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First Grade History lessons

History lessons are being learned in Mrs. Hegg's First Grade class at Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary School. The students were given a name of a Historical Person. They each had to find information and get costumes for what character they represented.

Each student had to stand beside their desks with their

project and with their head down as if they were like wax figures. A small token was placed on their desks and when the visitor to their room touched the token they were to come alive and begin their information about the historical character that they portrayed. Each first grade student then gave the information that they

had memorized.

Following is a list of the students and their historical information.

Erik Preuss: Captain Meriwether Lewis

I am Captain Meriwether Lewis.

I led the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

I drew maps of the area I explored.

I was an explorer, a soldier, a politician and a public administrator.

Harper Watne: Sacagawea

I am Sacagawea.

I am a famous guide and translator on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

I know what berries, roots and nuts are safe to eat on our journey.

I am honored on the United States Dollar Coin.

Wyatt Abel: Christopher Columbus

I am the explorer, Christopher Columbus

I am famous for leading the search for a direct water route across the Atlantic Ocean to Asia.

I made four voyages to the Caribbean Islands, South America and Central America.

I brought back many goods such as corn, potatoes, and tomatoes to Europe to grow new crops.

Gracie Petit: Josephine Diebitsch Peary

I am Josephine Peary.

I am an author and Arctic explorer.

I accompanied my husband on six Arctic Expeditions.

I gave birth to one of my children 13 degrees from the North Pole.

Lily Walberg: Nellie Bly

I am Nellie Bly, which is my pen name.

My real name is Elizabeth Jane Cochran Siaman.

First Grade...

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Erik Preuss as Capt Meriwether Lewis.



Harper Watne as Sacagawea.

Buffer Ordinance hearing to be held at regular Board meeting on December 12

By Karen Edelbach
The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met on Nov. 21, 2017, covering topics from Environmental Services, Soil & Water Conservation District, Nursing Service, and the Auditor.

Environmental Services Director, Dan Hecht said there will be a public notice placed in both local papers regarding the Buffer Ordinance on Nov. 27 and Dec. 4. A public hearing for the ordinance adoption is scheduled for the regular Board meeting on Dec. 12.

Commissioner Neal Illies commented that the dumpster sites are in good shape and are staying clean.

Director Hecht said the Roadside Spraying Contracts will be on a four-year rotation.

County Ag: An MDA \$300,000 grant is available to do weed control.

"This could be used for Meadow Nap Weed control," Director Hecht said. "They used to do an annual report, which fell by the wayside." This annual reporting is to be reinstated. They will be moving to on-line testing, which shows immediate results.

He informed the Board that Polk County is buying a drone to oversee spraying of ditches

in the area, which is to be split three ways. He said they spend a lot of time spraying.

Regarding the motion discussed at the last meeting requiring Board motion for purchases over \$1,000, the Board said if it is part of normal maintenance for the department needs, they do not need Board approval for that. However they wish to be kept informed.

"The departments should carry on as before," Commissioner Dean Newland said.

"If it is something new, we need the information," Commissioner Illies said.

"We need to know what is going on," Commissioner Dan Stensing added.

The 2004 Chevy Silverado pickup which was damaged in a recent accident will be retained as salvage by the County, and the County will be paid \$7,422. The trailer will be replaced, and the County will be paid \$1,251.

Nathan Nordlund, District Manager of Soil and Water Conservation District discussed the Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Plan and Budget. A motion to approve the 2018 plan and Budget for Clearwater County was passed.

"There is a need for another

inspector at Lake Itasca Park. Last year there was only one at the lake. Hours were 10-6. Usual hours are 8-8. But the overall budget will not be raising," he said. "Tim Terrell cut their part to \$9,000 this year."

The cost with an additional inspector will double from \$6,300 last year, to \$12,600 there this year. The second inspector will be at Elk Lake during the weekend, and at Lake Itasca during the week.

Commissioner Illies said that since the money comes from the State and there are no local dollars involved the additional cost was acceptable.

Director of Nursing, Marissa Hetlund received Board approval to hire Edith Dickinson as a Home Health Aid and Homemaker on a part time basis (more than 1040 hours per year).

County Auditor, Allen Paulson was authorized by the Board to pay the submitted invoices of \$63,853 for the County Revenue Fund, and \$6,469 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Commissioners present at the meeting were Daniel Stenseng, Dean Newland, John Nelson, Neal Illies and Arlen Syverson.



Live Nativity... The community is invited to see the stable come to life, Friday evening, December 1, 5:00 to 6:00 PM. There is no charge for this outdoor event. The nativity will be set up on the southeast side of CWLC-Gonvick on 2nd Ave. Visitors may park and walk up for a close-up view of the live animals. Note: If the temperature dips below 15 degrees, the event will be cancelled. Welcome the Christmas season by visiting this live nativity scene hosted by Clear Waters Life Center.



It is that time of the year again. Santa Claus Day has been set for Saturday, December 2 in Clearbrook.

The day starts off with the annual Arts and Craft Show at the Clearbrook Community Center. Over 50 craft tables have already registered starting at 10:00 and running until 3:00 p.m.

They will feature handmade crafts, woodwork, wreaths, baked goods, holiday decor, candy, canned goods, jewelry and much more.

The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will be having a fund raiser lunch with proceeds going to the Ronald McDonald House. They will be

serving caramel rolls starting at 10:30 with a lunch at noon until 2:00 p.m. They will have soup, chili, bars, caramel rolls and beverages.

The Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center will be having a free Santa Claus Day Christmas Lunch starting at 11:00 until 1:00 p.m.

Also at 11:00 am at the Gathering Place which is the small gym at the old school they will be Christmas Craft Activities for the kids sponsored by the Clearbrook Community Club and the City of Clearbrook. While you are there you can check out the "Talking Christmas Tree" again this year.

Of course Santa Claus will

make his appearance at 1:00 p.m. with the kids and hand out treats.

The City of Clearbrook has raised the amount of Trade Bucks that will be given away to \$1,500. Drawing for that will be at the Clearbrook Community Center Banquet Room at 3:00 p.m.

Registration will be at North Country Hardware, Bakken's, Y92, Clearbrook/Leonard Senior Center and the Clearbrook Community Center.

You must be present to win and 18 years of age or older to win. One prize per person. There will be 3- \$100 winners, 16 - \$50 winners and 16 - \$25 winners given out.

Board given a clean audit opinion

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board was given a clean audit opinion at their meeting on Monday, November 20. Luke Everson CPA from Eide Bailly presented a video conference with the board. Copies of the audit were available for the meeting. There were two items that were in question: The student activity balance from the 2016 graduating class. That money will have to be transferred out. The second was accrued vacation on one employee.

The District had a general fund balance at the beginning of the year at \$664,621 and at the end of the June 30, 2017 year was \$936,149. General Fund Revenues included 79% state sources, 15% local levies, 3% Federal sources and 3% other. Expenditures by programs included: 43% regular instruction, 17% Special education instruction, 17% Instructional and pupil support, 10% Sites and buildings, 11% Administration and support and 2% other. The money spent included 76% salaries and benefits, 27% purchased services, 4% supplies and maintenance, 1% capital expenditures and 3% other.

Revenues were under expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2017. Revenues were \$5,282,816 with expenditures at \$5,005,288. This will be added to the unrestricted fund balance. The Government Finance officers Association (GFOA) recommends at minimum that governments maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months (16.7 percent) of regular general fund operating expenditures. This would offer a cushion for unexpected expenditures or revenue shortfalls during the year. This would also provide a source of working capital to meet cash flow needs and produces investment income.

The General Fund Unrestricted Fund Balance had in 2008 - \$1,228,991, in 2009 - \$1,239,154, in 2010 - \$836,253, in 2011 - \$689,615, in 2012 - \$224,466, in 2013 - \$92,967, in 2014 a negative deficit spending (-\$151,820), in 2015 \$111,390, in 2016 - \$554,574 and in 2017 - \$770,987. This is at 15% of the balance and the district is making progress in the fund balance over the past three years.

After the presentation the board approved the auditor's report

Principal report

Principal Jeff Burgess has posted positions in the school for front office work and Native American Support. Until those people can be hired there will be extra duties that will have to be performed by staff in the school.

The Elementary Music for Kindergarten through 3 grade is Tuesday, December 12 and the high school music program is Tuesday, December 19.

The board opened a 1/2 time or full time elementary position to be posted for the numbers in the second and third grades. The numbers are constant but working is not ideal with the small classrooms. Second grade has 28 students and third grade has 26.

Superintendent report

Superintendent Wayne Olson gave the board the projected numbers for the Early Childhood program. Census shows in the 30's for some and 19 to 20 for other years. They will be planning and they have to keep the numbers in mind.

The MSBA conference is set for January 11 and 12. Board members will have to let him know if they are interested in going so that arrangements can be made.

A new table saw has been purchased for the shop and it much safer. They will advertise for a closed bid for the one that is in the room.

Pine to Prairie will support money to be spent for equipment in the shop that would cover costs.

Committee report

Meet and Confer met on November 8 with several positive comments. They also discussed: classroom furniture budget, how to manage money for purchase of musical instruments, rooms to be painted and the teaching staff would like to be part of the final options for the calendar drafting for next year.

Consent calendar with bills, electronic transfers and other banking transactions approved. Some of the bills were: Stein's Bus Services LLC \$75,080.77; Marco-Cisco Equipment Lease \$55,204.70; Garden Valley Telephone Co. \$15,383.98; Clearwater-Polk Electric \$10,388.20; Community Oil Co. \$7,825.14; Marco \$6,724.40; Aim Electronics \$2,928.50; Anderson Disposal \$1,809.70; Garden Valley Telephone Company \$1,779.34; Taylor Publishing Company \$1,508.70; Land O Lakes \$1,481.71; Region 8A Secretary \$1,402.00; Western's Repair \$1,149.91.

New Business

The board approved the resignation of LeeAnn Vettleson from the office staff, Misty Larson as para and Verena Pletschett as the Native American Education Coordinator.

The board approved the hiring of Jenetta Mathson as HR Director, Casey Kroulik as the Junior High Boy's Basketball Coach.

The Seniority list for both certified and support staff were approved after the staff had checked it as well.

Certified list included name, date of hire and position. Frankie Scalzo, 9-1-89 Elementary PE; Lori Beard, 9-1-91, Elementary Teacher; Robyn Johnson 9-1-91, Elementary

Teacher; Pamela Bagaason, 10-28-96, Elementary Teacher; Catherine Dickey, 5-26-98, Jr. High Science, .71 FTE; Theresa Porter, 8-31-98, Elementary Teacher; Jolee Hjort, 7-17-00, 7-12 Social Studies; Brenda Faldet, 11-13-00, Elementary Teacher; Mary Springer, 8-16-04, ECSE/Early Intervention; Sarah Goudge, 5-15-06, Sr. High Science; Casey Kroulik, 6-19-06, 7-12 Social Studies; Laura Dahl, 7-17-06, Elementary Teacher; Ross Faldet, 6-18-07, 7-12 Industrial Arts; Jamie Hamnes, 8-22-07, Elementary Teacher; Julie Johnson, 8-20-08, Elementary Teacher; Willow Christen, 7-20-09, Kindergarten; Marina Balcer, 9-12-11, Elementary Teacher; Kyle Christianson, 4-25-12, High School PE/Health/AD; Kim Anderson, 4-25-12, Sr. High Ag.; Jenny Bakke, 9-17-12, Elementary Teacher; Michelle DeVries, 6-18-13, English Teacher; John Lavin, 6-18-13, Math; Katie Bardwell, 8-15-13, Elementary LD Spec. Ed.; Kendall Nordlund, 3-20-14, Elementary Teacher; Katrina Steward, 7-21-14, K-12 Band/Music; Chesley Ehlers, 5-18-15, Elementary Teacher; James Bettin, 7-20-15, Math; Marianne Trcka, 7-20-15, High School LD Spec. Ed.; Tamra Ragan, 3-21-16, Elementary Vocal Music Instructor; Megan Godtland, 5-16-16, Counselor; Linda Brown, 2-23-17, Art Teacher; Jesse Eck, 4-17-17, Elementary Physical Ed.; Alisha Rude, 5-15-17, Elementary Teacher; Darcy Hegg, 6-14-17, Elementary Teacher; Andrew Kaucher, 8-26-17, English Teacher; Shelby Dukek, 8-10-17, Math.

Support Staff included name, date of hire and position. Linda Titera, 9-5-92, Para; Darlene Bergman, 12-19-95, Para; Kathy Bergman, 11-24-97, Cook; Elsie Pond, 12-5-05, Para; Jean Naastad, 12-15-05, Custodian; Virgil Tronnes, 6-5-06, Custodian; Peggy Arlaud, 10-23-06, Para; Misty Larson, 9-22-08, Para; Rachel Nelson, 9-22-08, Para; Michael Lindgren, 9-1-09, Cook; Joanne Lavin, 9-17-12, Para; Kip Hanson, 9-15-14, Custodian; Ron Bjerke, 9-15-14, Custodian; Jamie Weems, 8-17-15, Para; Donna Rude, 1-7-16, Para; Amy Berg, 6-20-16, Para; Lori Lundell, 8-11-16, Cook; Carrie Haugen, 8-16-16, Para; Jennifer Zurhorst, 8-23-16, Para; Mary Mohr, 2-13-17, Para; Sheree Hoie, 3-24-17, Para; Jalina Gerlofs, 7-1-17, Para; Jalina Mathison, 8-22-17, Para.

The board approved the World's Best Workforce Report and Curt Philon as the New York Life approved vendor for 403b and HAS Investments. They also changed the January and February meeting dates

School Board...
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Community Calendar

Holiday Open House & Craft Boutique

December 1st 9am-6:30pm
December 2nd 8am-11:30am

Come visit our guesthouse cabin rental and do some Holiday shopping! Sign up for an upcoming crafting class while you are there. We will have free coffee and treats along with recipes!

Silver Creek Lodge
45403 161st Ave
Clearbrook MN

POTATO KLUB

Dee's Leonard Cafe will be having
POTATO KLUB
Every Thursday
(218) 968-2399

Clearwater County Food Shelf Holiday Schedule

Nov. 29 Wed. 10 am – 2 pm
Dec. 6 Wed. 10 am – 2 pm
Dec. 13 Wed. 10 am – 2 pm
Dec. 18 Mon. 10am – 2 pm
Food Shelf is closed until
Wed. Jan. 3, 2018

Eligible for Medicare?

We're here to help!

Open Enrollement
Oct. 15 - Dec. 7, 2017

At Invest Forward
104 Main Ave N
Bagley, MN

Julie Sundquist 218-694-6900

Angela Crandall

Do you know someone who would appreciate a little something extra this holiday season?

If so, please let them know about the Clearwater Christmas Project. Families can receive toys for their children and help with Christmas dinner.

Wednesday, December 6th 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.
At the Bagley Legion Auditorium on Main Street

Please bring proof of Clearwater County Residency
Must be present to pick up toys and grocery vouchers.

Merry Christmas!

Clear Waters Life Center, Clearbrook • Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Clearbrook • Tuesday Study Club, Bagley

Vegas Sale

30% OFF ALL FRAMES

December 1-15

You are all invited to shop our new frames from the Las Vegas eyewear expo!

Choose from our designer frames and save on a new look.

Fosston Eye Center & Optical
(218) 435-1010

Bagley Eye Center & Optical
(218) 694-2442

Sale price cannot be billed to insurance. No other discounts apply. Don't forget, you can use your flex dollars for this purchase!

SANFORD HEALTH

Your Care Is Important to Us!

Due to Good Samaritan in Clearbrook closing, our therapy patients can be assured that they are welcome to come to our **BAGLEY** location.

We are actively servicing the Clearbrook area while we transition to a new location. Patients, in the meantime, can temporarily utilize the Bagley location along with our in-home service.

Choice Therapy

Physical • Occupational • Speech

118 Central St. W
Bagley, MN 56621
218-694-3030

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Bagley

INVITES ALL PARISHIONERS & COMMUNITY to the

~ 2017 Annual ~

Soup & Sandwich Lunch

LUNCH served at 11:00 - 1:00
HOLIDAY BAKE SALE / CRAFTS / RAFFLE opens at 10:30

Friday, Dec. 1, 2017

St. Joseph's will receive a matching grant up to \$500 from Catholic United Financial FRATERNAL LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES & BENEFITS

EVENT BENEFITS ST. JOSEPH'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

CANNING SALE

Santa Claus Day
Sat., Dec. 2, 2017

10 am till 3 pm

Clearbrook Community Center (old school)

"LOTS OF GOODIES"

Jam - Jellies - Syrup - Salsa - Dill Pickles - Beet Pickles - Sweet Pickles - All kinds of Relish - Much more!

Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year!

FRANK & ANNIE BERGH
Clearbrook - ph. 776-3552

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Thurs., Nov. 30 - Oven Crispy Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Bread, Poke Cake and Milk.

Fri., Dec. 1 - Beef Stew with Carrots and Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Biscuit, Cheese Cake and Milk.

Mon., Dec. 4 - Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Bread, Pineapple and Milk.

Tues., Dec. 5 - Chicken Breast, Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Bread, Cake and Milk

Wed., Dec. 6 - Lasagna, California Blend Veg., Pears, Garlic Bread, Cookie and Milk.

Thurs., Dec. 7 - Pork Loin, Whole Potatoes, Pease, Roll, Fruit Crisp 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.

Holiday Showcase

International Holiday Showcase will be Friday, December 1 at Clear Water Life Center in Gonvick in the gym. There will be a dinner style evening with variety show and food.

A live nativity scene will be outside on the south east side of the building from 5 until 6 p.m. Menu include prime rib and fixing. 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 the surrounding communities.

Dinner starts at 5:30 like the Friday Night Out events have been. Reservations can be made by calling 218-7762789 or emailing cwlc@gvtel.com Deadline is November 29.

Thank you!

Thank you to my family for a great birthday party.

Thank you relatives, friends and neighbors for a great visit and for all the greetings, texts and phone calls - I loved it.

Lloyd Engen

In Blessed Memory of Emma Satran

Thanks for the wonderful care given to Emma at the Good Samaritan Center and CornerStone Nursing and Rehab.

Thanks also to Rhonda Erickson and Marilyn Shamp for your beautiful voices that moved us all with your songs. And Patti Thorssen pianist, Kris Dahl organist for filling the sanctuary with music. Pastor Adam Krog for all your visits and message.

Elim Mission Friends for the wonderful lunch, Cease Funeral Home and others who helped.

To those of you who brought food, sent flowers, calls, cards of sympathy and memorials your kindness filled our hearts.

Lynette and Mervin Bakke
Lois and Loren Chesley
Ardy and Skip Quistgard
and all her relatives

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.

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

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., Nov. 29 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Thurs., Nov. 30 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study.
Sun., Dec. 3 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; 11:30 a.m. Communion Service.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd
Sunday, Dec 3: 9:00am Worship Service/Baptism; 10:00 a.m. Sunday School/Coffee Hour.
Mon. Dec. 4 or Tues. Dec. 5 - 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee.
Wed. Dec. 6 - 6:30pm Choir Practice; 7:30pm Handbell Practice.
Joint
Wed. Dec. 6 - 6:00 p.m. supper/confirmation/ 6th-7th Grade Bible Study.

Our Savior's
Mon. Dec. 4 - 4:45 Congregational Life Meeting.
Sun., Dec 3: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship Service.

GRACE FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH
BAGLEY
Pastor Wayne Hjermstad
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
September - May
Every Thursday: 10 a.m. Bible Study.
Communion First Sunday of the Month.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Youth Pastor Brad Binder
Children's Minister Nicky Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
cfcchurch@gvtel.com
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

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

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. Nov. 29 - No AWANA
Sat. Dec. 2 - 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study.
Sun. Dec. 3 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

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.

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Nov. 29: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study. 6:30-7:30 PM Confirmation (Note time change).
Sun. Dec. 3: 9:30 Sunday School; 10:30 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion.

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Nov. 29: United WNALC meets. Hostess is Lauren Hughes.
Sun., Dec. 3: 9:00 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed. Nov. 29: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat. Dec. 2: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun. Dec. 3: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri; 8:30 a.m. SS at Nazareth, 9:45 a.m. Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Wed. Dec. 6: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed. Nov. 29: 6:00p.m. Alpha.
Fri. Nov. 30: 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.
Sat. Dec. 2: 9:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.
Sun. Dec. 3: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.
Tue. Dec. 5: 9:30a.m. Ladies Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30p.m. Bible Study.
Wed. Dec. 5: 6:00 p.m. Alpha. 6:30 p.m. Awana.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Sun. Dec. 3: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany. Sand Valley Christmas Program at 2:00 p.m.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson,
Interim Pastor
Sun. Dec. 3: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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.

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School News

Have we got everybody?

If you recently had a baby, adopted a child or moved to the Clearbrook-Gonvick District: NOTIFY us at 218-776-3112 ext. 223

Help plan for your child's future ~ receive mailings, early childhood screening information and other district news!

Announcements for community events/activities are posted on our school web site as well as our Facebook page and here on the announcements as they are sent to us, especially if they pertain to youth and youth activities. Check out the "Com-

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. Nov. 29 - Turkey Stromboli, California Blend Vegetables, Sun Chips (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Thurs. Nov. 30 - Mini Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Fri. Dec. 1 - Italian Dunkers w/Dipping Sauce, green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Mon. Dec. 4 - Philly Beef on WG Bun, Oven Fries, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Tues. Dec. 4 - Cheese Pizza, Corn, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Garden Valley Education Foundation provides \$5,000 grant

The Garden Valley Education Foundation recently presented a \$5,000 technology grant to Clearbrook-Gonvick public school for the purchase of Apple iPads. "The purchase of iPads for the Elementary classrooms will be used for a variety of activities and is the right tool to make sure all students learn the skills needed for today's technology" said Principal Jeff Burgess.

Garden Valley CEO/General Manager Tim Brinkman and Garden Valley Director Vernon Hamnes presented the technology grant check to Clearbrook-Gonvick Public School Principal Jeff Burgess.

The Garden Valley Education Foundation was established in late 1990, by Garden Valley Telephone Company, to promote rural economic development through the use of modern telecommunications technology for educational purposes. Garden Valley Telephone Company funds the Education Foundation with unclaimed capital credits.

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

munity" link on the web site for various events.

CAMPBELLS LABELS FOR EDUCATION IS ENDING IN DECEMBER. If you have any upc's that say "Labels for Education", please get these turned in by December 15 so we can send them in. Thanks to everyone that has supported this program over the years. We have received a lot of school equipment and gift cards thanks to you!

We will continue to save BoxTops and Loaves for Learning upc's from Country Hearth and Village Hearth breads so you can continue to support us through those programs.

Music programs coming up soon!! The Elementary music program will be held on Tuesday, December 12 and the High School program will be on Tuesday, December 19. Both programs will begin at 6:30 and be held in the high school gym.

JOB POSTINGS:

NEW: Help Wanted: The Clearbrook-Gonvick School has an opening for a Native American Education Coordinator and Native American Education Support Professional. One position is running an after-school program that goes until 5:30. The positions are open until filled. Please contact Jeff Burgess for more information. 218-776-3112 ext. 103

Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has a 10-month Office Assistant opening. The job includes: assists as point of first contact to the school, answer phones and direct calls, reporting student data to the Department of Education; update courses for MCCC, assistant counselor in student schedul-

ing and with State testing, update transcripts and student files, assists in the coordination Graduation (ordering of materials) and work as a team in the District/School Office. Prepare reports for School Board and Administration as needed. This position is open until filled.

Send Application material (letter, 3 references, and application) to:

Wayne Olson, Superintendent of Schools, Clearbrook-Gonvick Schools, 16770 Clearwater Lake Road, Clearbrook, MN 56634. Email wolson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us; 218-776-3112

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COUNSELORS CORNER:

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Instagram: counselormegang Twitter: @CounselorMeganG Check out the School Counselor Website https://sites.google.com/a/clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us/schoolcounselor/

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: Thur, Nov 30: A,B, GBB vs Goodridge/Grygla at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30

Fri, Dec 1: A,B, BBB at Sacred Heart at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave 3:15

Add the following: Tue, Feb 20: A,B BBB at Nevis at 6:00. Var @ 6:00, JV at 7:30. Leave 3:45.

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

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Garden Valley CEO/General Manager Tim Brinkman and Garden Valley Director Vernon Hamnes present a \$5,000 technology grant check to Clearbrook-Gonvick School Principal Jeff Burgess.

SPOTLIGHT

Spotlight on High School Students



November High School Students of the Month. Pictured left to right: Brynn Hetland, Bailey Haugen, Abigail Johnson, Obadiah Hammer

November High School Students of the Month

Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it. ~ Lou Holtz

Name: Brynn Hetland, Grade 12

Parents: Richard and Marissa Hetland **Siblings:** Reagan

School Involvement: Basketball, Volleyball, Student Council, Minnesota Honor Society

Favorite Class: Anatomy **Hobbies/Interests:** Hanging out with family and friends, being outside, and going out to eat

What she likes about CG: "The food and the community"

Future Plans: Speech Therapist

Comments: "Brynn will really be missed next year. Always very pleasant to have in class. Super polite." "Brynn is a hard worker and pleasant to have in class." "Great smile and has always been a pleasure to have in my class." "Brynn is a conscientious student who strives to do well. She has been fun to have in class and will be missed next year!"

Name: Bailey Haugen, Grade 11

Parents: Darrick and Carrie Haugen **Siblings:** Avery & Elias

School Involvement: Volleyball

Favorite Class: Anatomy and Composition

Hobbies/Interests: "I enjoy listening to music, playing volleyball, spending time with my family and friends."

What she likes about CG: "All of the teachers are awesome and I really like how close the school is."

Future Plans: "I would like to go and get my associates degree and become a surgical technician."

Comments: "Bailey has such great perspective on the world and a creative and thoughtful mind." "Bailey is a wonderful addition to the school this year. She shows great interest in class and participates in class discussion in a positive, engaging way." "Bailey shows such patience and tolerance to everyone." "She is a kind and respectful young lady who always works hard to do her best."

Name: Abby Johnson, Grade 10

Parents: Leslee Coover, Ken and Julie Frikuj **Siblings:** Anita, Mike, Lillian, Chantelle, Edy, and Liannah

School Involvement: Choir **Favorite Class:** "My favorite subject is math."

Hobbies/Interests: Reading **What she likes about CG:** "The teachers are nice."

Future Plans: A Criminal Psychologist



November High School Students of the Month Pictured left to right: Ashlyn Churness and Isaiah Risland

Comments: "Abby you are amazing!!! It has been fun working with you on your solo and the mystery play. You are model to others and a good role model! Keep up the good work!" "Abby has been a great addition to the sophomore class. She is always pleasant and cheerful. She works hard and isn't afraid to ask questions when she does not understand something." "Love having Abby in class. Always quick to answer and want to understand even the hard questions." "Always a great attitude and pleasant demeanor." "Great addition to our sophomore class." "Abby is always wonderfully focused in class. She continues to impress with her ability to understand complicated topics and questions."

Name: Obadiah Hammer, Grade 9

Parents: Pat and Marceen Hammer **Siblings:** Maccabee, Jaquincy, Meo-sha, Rashariah and pets Pandora,Butch, Ivory, and Flyer

School Involvement: Basketball, football FFA, band, and track

Favorite Class: Health and History

Hobbies/Interests: playing basketball and writing short stories

What he likes about CG: "I like the friendly staff and friendly learning environment."

Future Plans: "I would like to study animal science and become better than my mom as a vet or become a professional basketball or football player."

Comments: "Obadiah always has a smile on his face and a good attitude. Glad to have him in our school." "Obadiah did a wonderful job on his trumpet solo at contest. He is helpful, kind to others, and his smile is contagious!" "Obie always has a smile and a hello for me. He is polite and always has something

nice to say." "Great laugh!" "Obadiah is a kind soul who works hard in school."

Name: Isaiah Risland, Grade 8

Parents: Dan Risland, Ruth Risland, and Christina Risland Grandparents Ayllen and Lyle Wallin

Siblings: Brooke, Hannah, Mairah, Chenelle, and Chaire **School Involvement:** Youth Connection

Favorite Class: Computers, English, Earth Science, and Math

Hobbies/Interests: "My interests are target shooting, riding anything motorized, biking, and playing video games."

What he likes about CG: "I like this school and everything in it, but one of my favorite things is lunch!"

Future Plans: "I would like to be a cop."

Comments: "Great kid! Very friendly! Isaiah is friendly and will always volunteer to help when needed." "Very friendly and cheerful." "Super friendly and great with others." "A great student with a wonderful outlook on life!" "Isaiah has been working really hard and takes pride in his work and accomplishments."

Name: Ashlyn Churness, Grade 7

Parents: Troy and Andrea Churness **Siblings:** Hunter, Adriana, and Amara

School Involvement: Volleyball, Track, and Band

Favorite Class: Math, gym, band

Hobbies/Interests: swimming, hunting, camping

What she likes about CG: "All of the teachers and students are nice and helpful."

Future Plans: Teacher

Comments: "Ashlyn works hard and is polite and kind to everyone. She is calm and curious... always willing to ask questions." "Ashlyn has been working hard and improving in her studies. She always has a smile on her face and in a pleasure to have in class." "She asks great questions and seeks to know more. She is kind and helpful to all." "Even though I do not have Ashlyn in class this year, she will stop and visit with me in the hallway---she is always so cheerful!" "Ashlyn is a very hard worker and is always willing to participate in class discussion. Great student!"

Trail Santa Claus Day is December 9

The annual Santa Claus Day will be held on Saturday, December 9 in Trail. The event will be held starting at 1:00 p.m. at the old Trail School building. Everyone is welcome.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING For ADOPTION OF CLEARWATER COUNTY BUFFER ORDINANCE

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statute 375.51 that it is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Clearwater County, Minnesota to hold a public hearing to enact an ordinance, the subject matter and general purpose of which is to establish requirements for landowners to maintain a continuous vegetative buffer adjacent to public waters and public drainages, pursuant to the Buffer and Soil Loss Statutes (Laws of Minnesota 2016, Chapter 85: S.F. 2503), also known as the "Buffer Law", in Clearwater County, Minnesota. This ordinance shall be entitled "Clearwater County Buffer Ordinance". Said ordinance is available in complete form for review in the Office of the County Auditor and in the Office of Environmental Services, Courthouse, Bagley, Minnesota.

NOTICE is further given that this matter will be considered by the Board of County Commissioners at a public hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Room, Second floor, Courthouse, Bagley, Minnesota on December 12th, 2017, 9:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as possible. Written comments will also be accepted by the Office of Environmental Services until that time.

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Legal Notice

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF CLEARWATER

DISTRICT COURT NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File No. 15-PR-17-426

In Re: Estate of
Olaf Arlen Birkeland,
Decedent.

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on December 20 2017 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Main Ave. N. #303, Bagley Minnesota, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of Dean Birkeland, whose address is 18739 County Highway 33 Fergus Falls, MN 56537, as personal representative of the decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the decedent's 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 decedent's estate.

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

BY THE COURT

Dated: 11/6/17

Robert D. Tiffany

Judge of District Court

Dated: 11/6/17

Camille Bessler/Tracy Stodgell

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CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

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

1. Town Hall Meeting (Odd Number Months)

4 Community Comments – Board Member Stenzel thanked Richard Hetland, Charles Vettleson, the City of Clearbrook, Jeff Jorgenson, and all the folks who helped with the shot put course. Supt. Olson also thanked Tom Stenzel for helping to make it happen.

5 Spotlight on Education – Ms. Goudge presented a Power Point of events that have happened since the last board meeting.

6 Approval of Agenda – MMS Imle/Galloway to approve agenda as presented. MCU

7 Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – MMS Imle/Snyder to approve minutes as presented from the September 18, 2017 meeting. MCU

8 Informational Items

8.1 Principal Report – Principal Report – Principal Burgess discussed the following items: 1) Safety Drills – We have run two fire drills and two lockdown drills so far. We run 5 by of each by the end of the year. We plan to run fire drills in mid-training. We will complete lockdown training and run new drills afterwards. Fire Safety Awareness was held last week. ALICE training for students will be held with individual classes. A parent meeting will be held at the upcoming conferences at 5:00

p.m., as well as during the next conferences. The parent meeting will also cover Title I, Success for the Future and ADSIS. 2) 2nd and 3rd Grade – Two interviews were done last week. 3) NWEA Testing – Testing has just been completed. The NWEA tests play a part in the teacher evaluation for grades K-2. OLPA's (MCA Practice Tests) are not being offered this year. 4) Upcoming Events – The Veteran's Day Program will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 10th. Conferences are being held this week on Wednesday, October 18th. They will run from 1:00-7:30 p.m. There will be a Community Ed Summer Rec Fundraiser dinner during conferences. The Career Fair will be moved to Spring Conferences.

8.2 Superintendent Report – Mr. Olson discussed the following items: 1) Levy - Runs have showed that our levy should stay at about the same amount that was discussed before. 2) Audit - The Auditors will present next month. At this time we are planning to do this via teleconference, as per the board decision at an earlier meeting. 3) LTFM - F J & J was here to discuss the building needs for LTFM. He suggested that we bring in a roofing expert. The roofer saw a few small holes, and some pulling away of the asphalt on the corners. The roofer suggested that if we fix these items, and keep fixing the small items, the roof should last at least 10 more years. The quote has not come in yet, but should be under \$3,000. At this time the plan is to fix the small items. By doing so, this should also help keep the insulation from needing to be replaced. 4) Milk Cooler – One milk cooler needed to be replaced. Repairs were approximately 60% of the cost of a new cooler, so it was decided to replace the cooler.

8.3 Committee Reports – We should set a date for Meet and Confer. The date will be November 8, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. Items should be to the Superintendent by November 1st.

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

9.1 Approval of Bills Presented

Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings: 65192 – 65254/Wires

Payroll Checks 0029955 – 0029977

September Bills

Voucher Numbers: 50301 – 50383

Check Numbers: 65255 – 65309

Total Payroll/Expense Checks

Approved: \$500,422.90

9.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

9.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

10 Old Business

10.1 Payment of student ACT

Testing Fee – Supt Olson gave a history of the state payment for ACT testing for all students. This year the state will only reimburse for students eligible for free and reduced lunches. Cost varies from year to year, but can range from \$1,200 - \$2,400 per year, which is just a guess. The topic can be revisited each year. MMS Snyder/Galloway that we pay for all Juniors to take the ACT test at our site. Students who are eligible for free and reduced lunches will have their test fees covered by the State. The District will pay for only one ACT test per student in their Junior year. MCU

10.2 Approval Elementary

Staffing in 2nd and 3rd Grade –

Supt Olson advised on the situation regarding the interviews. We have 4 options 1) Leave as is – Currently 1 2nd grade/1 3rd grade and one combined class. 2nd grade is split for 2 hours per day, and 3rd grade is together for 1½ hours, and is split the remaining time. 2) Split 3rd grade and 2nd grade stays as one, with additional para support. 3) Add a half time teacher 4) Add a full time teacher and split both grades. Discussion was held. Going forward, we need to set criteria for splitting so that we don't go through this every fall. We could reopen the position in mid-December to look for a teacher candidate. A teacher spoke regarding the situation, and advised it's better to leave things as they are rather than shift things around. The board decided to keep things as is, but continue to review our options. Since we are leaving things as is, no motion was required.

11 New Business

11.1 Personnel

11.1.1 Approval of Head Boys'

Basketball Coach-Chris Westrum – MMS Imle/Galloway to approve. Board member Westrum abstained from voting. Motion carried.

11.1.2 Approval of Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach-Dylan Goudge – MMS Imle/Stenzel to approve. MCU

11.2 Certified Staff Seniority List – Will be posted for a month and then will be brought to the board for approval.

11.3 Non-Classified Seniority List – Will be posted for a month and then will be brought to the board for approval.

11.4 Approve Assurance of Compliance – MMS Imle/Petterson to approve Assurance of Compliance. MCU

11.5 Approval of Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places – MMS Imle/Galloway to approve Resolution. Role Call Vote – Snyder – Aye, Petterson – Aye, Stenzel – Aye, Galloway – Aye, Imle – Aye, Westrum – Aye. MCU

12 Action Items for November Meeting –

12.1 Meet and Confer Meeting

12.2 Teacher Candidates/Staffing Issues

12.3 Copy of Audit for November board meeting.

13 Adjournment – MMS Galloway/Imle to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. MCU

Next Regular Meeting – Monday, November 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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Now hear this... by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

VETERANS TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM: I'd like to extend a heartfelt "Thank you" to the Clearbrook Community Club for their recent donation of \$750.00 to the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program, accomplished as a fundraising effort at the Clearbrook Municipal Bar. For an



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Well did everyone get to eat some turkey. I hope you had a little time to enjoy your family. The turkey that was pardoned by the president came from Alexandria, MN.

The local banks are planning their Christmas Teas. The Northern State Bank of Gonvick will have their tea on Friday, December 8 from 9:00 am to 3:00 in the afternoon. The First State Bank of Clearbrook will be having their tea on Friday, December 15.

Newspaper delivery has been sporadic for some zip code areas that we service. We had one person in Sioux City, Iowa who was getting her paper two weeks late. She had to ask us to put in a formal complaint with USPS web site. Then we are contacted by her local post office to find out where the paper is going. We have another one from Rochester who is having trouble with her paper being two weeks late as well. They would have to follow the same procedure and call us to investigate.

The annual Santa Claus Day will be held on Saturday, December 9 in Gonvick. We invite everyone to be a part of the process to make this a spectacular event for the children in our community.

The Good Samaritan Society dropped off photo albums and framed pictures at the Sr. Center. The community is welcome to come in to look at the pictures and take what they would like.

Can you imagine driving to the Twin Cities and going through Becker and seeing an emu. Dork the emu, who escaped from owner Tom Berry's home in nearby Becker in early summer. Officials in Sherburne County captured the emu Saturday in Big Lake after being cornered in a parking lot by police officers and residents. Unfortunately Dork passed away during this process.

Ottertail Power Company will sponsor the holiday lighting contest again in Gonvick. They will donate \$200 again for the winners. Judging will be done the week of Christmas. Be sure to have your Christmas lights on during that week.

Silver Creek Lodge at 45403 161st Ave, south west of Clearbrook will be having a Holiday Open House and Craft Boutique on December 1 and 2. Holiday shopping and you can sign up for crafting class while you are there. They will have free coffee and treats along with recipes. See ad for more details.

International Holiday Showcase will be Friday, December 1 at Clear Water Life Center in Gonvick in the gym. There will be a dinner style evening with variety show and food. A live nativity scene will be outside on the south east side of the building from 5 until 6 p.m. Menu include prime rib and fixing. Dinner starts at 5:30 like the Friday Night Out events have been. Reservations can be made by calling 218-7762789 or emailing cwlc@gvtel.com

Sunday December 3 the Samhold Women NALC will be having their Christmas Event. Concert will be by "Free Indeed" starting at 3:00 p.m. Meal at 4:00 p.m. Register by November 29 by calling Sharen Dyrdahl 487-5455 or Valerie Reichert at 776-3087.

The Bemidji Chorale will be giving their 39th Annual Christmas Concert at the Evangelical Free Church at 115 Carr Lake Road SW in Bemidji

example of the practical impact this has on the Transportation Program, the donation represents just over five round-trip medical transport services to the Fargo VA Medical Center!

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(218)556-5340 Hutch

dji on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017 at 3:00PM and again at 7:00PM. Free will offering. Coffee and treats afterwards.

Obituaries in the Canary are also put on our website for you to see. Go online at trico-canary.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...

According to a radio report, a middle school in Oregon was faced with a unique problem. A number of girls were beginning to use lipstick and would put it on in the bathroom. That was fine, but after they put on their lipstick they would press their lips to the mirrors, leaving dozens of little lip prints.

Finally the principal decided that something had to be done. She called all the girls to the bathroom and met them there with the custodian. She explained that all these lip prints were causing a major problem for the custodian who had to clean the mirrors every day.

To demonstrate how difficult it was to clean the mirrors, she asked the custodian to clean one of the mirrors. He proceeded to take out a long-handled brush, dip it into the nearest toilet and scrub the mirror.

Since then there have been no lip prints on the mirror.

Thanks Joy for sending

McIntosh competes at NDSU EXPLORE

FARGO, N.D., Nov. 21 — North Dakota State University senior Lauren McIntosh, Gonvick, Minnesota, competed at the NDSU EXPLORE Showcase of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity on Nov. 1 in the Memorial Union. The event is intended to bring together students from all disciplines to present their research and creative work through posters, oral presentations or other formats. This is the fourth year it has taken place.

McIntosh took second place in the morning poster presentations with her poster titled "Effects of L-arginine and Exercise on Heart Rate Variability."

McIntosh is majoring in dietetics. She is advised by Kristen Fellows Kyle Hackney, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise science. She is a 2015 graduate for Clearbrook-Gonvick High School.

For more information, visit the NDSU EXPLORE webpage, or find event pictures and other information on Facebook.

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Minnesota Board of Animal Health releases annual report

St. Paul, Minn. - The Minnesota Board of Animal Health's 2017 Annual Report concentrates on its slogan, "Healthy animals for healthy people and communities." It was a busy year with many notable efforts to protect animal health: responding to the swine disease Senecavirus A, investigating CWD cases in deer, tracking animal movements within and across Minnesota's borders, and planning and preparing for a foreign animal disease event. The annual report covers the 2017 fiscal year and ranges from July 2016 to June 2017.

"We're always focused on healthy animals," said executive director, Dr. Beth Thompson. "We keep one eye on our past and the previous diseases we've experienced in Minnesota, while we maintain the other on our future so that we can respond most effectively to what hasn't happened yet."

The last year was populated with a lot of news surrounding CWD in the state. The Board responded to infections at two different farmed cervid herds. It also completed more than 1,300 successful routine CWD surveillance tests, which is 13 percent of the 10,607 farmed deer or elk in the state.

Senecavirus A is a swine disease with clinical signs similar to foot and mouth disease, which is a dangerous foreign animal disease. Because of the similarity of the signs, it's important to keep an eye out for cases and conduct tests and investigations to rule out FMD. There were 145 foreign animal disease investigations in Minnesota, and 130 of them were swine related.

Minnesota Corn Growers Association Funds Farmers Tackling Conservation

Minnesota corn farmers will once again have the opportunity to put their innovative conservation ideas into action through the Minnesota Corn Growers Association's (MCGA) Innovation Grant Program. Proposals on how to reduce nitrate loss, improve soil health, and protect water quality are being accepted through Dec.15, 2017. MCGA, working alongside the Minnesota Corn Research & Promotion Council (MCR&PC), is offering a total of \$300,000 in Innovation Grants to any Minnesota corn farmer seeking to test or develop an innovative or best practice in the following areas:

- Nitrate loss reduction
- Improved nitrogen management practices for Minnesota soils
- Maintaining or improving water quality
- Innovative soil conservation practices
- Comparing and contrasting the measurable values of large data set decision tools

In 2017, 23 farmer-led research projects received a total of \$250,000 in funding through the Innovation Grant Program. Examples of the great work by Minnesota farmers this summer include the installation of a sub-surface irrigation system, a more calculated approach to nitrogen application, and a new apparatus that allowed one farmer to apply fungicide while also applying nitrogen.

Corn farmers in Minnesota support about \$4 million every year through respected

research institutions like the University of Minnesota to address issues that corn farmers are facing every day. The Innovation Grant Program allows farmers to put their own ideas to the test and examine how other farmers in Minnesota might be able to replicate that idea on their farm.

The Innovation Grant Program is one of many undertakings by the state's corn growers to become the most sustainable and environmentally responsible corn farmers in the United States. The multi-faceted goal includes increasing the financial sustainability of farm operations, while adopting conservation practices that help farmers remain good stewards of the land and protect our state's water quality.

After the RFP period ends on Dec. 15, proposals will undergo review with awards determined by March 1, 2018 and project funding available April 1, 2018. Farmers can apply at <http://www.mncorn.org/research-rfps/>.

Wertish, Klabunde re-elected at MFU convention

Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU) held its 76th Annual Convention Nov. 17-19. At the convention, delegates re-elected President Gary Wertish of Renville and Vice President Bryan Klabunde of Waubun to new two-year terms.

Wertish has served as MFU's President since January, after serving as Vice President from 2009-2016.

"I am thankful to have been re-elected to lead this strong organization," Wertish said. "We have a lot of work to do to fight for rural America. I will work to represent Minnesota's farmers well in this fight. Farmers Union has a long history of working for family farmers."

Klabunde was first elected as Vice President in February. Prior to his election, he served as Mahnommen County Farmers Union President from 2010-2017. Additionally, the delegates elected 10 members to represent Minnesota at the National Farmers Union (NFU) Convention, which will be held March 3-6 in Kansas City, Mo. They are Carol Anderson of Foley; Paul Benson of Mahnommen; Jonathan Brase of Waseca; Erik Hatlestad of New London; Scott Hilgeman of Oklee; Deborah Mills of Lake City; John Naureth of Lakefield; Frank Turnock of McGregor; Harmon Wilts of Kerkhoven; and Ted Winter of Windom.

MFU members debated many changes to its official policy, with top issues being passage of a new Farm Bill in 2018; support for more health care options for farmers, including being allowed to buy into MinnesotaCare; and support for the Renewable Fuels Standard. The policy document is developed from the grassroots advocacy of MFU members. The organization lobbies for this policy in the Minnesota Legislature.

Several speakers addressed the convention attendees. Meteorologist Paul Douglas gave the keynote address, speaking on the effects of climate change for farmers. U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn.; Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture Dave Frederickson; NFU Senior Vice President of Public Policy and Communications Rob Larew; NFU Biofuels Advisor Anne Steckel; and 40 Square Cooperative Solutions Manager Char Vrieze also spoke to the convention.

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First Grade...
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I am the American journalist known for the record breaking trip around the world in 72 days. My friends call me Pinky because I wear pink a lot!

Lyla Gerlofs:
Annie Londonderry
I am Annie Londonderry. I am famous for riding my bike around the world. I had never ridden a bike until a few days before my trip. I rode my bike while wearing a long skirt and a banner that represented my sponsor, Londonderry Lithia Spring Water.

Niah Knutson-Willett;
Sally Ride
I am astronaut, Sally Ride. I am famous for being the first women in space. I wrote many children's books. I knew President Reagan.

Easton Anderson:
Ferdinand Magellan
I am Ferdinand Magellan, a Portuguese Explorer. I led the first circumnavigation of the earth. I discovered the Magellanic Penguin. I named the Pacific Ocean.

Ashten Churness:
Daniel Boone
I am the famous frontiersman, Daniel Boone. I wore a beaver hat not a coonskin hat. I am most famous for discovering the trail through the Cumberland Gap that allowed pioneers to move westward. My daughter and I were kidnapped by Shawnee Indians but I saved her and we escaped.

Leif Ericson
I am Leif Ericson. I am a Viking Explorer. I am famous for visiting North America about 500 years

before Christopher Columbus. I am from Iceland.

Brin Rude:
Osa Johnson
I am Osa Johnson. I am a popular film maker. I made films about tribal groups. My husband was an adventurer and a photographer.

Patch Rivkind:
Neil Armstrong
I am Neil Armstrong. I am famous for being the first person to walk on the moon. I was also a college professor, engineer and a test pilot. I earned the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Elias Haugan:
Charles Lindberg
I am Charles Lindberg. I grew up on a farm by Little Falls, Minnesota. I made the first solo non-stop flight across the Atlantic Ocean in 1927. My plane was the Spirit of St. Louis. I helped invent an early artificial heart.

Karli Dahlke:
Harriet Chalmers Adams
I am Harriet Adams. I am an American explorer, writer, photographer and speaker. I am famous for writing 21 articles for the National Geographic that features my photographs as well. The New York Times wrote that I was America's Greatest Woman Explorer.

Charlie Walser:
Marco Polo
I am Marco Polo. I am a sailing merchant. I am the first European to reach China and record my adventures in my book, "The Travels of Marco Polo." I can speak four different languages.



Wyatt Abel as Christopher Columbus.



Karli Dahlke as Harriet Chalmers Adams.



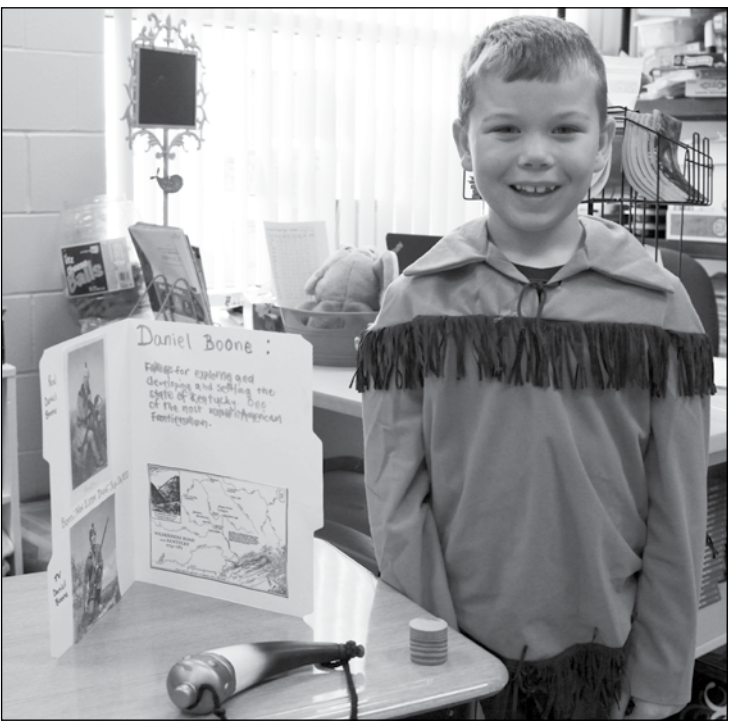
Niah Knutson-Willet as Sally Ride.



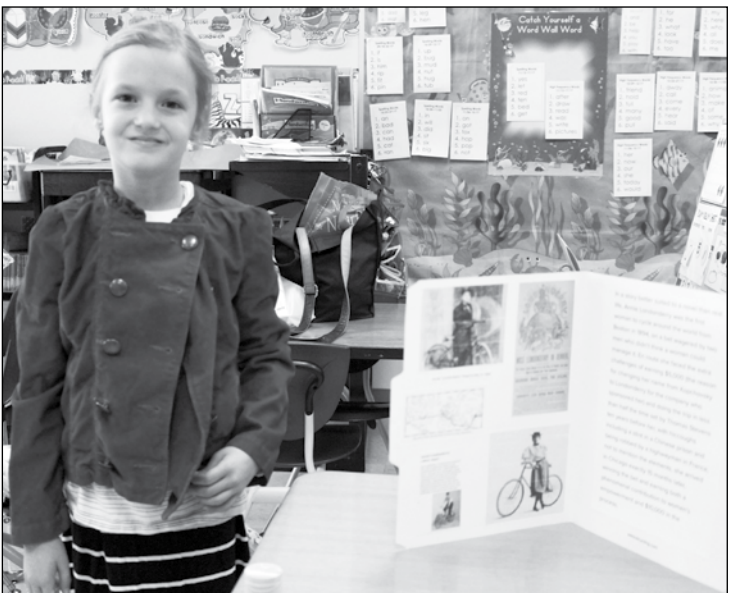
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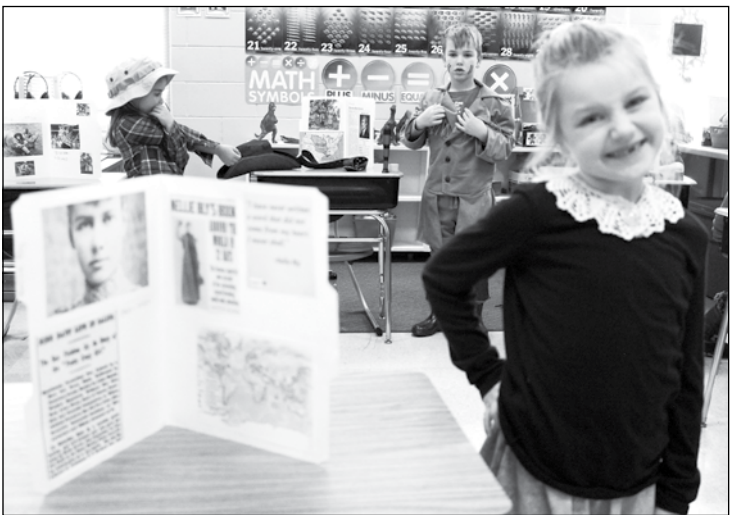
Charlie Walser as Marco Polo.



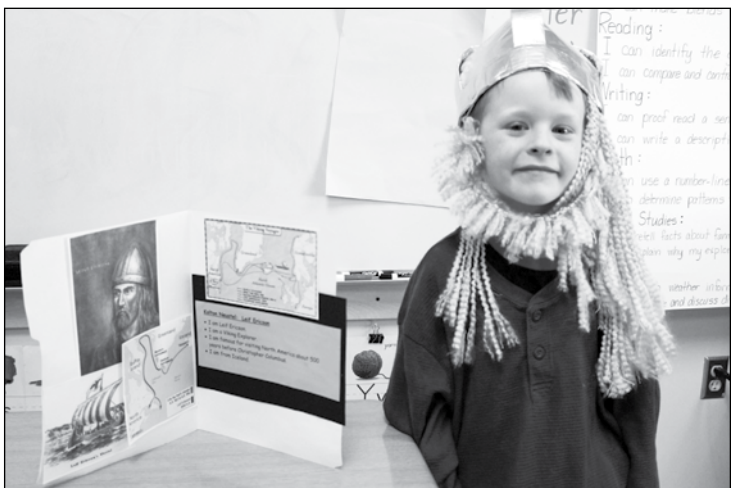
Ashten Churness as Daniel Boone.



Lyla Gerlofs as Annie Londonderry.



Lily Walberg as Nellie Bly.



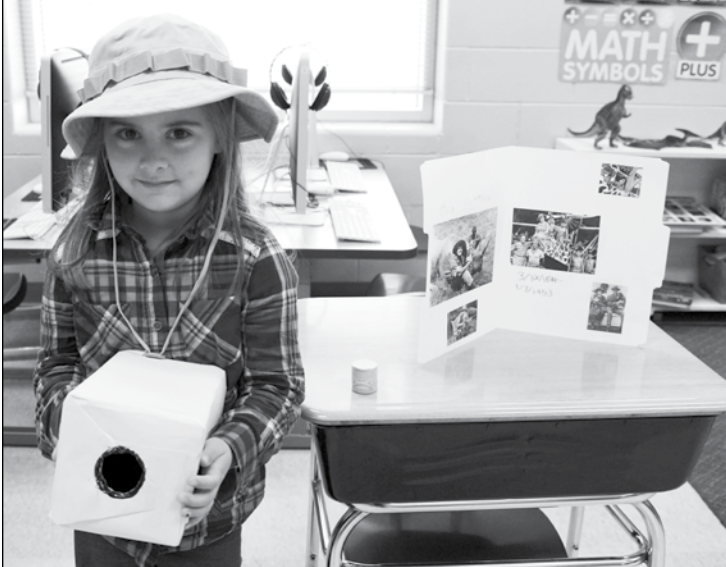
Leif Ericson.



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Diversification Tools for Effective, Long-term Weed Management

By Elizabeth Stahl, Extension Educator in Crops

Does glyphosate perform as well today as it did when you first used it? When producers were asked this question at University of Minnesota Private Pesticide Applicator Training sessions across southern Minnesota in 2014, 87% of the respondents said "No". This percentage is up significantly from 2009, when 55% of respondents answered "No" to this question. Increasing issues with resistance to glyphosate is likely, at least in part, behind reported reductions in weed control. To address issues of reduced weed control with glyphosate, diversification is key.

Currently, resistance to glyphosate in Minnesota has been found in populations of waterhemp, giant ragweed, common ragweed, and kochia. Herbicide resistance, however, is not unique to glyphosate. In addition to glyphosate, resistance has been confirmed to date with three additional herbicide sites of action in MN. Herbicide resistance is not a new issue either. The first official confirmation of herbicide resistance in MN was to atrazine in common lambsquarters in 1982.

Further complicating weed

control is the reality that resistance traits can stack up. For example, resistance to both ALS herbicides and glyphosate has been found in populations of waterhemp, giant ragweed, and common ragweed in MN. Also, research demonstrates there is often no "fitness cost" to these resistance traits in weeds. This means that once resistance to a particular herbicide develops in a population, the trait remains in the population regardless of future herbicide use, rendering the particular chemistry ineffective into the foreseeable future. These biological factors can significantly limit the number of tools available to combat weed populations into the future.

Starting with a pre-emergence herbicide is a key step in helping reduce the risk of developing herbicide resistant weed populations. Pre-emergence herbicides can also help in the management of weed populations already resistant to a particular herbicide. Growers are seeing the value of pre-emergence herbicides: According to surveys conducted at U of MN Private Pesticide Applicator training sessions across southern MN in 2014, 78% of growers surveyed plan to use a pre-emergence herbicide in soybean in 2014, and 80% plan to in corn. This is up dramatically from 2009, when 60% and 50% of survey respon-

dents indicated they used a "Postemergence only" program in soybeans and corn, respectively.

Which pre-emergence herbicide is the best fit for you? The Corn and Soybean Herbicide Diversification Tools publication developed by U of MN and North Dakota State University can help determine which pre-emergence herbicide is the best match for your needs. Weed control ratings are listed for key weed species including waterhemp, giant ragweed, common ragweed, lambsquarters, and kochia. Rotation restrictions are listed as well. This resource also compares non-glyphosate, postemergence herbicide options in corn and soybean.

Weed scientists across the Corn Belt also worked with the United Soybean Board to develop a number of useful tools to help growers and ag professionals in developing more diversified weed management programs. These tools can be accessed through the "Take Action" link on the U of MN Extension Crops website at <http://www.extension.umn.edu/crops>. Of particular note is the "Site of Action Chart", which lists the site of action for herbicides used in corn and soybean.

Want to learn more about how herbicide resistance occurs and the various sites of action for common herbicide chemistries? Check out the U of MN Extension Crops YouTube videos on herbicide resistance, available on the main U of MN Extension Crops website under "Social Media" (<http://www.extension.umn.edu/crops>).

School Board...

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from the official holidays to January 25 at 7:00 p.m. and February 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Kyle Christianson asked the board about a coop with Red Lake County Central for wrestling. The season has started and the board would like more information on transportation and other items and what it would do for the numbers in basketball and other programs.

He informed the board that there were 22 boys out for junior high basketball and 20 girls.

Board members would like to have a clarification on the hiring process that is done for the school. Consistent procedures are needed to be followed for each opening that happens. This will be brought up at another meeting.

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Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center 11:00am to 1:00pm

Everyone Welcome!

Christmas Craft Activities for the Kids

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11:00 am at the Gathering Place (Small Gym at the Old School)

Check out the "Talking Christmas Tree" again this year!

Santa Will Arrive at 1:00pm to Visit with the Kids and Hand out Treats!



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Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson



Clearwater County Keeps Citizens Safe and Informed with Clearwater County Emergency Alerts

Residents and Businesses Can Sign Up to Receive Critical Communications and Emergency Alerts

Clearwater County is now working with Everbridge, the worldwide leader in unified critical communications, to keep residents, staff and emergency personnel safe and informed with quick and reliable emergency notifications and public service announcements. Clearwater County will begin using Everbridge Resident Alerts to communicate with citizens and businesses during emergencies and other critical events. Residents are encouraged to register immediately to receive these alerts: (www.co.clearwater.mn.us). Look for the link that states, "Click here to register for emergency alerts".

Clearwater County will use the Everbridge emergency notification system (Clearwater County Emergency Alerts) to alert residents about a variety of events, ranging from severe weather, fires, floods and other

emergencies, to more routine announcements, such as road closures and water utility maintenance. Messages will be sent to residents on their preferred contact paths—cell phone, SMS (text messages), home phone, and more—to ensure real-time access to potentially lifesaving information. Residents listed in the Clearwater County 911 database will be automatically subscribed to alerts by landline phone, but Everbridge allows citizens to self-register, provide additional contact information or opt out.

"We have a commitment to ensure public safety, community awareness and emergency response. To uphold this, when critical information and public service announcements are available, we need to reach our residents as quickly and reliably as possible," said Sheriff Darin Halverson. "The Clearwater County Emergency Alert system allows Clearwater County to disseminate this information across all types of devices, ensuring residents have access to real-time public information when they need it the most."

"A resilient, comprehensive critical communications system is an essential tool for

Clearwater County that need to notify thousands of residents and businesses rapidly and efficiently," said Jaime Ellertson, CEO of Everbridge. "Everbridge is proud to have been selected by Clearwater County as a critical component of its public safety and emergency response program."

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