at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19.

I found this old cookbook- from the Saron Ladies Aid Society. A church that was in Winsor Township and it burned several years ago.

A recipe from "Fiske Boller" - Fish balls from Mrs. Joseph (Ellen) Horn.

Remove the scales from a good sized pickerel, draw, wash in several waters, then skin. Pick the fish to pieces removing all bones, then grind or you may use a wooden masher and pound the fish adding cream, a little at the time, and salt, pepper and a little nutmeg to suit taste. Keep mashing and adding cream until the right consistency to form into balls. Boil the skin and bones of the fish in enough water to cover, then drain and use this liquid to boil your fish balls in. Boil fish balls for 20 minutes. They may be canned this way or if you wish to use at once brown in butter, remove fish balls, add 2 rounded tablespoons of flour to the butter, mix well and add just enough milk to make a medium thick gravy.. Season with salt and pepper. Pour over fish balls and serve.

Just think how much easier we have things these days.

Joke time.. Little Ole was having trouble with his arith-

Regional Ag News

Jim Stordahl, Extension Educator

Banding Corn Fertilizer

The use of starter fertilizer placement on the seed (known as in-furrow placement) is commonplace in many areas of Minnesota. Daniel Kaiser, UM Extension Nutrient Management Specialist, recently provided a few things to consider when utilizing starter fertilizer banded on the corn seed.

1. Keep Fertilizer Rates Low: Fertilizer placed in the seed row can have a positive benefit on corn growth early in the growing season and potentially on corn grain yield. High rates of salt and nitrogen products which liberate ammonia (NH30) can have negative effects reducing plant growth and the number of emerged plants. Care should be taken to keep rates low to reduce the risk for damage but maintain a potential for positive benefits from seed placed fertilizer application.

2. Account for Nutrients in the Starter: The amount of total nutrients applied in the starter should be accounted for in an overall fertility program. While the amount of total nutrients may be low, reducing the amount of a particular nutrient broadcast applied by the rate applied in the starter makes economic sense. Knowing what is being applied by all fertilizer sources in a fertility program helps to keep costs as low as possible and prevent over application of nutrients.

3. Keep an Eye on Soil Test Values: Many corn producers may be using starter to enhance their broadcast fertility program. In some instances where money may be tight, seed placed fertilizer may be relied on to supply all needed plant nutrients. A low input program will result in a gradual decline in soil test values over the long-term. If soils begin to test low, some broadcast fertilizer may be warranted to increase grain yield and profitability within a given field or field area. Previous knowledge of soil tests will also allow for the reduction of seed placed fertilizer rates in areas where there may be no benefit.

4. Chose a Product that will be Economic and Fit with Your Goals: With a litany of different product sources available to growers, the best way to select between them is to identify the product that will meet production goals. The best way to compare products is to evaluate the overall cost of the product versus the amount of total nutrients purchased. Choosing a product that will meet your goals with the least cost can help ensure the cost of the product can be recovered with additional grain yield.

5. Do not fall for the ortho-versus poly-phosphate debate: There is an ongoing argument that fertilizer sources containing ortho-phosphate are superior to those that contain poly-phosphate. There is some truth to this argument as plants only take up P in the ortho-phosphate form. Fertilizer sources such as 10-34-0 that contain poly-phosphate (60 %), also contain a portion of their total P as ortho-phosphate (40%). Any poly-phosphate is quickly

converted to ortho-phosphate following application. Early in the growing season, the amount of P needed by plants is low; therefore, and there is no difference in performance of fertilizer sources containing P relative to their content of ortho- or poly-phosphate.

The primary goal of applying fertilizer in-furrow will be obtaining a positive economic return on investment from the fertilizer application. Two ways starter can increase profitability are in decreased drying costs due to less moisture in the harvested grain and increased yield. Neither effect is guaranteed in all cases where in-furrow starter is applied. Increased early corn growth is commonplace if in-furrow starters contain phosphorus. Increased early plant growth is not an indicator that the use of starter will result in an economic benefit to a farmer. There are two micronutrients that may be of issue for corn, zinc and iron. The potential for a zinc deficiency is more common than iron and can be assessed using a soil test for zinc. The relative potential for zinc deficiency begins to increase when soil tests 0.75 ppm or less (DTPA Zn test). If a liquid zinc product is to be used ensure that it is fully chelated to prevent the potential reaction of zinc with ortho-phosphate ions in the starter.

Iron deficiencies in corn are very rare but may be possible in areas of central and western Minnesota when soil pH is high (~8.0) and available iron in the soil is very low. Products that contain a significant portion of iron as ortho-ortho-EDDHA will supply the most available iron to a crop. Due to the cost of products containing o-o-EDDHA, targeting fields with a history of iron deficiency in corn makes the most sense. Iron deficiency chlorosis is a common issue in soybean in central and western Minnesota. The issues that result in iron deficiency in corn are not the same as soybean. A response to iron application in soybean is not indicative that a response will occur in corn. Due to the rarity of the issue, application of iron in the starter is suggested on a trial basis or in field areas with past history of visible iron deficiency symptoms to ensure it will be economical.

There is no one size fits all solution when utilizing starter fertilizer. The new publication discusses a few options and situations where starter may be more beneficial. The publication also outlines ranges in rates of application that have resulted in plant growth and stand establishment no less than when starter was not used. Remember that in-furrow starter fertilizer always will present a risk for a negative impact on growth and development of corn. The rate that provides the greatest benefit is less than what can be safely applied on the seed. When utilizing in-furrow starter a less is more philosophy may be warranted and may give a better chance for increasing your bottom line.

For more information contact me at 800-450-2465 or stordahl@umn.edu.

metic. When Great Grandpa came in the room, Little Ole said, "Grandpa, will you help me find da common denominator?"

"Uff Da." grumbled Great grandpa. "Dey vere looking for dat ting when I vas in school! Haven't dey found it yet?"

From my email...

The Master's tournament was on Sunday, I thought this was perfect from my email.

Wife's Diary

Tonight, I thought my husband was acting weird. We had made plans to meet at a nice restaurant for dinner. I was shopping with my friends all day long, so I thought he was upset at the fact that I was a bit late, but he made no comment on it. Conversation wasn't flowing so I suggested that we go somewhere quiet so we could talk. He agreed, but he didn't say much. I asked him what was wrong. He said, "Nothing." I asked him if it was

my fault that he was upset. He said he wasn't upset, that it had nothing to do with me and not to worry about it. On the way home I told him that I loved him. He smiled slightly and kept driving. I can't explain his behavior. I don't know why he didn't say, "I love you, too." When we got home I felt as if I had lost him completely, as if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore. He just sat there quietly and watched TV. He continued to seem distant and absent. Finally, with silence all around us, I decided to go to bed. About 15 minutes later he came to bed. But I still felt that he was distracted and his thoughts were somewhere else. He fell asleep; I cried. I don't know what to do. I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else. My life is a disaster.

Husband's Diary

It was only a two-foot putt! Who misses a two-foot putt???

Now Hear This...

By Harry Hutchens, County Veterans Service Officer

VA CLAIMS BACKLOG: CVSO NOTE- Claims for Service Connected Disability are filed in a separate division of the VA System, apart from the VA Health Care Administration. FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 30, 2015: VA makes gains in faster disability claims processing, backlog reduced 67 percent under new automation and process improvements. Washington – The federal initiative to provide timely decisions on disability payments to Veterans has crossed a major milestone in its final sprint to eliminate the backlog of Veterans' benefits claims. The major transformation effort to apply new technology and process solutions has paid off at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). It reduced its inventory of backlogged claims from a high of 611,000 claims in March of 2013 to fewer than 200,000 this week, while at the same time improving decision quality. "Make no mistake, we're not slowing down short of the finish line," said Under Secretary for Benefits Allison Hickey. "Our goal is to eliminate the claims backlog by the end of 2015 – meaning all Veterans will receive timely and accurate decisions on their disability claims." Hickey credited a combination of factors for the 67-percent drop in backlog: first, the extra hours of work put in by dedicated benefits claims processors across the nation, who have worked evenings, Saturdays and Sundays to drive the backlog down; as

well as procedural efficiencies backed by powerful automation tools and paperless claims processing. In addition, she cited the transformation of Veterans Benefits Administration's training and quality assurance programs resulting in steady increases in the accuracy of decisions. Just a few years ago, claims processors handled 5,000 tons of paper annually, an amount equivalent to 200 Empire State Buildings. In less than two years, VA converted claims processing to a 21st Century digital environment where claims for VA benefits and services can be submitted and processed, and benefits delivered, online. Veterans increasingly are filing claims electronically from the start at https://www.ebenefits.va.gov. Veterans can submit their applications online, upload their supporting documentation, and check the status of their claim through a multi-channel Web portal boasting nearly 60 self-service features. CVSO NOTE: The appointment (not membership) of a national Veterans Service Organization, such as The American Legion, The Disabled American Veterans or The Veterans of Foreign Wars provides substantive claims support during processing and adjudication, as well as the Appeals process. Your County Veterans Service Office has a very close, reciprocal relationship with several of the national service organizations. This also allows for real time viewing of VA Benefits Administration (VBA) screens as claims move through due process.

Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson

Now that the snow has finally melted (and hopefully stays away) it is that time of year where people begin to venture out to their lake cabins or get away property. It should be a time of rejoicing that the winter months are behind us and the warmth of summer is just around the corner. Unfortunately, for a number or people, this excitement can quickly turn to disappointment when they arrive at their cabin and discover that it has been broken into over the winter. Not only are their valuables missing, but often times damage done to their property.

This scenario does not just happen to cabins, but to primary residences as well. When a call comes into the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office reporting a break in, a deputy will respond to see what, if any, evidence exists to collect and get a list of missing items. With seasonal cabins, depending on how much time has elapsed from the actual break-in to when it was discovered can make it very difficult to find any physical evidence, such as fingerprints, as the weather over the winter can erase those. It can be very frustrating for a victim of a burglary and anger can be turned toward law enforcement for not doing enough to solve their crime. I want to assure people that it is, and will continue to be, a top priority of the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office to actively and aggressively investigate all reports of burglary and related thefts.

This is where individual victims as well as the community can help law enforcement in our effort to put a stop to these break-ins. First, property owners should make a list of valuable items in their home or cabin and write down serial numbers from those items. These numbers are what can positively identify your property if it is located and that is how we try to locate your items. Take pictures or video of the interior and exterior of your residence and store those in a safe place so if something comes up missing, you can provide a visual reference for law enforcement to see what the missing items look like and also will help

you remember what was at your property.

Next, think about putting up security lighting and cameras on your property. Many video cameras today are inexpensive and can be linked to your cell phone or computer and can notify you if someone is at your property. As the saying goes, a picture is worth a thousand words.

Do not advertise on social media that you are going to be gone. If you let everyone know you are going to your lake cabin for the weekend, you are advertising that no one is home at your primary residence and that will make it a potential target for thieves. If you get along with your immediate neighbors, let them know you are going to be gone and ask that they watch your property when you are gone.

Keep an eye out yourself for suspicious vehicles in your area as they may be trying to spot their next victim. One tactic that thieves use is to drive in your yard to see what might be there and easy to steal. If the home owner is home and confronts the thieves, they will give an excuse as to why they are there. They might say that they are looking for a person and must have just stopped at the wrong house or they might just drive off. If a strange vehicle comes into your yard, try to get a license plate number and description of the vehicle and occupants and call the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and report this suspicious activity. These types of reports have been coming in more now that the weather is changing and thieves are able to get around easier. After all, criminals don't want to have to work hard at stealing your property.

I hope this article will help you avoid being a victim of burglary or theft. However, if it does happen, I hope you will take some of my advice and be able to help us help you. If you have any questions or suggestions that you would like answered, please email me at darin.halverson@co.clearwater.mn.us or call the Sheriff's Office at 218-694-6226.

Thank you and as always, I am honored to serve as your Clearwater County Sheriff

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Carter has students digging for area history
Mark Carter, the new long term teacher in the Clearbrook-Gonvick High School has a new project for his students in one of his classes. Mr. Carter has asked them to find out why area towns are named. They won't be able to find out where the originals names come from in Wikipedia so they are going to have to start digging for the information. Later they can submit their findings to the web site.
Carter will finish out the school year teaching College American Literature, High School American Literature, Composition and Mass Communication.
Park Rapids is his home town and that is where he graduated from high school. He spent one year at Oak Hills, two years getting a Natural Resource Associate Degree before finishing at Bemidji State University with a major in English. He has taught school in Park Rapids, Duluth and Spokane and now at Clearbrook-Gonvick.
He worked in Spokane, Washington as an editor for a publication and Internet Marketing. Mark and his wife Beth moved back to Park Rapids from Spokane to help with his aging parents and their diversified farm. The farm produces several things including produce, dairy, hogs which is now being run by his younger brother. His father who founded Carter's Red Wagon Farm near Park Rapids almost 50 years ago passed away in January of this year.
The Red Compass Theatre in Park Rapids is a professional theater company that trains performers and produces and promotes the performing arts. Mark Carter is the Artistic Director along with David Overly the Executive Direct and Andra Hill the Production Manager.
Running sled dogs near Ely and portraying voyagers from the 1700 to early 1800's are things that he likes to do in his spare time.
Mark and Beth have three children Clinton, Tessa and Steven.
Welcome to the area.

Nancy Learmont is busy on her iphone while she gives blood at the event that was held in Clearbrook. Nancy Goudge was in charge of the event with several ladies helping.

Debra Navratil was being assisted by three members United Blood Drive that was held at the Clearbrook Community Center.

Sandy Knutson made sure that blood donors had something to eat after they were finished with their donations. Shown below: Karen Johnson and Margaret Larson serving goodies and liquids to Barbara Torgerson at the Clearbrook Community Center. United Blood Services provides lifesaving blood to patients in hospitals throughout this area.

Phyllis Beckstrand and Betty Randklev registered those who came to the Clearbrook Community Center to donate for the United Blood Services. Shown below is Matt Anderson registering the Linda Nordlund and Kathy Westrum.

Barb Torgerson was very busy filling out the questionnaire that is given all who came to register for the blood drive that was held at the Clearbrook Community Center. The questionnaire can also be filled in online before you get to the center for the donation.

Margaret Stevens was almost done donating at the blood drive that was held at the Clearbrook Community Center.

Jim Gunvalson giving two units at the blood drive that was held in Clearbrook. The next one will be in Gonvick at the community center.

Roberta Braaten prepares to have her blood drawn at the Clearbrook Community Center.

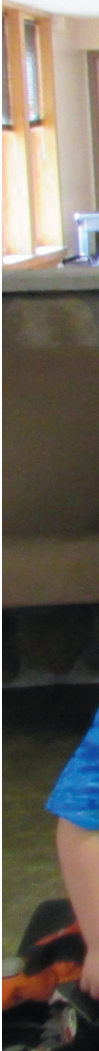
Cheryl Mollin visits with members of the United Blood Services at the blood drive that was held in Clearbrook.



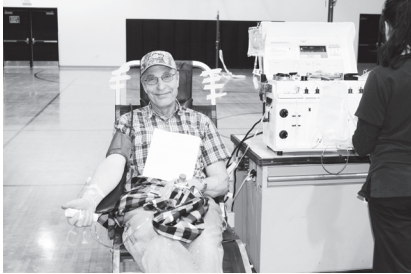
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Sue Weems has been assisting Luc Thompson in the Clearbrook City Council offices. She is temporary until the position will be opened up. She comes through Intero County Community Council in Oklee. Luc, the City Clerk, is grateful for the extra help in the office.



A total of 54 people volunteered to donate blood, and 50 were able to give during Grygla's April 1st blood drive. Sixteen people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine, which collects two units of red blood cells during the donation, so a total of 66 products were collected. Every community and everyone within each community have a stake in an adequate blood supply. Blood will be available only because of blood drive sponsors, coordinators and volunteer donors.

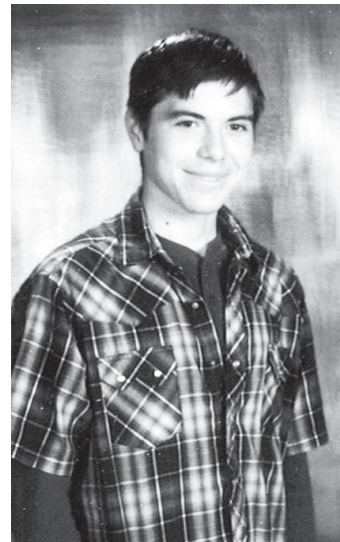


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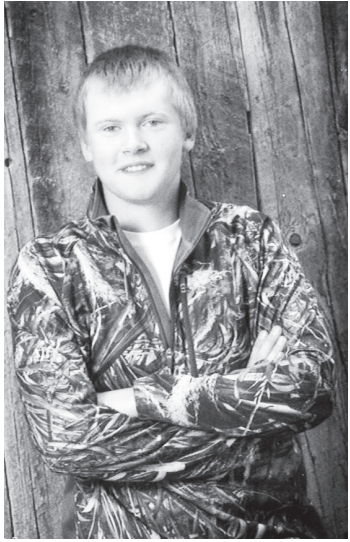
Aaron Horn
Family members: Parents: Randy and Julie, Brothers: Jason, Jeff, Ryan and Austin
Best High School Memory: Football and Iron Bear
Favorite Song: "Here's to the Good Times" by Florida Goergia Line
Favorite Movie: "American Sniper"
Favorite Class: Shop classes with Mr. Faldet
Advice to Underclassmen: Enjoy your time in high school because it goes by fast.
What are your plans for next year? Go to University of North Dakota for Pre-Chiropractics



Christopher All Bratwold-Wright
Family members: Crystal Wright, Ruby Bratvold, Kassie Wright
Best High School Memory: Wednesdays with Morgan, Cody and Erik after school for my junior year.
Favorite Song: "Sail" by MGK
Favorite Movie: "Wolf of Wall street"
Favorite Class: Speech and Drama
Advice to Underclassmen: Come to school, turn in your work on time. Even if you struggle with your grades this method will let you pass, if you are putting effort in also. Try to get things done in school because no one wants to have homework.
What are your plans for next year? I am still trying to find a topic to go to college, but you will probably find me at a college studying counseling or construction management.



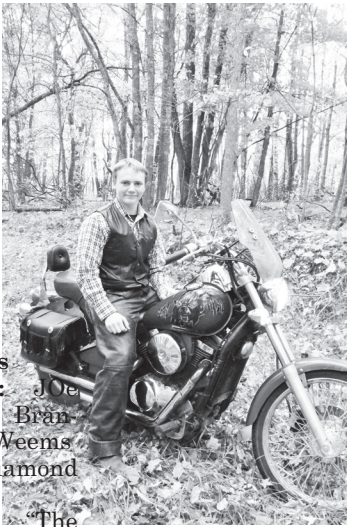
Stephen Scott Nyegaard
Family members: Father: Curt Nyegaard, Mother: Wendy Nyegaard, Brothers: David Nyegaard and Bruce Westover, Sister: Kayla Nyegaard
Best High School Memory: Listening to all my friends sing their songs from One Act Play while I'm trying to work-dat DaRoos.
Favorite Song: "Time of Our Lives" by Pitbull
Favorite Movie: "American Sniper"
Favorite Class: Mr. Faldet's shop classes
Advice to Underclassmen: Senior Year goes fast... appreciate being a kid in High school.
What are your plans for next year? Work pipeline in the summer to pay for college in the fall.



Cody Halvorson
Family members: Terry, Stacy, Brandon, Brittany
Best High School Memory: When Katie thought the drug dog w as having puppies.
Favorite Song: "Kick it in the Sticks" by Brantley Gilbert
Favorite Movie: "American Sniper"
Favorite Class: Shop Class
Advice to Underclassmen: Don't procrastinate and try not to fall behind. Get homework in on time.
What are your plans for next year? Work Pipeline



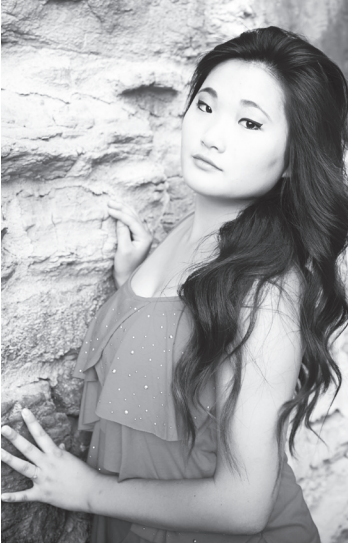
Monica Reichert
Family members: Parents: Ray and Valerie Reichert. Sisters: Ashley and Sarah
Best High School Memory: Being Horton on "Suessical the Musical" for theater production and being involved in all the extracurricular like FFA and Student Council.
Favorite Song: "Fishing in the Dark" by Nitty Gritty Dirt Band
Favorite Movie: "Maverick"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to Underclassmen: Make it worthwhile and memorable. Be your self and strive to do what others think you can't. Have fun and take it seriously.
What are your plans for next year? Go to the University of Minnesota, Crookston for a major in Ag Business and a minor in Equine Science.



Bailey Weems
Family members: Weems, Brent Weems, Brandon Weems and Biana Weems
Favorite Song: Diamond Eyes" by Shinedown
Favorite Movie: "The Hurt Locker"
Favorite Class: Art and TA
Advice to Underclassmen: Don't let school consume you. Relax a little bit. A little bit of fun isnt' bad.
What are your plans for next year? Marine Corps



Dani Watne
Family members: Dad: Steve Watne. Brother: Lane Watne
Best High School Memory: When my dad taught me how to drive his Peterbilt, and hanging out with my friends on the weekends.
Favorite Song: "Kaw-Liga" by Hank Williams, Jr.
Favorite Movie: "8 Seconds"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to Underclassmen: Don't waste your time worrying about homework. Go out and have fun because before you know it you are going to graduate and get old.
What are your plans for next year? Go to Tioga with my Dad and work. Ride horse and go to rodeos, party and have fun.



Moriah Johnson
Family members: Doug - father, Robyn - mother, Mikala - sister, Luke and Sam - brothers.
Best High School Memory: Homecoming weeks. There were always fun.
Favorite Song: "FourFive Seconds" by Rihanna
Favorite Movie: "Lucy"
Favorite Class: English
Advice to Underclassmen: Enjoy your years in high school. They go by fast. Enjoy spending time with your friends. When the day comes when you have to say goodbye you may not remember faces but you will always remember the memories you've made.
What are your plans for next year? Finish my Cosmetology Program and Business Management and start my own salon business.



Katie Sundquist
Family members: Dan and Renae
Best High School Memory: When Cody told me the drug dog was having puppies in Mr. Krouliks class, when it wasn't.
Favorite Song: "Some Broken Hearts Never Mend" by Don Williams
Favorite Movie: "8 Seconds"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to Underclassmen: Always have fun and enjoy life because before you know it you're graduating.
What are your plans for next year? Go to college at Northwest Technical in Bemidji and major in Dental Assisting. Work, hangout with friends and family.



Trintan Wagner
Family members: Dad - Jeff, Mom - Holly. Sisters: Shelby and Maci
Best High School Memory: Leaving school to go hunting
Favorite Song: "Family Tradition"
Favorite Movie: "Hangover"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to Underclassmen: Turn in your assignments on time
What are your plans for next year? Work pipeline



Lauren McIntosh
Family members: Tracy and peter Imle, Toff and Beverly McIntosh, Sarah Imle and Katie McIntosh
Best High School Memory: I don't think I have a single best memory. I think the best part was being involved in so many differnt things. I loved all my different things. I loved all of my sports. I enjoyed the work done with Student Council It was very interesting and fun to join FFA for a year, and I loved being in my classes. Every group that I was in has it's own great memories.
Favorite Song: "Life Happens: by Brandon and Leah
Favorite Movie: "McClintock"
Favorite Class: HBS with Mrs. Goudge
Advice to Underclassmen: Take this time to do the extracurriculars that you enjoy, and don't stress out too much because you will find that life gets a lot harder than high school.
What are your plans for next year? I plan on attending NDSU to continuie my Biology major with an exercise Science minor.



Rachel Elizabeth Gray
Family members: Tim and Sandy Gray - Parents, Mike Gray - brother, Lindsey Gray - sister.
Best High School Memory: Wearing the football jerseys for Homecoming Week and the memories I've made with my teammates through the years of volleyball and basketball.
Favorite Song: "Waiting for Superman" by Daughtry or "Pour Some Sugar On Me" by Def Leppard
Favorite Movie: "The Parent Trap"
Favorite Class: Any Science class
Advice to Underclassmen: Don't be afraid to be yourself. Don't focus on your high school life because it doesn't define your future, you do. So make it count.
What are your plans for next year? Go to UND and go either Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy.



Serenity Tollefson
Family members: Father: Conrad, Mother: Kimberly, Brothers: Christopher, Theodore, Nickolas, Nathaniel, Gabriel, Michael.
Best High School Memory: Hanging out with my friends and talking to Mrs. Stewart.
Favorite Song: "Photograph" by Nickelback
Favorite Movie: "Pitch Perfect"
Favorite Class: Choir
Advice to Underclassmen: Stick in there it may be hard but, I believe in you, you should believe in yourself.
What are your plans for next year? I pan on attending the University of North Dakota and go to be a pediatrician.



Dan Swanson is showing this is a Purple Beauty Pepper, and it is loaded with them! Hydroponic gardening gives you fresh, organic produce even in a small space all year long. Check this out and more at Extended Seasons Indoor Gardening in Bagley.

Spring is Year-Around at Extended Seasons in Bagley

by Pam Goebel

As a novice gardener but a dedicated foodie, I was intrigued by the new store in Bagley called "Extended Seasons Indoor Gardening". Entering the store, you are greeted by owner, Dan Swanson. Dan is originally from Mankato, where he met his wife Cherish (Hagen), originally from Clearbrook. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordy Hagen of Clearbrook.

When Cherish accepted a position at BSU, it was the perfect opportunity for Dan to open the store that caters to his passion: high quality food production, with no weeding!

A friend sparked his interest in hydroponic container gardening about five years ago.

With the intense focus now on healthy, clean eating and obtaining foods that contribute to our health, Extended Seasons is an exciting new addition to our communities.

Can you imagine going to your living room and snipping fresh lettuce, peppers and herbs for a salad in January? Or how about kale for your smoothie in February? This is something I am definitely ready to try!

The store focuses on home hydroponic gardening. In the hydroponic garden, plants are started and grown with no soil (and no weeds!) and are maintained with a timed pump that bathes the roots in nutrient rich water. Dan starts with reverse osmosis water and adds nutrients so he is

able to have better control over what the plant receives.

Dan has different displays to look at in his store that are in the growing stages for produce such as brussel sprouts, all kinds of peppers and lettuces, kale, herbs, melons, peas and more! Hydroponic gardening, even though you are using water, uses 70-90% less water than traditional gardening. If you are using this method indoors, you basically need to control the season with lighting, and with LED lighting this is becoming more cost effective all the time. It is easy to adapt to your space limitations as well, even using a shelf in a bookcase!

Hydroponically grown plants actually grow faster, since the nutrient is supplied directly to the plant ready to use, instead of having to extract those nutrients from the soil. You can also do hydroponic container gardening outdoors in the summer. (Still no weeding!)

Dan has designed and sells different kinds of set ups to begin your own hydroponic gardening system, and even has classes to help get you up to speed. Classes are held twice monthly for \$10 or \$15 per couple. You can register online for classes at www.extendedseasons.com, and of course, check him out on Facebook. Classes can also be arranged for interested groups.

Dan additionally sells many items for traditional gardening, such as bat guano and worm casings. These are natural ways to add nutrients back into our soil, which is depleted every year through traditional gardening. These nutrients are

free of weed seeds and won't contribute to the "I hate to weed" issue. (Is there a theme here?) Extended Gardens can help you with your seeds as well, stocking heirloom seeds from Baker Creek Heirloom Seed Co.

Extended Seasons Indoor Gardening attracts customers from all around our area, since the closest similar business is located in Duluth.

In addition to the hydroponic systems and accessories in the store, wife Cherish also makes and sells a line of natural soaps, lotions and laundry detergent.

You will find Extended Seasons at 613 Central St. West in Bagley.

Store hours are 10-6 Tuesday-Friday and 10-2 on Saturdays.



Brussel sprouts is a new crop Dan is growing in this hydroponic garden area. It seems to be doing very well!



This interesting looking contraption at Extended Seasons rotates on a timer so the seedlings get the appropriate amount of water and light.



Dan Swanson stands next to one of the hydroponic garden areas in his store located in Bagley, "Extended Seasons".

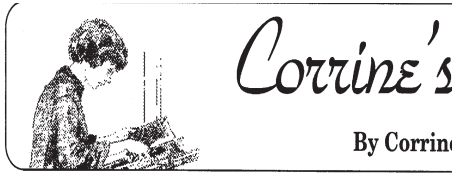


Dan, of Extended Seasons demonstrates the healthy root system in one of the hydroponic containers he sells in his store. Fresh lettuce ready to pick!

From the past



Standing from left to right The Gonvick High School basketball team.: Richard Peterson, Harlow Berg, Norman El-lertson, Coach LeRoy Voxland, Floyd Olson and Ralph Boatman. Seated infront: Jerry Allen, Keith Monty, Wes Torger-son, Glen Birkeland and Laverne Clemenson.





The Gully Farmers Elevator was purchased in November of 1911 from the Hanson and Barzen Milling Company. The Soo Line railroad ran its tracks right up to the building. The sign above the door read Fairbanks Scales. The group on the wagon had a bed frame on teh ront and seveal other items.





Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Humor for Your Day!
Some thoughts as we gain another year on our lives!
Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller?
Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet...
I don't trip over things, I do random gravity checks!
Old age is coming at a really bad time!
When I was a child I thought Nap Time was a punishment... now, as a grown up, it just feels like a small vacation!
Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can & the friends to post my bail when I finally snap!
I don't have gray hair. I have "wisdom highlights". I'm just very wise.
My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that needs work.
Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a restraining order is just a piece of paper.
If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.
The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes".
I'm going to retire and live off of my savings. Not sure what I'll do that second week.
I've lost my mind and I'm pretty sure my wife took it!
Even duct tape can't fix stupid... but it can muffle the sound!
Why do I have to press one for English when you're just gonna transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?
Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice.
Chocolate comes from cocoa which is a tree... that makes it a plant which means... chocolate is Salad!!!

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Kandi's Kitchen in Gonvick is open early for breakfast in the morning

JOKE TIME
The lady hurried to the pharmacy to get some medication, returned to her car and found that she had locked her keys inside. The woman found an old rusty coat hanger left on the ground. She looked at it and said, "I don't know how to use this." She bowed her head and asked God to send her some help.
Within 5 minutes a beat-up old motorcycle pulled up, driven by a bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag. He got off his cycle and asked if he could help. She said. "Yes, my daughter is sick. I've locked my keys in the car. I must get home. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?"
He said, "Sure". He walked over to the car and in less than a minute the car was open. She hugged the man and through tears said. "Thank You, God, for sending me such a very nice man."
The man heard her little prayer and replied, "Lady, I am NOT a nice man." I just got out of prison for car theft yesterday."
The woman hugged the man again, sobbing, "Oh, thank you God! You even sent me a professional.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The Gonvick Fire Department is currently looking for Volunteers to put on a Future Vacancy List. They do Fire, Medical, and Accident calls. Candidate would carry a pager and assist when available. Call Gonvick Fire Department, Chief Dan Johnson @ 218 776 9650 for more information and an application.
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A blogger added up license sales in just states and arrived at conclusion:
There were over 6 this season in the states
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Over the last several consin 's hunters became largest army in the world (That's more men than in Iran . More and Germany combined)
These men, deployed of a single American sin, to hunt with fire ONE WAS KILLED.
That number pale son to the 750,000 who woods of Pennsylvania gan 's 700,000 hunters ALL OF WHOM TURNED HOME SAFE
Toss in a quarter million in West Virginia and establishes the fact that those four states alone prise the largest army

And then add in the of hunters in the other
It's millions more.
America will forever foreign invasion with home-grown firepower
Hunting... it's not fill the freezer.
It's a matter of nati
That's why all en and domestic, want armed.
Food for thought, consider gun control, agree with it or not.

Overall it's true, so some assumptions th
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What army of 2 want to face 30 million or 50 million armed c
For the sake of our ever allow gun contr tion of guns.

Why we love children

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Why we love children

2) OPINIONS
On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, 'The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents.'

3)
4) MORE NUDITY

5) POLICE # 1
While taking a routine vandalism report at an elementary school, I was interrupted by a little girl about 6 years old. Looking up and down at my uniform, she asked, 'Are you a cop? Yes,' I answered and continued writing the report My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?' 'Yes, that's right,' I told her. 'Well, then,' she said as she extended her foot toward me, 'would you please tie my shoe?'

8) DRESS-UP
A little girl was watching her parents dress for a party. When she saw her dad donning his tuxedo, she warned, 'Daddy, you shouldn't wear that suit.' 'And why not, darling?' 'You know that it always gives you a headache the next morning..'

10) SCHOOL
A little girl had just finished her first week of school. 'I'm just wasting my time,' she said to her mother. 'I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!'

11) BIBLE
A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages. 'Mama, look what I found,' the boy called out... 'What have you got there, dear?' With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered, 'I think it's Adam's underwear!'

COFFEE FILTERS

9. Hold tacos. Coffee filters make convenient wrappers for messy foods.
10. Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot. Line a plant pot with a coffee filter to prevent the soil from going through the drainage holes.
11. Prevent a Popsicle from dripping. Poke one or two holes as needed in a coffee filter.
12. Do you think we used expensive strips to wax eyebrows? Use strips of coffee filters.
13. Put a few in a plate and put your fried bacon, French fries, chicken fingers, etc on them. It soaks out all the grease.

14. Keep in the bathroom. They make great “razor nick fixers.”

15. As a sewing backing. Use a filter as an easy-to-tear backing for embroidery or applique soft fabrics.

16. Put baking soda into a coffee filter and insert into shoes or a closet to absorb or prevent odors.

17. Use them to strain soup stock and to tie fresh herbs in to put in soups and stews.

18. Use a coffee filter to prevent spilling when you add fluids to your car.

19. Use them as a spoon rest while cooking and clean up small counter spills.

20. Can use to hold dry ingredients when baking or when cutting

thought these rules came straight from God.
(If you don't know what clothes-lines are, better skip this.)
1. You had to wash the clothes line before hanging any clothes--walk the entire lengths of each line with a damp cloth around the lines.
2. You had to hang the clothes in a certain order, and always hang "whites" with "whites," and hang them first.
3. You never hung a shirt by the shoulders, always by the tail! What would the neighbors think?
4. Wash day on a Monday! . . . Never hang clothes on the Weekend, or Sunday, for Heaven's sake!
5. Hang the sheets and towels on the outside lines so you could hide your "unmentionables" in the middle (perverts & busybodies, y'know!).
6. It didn't matter if it was sub zero weather....clothes would "freeze-dry."
7. Always gather the clothes pins when taking down dry clothes! Pins left on the lines were "tacky!"
8. If you were efficient, you would line the clothes up so that each item did not need two clothes pins, but shared one of the clothes pins with the next washed item.
9. Clothes off of the line before dinner time, neatly folded in the clothes basket, and ready to be ironed.
10 IRONED? Well, that's a whole other subject!

Cold is a relative thing ya know....
At 65 degrees, Arizonans turn on the heat. People in Minnesota plant gardens.
At 60, Californians shiver uncontrollably. People in Minnesota sunbathe.
At 50, Italian & English cars won't start. People in Minnesota drive with the windows down..
At 40, Georgians don coats, thermal underwear, gloves, wool hats. People in Minnesota throw on a flannel shirt.
At 35, New York landlords finally turn up the heat. People in Minnesota have the last cookout before it gets cold.
At 20, People in Miami all die. Minnesotans close their windows.
At 0, Californians fly away to Mexico . People in Minnesota get out their winter coats.
At 10 below zero, Hollywood disintegrates. The Girl Scouts in Minnesota are selling cookies door to door.
At 20 below, WashingtonDC runs out of hot air. (Ya think? Nah.). People in Minnesota let their dogs sleep indoors.
At 30 below, Santa Claus abandons the North Pole. Minnesotans get upset because they can't start the snowmobile.
At 40 below, ALL atomic motion stops. People in Minnesota start saying..."Cold enough for ya, eh?"
At 50 below, Minnesota public schools will open 2 hours late.

Remember ... It is not the cost of the gift that counts !!!

MAMA'S BIBLE...

Four brothers left home for college, and they became successful doctors and lawyers, and prospered.

Some years later, they chatted after having dinner together. They discussed the gifts they were able to give their elderly mother who lived far away in another city.

The first said, "I had a big house built for Mama."

The second said, " I had a hundred thousand dollar theater built in the house."

The third said, "I had my Mercedes dealer deliver an SL600 to her."

The fourth said, "You know how Mama loved reading the Bible and you know she can't read anymore because she can't see very well. I met this preacher who told me about a parrot that can recite the entire Bible. It took twenty preachers 12 years to teach him. I had to pledge to contribute \$100,000 a year for twenty years to the church, but it was worth it. Mama just has to name the chapter and verse and the PARROT will recite it."

The other brothers were impressed. After the holidays Mom sent out her Thank You notes.

She wrote: " Milton , the house you built is so huge I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house. Thanks anyway."

"Marvin, I am too old to travel. I stay home, I have my groceries delivered, so never use the Mercedes. The thought was good. Thanks."

"Michael, you gave me an expensive theater with Dolby sound, it could hold 50 people, but all of my friends are dead. I've lost my hearing and I'm nearly blind. I'll never use it. Thank you for the gesture just the same."

"Dearest Melvin, you were the only son to have the good sense to give a little thought to your gift. The chicken was delicious. Thank you."

Love,

Mama

Subject: 7 Degrees of Blonde

SECOND DEGREE

Two blondes are walking down the street. One notices a compact on the sidewalk and leans down to pick it up. She opens it, looks in the mirror and says, 'Hmm, this person looks familiar.'

The second blonde says, 'Here, let me see!'

So, the first blonde hands her the compact.

The second blonde looks in the mirror and says, 'You dummy, it's me!'

THIRD DEGREE

A blonde suspects her boyfriend of cheating on her, so she goes out and buys a gun. She goes to his apartment unexpectedly and when she opens the door she finds him in the arms of a redhead. Well, the blonde is really angry. She opens her purse to take out the gun, and as she does so, she is overcome with grief. She takes the gun and puts it to her head.
The boyfriend yells, 'No, honey, don't do it!!!'
The blonde replies, 'Shut up, you're next!'

FOURTH DEGREE

A blonde was bragging about her knowledge of state capitals.
She proudly says, 'Go ahead, ask me, ... I know 'em all.'
A friend says, 'OK, what's the capital of Wisconsin?'
The blonde replies,'Oh, that's easy .. it's W.'

FIFTH DEGREE

Q: What did the blonde ask her doctor when he told her she was pregnant?
A: 'Is it mine?'

SIXTH DEGREE

Bambi, a blonde in her fourth year as a UCLA Freshman, sat in her US Government class. The professor asked Bambi if she knew what Roe vs. Wade was about.
Bambi pondered the question; then, finally, said, 'That was the decision George Washington had to make before he crossed the Delaware.'

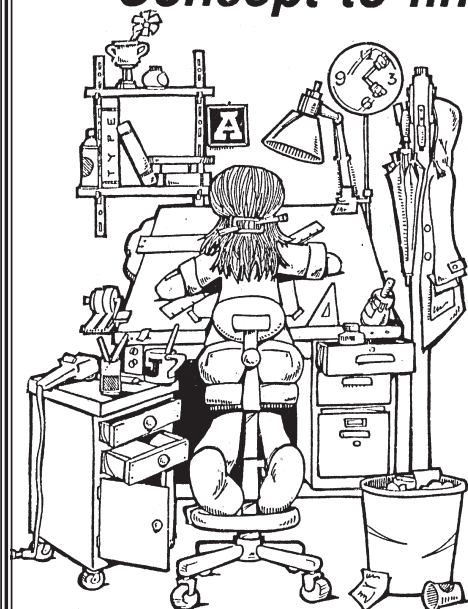
SEVENTH DEGREE

Returning home from work, a blonde was shocked to find her house ransacked and burglarized. She telephoned the police at once and reported the crime. The police dispatcher broadcast the call on the radio, and a K-9 unit, patrolling nearby, was the first to respond.
As the K-9 officer approached the house with his dog on a leash, the blonde ran out on the porch, shuddered at the sight of the cop and his dog, then sat down on the steps. Putting her face in her hands, she moaned, 'I come home to find all my possessions stolen. I call the police for help, and what do they do? They send me a BLIND policeman!'

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