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Clearbrook-Gonvick Art award winners with Senator Paul Utke Front row: Keisha Jones, Jenna Smith, Sierra Walters, Justyce Auginash. Jayna Tronnes and Linda Brown, Teacher. Back row: Lauren Melby, Kayla Ehlers, Sen. Utke, Danika Harmon and Jensen Engberg

"Art at the Capitol" Student Awards presented

"Art at the Capitol" Student Awards were presented by Minnesota State Senator, Paul Utke during a ceremony held at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Auditorium on January 18, 2018 with family members and others in attendance.

Realizing the role that art plays in the cognitive development of young people, Senators at the state Capitol including Paul Utke headed up the Art at the Capitol program. They sent letters out to schools calling for entries. According to Clearbrook-Gonvick Art teacher Linda Brown, teachers and school board members voted on the art to enter from the school. She did not vote for obvious reasons and she then submitted them by the deadline and a few weeks later Principal Burgess got a telephone call from Senator Utke. He said he would be traveling to the school to give out awards.

Justyce Auginash, an 8th grader received first place overall and received two awards. Brown matted and framed the artwork before the ceremony. She also gave a speech about their appreciation of Senator Utke's recognition of the importance of art in education. Art also enhances problem-solving skills, encourages students to think outside the box and exercise critical thinking skills. Brown also spoke about the joy of being able to spend her days with these creative young people. Every day she is amazed at the ideas that the students express through the visual arts. She thinks she has the best job in the world!

Each student winner gave a short artist's talk about the conception of their work prior to Senator Utke speaking and presenting the awards. In his speech the senator said the students work would be seen by thousands of people. The students told Linda Brown their hearts skipped a beat when they heard that. Hers did too! She also said, "It is a very exciting project to be involved in and the ceremony, attended by students and family's of the winners, was a joyful celebration of the creative young minds attending CGHS."



Danika Harmon speaking about her artwork.



Art teacher Linda Brown.



Sierra Walters giving her artist's speech.



Justyce Auginash received her first place overall award from Senator Paul Utke. Justyce is the daughter of Renae Cook and Justin Auginash.

Save the Date!

Clearwater County Historical Society to host Pork Dinner/ Silent Auction fundraiser

The Clearwater County Historical Society will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday February 25 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Bagley American Legion.

A roast pork dinner with all the trimmings will be offered for a free will donation. A Silent Auction of donated items will also be held. Proceeds will support several projects the society has in progress. If anyone has items to donate to the auction please call the History Center at 218-785-2000.

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 Mersseth, 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.

"Champions Night" and "Community Thank You Night"

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Basketball will celebrate their Sub-Section Championship teams as well as their 1,000 point scorers on Friday, February 23, 2018. This will also be a thank you to the community for their support of the Bears over the years! Everyone is welcome!

Admission is free so let's fill the gym!

The boys team will be playing Red Lake County (coached by Steve Philion).

The following teams will be recognized between the JV & Varsity games (about 7:00 pm:)

Boys Teams: 1991, 1992, 1993, 2005

Girls Teams: 2007, 2012, 2014, 2015

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

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!

Start the night with spaghetti!

Come early for the Senior Class Spaghetti Feed fund raiser served from 5:00-7:00 (or until food is gone). FREE WILL DONATION (suggested minimum $5.00)

CWLC-Gonvick to Host Family Connection Event

Saturday, February 17, Clear Waters Life Center's Youth Connection program will be hosting an open house, Family Connection Event, 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM, at CWLC-Gonvick, 226 Elm St. Families are encouraged to attend; activities are planned to include youth and adults. Thanks to the generous support of several organizations and private donors, we are able to provide this event FREE. Lunch will be provided. Various activities are provided for families to enjoy together including art centers, puzzler stations, and a building-wide treasure hunt. Gym games will also be available to work off excess energy. There will be a drawing for "Family Activity Baskets"; you will not need to be present to win.

Adults will be invited to join a round-table discussion that will be available throughout the event. The discussion will focus on ideas and dreams for the youth of our communities, so start dreaming, and stop by our table to give your ideas. Remember, there are no limits on brainstorming! CWLC Youth Connection staff and volunteers want your ideas.

Bring your kids and join us for a fun afternoon!



Jon Bakke had his drone flying over the I-500 fuel stop in Gonvick. The Christian Brothers Automotive Group I-500 race was the stop for the last day of racing on Saturday, February 10. The race did a couple of loops around Thief River Falls as there was not enough snow near Winnipeg to start the race. Originally the race ran from Winnipeg to St. Paul in 1966. This year it ended in Bemidji where the awards ceremony was held. See more photos in the Tri County Canary this week.



Dennis Bittmann (on the right) with the USXC snowmobile racing association giving Gonvick and Clearbrook Fire Department members instructions. The I-500 race had a fuel stop in Gonvick on Saturday, February 11. He informed them that they were to let the racers fill their own tanks and other safety precautions.

"Horror Movie 101: Failing Can Be Deadly

Clearbrook-Gonvick's one act play performance at subsections had the audience laughing and gasping at the same time!!! This year's play, entitled, "Horror Movie 101: Failing Can Be Deadly" was a spoof on the horror movie genre. The play, written by Steven Stack, is presented by arrangement with Theatrefolk.

Sub-sections 29A were held at the Bagley High School. Six schools participated including Bagley, Blackduck, Clearbrook-Gonvick, Fosston, Red Lake County Central and Win-E-Mac. Winning this year was the Bagley High School with "Anatomy of Gray" and second place was Fosston's entry "The Orphan Train." Both those teams went on to the next round of competition in Roseau on February 3. Bagley High School won and will take their play to the State Contest.

This year's Clearbrook-Gonvick cast included: Xavier Goodwin, Savannah Rankin, Danika Harmon, Callie Baker, and Jazmyn Smith. Make-up was done by cast members, assisted by Kendehl Ballard. Kendehl Ballard and Daniel Rankin teamed up to do great lighting effects.

Students selected the play before Christmas and have been working hard to memorize lines, cues, and stage movement since then.

Although the play did not place high enough to advance to the section tournament, we will be doing an encore performance during "Evening of the Arts"---watch for date and time!! Thanks to our parents and everyone who stopped by to watch the dress rehearsal--we love working in front of an audience!

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Community Calendar

Music Jamboree

A Music Jamboree with Country & Country-Gospel Music will be held at Cornerstone Residence, 30 Sunset Ave. NW. in Bagley.

Sunday, February 18th from 1:00-4:30.

Everyone is welcome!

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Notice of Election for Clover Township

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Clover Township, Clearwater County, State of Minn., that the Annual Election of Town Officers and the Annual Meeting will be held at the Clover Town Hall Tues., March 13, 2018.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until Tues., Mar. 20th, 2018. Meeting will be held at 4 pm. Polls will open at 5 pm and close at 8 pm to elect:

1 Supervisor, 3 yr. term
1 Clerk, 2 yr. term

Joel Wraa, Clerk
218-776-2457 R47,50C

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Feb. 14 - ***Birthday/ Valentine Meal*** Meatballs and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Cake, Bread and Milk.

Thurs., Feb. 15 - Pork Loin, Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Cookie Dinner Roll and Milk.

Fri., Feb. 16 - Beef Stew, Cole Slaw, Peaches, Bread and Milk.

Mon., Feb. 19- Scalloped Potatoes, and Ham, Green Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Bread and Milk.

Tues. Feb. 20 -Creamed Chicken/Biscuit, Cal. Blend Veg, Fruit Salad, Bread and Milk.

Wed. Feb. 21 - Salisbury Steak, Parslied Whole Potatoes, Squash, Blushing Pears, 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.

History Center Open Hours

Clearwater County History Center Open Saturday & Sunday February 17 &18

The History Center in Shevlin will be open Saturday February 17 from 10-2 and Sunday February 18 from 1:00- 4:00. "Creative Clearwater" is on exhibit. This exhibit features the creative talents of over 40 artists and crafters from our county. Time is limited to see this exhibition, as "Creative Clearwater" will end in March.

Regular Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 10:00- 4:00 and by appointment. Admission is free, donations are welcome. Call 218-785-2000 for more information or to schedule an appointment for evening or weekend hours.

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Samhold Church, Gonvick IN *CHURCH BASEMENT.*

Thurs., Feb. 15th

MENU: SERVING FROM 4-6 PM

Assorted hot dishes
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Dessert:
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Adults: $5.00
Students: $4.00
Preschool: Free
Take-outs: $5.00

Everyone Welcome!

Business Meeting at 2:30 P.M.
with SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
JANE BELLEFY
from Bagley, MN
speaking on the
History of Rosemaling
and have examples to share
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Support the Clearwater County Historical Society

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Presidents Day

In 1776, Thomas Jefferson authored the Declaration of Independence. He served as the first U.S. Secretary of State and later as the second Vice President. He was elected the third President of the United States in 1801.

One of President Jefferson's many achievements was the Louisiana Purchase. He acquired land from France and doubled the size of the U.S. **Every February, we honor all of America's Presidents.**

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This is a public notice to the residents of Pine Lake and the area.

Aeration has begun and will continue as needed. This aeration system will cause open water and thin ice on Pine Lake.

Please be advised that all ice travel should be done with extreme caution.

Red Lake Watershed District, Thief River Falls,MN

R46-3C

Dudley Township Notice

Dudley Township will hold its election on March 13th from 5:00-8:00 pm. One Supervisor and one Clerk will be elected at this time.

The election will be held at the Leonard/Dudley Town Hall. The annual meeting will follow the election at 8:15 pm. R47-48C

Pastor Bob



Pastor Robert Kirchman

As we enter the month with Valentine's Day we also enter a month with too many people not believing in God. After years of study by countless scholars of all different stripes and sizes the basic reliability of the New Testament and its transmission to us has been established. Documents from outside the New Testament confirms what the New Testament says about cultural customs and happenings. Archaeological evidence supports claims by the New Testament regarding basic geography, cultural customs, and ethnicity of groups of people mentioned. The New Testament is seen as a reliable source about the Holy Land about two thousand years ago. It is also seen as a reliable source about Jesus. Even the most ardent critic of Christianity and the Jesus movement acknowledges in principle the following summary: Jesus, a Jewish man, was seen as a miracle worker as well as exorcist (one who casts out demons) from a small town in a small part of the Roman empire. He founded a movement whose followers believe he is divine. His followers believe He is the Son of God and is seen as the Messiah, the one who will initiate a new type of kingdom, a kingdom based on God and not based on humanity. His movement spread widely and rapidly. The movement's popularity rose despite the ignoramus death by crucifixion of Jesus, which was the way Rome killed the lowest of the low—bandits and rebels. Additionally, the movement experienced intense persecution which included ridicule, public floggings and humiliation, torture, and death but it still flourished.

We have many facts about Jesus. Historically verifiable "truths" about Jesus. Even the most ardent critic acknowledges that. And yet many people cannot accept, or even entertain the most important thing about Jesus. That Jesus is the Son of God, both human and God.

So, what is the problem? Why do so many reject the central claim about Jesus? It could be a lack of love. In life, facts and evidence are only a launching point for trust and love. Trust and love recognize that it may be impossible to know everything about something or someone but what you know is enough. Loving someone, trusting someone, accepts not having all the information you need for a decision. When people deny the historical facts about Jesus they are avoiding looking at Jesus the Man. By not looking at Jesus the Man, they do not have to look at Jesus the God. If they recognize Jesus, the Man, they must contend with the claim that Jesus is also God. Looking at the evidence, Jesus is either the biggest and most successful liar/con artist the world has ever seen, or he was telling the truth about being God. He was certainly the most consistent liar/con man the world has ever seen if he is not Our Savior. He talked and walked the walk. He lived as if he came from God, as if he lived for God, as if he lived for the sake of others. Either Christianity is true, or at least, gets what is important right, or it is the biggest delusion humanity has ever suffered.

If it is a delusion, is it a bad one? Christians have done good and bad. Sin blocks people from having God guide and direct their behavior in life. We do evil because evil directs us. We fall short because we do not have our act together. We know that evil is strong and durable and persistent. We see evil happen more than once. Christian believe that evil does not have the last word. Christians believe that God save us from evil and from the natural consequences of evil—more evil. Christians have done good-better than can be expected. Because of Christians, England outlawed slavery and cut off a major source of wealth and power. We followed suit. How many nations do you know give up power and wealth for doing the right thing? Our Declaration of Independence and Constitution reflect God given truths about life which are not obvious—really, are all people created equal? Do all people have rights given to them by God—has anyone checked with some of the cultural practices and oppressive governments from around the world? Truth wins out. Despite persistent resistance, Christians believe we can be better people and make the world a better place. Do you want to stop them?

Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

Feb. 3 - Karen Halvorson, Bagley, $20.

Feb. 4 - Mike Haugen, Bagley, $20.

Feb. 5 - Cheryl Netland, Bagley, $20.

Feb. 6 - Larry Bellefy, Bagley, $20.

Feb. 7 - Celia Beck, Bagley, $20.

Feb. 8 - Wesley Trulsen, Fosston, $20.

Feb. 9- David Titera, Bagley, $20.

One-Day Writing Workshop with Angela Foster

Clearwater County Historical Society offers a one-day writing workshop with Angela Foster on March 21.

Writing Memoirs Do you have a memory that shimmers in your mind? One that begs to be written? Do you find it difficult to get started? Through the use of prompts and free writes during this workshop you will get those memories on paper. We'll talk about the basics of memoir and the details that bring them to life. You'll leave this class with at least three works in-progress and ideas for many more.

Instructor: Angela Foster teaches memoir at the Loft Literary Center in Minneapolis, MN and holds a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Creative Nonfiction from Pine Manor College in Boston, MA. Date: March 21st Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Location: The History Center in Shevlin, Fee $25.00 Deadline to sign up is March 17th., Payable to Clearwater County Historical Society. PO Box 241 Bagley MN 56621

Church News

FAITH BIBLE CHAPEL OF CLOVER
Leonard, MN

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. 18: 9:00am Worship/Communion; 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour; Service Group 2 meets after worship service.

Wed., 14 & 21: 6:30pm Choir Practice; 7:30pm Handbell Practice

Joint

Wed., Feb. 14& 21 6:00pm Supper/Confirmation/6-7th Grade Bible Study

Our Savior's

Thurs., Feb. 15: 6:00 p.m. Church Council

Sun., Feb. 18: 9:30am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship/Communion.

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.

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.

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

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., Feb. 14 - NO AWANA.

Thurs., Feb. 15 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study.

Sat., Feb. 17 - 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study.

Sun., Feb. 18 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

Mon., Feb. 19 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Kris Emmel.

For Classifieds that work, call Richards Publishing
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Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

GONVICK SITE:

Family Connection Open House: Sat., Feb. 17, 11:30 – 1:30, 226 Elm St. FREE family activities, including lunch, art centers, treasure hunt, gym games, & prizes! Round-table discussion for adults focusing on ideas for youth in our communities. Sponsored by Youth Connection & our generous donors.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: Open M-W-F, 10-4 and Sat., 9-12 noon. We take donations of good quality furniture during business hours.

Friday Night Out: Mar 2, 5-7 PM. Greek Cuisine. Menu on our Facebook page & our website. Reservations strongly encouraged. It's not too early, call 218-776-2789.

CLEARBROOK SITE:

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

Youth Connection: After-school programming for 5th – 9th graders. Tues., 3:30 – 5:00. Transportation available from C-G school with signed permission slip.

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

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Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept.-May)10:00 a.m. Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Kids Worship (most Sundays) Jr. Church follows, 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (most Sundays).

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

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog

Wed., Feb. 14 - 5:30 pm Confirmation; 6:00 pm Soup and Sandwich Supper; 7:00 pm Lenten Service.

Sun., Feb. 18 - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service; 3:30 pm Congregational Bowling at Bagley; 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study at Elim.

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

Wed., Feb. 14: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 10:30 AM Quilting Starts; NO confirmation.

Thurs., Feb. 15: 2:30 PM WNALC meets with meal serving from 4 to 6 PM.

Sun. Feb. 18: 9:00 AM Sunday School; 10:30 AM Worship Service/ Holy Communion. 1:30 PM Samhold WNALC Book Club meets

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

Wed., Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday, 6:30 Worship Service.

Sun., Feb. 18: 9:00 am Worship Service/Holy Communion.

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

Wed, Feb. 14: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Nazareth: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday – Bible Study to follow.

Thu, Feb. 15: 6:30 p.m. Lenten Service at St. Petri – Bible Study to follow.

Sat, Feb. 17: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Feb. 18: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 SS; 9:45 a.m. Nazareth, 8:30 a.m. SS; 11:00 a.m. Oak Park, 9:45 SS.

Tue, Feb. 20: 5:30 p.m. Mt. Olive Bible - Study to follow.

Wed, Feb. 21: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Oak Park: 6:00 p.m. Soup/ Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service – Bible Study to follow.

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

Wed. Feb. 14: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.

Thu, Feb. 15: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Sun, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School. 7:00 p.m. Couquer Men's Study at Country Faith Church.

Tue, Feb. 20: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Hebrews Bible Study.

Wed. Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.

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

Wed, Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday at Lund – 6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwich supper, 7:00 p.m. Services.

Sun, Feb. 18: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. 12:30 p.m. Youth Ski Trip leave Lund.

Wed, Feb. 21: Lent Service at Sand Valley – 6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwich supper, 7:00 p.m. Services.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor

Sun, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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

School News

CONFERENCES:

Thu, Feb 15, 4:00-7:30, Fri, Feb 16, 8:00-noon

NO SCHOOL: Fri, Feb 16 for Conferences and Mon, Feb 19 for Presidents Day. Fri, Feb 16: A,B, BBB at Fisher-Climax (Fisher) at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave TBD

MAD DAY: Ten CGHS will be attending BSU's MAD Day (Media, Art and Technology Design) day on Feb 15. Students attending include: Keisha Jones, Morgan Cornell, Jenna Smith, Lindsey Gray, Brody Johnson, Robert King, Amara Allen, Danae Stenzel, Jackielynn Taflin, Jennifer Lavin. Each gets to choose 3 workshops from a long list of wonderful activity workshops. Lunch, a tee shirt and knapsack with MAD Day 2018 logo will be given to each student.

Fri, Feb 16: A,B, BBB at Fisher-Climax (Fisher) at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave TBD

Tue, Feb 20: A,B, BBB at Nevis at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave 3:45

Tue, Feb 20: A,B GBB vs WHA at 6:00. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30.

Thur, Feb 22: A,B, GBB at Fosston at 6:00. B at 6:00, Var at 7:30. Leave 4:30

College and Career Fair

The Clearbrook-Gonvick High School is sponsoring a College and Career Fair Day. It will be held on Thursday, February 15 from 3:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. in the school commons area. You will be able to speak with representatives two and four year Colleges, Universities, Businesses, and Armed Forces Booths.

For more information contact: Megan Godtland at 218-776-3112 x406 or mgodtland@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us



The Clearbrook-Gonvick One-Act play cast before make-up for the presentaton. Top row: Danika Harmon and Callie Baker; middle row: Savannah Rankin and Jazmyn Smith and in the front Xavier Goodwin .

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wednesday, Feb. 14 - Turkey Stromboli, California Blend, Veggies, Sun Chips (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

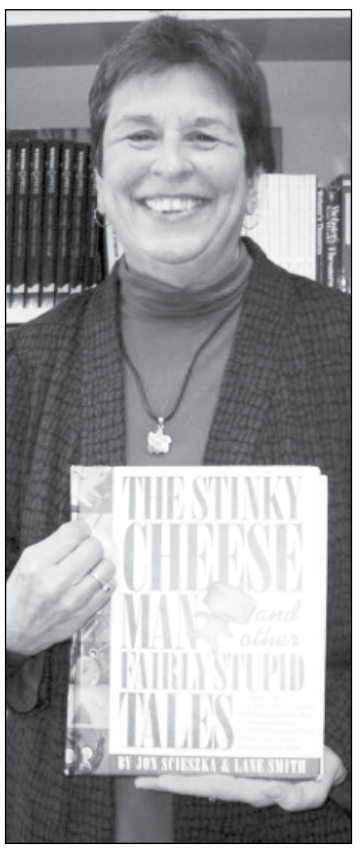
Thursday, Feb. 15 - *Conferences 4-7:30.* Dunkers with Dipping Sauce, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Friday, Feb. 16 - *NO SCHOOL* Parent/Teacher Conferences 8-12.

Monday, Feb. 19 - *NO SCHOOL* Presidents Day

Tuesday, Feb. 20 - *FFA Week* Hamburgers on Bun, Oven fries, CC Cookie (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 21 - *FFA Week* Chicken Alfredo, Steamed Broccoli, Dinner Roll (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.



The entire Clearbrook-Gonvick School staff and student body along with the surrounding community and alumni are deeply saddened by the sudden passing of retired staff member Karen Nielsen. Mrs. Nielsen taught in Gonvick and Clearbrook-Gonvick for over 40 years, including her recent work as a substitute teacher. Her impact on her students and colleagues will continue for many years to come. Blessed be her memory.



Clearbrook-Gonvick group photo from competition in Bagley. Bagley placed first and Fosston placed second. From left to right: Jazmyn Smith, Savannah Rankin, Xavier Goodwin, Danika Harmon, and Callie Baker. Not pictured are lighting technicians Daniel Rankin and Kendehl Ballard. Photo by Kendehl

SPOTLIGHT

February Teacher Feature

February Teacher Feature: Kim Anderson, Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor

"Cultivators of the earth are the most valuable citizens. They are the most vigorous, the most independent, the most wedded to its liberty and interests, by the most lasting bonds."

~ Thomas Jefferson



Kim Anderson

Kim Anderson was a substitute teacher at Clearbrook-Gonvick from 2004 - 2012. In the fall of 2012, she was hired to teach Agriculture full time. She grew up on a grain and beef farm in Central Illinois, the middle child of five girls - this explains a lot about why Kim is the way Kim is! She moved to Minnesota to attend the University of Minnesota, Crookston. Scott Anderson, her now husband, and Kim kept running into each other in Animal Science class, at church, and the neighbor's farm. It seems these constant encounters were not coincidental. Now, nineteen years later they're married with two boys (Jacob and James), a farm, and Kim has a career in agricultural education - she is living her dream!

Why did you choose to be a teacher? My second grade self wrote, "I want to be a teacher because I like the sound of chalk on the chalkboard." With the replacement of chalkboards for whiteboards, I almost gave up on my dream; however, during my freshman year at UMC, the school adopted the agricultural education program and given the great experience I had in my high school agriculture and FFA program, I knew this was the right choice. Teaching allows me to share my passion for the agriculture industry, to expose youth to the processes that provide them with food and clothing, and to give more students the opportunity to develop into premier leaders through the FFA organization. Each time one of my students goes to college and texts me a message that their class is studying how to calculate a ration or artificially inseminate a cow and it was a breeze because they learned about it in my class first, it's a reminder of why I chose this profession!

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? Before teaching at Clearbrook-Gonvick, I was a substitute teacher in this district and the Bagley school district. I believe every teacher should substitute teach before they teach full time. Those years exposed me to a broad spectrum of teaching strategies, organization techniques, and lesson planning. It taught me to be flexible and it reaffirmed that junior high and high school was where I was meant to be. God bless the elementary teachers!

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick? The people. As we grieve the loss of one of Clearbrook-Gonvick's greats, Mrs. Karen Nielsen, we hear new stories every day of how she touched lives and made her impact on all whom she taught and worked with over the years. These stories aren't only of her excellence as an educator, but many memories shared this week were of a teacher/co-worker who was compassionate and did the little things that made you know she cared about you. Like Karen, the staff and administration here care about these students in a way that not every school can claim. They are invested in the students' academic well-beings, as well as their personal well-beings. People here don't clock in at 7:50 and clock out at 3:40. They are here early and leave late. They come to watch the students in athletics and plays and band concerts, just because they know it means something to those kids. I tell my students often that we are a family - we have our ups and downs, we drive each other crazy sometimes, some get along better than others, but just like a family should, we look out for each other and we take care of each other. That is definitely a legacy that Mrs. Nielsen left with her Clearbrook-Gonvick family.

What is the biggest challenge of your job? Everyday I pray that my enthusiasm about learning new things and about the world of agriculture makes my students think a little bit about what went into the sandwich they are eating or about the tractors in the fields they drive by. Even if they don't share my passion, I still want them to feel that a-ha moment of understanding. The forces working against my enthusiasm seem overwhelmingly great at times: finding enough time in the school year to teach everything I want, competing with social media, competing with Fort Night (a video game they've educated me on), trying to get them to see the value in knowledge, being able to find a connection with each student who walks through my door, and getting them to laugh at my jokes.

If you could have any job in the world - what would it be? Why? Besides owning a "locally grown" restaurant, running a wedding-coordinating business with my sisters, starting a bakery/coffee shop on main street, and growing a Christmas tree farm, I think I'd have to say that the career I would love to wake up to every morning would be to work at Anderson Farms raising cattle. Amazing experiences happen on the farm - watching calves being born, raising calves up to be mothers themselves, letting a herd out to pasture for the first time in the spring and hearing them take their first bites of green grass, crossing new genetics and praying that the outcome is what you planned for, baling hay, the list goes on and on. I just love it.

What do you do when you are not working at the school? During the warm months, I love being outside with my family. Whether it's working in the garden, working with the cattle, swimming in the pool, or mowing the lawn, I love being out in the sun. During the cold months, I love being inside preferably baking, watching a classic movie like Pride and Prejudice, or just sipping coffee in silence.

If you could go back in time to being school aged, what age/grade would you pick? Why would you pick that age/grade? I would have to say my high school years could use some touching up. I was extremely active in school and enjoyed all of those years, but I did just okay as a student. That is one of my biggest regrets. I'd take a high school do-over for both the fun and exciting experiences and to be able to challenge myself more academically. That is part of what drives me as a teacher - showing my students that they really can do more than what they think and pushing them to not get too comfortable in a spot without challenging themselves.

Describe a wish or hope you have for the New Year 2018 - either personal or professional. Professionally, I hope to keep expanding the agriculture/FFA program at Clearbrook-Gonvick, and encouraging the understanding of and respect for the agriculture industry. With that, personally, I hope to fine tune the balance between my career and my family. When my phone has more pictures of my students and FFA members than it does of my sons, I have to do some reflecting and try to figure out how to give the most to both of my worlds. It's a work in progress that I know many of us struggle with. This year it's getting some more of my attention.

And now a word or two from the students about Mrs. Anderson...

Mrs. Anderson loves to tell stories. What is your favorite Mrs. Anderson story? *"Her National FFA Conference stories" "Any story about her kids." "When Mrs. Anderson was telling us about her son James screaming. She can't take screaming so she punches the air." "I like her story about her childhood and where she grew up." "My favorite story is when her kid James was screeching. She got so mad because she hates screeching and started punching the air!" "One time she told us a story about how she got detention for sharpening her pencil."*

What do you think Mrs. Anderson does when she is not at school? *"Cooks and sleeps" "She farms." "She takes care of her family and works in the farm." "She farms, takes care of her three kids (Scott included), daydreams about sleeping, and most likely reads stuff online about FFA." "Farming and taking care of her kids." "Spends time with her family and friends."*

What is the best thing about Mrs. Anderson? *"She is nice and kind." "How easily she can get off topic about anything." "Her personality" "Everything. She is a great teacher and a great person." "How she never gives up on a person and is always there if you need her." "I love her attitude, her teaching style, her personality, her singing voice, and most of all that she is the best FFA advisor in the history of FFA!"* Thank you Mrs. Anderson for all you do!

What do you think Mrs. Anderson was like when she was in high school? *"Nerdy" "A perfect but not so perfect kid." "I can see her being a good students and one of the ones who always participates." "She played basketball because she loves it and probably was quiet and perfect." "Intense. I feel like she was a hyper person." "Kind of dorky in a good way and outgoing."*

February is "I love to Read Month". What is a book you think Mrs. Anderson should read? *"Harry Potter" "An 'I love farming' book" "A book about FFA or cattle." "Ferdinand and the Bull" "I think Mrs. Anderson should read 'The picture of Dorian Gray'." "I think she should read the 'Odyssey' because it is a book."*

If you could send Mrs. Anderson on a vacation anywhere in the world, where would you send her? *Why would you send her there? "Canada so she can't escape the cold." "I would send her to Italy so she can be on the Mediterranean beach." "I would send her to Illinois. She always talks about going there." "I would send her to Texas, but I would be with her!" "Ireland where all the gingers are!" "I would send her to the Oklahoma National Stockyards because she likes animals and cows."*

What is one thing Mrs. Anderson ALWAYS says? *"Ha, ha. That's great." "Really, Savanna??" "Did I ever tell you when my kid…" "Naomi, stop talking!" "Deeply offended." "Kayla, be quiet."*

Story to Share!

If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to: richards@gvtel.com

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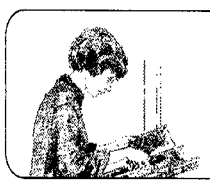
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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

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Coming up February 16th, is Lloyd Godtland's last day at the Gully Coop. There will be cake, donuts and coffee. This will take place at the Fertilizer plant from 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m. Mark your calendar for "Lloyd's Retirement" Day Friday, February 16th.

Saturday, Feb. 17 there will be the Nordlund Stock Farm Production Sale near Clearbrook. It will be starting at 1:00 p.m. For more information go to www.nordlundstockfarm.com or call 218-280-3112.

Minnesota sent 21 athletes to compete in the Winter Games in Korea. It started last Friday with Opening Ceremonies and will end Sunday, February 25.

The Szarke's, Jim and Christopher were in Gonvick at Kandi's Kitchen visiting with several people. They used to live in Gonvick where the family had the grocery store. I asked them what they were all doing. Rev. Christopher is at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Belfast, Maine; David works at a group home in Duluth with autistic adults; Jon owns a French restaurant in Hertford, North Carolina. They are expecting their first baby. He also has a stepson; Marie is a dietitian at St. Clair School District. She has three children; Katrina works in a group Home in Lake City. She has 6 children and 3 grandchildren; Dan who has his Doctorate in Political Science teaches French at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Co. He has three children; Deb passed away.

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

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Parks and Trails Division, in conjunction with the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council and the Minnesota 4-Wheel Drive Association, will hold a series of listening sessions across the northern counties of Minnesota about the Border to Border (B2B) Touring Route. **Wednesday, Feb. 28** they will be at the Clearbrook Gonvick School Library, 16770 Clearwater Lake Rd., Clearbrook, MN 56634.

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. Your new family member, the big buck or fish that you got, wedding or engagement picture.

We take passport pictures. Call 218-487-5225 to set up an appointment. They can be made while you wait.

Joke time...

It is the middle of the night in the middle of nowhere, two cars both slightly cross over the white line in the centre of the road. They collide and a fair amount of damage is done, miraculously neither driver is hurt.

They both get out. One is a doctor, one is a lawyer. The lawyer calls the police on his cell phone and they say they will be there within 20 minutes.

It's cold and damp, and both men are shaken up. The lawyer offers the doctor a drink of brandy from his hip flask, the doctor accepts, drinks and hands it back to the lawyer, who then puts it away.

"Aren't you going to have a drink?" the doctor says.

"AFTER the police get here." replies the lawyer

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Samhold Lutheran Church Women's group meeting notice

On Thursday, February 15, 2018 The Samhold Lutheran; Church Women (NALC) will be having their monthly meeting, devotions, and lunch at the Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick.

The program will feature music and a "How to Rosemale" lecture from Jane Bellefy of Bagley. Jane has won many awards with her rosemalling and will discuss the different styles of rosemalling brought here from Norway.

The business meeting begins at 2:30, the program begins at 3 P.M., and a delicious lunch will be served at 4 P.M.

Everyone is welcome.

Now hear this...

by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

GIVE A VETERAN A LIFT: THIS SATURDAY! The 11th annual "Give A Veteran A Lift" music program fund raiser for the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program will be held on this Saturday at the comfy Bagley High School Auditorium from 7:00 to 9:00 pm immediately following the Bagley Senior Center Sweetheart Dinner. A free will offering will be taken at the door and all during the performance, which goes directly to the County Revenue Fund line item "Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program". As the administrator of that program, I'm so grateful for the faithful and selfless generosity of the collective local communities that literally breathe life into the Transportation Program. It is important to note that the program can only serve the veteran passengers when there is a covering balance in the County Revenue fund. I'd like to encourage local agencies and service groups to consider the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program as fully worthy of their financial support. I am ready to provide and even personally present information to townships, Veterans Service Organization posts, church groups and individuals whose heart for service is seeking to bless local veterans with transportation access to their VA Health Care.

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





The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke Chargers on Tuesday, January 30. On the left Jonny Hamnes looks for an opening for a pass and on the right Ethan Dorman goes in for a lay-up.

Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson



With the cold temperatures we have been experiencing, I have had people ask questions about proper care of animals, both pets and livestock. I hope that the extreme cold weather will soon be behind us and we will transition into warmer weather. Needless to say, in this month's article I want to answer some of the questions that I have been asked and clarify some of the Minnesota laws pertaining to the care of animals.

One of the most common complaints we receive in the winter months are about pet dogs not being provided adequate shelter. Minnesota State Statute 343.40 states that a person in charge of a dog shall provide shelter and bedding if that dog is kept outdoors or in an unheated enclosure. The shelter must be moisture proof and windproof and of adequate size for the dog. The floor must be constructed out of durable materials and be moisture proof or be raised at least two inches from the ground. Bedding such as straw, wood chips, blankets or the equivalent are also required. Between November 1 and March 31 of each year, the structure must also have a windbreak at the entrance.

There is a subdivision to this statute specific to farm dogs. Dogs that are kept on a farm and have access to a barn with sufficient loose hay or bedding do not have to abide by the rules mentioned above. The bottom line is that you must provide shelter for your dog to protect it from cold temperatures and promote the retention of body heat.

Another question I have received has to deal with cattle and horses. People often ask what are the requirements for feeding and watering of their animals during winter months. Minnesota State Statute 346.38 states that horses must be provided with sufficient food of quality and quantity to allow for normal growth. Water must be provided in sufficient quantity to satisfy the animal's needs or supplied by free choice such as a water trough. According to Minnesota law, snow and ice are not an adequate water source.

As far as cattle go, Minnesota State Statute 343.21 subdivision 4 states that no person shall feed any cow on food that produces impure or unwholesome milk. Basically, you must feed your cattle food with proper nutrients or provide other forms of nutrients to keep them healthy. Since the sale of cattle is where farmers make their money, this isn't usually a huge issue. Sometimes, however, a person is found not properly taking care of their cattle and these are handled on a case-by-case basis.

If our office receives an animal complaint, we are obligated to investigate. Clearwater County uses the services of an animal control officer employed by the City of Bagley to look into these cases or a deputy is assigned. Occasionally, reports are made directly to the Minnesota Federated Humane Society and they come to investigate.

Often, when someone decides to call our office regarding the treatment of animals, it is because they have a difference of opinion with someone else about the care being given. Law enforcement must decide, after the case has been investigated, as to what adequate care is and what isn't. Minnesota law, along with the Clearwater County Animal Ordinance, are reviewed and taken into account. The way many of the laws are written are open for interpretation. Officers must consider them and use their own common sense to resolve these situations.

Many times, it is difficult to satisfy both sides. Most of these issues are resolved by simply talking to the party not caring for their animal(s) and educating them on what they need to do and the problem is fixed. Very seldom does the situation come down to a criminal complaint being filed and the person having to come to court and possibly paying a fine.

I hope this article will help people understand animal laws in Minnesota and what our office does in these cases. I would encourage anyone interested in animal laws to do their own research for additional information. The bottom line is, if you want to own an animal, then it is your responsibility to provide adequate care for them.

If you have questions that you would like answered or any suggestions, please email me at darin.halverson@co.clearwater.mn.us or call the Sheriff's Office at 218-694-6226. You can also find us on Facebook by searching for Clearwater County Sheriff's Office.

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

"Art at the Capitol" Student Awards presented

Great Day celebrating the talents of the Clearbrook-Gonvick art students on Thursday. Congratulations to everyone involved in the Art at the Capitol project. While the student spoke about their art project Art Instructor Linda Brown held up their work. The nine award winning pieces of art. Awardees are:

8th Grade - 1st Place: Justyce Auginash ** 2nd Place: Jayna Tronnes 3rd Place: Jensen Engberg

9th Grade - 1st Place: Kayla Ehlers 2nd Place: Lauren Melby 3rd Place: Danika Harmon

10th Grade - 1st Place: Jenna Smith. 2nd Place: Abigail Johnson 3rd Place: n/a
(no 11th grade entires)

12th Grade - 1st Place: Kaylee Anderson 2nd Place: Keisha Jones 3rd Place: Sierra Walters

Overall highest scores for CGHS
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2ND Place: Kayla Ehlers (9th Grade)
3RD Place: Kaylee Anderson (12th grade)



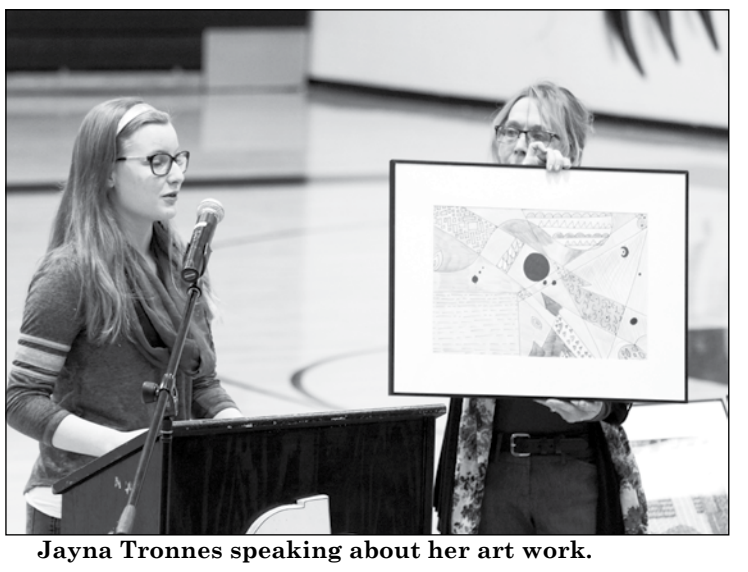
Jensen Engberg speaking about his art work.



Keisha Jones speaking about her art work.



Lauren Melby speaking about her art work.



Jayna Tronnes speaking about her art work.



Kayla Ehlers speaking about her art work.



Jenna Smith speaking about her art work.