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Pumpkin Day winners in Gonvick were Ole Engebretson, Bob Edevold, Tucker Johnson, Frank and Annie Bergh, Marvin Marty and Al Danielson standing. In the front Matt Wickham, Charlie Bergh, Trever Solberg and Dave Marty.



The youngest pumpkin growers winners at Gonvick last Saturday included from left to right Shya Engebretson, Layla Engebretson and Gavin Solberg.

The pumpkins were weighed at Gonvick's Pumpkin Day

It was another beautiful day in Gonvick as they held their 24th Annual Pumpkin Day.

The largest pumpkin weighing in at 1,101 pounds was disqualified as it had a crack in it. That belonged to JJ Solberg of Gonvick. A sad day for him.

Winners were Bob Edevold 1043 pounds, Tucker Johnson 936 pounds, Ole Engebretson 572 pounds, Marvin Marty 563 pounds, Trever Solberg 535 pounds, Matt Wickham 502 pounds, Al Danielson 429 pounds, Frank and Annie Bergh 411 pounds, Charlie Bergh 393 pounds and David Marty 385 pounds. The top winner received $1,000 with cash prizes totaled $2,500 which was donated by the Gonvick Diamond Jubilee Committee.

The youngest pumpkin growers had an impressive pumpkin to show at the event.

Shya Engebretson had the largest at 488 pounds, Layla Engebreston 479 pounds, Gavin Solberg pounds, Lettie Watne 270 pounds, Grace Gunning 266 pounds, McKinley Watne 244 pounds, Faith Gunning 231.11 pounds, Sienna Flateland 214 pounds Cora Herden 201 pounds and Jake Wickham 194.10 pounds. These were the top team in each category with several more that had to be weighed.

Also with the Pumpkin Day events there was a car show that was held. Car Show winners included Neil Bursheim McIntosh; David Hagen St. Hilaire; Larry Anderson, Gully; Arden Niemi, Felton; Jerry Lowe Jr. Grand Forks and Mary St. George from Bagley. See information on the winners on the Canary front page this week.

Jaci Edevold had Mrs. Olson's Lefse office open for tastes of Pumpkin lefse with goodies on it. She was also in charge of the Chalk Drawing contest that was held.

Tracy Branchaud was the winner of the Family Pool membership at the Clearbrook pool. That was donated by Matt Anderson and family of Clearbrook.

The Gonvick Fire Department announced the winners of their raffle after they finished their hamburger and hotdog stand. Winners were Luke Spray the Henry Golden Boy - 44 mag. first prize; Kristi Lewis the $500 certificate to Ken K Thompson in Bemidji; David Bakke the $100 certificate to Neil's Quality Meats in McIntosh; Abbi Moy $100 cash; Kailey Klema the $100 certificate to Neil's Quality Meats in McIntosh and Arick Bjerklie $100 in cash. The winners did not have to be present to win.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Homecoming held last week

Clearbrook-Gonvick students celebrated their Homecoming from Monday, September 25 to Friday, September 29.

Monday was coronation day at 2:00 pm. Senior candidates included: Ty Nelson, Cami Johnson, Hunter Voxland, Madelynne Faldet, Brody Arlaud, Keisha Jones, Brynn Hetland and Ben Solberg.

After the coronation a pepfest was held in the gym for the volleyball team. They played Bagley that night and won in five sets 18-25, 25-23, 26-28, 25-22, 15-12.

Tuesday was Class Color Day, Wednesday was American Day and Thursday was Mathletes vs. Athletes.

Friday was Spirit Day with the class meetings 5th hour and 6th hour they loaded the buses for the Homecoming parade in Gonvick. They switch the location of the parade each year.

Students were bused back to the school for the football pepfest. The team played Nevis that night.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Homecoming King and Queen were Keisha Jones and Ty Nelson.



Clearbrook-Gonvick candidates for Homecoming King and Queen are shown from left to right: Ty Nelson, Cami Johnson, Hunter Voxland, Madelynne Faldet, Brody Arlaud, Keisha Jones, Brynn Hetland and Ben Solberg.

Grants awarded in the area

On September 18, 2017, the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors granted $44,200 in Arts and Cultural Heritage funds to local schools and nonprofit organizations for the creation and production of arts activities that benefit community members residing in our five-county region.

Bagley Area Arts Collaborative received $5,625 for "Arts Unlimited" – a series of new art workshops for 2018.

Clearbrook- Gonvick Elementary received $3,705 for students in grades 3 - 6 to see a concert by Ladysmith Black Mambazo at the Ordway Center for the Arts and visit nearby art museums.

Clearbrook Gonvick Public Schools received $6,000 to bring Copper Street Brass to their school for an arts residency and community concert.

Gizhiigin Arts Incubator received $5,435 to produce "Seven Values Community Mural," in collaboration with the Boys and Girls Club of Mahnomen.

Northern Light Opera Company received $6,000 to produce the Lerner & Lowe musical My Fair Lady.

This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

Clearwater County Youth to Celebrate National 4-H Week October 1-7

For the 75th consecutive year, millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will be celebrating National 4-H Week during the first full week of October. Clearwater County 4-H will leverage National 4-H Week this year by showcasing the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

4-H alumni around the country are always the first to acknowledge the significant positive impact 4-H had on them as young people; the opportunities and experiences that 4-H provides youth empowers them to become true leaders. In fact, research has shown that young people in 4-H are almost four times as likely to contribute to their communities, and are twice as likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs in their free time.

In Clearwater County, more than 135 4-H youth and 30 volunteers from the community are involved in 4-H.

About 4-H:

4-H, the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident kids who tackle the issues that matter most in their communities right now. In the United States, 4-H programs empower six million young people through the 110 land-grant universities and Cooperative Extension in more than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. National 4-H Council is the private sector, non-profit partner of the Cooperative Extension System and 4-H National Headquarters located at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Learn more about 4-H at www.4-H.org, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/4-H and on Twitter at https://twitter.com/4H. Contact: Katie Becker, Clearwater County 4-H Program Coordinator 218-694-6151, kabecker@umn.eu

Blood drive successful

Blood drive coordinator Janet Olson has coordinated a very successful blood drive. The drive held in Clearbrook on September 18th saw 49 people volunteer to donate blood and 41 were able to give. Ten people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine that collects two units of red blood cells which resulted in 51 total products. One person volunteered for the first time.

According to Katie Bartelson, Senior Donor Recruitment Representative for United Blood Services, "Communities like Clearbrook make a regional blood program work. People volunteer to donate when there has been a well-organized campaign, informing the public of the need for blood."

Janet Olson was the coordinator and responsible for registering donors, publicity, recruiting donors and providing refreshments. Others who assisted with the drive include: Betty Johnson, Betty Randklev, Betty Langseth, Sybil Bergman, Duane Johnson, Sandy Granley, Cindy Stroller, June Johnson, Lana Wraa, Lori Brein, Margaret Stevens, Marge Johnson, Marlin Olson, the Leader Record and City of Clearbrook. Space to hold the drive was provided at the Old High School - Wes Westrum Gym.

On behalf of the patients who benefited, United Blood Services appreciates all the thoughtful people who volunteered to help others by giving of themselves. To sign up for your next life-saving blood donation appointment, please go to www.unitedbloodservices.org.

Northwest Minnesota Foundation awards grant to Clear Waters Life Center

The Northwest Minnesota Foundation (NMF) awarded a $25,000 grant to Clear Waters Life Center (CWLC) to implement a youth mentoring program. CWLC has been working to revamp their Youth Connection program, which is a faith-based youth program focused on creating an engaging environment that fosters community and personal growth through healthy relationships. The program currently provides after school programming for kids in the Clearbrook and Gonvick communities.

Recently, CWLC hired a new Youth Connection program director, Charis Nordlund. Nordlund has experience implementing a mentorship program in her previous career as a church youth director. She brings this experience to CWLC as they plan to launch the new mentoring program at the beginning of October.

"A mentorship program gives kids an opportunity to meet and interact with positive role models," said Nordlund. "We have kids in this community who don't know what a whole family looks like, so we hope to be able to pair them with mentors who can be an example of what positive relationships look like." CWLC is currently recruiting mentors to participate in the program, and is offering informational sessions to teach adults in the community what it means to be a mentor. Nordlund hopes the outcome of this mentorship program will provide area kids with a better understanding of faith, respect, safety, teamwork and encouragement.

Nate Dorr, NMF community development program officer says "The Foundation has a long history partnering with CWLC. They are deeply committed to serving their neighbors, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact this mentorship program has on families in the Clearbrook and Gonvick area."

CWLC offers a variety of programs, including adult day programs, a thrift store, a garden center, art studios, fitness classes, and support groups. For more information, visit www.clearwaterslife.org.

Community Calendar

Meeting October 10

The Gonvick American Legion Post #304 and Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, October 10, 7:00 p.m. at the Legion Cabin.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Thurs., Oct. 5- Meatball Mashed Potato bowl, WG Dinner roll, WG Cookie (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Fri., Oct. 6 - Turkey Subs w/fixings, Sun Chips, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Mon., Oct. 9 - Hot Ham and Cheese, Sweet Potato Puffs, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Tues. Oct. 10 - Walking Taco, Refried Beans, WG Cookie, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Wed. Oct. 11 - Chicken Patty on WG Bun, Tri Tater, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Meal Prices (Elementary- $2.55; Monthly- $48.45; High School- $2.85- $54.15; Adult- $4.00; Extra Milk- $0.35

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., Oct. 4 - Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Dinner Roll, Pudding Dessert and Milk.

Thurs., Oct. 5 - Chicken Lasagna, Tropical Fruit, Lettuce Dressing, Bread, Bar and Milk

Fri., Oct. 6- Swedish Meatballs, Paprika Potatoes, Country Blend Veg. Bread, Ice Cream and Milk

Mon., Oct. 9 - Beef Noodle Casserole, Green Beans, Peaches, Bread, Pudding and Milk.

Tues., Oct. 10- BBQ Pork Chop, Sweet Potatoes, Winter Blend Veg., Bread, Scalloped Apples 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 Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to meet

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will be meeting on Monday, October 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the clubhouse in Leonard. Trail work will be discussed.

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From the Past



These guys had been out in the fields getting the crops in for the winter. From left to right: Ted Omlid, Ray Graftaas, Marvin Snobeck, Mervin Bakke, Larry Watne, Duane Eck, Don Christenson and Albert Graftaas.

Now hear this...

by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that it has selected Delta Dental of California and MetLife to once again offer private dental insurance plans as part of the VA Dental Insurance Program (VADIP). The program was extended until Dec. 31, 2021, by the VA Dental Insurance Reauthorization Act of 2016. Veterans enrolled in the VA health-care system and beneficiaries of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the VA (CHAMPVA) can enroll in the program beginning Nov. 15, 2017, for coverage to start Dec. 1, 2017. VADIP offers eligible individuals the opportunity to purchase discounted dental insurance coverage, including diagnostic services, preventive services, endodontic and other restorative services, surgical services and emergency services. Individuals who enroll in one of the dental insurance plans will pay the entire premium in addition to the full cost of any copayments. Enrollment is voluntary and does not affect eligibility for VA outpatient dental services and treatment.

The plans are available to eligible individuals in the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Delta Dental and MetLife previously offered insurance plans as part of the three-year VADIP pilot program. Coverage under the VADIP pilot began Jan. 1, 2013, and more than 115,000 Veterans and CHAMPVA beneficiaries enrolled in the program before it expired in January 2017. Individuals who enrolled in a plan during the pilot period must select and enroll in one of the new plans offered by Delta Dental or MetLife. While the insurance providers will remain the same, plan options, fees and other factors may have changed from those offered during the pilot.

I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners. Office(218)694-6618/ Cell(218)556-5340 Hutch

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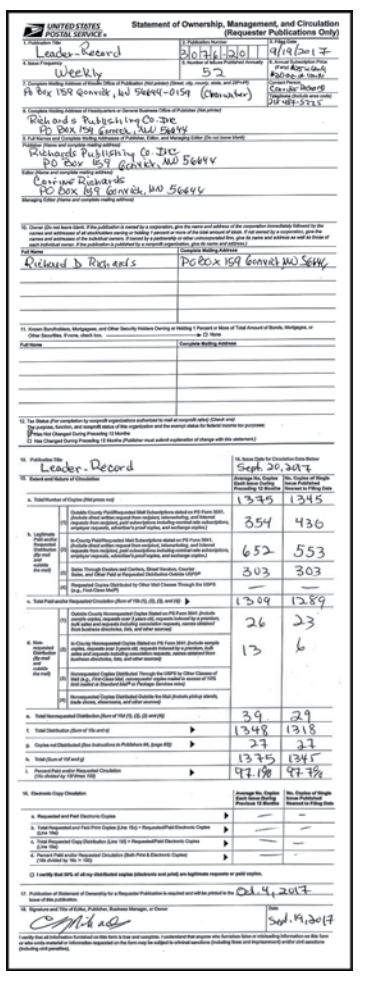
Open to traditional and contemporary Native American artists in all arts disciplines residing in the following Minnesota counties: Becker, Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Itasca, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, or Roseau. This grant offers funding for costs associated with the exhibition, performance, or creation of artistic work; arts mentorships and career enhancing arts learning opportunities.

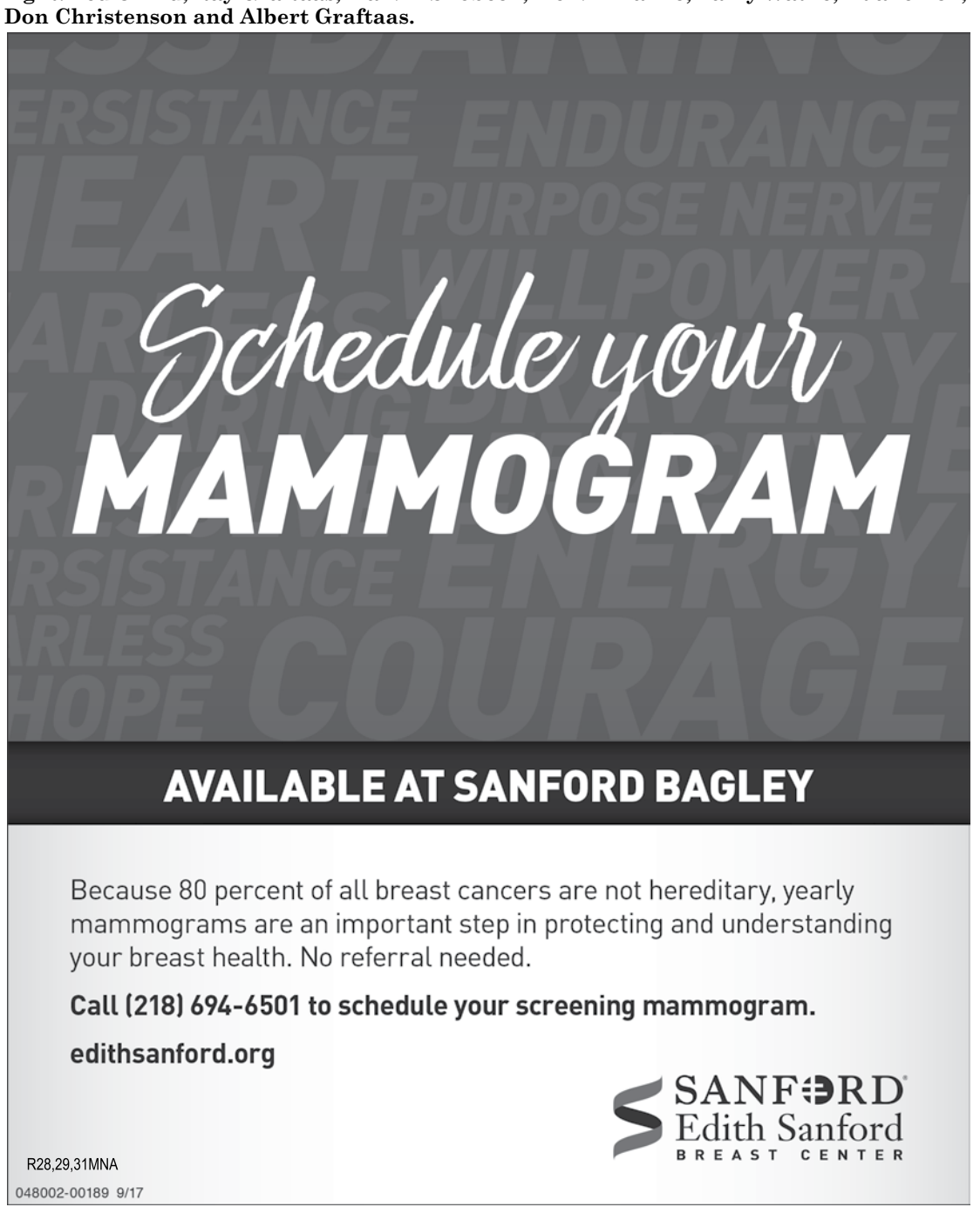
Applications are available online at https://r2arts.org/arts-grants-for-individuals/anishinaabe-grants/ or contact our office for a paper copy.

All grant recipients will submit artistic work to be shown in the Annual AAI Art Exhibit in the Region 2 Arts Council office.

For more information, or with questions, contact Region 2 Arts Council at 218-751-5447; toll-free at 800-275-5447; or via email at staff@r2arts.org.

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





Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

Sept. 23- Lorraine Baugh, Gonvick, $20

Sept. 24- Barbara Janssens, Shevlin, $20.

Sept. 25 - Shirley Puschinsky, Bemidji, $20.

Sept. 26 - Elsa Larson, Clearbrook, $20.

Sept. 27 - Dana Thomas, Frazee, $20.

Sept. 28 - John Hendrickson, Bagley, $20.

Sept. 29 - Jared Gerbracht, Bagley, $20.

Ad deadline: Noon Friday

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

GONVICK SITE:

Friday Night Out & Concert: Oct. 6. German-inspired dinner; serving 5-7. $15 suggested meal donation. Call 218-776-2789 to reserve. Drop-ins welcome. Skålmusik in concert at 7:00 PM with tickets available at the door. $10, over 18.

Senior Connection Adult Day Services: Experience improved overall health for participant & caregiver. "Full" & part-time openings available, M-W-F, 10-3. Assistance with enrollment & transportation, if needed. Call Marilyn, 218-487-5290, Ext. 1.

CLEARBROOK SITE:

Youth Connection opens Tuesday, Oct. 3: After-school program, 3:30-5, for 5th-9th grade. Snack included. FREE. Busing from C-G school available with signed permission slip.

Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7:00 PM, Thursdays, 2nd floor, 256 2nd Ave., SW, Clearbrook. Open to men & women. Confidential. CD Life Skills Class also open & free to the public is held at 2:00 PM.

CWLC-**Gonvick**, 226 Elm St, open Mon., Wed., & Fri., 10-4 & Sat., 9-12. CWLC-**Clearbrook,** 256 2nd Ave., SW. Open 10-4, M-F, & 10-12 on Saturday.

For programs and services, visit: www.clearwaterslife.org, www.mustardseedhomes.org, or www.adultdayservicesgonvick.org and our Facebook pages.

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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.

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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Wed. Oct. 4 - 6:30 p.m. AWANA
Thurs. Oct. 5 - 7 p.m. Bible Study
Sat. Oct. 7 - 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sun. Oct. 8 - 9: 30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Sept. Oct 4: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; No confirmation.
Sun. Oct. 1: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 AM Worship Service
UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sun., Oct. 1: 9:00 AM Worship Service.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., Oct. 4 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group; 7:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer.
Thurs., Oct. 5 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and Prayer, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Quests gathering at LeeAnn Bakke's.
Sun., Oct. 8 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; 5:30 p.m. Solid Rock Bible Study & with soup supper.

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Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept.-May)10:00 a.m. Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Kids Worship (most Sundays) Jr. Church follows, 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (most Sundays).
Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer

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Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd
Sunday, Oct. 8: 9:00am Worship Service/Communion, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School/Coffee Hour; 5 70 7:00 pm Fish Fry potuck-free will offering.
Mon. Oct. 9 - 7:00 pm Church Council.
Wed. Oct. 4 - 6:30pm Choir Practice; 7:30pm Handbell Practice.
Joint
Wed. Oct. 4 - 6:00 p.m. supper/ confirmation/ 6th-7th Grade Bible Study.
Our Savior's
Sat. Oct. 7 - Annual meatball supper starting at 3:00 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 8: 9:30am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship Service/Communion.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Oct. 4: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School
Sat, Oct. 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Oct. 8: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS. 8:30 a.m. Nazareth SS, Nazareth 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Wed, Oct. 11: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. LYS meeting.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed. Oct. 4: 6:00 p.m. Alpha. 6:30p.m. Awana.
Thu, Oct. 5: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Fri, Oct 6: Release Time. 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.
Sat, Oct. 7: 9:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.
Sun, Oct. 8: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Oct. 10: 9:30a.m. Ladies Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30p.m. Bible Study.
Wed. Oct. 11: 6:00 p.m. Alpha. 6:30p.m. Awana.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Sun, Oct. 8: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
Wed, Oct. 11: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
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Sun, Oct. 8: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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

School News

There will be a Firearms Safety Field Day on Saturday, October 7th from 8:30AM-12:00PM, at Bagley HS. Please be there prior to the 8:30AM start of class. DO NOT bring any firearms, they will be provided. Make sure that you complete the Firearms Safety class online (HunterCourse.com) and bring your Field Day Certificate with you to the class. If you have any questions, please contact Conservation Officer Tim Gray at: tim.gray@state.mn.us

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Thur, Oct 5: Cross Country at Warren at 4:00. Release at 1:15, Leave-1:30

Thur, Oct 5: A,B,C VB vs RLCC at 5:00. C at 5:00, B at 6:00, Var at 7:30 PARENTS NIGHT

Thur, Oct 5: JH VB at Laporte at 5:00. 7th at 5:00, 8th at 6:00. Release-3:30, Leave-3:15.

Fri, Oct 6: Varsity football at Waubun at 7:00. Leave at 4:45

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: Tutoring hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 3:20-5:20 and Wednesday 2:30- 5:20. There will be a late bus leaving at 5:30 to Red Lake.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Community Education

Register by calling Community Ed. at 776-3112 ext 102. 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 we are on Facebook!

DEFENSIVE DRIVING-Glenn Rettmann

Participants receive a thorough review of the "rules of the road", with an emphasis on defensive driving practices. If you are 55 or older, successful completion of this class will allow you to receive a discount on your auto insurance. Note: If you've completed an 8 hour class you need only register for the 4 hour "refresher" course. Renewal is needed every three years.

Note: Please use door #12 on the north side of the school

Mon, Oct 16 (refresher class)5:00-9:00 PM

Room 414 $15.00

Mon & Tue, Oct 16 & 17 (8 hr) 5:00-9:00 PM

Room 414 $20.00

Bear Wear—

It's time to order!!

Order forms and samples available:

October 5: after school & volleyball (3:00-8:30)

October 10: after school & volleyball (3:00-8:30)

October 17: football (6:30-8:30)

Wednesday, October 18 (1:00-7:30) during Parent-Teacher Conferences

Last day to order: Tuesday, October 24!

Delivery by mid-November

Get your Christmas presents early!

This is a fundraiser for our Summer Recreation program!!

For more info: Contact Judy Engebretson at 218-776-3112 Ext 102

SPOTLIGHT

October Teacher Feature:
Pam Bagaason, Sixth Grade Teacher

"So often you find that the students you are trying to inspire are the ones that end up inspiring you." - Sean Junkins.

Pamela Kaye Bagaason started teaching sixth grade in October of 1996 after Diane Moen took a leave of absence. Pam credits mentors like Sharon Johnson, Sherry Rettmann, and Theresa Porter for helping shape her into the teacher that she is today.

Pam was blessed to grow up in Mott, ND, a small town in the southwestern part of the state. She attended Jamestown College, where she met her husband, Mark. Pam graduated with a teaching degree from Bemidji State University. She and Mark have two daughters: Cassandra and Kayla, a son-in-law Mark, and a granddaughter, Lyla. She is extremely appreciative for the opportunity to work with some amazing teachers and admirable staff members. Pam has always been honored and proud to be part of the Clearbrook-Gonvick elementary staff.

Why did you choose to be a teacher? *I think I've always wanted to be a teacher. It runs in my family. My dad was a Social Studies teacher in ND, and one of my inspirations. My grandmother and great aunt were teachers and we always used to play school at home. My third grade teacher left a lasting impression on me, as did my music teachers, both in elementary and High School. To this day, my hometown friends STILL talk about our music programs and the infamous Cafe Concerts. I've been going to school since I was five, and I still get excited for it to start every Fall. I love learning, and I love building a connection with the students. I want to make a difference.*

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? *Before coming to C-G, I was a teacher and long-term substitute in Fosston, MN and before that I taught Elementary Music and private piano lessons in Oklee, MN. I grew up in a small town, Mott, in southwestern North Dakota. I have always been proud to be a "ND girl". My music and sports background took me to Jamestown College where I was privileged to sing in their choir and play women's basketball, (and meet my future husband).*

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick? *That's an easy question. The best part of my job is being surrounded by a "Land of 10,000 Great Kids" and some very "Minnesota Nice" people.*

What is the biggest challenge of your job? *I think one of the biggest challenges every teacher faces is TIME...or the lack thereof. There are SO many things that teachers want to do, and do well, but are limited by time, myself included.*

If you could have any job in the world - what would it be? Why? *I've always said that the perfect job is a part-time job, especially if you are a parent. The hardest job in the world is being a parent-a good one. But, the most rewarding. The perfect job…? Hmm...I think I would like to be a professional organizer and help people de-stress their lives.*

There is a rumor that you have a secret talent. Are you willing to share it? *Ha! I don't think I have a secret talent, but I'll list a few things you might not know about me. I was a Bible Camp Counselor in Medora. I love playing basketball and golf. I can hold my own at ping-pong. I love watching movies. I am an avid reader. I love Pinterest. I am passionate about cursive handwriting. I can drive a motorcycle, a stick shift (including three-on-the-tree), a John Deere combine, and am an expert at parallel parking. Secretly talented? Not really.*

What do you do when you are not working at the school? *I love to try new things like crocheting, stitching, or cooking. I enjoy golfing, being in a book club, and watching TV. I love music. I enjoy playing piano and ringing in the Good Shepherd Bell Choir. I also like to clean and organize. (I know that's weird.) But, most of all, my husband and I LOVE to spend time with our daughters and granddaughter.*

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community? *I have met some amazing people in small town USA. The "Minnesota Nice" phrase may actually have been coined here. I am proud to be a rural Minnesotan. (...and I try to be "nice".) I love it when people take pride in their community. I'd also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank each and every community member and parent that donates their time and talents to support the Clearbrook-Gonvick School. YOU make a difference.*



Pamela Kaye Bagaason.

And now a few words from the students about Mrs. Bagaason...

Mrs. Bagaason is very musical. What song makes you think of Mrs. Bagaason? "Grammar Rock" "Happy" "Rumor Has It" "Watch Me" (Whip/Nae Nae) "Grammar Rock" "You are my Sunshine" "Noel" "Rumor Has It"

Mrs. Bagaason enjoys reading books for fun. What is a book or book series you think she enjoys to read? Why? ""The Land of Stories' because she reads it all the time." "'Schooled' She reads it every year to her class." "The Twits" "Slob" "Schooled by Gordon Korman because she said she likes it." "Schooled" ""The Land of Stories' she is interested in the books."

What is the best thing about Mrs. Bagaason? "She is always smiling." "She is really fun." "She is fun and active." "She likes to play games in her class." "She lets us play word games every Thursday." "Math" "Very neat"

What do you think Mrs. Bagaason was like when she was in sixth grade? "Smart. Very smart." "Teacher's pet." "I think she was shy and not very talkative." "Tall and very good at school." "Sweet."

Mrs. Bagaason has a secret talent. What do you think it is? "Calligraphy" "Dancing" "Doodling" "Playing the French horn" "Eating chocolate very fast" "Text talking" "Perfect cursive"

If you could send Mrs. Bagaason on a vacation anywhere in the world, where would you send her? Why would you send her there? "Hawaii because it is tropical." "Orlando, Florida where it is hot all year." "Duluth because she likes Minnesota history." "To the Aztec temples in Mexico because she loves history." Washington, DC or Seattle Washington." "Egypt because I want to go there." "Medora so she can golf at Bully Pulpit."

What is one thing Mrs. Bagaason ALWAYS says? "Stuff and things" "Be quiet in the hallway" "Stuff" "'POP' but it is with her mouth not words" "Jabberwocky" "Five" "Stuff and things"

CG Cross Country Runners visit East Grand Forks.

Last Thursday Sept. 28 the Clearbrook-Gonvick Cross Country team traveled to East Grand Forks for their meet. It was a beautiful day with lots of sunshine and low winds making it an ideal day to run. In the junior high girls 2 mile race, Jennifer Lavin won her 3rd consecutive race of the season. She led from start to finish, running away from the field to take first with a time of 14:44, improving her time by 5 seconds over last year.

Bailey Klema ran a strong race to take 2nd with a time of 15:13. Madison Gerlofs ran another good race to take 5th with a time of 16:27. All three girls earned t-shirts for their top 5 finish. Also running for the junior high girls were Makinna Hartwig placing 13th with a time if 19:15 and Julie Lavin placing 16th with a time of 20:32.

In the junior high boys 2 mile race, Gabe Lavin ran a tough race and placed 13th with a time of 13:33 and finishing right behind him in 14th place was John DeVries with a great time of 13:36. John's time was almost a minute faster than his time at this course last year. Also running for the junior high boys were Avery Lavine who placed 39th with a time of 15:48 and Daniel Rankin who placed 48th with a time of 18:14. Both Daniel and Avery have been improving every week.

In the girls varsity 3 mile race Arabella Corey continued her improvement by running a course best of 26:58 to place 39th. Arabella improved her time by 30 seconds over last year. Also running for the Bears in this race were Zoe Balda Steffens who placed 47th with a good time of 29:01 and Kristen Weems who ran her first race ever and took 51st with a time of 32:25..

In the boys varsity 3 mile race, Maccabee Hammer took 31st with a time of 21:22 and Josh Lavin took 35th with a time of 21:35. Both boys ran good, passing a number of runners over the course of 3 miles.

The Bears will compete at Warren on Thursday Oct. 5th.



Bailey Klema, Madison Gerlofs and Jennifer Lavin with their hard earned T-shirts. Photo and information courtesy Coach John Lavin.



The start of the boys junior high race.



To the right.

Zoe and Kristen at the beginning of their race.

Shown below.

Another successful meet completed!



COUNSELORS CORNER: There will be a Financial Aid Meeting for Senior Parents at the school on Wed., October 18th at 6pm in the school library during parent teacher conferences. This meeting will consist of Financial Aid and FAFSA information. As some of you may know, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can be submitted any time after October 1st for the school year starting the fall of the next year (October 1, 2017, for the 2018-2019) school year)

October is College Knowledge Month. Seniors will be able to apply to a lot of schools for FREE!!!

The Bemidji State University representative will be at the school on Tuesday Oct 17th at 10:30am.

The U of M Duluth representative will be at the school on Thursday, October 26th at 2:15pm.

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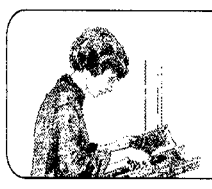
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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The annual meatball supper will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Leonard on Saturday, October 7 with serving from 3 to 7 pm. They even have homemade lefse and pie.

Pumpkin Day is over. What a beautiful day it was except for the wind. It was such a nice sunny day that I forgot to put sun screen on my nose and boy is it ever cute. My red cheeks are better but not my nose. Five car owners received $100 each for their car as the owners choice for the best cars. Jerry Lowe II from Grand Forks donated his $100 check to the school to be used for supplies for teachers. I still have the check and will get it taken care of. Money for the event was donated by the Gonvick Jubilee.

The 49er truck that was supposed to come to Gonvick had technical difficulties and did not arrive. They promised to be at Pumpkin Day next year.

Last week our newspapers had a bad week. Page 2 of the Canary did not get printed. Instead a page 2 from the Oklee Herald was inserted into the Canary section by the Thief River Falls Times who prints our newspapers each week. In the Oklee Herald they were then blessed with two pages of page 2 as that same page went in Oklee twice. Our apologies for the mix up. We will be putting in the articles that were not included last week. They include a Hagen new arrival, Violet Ferdens 90th birthday party and the fatal accident on Highway 92 along with several fall dinners and Friday night out information.

Friday, October 6 is Friday Night Out at the Clear Waters Life Center in Gonvick. They will be serving a authentic German menu from 5 to 7 pm. You can listen to Scandinavian music with Skålmusik in the center following the dinner.

Obituaries in the Canary are also put on our website for you to see. Go online at tricocanary.com. They are free and updated as they come into our office.

We collect used eye glasses in our office in Gonvick and at the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center. We do this for the Gonvick Lions Club and they are put to very good use.

Joke time...

Ole was involved in a car accident, and the police came up and asked him: "Who is responsible for this crash?"

Ole said, "I don't know, I was looking in another direction."

Teacher

There was this Swedish teacher who was yelling at his class because they were so incredibly lazy, "I wouldn't be surprised if 50% of you flunk this math class," he said. One of the kids put up his hand. "But teacher, there aren't that many in this class," he said.

From my email...

A lot of talk lately on the NFL protests and planned protests.

"Understand this...

You want to take a knee?

Take a little trip to Valley Forge in January. If you don't where that is, just Google it from the sidelines. Hold a musket ball in your fingers and imagine it piercing your flesh and breaking a bone or two. There won't be a doctor or trainer to assist you until after the battle, so just wait your turn.. Take your cleats and socks off to get a real experience. Then take a knee.

Then take one at the beach in Normandy where man after American man stormed the beach, even as the one in front of him was shot to pieces...the very sea stained with American blood. The only blockers most had were the dead bodies in front of them, riddled with bullets from enemy fire.

Take a knee in the sweat soaked jungles of Vietnam, from the Khe San to Saigon. Anywhere will do. Americans died in all those jungles. There was no playbook that told them what was next, but they knew what flag they represented. When they came home, they were protested as well.. and spit on for reasons only cowards know.

Take another knee in the blood drenched sands of Fallujah in 110 degree heat. Wear your kevlar helmet and battle dress. Your number won't be printed on it unless your number is up! You'll need to stay hydrated but there won't be anyone to squirt Gatorade into your mouth. You're on your own.

There's a lot of places to take a knee. Americans have given their lives all over the world. When you use the banner under which they fought as a source for your displeasure, you dishonor the memories of those who bled for the very freedoms you have. That's what the red stripes mean. It represents the blood of those who spilled a sea of it defending your liberty.

While you're on your knee, pray for those that came before you, not on a manicured lawn striped and printed with numbers to announce every inch of ground taken... but on nameless hills and bloodied beaches and sweltering forests and bitter cold mountains...every inch marked by an American life lost serving that flag you protest.

No cheerleaders, no announcers, no coaches, no fans... just American men and women...delivering the real fight against those who chose to harm us.....blazing a path so you would have the right to "take a knee."

You haven't an inkling what it took to get you where you are...but your "protest" is duly noted. Not only is it disgraceful to a nation of real heroes, it serves the purpose of pointing to your ingratitude for those who chose to defend you under that banner that will wave long after your jersey is retired

NFL protesting the flag

Ret. Marine Col. Jeffery Powers wrote to the NFL commissioners the following:

Commissioners,

I've been a season pass holder at Yankee Stadium, Yale Bowl and the Giants Stadium.

I missed the '90-'91 season because I was with a battalion of Marines in Desert Storm. 14 of my wonderful Marines returned home with the American Flag draped across their lifeless bodies. My last conversation with one of them, Sgt. Garrett Mongrella, was about how our Giants were going to the Super Bowl. He never got to see it. Many friends, Marines, and Special Forces Soldiers who worked with or for me through the years returned home with the American Flag draped over their coffins.

Now I watch multi-millionaire athletes who never did anything in their lives but play a game, disrespect what brave Americans fought and died for. They are essentially spitting in the faces and on the graves of real men, men who have actually done something for this country beside playing with a ball and believing they're something special! They're not! My Marines and Soldiers were!

You are complicit in this! You'll fine players for large and small infractions but you lack the moral courage and respect for our nation and the fallen to put an immediate stop to this. Yes, I know, it's their 1st Amendment right to behave in such a despicable manner.

What would happen if they came out and disrespected you or the refs publicly?

I observed a player getting a personal foul for twerking in the end zone after scoring I guess that's much worse than disrespecting the flag and our National Anthem. Hmmmmm, isn't it his 1st Amendment right to express himself like an idiot in the end zone?

Why is taunting not allowed yet taunting America is OK? You fine players for wearing 9-11 commemorative shoes yet you allow scum on the sidelines to sit, kneel or pump their pathetic fist in the air They are so deprived with their multi-million dollar contracts for playing a freaking game!

You condone it all by your refusal to act. You're just as bad and disgusting as they are. I hope Americans boycott any sponsor who supports that rabble you call the NFL. I hope they turn off the TV when any team that allowed this disrespect to occur, without consequence, on the sidelines. I applaud those who have not.

Legends and heroes do NOT wear shoulder pads. They wear body armor and carry rifles.

They make minimum wage and spend months and years away from their families. They don't do it for an hour on Sunday. They do it 24/7 often with lead, not footballs, coming in their direction. They watch their brothers carted off in pieces not on a gurney to get their knee iced. They don't even have ice! Many don't have legs or arms.

Some wear blue and risk their lives daily on the streets of America. They wear fire helmets and go upstairs into the fire rather than down to safety. On 9-11, hundreds vanished. They are the heroes.

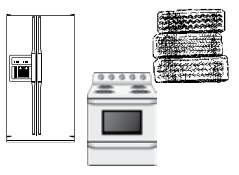
I hope that your high paid protesting pretty boys and you look in that mirror when you shave tomorrow and see what you really are, legends in your own minds. You need to hit the road and take those worms with you!

Time to change the channel.

Powers originally sent his letter to former Florida congressman Allen West. West then posted the letter to his news website.

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A big thank you to everyone who donated or volunteered at Pumpkin Day in Gonvick this past weekend!!!

The donated items and cash prizes for drawings that were held for the car show, kids, adults and, of course, the big pumpkin weigh-off were very much appreciated!!

It was a wonderful day thanks to everyone who participated!

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National Newspaper Week

By Jim Pumarlo

Nothing is more satisfying to an editor than reviewing a day's edition – whether in print or digital format – and quietly proclaiming, "We connected with our readers." A newspaper's relationship with its readers is at the heart of National Newspaper Week.

Newspapers, at their best, are stewards of our communities. News columns are a blend of stories that people like to read and stories they should read. Advertising promotes and grows local commerce. Editorial pages are a marketplace of ideas. Energized newspapers are at the foundation of energized communities.

Connecting with readers also means delivering the chicken dinner – and steak, too. No matter how big the newspaper, we must not forget the little things. No matter how small an operation, newsrooms must strive to present the special projects, too.

There's no better barometer of connecting with readers than walking into a house and seeing the "refrigerator" posts.

A report of a high school sporting event. The calendar of activities at the senior center. A photo from the school musical. A notice of a hearing on proposed sidewalk assessments. New hours for the landfill. A feature on a neighborhood book club. A letter to the editor that struck a sensitive chord. A school board announcement of higher student athletic fees. A store's grand opening.

Newspapers must not abandon their other responsibilities either. We keep readers abreast of decisions of local governing bodies. We are vigilant in fighting for the First Amendment rights and tracking down information at the foundation of an informed citizenry. We provide in-depth reports and analysis of issues vital to our readers.

Make no mistake, competition for readers' attention is at an all-time high. That only raises editors' resolve. I'm a firm believer that community newspapers can still claim a stronghold in today's fractured media landscape by sticking to the basics.

We have a distinct advantage as the clearinghouse for all local news – the good and the bad, the routine and the sensitive. Our words and photos represent a living history of our home towns. We deliver information using the full range of print and digital platforms.

Most important, we have a relationship with our readers. We live, work and play with the very individuals who represent the names, faces and places in our everyday coverage. We welcome your comments and take your suggestions to heart. In the end, reader comments are the most honest evaluation of our work. A newspaper void of reader interaction is a newspaper of little value.

Jim Pumarlo is a former editor of Red Wing Republican Eagle who serves on the Minnesota News Media Institute Board of Directors.

Former NFL Quarterback Ryan Leaf to Speak

Former National Football League (NFL) quarterback Ryan Leaf will be the featured speaker for National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week on Wednesday, October 18, 2017, at 7 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium at the University of Minnesota Crookston. The event is free and open to the public. Parking is recommended in Lot G and no parking permits are required. Leaf, a graduate of Washington State University (WSU), was a standout quarterback leading the WSU Cougars to the 1998 Rose Bowl. He went on to play professionally in the NFL, but injuries cut his career short. He also battled a painkiller addiction that further affected his life.

Now an author and motivational speaker, Leaf shares his message of perseverance, gratitude, and hope. Whether he is conducting assemblies at local schools, or speaking directly to students in a classroom, Ryan Leaf is dedicated to helping young adults reach, and maintain, their potential.

Leaf currently serves as the program ambassador for Transcend Recovery Community and its mentoring Program. Given his personal growth and road to recovery, He also appears as a guest analyst on numerous national radio shows while writing and speaking nationwide. He is passionate about helping young adults manage the stress and difficulty of high school, college, and the transition to adulthood.

Ryan Leaf is the voice for the recovery community. His mission is to reach anyone in need of hope. At one time, he felt completely consumed by his mental health issues and the only way to pacify his pain was with drugs. Out of that desolation, he hopes to inspire others to begin their road to recovery to see that happiness and health can always be achieved. He chooses to share his story dealing with mental health issues and substance abuse in order to reach the person who cannot yet imagine a better life for themselves.

He is also a strong advocate for military service men and women. His father is a veteran and works with the foundation Merging Vets & Players (MVP), an organization comprised of a blend of combat veterans, players, coaches, and mentors, who understand what it means to overcome adversity, and who rise to face every challenge affecting the veteran community.

Leaf's wish is to be an example that a better life is always possible. The event is sponsored by Counseling Services at the U of M Crookston.

Holiday Showcase to return

Clear Waters Life Center (CWLC) has been awarded a grant from Bemidji Area Arts Endowment to plan and produce "An International Christmas Holiday Showcase". CWLC will be hosting the Holiday Showcase Dinner Theater, December 1st, at CWLC-Gonvick in the Imagine It! Event Center (gym), incorporating it into their "Friday Night Out" event. The dinner will feature Prime Rib with traditional Christmas foods from around the world.

The showcase will consist of a three-vignette drama featuring Swedish, German, and Mexican Christmas celebrations interspersed with a variety of individual or group acts from our surrounding communities. CWLC invites community participation. Vocalists, instrumental music, dramatic reading, or family-friendly comedy are welcome.

If you, a community or church group, family members, or friends would like to participate in the variety show or the community theatre we would love to have you join us! For the variety show, please contact Laura Binder at 218-556-0226.

To participate in the community theatre practices, contact Becky Dorman at 218-487-5290, Ext #2 or 218 776-2789! Theater practices will be held Wednesdays, October 18th through November 29th, 3:00 to 4:00 PM at CWLC Gonvick.



Norman Rude, donated this beautiful American flag to the Senior Connection in Gonvick. Shown in front of the flag are front row left to right: Betty Merseth, Lavonne Noetzel, Edna Stoskopf. Back row: Adam Berg, Winnie Stinar, Carol Russell, Marilyn Shamp, Charlotte Coyle, Troy Thiel, Adam Dekes. Photo by Carol Reed.

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CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 21, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wetrum at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Richard Hetland, Chris Westrum, Corey Petterson, Tom Stenzel, Absent: James Galloway, Tracy Imle, and Kris Snyder. Also present: Superintendent Wayne Olson, Principal Burgess, 2 staff members, and 1 community member.

1. **Town Hall Meeting** (Odd Number Months)

4 **Community Comments** – None

5 **Spotlight on Education** – None

6 **Approval of Agenda –** MMS Stenzel/Petterson to approve agenda as amended. Item 11.3 – Nursing Contract will be postponed until next month, and Item 11.1.7 the para up for approval is Jennifer Mathison.

7 **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting -** MMS Stenzel/Hetland to approve minutes as presented from the July 17, 2017 meeting. MCU

8 **Informational Items**

8.1 **Principal Report** – **Principal Report** – Principal Burgess discussed the following items: **1) Positions for Upcoming Year** – With tonight's approval, positions are filled for the upcoming school year. **2) Handbook Updates** – Information has been sent to families via a letter. Students will receive updates on the first day of school. **3) Official State Test Scores** – Reading – up 3.5%, Science – Up 11.9%, and Math – Up 4% **4) Goals** – The District long-term goal was to reach the state level of Reading. The District Goal was to increase reading proficiency by 4% over the last 3 years. Currently – the State is at 60.2% in Reading. CG is at 52.5%. The State is at 58.5% in Math, and CG is at 46.3. The State is at 54.2% in Science and CG is at 51.9%. Clearbrook-Gonvick has surpassed Bagley in all District Categories. **5) Curriculum** – We are implementing a new Science Curriculum. Expect a drop in test scores next year. Benchmark reports will help us see patterns of scores. Benchmark reports will be linked to data and used throughout curriculum. **6) Class Sizes –** Third grade is currently at 27, with a possibility of more enrollees. A group of elementary teachers met earlier this year and suggested splitting. Third grade will be together as a whole class approximately two hours of the 6.75 hours per day. **7) Events** – Registration, New Teacher Orientation, Meet the Bears, In-Service, Open House, and the First Day of School will all take place within the next 2 weeks.

8.2 **Superintendent Report** – Mr. Olson discussed the following items: **1) Building & Grounds** – Building is in shape. Major project this summer was the plumbing system. Water lines were replaced. **2) Title Application** – Is Completed **3) Student Numbers** – We will have approximately 220 in Elementary and 213 in the High School. We will have a more accurate number after the first 2 weeks of school. **4) Reporting Calendar** – Mr. Olson handed out the mandatory reporting calendar for the year. It involves office staff and administrators to meet reports deadlines. **5) MDE Conference** – Mr. Olson gave a short report on the MDE conference he recently attended. He spoke specifically on the ESS (Every Student Succeeds) Act. This will bring changes to the State Report Card. **6) Audit** – The Audit team was here last week. We have not received preliminary numbers yet, however the audit went more smoothly. One item to decide upon is if we would like to receive the audit report in person or via teleconference/skype. The board is open to teleconference unless there is a particular issue they would like to discuss. **7) Staff Breakfast** – Mr. Olson reminded the board members that some of them agreed to serve breakfast during the staff workshop day.

8.3 **Committee Report**s – None

9 **Consent Calendar –** MMS Stenzel/Petterson to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU

9.1 Approval of Bills Presented

Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings: 64953 – 64980/Wires

Payroll Checks 0029929 – 0029938

August Bills
Voucher Numbers: 49749 – 49952
Check Numbers: 64981 – 65089

Total Payroll/Expense Checks Approved: $423,116.27

9.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

9.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

10 **Old Business**

10.1 No Old Business

11 **New Business**

11.1 **Personnel**

11.1.1 **Approval of Resignation of Charmaine Barranco, Sp Ed Para –** MMS Stenzel/Hetland to approve resignation. MCU.

11.1.2 **Approval of Resignation of Gus Vettleson, Math Teacher –** MMS Stenzel/Petterson to approve resignation. MCU.

Chairman Westrum thanked Mr. Vettleson for his years of service. He will be missed.

11.1.3 **Approval of Andrew Kaucher, English Teacher –** MMS Stenzel/Hetland to approve. MCU.

11.1.4 **Approval of Mary Mohr, Sp Ed Para –** MMS Heltand/Stenzel to approve. MCU

11.1.5 **Approval of Sheree Hoie, Sp Ed Para –** MMS Petterson/Stenzel to approve. MCU

11.1.6 **Approval of Shelby Dukek, Math Teacher –** MMS Hetland/Petterson to approve. MCU

11.1.7 **Approval of, Jennifer Mathison, Sp Ed Para –** MMS Petterson/Stenzel to approve. MCU

11.1.8 **Approval of Carly Bergman, Assistant Volleyball Coach –** MMS Stenzel/Petterson to approve. MCU

11.1.9 **Approval of Jalina Gerlofs, PT ECFE Para –** MMS Stenzel/Hetland to approve. MCU

11.2 **Discussion on Technology Para Employment –** Mr. Olson discussed the position that works with technology, media, lunch numbers. The current person is on a 9 month contract. The previous Superintendent promised that the position would be a 12 month position. This would not really be much of a change because she currently works through the summer. As per the union, we cannot unilaterally decide that the position is 12 months without posting the position. There would be additional benefits as per the contract. Discussion was held. MMS Petterson/Hetland to procede with changing position from a 9 to a 12 month position, and post a 12 month para position in the newspaper. MCU.

11.3 **Approval of Nursing Contract for 2017-2018 –** Postponed until next meeting.

11.4 **Approval of Bus Routes for 2017-2018 –** MMS Stenzel/Hetland to approve bus routes as presented. MCU.

12 **Action Items for September Meeting –**

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13 **Adjournment –** MMS Hetland/Petterson to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. MCU

Next Regular Meeting – Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWN HALL /REGULAR MEETING JULY 17, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wetrum at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Kris Snyder, Jeff Westrum, Tracy Imle, Richard Hetland, James Galloway, and Corey Petterson. Absent: Tom Stenzel, Also present: Superintendent Wayne Olson, Principal Burgess, 3 staff members, and 1 community member

1. **Town Hall Meeting** (Odd Number Months)

4 **Community Comments** – None

5 **Spotlight on Education** – None

6 **Approval of Agenda –** MMS Imle/Galloway to approve agenda as amended – item 11.1.3. MCU

7 **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting -** MMS Petterson/Imle to approve minutes as presented from the June 19th meeting. MCU

8 **Informational Items**

8.1 **Principal Report** – **Principal Report** – Principal Burgess discussed the following items: **1) Handbook Updates** – Some of the changes to policy included cell phones, the dress code, and extracurricular behavior expectations/consequences. 2) **Staffing for the following positions –** The District has 2 para positions left to fill, and a High School English position. 3) **Summer School –** Two students have taken summer school through NESC. They have until the end of August to complete their courses.

8.2 **Superintendent Report** – Mr. Olson discussed the following items: 1) Summer Projects – Custodial staff projects are moving ahead. Pipe repair project is ongoing, and should be done soon. 2) The transportation contract has been forwarded to Steins, and they should be in soon to sign the contract. 3) Resignation in HS Language Arts – The position is posted. We have discussed the possibility of getting a variance if needed

8.3 **Committee Report**s –

8.3.1.1 **Transportation –** The committee met and reviewed the contract for Stein's

9 **Consent Calendar –** MMS Petterson/Imle to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU

9.1 Approval of Bills Presented

Approval of Bills Presented
Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings: 64886 – 64908, 64952

Payroll Checks 0029881 – 0029928

June Bills (Cleanup Vouchers)
Voucher Numbers: 49575 – 49624
Check Numbers: 64909 – 64930

July Bills
Voucher Numbers: 49625 – 49659
Check Numbers: 64931 – 64951

Total Payroll/Expense Checks Approved: $513,726.31

9.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

9.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

10 **Old Business**

10.1 No Old Business

11 **New Business**

11.1 **Personnel**

11.1.1 **Resignation of Mark Carter, Language Arts Teacher –** MMS Imle/Galloway to approve resignation. MCU.

11.1.2 **Approval of Athletic Coaches, 2017-18 –** MMS Galloway/Hetland to approve coaches as presented. MCU.

11.1.3 **Resignation of Anna Morris, Paraprofessional –** MMS Imle/Galloway to approve resignation. MCU

11.2 **Approval of Education Minnesota Clearbrook-Gonvick Contract –** MMS Imle/Hetland to approve contract as presented. MCU

11.3 **Approval of Elementary Handbook –** MMS Imle/Snyder to approve handbook as presented. MCU.

11.4 **Approval of High School Handbook –** MMS Imle/Petterson to approve handbook as presented. MCU.

11.5 **Approval of Sanford Sports Medicine Contract –** MMS Galloway/Imle to approve contract as presented. MCU

11.6 **Approval of Lunch Fees and Vendor Bids for the 2017-2018 School Year –**

Approve Land O'Lakes - MMS Imle/Petterson to accept Milk Bid for the 2017-2018 school year. MCU

Approve U.S. Foods - MMS Imle/Galloway to accept the U.S. Food bid for vendor services 17-18 school year. MCU.

Approve 5 cent increase on student and adult meals & milk – MMS Imle/Galloway to accept the lunch fee schedule as presented. MCU

11.7 **Approval of Activity Fees –** MMS Galloway/Hetland to approve activity fees as presented. MCU.

11.8 **Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue –** Supt. Olson presented the projected LTFM revenue for the 2017-2018 school year. MMS Galloway/Petterson to approve LTFM Revenue report as presented. MCU.

11.9 **Resolution Approving LTFM Plan –** MMS Imle/Petterson to approve resolution. Roll Call Vote – Petterson - Aye, Galloway - Aye, Hetland - Aye, Snyder - Aye, Imle - Aye, and Westrum - Aye. MCU

11.10 **Adding Student Custodial Summer Help –** Supt Olson requested that 2 students who applied to CEP but did not receive jobs due to CEP funding issues be hired by the district to help custodians to finish the summer cleaning schedule. MMS Petterson/Snyder to approve adding student custodial summer help. MCU.

12 **Action Items for August Meeting –**

12.1 Hiring for open positions

13 **Adjournment –** MMS Imle/Galloway to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. MCU

Next Regular Meeting – Monday, August 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. R28C

News and Views

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Bales left in the field can be costly for many reasons



Source: Andre Bonneau PAg Forage Management Specialist, Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture

In late summer, we see many bales left sitting out in the fields. While hay bales may make the countryside more scenic, we may not realize the cost of leaving the hay on the field longer than necessary.

Once the bales have cooled, the bales can be taken to the feed-yard and stacked. Unless the bales are used for bale grazing, leaving that hay out in the fields until freeze-up can prove expensive.

In many parts of the province, most of the cost of a hay bale is in cutting and baling, not the forage itself. Depending on yield, it can cost up to $30 to cut and roll a 1500-pound bale. If the bale is valued at $55, the forage in the bale is worth $25. When about half the cost of the bale is spent on cutting and baling, it makes good sense to protect those bales as much as possible.

Damage to the stand

The forage plants smothered by a hay bale will be suppressed until the bale is removed. The longer the bale stays in one spot, the less likely the forage will recover and the area could become a prime site for weed invasion. Often, dandelion infestations in alfalfa stands come from areas where the alfalfa was stressed and suppressed.

Research from Wisconsin has shown that wheel traffic does less damage to the alfalfa stand early in the regrowth period. In other words, the larger the alfalfa plant, the more damage wheel traffic will do to it. This can be very important if a second cut is planned for mid-August.

Damage to the bale

Bales left in the field often flatten out and soften. Loading, handling and hauling those bales can be difficult as some of the bales will fall apart and dry matter losses will increase.

A bale left in the field is exposed to the elements in all directions. If three inches of the outside surface of a 5 x 6 bale is spoiled, it represents about 30 percent of the hay in that bale. In a 1,500-pound or 682-kilogram bale, a 30 percent loss represents 450 pounds (204 kilograms) of hay. Storing bales reduces the number of exposed surfaces and can reduce losses, especially if shelter can be provided.

To minimize losses, research suggests bales should be stored end-to-end with the rows spaced one to two feet apart. The purpose is to minimize the amount of snow that sits on the hay and allow the snow-melt and rain to run off as quickly as possible.

Some producers store bales in the "mushroom" style, where the bottom bale is on end while the top bale lies on its side. This style provides less protection than end-to-end, especially if the rows are tight to each other.

It's been found that the bottom bales tend to act as a wick and draw moisture from the ground. However, it is popular as it can still shed some water, take up less space and the twine doesn't freeze to the ground.

If the bales are stored for short periods, the rows are spaced and the majority of the bales will be used before spring melt, either style is acceptable.

Save money

Hauling bales through the snow, especially if you have to plough your way to the bales adds a lot of expense to the hay. Hay is expensive to put up. Leaving hay out on the hay field can cause deterioration and dry matter losses. Bales can also damage the forage stand and add expense to your forage production costs.

Certified contracts settled for the district

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School District board settled their contracts with the certified staff. The contracts are for the 2017-2018 school year and the 2018-2019 school year.

First year teachers who were on Step 1 of the 2015-2016 salary schedule received $35,610 and this year will be at step 2 and receive $38,719. A raise of $3,109. The same amount applies on the BA10 if you went from step 6 to step 7. One would go from $41,252 to $46,439 for the second year. This is the increase on every step for every staff member for the school year. This does not include insurance and other benefits.

The second year of the contract each staff member will go to the next step of years service and will receive an increase of $2,187.00 over the last year's contract.

Salary Schedule 2015-2016

STEP	BA	BA10	BA20	BA30	BA40/MA	MA10	MA20	MA30
1	35,610	36,960	38,310	39,660	41,010	42,360	43,710	45,060
2	36,447	37,797	39,147	40,497	41,847	43,197	44,547	45,897
3	37,284	38,634	39,984	41,334	42,684	44,034	45,384	46,734
4	38,120	39,470	40,820	42,170	43,520	44,870	46,220	47,570
5	38,957	40,307	41,657	43,007	44,357	45,707	47,057	48,407
6	39,794	41,144	42,494	43,844	45,194	46,544	47,894	49,244
7	40,631	41,981	43,331	44,681	46,031	47,381	48,731	50,081
8	41,467	42,817	44,167	45,517	46,867	48,217	49,567	50,917
9	42,304	43,654	45,004	46,354	47,704	49,054	50,404	51,754
10	43,141	44,491	45,841	47,191	48,541	49,891	51,241	52,591
11	46,226	47,576	48,926	50,276	51,626	52,976	54,326	55,676
12					52,463	53,813	55,163	56,513
13						54,650	56,000	57,350
14							56,837	58,187
15								59,024
16								59,861

Salary Schedule 2017-2018

STEP	BA	BA10	BA20	BA30	BA40/MA	MA10	MA20	MA30
1	37882	39232	40582	41932	43282	44632	45982	47332
2	38719	40069	41419	42769	44119	45469	46819	48169
3	39555	40905	42255	43605	44955	46305	47655	49005
4	40392	41742	43092	44442	45792	47142	48492	49842
5	41229	42579	43929	45279	46629	47979	49329	50679
6	42066	43416	44766	46116	47466	48816	50166	51516
7	42902	44252	45602	46952	48302	49652	51002	52352
8	43739	45089	46439	47789	49139	50489	51839	53189
9	44576	45926	47276	48626	49976	51326	52676	54026
10	47661	49011	50361	51711	53061	54411	55761	57111
11					53898	55248	56598	57948
12						56085	57435	58785
13							58272	59622
14								60459
15								61296

Salary Schedule 2018-2019

STEP	BA	BA10	BA20	BA30	BA40/MA	MA10	MA20	MA30
1	39232	40582	41932	43282	44632	45982	47332	48682
2	40069	41419	42769	44119	45469	46819	48169	49519
3	40905	42255	43605	44955	46305	47655	49005	50355
4	41742	43092	44442	45792	47142	48492	49842	51192
5	42579	43929	45279	46629	47979	49329	50679	52029
6	43416	44766	46116	47466	48816	50166	51516	52866
7	44252	45602	46952	48302	49652	51002	52352	53702
8	45089	46439	47789	49139	50489	51839	53189	54539
9	45926	47276	48626	49976	51326	52676	54026	55376
10	49011	50361	51711	53061	54411	55761	57111	58461
11					55248	56598	57948	59298
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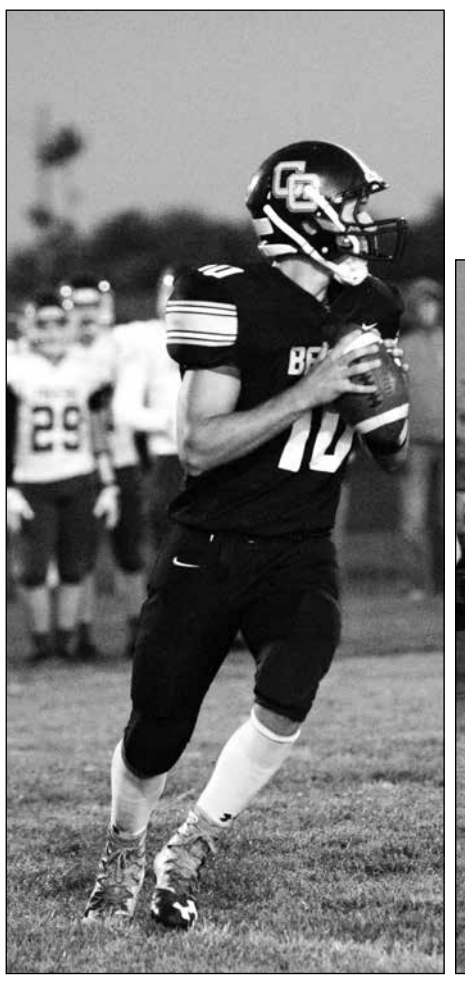
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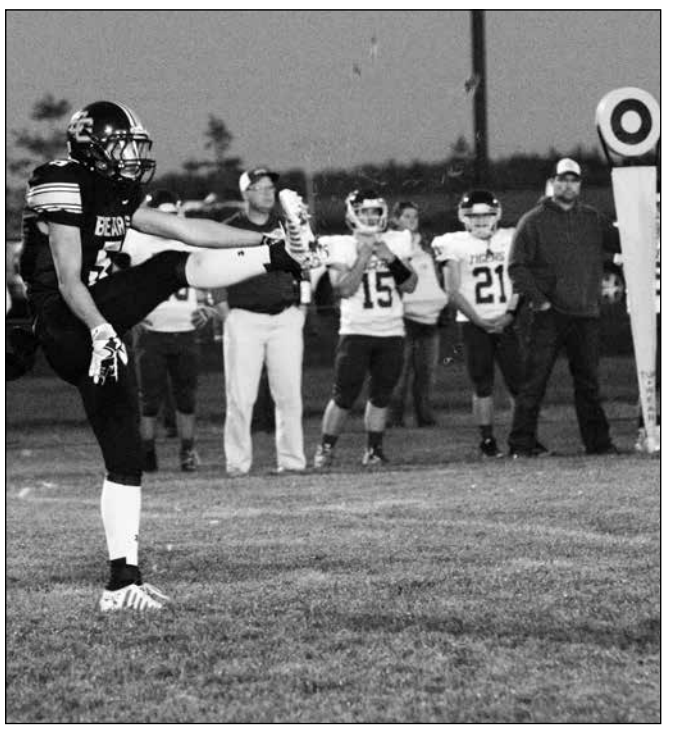
Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears football game against the Nevis Tigers last Friday night.

Quarterback Ethan Dorman looking to pass down field.

Hunter Ehlers kicking the ball down the field.

Photo below showing the players while the National Anthem was being played.







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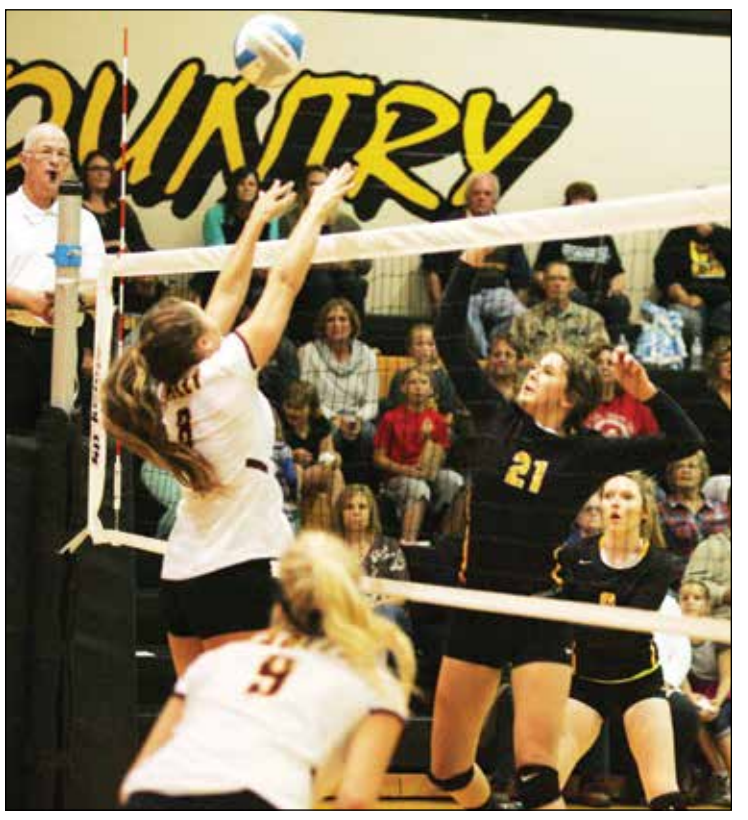
Clearbrook-Gonvick Homecoming Royalty from left to right: Obadiah Hammer and Lauren Melby from the Freshman Class; Rachel Lavin and Erick Bergman from Junior Class and Danae Stenzel and Jonny Hamnes from the Sophomore Class.



Clearbrook-Gonvick girls volleyball team during the National Anthem before their game against the Bagley Flyers. Clearbrook-Gonvick won Bagley in five sets 18-25, 25-23, 26-28, 25-22, 15-12. Team members include: Rachel Lavin, Brynn Hetland, Danae Stenzel, Lindsey Gray, Mikala Johnson, Myranda Engberg, Jackie Lynn Taflin, Cami Johnson, Lauren Melby, Tamara Skinaway, Kari Shamp, Madelynne Faldet, and Keisha Jones.



Homecoming King Ty Nelson and Queen Keisha Jones.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Senior Madelynne Faldet gets the ball over the Bagley Flyers defender in Homecoming action. The Bears won in five sets.



Hunter Voxland for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears getting to the Nevis Tiger Quarterback Jack DeWulf in Homecoming action last Friday night.

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Columbus Day celebrates the landing of Christopher Columbus in the New World in 1492. Though it did not become an official holiday in the United States until 1937, Columbus Day was celebrated in various places throughout the country as early as the 1700s.

Upon departing on his voyage, Columbus intended to sail west to the spice islands of Asia. But that route never materialized, and upon landing in the Bahamas, Columbus became the first European to explore the Americas in centuries.

Though Columbus returned to Spain a hero in 1493, it would not be until his third journey that the explorer would realize he had not, in fact, reached Asia, but instead had discovered a continent previously unknown to Europeans.

The first celebration of Columbus Day in the United States took place in New York in 1792. The event, organized by the now-infamous Tammany Hall, commemorated the 300th anniversary of the explorer's discovery.

By 1937, the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal organization of considerable influence, successfully lobbied President Franklin D. Roosevelt to proclaim Columbus Day a national holiday. Columbus Day was originally observed on October 12, but the holiday was eventually switched to the second Monday of October in 1971.

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