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Services for George Postier May 13



George E. Postier

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 2:00 PM in Clearbrook, MN at the **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** with Pastor Bob Kirchman officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at a later date with a private ceremony at the Augustana Cemetery in Clearbrook.

George E. Postier died peacefully Thursday, April 13, 2017, at the Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji, MN.

George was born on Dec. 23, 1944, in Bagley, MN, to Graydon and Sophie (Lundin) Postier. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at the Augustana Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. He was raised on the family farm and attended the Rydeen School; Clearbrook

High School, graduating in 1962; and the University of Minnesota. During school George participated in 4-H, baseball and football.

George began his working career as a Production Control Manager with Sperry Univac in St. Paul, Minnesota in the late '60's. George moved with the company to Clearwater, Florida in the mid '70s and then to Pueblo, Colorado in the mid '80's when the company was purchased by Unisys. In 1995 the company was purchased by Lockheed Martin and at that time George moved to back to Clearwater, Florida and later to Greenville, South Carolina until his retirement in 2000. George loved his work and the friends he made there. After retirement he moved back to Clearbrook to raise his children and assist his parents. In retirement, George was an active member of the community, worked part-time at Granley's, and served as the mayor of Clearbrook. He dedicated his spare time to the construction and completion of the Clearbrook Veterans Memorial which honors those who served in the Armed Forces. He loved to play golf and was an avid reader with an extensive book collection. George was a huge Minnesota Twins and Colorado Rockies fan, had a passion for cooking, happy hour, and traveling near and far to visit family and friends.

Clearwater County spring cleaning dumpster site

By Dan Hecht,
Clearwater County
Environmental Services

With spring cleaning season upon us it's a good time for a reminder about proper use of the County's dumpster sites for rural garbage collection. For better or worse, this is the way Clearwater County has committed to serve its residents in rural areas for collection of garbage, and we need everybody to work together and respect the system to make it continue to work.

Did you know that the rural dumpster sites are unique to Clearwater County? There are 15 sites, one in almost every township so there is a disposal site within 6 to 8 miles of most homes. For those of you who have family or friends in Polk, Beltrami, Hubbard and Becker or other surrounding counties, go ahead and ask them about garbage... it's a super exciting conversation topic! Ask how they dispose of their trash, how much they pay for the service they have and how far they have to travel if they self-haul to a collection facility. Or, if they have curbside collection, ask what the cost is for this service. If you've never given it a second thought then you might be in for a reality check, because we really have it good in Clearwater County! What you will find if you ask these questions is that on the other side of the county line collection sites are fewer and much further between, so many residents have to use curbside service, which in rural areas gets very expensive.

You and I pay an annual solid waste service fee on our taxes. The fee is \$90 for single family residences, and for that we get garbage collection at the dumpster sites, garbage disposal at the incinerator in Fosston, use of the services at the demolition landfill/transfer station and use of the recycling program. Of course, curbside

collection for trash is more convenient if you choose to pay extra to have the truck come by your house, but in Clearwater County we have the alternative of using the dumpster sites as part of the services covered under our \$90 solid waste service fee. A lot of people in other counties don't have that alternative, so they pay for curbside because self-hauling is too inconvenient. Rural garbage collection service commonly runs in the range of \$25 to \$40 per month where it is offered.

As we all know the problem with the dumpster sites is the mess. At one time, Beltrami County provided a similar service but discontinued it years ago because they simply couldn't keep up with the inevitable mess caused by people, bears and wind. In Clearwater County, we're doing our best to maintain the service as residents have told us it's a very important service that they want to keep.

The County continues to spend thousands of dollars on hired labor to clean up the mess people make, erect fences to keep windblown garbage in and electric fences to keep bears out, and generally improve the appearance of these facilities. Many of the sites are located at our Town Halls; there is a sense of pride in keeping these community gathering places in good order. We need all of you to help by disposing only household garbage at the sites, making sure everything gets inside the containers and shutting the lids, and picking up a little if there's litter around.

Clearwater County is committed to keeping its solid waste system working at a reasonable cost and in doing so we want your help and your input. If you have questions or comments about solid waste issues, please call or stop by Environmental Services, 694-6183, located in the Courthouse.

spring concert on Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. Selections will include both lighter, popular tunes as well as the large group contest pieces. Trophy presentations will be made to both the band and choir for their superior ratings at large group contest.

The music groups are led by Katrina Stewart, Band Director and Tammy Ragan, Choir Director.

Upcoming Spring Concerts at Clearbrook-Gonvick

The Clearbrook-Gonvick school musicians will present two concerts in May. Grades 4-6 will present, "Minnesota--Land of 10,000 Songs" on Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. The concert features songs about Minnesota. The program includes student narration and soloists. The 5th and 6th grade band will open the program.

Junior High/High School musicians will present their



Highway 92 Improvement Project in Bagley

MnDOT is proposing a roadway reconstruction project on Highway 92 in the City of Bagley. Between approximately Bagley Senior High School to the railroad tracks south of Highway 2, MnDOT proposes to reconstruct the existing two-lane roadway to address poor pavement conditions and improve pedestrian facilities.

The traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 2/Highway 92 would also be replaced, and the city would take the opportunity to replace aging utility infrastructure while the road is under construction. MnDOT would like public input on roadway design. Options include:

→→ Two-lane roadway section with parking and a bike lane, and narrower boulevard space

→→ Two-lane roadway section with parking and larger boulevard space

Another goal of the project is

to improve pedestrian connections between Bagley Senior High School and the downtown area, and improve pedestrian facilities throughout the corridor. In addition to many pedestrian and driveway ramp improvements, a new trail would be installed H Street and new sidewalk between 7TH and 3RD Street. A new segment of trail would also be constructed on the west side between Lamond Drive and 4TH Street, adjacent to Bagley Park.

Please join us for a public meeting on May 17TH, 2017 to share your thoughts!

Please join us to learn more about the project and share your thoughts on potential roadway designs.

When: Wednesday, May 17TH, 2017, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (come and go) Where: Bagley Senior High School 1130 Main Ave N, Bagley, MN 56621

Join the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors!

Region 2 Arts Council is seeking residents from Beltrami, Clearwater, Mahanomen, and Lake of the Woods Counties to become members of our engaged and committed Board of Directors team. A total of four positions will be filled this year.

Whether you are an artist or an arts appreciator, serving on the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors is a great opportunity to add a new dimension to your arts interests.

Board members from our five-county region offer valuable

insight into the communities we serve. Their commitment to the arts is invigorated through providing input into arts council grant awards, programs, services and operations.

Become a part of the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors, and enjoy the camaraderie of others who share your interest in the arts. Please email laura@r2arts.org or call 218 751-5447 / 800 275-5447 for more information.

Applicants will be interviewed.

Arts Council...

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Clearwater-Polk Electric recently hired Angie Swenson as the new Receptionist/Cashier. Angie is a graduate of Bagley High School. Before accepting the position at Clearwater-Polk she was employed by Bagley Public Utilities as an Office Assistant for over 17 years. She worked closely with consumers providing them with information they were

seeking, processing payments, and taking care of everyday office tasks.

Angie and her husband Troy live just SE of Bagley. They have 2 children, Drew and Taylor. She loves spending time with family and friends. She also enjoys camping, ATV riding, fishing, and music concerts.

-Photo courtesy of Clearwater-Polk Electric



Three Clearbrook-Gonvick Seniors were named Minnesota Academic All-State Basketball for 2017. They will have plaques with their picture on the award presented to them. Named were Carlie, (on the left) daughter of Jeremy and Cathy Bergerson; Liz, (in the middle) daughter of Randy Bodenstener and Laurina Trask and Alison, (on the right) daughter of Daniel and Pricilla Johnson. The three had an academic cumulative grade point average of 3.65.



Keisha Jones delegate for Girls State 2017.

Keisha Jones selected for Girls State June 11-17

The Clearbrook American Legion Auxiliary Post #256 has chosen Keisha Jones to be their delegate for Girls State 2017. The 71st session of Girl State will be held June 11-17 at Bethel University in St. Paul.

This program is for girls from around the entire state who have completed their junior year in high school. It is an interactive program teaching Minnesota government on how to form city, county and state government offices. They vote for and carry out elected and appointed positions in government. This program gives participants the experience of living together as self-governing citizens with the privileges, rights, and responsibilities

of American citizenship, plus gaining knowledge of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Keisha's parents are Mark and Robin Proffitt and they live in Clearbrook. She is 17 years old and is currently a Junior at Clearbrook-Gonvick School. She has a younger brother named Keenan. Keisha is involved in Volleyball, Impact, and is the Vice-President of the Junior class. Along with plans for GirlS State in June, Keisha has a few other trips this summer that she is looking forward to attending. She and some of her fellow band members are going to Chicago the end of May. Also she plans to go on a mission trip to Costa Rica this summer.



Pictured with Kristie is Kathy Eck.

Getting to know Kristie Peterson at Good Samaritan in Clearbrook

They are getting to know Kristie Peterson at the Good Samaritan Center in Clearbrook.

Kristie works in the dietary and laundry department there. She started on October 31 of last year. She has one son Kyle, who is 20 years old.

Some of the things she likes to do are reading, four wheeling, shooting sports, and camping. A few of her favorite things are Sushie and Mexican food, comedy and action movies, country, rock, and blues music. Her favorite book is "1984" by George Orwell. Duluth is her

favorite place to visit.

One of her childhood memories is of her mom dancing around on the table while they cleaned house. Kristie's pet peeve is when people don't follow through with what they say they're going to do. One thing she has learned in life is to bite her tongue. The most important day in her life was when her son was born, she values family most in her life. She is very much looking forward to having grandchildren.

You will find Kristie's smiling face blessing them at Good Sam in Clearbrook.

Meatball Supper

with *mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, coleslaw, dinner roll*

**Thursday,
May 11**
from 5:00-7:00 or
until food is gone!

**Banquet Room
at Clearbrook
Community
Center
(Old school)**

**Adults \$10.00 • Age 6-12, \$5.00
Age 5 & under, free**

Meal served by Clearbrook American Legion

*Post #256 for the benefit of Clearbrook-Gonvick
Summer Recreation.*

TAKE OUT ORDERS CALL 776-3200

Community Calendar

Elim Mission Friends meeting

Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday May 11 at 2:30 PM at Elim.

The speaker for the day will be Donna Bardwell. Hostesses are Kris Dahl and Bonnie Thompson. All ladies are invited to join us.

*Congratulations,
CLASS OF 2017!*



There will be an open house to celebrate the high school graduation from Hillcrest Lutheran Academy for Hanna Lavin on Saturday, May 20th at 5:00pm. At the home of Matt and Sara Lavin. Everyone is welcome. R7-8C

WANTED

Summer Rec coaches. Completed 9th grade and up. Application at Clearbrook-Gonvick School or website. Deadline: May 10.

Info: JUDY at
776-3112, ext. 102

IT'S BACK!!!

The Gonvick Am. Legion will again offer BINGO for your entertainment beginning Thursday, June 1st at 6:45 PM and every Thursday evening through August 31. Games will be played if there are at least 14 players. See you there!!

Wedding Announced

Kimberley Cummings of Burbank, California and Darwin Nelson of Clearbrook, Minnesota, were married at sunset on Earth Day, April 22, 2017 on Santa Monica Beach in California. Friends and family will be invited to a June 17, 2017 celebration at Farm By The Lake in Bagley, Minnesota.

Clearbrook Legion Memorial Day Service planned

Clearbrook American Legion and Auxiliary will be honoring local area veterans on Memorial Day. Service is on Monday, May 29, 2017 at 10:00 am in the Clearbrook Community Center.

A special invitation is given to Vietnam War era veterans to be recognized during the Memorial Day services. For recognition at the service please provide information on your years of service and branch of service to Corrinne Anderson, Auxiliary President at 776-3718 or by e-mail to thomasa@gvtel.com by Friday May 27, 2016.

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viewed by the Board's nominating committee. Positions will be filled in May, and on a rolling basis thereafter, for each two-year term. New board member terms begin in late August. Meetings run September - May.

Region 2 Arts Council is located at 303 Railroad Street SW, Bemidji, MN.

Fruiting Shrubs for sale at The Honeyberry Farm Nursery & U-Pick

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Kimberley and Darwin Nelson

Kimberley and Darwin married in California

Kimberley Cummings of Burbank, California and Darwin Nelson of Clearbrook, Minnesota, were married at sunset on Earth Day, April 22, 2017

FFA PETTING ZOO
Friday, May 12th
Front lawn of
Clearbrook-Gonvick School
9:00am - 2:30pm
Everyone
Welcome!

*Please help us celebrate the
upcoming wedding of
Janelle Langseth
(bride-to-be of Jason Winterberg)*
**A Bridal Shower
for Janelle will be held
Saturday, May 20
at 2:00 pm
at the Leonard Town Hall**
*The couple is registered at
Target and is welcoming gift
cards to Home Depot for future
home projects.*
**All friends and family are
invited.**

Clearbrook- Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., May 10 - Birthday meal Baked Rigatoni & Beef, Corn, Fruit Salad, Bread, Pudding, Cake and Milk.

Thurs., May 11 - Country Steak, Potatoes, Squash, Bread, Pudding, Cake and Milk.

Fri., May 12 - Chicken Salad, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Fresh Fruit, Bun, Blondie and Milk.

Mon., May 15 - Beef Tips/Gravy, Noodles, Peaches, Country Blend Veg., Bread, Cookie and Milk

Tues., May 16 - Parmesan Chicken, Baked Potato/Sour Cream, Calif. Blend Veg., Bread, Fruit Cocktail and Milk

Meals are served daily at 11:30 at the Clearbrook site except for evening meals served at 5 p.m. They are subject to change. Please register for meals at least the day before. Call 776-3154 to sign up.

Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

April 29 - Edna McKinley, Bagley, \$20.

April 30 - Marie Gunderson, Bagley, \$20.

May 1 - Margie Strand, Fosston, \$20.

May 2 - May Hayes, Bagley, \$20.

May 3 - Tom Swanson, Duluth, \$20.

May 4 - Lyla Moteberg, Erskine, \$20.

May 5 - Ellyse Berg, Clearbrook, \$20.

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.

**ST. JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Bagley 218-694-6416
Pastor:
Fr. John Melkies Suvakeen
Terri D. Parish sec.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
Call for weekday Mass times.

**FAITH BIBLE CHAPEL
OF CLOVER**
Leonard, MN
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

**ELIM LUTHERAN
BRETHREN CHURCH**
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., May 10 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group; 7:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer.
Thurs., May 11 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and Prayer, 2:30 p.m.
Sun., May 14 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, 11:30 a.m. Communion Service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Wed., May 10 - 6:30 p.m. AWANA

Thurs., May 11 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at the church.

Sat. May 13 - 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study; 10:00 a.m. brunch and bridal shower for Kristyn Nelson; 3:00 p.m. Morris Helgeson Funeral.

Sun., May 14 - 9:30 Sunday School; 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

**GONVICK
LUTHERAN PARISH**
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
Cell: 218-358-0162
gonvickparish@gmail.com
**SAMHOLD LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Wed., May 10 - 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 5:00 PM Cemetery Clean Up.

Sat., May 13 - Clean-up Day at Samhold. Bring buckets and rags to the church at 9:00 a.m.

Sun., May 14 - 9:30-10:30 Last day of Sunday School; 10:30 AM Worship Service/Sunday School sings.

**UNITED LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
Wed., May 10 - 8:00 PM United Council meets.
Sun., May 14 - 9:00 AM Worship Service

**DISCIPLES OF
MESSIAH-YAHUSHA**
who obey Yahusha's teachings (John 8:31) are meeting each Sabbath in homes. (218) 766-8176 Homeless Shelter - Scriptural Counseling & Encouragement.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

**GONVICK SITE:
Grow It! Greenhouse &
Garden Center: Open Mother's**

Day, 11:30 - 2. Not sure what to get? Bring mom/grandma & let her pick or get a gift certificate in a dollar amount you choose. Extended hours begin May 12: M-Th, 9 - 5, Fri., 9-6 & Sat., 9-4. Questions? Call 218-487-5290, Ext. 3.

**Senior Connection Adult
Day Services:** Open M-W-F, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. New clients welcome. Small program with focused individual attention in a home-like atmosphere. Professionally staffed. Call 218-487-5290, Ext 1.

**CLEARBROOK SITE:
Shop-at-the-Top: Attention Senior Shoppers (65+) - Tues. 25% off storewide savings. Open: 10-4, M-F, & 10-3, Sat.**

Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7 PM, Thursdays, 2nd floor, 256 2nd Ave., SW, Clearbrook. Open to men & women. Confidential.

Volunteer Opportunities: CLWC has dozens from flower garden weeder to shopkeepers to clothing sorters and everything in between. Call us at either site to learn more.

CWLC-Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave., SW. *Shop-at-the-Top* hours: Mon. - Fri., 10-4 and Sat., 10-3. **CWLC-Gonvick,** 226 Elm St, open Mon. - Fri., 9-4 & Sat., 9-12: Create It! Art Studios and Restore It! Furniture Shop (open until 8 PM the first Fri. of each month).

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Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer

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.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

**CLEARBROOK &
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN
CHURCH LEONARD**
Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd

Wednesday, May 10: 6:30 pm Choir Practice; 7:30 pm Handbell Practice

Sunday, May 14th: 9:00 am Worship Service/Communion/Baptism; 10:00 am Coffee Hour

Joint
Wednesday, May 10: 6:00pm Confirmation

Our Savior's
Sunday, May 14: 9:45 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Coffee Hour; 11:00 am Worship Service/Communion.

Thurs. May 18 - 2:00 PM WEL-CA; 6:00 Church Council

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth

Wed, May 10: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

Sat, May 13: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, May 14: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 a.m. SS; 8:30 a.m. SS, 9:45 a.m. Oak Park - Confirmation - Dinner following; 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.

Wed, May 17: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School Picnic. 7:30 p.m. Oak Park Ladies Aid.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com

Wed, May 10: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Thu, May 11: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Sun, May 14: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.

Tue, May 16: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. Church Bible Study.

Wed, May 17: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister

Wed, May 10: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

Sun, May 14: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.

Wed, May 17: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston
Seth Johnson,
Interim Pastor
Sun, May 14: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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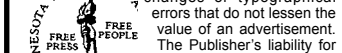
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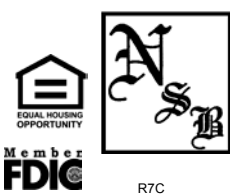
The Road To Financial Freedom

These days, it's common for people to spend more than they earn. For many of us, saving can be challenging. The key is to live on less than you make.

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Remember Mom
on
MOTHER'S DAY
SUNDAY,
MAY 14, 2017

BEAR TRACKS

School Readiness Registration Open House
Clearbrook-Gonvick School, Early Childhood Room (Door 18 on South side of

Meet the Seniors.. from Clearbrook-Gonvick

Each week until graduation the Leader-Record will be featuring the Clearbrook-Gonvick Senior Class of 2017.



Name: Darby Riley
Family Members: Jeremy, Cheri, Gryphon and Johnny
Best High School Memory: Sitting in "the box" doing homework.
Favorite Song: "Shape of You" by Ed Sheran
Favorite Movie: "Mulan" or "Pocahontas"
Favorite Class: Any History class

Advice to underclassmen: Respect your peers.
What are your plans for next year? Go to Northwest and get a dental assisting degree.



Name: Jasmin Molden
Family Members: Mom: Denis Byers; Dad: Seth Molden; Siblings: Alexis and Evan Molden
Best High School Memory: Trips to football games with friends!
Favorite Song: "What If" by Adam Friedman
Favorite Movie: "Prisoners"
Favorite Class: "Animal Science"
Advice to underclassmen: Don't fall behind because you will stay behind.
What are your plans for next year? Attend Northwestern Technical College



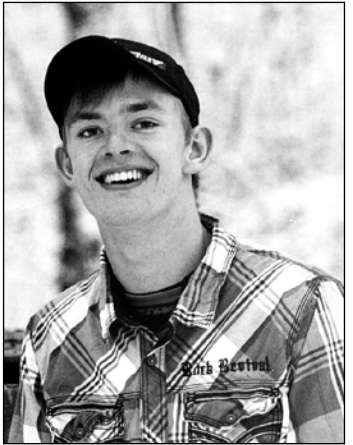
Name: Sire Vasend
Family Members: Mom: Heidi Solheim-Johnson; Dad: Shawn Vasend; Step-dad: Chris Johnson; Sister: Mari Vasend; Grandparents: Warren Solheim, Dean Johnson, Shirley Solheim, Bonnie Johnson and Lavonne Vasend.
Best High School Memory: When I was in the 9th grade, my best friend Kyla would run around the lunch room listening to music and singing and dancing to the music not caring what

the school by the playground) Thursday, May 18th 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Your child is eligible for School Readiness (Preschool) in the 2017-2018 school year if

people thought. Ah the good ole days.
Favorite Song: "Fight Like a Girl" by Kalie Shorr
Favorite Movie: "A Dog's Purpose"
Favorite Class: Any class with Mr. Faldet
Advice to underclassmen: Don't care what other people think, what they say about you doesn't matter (especially if it's something mean), it's only about what you think of yourself. Don't slack off! Trust me no matter how much you think you should and to be lazy not to do your work, it's not worth it! Lots of teachers don't like correcting late work, the TA's don't either, like me. So just get it done on time and as fast as you can.
What are your plans for next year? I'm debating. I either want to go out and work on the road or doing college online or both. I want to go to college for counseling and get my masters.



Name: Samantha Mart
Family Members: Mom: Teresa Smith; Sister: Olivia Sundquist and Brother: Jacob Ringstad
Best High School Memory: Sleeping in Study Hall
Favorite Song: "Losin' Control" by Russ
Favorite Movie: "7 Pounds"
Favorite Class: Lunch
Advice to underclassmen: Live life to the fullest.
What are your plans for next year? Go to Northwest Teach in Bemidji for Dental Assisting.



Name: Noah Nelson
Family Members: Mother: Wanda; Dad Wayne, Angelica Nelson, Tyler Torgerson, Vance Torgerson and DaNay Torgerson.
Best High School Memory: When I was leaving school and the principal shook his finger at me and I just waved and drove away.
Favorite Song: "Ball Like This"
Favorite Movie: "The Accountant"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to underclassmen: Learn not to expect anything and you won't be let down by much.
What are your plans for next year? Go to college at MN State for engineering.

he/she will be 4 by September 1st, 2017. If this is something you are interested in, please stop in to register your child, meet the teachers and explore the classroom. An updated Immunization Record for your child is required. Please call (218)776-3112 ext. 223 with any questions!



Lori Lundell helping at donuts for dad and muffins for mom at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed., May 10- Chicken Alfredo, Steamed Broccoli, WG Breadstick, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.
Thurs., May 11 - Turkey Stromboli, Baked Chips, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices, Milk.
Fri., May 12 - Dunkers with Sauce, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices, Milk.
Mon., May 15 - Chili, Breadstick, Fritos, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.
Tues. May 16 - Turkey Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, WG Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Spotlight of the Month on Elementary Students



May Elementary Students of the Month Pictured left to right: Benjamin Goudge, Avery Haugen, Lizzy Eckman, Amelia Machlitt, Abby Sauer, Mysten Dahlke, Not Pictured: Harper Watne.

May Elementary Students of the Month
"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand." – Albert Einstein
Name: Harper Watne, Kindergarten
Parents: Nathan and Leah Watne
Siblings: McKinley and Alette
Comments: Harper always comes to school with a smile on her face, ready for whatever the

Spotlight on Teaching Staff

Katie Bardwell, Elementary Special Education Teacher

"The things that make me different are the things that make me."
~ Winnie The Pooh
Katie (Bukovic) Bardwell is in her fourth year as Elementary Special Education teacher. She grew up in Illinois and Indiana. Her family moved to Leonard, MN just before she started 9th grade. Katie graduated from Clearbrook-Gonvick, class of 2000. She attended Northwest Technical College and Bemidji State University and completed a degree in Early Childhood Education. She is in the process of completing her Master of Science-Special Education.

Katie lives in the area with her husband, Leslie Bardwell, her children, and her puppy, Wrigley Field. Between the two of them, they have four children, Kaitlynn (Ben and Nora), Dawson (11th grade), Raymond (9th grade), and Kayla (8th grade).

Why did you choose to be a teacher? I remember having a conversation with an advisor about wanting to see a change in education. I was told that if I wanted to see that change happen, I needed to become a teacher and help make it happen. So I did, and little did I know, I found my greatest desire and strength is working with kids with special needs.

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? I have worked a variety of jobs. I've worked at a retail store, as a waitress, pharmacy tech, siding and windows, stay at home mom, a Head Start teacher, and I started out as a paraprofessional before going to school to become a teacher.

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick? My students are the best part of my job. I am lucky



Katie Bardwell, Elementary Special Education Teacher

enough to work with students that I can learn from daily. They teach me. I like it when I can help my students learn about their strengths and weaknesses, embrace them, and grow as a person. What I like even more is when my students teach me about my own strengths and weaknesses, help me embrace them, and grow as a teacher.

What is the biggest challenge of your job? The biggest challenge would be lack of understanding and education. It is hard to understand a person's disability, but sometimes it's even harder for them to understand their own disability. The biggest reason someone doesn't understand something is due to lack of education. It is challenging to help my students understand their strengths and weaknesses while trying to help others accept these strengths and weaknesses.

nesses.
If you could have any job in the world - what would it be? Why? If I could have any job in the world, I would LOVE to be an American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreter. I can sit and watch someone sign for hours. I've always been fascinated and intrigued by sign language.

What do you do when you are not working at the school? You can find me outside doing a variety of things. When the weather is nice, I can be found outside enjoying it. I enjoy biking, walking, running, working in my flower beds, and gardening. I do enjoy spending time with friends and family especially when there's a lot of laughing going on. I enjoy watching the Cubs and Blackhawks. I can also be found shopping, I like shopping.

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community? This community has a lot of people that contribute in a variety of ways. There are people that contribute their time, constantly donating their time to better this community. Clearbrook-Gonvick is full of people that care and strive for a safer place to live. It takes a lot of time, funding, energy, and desire to better a community, and Clearbrook-Gonvick certainly has a lot of people that step up to the plate.

And now a few words from the students about Katie Bardwell from the students...

What do you think Mrs. Bardwell (Katie) was like when she was in elementary school? "She was a rule breaker." "Happy" "One of those excited girls" "Very nice and fair and truthful" "A trouble maker" "Good at what her teacher told her." "Happy!"

What do you think Mrs. Bardwell (Katie) does when she is not here at school? "She runs." "Runs a lot" "She does stuff with her family" "Running and plays with her puppy." "She runs" "She lays down in bed because she doesn't feel well. Or She goes running"

What job do you think Mrs. Bardwell (Katie) would have if she was not a teacher? "A shoe model or #1 cubs fan." "Be a gas station worker or a marathon runner." "Some kind of a leader" "She'd work at McDonalds" "An artist because I think she's really good at art." "A puppy trainer." "Working at the Pharmacy."

What is the best thing about Mrs. Bardwell (Katie)? "She is always encouraging." "She is a good teacher." "She always shows mercy." "She's the best." "Her working with kids." "She is really nice and she helps kids learn in her room." "She lets up play games."

What do you think Mrs. Bardwell's (Katie)'s favorite thing to do? "Visit." "Running." "Help her kids and chill out." "Running." "Dance." "Spend some quality time with her family." "Work at the school. And play games with me!"

What is Mrs. Bardwell (Katie)'s favorite thing or things to buy when she goes shopping? "Shoes and gum" "Running shoes." "Probably clothes." "Shoes." "She likes healthy food." "Jellybeans because she brings them to school." "Shoes! And M&Ms."

What is one thing Mrs. Bardwell (Katie) ALWAYS says? "Right, right, right" "Don't interrupt." "Make good choices." "Feet on the floor." "No running in the hallway." "Do your work." "You should get to work." "Feet on the floor!" "No Running!" "Work hard!"

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The 12 U Grizzlies J O volleyball team played in the Perham tournament Friday night. They played hard winning 2nd place! Pictured L to R) Coach Nikki Anderson, Ashlyn Churness, Ella Engen, Sarah Reichert, Katie Bjerke, Kelsey Anderson, Annalise Ballard, and Dana Melby.

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Students of the Month...
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Student: Mysten Dahlke , Grade 2
Parents: Jerry and Roxanne Dahlke
Siblings: Shadow, Dylan, and Karli
Comments: Mysten is a good role model for our class. She works very hard and always tries to do her best. She loves to read and is always excited to tell you about her next book. Mysten is a good friend and is always helping others if they are struggling in Math or Reading. Her smile is contagious and it brightens the room. Congratulations Mysten for being selected student of the month.

Student: Amelia Machlitt, Grade 3
Parents: Ben and Kori Machlitt
Siblings: Caroline
Comments: Amelia is a good student, a good friend and a good citizen. She works hard on her classroom assignments, she is loyal and kind to her friends and we can always count on her to help out when something needs to be done. We are so glad she was in our room and we got to know her. We wish her all the best in her future. Thank you Amelia!

Student: Abby Sauer, Grade 4
Parents: Rebecca Sauer and Ronald Sauer
Siblings: Clayton
Comments: Abby is a positive worker and willing to help all students do their best. She is attentive in class and ready to answer response with meaningful thoughts. She is cheerful and ready for the day of learning ahead. We hope you have a wonderful summer and CON-

GRATULATIONS Abby!

Student: Benjamin Goudge, Grade 5
Parents: Dylan & Sarah Goudge
Siblings: Trey and Miles
Comments: Ben is a hard-working student who is always striving to improve in academic areas. His work ethic is top notch. He is also kind to his classmates and teachers making sure things are fair. He has a great sense of humor and often has a smile on his face. I can always count on Ben to do his best and make good choices in class. His participation and eagerness to learn are greatly appreciated.

Student: Lizzy Eckman, Grade 6
Parents: Stuart Eckman and Kim Eckman
Siblings: Ashley Eckman
Comments: When asked to describe Lizzy, her classmates used words such as "kind", "helpful", "hardworking", and "always being positive". As her teachers, we would have to agree with their descriptions! Lizzy comes to class with a smile on her face and is always willing to help out a fellow classmate or a teacher. She is polite and a happy person! Her kind, calm attitude is contagious and you can't help but smile when she is around! Thank you, Lizzy, for being such a positive role model for our students!

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Cases rise of disease carried by raccoons that can infect dogs

Reports are on the rise of a disease in raccoons that can infect domestic dogs. Taking precautions can minimize chances of the disease spreading to pets.

The disease, called canine distemper, can be spread through the air or by direct contact with urine, feces, blood or saliva.

Cases have been confirmed in Olmsted and Yellow Medicine counties and sick raccoons also have been reported in Dodge, Winona and Kandiyohi counties, according to the Minnesota departments of natural resources (DNR) and health (MDH).

"Canine distemper virus does not affect humans," said Dr. Joni Scheftel, state public health veterinarian at MDH. "However, distemper in animals can look like rabies, so it is important to stay away from sick wildlife."

Pet owners should ensure dogs are current on vaccines. Pets should be kept away from sick or dead wildlife. Anyone unsure if their dogs are current on canine distemper vaccine should talk with their veterinarian about the vaccination status of their pets.

People should stay away from sick raccoons and dead

wildlife should be left alone. If disposal is necessary, the animal can be buried where it is found or picked up with a plastic garbage bag using gloves and placed in the garbage. Some municipalities may have an animal control officer who can assist. The DNR and the MDH do not provide animal removal services.

"The canine distemper virus is found throughout the state and a few cases are reported every year, but there seems to be a rise in reports this year," said Dr. Michelle Carstensen, wildlife health supervisor for DNR.

Other states – including Tennessee, Virginia and Texas – also have reported increased cases of canine distemper virus in raccoons and foxes this year.

Canine distemper virus affects the central nervous system of mammals such as raccoons, foxes, wolves and skunks. Infected animals behave abnormally, losing their fear of humans, stumbling, shaking and can appear to be overly friendly. Other symptoms include sneezing, coughing and discharge from the eyes and nose.

Visit bit.ly/CanineDistemper for more information about the disease.



DNR sturgeon research tag

Catch a lake sturgeon sporting a tag? Report it

Six feet – that's the length of the longest lake sturgeon tagged by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and there's a chance a Rainy River angler could catch that 6-foot fish or others out of the 8,959 sturgeon tagged to date as part of a long-term study.

"Spring sturgeon fishing on the Rainy River has been excellent this year," said Phil Talmage, DNR Baudette area fisheries supervisor. "As if catching a lunker sturgeon isn't enough, catching a tagged fish and reporting it gives anglers and the DNR an added bonus. Cooperation from anglers is an essential part of this long-term tagging and recapture study."

Anglers who report the tag number on a sturgeon receive an email back from the Baudette office thanking them, along with maps and information collected on their tagged fish and its history since tagged. The information tells a story of the sturgeon's travels from when it was captured until it was caught and reported.

Of the 8,959 lake sturgeon tagged so far, 5,484 were longer than 45 inches at the time they were tagged. The longest sturgeon tagged was 72 inches – 6 feet – but weight was not recorded for this fish when it was captured on the Rapid River, near Clementson, in 2014.

The heaviest sturgeon tagged and weighed was 89.1 pounds, but only 63.5 inches long. This fish came from the Littlefork River in 2000. The largest sturgeon sampled was caught off of Pine Island in September of 2007. This fish was 73 inches long and estimated to weigh 120 pounds. Unfortunately, the DNR was not set up to tag this fish, so it was released without a tag.

"Our tagging program is part of an effort to monitor sturgeon as the population recovers," Talmage said. "Besides understanding sturgeon movement and reproduction cycles, the tagging effort also allows us to make population estimates."

Population estimates of the number of sturgeon longer than 40 inches in the Lake of the Woods-Rainy River system were made in 1990, 2004 and again in 2014. The sturgeon population grew from about 16,000 in 1990, to about 60,000 in 2004 and about 92,000 in 2014.

The Lake of the Woods-Rainy River system is one of the few areas in the country that has a sturgeon population that is healthy enough to support a fishery.

"In Minnesota we are fortunate that sturgeon are beginning to recover in most watersheds throughout the state," Talmage said. "This has been accomplished through improving water and habitat quality, stocking to reintroduce the species and improving fish passage through dam removal and modifications."

Intense commercial exploitation during the late 1800s and early 1900s decimated the once abundant sturgeon population in Lake of the Woods and Rainy River. After the decline of the commercial fishery, the sturgeon population was unable to rebound due to water pollution and degraded habitat in the Rainy River, the primary spawning area and nursery habitat for young sturgeon. But because sturgeon are extremely long-lived, enough individuals managed to survive and reproduction was sufficient to maintain a small population.

With the passage of clean water legislation in the late 1960s and early 1970s, especially the Clean Water Act in 1972, the sturgeon population started to recover as water quality and habitat conditions improved. Now reproduction is successful in most years.

In Minnesota, lake sturgeon are listed as a Species of Special Concern. What happens

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Summer Recreation brochures will be out around May 15.

They will be sent home with students, available in the display case by the school office, online on the school web site under Community Education and on the Community Education Facebook page.

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Hanna Lavin with her grandpa John Lavin from Clearbrook at her most recent game on May 1. Hanna is the starting short stop for the Hillcrest Comets girls softball team. The team is 5-0.

Be aware of bears this spring

Anyone living near bear habitat is reminded to be aware of bears this spring and check their property for food sources that could attract bears.

“Leaving food out in yards that can be eaten by bears can lead to property damage and presents dangers to bears,” said Eric Nelson, wildlife animal damage program supervisor for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.



Oklee City Clerk Derek Cross attaching a license tag on "Rocky" on May 2nd at the Dog & Cat Clinic.

On May 2nd, Cornerstone Veterinary Services from Gonvick came over to the Oklee Fire Hall for the Annual Dog & Cat Clinic.

Many dogs and cats from Oklee and the surrounding area came for their annual shots,

“Pet food, livestock feed, birdseed, compost or garbage can attract bears.” As bears emerge from hibernation, their metabolism gradually ramps up and they will begin looking for food at a time when berries and green vegetation can be scarce.

Only black bears live in the wild in Minnesota. They usually are shy and flee when encountered. Never approach or try to pet a bear. Injury to

people is rare, but bears are potentially dangerous because of their size, strength and speed.

The DNR does not relocate problem bears. Relocated bears seldom remain where they are released. They may return to where they were caught or become a problem somewhere else.

The DNR offers some tips for avoiding bear conflicts.

Around the yard

- Do not leave food from barbeques and picnics outdoors, especially overnight.
- Eliminate birdfeeders or hang them 10 feet up and 4 feet out from the nearest trees.
- Use a rope and pulley system to refill bird feeders, and clean up spilled seeds.
- Store pet food inside and feed pets inside.
- Clean and store bar-b-que grills after each use.
- Harvest garden produce as it matures. Locate gardens away from forests and shrubs that bears may use for cover.
- Use native plants in landscaping whenever possible. Clover and dandelions will attract bears.
- Store garbage in bear-resistant garbage cans or dumpsters. Rubber or plastic garbage cans are not bear-proof.

People should always be cautious around bears

If they have persistent bear problems after cleaning up the food sources, they should contact a DNR area wildlife office for assistance.

Sturgeon..

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To report a tagged fish visit mndnr.gov/taggedfish or to report it directly to the Baudette office, find contact information and other management information at mndnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/baudette. For statewide sturgeon fishing regulations, visit mndnr.state.mn.us/regulations/fishing.

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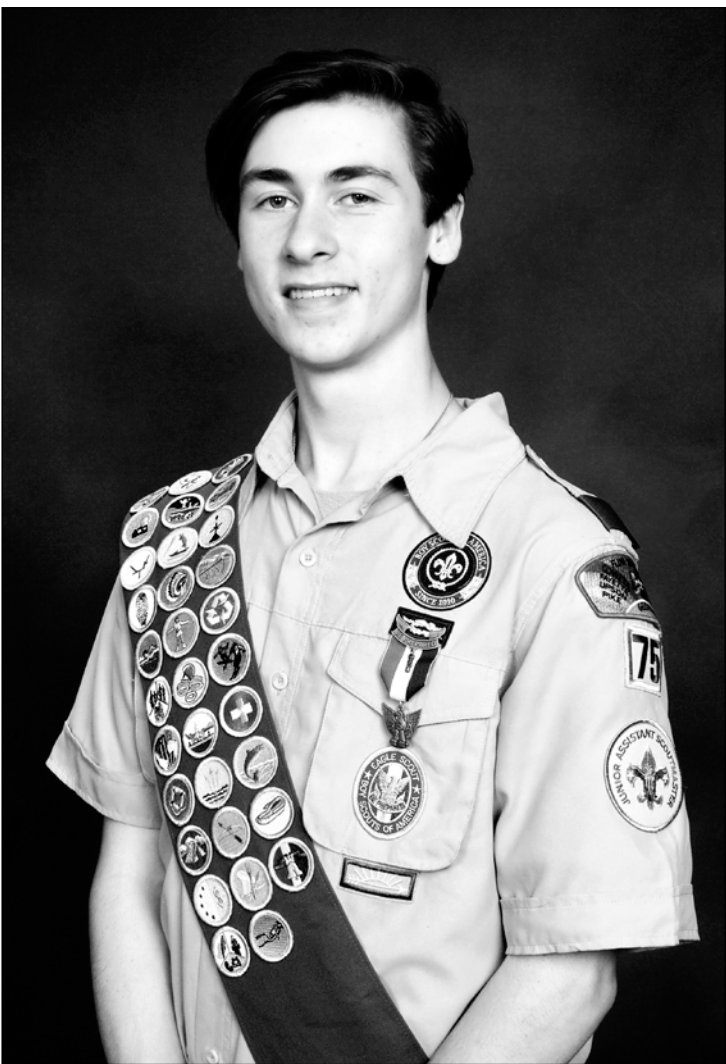
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I would like to thank the Gonvick Fire Dept. for the door prize I won at the Spring Fundraiser.

Danny Sundquist

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Lavone Rossell of Gonvick is proud to announce that her grandson Bryan Brown earned the rank of Eagle Scout at the age of 16 on January 10, 2017. Lavone attended Bryan's Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony in Hastings, MN on April 2nd. Although Jon, Melissa (daughter), Nicole, Bryan and Emily moved to Fayetteville, Georgia about three years ago, Bryan chose to celebrate his achievement with his former troop in the cities along with friends and family. Papa (the late Bill Rossell) would have been very proud.

It's Time to Let Your Culinary Skills Go Wild

“Get Wild with Wild Rice” Recipe Contest Kicks Off – Win Cash & Prizes

As summer approaches, kitchens across America are heating up – not because of a change in seasons, but because aspiring chefs are putting their creativity to the test for the 8th Annual “Get Wild with Wild Rice” recipe contest. Whether you are a culinary pro, an aspiring chef, or someone who simply enjoys the challenge of creating your own culinary masterpiece, we invite you to participate in this national competition. Enter your best creations featuring the deliciously distinct flavor of the only cereal grain native to North America – wild rice!

Here's how it works: recipes entered go head-to-head in a taste test conducted by our culinary specialists. Participants have three opportunities to win: 1) up to 16 finalists will be selected to have their recipes published and win wild prizes; 2) a Grand Prize of \$500 will be awarded to one winning recipe chosen by a panel of judges; and 3) in September, National Rice Month, America will vote for its favorite recipe online and one lucky winner will receive the \$250 People's Choice Award. The contest opens May 8 with a deadline of June 5, 2017, for recipe submissions. Visit mnwildrice.org for full contest details.

The “Get Wild with Wild Rice” Contest also serves as an Automatic Qualifier for the 2017 World Recipe Championship. One lucky winner will receive a Golden Ticket which qualifies them to compete for a total purse of \$300,000 in cash and prizes! In its 8th year, this popular contest has led to scores of “wildly” imaginative recipes demonstrating both participant creativity and wild rice versatility. See for yourself try these wildly delicious 2016 prize winning recipes:

People's Choice Winner – Tuscan Beefeater's Wild Rice Salad (Gilda Lester, Millsboro, DE)

The 2016 People's Choice winning recipe features grilled and slightly spicy beef tenderloin steak atop a bed of wild rice, fresh tomatoes, green pepper, and onion, garnished with blue cheese crumbles and a tangy vinaigrette dressing. Tuscan Beefeater's Wild Rice Salad is a light and elegant, quick and easy, protein-rich creation serving well as either an entrée or a side.

Grand Prize Winner – Italian Wild Rice Quesadillas (Jeanne Holt, Mendota Heights, MN)

The 2016 Grand Prize winning recipe puts a new twist on a familiar favorite, adding both freshness and originality. Italian Wild Rice Quesadillas combine wild rice with tender rotisserie chicken, prosciutto ham, shredded and cream cheeses, chopped spinach, and marinara sauce for a delicious “Italian” variation on this classic.

Sanford Bemidji hosts “Living Well with Diabetes”

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Sanford Bemidji Diabetes Education is hosting its free “Living Well with Diabetes” gathering from 4 to 5 p.m. on May 16, in Conference Room C at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center (hospital). Attendees do not need to register ahead of time.

“Living Well with Diabetes” meetings offer information and support for managing diabetes. The group meets the third Tuesday of each month. The meetings are designed for people interested in learning about health and wellness as it relates to diabetes management. Anyone living with diabetes, anyone who has a family member or friend living with diabetes or individuals interested in learning more about diabetes are welcome to attend.

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EPA announces approval of new foliar applications

MANKATO, Minn. – Minnesota soybean farmers now have another device at their disposal for targeting soybean aphids, after the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently approved foliar application of Flupyradifurone (Sivanto™ Prime from Bayer).

Flupyradifurone is a systemic insecticide for many horticulture operations and broadfield crops and the first member of the butenolide class of insecticides.

According to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Sivanto, when used at labeled rates, show no long-term impact to bee colonies.

Flupyradifurone's mode of action acts on the central nervous system of target insect pests as an agonist of the nicotinic acetylcholine receptor. It provides effective control of major sucking pests, and is currently used in the southern United States on many crops to control aphids and whiteflies.

The EPA has also registered flupyradifurone for foliar, soil drench and chemigation uses on certain berries, cereal grains (except rice), alfalfa, clover and many vegetables.

Flupyradifurone was inspired by a naturally-occurring plant chemical stemofoline, a derivative from Stemona japonica. It is registered for use on soybeans for seed treatment only and is not registered for residential uses.

David Kee, Minnesota Soybean's director of research, says Flupyradifurone may have a noticeable impact on the fight against soybean aphids, though he cautions the full extent of Sivanto's capabilities of controlling soybean aphids remains unclear.

“Flupyradifurnone has a lot of potential for soybean growers,” Kee said. “However, there is extremely limited information available on its effectiveness for controlling soybean aphids in Minnesota.”

In 2015, Bruce Potter, Extension Integrated Pest Management Specialist at the University of Minnesota, conducted the only known Minnesota-based flupyradifurone/soybean aphid control study using Sivanto at two rates (4.0 and 7.0 oz./acre), compared to a pyrethroid (bifenthrin), sulfoxaflo and an untreated control.

At nine days post-treatment, both Sivanto treatments had fewer soybean aphids than the control and behaved similar to sulfoxaflo. Like pyrethroids and sulfoxaflo, flupyradifurone will also require thorough spray coverage for control into the soybean canopy.

“While these results are encouraging,” Kee says, “more Minnesota-developed information is needed before we will be confident in the performance of foliar-applied flupyradifurone for controlling soybean aphids.”

About the Minnesota Soybean Research & Promotion Council:

The Minnesota Soybean Research & Promotion Council (MSR&PC) is the elected board of soybean producers from Minnesota who direct investments of the state's checkoff dollars in programs designed to increase profitability to Minnesota soybean farmers.

Essentia Health Encourages Vaccination for Measles

Measles is an extremely contagious respiratory disease caused by a virus. While no longer common in the United States, Minnesota is experiencing an increase in cases with 32 children under age 5 having measles as of April. The Minnesota Department of Health states that a majority of these children were not vaccinated.

The best way to prevent measles is to be fully vaccinated. MN Department of Health recommends vaccinations for:

- children age 12 months and older who have not received a MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine. The first dose of the MMR vaccine is at 12-15 months old and the second dose is usually given between 4 and 6 years of age, but may be given as soon as one month after the first dose.
- adults who have not had measles or a measles vaccination should also receive the MMR vaccine.

Immunization records are a part of your electronic medical record. If you are uncertain of your vaccination history, Essentia Health patients can check your MyHealth account by logging into EssentiaMyHealth.org or call your clinic. The

state has an information system called the Minnesota Immunization Information Connection (MIIC) that can provide immunization records as well.

Measles spreads in the air through coughing and sneezing and can live for up to two hours on surfaces or in an airspace where an infected person has coughed or sneezed. Measles is a very serious illness. For that reason, please seek medical care right away if your child has these symptoms:

- A mild to moderate fever along with a cough, runny nose or watery/mattering eyes.
- Tiny red spots with bluish-white centers inside the mouth on the cheek linings
- High fever and a red, blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body

If you suspect someone in your family has been exposed to measles be sure to stay home and avoid having visitors until you have talked with your doctor or clinic. Your doctor or clinic will tell you if you should come in for a visit. If you have not been vaccinated, getting an MMR shot within three days of being exposed may prevent you from getting measles.

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A Trip Around The World!



Alexine Bjerke escorted by Noah Nelson and Breana Branchaud escorted by Tray Mc-
Collum.

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior Class presented the 2017 prom on Saturday, April 22. The prom attendees went on "A Trip Around the World!" Helping to make the night great were Ross Faldet, James Bettin, Robin Proffit and Sarah Goudge.



Morgan Cornell escorted by Spencer Reed and Cami Johsson escorted by Brody Ar-
laud.

Now hear this...
by Harry Hutchens,
Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer
(218)694-6618;

THE ORIGINS OF MEMORIAL DAY: Three years after the Civil War ended, on May 5, 1868, the head of an organization of Union veterans – the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) – established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared it should be May 30. It is believed the date was chosen because flowers would be in bloom all over the country. The first large observance was held that year at Arlington National Cemetery, across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C. It was not until after World War I, however, that the day was expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars. In 1971 Memorial Day was declared a national holiday by an act of Congress, though it is still often called Decoration Day. It was then also placed on the last Monday in May, as were some other federal holidays.

The crowd attending the first Memorial Day ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery was approximately the same size as those that attend today's observance, about 5,000 people. Then, as now, small American flags were placed on each grave – a tradition followed at many national cemeteries today. In recent years, the custom has grown in many families to decorate the graves of all departed loved ones.

I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners is also a valuable gauge of how this office can better serve all veterans and their beneficiaries. Office(218)694-6618; Cell/Text(218)556-5340 Hutch



Removing lake plants could require a permit

Lakeshore property owners are reminded that a permit may be required to remove aquatic plants. "We remind folks each year that aquatic plants are essential to healthy lake ecosystems and property owners who want to remove them should check the regulations to see if they need a permit," said Steve Enger, supervisor of the aquatic plant management program for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Aquatic plants provide food and shelter for fish, ducks and other wildlife. They stabilize the lake bottom, which helps maintain water clarity. These plants also protect shorelines

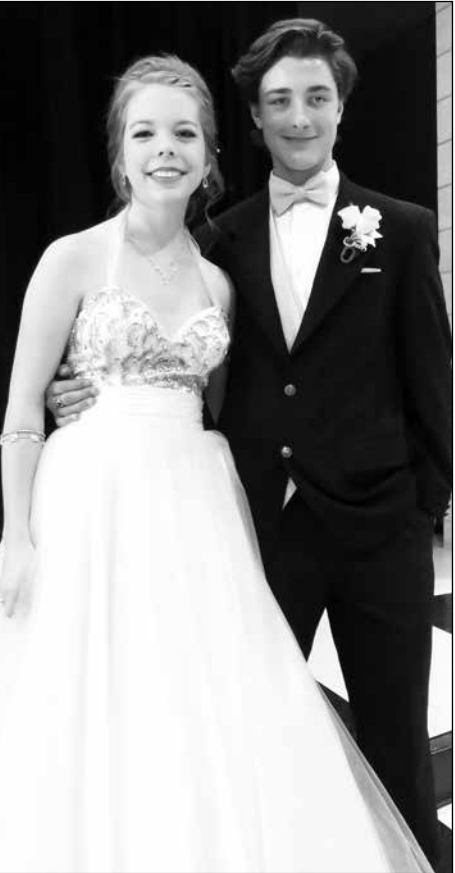
from erosion by absorbing energy from waves and ice. Property owners who want to remove aquatic plants with devices that create strong water currents need to know that such devices are illegal to use in a way that uproots plants, moves sediment or excavates the lake bottom. Specific regulations govern what situations require permits for aquatic plant removal. Aquatic plant regulations and a guide to aquatic plants can be found at mndnr.gov/shoreland-plants, or by calling 651-296-6157 or 888-646-6367. To apply for a permit, visit the DNR's permitting and reporting system at mndnr.gov/mpars



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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The Gonvick American Legion will again offer BINGO for your entertainment beginning Thursday, June 1st at 6:45 PM and every Thursday evening through August 31st. Games will be played if there are at least 14 players.

Gonvick American Legion Auxiliary ladies will be around selling Poppies on Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13. Be ready for them.

Jeremy and Cathy Bergerson have had DaRoo's Pizza in Clearbrook for 9 years. They are celebrating this Friday, Saturday and Sunday with specials.

Meatball supper with mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, coleslaw, dinner roll will be served on Thursday, May 11 from 5:00-7:00 or until food is gone! In the Banquet Room at Clearbrook Community Center (Old school). Meal served by Clearbrook American Legion Post #256 for the benefit of Clearbrook-Gonvick Summer Recreation.

Saturday, May 13 is the monthly fish fry at the Gonvick American Legion and don't forget Mothers Day this coming Sunday. Happy Mothers' Day

Clean-up day at Samhold Lutheran in Gonvick. Bring buckets and rags on May 15 at 9:00 a.m.

Mark your calendars and

get ready for another fun filled day in Gully. The date is Saturday, July 22, with activities planned from 9 am to midnight. Remember Albert Mikesh? He will be there. Also for a few laughs "Mylo the Silo" will be on stage. Then the North and South will again try their luck at the Knowledge Bowl and the Tug of War. Lots more is still in the planning stage. You won't want to miss it so be sure and save the date.

If you have a picture you would like to share with our readers please send them to richards@gvtel.com or bring them into our office in Gonvick. Wedding picture, new baby in your family or family get together.

Notice any of those bugs in your house this spring. North Star Pest Control in the Leader-Record area will give free estimates for service. They can be reached at 877-685-9370.

Need a new passport? Check your dates on your passports so that they can be renewed without too much hassle. Renew before they expire. Call Leader-Record in Gonvick 487-5225 to get set up for a time to take your pictures and get them right away.

Joke time...

Little Ole was sitting at the kitchen table doing his school

homework. He had a puzzled look on his face at he considered the assignment that was due-writing an essay about his origin. He turned to question his mother. "Mama, vere did Grandma come from?" he asked. "Da stork brought her," answered mama Lena. "And vere did yew come from?" asked Little Ole. "Da stork brought me," his mother answered. "And vere did I come from?" Little Ole inquired. "Vell, son, da stork brought yew, tew," mama Lena replied. With a scowl on his face, Little Ole picked up his pencil, turned to his school tablet, and began writing his essay: "Dere have been no natural births in our family for three yenerations."

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center

Clearbrook/Leonard Senior Center April 15th Meeting

Lloyd Engen called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Carol Niewinski read the secretaries report. The minutes were approved with one correction. Scott Taffin was our piano player - not Chris Taffin.

Betty Randklev read the treasurers report. There was no discussion and it was approved as read. The dishwasher is fixed for the time being. The board is still waiting to hear from LSS regarding a new dishwasher. It will have to be self-vented as holes in the roof would not be a good idea. Lloyd entertained us with a joke.

Annie Bergh won boxes and

Carol Croy won the cookbook donated by Carol Niewinski. Eileen Hanson won the lunch ticket and Lauris Krogstad won the jelly donated by Frank and Annie Bergh. Lloyd pointed out that there is a signup sheet posted for volunteers to find music or entertainment for our evening meals. The

first evening meal will me in May. Lloyd introduced Lauris Krogstad who gave us an interesting slide presentation of his Alaska trips.

Meeting adjourned. Lunch was served by Caroy Croy and Janice Stormo.

Carol Niewinski, Secretary



Renée Rongen (left on photo) and Kathryn Vigness (right) shown pictured as guest speakers at the Thrivent Financial women's event held at New Journey Church last Friday 4/21/17. Over 305 pairs of pajamas were collected for crisis centers across our region. Approximately 220 women from across the area attended. Renée Rongen gave a strong message of laughter, love, mental health and stepping into the light of who we truly are. Very inspirational evening!!! Kathryn Vigness and Renée also spoke to dozens of teen girls the next day at New Journey Church with an inspirational message of identity and Faith. Highlighted Renee's new book: 'I'm a Girl. That's Why!' Visit www.thrivent.com to find an office near you! Or visit the Renée Rongen experience at www.reneeRongen.com.

Legal Notices

NOTICE: SINCLAIR TOWNSHIP

The Sinclair Township Regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00pm instead of May 16th.
Brooke Pond, Clerk R7-8C

Legal Notice

NOTICE & ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE & NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CLEARWATER
DISTRICT COURT
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 15-PR-17-122**

**In RE: the Estate of
Marcia Leann Syverson,
Decedent.**

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on May 24, 2017, at 1:00 pm, a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Main Avenue N., Bagley, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Miles Rouland, whose address is 41023 State 92, Clearbrook, MN 56634, as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the 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 (subject to Minn. Stat. §524.3-801) 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.

BY THE COURT

Dated: 4/19/17

Paul E. Rasmussen
Judge of District Court

(COURT SEAL)

Dated: 4/19/17

Camille Bessler by Tracy Stodgell
Court Administrator Deputy

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Governor Dayton announces Ten Water Quality Town Hall Meetings to be held Across Minnesota

Minnesotans encouraged to participate and continue important conversations around improving the state's water quality 25 percent by 2025

ST. PAUL, MN – Joined by environmental advocates, lawmakers, and concerned Minnesotans for Water Action Day at the Minnesota State Capitol, Governor Mark Dayton today announced a series of Water Quality Town Hall meetings beginning in late July. The town halls will offer Minnesotans an opportunity to discuss the water quality challenges facing their communities and our state, learn from experts, and engage with policymakers. The town hall meetings build on the momentum from Governor Dayton's "25 by 25" Water Quality goal proposal, announced earlier this year.

"All Minnesotans have a stake in water that's safe for drinking, swimming, and fishing," said Governor Dayton. "These town hall meetings will further the important conversations already happening across Minnesota around water quality. Together we can develop strategies and solutions that work for all of our communities."

The State of Minnesota will host ten town hall meetings in communities across the state from late July through early October. These meetings are free to attend and open to the

public.

In addition to attending the town halls, Minnesotans are encouraged to host their own community meetings about water quality from June through August. These Community Water Meetings offer an opportunity for cities, schools, families, and friends to identify ways individuals can work at the local level to move Minnesota towards the 25 by 25 goal. Individuals interested in registering to hold their own meeting can find more information here: www.eqb.state.mn.us/25by25.

25 By 2025 Water Quality Goal

Earlier this year, Governor Dayton announced a new goal to improve Minnesota's water quality 25 percent by 2025. Without additional action, the quality of Minnesota's waters is expected to improve only 6 to 8 percent by 2034. If the goal is approved by the Legislature, a series of town halls and community meetings would engage local governments, farmers, scientists, environmental groups, and business leaders in a collaborative effort to address Minnesota's water quality challenges.

Achieving a 25 percent improvement in water quality statewide would require Minnesota to take aggressive, yet achievable action. It also would help Minnesota meet existing commitments to reduce

phosphorus 12 percent by 2025 and nitrogen 45 percent by 2040 in the Mississippi River.

Attend a Water Quality Town Hall This Summer or Fall

Town hall meetings have been scheduled in communities across Minnesota. Additional scheduling details will be made available ahead of the events.

· Rochester – Water Quality Town Hall - Monday, July 31, 2017

· Marshall – Water Quality Town Hall - Wednesday, August 16, 2017

· Mankato – Water Quality Town Hall - Thursday, August 17, 2017

· Crookston – Water Quality Town Hall - Tuesday, September 5, 2017

· St. Cloud – Water Quality Town Hall - Wednesday, September 6, 2017

· Ely – Water Quality Town Hall - Tuesday, September 12, 2017

· Bemidji – Water Quality Town Hall - Wednesday, September 13, 2017

· Minneapolis – Water Quality Town Hall - Tuesday, September 26, 2017

· Burnsville – Water Quality Town Hall - Wednesday, October 4, 2017

· Maplewood – Water Quality Town Hall - Thursday, October 5, 2017

Additional information will be available at www.eqb.state.mn.us/25by25.

CLEARWATER COUNTY PROPERTY TAX NOTICE

First Half Taxes Due May 15, 2017

Real Estate Taxes on the 1st half are due on or before May 15, 2017. On May 16, 2017, penalty of 2% will apply to homestead property and a penalty of 4% will apply to non-homestead property. On June 1, 2017, the penalty will increase to 4% on homestead property and 8% on non-homestead property. These penalties will increase at the rate of 1% per month until October 1st when the penalty on homestead property becomes 8% and non-homestead property becomes 12% on the unpaid first half.

Personal Property Tax is due in full on May 15th, 2017. Penalty of 8% applies on May 16, 2017, on any unpaid balance of the tax due. Please, check your tax statement to see if your personal property taxes are due in full, or if only half of the taxes are due May 15th.

Clearwater County is offering extended hours at the Service Center May 11, May 12 and May 15th from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Extended hours have been added for Clearwater County taxpayer's convenience in paying their property taxes.

Respectfully,
Allen L. Paulson,
Clearwater County Auditor/Treasurer R7C

GENERAL NOTICE to Destroy Noxious Weeds

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY AGENT FOR CONTROL MEASURES

You Are Required to Destroy Noxious Weeds on Your Property

Notice is hereby given this 10th day of May, 2017, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2011, Section 18.78, to all owners, occupants, agents and public officials in charge of lands in Clearwater County, Minnesota, that noxious weeds on such lands shall be destroyed or eradicated by effective methods approved by your local weed inspector as often as may be required to prevent the weeds from blooming and maturing seeds or spreading by roots or other means. The county noxious weeds are: Yellow Starthistle, Grecian Foxglove, Oriental Bittersweet, Purple Loosestrife, Garlic Mustard, Leafy Spurge, Canada Thistle, Musk Thistle, Plumeless Thistle, Wild Parsnip, Common Tansy, Spotted Knapweed, Common or European Buckthorn, Glossy Buckthorn, Poison Ivy and Palmeri Amaranthus.

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How rainfall timing affects fall N availability

Many farmers who fall-applied nitrogen have the same question this time of year: how much of the nitrogen (N) I applied can I count on being there now? The answer depends on the nitrogen cycle and the weather conditions at application time.

This past fall was warm and wet throughout much of Minnesota, with soils staying above freezing into December and above-average precipitation into November. At the University of Minnesota's Research and Outreach Centers in Waseca and Morris, soil temperatures were not consistently below 50 degrees until the 9th of November, which is several weeks after the typical.

Why is this important? Because if nitrogen fertilizer is applied when soil temperatures are below 50 degrees, the conversion of ammonium to nitrate happens slowly- the microorganisms responsible for nitrification are not very active when soils are cold.

Spring rainfall is more likely to leach nitrogen than late fall rains, so if little fertilizer N converts to nitrate form, then little fertilizer N will be likely leached the following spring. Very little loss of nitrogen from fall fertilizer is likely to occur if soil temperatures are cold at application time. The challenge lies in getting fall fertilizer applied and incorporated in the time between when soils fall below 50 degrees and when they freeze.

In order for fertilizer N to be lost to leaching, large amounts of rain need to fall at certain times of year. Think about a situation where you had a soaking rain that dropped 2 inches of rainfall over 3 days. How much of that rainfall moves down through the soil, and how much nitrate it takes with it, depends heavily on the time of year and the crop growth stage.

Spring

As the soil warms up in the spring after corn planting, most of the fertilizer N has already converted to nitrate, and the corn crop is not removing much water or nitrate from the soil. Minnesota soils typically hold a lot of water left over from late fall rains and snowmelt during the spring, and cannot absorb much rain without it leaching. In a normal or wet spring, most of the 2 inch rainfall will move down through the soil below the root zone or to a tile drain, and there will be high concentrations of nitrate in the soil to move with it.

Summer

If the rainfall event comes during midsummer when corn is at tasselling, the crop is able to pull a lot of water out of the soil, and there will be much lower concentrations of nitrate in the soil. This is a situation with much lower potential for water movement to groundwater or tile drains, and much lower potential for nitrogen loss, than the spring rainfall event.

Fall

Lastly, if that rainfall comes in early November, after the corn has matured and been harvested, you have a different situation. If the soil is fairly dry, as is typically the case by harvest, it will be able to absorb most of the rainfall, without much of it leaching. In a wetter year, like the fall of 2016, most of this rainfall is likely to leach. However, as long as the corn crop was not over-fertilized, there are usually fairly low nitrate concentrations in the soil in the fall, so that leaching water might not take much nitrate with it. This is a situation where the timing of fall nitrogen fertilizer or manure is critical. If the nitrogen source was applied early in the fall, when soil temperatures were still warm, a lot of that nitrogen would be converted to the nitrate form and large losses of nitrate could result. However, if that nitrogen source was applied in late October or early November when soil temperatures were cooler, there

would be very little conversion to nitrate, with low risk of loss from that fertilizer nitrogen. Potential for loss depends on the interaction between soil temperature and soil water movement.

Do you need to worry about the early seeded small grains?

Yesterday morning the NDAWN station near Eldred recorded a low of 19 degrees Fahrenheit while the NDAWN station near Stephen dipped as low as 13 degrees Fahrenheit. Luckily the blanket of snow ensured that soil temperatures were much milder and at a 4 inch depth the soil temperatures never dropped below 32 degrees Fahrenheit at either location. Nonetheless, I have heard a fair amount of worries about the viability of the seed that made it into ground last week and terms like imbibitional chilling were mentioned.

Imbibitional chilling is defined as the injury that results from the chilling effect that seeds may experience when

they imbibe or absorb water. The mechanism of this imbibitional chilling injury in seeds is different from chilling or freezing injury of hydrated tissues. The result, however, is much the same as it can result in poor seedling establishment, stand losses, and therefore, ultimately, yield. Warm season species like corn and soybeans are more susceptible to this type of injury than wheat, barley or oats. Drowning out due to soils being above field capacity is also different from imbibitional chilling as this is more related to an acute lack of oxygen that kills the embryo.

So the question is whether the recent weather is a treat to the crop that is already in the ground and possibly even emerged. First, small grains, including spring wheat, winter wheat, rye, barley or oats, that had emerged will likely not suffer much, if any. If the seed had germinated but not yet emerged you may see some stand reduction. These stand reductions are likely the result of drowning out rather than imbibitional chilling. The same is true if the seed was just in the imbibitional phase of the germination process.

If you are worried about the viability seed or seedlings you can simply dig some seedlings

or seeds up and place them in a moist to wet paper hand towel (preferably unbleached and undyed ones). Roll the paper towel up and place it at room temperature and ensure that the rolled-up paper towel can not dry out by placing in a coffee mug with some water in the bottom and putting an open Ziploc bag over the top of the rolled-up paper towel and coffee mug to avoid rapid dry-down. This will tell you whether the seed is still viable in 24 to 48 hours as the radicle and shoot will start to grow and elongate (further). If you place a second rolled-up paper towel with another sample in the fridge you also get an idea how vigorous the seed still as loss of vigor will show as very slow growing seedlings while more vigorous ones develop

much faster.

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Source: Greg Klinger and
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Clearwater Quilters Guild meet once a month. Shown are ones who were there working on their projects from left to right: Shirley Gunderson, Marge Trembath, Linda Holm, Diane Jackson, Jeri Rathbone, Judi Engebretson, Carol Peterson, Charlotte Rathbone, Carole Johnson and Marion Ask.



Shirley Gunderson and Judi Engebretson looking at one of the lap rob quilts that the group is making.



Ladies set up their machines and leave them there for the three days that they work.



Marion Ask working on her own quilt project.



The Clearwater Quilters Guild sets up at the Gonvick Community Center for three days in a row. They can leave their projects as is so they don't have to set up the next day. They do it once a month on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the second week of each month. They make Project Linus quilts, lap robes for veterans and nursing homes and work on their own quilting projects.

They welcome anyone to come and join them as they visit, have a little snack and enjoy each others company.

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