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## Year in Review

**September**…Environmental Services Director begins discussion of future Demolition Landfill…Clearbrook-Gonvick welcomes Alisha Rude to 6th grade Elementary Teacher… Norman Bakke retires after 40 years in building maintenance…Kelsey Gunvalson shares Serving the U.S. in Japan in the Consulate's Office… Grygla Centennial hosts events weekend…Emily Risberg is the first recipient of Christenson Memorial Scholarship…C-G welcomes Physical Education Teacher Jesse Eck…4-H youth exhibit their best at Minnesota Fair…Major Delvon L Schmunk retires from the US Air Force… C-G first Trap Club Season a success…Math Teacher, Shelby Dukek joins C-G School…Baxter Robots visits C-G school… Net Levy set at $7,224,694 for 2018 Truth in Taxation… Farm to plate at the school… Cross Country teams compete… Gonvick Pumpkin Day was held…American Pickers to film in MN…Digi-Key Electronics breaks ground on 1 million square foot expansion…American Agri-Women's Harvest of Knowledge Conference was held…Agassiz National Wildlife participated in public duck banding…Gonvick residents head to Washington DC to advocate for Duchenne muscular dystrophy treatment… Commander Steven Richards concludes his military career at 25 years of service…Local 49 Operating Engineers Training Center's interactive trailer stops in Gonvick for pumpkin days…wolf population increases with rise of deer density…














**October**…Clearbrook-Gonvick celebrated Homecoming with King Ty Nelson and Queen Keisha Jones…Northwest Minnesota Foundation awards grant money to Clearwater Life Center for youth mentoring program…Mrs. Darcy Hegg is welcomed as new Teacher…College of St Benedict's and St John's U. Students visit Red Lake…"The Amazon" with Jesse MacArthur visits New Journey Church in Fosston with the NELL program…In Country Vietnam Veterans, motorcycle group stop in Clearbrook at the Veterans Memorial…Clearbrook High School class of 1967 celebrated their 50th reunion at Fireside Grill…Homecoming parade in Gonvick was enjoyed…More Pumpkin Day photos were shared…Announced, Good Samaritan Center in Clearbrook to close…Rebuttal Evidence Reaffirms Need for Line 3 Pipeline Replacement Project…Nord's Pharmacy & Gifts wins Quest for Excellence Award…Essentia Health Fosston honored… Tri-Valley Foster Grandparent Program hold recognition luncheon…U of M Crookston Dairy Cattle at World Expo… Randy Sondrol presented with Volunteer of the Year for Rydell & Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuges…Shelley & Daniel Johnshoy selected Emerging Leaders…Bagley Bakery owners, Daniel & Samantha McDougall featured…Garden Valley opens a new location in Bagley…

**November**…Sanford Health welcomes new providers, Robert Fischer, MD & Faizan Khan, DO…NCTC to host High School Honor Choir and Concert…Feature on the job with Monica Olson at the Great Northern Bar & Grill…Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge hosts HalloWILD… Two victims of fire reported in Leon Township…West Nile Virus confirmed in Polk Co horse…$1.61 million grant extends BSU's McNair Scholars program…Jessica Horn featured as director of Bagley DAC…Students in Ag featured at Clearbrook-Gonvick School… Rosemaling artist, Jane Bellefy & woodcarving showcased at Bagley public library…County Board supports Four Legged Lake ditch solution for area residents…Veterans Day honored in all local areas…Mystery dinner Theatre a success at Clearbrook Gonvick school…Books by Gary Legwold featured…Great story of MN's family unusual deer camp traditions shared… Friday Night Out- Italian had some nice photos to share from the Clear Water's Life Center… Boat capsized on Lower Red Lake… Clearwater County will not participate in pre-registration for 2020 census... Over 160 women attend Tables Fro Tots event... Kristie Harmon is face of Clearwater County Advocacy... Joe Vene was the speaker for the Veterans Day program... Gerald Wraa relates his four years on the U.S.S. Ausburne... Gladys Larson has all seven children home for the first time in five years.... First grade history lessons given to visitors at the school...Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board given a clean audit opinion... Live Nativity scene part of the Christmas Season program at Clear Waters Life Center… Senator Rod Skoe receives Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Agriculture Award...












**December...** Andy Burford transforming old Gonvick Post Office into apartments... Santa Claus day held in area towns... Naomi Shamp earned second place at the University of Minnesota Crookston General Livestock Judging competition... Bonnie Eck retires after 21 year commitment to the patients in Bagley... Structure fire at Northern Plains Rail Services in Erskine... Holiday Showcase enjoyed by many... Border State Bank adds eleventh location by adding First State Bank in Clearbrook. First State Bank will retain the name until October 2018... Canadian Pacific Holiday train makes a stop in Plummer... Annual Delta Kappa Gamma Christmas Tea held... Clearwater-Polk Electric Co-op Operation Round-Up donates $9,355 to local causes... County Commissioners approve hiring of new County Attorney Al Rogalla... Sims family gets together with foster child Herb Pawlitschek after 45 years.... Ten new students inducted into the Honor Society... Carly Lewis awarded the 4-H Key Award... Golf Scramble held at Twin Pines…



**Spelling Bee winners at Clearbrook-Gonvick School were from left to right: Justyce Auguinash, Ella Engen and Johnny Martin.**

## Spelling Bee winners announced

Eight classroom winners took part in the final spell down for the Spelling Bee contest on Thursday, January 25. They had the event in front of students in the Clearbrook-Gonvick school gym.

The Spelling Bee is a series of competitions beginning at the local school level, advancing to the Regional, and then to the State competition with an opportunity to win a trip to the National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. The event focuses on spelling and vocabulary knowledge with students in grades 5-8 eligible to compete.

Winner of the Spelling Bee at the school was Ella Engen. She will go to the Regional Spelling Bee that will be held on February 7 at Northland Community and Technical College, in Thief River Falls. Placing second was Justyce Auguinash and third was Justin Zarling. The other five finalists were: Skylar Ballard, Reign Wegscheid, Johnny Martin, Kelsi Kalenak, and Madison Gerlofs.

Everyone made it through the first round but the second round took out three of the contestants. Three more rounds and the fourth and they were down to three contestants. With the words administration and affirmation they were down to Ella and Justyce. Justyce left out one letter in barrette and Ella went on to spell dexterity, marmalade and exasperation to be declared first place winner.

Madison and Justin went on to compete for the third place. They had three rounds before Justin spelled boisterously and tribulations correctly to take the third place.

The winner at Thief River Falls will take part in the 2018 Multi-Regional Spelling Bee on February 20 at Lakes County Service Cooperative in Fergus Falls.

The Scripps National Spelling Bee will be held in Washington, DC. The national spelling bee was founded in 1925 and has been held continuously since, except during the World War II years of 1943, 1944 and 1945. That makes this year our 90th, and we're celebrating!

## Search is on for new superintendent

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Board of Education is seeking a highly qualified and fully licensed superintendent. The Board wishes to have the successful candidate assume the responsibilities of the position on July 1, 2018. This position is full-time, and the successful candidate will be offered a competitive compensation package based on qualifications and experience.

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School District is located in Clearwater and Polk Counties approximately 46 miles northwest of the Bemidji, MN or 12 miles north of Bagley, MN.

The District includes the Cities of Clearbrook and Gonvick and several rural townships.

Agriculture, tourism and small industries form the base of the local economy. The School District serves approximately 430 students.

- Tentative Search Timeline
- Closing date for application is March 5, 2018.
- School Board selects finalists to interview on March 7.
- Interviews with School Board during the week of March 12-16.

*Possible second interviews during the week of March 19-23

- Selection of new superintendent before March 28.
- Start day for the new superintendent is July 1st.

## The new face at the Courthouse – Attorney Al Rogalla

By Karen Edelbach

Two pictures of Abraham Lincoln grace the walls of Attorney Al Rogalla's office in the Clearwater County Courthouse, along with his Law Degree and a tribute to his years spent as a Marine.

"The Honorable Dennis J. Murphy, a Pennington County Judge gave me one, and a friend the other one about 15 years ago," he said proudly. "I have studied a lot about Abe Lincoln and the hardships he faced."

Attorney Rogalla is the new Clearwater County Attorney, coming here after nearly three decades serving Pennington County in Thief River Falls.

He started there in 1990 and did a lot of civil work. He was elected as the County Prosecuting Attorney in 2006 and was nearing the end of his third term before coming here.

"It's a long story of how I got here," he begins. "I have a sister, Mary who worked for Dentist Todd Sandwick in Bagley, and married Bob Jones. They lived in a cottage on Lone Lake, and when their family out grew it, my wife Kelly and I bought it. We love Lone Lake, and we'd come often to visit here."

"Then our next door neighbor on Lone Lake asked if I wanted to buy his house. I asked my wife what she thought. Since I had made our earlier big decision to work in Pennington County, what did she want to do? Live on their farm in Thief River, or live on the lake?"

"On the Lake!" was Kelly's response. "It was because of her decision that we are here in Clearwater County, because she really wanted to live on the Lake. We have three children, all grown, and with the larger house, we figured they would be more likely to come to visit us when we retire.

"So we sold the farm and started packing to move. I was going to rent an apartment in Thief River Falls, and continue working there for a time, and then had planned to retire, when I heard about the position for Clearwater County Attorney opening up last November."



**Al Rogalla is already at home in his new office, recently hired as the Clearwater County Attorney. "It will be a privilege to serve the people in Clearwater County, just as it was in Pennington County, and I will work just as hard.**

The decision to move to Clearwater County, the job opportunity as County Attorney here, and being hired for the position – it all just fell into place.

"It was like this was meant to be," as he sees it.

"Clearwater County needed leadership, and the experience that I have. The office in Pennington could take a change, and the office here could also take a change," Attorney Rogalla stated. "I try to learn everyday."

In November, the position will come up for public election.

**Rogalla..**

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## Community Calendar


POTATO KLUB

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POTATO KLUB
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## Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

**Wed. Jan. 31** - Chicken Chow Mein, Rice or Chow Mein Noodles, Oriental Vegetables, Mandarin Orange Gelatin, Brownie and Milk.

**Thurs., Feb. 1** - Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Beets, Lemon Cake, Bread and Milk.

**Fri., Feb. 2** - Boiled Ham Dinner with Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, Peaches, Bread and Milk.

**Mon., Feb. 5**- Tater Tot Hotdish, Corn, Cookie, Bread and Milk.

**Tues. Feb. 6** -Loaded Baked Potato, Sour Cream, Mixed Veg. Pie, Dinner Roll and Milk.

**Wed. Feb. 7** - Baked Chicken, Whole Buttered Potatoes, Squash, Apple Sauce, Bread 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.*



**Janice Nelson was the birthday guest for January at the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center.**

### Meeting February 12 on Improvement project for City of Clearbrook

All residents of Clearbrook are urged to attend a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on February 12th, 2018 at the Clearbrook City Hall, located at 200 Elm St SW, Clearbrook, MN.

This will be an informational meeting to discuss the 2018 Sewer and Water Improvements Project – Clearbrook, MN. Public hearing will include economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project, and potential funding sources, including USDA Rural Development.

All residents and property owners within the City of Clearbrook are encouraged to attend. Call 218-776-3213 if you want more information about the meeting or for arrangements for persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons.

## Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

**Wednesday, Jan. 31** - Chicken Patty on Bun, Tri Tater, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

**Thursday, Feb. 1** - Turkey Roast, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Stuffing (9-12), Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

**Friday, Feb. 2** - Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Sun Chips, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

**Monday, Feb. 5** - *SNOW WEEK* Orange Chicken with Rice, Stir Fry Veggies, Fortune Cookie, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

**Tuesday, Feb. 6** - *SNOW WEEK* BBQ Rib on Bun, Cheesy Potatoes, CC Cookie (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

**Wednesday, Feb. 7** - *SNOW WEEK* Chicken and Rice Soup, Egg Salad or PB & J Sandwich, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.


Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who stopped by to visit, share memories or food during these last few weeks. It's never easy to lose a loved one. With the support we received, it makes this alot easier.

Family of Harlan Aakre
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**Clearwater County DFL Party Will Be Holding: County-wide Precinct Caucuses to be followed by the County Convention**

The date is set for **FEBRUARY 6th** with the pre-registration starting at 6:30 pm.

MEETING to start at 7:00 pm.
CONVENTION to start at or near 8:00 pm.

Meetings will be held at the **Bagley High School** in **Room 100**.

Those persons who will be 18 years of age by November 6th, 2018 (Election Day) are eligible to participate and vote at these meeting.

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**A tribute to his years as a Marine hangs on the wall. "I grew up in the Marines," he says, "and learned to speak up."**

### Rogalla..

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Alan Rogalla was a farm kid in Goodridge, driving combines and tractors growing up. Higher education wasn't on his mind in those days. He served in the Marine Corp from 1976 – 1980.

"I grew up in the Marines," he says. "I was a cop and in the artillery, and am hearing impaired as a result. I didn't see the importance of an education until after the Marines. I used the GI bill to get through college.

"So even a kid from Goodridge can get a college education!"

"I like deer hunting, ice fishing, and acting," he says. And seeing there are opportunities for all three of those things in this community, he is looking forward to his time here.

"It will be a privilege to serve the people in Clearwater County, just as it was in Pennington County, and I will work just as hard. I have an open door policy, and if someone has an issue they want to talk about or understand, except for ongoing cases, I will be glad to sit down and talk with them."



**Michael Venske**

### Michael Venske to Perform

Farm By The Lake's Storytelling Series

February 11, 2017 3:00 pm

Bagley Public Library Meeting Room

Free & Open to the Public

Much to his parent's chagrin, Michael Venske has been a performer since he could show you his age on only one hand. His first professional gig, however, wasn't until 2005.

Everything changed in 2008 when Michael was cast at the Tony Award-winning Guthrie Theater and decided to pursue performing full-time.

Michael believes time is our most valuable resource and, as such, he spends his on projects that help the greater good. He's recorded voice overs for the world-renowned Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, taught de-escalation techniques in an effort to help eliminate the use of force for individuals in mental health crises, appeared in videos for HIV awareness with the University of Minnesota, twice toured environmental comedy shows with the National Theatre for Children, performed throughout the St. Croix Valley with The (Alzheimer's) Remember Project, and has worked with First Witness Child Advocacy Center teaching law enforcement how to conduct forensic interviews with victims of childhood sexual abuse.

In 2012 Venske entered the solo theatre world as writer/performer in "Thumbs Up" which premiered in Washington, D.C., as part of the Capital Fringe Festival. His intensity is impressive, and each short scene ends on a poignant or fun note." Recurring themes in Michael's work are relationships, cultures, and societal issues with bright pops of comedic overtones. While Venske planned on touring for a third time with the National Theatre for Children, his world was turned upside down when he was offered a job teaching in China. For three years Michael taught English to primary and middle school students in Zibo, Shandong, China. Pieces of Michael's experience living abroad are published in a coffee table book, A Different Perspective Expat Life.

Michael received his training at, and is a former company member of, America's oldest satirical comedy theater, Brave New Workshop. Michael makes his home in Minneapolis with a handful of dying plants.

In his spare time he can be found listening to his grandparent's vintage Hawaiian records and sipping scotch in front of a fireplace crafting his next story

# Caucus will be held on February 6

Both the Republican and Democratic caucus will be held on Tuesday, February 6. Both will be held in the Bagley High School.

**Clearwater County DFL Party** will be holding: County wide Precinct Caucuses to be followed by the County Convention.

The date is set for February 6th with the pre-registration starting at 6:30 pm Meeting to start at 7:00 pm. Convention to start at or near 8:00 pm.

Meetings will be held at the Bagley High School in Room 100. Those persons who will be 18 years of age by November 6th 2018 (Election Day) are eligible to participate and vote at these meeting.

**Clearwater County Republican** Caucus will have all precincts in Clearwater County meeting at the same time. This includes residents of all county townships and cities in the county. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with the caucus at 7:00 p.m. This is a new location at the Bagley High School.

This is the night the election process begins. This is the night that your opinions and actions will count the most. Elect or become a Delegate to the Clearwater County Republican Convention on February 24th.


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**Sunday:** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD**
**Pastor Robert Kirchman**

**Good Shepherd**

**Sun., Feb. 4:** 9:00am Worship/Communion; 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour.

**Mon., Feb. 5:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee

**Wed., 31:** 6:30pm Choir Practice; 7:30pm Handbell Practice

**Joint**

**Wed., Jan. 31 & Feb. 7**: 6:00pm Supper/Confirmation/6-7th Grade Bible Study

**Our Savior's**

**Sun., Feb. 4:** 9:30am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship.

**Mon., Feb. 5:** 4:45 p.m. Congregational Life

**ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH**
**Clearbrook**
**Pastor Adam Krog**

**Wed., Jan. 31** - 5:30 pm Confirmation; 7:30 pm Bible Study & Prayer.

**Thurs., Feb. 1** - 9:30 am Bible Study & Prayer, 6:30 p.m. Ladies bible Study at LeeAnn Bakke's.

**Sun., Feb. 4** - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
**Clearbrook**
**Pastor Verlyn Strenge**
**Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway**

**Wed., Jan 31** - 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

**Thurs., Feb. 1** - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study.

**Sat., Feb. 3** - 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

**Sun., Feb. 4** - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

**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.

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**Youth Pastor Brad Binder**
**Children's Minister Nicky Ubert**
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**cfchurch@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

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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**Terri D, Parish sec.**

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**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.

**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.

**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.

**GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH**
**MEMBERS OF NALC**
**Pastor Kris Snyder**
**SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Wed., Jan. 31:** 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 10:30 AM Quilting Starts; No confirmation!

**Sun. Feb. 4:** 9:30 AM Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service/Holy Communion.

**UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Sun., Feb. 4**: 9:00 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion.

**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**
**Mt. Olive – Nazareth**
**Oak Park – St. Petri**
**Pastor Jeff Merseth**

**Wed, Jan. 31:** 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

**Sat, Feb. 3:** Mt. Olive 9:00 a.m.

**Sun, Feb. 4:** St. Petri 8:00 a.m., 9:15 SS; Nazareth 9:45 a.m., 8:30 a.m. SS; Oak Park 11:00 a.m., 9:45 SS.

**Wed, Feb. 7:** 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

**NEW JOURNEY CHURCH**
**Josiah Hoagland, Pastor**
**Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor**
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**Wed. Jan. 31:** 6:00 p.m. Alpha. 6:30 p.m. Awana.

**Thu, Feb. 1:** 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

**Fri, Feb. 2:** Release Times. 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.

**Sat, Feb. 3:** 9:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.

**Sun, Feb. 4:** 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.

**Tue, Feb. 6:** 9:30a.m. Ladies Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30p.m. Bible Study.

**Wed. Feb. 7:** 6:00p.m. Alpha. 6:30 p.m. Awana.

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

**Sun, Feb. 4:** 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 Worship at Sand Valley, 9th grade confirmation 2:00.

**Wed. Feb. 8** - 7 and 8 grade confirmation 6:15.

**BETHEL ASSEMBLY**
**Fosston**
**Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor**

**Sun, Feb. 4:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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**Red Lake:** Red Lake Foods

**Gonvick:** Northern Bait and Convenience, Leader-Record office Richards Publishing

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## Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

**GONVICK SITE:**

**Friday Night Out**: Feb. 2, 5-7 PM. French menu including asparagus-stuffed chicken breasts & flan w/fresh fruit. $15 suggested donation for 12 & up. If you have not made reservations & are planning to drop in, please call, 218-776-2789, or email, cwlc@gvtel.com BEFORE 4:00 PM Friday to check for meal availability.

**Concert:** Curtis & Loretta, Fri., Feb. 2, 7-8:30. Tickets sold separately at the door: $10/adult, $5/12-17, children under 12 free.

**Restore It! Furniture Shop:** Open until 8:00 PM this Friday.

Browse between dinner & concert.

**CLEARBROOK SITE:**

**Shop-at-the-Top: Winter Clearance Sale** starts Sat., Feb. 3, 10 AM and runs thru Sat., Feb. 10., 12:00 noon. 50% off clothing & shoes in all departments.

**Celebrate Recovery Support Group**: 7:00 PM, Thursday, 2nd floor of CWLC-Clearbrook. Help for any hurt, habit, or hang-up. Confidential.

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

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# BEAR TRACKS

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

## Bears bring home victory over Chargers

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears traveled to Grygla on Friday, January 19 to take on the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers.

Their defensive was able to bring home the victory by a score of 61-59. They were to host the Chargers on Tuesday, January 30.

The Chargers out scored the Bears 31 to 20 in the first half but the Bears out scored the Chargers 41 to 28 in the second half for the win.

Scoring for the Bears were Jonny Hamnes 27, Ethan Dorman 20, Levi Nelson 8, Erick Bergman 4, Ben Engebretson 2.

Scoring for the Chargers were Dylan Manderud 25, Ben Groven 10, Brandon Stanley 8, Jaden Kiesow 7, Kaleb Sjulestad 4, Peyton Verbout 3 and Jake Tharaldson 2.

## Students selected for Honor Band

Seven Clearbrook-Gonvick High School students were selected to participate in Bemidji State University's Honor Band.

They were nominated for their excellence on their instrument, their attitude in and out of the classroom, and their participation in musical events outside of what is required of them.

The Honor Band Concert was held Saturday, January 27th at 5:00 p.m. in Bangsberg Hall, Bemidji State University.

Selected were: Joshua Lavin, French Horn, 11th, Tucker Lene, Trumpet, 11th, Callie Baker, Clarinet, 11th, Kendehl Ballard, Percussion, 12th, Kari Shamp, Trumpet, 11th, Arabella Corey, Saxophone, 11th, Naomi Shamp, Euphonium, 10th.

## School News

**Thur, Feb 1:** A,B, GBB at Laporte at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave 4:00

**Thur, Feb 1**: JV/V BBB at RLC (Oklee) at 6:00. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30. Leave at 4:30.

**Fri, Feb 2:** JH GBB at RLCC (Oklee) at 4:30. 7th at 4:30, 8th at 5:30. Leave 3:30

**Fri, Feb 2:** A,B BBB vs Sacred Heart at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30

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

## Sunday Afternoon Open Gym

2:00-4:00 pm for grades 4th-adult. 3rd grade & under may attend with an adult. NO STREET SHOES. There will be a $2.00 fee per time or you may buy a pass good for all 10 Sundays.

Pass prices are: Individual=$15.00, Family pass=$25.00. Parents are free if they attend with their child/children.

Toddler Open Gym Sunday afternoon: Come any time from 2:30-4:00. To help maintain the program, a free-will donation is encouraged. For families with 5 year olds and under.

JOB POSTINGS:

Help Wanted: The Clearbrook-Gonvick School has an opening for a full/part time para professional. This position will be working directly with students. Applicants must have passed a para pro test or have a 2 year degree. Applicants must be able to pass a background check. Position is open until filled. Please contact Jeff Burgess for more information. 218-776-3112 ext. 103

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

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## Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Basketball

"Champions Night"

Friday, February 23, 2018

Join us to celebrate and recognize all the Bears 1000 point scorers and the teams that have won Sub-Section Championships.

The Bears boys basketball team will be taking on Red Lake County (coached by Steve Philion) that evening.

The following teams will be recognized between the JV and Varsity games at approximately 7:00 pm:

Boys Teams: 1991, 1992, 1993, 2005

Girls Teams: 2007, 2012, 2014, 2015

The following members of the 1000 point club will be recognized at halftime of the varsity game:

1000 points boys: Bryan Westrum, Jeff Brunsberg, Chris Schmitz, Ryan Voigt, Chris Westrum, Clayton Johnson, Brennan Bakke, Sam Lavin

1000 points girls: Kris Hopperstad, Katie Anderson, Heidi Kjolhaug, Brooke Wraa, Whitney Rogstad, Madison Stenzel, Liz Bodensteiner

"Goodies" served after the game so you can spend some time visiting with players!

Watch for more details coming soon!!

# SPOTLIGHT

## January High School Students of the Month



**Pictured in left to right: Danika Harmon, Cami Johnson, Ethan Erickson, Kaylee Westrum, Deagan Griffin, Not Pictured: Chase Voxland.**

**January High School Students of the Month**

"Listen with curiosity. Speak with honesty. Act with integrity. The greatest problem with communication is we don't listen to understand. We listen to reply. When we listen with curiosity, we don't listen with the intent to reply. We listen for what's behind the words."

~ Roy T. Bennett

**Name:** Cami Johnson, Grade 12

**Parents:** Mike and Lisa Johnson **Siblings:** Taylor Johnson

**School Involvement:** Student manager for the Girls Basketball team, Yearbook, and Volleyball

**Favorite Class:** Yearbook, College Writing, Teacher Assistant for Mr. Christianson, and Anatomy

**Hobbies/Interests:** Reading, playing volleyball, being with my awesome friends

**What she likes about CG:** *"I think it is a wonderful learning environment. The teachers are nice and helpful."*

**Future Plans:** A high school or middle school teacher.

**Comments:** *"She is always ready to face any challenges that might be foolish enough to face her." "Always a smile on her face. Have always enjoyed her whenever she has been in my classes. Well liked by her classmates." "Always provides interesting trivia for me every day." "The type of student willing to put her current task on hold to complete one for you." "She is a great addition to class discussion, always willing to participate."*

**Name:** Ethan Erickson, Grade 11

**Parents:** Jason & Jacqueline Erickson; Leah & Zebulun Swalbosk **Siblings:** Shayla Erickson, Jadelyn Erickson, Dakota Erickson, Dominic Swalbosk, Jesse Maxwell, and Dylan Maxwell

**School Involvement:** Choir

**Favorite Class:** Choir, Robotics, and Physical Education

**Hobbies/Interests**: Leatherworking, woodworking, candle making, forging, singing, computer tech, and helping others

**What he likes about CG:** *"I like the short day on Wednesday, but I would prefer it on Friday. I like how the teachers can join in and have fun with the students instead of being serious the entire time."*

**Future Plans:** Either a computer technician or go into the Military, Main Army, or Rangers.

**Comments:** *"Ethan always gives a full effort in class and is always willing to share his ideas with others! He is always trying to find the "why" of things" "Always willing to help others out no matter who they are." "Wears the best looking trench coat in the school." "Great manners and always says have a nice day on his way out of class." "Ethan jumps in to help with anything and everything. He is polite* to all!"

**Name:** Chase Voxland, Grade 10

**Parents:** Barry and Jo Voxland **Siblings:** Hunter Voxland

**School Involvement:** FFA and plays the tuba in the band

**Favorite Class:** Animal Science and Band

**Hobbies/Interests:** Gaming and raising chickens

**What he likes about CG:** *"One thing I like about the Clearbrook-Gonvick School are the teachers. I believe they are good at what they do and I learn a lot from them."*

**Future Plans:** *"When I grow up I'd like to be a orthodontist. I find it interesting because it involves a way of helping others with their health."*

**Comments:** *"Chase always walks into class with positivity and a smile. He is friendly to everyone!" "I enjoy his great sense of humor!" "Chase is a hard worker and a positive influence on those around him. He has been a GREAT addition to our school." "Chase's tuba skills have been an awesome addition to the band, and his positive attitude is infectious!" "Chase is a great role model for others. He is a hard worker and is respectful to his teachers and peers."*

**Name:** Danika Harmon, Grade 9

**Parents:** Nicole Harmon and Joshua O'Rouke **Siblings:** Vincent, Elsie, Grayson, and Isaac Harmon

**School Involvement:** Impact, Choir, One Act, and Art

**Favorite Class:** Science, Math, Art, and Choir

**Hobbies/Interests:** Singing, art, cooking, and animation

**What she likes about CG:** *"The people are helpful, the food here is good, and it is overall awesome."*

**Future Plans:** *"I would like to be an owner of a food truck."*

**Comments:** *"Danika is always ready make the extra effort to excel in music and theatre. She sets high standards for herself and those around her. Congratulations Danika--keep up the good work!" "Danika works hard in class and you know you will always get her best effort. She is always willing to share her thoughts and ideas.""Very hard worker.""Tries her best at everything she does.""Works hard to make sure she understands everything.""Always a nice smile."*

**Name:** Kaylee Westrum, Grade 8

**Parents:** Jeff and Krysten Westrum **Siblings**: Logan and Oliver Westrum

**School Involvement:** Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Student Council, and Band

**Favorite Class**: Gym and Geography

**Hobbies/Interests:** Basketball, hunting, and reading

**What she likes about CG:** *"It is a small school so everyone knows everyone"*

**Future Plans:** *"I would like to become an anesthesiologist."*

**Comments:** *"Kaylee shows calm leadership in band; she has high expectations of herself and her peers, has a great attitude, and works hard to succeed." "Very diligent to get her work done and done correctly." "Not afraid to ask questions if she does not understand." "Well liked by her peers." "Great manners!" "Kaylee is well respected by her teachers and peers for her quiet leadership. Always a positive learner."*

**Name**: Deagan Griffin, Grade 7

**Parents:** Leetha Griffin **Siblings:** Sydney and Zoie Rentz

**School Involvement**: Basketball

**Favorite Class:** Agriculture, Steam, Science, and Math

**Hobbies/Interests**: Basketball

**What he likes about CG:** Food, learning, and computers

**Future Plans:** *"I would like to be a scientist."*

**Comments:** "Way to go Deagan!" "Deagan always has a smile on his face and a positive attitude." "Deagan is awesome!" "*Love having him in my class this year." "Always says hi when he comes into my room and asks me how I am doing." "Always willing to help out in any way that he can." "Deagan has such a great attitude! His smiles and greetings brighten my day. He works hard and puts full effort into everything he does."*



**Pictured left to right: Joshua Lavin, French Horn, 11th, Tucker Lene, Trumpet, 11th, Callie Baker, Clarinet, 11th, Kendehl Ballard, Percussion, 12th, Kari Shamp, Trumpet, 11th, Arabella Corey, Saxophone, 11th, Naomi Shamp, Euphonium, 10th**



**Clearbrook-Gonvick finalists from grades 5th to 8th who competed in the Spelling Bee that was held on Thursday, January 25. From left to right: Ella Engen, Justyce Auguinash, Skylar Ballard, Reign Wegscheid, Johnny Martin, Kelsi Kalenak, Justin Zarling and Madison Gerlofs.**


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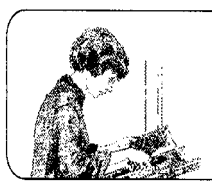
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# Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

**Congratulations** to the City of Gully,. It was named Town of the Week January 24, 2018 by Rob Kupec on KVRR TV. A big vote total for a town of just 66. Gully defeated Pingree, ND to win Town of the Week. They had 964 votes to 834 for Pingree. That was a lot of votes for two small towns.

**Sylvia Flateland** will be honored on her 80th birthday on Sunday, February 11 at the Gully Hall. All are welcome from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**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.

**The 4th Annual** Small Scale Sustainable Sheep event will be held at the New Journey Church on Fosston on February 17.

**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.

**If you have** a story or photo to share you can send to richards@gvtel.com.

**Joke time...**

An elderly couple were lying in bed one night. The husband was falling asleep but the wife was feeling romantic and wanted to talk. "You used to hold my hand when we were courting," she said coyly.

Wearily, he reached across, held her hand for a second and tried to get back to sleep.

A few moments later she said, "Then you used to kiss me."

Mildly irritated he reached across, gave her a peck on the cheek and settled down to sleep.

Shortly afterwards she said, "Then you used to bite my neck."

Angrily he threw back the bedclothes and climbed out of bed.

"Where are you going?" she asked.

"To get my teeth!"



**It was a rough game against as the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers hosted the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.**



**Jonah Faldet in the white uniform guarding at the JV game against Goodridge-Grygla.**

# MnDOT study evaluates tolling feasibility in state

ST. PAUL, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Transportation released a study that examines the feasibility of broader tolling in the state.

In 2017, the Minnesota Legislature required MnDOT to look at modern tolling practices in other states, and the policy and legal considerations and a traffic and revenue analysis in Minnesota.

"The study is not a plan to implement tolling in Minnesota, but rather an analysis of tolling and its implications," said Commissioner Charlie Zelle.

The goal of the study was to evaluate the ability of certain rural and urban corridors to generate toll revenue. The selected interstate and trunk highways represent typical corridors to provide revenue estimates and shouldn't be perceived as recommended corridors, Zelle said.

Although the study presents the framework and analysis of estimated costs and revenue, and summarizes policies and other legal issues, MnDOT concluded that a more detailed study would be needed before any decision could be made to implement a specific toll project.

"Any implementation of tolling requires a balanced approach that aligns the goals of the projects with the needs of the users and the transportation network," Zelle said. "This study is a high-level assessment for decision-makers on whether to advance more detailed studies of toll feasibility on specific corridors. It's intended to provide an understanding of potential revenue and policy issues and is not sufficient to support implementation."

Among the other issues MnDOT considered in the study were current state and federal laws that restrict how tolling revenue can be collected and used, as well as the public's opposition toward tolling, including privacy issues around automated enforcement.

The Legislature required that this study evaluate tolling as a transportation funding source by converting existing general purpose lanes of the studied corridors to toll lanes. The MnDOT report can be found at www.dot.state.mn.us/govrel/reports/2018/tolling-study-report.pdf

Minnesota currently has toll facilities as part of the MnPASS network, which is designed to manage and reduce congestion.

## Award Winning Blogger Molly Yeh to speak

CROOKSTON, Minn. – Molly Yeh, an award winning blogger and author, will speak at the University of Minnesota Crookston on Thursday, February 1, 2018. The presentation will take place at noon in Kiehle Auditorium and is free and open to the public. Parking is recommended in Lot G near the Kiehle Building, and no parking permits are required.

Yeh's blog, My Name is Yeh, has won numerous awards. She is also the author of a cookbook, Molly on the Range. She graduated from Juilliard majoring in percussion and while there fell in love with food. She and her husband, a fifth generation farmer, currently reside on the family farm in East Grand Forks, Minn.

She has been featured on The Today Show, Forbes 30 Under 30, Yahoo Food Blogger of the Year, and others. To learn more about Yeh, visit her blog at http://mynameisyeh.com.

The event is sponsored by the Center for Rural Entrepreneurial Studies at the University of Minnesota Crookston.

## Benjamin Thoma named to Chancellor's List at the U of M

Students named to the fall semester 2017 Chancellors List were announced recently by the Office of the Registrar. The U of M Crookston is one of the most respected career-oriented, technology-based universities in the nation.

To qualify for a place on the Chancellors List, students must complete 12 or more letter-graded (A-F) credits while attaining a 4.00 grade point average. The Crookston campus is the online leader in the University of Minnesota system and the only campus providing every full-time student with a laptop computer.

Benjamin Thoma, from Clearbrook attained a 4.0 grade point average during fall semester 2017 at the U of M Crookston.


Ad deadline: Noon Friday





# Nominations sought for 2018 Clearwater County "First Lady"

On March 10, The Clearwater County Historical Society will once again host the Clearwater County "First Lady" award. Since 1977, Thirty-eight women in Clearwater County have been recognized for their accomplishments either for their service in a variety of community projects and organizations or for success in their careers. On Saturday, March 10th a new name will be added to the honor roll.

The Public's help is needed to select the 2018 recipient. If you know a woman who should be considered for the award, please send a letter with her name and include your reasons for her nomination; this can include her accomplishments, years of service, her career highlights, and other characteristics that you think should be considered. Please include your name and phone number so we can let you know if your nominee is selected.

Letters should be sent to

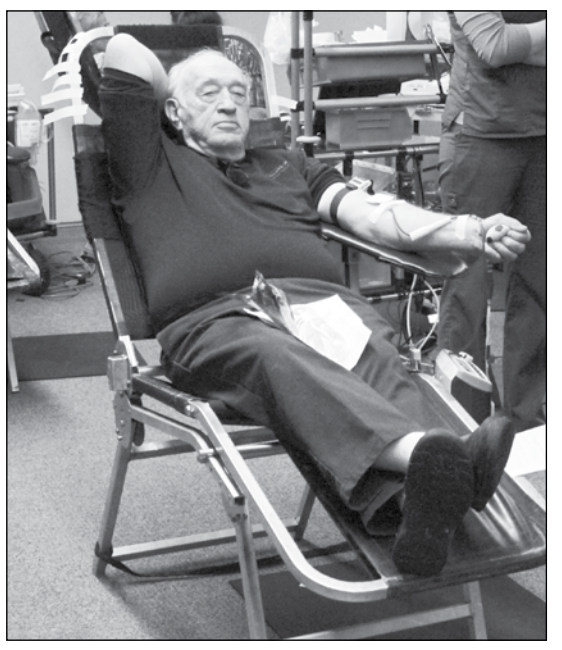
2018 First Lady - History Center , P.O. Box 241

Bagley MN 56621.

Letters will be delivered unopened to a panel of judges selected from the county. Nominations are needed by FEBRUARY 17.

Questions? Call Tamara or Bonnie at 785-2000 (History Center)

Previous First Ladies include: 1977- Laurel Carlson, 1978- Edith Refshaw, 1979- Mangeline Kirkeby, 1980- Arlene Cease, 1981-Dorothy Katzenmeyer, 1982- Adeline Beltz, 1983- Sharon Dukek, 1984- Olga Peterson, 1985- Lois Bromaghin, 1986- Dolores Johnson, 1987- Zella Tangjerd, 1988- Ruth Offerdahl, 1989- Karen Gesell, 1991- Lucille Kildal, 1993- Judy Carver, 1994- Ruth Anderson, 1995- Marilyn Melby, 1996- Alma Burr, 1997- Hennie Merseth, 1998- Mildred Mathison, 1999- Lila Strandlien, 2000- Dee Strandlien, 2001- Grace Nelson, 2002- Lillian Sauer, 2003- Crystal Schmitz, 2005- Charlotte Stoker, 2006- Vivian Torkildson, 2007- Betty Johnson, 2008- Ardella Lindberg, 2009- Darlene Sawyer, 2010 - Linda Kaul, 2011– Opal Friborg, 2012- Shirley Gunderson, 2013- Lois Hoie, 2014- Marilyn Stinar, 2015- Ardis Thompson, 2016- Eileen Lien and 2017- Alice Gunderson.





**Two of the many who volunteered for Gonvick's Blood Driver were Glen Nelson on the left and Dave Engebretson on the right.**

# Gonvick's Blood Drive Brings in 50 Volunteers

Gonvick, MN hosted a blood drive with United Blood Services on January 17 at the Community Center which helped collect at total of 52 units of blood for patients in need.

A total of 50 individuals volunteered to donate blood and 46 individuals were able to donate at the United Blood Services blood drive on January 17. A total of seven donors also came forward to donate Power Red Cells (2RBC) which collects two units of red blood cells while returning platelets, plasma and a saline solution back to the donor. There were six people who volunteered for the first time.

United Blood Services expressed their gratitude to Fay Bjerke, who coordinated the drive.

UBS strives to keep a 5-day supply of every blood type on the shelf at all times to be able to meet the needs of patients across the region. Donations from O-negative donors, the universal blood type, are especially important this time of year due to increased accidents and trauma cases.

United Blood Services is the only blood provider to nearly 70 hospitals across the region. The blood supply is dependent on selfless donations from volunteer donors to ensure the lifesaving needs of the region are met.

About 30 percent of UBS's blood supply goes to cancer patients across the region and one in seven people entering the hospital will need blood. Those relying on blood in the region receive that lifesaving blood from UBS.



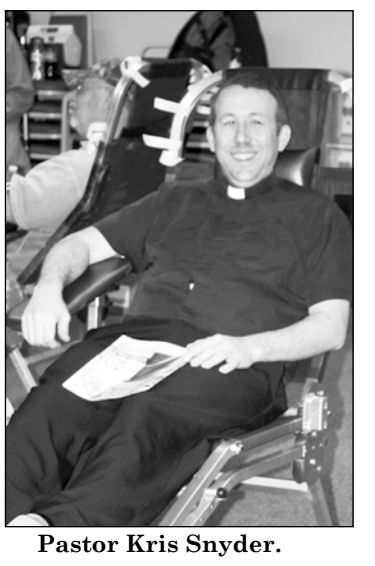
**Registering at the Blood Drive were Jean Sundquist and Fay Bjerke.**



**Enjoying refreshments.**



**Wade Klema.**



**Pastor Kris Snyder.**



**Woman of Achievement - Libby Underhil.**



**Officer Tabitha Carrigan from the Bemidji Police Dept.**

# Delta Kappa Gamma International holds January meeting

MU Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International held it's January meeting at First Lutheran Church in Bemidji. The chapter presented it's 2017 WOMAN Of ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to Libby Underhill, of Bemidji. Libby taught in Iowa, Montana & and just retired from teaching in Bemidji. She is currently serving as First Vice-President of our chapter & State Editor of our North Star News. She is very involved locally with bell choir, her church & other community organizations. Congratulations Libby!

This month's presenter was Officer Tabitha Carrigan from the Bemidji Police Dept. She talked about the Minnesota TRIAD program, FILE OF LIFE which is personal emergency information to post in a home or car window. Everyone received one for themselves & for friends or relatives. She also brought us up to date on the latest phone scams & how to handle them.

New member nominations were presented & voted on & they will be initiated at our April meeting. Looking forward to meeting our new State President, our new members, & a beautiful Harpist performance at this meeting.

The Bemidji Chapter of" Delta Kappa Gamma" International, a women educators organization, comprised of teachers from Clearbrook, Bagley, Blackduck, Cass Lake and Walker met January 20, 2018 at the First Lutheran Church in Bemidji for their monthly meeting.



**Joyce Siegert was selected as Personal Growth Chair and Libby Underhill was presented with the 2017 Woman of Achievement Award.**

## News and Views

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**Growing Soybeans That Out-Compete Weeds & Private Pesticide Applicator Training**



By Eli Gindele Local Extension Educator

Weed management has become one of the most significant challenges in crop production as herbicide resistance continues to increase. Learn about the latest research and information to address these challenges by attending a "Strategic Farming: Growing Soybeans That Out-Compete Weeds" workshop this winter. Registration is now open at https://z.umn.edu/strategic-farming.

By attending, you will learn about:

- Growing soybeans that out-compete weeds.
- What are the impacts of row spacing, plant population, canopy closure, and pest pressure on soybean competitiveness and profitability?
- Beating weeds at their own game.
- How can we use weed biology to our advantage?
- Breaking the cycle of loving a technology to death: Get off the resistance treadmill.
- What are some new viable weed management options that we can implement now!
- Implementing a game plan.
- What is your strategy to win against weeds?

McIntosh at the Community Center, 9:00 am-12:30 pm, February 15

Lunch will be provided. Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification will run concurrently at McIntosh location; therefore, attendance until 2:30 pm is required to receive recertification.

Registration is strongly encouraged at least five days prior to each event to assist in meal and program planning. Please visit https://z.umn.edu/strategic-farming. This program is being sponsored by the Minnesota Soybean Research & Promotion Council.

For more information about this program, please contact Liz Stahl at 507-372-3900 or stah0012@umn.edu, or Seth Naeve at 612-625-4298 or naeve002@umn.edu.

Farmers with Private Pesticide Applicator Permits that expire on March 1, 2018, should get a postcard from the MN Department of Agriculture during December. U of M Extension will mail flyers about renewal workshops that have been scheduled from the middle of January to the end of February. Farmers can renew permits again this year by 1 of 3 options.

1) Attend a "Renewal Workshop" conducted by U of M Extension staff. Bring an official picture ID like a driver's license; and your current Permit Card if you have it. Bring a check to pay the $75 permit fee. You must arrive on time and stay for the whole workshop. Attend any workshop that is convenient for you. Workshops are listed in mailed flyers and at the UMN Pesticide Safety website listed below.

2) Work through the written exam that is available now at County Extension Offices. Use the 19th Edition Manual as a reference. If needed, the cost of the manual is $10. Mail the $75 permit fee along with your test answer sheet in the addressed envelope provided. You can ask County Extension staff about mailing these items to you. They may ask you to prepay for the manual and postage.

3) Work through the exam online by going to http://z.umn.edu/ppatprogram. The $75 fee is paid by credit card. The manual can be viewed online. The online test should be running by mid-January.

People getting the Private Pesticide Applicator's Permit for the first time, or those with permits that expired PRIOR to March 1, 2018, must use option 2) or 3) to be certified.

The "Private" Applicator's Permit is for farm operators who are applying restricted use pesticide products on their own fields. This includes some herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and other pest control products that are labeled "Restricted Use." The Dicamba products used on dicamba tolerant soybeans will be "Restricted Use" products this year. Pesticide Safety Education programs are aimed at safety for applicators, the crop, the environment, the community, and food supplies.

For questions about the Private Pesticide Application process, call Eli Gindele's cell #218-280-1129.

The Farm Information Line at 1-800-232-9077 has this information also. The Farm Information Line is answered from 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday - Friday and will record a message for weather related changes after hours when possible. Always use your best judgment with the weather. Listen to local radio stations or call the coordinating U of M Extension Office before getting on the road.

# *Paw Patrol Special Event*

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Early Childhood programs had a Paw Patrol Special Event January 22nd. Many little ones with their families came out for a full evening based on the rescue crew characters!















## Representative Matt Grossell

### Legislative Update District 2A



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Representative Email Update

Friends,

I hope the new year has been good for you and your family. I've been busy traveling the district, meeting with constituents, and preparing for the upcoming session.

Rep. Grossell joined other pro-life activists at an event in Bagley

**Pro-Life Issues**

This past weekend, I joined fellow pro-life supporters across the county at events in every community across this country. I attended the rallies in Bagley and Bemidji, where I met with so many committed to the cause of life.

Life is sacred, and we are called upon to protect those who cannot protect themselves. It is an honor to champion the rights of our children, families and the unborn, and I will continue to do so in my capacity as a state legislator.

**Upcoming Session**

The 2018 session begins February 20th and it will be a brief one as we must conclude by May 21st. The two-year budget was passed last session along with a sizeable bonding bill that prioritized roads and key infrastructure projects. The second year of a biennium, traditionally, is a "bonding year" where the biggest issue is putting together a bonding bill for the entire state – we passed one last session because the previous legislature had failed to pass one in 2016.

My priorities this session will be focused on completing the work I began last session. Chief among them will be getting the Veteran Home built in Bemidji; we made good progress building support for this project during the 2017 session and I am hopeful we can build on that this session. I will also continue to champion legislation that will protect victims and potential victims by punishing and holding sexual predators responsible. Finally, I will also continue to push legislation that will protect nurses and other emergency personnel.

**County Meetings**

Over the past couple weeks, I have had multiple meetings with county officials from Beltrami, Hubbard, and Lake of the Woods counties to hear what projects and issues they view as a priority for the 2018 session. It's important to hear from these leaders in the community and I value their input.

**New 2018 Laws in effect January 1**

While much of the great work we did during the 2017 Session went into effect later in 2017, a few laws went into effect on January 1st, 2018. Among the new laws that went into effect were uniform election dates, more specialty license plates, and two health-related reforms -- one will make it easier for patients to refill their prescription eye drops and another will allow home health care workers to count training for those who are hard of hearing towards their annual training requirements.

The full list of new laws from the 2017 Session is available here.

Please continue to stay in touch to share your thoughts or concerns. My phone number is 651-296-4265 or you can email me at rep.matt.grossell@house.mn.

Have a great weekend and God bless!

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## Sen. Tina Smith Spends Weekend Working Hard for Minnesotans

Smith Meets Farmers, Talks about Local Development, Rural Health Care, Affordable Housing, and Paid Family Leave in Stops Across State

WASHINGTON, D.C. [01/29/18]—Over the weekend, U.S. Sen. Tina Smith (D-Minn.) made stops across the state—which you can read more about here—including the Red River Valley, southern Minnesota, and the metro area to hear from Minnesotans and inform her work in Washington.

"I'm so thankful to the Minnesotans I met with this weekend. Thank you for taking the time to talk with me about what matters most to you," said Sen. Smith. "It is an honor to be able to take your stories back with me to Washington and continue to be a fierce advocate for all of you."

You can view pictures from Sen. Smith's weekend and read more about the stops she made here.

Here's what Sen. Smith was up to across Minnesota:

- Joined a local radio station to discuss rural development and ag priorities with Congressman Collin Peterson
- Sat down with local producers and farm leaders in Ada
- Toured local business incubator and retail project
- Met with health care experts and hospital CEOs to discuss rural health care challenges in Fergus Falls
- Kicked off statewide Constituent Services Tour in Rochester
- Discussed need to ensure affordable housing is available as Olmsted County continues to grow
- Marked 25th anniversary of Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) with roundtable discussion in Minneapolis

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# New Youth Connection program



**A group of five fifth grade girls from Youth Connection participated in the drama that was performed at the International Holiday Showcase, December 1.**

It is mid-year of our "new" Youth Connection program. Some of the activities are in the "history books". A group of five fifth grade girls from Youth Connection participated in the drama that was performed at the International Holiday Showcase, December 1. The girls practiced Wednesdays, after school, for seven weeks and were a delight to work with.

Starting in January, we started a pilot small mentoring group meeting twice a month to experience pottery, mosaic and the art of cooking. In January, LeAnne Walberg, Becky Dorman, and Charis Nordlund helped the group learn pottery basics in CWLC-Gonvick's pottery studio. This month's activity is mosaic creations in the mosaic/glass studio with Louan Hendrickson, Bev Cucci, Charis Nordlund and Becky Dorman. In March, they will be in CWLC's commercial kitchen learning cooking and baking skills.

Tuesday's after-school program provides a positive, safe environment for 10-25 students, grades five through nine; attendance fluctuates week to week. The after-school program features: a value focus for the day with activities centered around it, a hearty after-school snack, gym activities, and game room with craft station. We have amazing staff and volunteers that are so integral to the connections being formed.

Probably the most positive outcome of our programming is relational. Relationships are developing between students who might not have connected at school and between our adult volunteers, staff and students. Relationships build trust between generations, encourage positive connections, reduce loneliness, and teach interpersonal skills.

Several organizations and individual donors have made these events possible, starting with a grant from Northwest Minnesota Foundation. Part of our program focus is to also connect with the families of youth and create community engagement. Saturday, February 17, CWLC-Gonvick is hosting an open house event designed to encourage whole families to play together. The event will be from 11:30AM to 1:30PM, including a free lunch. While the activities are going on, adults are invited to stop in at our round table discussion to share ideas they would like to see the youth of our communities get involved in and for input for further offerings for youth that are missing in our area. We don't expect you to stay long, so stop in between activities to share your ideas and then rejoin your family for more fun. Visit our website, www.clearwaterslife.org, our Facebook page, or watch next week's newspaper for more details.

## Legal Notices

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**CITY OF CLEARBROOK**
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
**CITY HALL OF CLEARBROOK**

All residents of Clearbrook are urged to attend a public hearing at **6:30 p.m. on February 12th, 2018** at the **Clearbrook City Hall, located at 200 Elm St SW, Clearbrook, MN**. This will be an informational meeting to discuss the 2018 Sewer and Water Improvements Project – Clearbrook, MN. Public hearing will include economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project, and potential funding sources, including USDA Rural Development. All residents and property owners within the City of Clearbrook are encouraged to attend. Call 218-776-3213 if you want more information about the meeting or for arrangements for persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons. R44-45C

**To the Residents of Clover Township**

*The next regular meeting will be held at the Clover Town Hall at 3:00 pm on Friday, February 2, 2018, weather permitting. If not, will be held at the Eldon Baanrud residence.*

Joel Wraa, Clerk R45C

**Legal Notice**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**
**COUNTY OF CLEARWATER**

**NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**
**DISTRICT COURT**
**PROBATE DIVISION**

**Court File No. _____**

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

**Estate of**
**Joshua Jeffrey Jorgenson, a/k/a Joshua J. Jorgenson, a/k/a Joshua Jorgenson, a/k/a Josh Jeffrey Jorgenson, a/k/a Josh J. Jorgenson, a/k/a Josh Jorgenson, Decedent**

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on Wednesday, February 28, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Main Avenue North, Bagley, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Jane E. Jorgenson, whose address is 48811 169th Avenue, Clearbrook, MN 56634 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: January 31, 2018

**BY THE COURT**

/s:/ Paul Rasmussen
Judge of District Court

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**Clearwater Quilters quilt with the proceeds donated to the Clearwater County Hospice.**

# Hospice receives check from Clearwater Quilters Guild

The Clearwater Quilters Guild raised $500.00 through a silent auction held during the Santa Clause Day's annual craft sale. Each member is encouraged to make a handmade quilt related item for the silent auction. The group had designated Clearwater County Hospice to receive their donation. Guild member Judi Engebretson presented the check to Lynn Riggs. The guild would like to thank all those who support our annual silent auction.

Kathy Dreher of Bemidji was the lucky winner of the queen size quilt made by the members of the Clearwater Quilters. The guild is always looking for new members -if you are interested in getting involved or to learn more about quilting, please contact Judi Engebretson or Linda Holm for more information.



**Shown accepting the check from guild member Judi Engebretson is Lynn Riggs on the left.**



**Kathy Dreher of Bemidji was the winner of the quilt.**

# Assistance Available to Agricultural Producers through the Conservation Stewardship Program

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, 2018 – Agricultural producers wanting to enhance current conservation efforts are encouraged to apply for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).

Through CSP, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) helps private landowners build their business while implementing conservation practices that help ensure the sustainability of their entire operation. NRCS plans to enroll up to 10 million acres in CSP in 2018.

While applications for CSP are accepted year round, applications must be received by March 2, 2018 to be considered for this funding period.

Through CSP, agricultural producers and forest landowners earn payments for actively managing, maintaining, and expanding conservation activities like cover crops, ecologically-based pest management, buffer strips, and pollinator and beneficial insect habitat – all while maintaining active agriculture production on their land. CSP also encourages the adoption of cutting-edge technologies and new management techniques such as precision agriculture applications, on-site carbon storage and planting for high carbon sequestration rate, and new soil amendments to improve water quality.

Some of these benefits of CSP include:

- Improved cattle gains per acre;
- Increased crop yields;
- Decreased inputs;
- Wildlife population improvements; and
- Better resilience to weather extremes.

NRCS recently made several updates to the program to help producers better evaluate their conservation options and the benefits to their operations and natural resources. New methods and software for evaluating applications help producers see up front why they are or are not meeting stewardship thresholds, and allow them to pick practices and enhancements that work for their conservation objectives. These tools also enable producers to see potential payment scenarios for conservation early in the process.

Producers interested in CSP are recommended to contact their local USDA service center or visit www.nrcs.usda.gov/GetStarted.

# Search for Miss Pre-Teen Clearwater County Announced

Young girls between the ages of 10 to 12 years, applications are being accepted for the title of "2018 Miss Pre-Teen Clearwater County."

Miss Pre-Teen Clearwater County ! will represent her county at the Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota pageant, which will be held at the "Wellstone Center, April 28th , 2018 in the city of St. Paul, Minnesota.

The young lady chosen as Miss Pre-Teen Clearwater County " will become an ambassador from the Clearwater County Area and will receive an official title and sash."

The young lady chosen as Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota will receive a prize package and chance to represent Minnesota at The Miss Pre-Teen International pageant held in Charleston, West Virginia in July.

The " American Heart Association's" Go for Red for Women" is the official Charity of the Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota Pageant.

Pre-Teens will compete in Personal Interview, Onstage Interview, Fun Fashion Wear and Evening Wear. (There is no talent or fitness or swimsuit competition!!!)

Young Pre-Teen ladies living in Clearwater County interested in applying should go on line to: www.misspreteenminnesota.com or write for bioform to: Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota International Pageant, P.O. Box 240537, Apple Valley, Mn, 55124-0537

Or call for information:: (952) 432-6758 or Fax (952) 953-3896

Email: pagunltd@frontiernet.net

The current reigning "2017" Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota is Rebeka Mihalik of Waterville . As Miss Pre-Teen Minnesota, Rebeka speaks out on "STOMP OUT BULLYING"

For more information go to: www.stompoutbullying.org

Entry deadline is March 5th, 2018

### Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

**Jan. 20** - Eric and Heather Johnson, Andover, $20.

**Jan. 21** - Kathy Knezovich, Clearbrook, $20.

**Jan. 22** - Ellyse Berg, Clearbrook, $20.

**Jan. 23** - Barbara Janssens, Shevlin, $20.

**Jan. 24** - Emma Larson, Clearbrook, $20.

**Jan. 25** - Debbie Wilde, Shevlin, $20.

**Jan. 26** - Bobbie Jo Erickson, Clearbrook, $20.


Who should be our next
Republican Governor of Minnesota?

***Attend Your Republican Precinct Caucus***

***Tuesday, February 6th, 2018***

***6:30 PM Registration | 7:00 PM Caucus***

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**ALL PRECINCTS IN CLEARWATER COUNTY WILL CAUCUS AT THE**

**BAGLEY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

***1130 Main Ave North, Bagley***

***WHY CAUCUS?***

This is the night that our election process begins! This is the night that your opinions and actions will count the most! Who will be the best Republican Candidate for Governor? Elect or become a Delegate to the Clearwater County Republican Convention on February 24th. How should the MN GOP platform be amended? By attending your local caucus, you are showing that you support Republican candidates and that you take your civic duty to participate seriously. By attending your local caucus, YOU make OUR Republican Party much stronger and OUR *One Nation Under God* a better place to live and raise our families!

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