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CONTINUING THE GONVICK RECORD AND CLEARBROOK LEADER
Serving the Communities of Clearbrook, Gonvick, Gully, Leonard and Trail

Killed in action from the Gonvick American Legion

Robert Anderson, Carl Grone, Arnold Holm, Elmer Holm, Talmadge Kloster, Charles Marmorine Jr., Herman Odegaard, Selmer Okstad Jr., Floyd Peterson, Palmer Ringstad, Arthur Stolen, John Sundquist.

Killed in action from the Clearbrook American Legion

Melvin Johnson, Lars Bjorbeck, Edwin Koxvold, Olaf Olson, Andrew Stortroen, Bennie Fosness, Oscar Jacobson, Ernest Rydeen, Reuben Halvorson, Wallace L. Johnson, Hartvig, Berg, Rudolph Nordlund, Robert K. Nelson, Roland Richardson, Elvin Johnson, Emil Richards, Arnold Holm, Elmer Holm, Selmer Okstad, Morrel Larson, Edward Isackson, Helmer Erickson, Richard Berglund, Lavern Maple, Dennis Nelson, Gerald Bagaason.



Memorial Day programs will be held on May 25 in Gully, Gonvick and Clearbrook

Memorial Day is a day for remembering the people who died while serving in the country's armed services. The holiday was formerly known as Decoration Day and originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the war. By the 20th century, Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who died while in the military service. It typically marks the start of the summer vacation season, while Labor Day marks its end.

Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service.

Gully's Program will be held at the Gully Hall on Monday, May 25th starting at 10:30 a.m. It is sponsored by the Gully American Legion.

Gonvick's program will be at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Kris Snyder from the Gonvick Lutheran Parish giving the Memorial Day address. The program will be held at the Gonvick American Legion.

Readings will be done by Eileen Horn, Carole Johnson, Dianne Godtland and "Tippy" Berg. Special music by Sue Sims and Bonnie Borene accompanied by Karen Johnson. Fay Bjerke will give a tribute to Eleanor Sundquist, the "Gold Star Mother" of the Gonvick American Legion Post #304 and Auxiliary. LeRoy Sundquist, Legion Commander will read the list of deceased veterans. Katie Bjerke, the local Poppy Poster winner, daughter of Craig and Jody Bjerke, will place the poppy for the unknown soldier.

Coffee and refreshments will be served immediately following the Memorial Service, compliments of the Gonvick American Legion Auxiliary.

Clearbrook's program will be at 10:00 a.m. in the old school gym. Guest speaker will be Jeremy Davies who served in the U.S. Army as an electronic warfare signals intelligence analyst. The opening prayer will be by Pastor Verlyn Streng. Musical selections by Jill Bakken and Davies

family, Dave Dahlberg, Nikke Anderson and Teri Dorman and the Country Faith Mens Choirs. Placing of the poppies by community children as the roll call of deceased veterans is read by Donna Rae Jacobson.

Part of this years Memorial program will be dedicated to honor the World War II veterans. This year will mark the 70th anniversary of the end of that war. Special recognition to area veterans who are members of what is referred to as our country's greatest generation include: Ernest Erickson, Muriel Halvorson, Emma Holm, Russell Holm, Dale Miller, Ted Olson, Robert Payne, Reuben Rydeen, and Gerald Wraa.

Anyone knowing of Clearbrook-Leonard residents, who served in World War II please call Corrinne Anderson at 776-3718 so they can be added to the list.

Everyone is invited to the Community Center Banquet/Legion Room for coffee and cake following the service.

County Board OK's hiring new forester, legal internship, and discusses waste disposal contracts

By Karen Edelbach
County Land Commissioner Bruce Cox brought a motion before the Clearwater County Board when it met on May 12. He requested authorization to hire John Blake as County Forester. He said Mr. Blake has four years of experience working in Michigan as a forester, whose goal is forest management. He is from Minnesota and very happy to return here with his family.

A motion was made by Commissioner Neal Illies, seconded by Commissioner Arlen Syverson and carried to hire John Blake at \$22.74 per hour.

Cox said there is some action expected soon regarding the state-funded Potlatch land sale to White Earth, and he should have an update at the next meeting.

Assistant Attorney Matt Headley brought a request to offer a summer internship position to Nicole Raebel, who will be completing her first year of

law school at St. Thomas this May.

The position would be for 12 hours a week at \$15 per hour for eight weeks, and including employee contributions, the total expenditure would be \$1,550. This amount would come from the attorney's forfeiture budget. The Board approved the request, after motion from Commissioner John Nelson, and seconded by Commissioner Dean Newland.

This internship gives her the opportunity to practice in court under an attorney's license.

Environmental Services Director Dan Hecht brought updated information about the county contracts being sought for waste canisters with Anderson Disposal; and waste and recyclables collection sites with Listrom's Disposal.

There was a discussion as to some of the language in the Listrom contract regarding a termination clause in case of

lack of performance by the contractor.

Commissioner Nelson questioned whether they should have an additional clause allowing them to exit the contract after six months, as during a 10-year contract many things can change. Hecht said such an addition may hold up the contract, and said they are sufficiently covered with the lack of performance clause.

Commissioner Illies explained that "a contract is a promise" (to perform the job agreed to). Commissioner Dan Stenseng pointed out that Polk County has a great investment in their incinerator, and the county trusts they will perform their duties as promised.

Nelson said this is the best system they have had, and the consensus was that they should leave that clause out as they do not want to hold up the contract.

Motions are expected to be acted on at the next meeting.

County Surveyor Robert Murray was on hand to give an update about the remonumentation project. His contract was renewed for an additional three years.

Road and Bridges employee Pat Halloran brought Highway Department bills for approval in the amount of \$44,967, requests for two GMC pickup purchases by the department to replace older ones, and purchase of other equipment. A contract to reappoint County Engineer Dan Sauvé for another four-year term was also presented. All requests were approved.

The federally funded project on Pine Lake Road for culvert replacement and repairs, bituminous surfacing, shouldering and rumble stripe was awarded to Mark Sand & Gravel of Fergus Falls, Minn. in the amount of \$3,176,870.

Every year the County receives additional federal mon-

Commissioners...
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Clearbrook-Gonvick High School graduation Saturday, May 23

The Senior Class of Clearbrook-Gonvick High School announces its Commencement Exercises Saturday afternoon, May twenty-third two thousand fifteen two o'clock in the Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Gymnasium Clearbrook, Minnesota.

Valedictorian for the class of 2015 is Stephen Nyegaard with Lauren McIntosh the Salutatorian.

The Class Motto "Life is not about finding yourself, life is about creating yourself." -Unknown

The Class Flower is a daisy. The Class Colors are black and gray.

The Class Song "Photograph" by Nickleback

Highest Honors Graduates besides Nyegaard and McIntosh are Alexander Knutson, and Monica Reichert.

High Honor Graduates are Aaron Horn, Austin Horn, Austin Petterson, Madison Ulrich and Rachel Gray.

Other candidates for graduation include: Chantel Baker, Neltson McPherson, Katie Sundquist, Moriah Johnson, Serenity Tollefson, Christopher Bratvold-Wright, Cody Halvorson, Danielle Watne, Austin Tharaldson, Tristan Wagner and Bailey Weems.

Kindergarten
Thursday May 21 is the last day of school for Kindergarten.

Friday, May 22 there will be Kindergarten Graduation at 1:30 in the gym (Please note date change.)



Valedictorian - Stephen Nyegaard



Salutatorian - Lauren McIntosh



Highest Honors Graduates at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School are from left to right: Alexander Knutson and Monica Reichert.



High Honor graduates at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School are from left to right: Austin Horn, Austin Petterson, Aaron Horn, Rachel Gray and Madison Ulrich.



Bearing trees are marked in this way: double blaze painted orange, plus corner location tag.

Remonumentation project 70% done in 3 townships

County Surveyor given another three year contract

By Karen Edelbach
The Surveying Committee has recommended that County Surveyor Robert Murray be given another three year contract.

The request was brought before the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners by Stuart Lien, representing the Surveying Committee.

Lein said, "He's done a lot for our county, and we are very pleased."

He said that Robert Murray has been our County Surveyor since May of 2011, for a three year term which ended May of 2014. The County Attorney has reviewed the contract and given his approval.

The new contract would be for sixteen hours per month, at a fee of \$12,480 annually, plus a \$5 per hour raise suggested by Commis-

sioner Dan Stenseng and approved by the Board and to be paid to Murray's firm.

Murray said he is satisfied, and the project benefits everyone in the County.

"The remonumentation project is 70% done in three townships. We

have until September to finish," Murray Said.

Popple, Copley and Shevlin Townships are the three being finished this year. Next they will begin working on Eddy, Holst and Dudley to the north.



Contractor taking notes for the remonumentation projects.



Barb Sellers of Gully has started a new career. She is the newest face at the Northern State Bank in Gonvick. She will be working the counter and other duties at the bank. Many people would have seen her as she worked in three post offices in the area including Trail, Gully and Gonvick. She is married to Ed and they have four children, Steph Hoffman, Jaime, Kristin and Nathan. She is also the proud grandmother of six grandchildren.

**We will be
CLOSED
Memorial
Day,
May 25!**

LARGE PIZZA FOR MEDIUM PRICE

**Good
Tues., May 19
thru
Sun., May 24**

**HOURS: 4:00 PM-9:00 PM, MON.-SAT.
4:00 PM-8:00 PM, SUNDAYS**

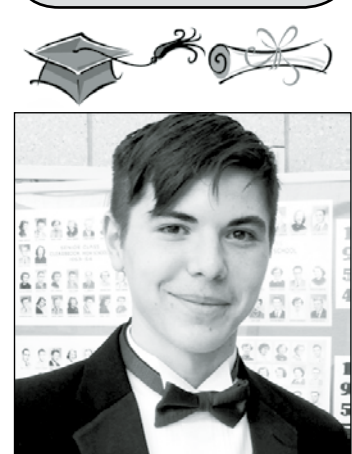
**We will be CLOSED
SATURDAY, MAY 23
for graduation**

Clearbrook 776-3225

Congratulations
TO OUR SENIORS...
**Aaron & Austin Horn,
Stephen Nyegaard &
Austin Petterson**

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Pizza**
"Great pizza at a
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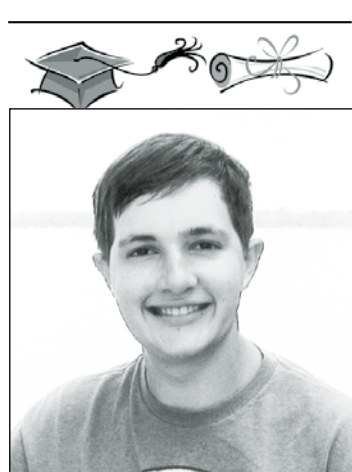
Community Calendar



A Graduation Celebration for Chris Wright will be held at the home of Bruce & Audrey Emmel 27447 Bjerke Circle, Leonard MN 56652, on May 23, 2015 from 3:30pm - 5:30pm. Everyone Welcome! R7-SC



There will be a Graduation Open House in honor of Austin Petterson following the graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 23rd at his home at 49783 209th Ave, Clearbrook. *Everyone welcome!* R7-SP



Open House for Alex Knutson after graduation from Clearbrook-Gonvick High School at his home 18744 460th St. Clearbrook. Everyone welcome. L8P



A Celebration in honor of Madison Ulrich will be held on May 23rd from 3:30-6:30 at her home, at 105 Pine St. SE in Clearbrook following the Clearbrook-Gonvick graduation ceremony. Everyone Welcome! L8C

Commissioners...

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ey, and it takes five-six years for the County to have enough money for a federally funded project, such as this. Sixty to seventy percent of federal money goes into the project, the rest is state aid, Pat Hal-loran said.

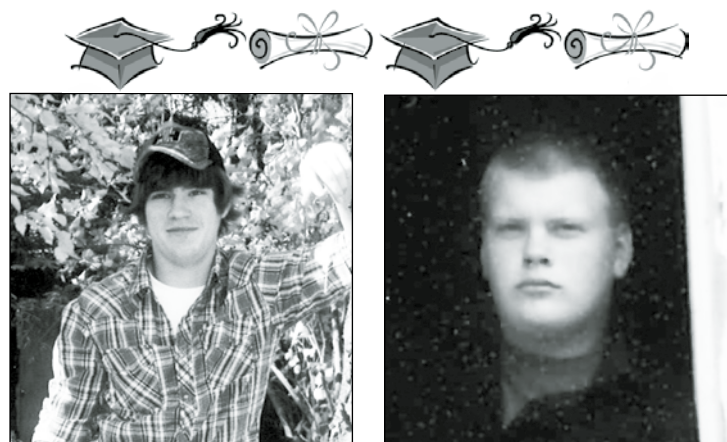
County Auditor-Treasurer Allen Paulson received authorization to pay the submitted invoices of \$147,564 from the County Revenue Fund and \$13,528 from Nursing Service.

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

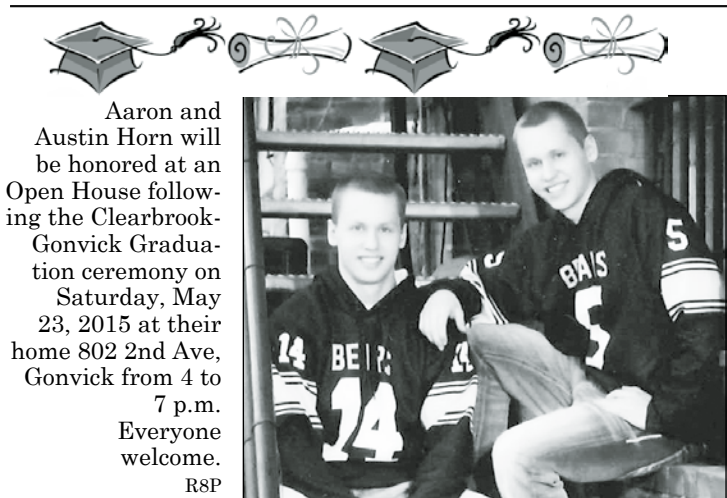
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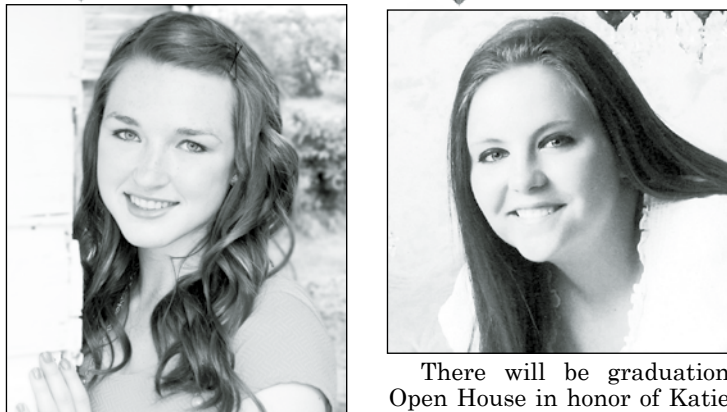
Please bring your pet on a leash or in a kennel and bring any vaccination records that you have. Vaccines, Heartgard, Frontline and Nexgard will be at a reduced price. We will be offering microchipping as well. No appointments needed on that day. R8C



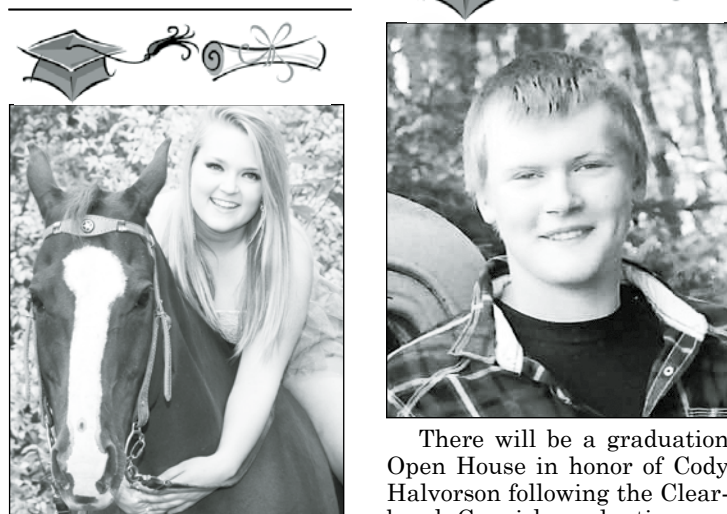
Please join us for a graduation Open House in honor of Tristan Wagner and AustinTharaldson on Saturday, May 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Gully Community Center following Clearbrook-Gonvick graduation. L8P



Aaron and Austin Horn will be honored at an Open House following the Clearbrook-Gonvick Graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 23, 2015 at their home 802 2nd Ave, Gonvick from 4 to 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. R8P



Please join Lauren McIntosh and her family in a graduation celebration at her home on May 23rd following the Clearbrook-Gonvick Commencement Ceremony. 47054 County 7, Gonvick. Everyone is welcome. R8C



Open House for Monica Reichert after graduation from Clearbrook-Gonvick High School at the Leonard Community Center from 4-7 p.m. Everyone welcome. L8P

In Loving Memory of Wayne Jaradee Bardwell

Born: May 12, 1935 in Minerva Township, Clearwater County, Minnesota
Died: April 29, 2014 in Kingman, Arizona



Wayne was the youngest son of Art and Minnie Bardwell, Clearbrook, MN.
Preceding Wayne in death were his parents; half brothers - Ernest and Floyd Bardwell and half sister Gladys Tibbetts; Brothers - Clifford, Jesse, infant brother and Lyle Bardwell; Sisters - Ruby Gardner, Vivian Hofferber, Alice Berens, Grace Mitchell and Dorothy Torgerson.

*Blessed be the memory of
Wayne Jaradee Bardwell* R7-SC

Cornerstone Veterinary Service, will be offering Spring Vaccinations for your dog or cat in Gonvick at the clinic on Friday, May 22nd, from 8:30 - 8:00 pm.

The Gonvick American Legion Auxiliary Post #304 would like to thank you for supporting their Poppy Program that was held recently. For more than 90 years the American Legion Auxiliary has distributed the memorial poppy to remind Americans that millions sacrificed their lives and health to keep our nation free. Money that was donated will be used for the Wounded Warrior Project. *Thank You!* R8NC

**OFF THE TRACKS
GROOMING**

It's Springtime!

Let me help you clean up your pup!
CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT
218-968-2207

Flexible hours! Leave a message if no answer, I will call back as soon as possible!

**REMEMBER...
the ticks are out!!!**

GET A PREVENTIVE ON YOUR PET TO HELP THEM OUT!!!

Lexie will be at the
**CORNERSTONE VET
VACCINATION CLINIC
GONVICK**

MAY 22, from 9:00-4:00!

with her **NEW...**
iMARC machine making
PET TAGS on the spot
Just takes minutes... **\$7-\$10**

WANTED:

Summer Rec baseball coach & asst coaches. Completed junior year and up (head), completed 9th grade & up (asst). Application at Clearbrook-Gonvick school or website. Deadline May 21. Info: Judy at 776-3112 Ext 102. R7-8C

**MEETING
CHANGE
NOTICE**

The Sinclair Township May 2015 Regular Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 21st, 2015 following Cemetery Clean-up.
*Brooke Pond
Sinclair Town Clerk* R8C

**Notice:
Clover
Township**

To the residents of Clover Township: The regular and business meeting will be held June 1st at 5:00 pm at the Clover Town Hall.
Joel Wraa, Clerk R8C

**CEMETERY
CLEAN - UP
DAY**

Cemetery clean-up day will take place on Thursday, May 21, 2015 starting at 5:00 pm. All residents of Sinclair Township are welcome to attend. If able, please bring a rake, shovel, and/or wheelbarrow. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions, please call Ray Reichert, Chair, at 218-368-2171 or Brooke Pond, Clerk, at 701-412-8179. R8C

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. May 20 - Chef salad, turkey, ham, cheese, lettuce, tomato, cucumber slices, muffin and milk.
Thurs. May 21 - Beef stew with carrots and potatoes, bread, fruit crisp and milk.
Fri. May 22 - Chicken Chow Mein, rice or chow mein noodles, Oriental veg. Mandarin oranges, cookie, and milk.
Mon. May 25 - Closed for Memorial Day
Tues. May 26 - Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, bread and milk.
Call 776-3154 to sign up. Daily meals at 11:30 a.m.

Clearwater Lake Association meeting
Clearwater Lake Area Association (CLAA) Memorial Weekend Meeting and Pot Luck Meal
All members and non-members are welcome
Sunday, May 24, 2015
1:00 p.m. Board Meeting
2:00 p.m. Pot Luck Meal (coffee and lemonade provided)
General Meeting to follow the meal
Bring your favorite dish to pass, plates, utensils, and your lawn chair.
Location: Moore's garage - 8 houses east of public access

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

**ST. JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Bagley 218-694-6416
Pastor: Fr. Manny Sundaram
Pastoral Associate: Sr. Debra Berry, SMP
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m. Call for weekday Mass times.

**ELIM LUTHERAN
BRETHREN CHURCH**
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. May 20 - 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate
Thurs. May 23 - 2:00 Clearbrook-Gonvick Graduation
Sun. May 24 - 10:30 a.m. Mission Sunday Worship Service.

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

**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.

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

LUTHERAN CHURCH
WED., MAY 20 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study, 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study, 10:30 AM Crafts & Laughs
SUN., MAY 24 11:00 AM Worship Service
**UNITED LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
55070 149th Ave., Gonvick (218) 487-5308
SUN, MAY 17 9:00 AM Worship Service

**Oak Park Cemetery
meeting May 24**

The Oak Park Cemetery Association of rural Weme will hold their business meeting on Sunday May 24, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the Oak Park Church. Refreshments will be served.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

**CLEARBROOK
OFFICE HOURS:**
8:00 AM-12:00, **Tuesday**-Friday
Be sure check our web site: www.clearwaterslife.org or Facebook pages for more information on any of our events.
Gonvick Location:
226 Elm St., 218-487-5290
Create It! Community Art Studios: June class series begins Monday, June 1, 6:30 PM.
"Pottery Basics" with Dave Hudson. Call to register. New members welcome. Join us Mondays for a couple of hours, between 1 & 5 PM, to get acquainted with the studios.
Grow It! Greenhouse & Garden Center: M-Th, 9-5; Fri., 9-6; & Sat., 9-2. Check our Facebook page for updates. Lots of tomatoes and peppers!
Restore It! Furniture Shop: Open M- W-F, 9 to 4, & Sat., 9 to 12. Donations accepted during business hours. Use north entrance.
Clearbrook Location:
256 2nd Ave. SW, 218-776-2789
FREE Cardio Fitness: M-F, 6:30 to 7:30 AM. Use Gathering Place (south) entrance. Work out at your own pace. 7th grade-90+! No excuses, you can even exercise in the rain and have others to support and encourage you.
Shop-at-the-Top: Open Mon.-Fri., 10:00 - 4:00, & Sat., 10:00- 3:00. New items going out daily. Volunteers needed. Pick up an application next time you are here.
The Most Excellent Way: Recovery support group, 7:00 PM, Thursday.

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Personal Care &
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**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.

**GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN CHURCH
CLEARBROOK &
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN
CHURCH LEONARD**
Good Shepherd
Thurs. May 21 9:00am-12:00pm Quilting
Sun. May 24 9:00am Worship; 10:00am Coffee Hour bring a dish to share for Pentecost Sunday. Can be your favorite heritage dish, dessert, cookie, pastry etc. Contact Corrinne Anderson 776-3718 for questions.

Joint Activities
Wed. May 13th 6:00pm Confirmation
Our Savior's
Thurs. May 21st 2:00 p.m. WELCA meets in the fellowship hall. Hostesses Donna Stenseng, Melanie Paulson, Elaine Larson, Fay Dickey, Wendy Ehlers. Offering mediation - Donna Stenseng.
Thurs. May 21st 6:00p.m. Church Council meets in the fellowship hall.
Sun. May 24th 9:45am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Youth Pastor Troy Churness
Children's Minister Nikki Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept 7-May 17) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check church website for dates)
Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
*Wednesdays: Care groups in various homes

**CLEARWATER
LUTHERAN PARISH**
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Joseph Abrahamson
Sat, May 23: 8:30 a.m. Mt. Olive. 10:30 a.m. St. Petri.
Sun, May 24: 5:30 p.m. Oak Park. 7:00 p.m. Nazareth.

**NEW JOURNEY
CHURCH**
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfossston.com
Wed, May 20: 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Club. 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, May 21: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting. 7:00 p.m. Servant Leaders meeting.
Sun, May 24: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, May 26: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, May 27: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Wed, May 20: 2:00 p.m. WELCA at Sand Valley.
Sun, May 24: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson,
Assist. Pastor
Sun, May 24: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship

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BEAR TRACKS

Meet the Seniors.. from Clearbrook-Gonvick



Aaron Horn
Family members: Parents: Randy and Julie, Brothers: Jason, Jeff, Ryan and Austin
Best High School Memory: Football and Iron Bear
Favorite Song: "Here's to the Good Times" by Florida Georgia Line
Favorite Movie: "American Sniper"
Favorite Class: Shop classes with Mr. Faldet
Advice to Underclassmen: Enjoy your time in high school because it goes by fast.
What are your plans for next year? Go to University of North Dakota for Pre-Chiropractics

No picture for Bailey Weems
Family members: Joe Weems, Brent Weems, Brandon Weems and Biana Weems
Favorite Song: "Diamond Eyes" by Shinedown
Favorite Movie: "The Hurt Locker"
Favorite Class: Art and TA
Advice to Underclassmen: Don't let school consume you. Relax a little bit. A little bit of fun isn't bad.
What are your plans for next year? Marine Corps

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



Lauren McIntosh
Family members: Tracy and Peter Imle, Toff and Beverly McIntosh, Sarah Imle and Katie McIntosh
Best High School Memory: I don't think I have a single best memory. I think the best part was being involved in so many different things. I loved all my different things. I loved all of my sports. I enjoyed the work done with Student Council It was very interesting and fun to join FFA for a year, and I loved being in my classes. Every group that I was in has it's own great memories.
Favorite Song: "Life Happens" by Brandon and Leah
Favorite Movie: "McClintock"
Favorite Class: HBS with Mrs. Goudge
Advice to Underclassmen: Take this time to do the extracurriculars that you enjoy, and don't stress out too much because you will find that life gets a lot harder than high school.
What are your plans for next year? I plan on attending NDSU to continue my Biology major with an exercise Science minor.

Lunch Menu

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Lunch menu
Wed. May 20 Cook's Choice.
Thurs. May 21: Cook's Choice.
Fri. May 22: Cook's Choice.
Mon. May 25: No school.
Memorial Day
Tues. May 26: Cook's Choice.
Wed. May 27: Cook's Choice.
Thurs. May 28: Sack Lunch Day. Early Out. Have a great summer

School News

Please note calendar change: Kindergarten Graduation will be held on Friday, May 22 at 1:30. (This is a change from May 20.)
Thursday, May 21 is the last day of school for Kindergarten
Sub-Section Track at Park Rapids on Thursday, May 21: Time change. Meet begins at 2:30, bus leaves at 12:00.
Summer Recreation brochures are available in the display case by the school office, at the City offices and banks in Clearbrook and Gonvick, at several local businesses, on the school web site under Community Education, or by email They were sent home with all K-6 students and Jr High students that wanted them.
Registration Is OPEN for the 2015-2016 School Readiness Classes
School Readiness is a public school program whose purpose is to prepare children for Kindergarten. If your child is 4-5 years old by SEPTEMBER 1, 2015, you may register him/her for this class. School

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SPOTLIGHT

Clearbrook-Gonvick School
May Teacher feature of the Month

Andy Filla, Business Teacher, Assistant Football Coach, and Yearbook Advisor

Andrew Filla is finishing up his fifth year as Business Teacher at Clearbrook-Gonvick Public School. He has also coached football and basketball for the Bears and has been the yearbook advisor. He was born and raised in Arcadia, Wisconsin by his parents, Ben and Diane. He has two brothers, Joe and Tim, two sisters, Sarah and Carolyn, and an awesome little nephew named Charlie. He graduated from Winona State University in Winona, Minnesota and student taught at Independence High School in Independence, WI.

Why did you choose to be a business teacher? The biggest influences on my decision to become a business teacher were my high school business teachers. They were both genuinely interested in their students' lives and truly cared about them. Their passion for the field and desire to help all students reach their full potential had a huge impact on me. I really enjoyed all business classes I took with them and very quickly became interested in the business fields as well.

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? After I graduated college, I spent one spring substitute teaching at schools in the Arcadia area. During that time, I also had a 6 week long-term sub position at Kasson-Mantorville High School. I have also spent time working at a furniture factory doing electrical and facility maintenance work.

What is the biggest challenge of your job? Getting students motivated to do their



schoolwork and having them come to class prepared.

If you had \$1000 to spend in your classroom, what would you do with it? A safe to lock up all cell phones for the school day.

If you could have any job in the world, what would it be? Why? Professional Hunter, it would be a true joy to be able to spend my time in the outdoors. Being able to experience everything nature has to offer on a daily basis would be a dream come true.

What do you do when you are not at school teaching? I have always been a huge sports fan, playing football, basketball, and baseball from a very young age. In my spare time, I enjoy watching sports or doing anything outdoors...fishing, hunting deer, turkeys, coyotes, and ducks, or simply just shooting my bow and guns.

What are your plans once you leave Clearbrook-Gonvick School? Next year I will be teaching at NRHEG High School in New Richland MN. I hope to someday get married and have a few children.

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-

Gonvick community? I love being in a small community. The people are all so friendly. People are always willing to give a helping hand to anybody in need. That sense of closeness and friendship make it a great place to live and work.

Any other favorites you would like to share? As I finish my time as a teacher in this school district, I would just like to say thanks to the staff, students, and community members of this district. I have truly enjoyed my 5 years here. I will miss the great people I have met along the way.

And now a word (or two) from the students...

Why do you think Mr. Filla decided to become a teacher? "He likes to help other students" "Because he is a kid at heart and enjoys being around them" "To teach kids" "He didn't know what he wanted to do so he tried giving teaching a shot" "He thought it would be fun when he had students like Madi, Rachel, and Stephen"

What is the best thing about Mr. Filla? "He can relate to us as students"

"His comebacks" "He plays music during class" "After you get to know him he becomes really nice" "His music taste... minus the country" "He plays good music during classes, and he makes good yearbooks when assisted by his yearbook class"

What do you think Mr. Filla was like when he was in high school?

"A sports fanatic and had great school spirit" "A guy with a mullet who was in a rock band" "He liked to joke around with his friends" "A smart athletic kid" "Class Clown" "He was a smart student and good at athletics, but liked to mess around with friends during his classes"

What job/career do you think Mr. Filla would have other than teaching? "A coaching job of some kind" "He would make money being a hunter" "He'd be working at the Ashley Furniture factory or at a chicken processing plant in his hometown" "Gym teacher or a coach" "Professional hunter or editor" "Professional turkey hunter/Video editor"

If Mr. Filla were a Green Bay Packers player, which player or position would he be? "He would be Clay Matthews, they share a resemblance" "A coaching position because he is bossy" "B.J. Raji" "Linebacker" "Center" "Clay Matthews"

If you could send Mr. Filla on a vacation anywhere in the world, where would you send him? Why would you send him there?

"To the Super Bowl the next time the Packers go because it would make his life" "The Bermuda Triangle so he could get lost...haha just kidding. I'd send him to New York to be with city people who hate his country music." "I would send him to Wisconsin because it's where he's from and he'd be happy there" "To a Packers game because that's his favorite team" "We would send him to Texas so he could shoot wild boar pigs from a helicopter"

What is one thing Mr. Filla ALWAYS says? "Your what hurts?" "Dave" "He calls people Dave and quotes a lot of funny movies" "Your what hurts?" "Sorry, I blew up" "You know what they say, anywhere you go, there you are"

Is there anything you would like to say to Mr. Filla before he leaves Clearbrook-Gonvick? "Thank you for teaching us skills we will use in the future, and everything you have done for this school and the students and staff. You will be missed." "Bye...I'm still mad at you for acting like you would share your oreos with me and never did, and you never brought any of your cheesecake for us" "Did we just become best friends?" "Have fun with your fellow cheese heads." "It won't be the same without you." "We wish you the best of luck with your new job even though we will always be your favorite students. Your cheesecake has always been the best. The yearbooks won't ever be the same. We will miss you."

Summer Recreation Schedule

Summer Recreation schedules were sent home with K-6 and 7 & 8 grade students that wanted them. They are also available at the school, on the school web site under Community Education, at the local banks and city offices and in several businesses. Summer Recreation registration will be held on June 1-3 from 10:00-6:00 in the school commons.



This month Mrs. Porters 2nd grade class came to visit at Clearbrook Good Samaritan Center on Thursday. This is their last visit of the year. They brought pictures they had made and visited with each of the residents. Each one of the children received a t-shirt from residents and staff of Good Samaritan as a Thank you for taking time to be with them during the school year.

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Regional Ag News

Jim Stordahl, Extension Educator

Lawn Mowing Season is Here

Lawn mowing is perhaps the most important practice performed in home lawn care. The simple practice of mowing impacts not only the appearance of your lawn, but also can impact the turf's ability to ward off problems.

Regardless of whether the lawn is fertilized, irrigated or other management practices, proper mowing practices are essential for a high quality lawn. Properly mowed lawns will have fewer weeds, will better withstand mid-summer moisture stress and will have a more pleasing appearance.

Regular mowing with a sharp mower blade at the proper mower height keeps grass growing vigorously and maintains adequate plant density to thoroughly cover the soil surface. Continually scalping turf seriously weakens grass plants, leaving an opening for weed invasion.

Mowing too short creates problems. For most lawns, mowing at a height of 2½ to 3½ inches screens out light to the soil surface, thus preventing weeds (such as light-loving crabgrass seeds) from germinating. Also, a higher cutting height encourages slightly deeper root systems, allowing them to gather moisture and nutrients from a larger soil volume, thereby increasing a grass plant's stress tolerance. If your grass has become very long (e.g., during extended rainy periods), lower the mow-

er blade height gradually rather than cutting grass back all at once to reduce unnecessary stress on plants.

Mulching mowers and mulching attachments for mowers reduce the size of grass clippings, thus increasing the rate at which they decompose. And mowing on a regular basis with a sharp mower blade produces clippings that decompose fairly quickly. Allow these clippings to remain on the lawn whenever possible. They do not contribute to thatch build-up because when they decompose they become a valuable organic source of nutrients for grass plants. In fact, yearly nitrogen applications may be reduced by 1/3 to 1/2 when grass clippings are left on the lawn. However, remove clippings that form large clumps on top of the grass. Moreover, mulching the clippings will also save the time in clipping removal. Turf mowed with the new mulching mowers has grass that has nearly the same swept or vacuumed appearance as when the turf surface was mowed with bagging attachments

The direction of mowing should be altered every one to two mowings. Mowing at right angles (90 degrees) to the previous direction will help prevent the grass from repeatedly being pushed in one direction, an important consideration at high mowing heights. Also if scalping areas of the lawn is a problem, the different mowing directions will help minimize continual scalping in any one

area.

All mowing equipment should be kept in good working condition. Having the mower serviced prior to the heavy spring mowing period will help ensure routine, maintenance-free mowing. Mower blades should be sharpened each spring and as needed during the season. A dull mower blade frays the ends of blades and results in brown tips which are unsightly and indicate damaged turfgrass.

Turfgrass should be mowed when it is dry. Wet grass is more difficult to cut and has the tendency to clog under rotary mowers. Mowing should not, however, be delayed for long periods of time because the grass is wet.

For more information, contact me at 800-450-2465 or stordahl@umn.edu. Sources: UMN, NDSU and OSU.

School news...

Continued from page 3
Readiness is a great opportunity for your child to spend time in a semi-structured classroom with daily routines while working on academic and social skills.

TO REGISTER: Call our classroom at 776-3112, ext. 223, and leave a message with a PHONE NUMBER where you can be reached. We will return your call. Or while school is still in session, stop by to pick up Registration materials. We are located in room 223. Information about Classes, Schedules, Transportation, and Fees will be available at the time of registration.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Readiness is a 4 Star Parent Aware Program.

or additions to events for the weekend. City Clerk's office will work on developing a poster for advertising & place information on the city website. www.ci.clearbrook.mn.us

- Information on establishing TIFs was presented to the Council for them to review.

- The City was contacted, requesting access to property at 201 Center Ave E. to conduct an environmental investigation. A motion to allow BP Products North America Inc. access to the property at 201 Center Ave E. for environmental investigation was approved.

- Options for the new trees along Main Street were presented to the Council. 2 types of trees were selected, the Spring Snow Crab & Green-spire Linden, and will be ordered. Dylan Goudge informed the Council that a group from the Clearbrook-Gonvick School has volunteered to help plant the trees. The City was contacted about planting a tree in the Community Center courtyard in memory of Mike Gibeau. It will be recommended to find another location for the tree.

- Building Permits: 2015-01: Shawn Johnson – Removal of building, Block 5 lot 10 through 12; Permit was given with Shawn Johnson abstaining.

- Discussion held on doing more research on enacting a ½% Parks & Recreation City Sales Tax. Information on impact of this additional tax will be brought to Council.

OTHER MOTIONS:
Monthly Claims Totaling \$62,504.48 were approved. Additional Claims Totaling \$35,662.22 were approved.

Single Approval of North Country Hardware claims of \$514.15 and \$28.83 for April was made and seconded by Dylan Goudge and Ryan Solee to accept as presented, with Shawn Johnson abstaining. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.



Pictured here is Clearbrook-Gonvick second grade teacher, Brenda Faldet. She is allowed her students to apply make up and some outer accessories as the agreed upon reward for achieving their goals on the final reading exam for the year. Hats off to the second graders! Way to read!

Gravestone Care

By Tamara Edevold
Executive Director, Clearwater County Historical Society

During the next week or so, many of you will be venturing into the area cemeteries in search of the graves of loved ones, especially our veterans. It is a natural reflex to want to clean the tombstone but I urge you to be cautious when you attempt to clean it. Preserving our heritage through tombstone preservation is a growing concern for many. A walk through a cemetery will soon reveal that very few tombstones last more than a 150 years before the words become so worn that they are illegible. And the stone itself will eventually decay and crumble.

If you want to preserve the memory of your loved ones, in part, through tombstone preservation, use only the safest and most careful practices when cleaning the stone.

Most tombstones are made of granite, which makes one think it is impervious to being damaged, but the granite itself is made up of other softer materials- feldspar, quartz, and other minerals, which can be scratched with a knife blade, your car keys, a wire brush, even a coin in your pocket. If the tombstone is marble or sandstone, it is an even greater chance of damaging it. It's best that you don't try to use anything metal to clean the stone. Also, do not use a weed-wacker type trimmer next to the head stones as they can also scar the stone. A hand trimmer is best.

The best way to clean the stone is to use plain water and a soft bristle brush. A wooden craft stick can be used to gently tease away any lichen that might be on the stone. Don't attempt to remove stubborn lichen. If it's too hard to remove, leave it.

Here is a simple list of "Do's and Don'ts" for caring for tombstones. This list is an excerpt from an article written by the Andrea McDonald, founder/ president of the Washington State Cemetery Association.

DO NOT use any detergents, soaps, vinegar, Formula 409, or other cleaning agents.

Do not use household bleach; a.k.a. SODIUM hypochlorite. While chlorine is safe in very limited quantities, the sodium in it is the most harmful thing you can use on a stone. Use CALCIUM hypochlorite instead. And, never use calcium hypochlorite unless the stone absolutely needs it-use plain water and non-ionic detergent first.

Do not clean a stone more often than once every ten years-longer if possible.

Do not use any brush or product on a stone with natu-

ral bristle brushes, as they will leave fibers behind that biological growth adheres to.

Do not use power washers, wire brushes, etc. These items rip the skin of a stone, which promotes water penetration-stone breathes water vapor but hates water. (yes, stone has a skin!)

While it may be great to have a rubbing-please do not do them. They damage stone, believe it or not. Some cemeteries are banning this practice altogether.

Do clean sound stones (if it sounds hollow when you rap your knuckles on it, leave it alone) with a non-ionic detergent. The only two recommended non-ionic detergents are Orvis (used for cleaning horses and available at tack shops or seed/feed stores) and Photo-Flo (sold at photographic supply stores such as Kits Cameras or some 1hour photo stores). Both of these products are very cheap-about a penny a stone.

Do use a WHITE NYLON bristle brushes, such as the ones you can buy with a handle for cleaning a bathroom floor, and other brushes such as used toothbrushes (with white handles and bristles). White because there is no dye that might transfer to the stone.

Do contact the Association for Gravestone Studies or the Cemetery Conservation Alliance for more information. There are many well-meaning individuals on the Internet who still encourage poor cleaning methods, so go to the experts.

Do teach our youngsters proper cleaning methods and respect for cemeteries.

Do wet the entire stone completely (use a sponge) before any brush is taken to it and start at the bottom of the stone and work your way to the top to avoid stains that will never come out. Only promote non-ionic detergents for stubborn stains; only promote calcium hypochlorite for complete removal of biological growth such as black moss.

Do take a photo instead of a rubbing. There are ways to bring every detail out in a photo while rubbings cannot. Try using a mirror to direct sunlight to cast a shadow; this will help you to read the stone. Photos are not harmful.

The best thing to remember is to use TLC- tender loving care and Do No Harm.

If you have questions about how to care for your family's gravestones, or how to reset a falling stone, please contact the history center and we'll do our best to explain how to safely do these things. Gravestones are a very important piece of our history. Sometimes the gravestone is the only record

that person ever lived, it might provide a connection to ancestors, and it often leads to information about the community as well; names of streets might be the same names found on headstones.

The poem below is quoted in literally hundreds of genealogical publications and websites and posted on the walls of cemetery offices across North America. It appears in several different forms, with different titles, and with the portions either added or deleted as it suits the user. These words continue to remind us of the importance of cemeteries and their preservation.

This is a Cemetery
Lives are commemorated - deaths are recorded - families are reunited -memories are made tangible - and love is undisguised.

This is a cemetery.
Communities accord respect, families bestow reverence, historians seek

Information and our heritage is thereby enriched.

Testimonies of devotion, pride and remembrance are carved in stone to pay warm tribute to accomplishments and to the life - not death - of a loved one.

The cemetery is homeland for family memorials that are a sustaining source of comfort to the living.

A cemetery is a history of people - a perpetual record of yesterday and a sanctuary of peace and quiet today. A cemetery exists because every life is worth loving and remembering - always.

Author unknown
For more information contact the History Center in Shevlin at 218-785-2000.

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

PREPARE FOR MEMORIAL DAY 2015: It's not about white shoes. Not about Target sales. And the first day of Summer is really June 21st. Memorial Day memorializes and honors the death sacrifices made by American servicemen and women for people they would never know. They died giving up everything in this world, holding back nothing for themselves.

They died so others could live, so great was this selfless love. Dwell on this. Count your daily blessings of freedom to move and speak and love and grow. Carry the debt-burden of these faithful as inspiration for your own next selfless, quiet measure of gratitude. I encourage you to continue to take some time to prepare and truly memorialize those who gave their lives in the service of our country. Keep writing down their names on that list, and ask family members and friends who, among them at one time, never returned. Add those names to that list. Write them on your heart.

Be grateful to them and their survivors. On Monday, there will be several local Memorial Day observances. These will be a time of sober and patriotic reflection. A Roll Call of departed service members may be recited, while flowers are gently laid at a soldier memorial site. No one will answer for muster.

An Honor Guard may render Military Honors with the firing of rifle volleys, and then the playing of Taps, just as they would at funerals for the fallen. If you attend local worship services this Sunday, it would be very appropriate to end with a time of corporate prayer. Have your list with you, so to lift these up as precious thanksgiving for the very right to gather in that place, and then dismiss very quietly and somberly to carry on your Memorial Day observances.

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Clearbrook City Council

The Clearbrook City Council meeting was held on April 13, 2015 in the City Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor George Postier.

March 9, 2015 regular council meeting minutes were approved.

Presentation of Petitions and Complaints by Council Members and Citizens

Mark Fuller, Freeburg & Grund, presented the Council with a draft copy of the PER that is ready to submit to Rural Development to review regarding the water & sewer project for the City. Mr. Fuller anticipates there should be a response from Rural Development in the next couple of months.

Police Report/Update – Dan Gazelka, Police Chief

-31 Incidents Reported for March 2015.

-Clearbrook Police Dept. will be offering a women's self-defense class through Community Ed on Thursday, April 16th. 30 people have pre-registered.

-Chief Gazelka did some research and obtained quotes for installing a camera system in the Community Center. The most affordable option was from Arvig Communications in Bemidji. The quote from Arvig Communications for a 4 camera system, with installation, on the lease to own option at \$50.95 per month for 5 years was approved.

Liquor Store Report/Update – Joy Walberg, Liquor Store Supervisor:

-Liquor Store monthly summary was reviewed by the council.

-Joy's Report –

•April Events: Dart Tournament & Throw Back Prom Party on April 18th. Discussion was held on the new tables at the bar. Planning a Throw Back Prom Party for April.

•Discussion has held on items for Summerfest/All-School Reunion. Tent prices from 2 vendors will be reviewed

before a decision is made on the size of the tent. Discussion held on charging an admission fee.

•Joy was contacted by a representative from the band 'Sparky & the Time Pirates' that played in Clearbrook years ago and would like to again. The City does not have an upcoming event for them to perform at with the bands for Summerfest already being booked. Not interested at this time

Maintenance Report/Update: - Danny Ulrich & Dan Johnson

-The crow's nest at the old football field has been taken down. More projects will be completed in the next couple of months. Work will be done to remove old playground equipment. Also discussed were the basketball hoops & old tennis courts and a plan on how to move forward with those areas. Discussion held on exactly where the new playground will be located.

-Streets will be swept soon, just waiting on parts for the sweeper.

-Discussion held on selling additional property adjacent to the car wash to Corey Westrum.

-A verbal estimate for replacing the coping around the pool was received. More information will be obtained before a decision will be made.

City Clerk Update:

- Discussion held on the Pool/Kloster Park Director position. A job description was reviewed. Shawn Johnson & Kevin Prosser will be on the hiring committee for that position. Dylan Goudge & Ryan Solee will be on the hiring committee for the assistant billing clerk position.

-2014 City Financial Statements were distributed to the Council Members.

-A list of potential property to annex into the city was reviewed.

- The Summerfest Softball flyer was reviewed to changes



Robin Proffit, the school's master chef, prepared a year end meal in honor of the Seniors. She prepares the afternoon's menu as requested by the Seniors and serves it in style on their behalf. It has become an annual tradition since Robin has worked for the Clearbrook-Gonvick School District and each graduating class looks forward to the event.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Congratulations to all the graduating seniors in the area. Good luck in the future.

Don't forget the Memorial Day activities that will be held in our area towns. See the front page for more details.

I found some very interesting items on servicemen during World War II in my grandmother Eleanor Peterson's old scrap books. Yes I kept them and they have many things of interest. But as we remember the many who sacrificed their lives in wars we can also thank those who served our country.

From grandma's scrapbooks

Dennis Wolden was awarded a Purple Heart when he was wounded while giving aid to fallen American soldiers and rescuing them from hills ablaze with mortar and machine gun fire at the Korean front. He was involved in some of the heaviest fighting encountered by the United Nations forces along the front and especially the campaign waged for "Bloody Ridge".

Warren Marmorine won the Air Medal in recognition of his "exceptionally meritorious achievement" while piloting the Fortress "E-Z Goin'" in the air war in Europe. The B-17 Flying Fortress pilot had flown in some of the heaviest attacks by the Eighth Air Force on targets at Merseberg, Ludwigshafen, Bremen, Kassel and Cologne and he made 14 missions over Germany as part of the 100th Bombardment Group.

Four Seagoing brothers fight for Uncle Sam. Erick Holm family had four sons in the service. Elmer Holm in the Marines, Arnold in the Navy somewhere in the Atlantic, Henry in the Navy and Parnelle in the Coast Guard.

Henry Kamrud saw active service in the Tunisian and Italian campaign. He left with selectees in 1942.

Carrol Sather was seriously wounded in action in Germany. He had three brothers in the service, two in the Army in Italy and one in the Navy. Alvin Sather and Hammond Sather in

Italy and Floyd Sather in the Hawaiian Islands. Another brother was in the service for three years but was sent home from Guadalcanal and given a medical discharge in 1943.

Kenny Bjerknes was stationed in Africa. He was an assistant postmaster with duties in the message center in Algeria.

Archie Olson was taken prisoner of war in a Japanese camp in the Philippines. He was taken prisoner when Corregidor fell.

Irene Bjerknes was serving in a general hospital in north central England with the Army Nurse Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kloster had two sons wounded in World War II. Orvis Kloster was wounded in Germany November 27, 1944 and Morris Kloster while fighting in Germany on February 28, 1945.

Arnold Dyrdahl was wounded twice within a few weeks. He received slight wounds on October 4 while on active duty along the Franco-German border. He recovered from the injuries and was hurt a second time. An anti-tank gunner Dyrdahl took part in the invasion of Normandy and the sweeping campaign across the French nation.

Gaynor Johnson of Gully killed in an accident while serving with the Seabees on the East Coast on May 25, 1949.

Alvin Bergman completed eight weeks of training in fundamentals of Army life in 1953. He was taught the use of pioneer and power tools, construction of fixed and floating bridges and related subjects besides additional combat skills.

Fritz Lindgren left for Korea in 1953. He was a jeep driver when he got to Seoul, Korea with the 2nd Infantry Division.

The Wraa family used to visit my grandparents and Gerald Wraa had a very distinguished career on the USS Charles Ausburne. He was with the Little Beaver Squadron in the Navy. The Destroyer was part of 8 destroyer's in

Admiral Halsey's Third Fleet. In 1943 the squadron sank three enemy destroyers and damaged one without any damage to themselves in the Battle of Cape St. George. The Little Beaver Squadron was credited with destroying one Japanese cruiser, nine destroyers, one submarine, several smaller ships and about 30 aircrafts in their 22 different engagements. He was born in Winsor Township in 1922 and now lives in Clover Township.

Service members killed in action

Information on these service members were from old newspapers that were found. They do not include all area men who were killed in action.

Selmer Okstad of Gonvick pharmacist's mate first class was killed in action. He was stationed aboard the cruiser U.S.S. Savannah that was attached by German bombers while on duty in the Mediterranean. His burial was made at sea off the Island of Malta. His father Selmer Okstad, Sr. also died in the service of his country during World War I.

Ernest Rydeen of Clearbrook died in Mukden Japanese Prisoner of War Camp from malnutrition, malaria and dysentery in March of 1943. He was captured in the Philippines and was on the Bataan death march. Over 10,000 Americans and Filipinos prisoners died along the 60-mile journey to the camp.

Morrell H. Larson of Leonard was killed in action in western Germany on December 16, 1944. He had been wounded in action in France on July 5, 1944 and was hospitalized in England and awarded the Purple Heart. He returned to combat with his original company and served in Germany.

Carl Grone of Berner was killed in Italy on October, 20, 1944. He landed in Africa as a member of Company B 339th Infantry, he saw considerable service in combat areas in Italy.

Arnold Holm, was killed during the invasion of Sicily. It was first reported that he was lost at sea in the North Atlantic during an engagement with Nazi submarine packs, but official word later placed his death as having occurred in the Mediterranean Sea. He was aboard a U.S. Destroyer leading the convoy in the invasion of Sicily when he was killed by enemy fire.

Joseph Widseth, was killed in action as a U.S. Marine on Palau Island. He left California for Pacific duty and landed in Melbourne, Australia and later went to the New Guinea area.

Archie Olson died February 11, 1945 in a Japanese prison camp. He as taken prisoner at the fall of Bataan. After that nothing was heard from him by his family, except a few cards received through the Red Cross until the war department sent a letter on his date of death due to malaria.

Clarence Jordet was killed in WW II in the Normandy

Invasion.

Emil Richards was killed in the Battle at Ormont, Germany in WW II.

Palmer Ringstad killed in action in WW II.

The newspapers will be one day late next week due to Memorial Day next Monday, May 25.

I received this information that over 2,331 Lake Agassiz Regional Library customers reside in Clearwater County. Over 1,665 of these Library/LINK Site customers live outside the city limits of Bagley and Gonvick. Over 26,000 library items were checked out of the Bagley Library and Gonvick LINK Site from January - November 2014. Wow that is quite a few.

The Gonvick LINK Site, of the Lake Agassiz Regional Library, is open on Monday from 9 to 11, Wednesday from 3 to 5 and Thursday from 4 to 7.

Jackson Lindom from Clearbrook, is among North Dakota State University graduates featured in an online video about NDSU's spring 2015 commencement.

Lindom received his Bachelor of Science in human development and family science during the NDSU commencement ceremony Saturday, May 16, in the Fargodome.

To access the video, go to www.youtube.com/ndsuoofficial and see the playlist for "Spring Commencement 2015."

You will now have the option to view the news online, in print or both! Check us out for FREE (limited time). at www.TriCoCanary.com and you will see the Leader-Record, The McIntosh Times, The Grygla Eagle and The Oklee Herald as well as any obituaries that come in before the paper gets printed. Let us know what you think. Thank you

Clean up day will be held at the Sinclair Township Cemetery. Bring a rake, shovel and wheel barrow. If you have any questions contact Ray Reichert at 368-2171 or Brooke Pond 701-412-8179.

From my mail... DRESS-UP

A little girl was watching her parents dress for a party. When she saw her dad donning his tuxedo, she warned, 'Daddy, you shouldn't wear that suit.'

'And why not, darling?' 'You know that it always gives you a headache the next morning..'

SCHOOL
A little girl had just finished her first week of school. 'I'm just wasting my time,' she said to her mother. 'I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!'

Humor for Your Day!
A great medical breakthrough was recently reported. The Norwegians have now performed the first successful hernia transplant.

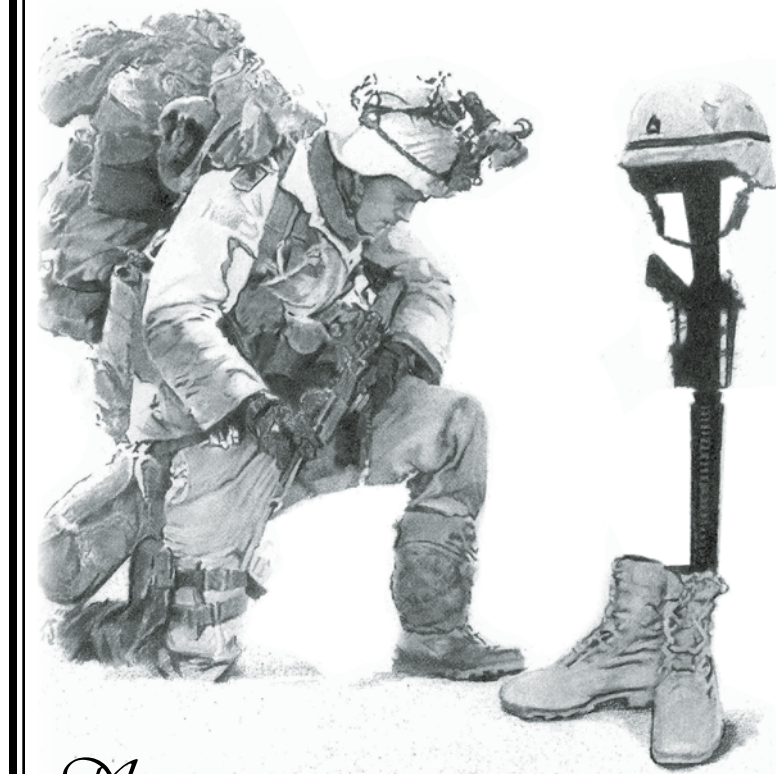
Upcoming activities at ClearbrookGonvick School

Wed, May 20: Academic Awards Banquet, Dinner at 5:00, Awards at 6:00

Wed, May 20: Baccalaureate at 7:00

Thur, May 21: Varsity

These two people, Darlene Sawyer and her son Jim Clemen-son had a very rough year and this Mothers Day they were celebrating. Jim went through two brain surgeries and Darlene beat the odds with the heart surgeons this past year.



A Tribute To Our Nation's Heroes

The First State Bank will be **CLOSED** on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

Memorial Day, which originated in 1868 after the Civil War, is observed on the last Monday in May.

This Memorial Day we remember the servicemen and women who gave their lives to preserve our freedoms.

Congratulations!

Clearbrook-Gonvick Class of 2015!



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The Clearbrook Depot Renovation Committee would like to thank the community and local businesses for all the support. Without the support and significant donations we have received it would not have been possible to accomplish what we have in such a short time. We are very proud of how our depot looks and hope to continue with our renovation project.

Please come and see what our community has accomplished. Donations received for this phase of renovation:

G&G Construction
B&M Supply
NCS, Inc.
Clearwater Energy Group, Inc.
First State Bank
Clearwater-Polk Electric

Clearbrook Electric
North Country Hardware
Clearbrook Community Club
Clearbrook Collision Center
Rick Bergman Construction
Numerous volunteers

RBC



Dear Community:

We would like to make the community aware of the true generosity of our local men that have helped with the Depot Restoration Project and the building of the new deck. It looks fabulous!

The local men are: Russ Lembke, Duane Johnson, Ken Brein, Larry Shelquist, Brad Borene and Glen Trembath. Thank you.

The Clearbrook Restoration Committee

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COLLEGEWORKS PAINTING

Looking to get some Painting or Staining done this summer? I am the local college works Painting Manager and am offering FREE estimates for your home. If you or anyone you know are interested:

Contact Morgan @ 218/766/6051

or my Email at Morgageb@gmail.com

Interested in a Part-time or full time summer job? Apply at College Works Painting!

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DRIVE-IN

CLEARBROOK

will be CLOSING at

2:00 pm

Saturday,

May 23rd

in honor of our graduates.

SUMMER HOURS

begin May 24, 11 am-9 pm

218-776-3735

More than \$141,000 of Graden Valley capital credits paid in May

Over 15,500 checks, totaling more than \$471,000, were issued on May 14 to Garden Valley Telephone Company members who had service with the cooperative in 2000 and/or 2014, including over \$49,000 for members with Clearbrook, Gonvick, Gully and Leonard addresses.

Advantages of a Cooperative

More than \$14-million of capital credits have been authorized by the Board of Directors for payment to Garden Valley members over the last ten years.

Article VII of the cooperative's By-Laws provides that capital credited to members may be retired and paid if the financial condition of the cooperative will not be impaired.

110th Annual Meeting

Garden Valley's 110th annual membership meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Win-E-Mac Public School near Erskine on Tuesday, June 2, beginning at

10:30 a.m. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and "The WoodPicks" will entertain during registration.



I would like to thank the Northern State Bank, my supportive co-workers and the surrounding community for the wonderful retirement celebration. The thank you's, hugs and gifts are very special to me. Special thanks to my children and families for the beautiful flower arrangement.

I enjoyed my years at NSB and have many good memories.

Thanks again!
Sheryll Petterson

RBP



Despite cold weather or warm weather these men have helped with the Clearbrook Depot Restoration project and the building of the new deck. From left to right: Glen Tranbath, Russ Lembke, Larry Shelquist, and Brad Borene.



Helping to restore the Clearbrook Depot were these three from left to right: Glen Tranbath, Russ Lembke and Brad Borene.

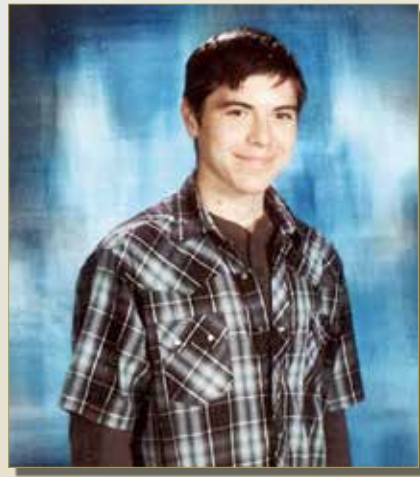
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CONGRATULATIONS

Clearbrook-Gonvick Class of 2015



Chantel Baker



Christopher Bratvold-Wright



Rachel Gray



Cody Halvorson



Aaron Horn



Austin Horn



Moriah Johnson



Alex Knutson



Lauren McIntosh



Neltson McPherson



Stephen Nyegaard



Austin Petterson



Monica Reichert



Katie Sundquist



Austin Tharaldson



Serenity Tollefson



Madi Ulrich



Tristan Wagner



Danielle Watne

GRADUATION

Saturday, May 23, 2015 ... 2:00 pm
~ at the ~
**Clearbrook-Gonvick High School
Gymnasium**

Class Colors: Black & Gray
Class Flower: Daisy
Class Song: "Photograph" by Nickleback

Class Motto: "Life is not about finding yourself, life is about creating yourself."
-Unknown-

-- SPONSORS FOR THE CLEARBROOK-GONVICK BEARS GRADUATING CLASS OF 2015 --

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