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The top three winners in the Pro Stock Finals on Sunday, January 14 at the Gerald Dyrdahl Memorial - Pine Lake 200 Snowmobile. They are from left to right Dan Revering in third place with $2,264, Gunner Arlaud in second place with $3,352 and Taylor Bunke in first place with a winning amount of $12,000. Revering is from Fergus Falls and rode a Polaris. Arlaud is from Gonvick and with an Arctic Cat. Bunke is from Kindred, North Dakota and he rode a Polaris.

Sharon Dyrdahl-O'Bryan on the right going over the paper work for the race results at Pine Lake last weekend with her daughter Jenna Mccoy and grandson Carda Mccoy.

Getting the next group ready to race for the Pro Stock Finals on Sunday at the Pine Lake race. Shown on line were #187 Charles Revering from Fergus Falls. #552 Matt Feil from Bemidji and #15 Wes Selby from Grand Lake, Colorado on a Ski Doo. He placed fifth in the Pro Final. Total payout for the races were over $85,000

Racers went in waves for the 9 laps total of 100 miles.

Short meeting for Clearbrook City Council on January 8

The regular meeting of December 11 and Truth in Taxation meetings were approved.

Police Report by Ryan Solee, Police Chief was presented. A questions was asked on cars that need to be moved for snow removal. The city ordinance states that if there is a cost for moving the vehicle it will be charged to the person who owns the car, truck or boat.

Solee also presented the incidents for the month. The 39 included: 911 Hang Up 2; Animal Related 1; Assist Other Agency 1; Disturbance 1; Extra Patrol 1; Harassment 2; Information Only 2; Juvenile Misc 2; Medical 6; Missing/Lost Person 1; Motor Vehicle Crash 1; Parking Complaint 1; Suicide Related 1; Suspicious Activity 2; Test 1; Theft 13; Traffic Complaint 1; Traffic Stop 8; Warrant Arrest 1.

Nick Rankin gave the Fire Department Report. December Call Report were 15 total. They included Medical 5; Training/ Work Night 1, (City Natural Gas Training); Meeting 1; Vehicle accident 2; Vehicle fire 1; Life Assist 4 and Mutual aid (Gonvick 1 for ice rescue.

They have set the annual meeting with the township boards for February 5 with burgers at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Contracts will be given to the township.

The quote for $5,600 had been accepted for the DTEX Odorometer System. It is a microprocessor based Natural Gas Detection System that has to be used with the natural gas for the city,.

Karra Weems, Manager of He Municipal Liquor Store gave her report. The overall profit for the month of December was $11,002.45. They had a super time hosting Chuck Foreman, former Viking player on News Years Eve. City Clerk Lucie Thomson helped Luke Smith for the special night.

Weems asked the council who she should contact to do the bathroom remodel with fixtures, and new toilet. They gave her several names to come and give her a bid. She is planning to have a Karaoke night on Friday, January 26th. They will be open on Sunday, February 11 for the Super Bowl.

City Clerk Lucie Thompson gave her report. The council wanted the Bears colors for the lettering on the water tower. The opening for the bids on the water tower project is January 24th.

A suggestion for a retirement cake and coffee for Sue Weems who is leaving the city office staff was made for one afternoon for a couple of hours. No date was set.

The council passed Resolution 2024-01 to name Border Bank as the Official Bank Depository.

The council passed Resolution 2024-02 to name The Leader-Record as the Official Newspaper.

The 2024 committee assignments were discussed. They are also looking for people to help with the 2025 All-School Reunion Committee. Three people Sherry Rettmann, Sharon Johnson and Laura Lindgren are planning a meeting for January 23 at 6:30 PM in the Legion room of the Community Center.

The council discussed the Minnesota's earned sick and safe time (ESST) law that went into effective Jan. 1, 2024. How to keep track of it.

A quote for a new auditor was sent out. No quotes being received yet.

Thompson announced the month claims at $68,715.82 and additional claims at $119,467.33. Two of the largest claims were for the one time payment for Comp Insurance at $25,051 and Widseth for $14,000.

2023 year in review

March 1, 2023

Camille DeSchane, Clearbrook-Gonvick High School student. Camille's art was selected got the k-12 "My District, My Minnesota program." Her painting will be framed with a name plaque in her name and displayed in the Minnesota Senate Building for the rest of 2023…Harold Watnemo of Fosston spends two days a week at the Clear waters Life Center in Gonvick. He comes Monday and Wednesday to do refurnishing of furniture that is donated to the center. He gets the items back in like new condition to be sold or for people who want work done. Parents Night for girls' basketball They were presented flower after the junior Varsity game was held.

We lost…Gary Paquin, Lawrence Johnson, Stacy Szczepanski, Del R. Blowers, Donald Braaten

March 8, 2023

It was a very busy day, but very fun day at the Clearbrook-Gonvick school celebrating Dr. Seuss Day green Eggs and Ham for breakfast…The 42nd Annual Minnesota Food Share Campaign kicked off March 1st. It started out with a bang for the Clearwater County Food Shelf when St. Joeph's Ladies Guild donated $500.

We lost… Charles Peterburg, Marvin Engesetheer, Emily McDowell, William Eck, Jane Olsen, Ronald Edevold

March 15, 2023

Elaina Rojas is an exchange student at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School. She's living with Eileen Miller and her family in Clearbrook, she's from Armenia Quindìo…On February 21, 2023, the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office received authorization from the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners to conduct fundraising for a K9 unit…Clearbrook-Gonvick students in grades 5-8 attended the Northwest Service Cooperative's Young Authors Conference in Thief River Falls on Wednesday, March 8th.

We lost…Howard Flateland, Victor Rude, Rodney Hoffman, Rodney Morinville, Peter Marchand, Donald Nordlund.

March 22, 2023

Phung Do is an exchange student at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School. She's living with Eileen Miller and her family in Clearbrook, She's from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, a south east Asian country…Robbin Proffit, the Clearbrook-Gonvick Food Service Director and her staff put on donuts with dad at the school…County Commissioners discuss Good Samaritan property as the most recent purchase offer fell through last year, the county is planning to auction the property probably June…Clearbrook -Gonvick board awarded contracts on building referendum…Clearbrook-Gonvick School staff with Robin Proffit as the Food Service Director made pies for all the students in the school for Pi Day…In honor of I Love to Read month, some of the Clearbrook-Gonvick high school classes spent time as a partner reading with elementary students in their classrooms.

We lost…Dennis Goodwin, Jr., Daniel Molden, Ronald Victor, Ronald Lee Ballard, Delores Westcott, Shane Olson, Jolene Anderson

Muffins with Mom.

Congratulations to the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bear Wear winners from Friday January 12th! Back: Amy Berg, Tesa Vettleson, Avery Haugan, Kailem White, Dion Spears, and Ms. Lauderbaugh. Front: Barrett Nordlund, Kale Hoell, Elloise Nelson, and Zoey Ehlers.

Public Notice
Pine Lake near Gonvick, MN
Notice to Operate Aeration System

An aeration system creating thin ice and open water shall be in operation on the Northeast portion of Pine Lake near the public access. This site is located in the SW¼ Section 22, Pine Lake Township, Clearwater County.

Please use caution as open water and thin ice conditions can fluctuate greatly. Stay clear of marked area!

If you have any questions, please contact Sportsman's Club member Larry Peterson at 218-791-5577 or the Red Lake Watershed District office at 218-681-5800. R43-45C

Community Calendar

Notice of all school reunion 2025 planning meeting

An organizational meeting for an "All School Reunion 2025" committee is planned for 6:30 PM on January 23rd at the Clearbrook Community Center Legion meeting room. Your attendance is needed whether you are alumni or an interested community member. The event is scheduled for June 26-29th, 2025. Please plan to attend to learn more about event planning, fundraising and opportunities for involvement. If you cannot attend in person, please contact rerick@paulbunyan.net for a zoom link.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Jan. 17 - Wild Rice & Chicken Soup, Vegetable
Thurs. Jan. 18: Turkey with Gravy, Potatoes, Vegetable
Fri. Jan. 19: Salmon Loaf, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable
Mon. Jan. 22 - Chef's Choice
Tues. Jan. 23: Chicken Ala King with Biscuit, Vegetable
Wed. Jan. 24 - Pork Loin, Yams, Vegetable
Included with each meal. Vegetable, Bread, Dessert or Fruit and Milk.

BABY
In Bloom
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER HONORING
Jana Ringstad
Saturday, January 20th
at 1:00 p.m.
Gonvick Community Center
registered at Target and Amazon
Books for Baby
One small request, please bring a book instead of a card, they'll cherish the book, well-loved or brand new!
Diaper Raffle
Please bring a pack of diapers in any size for your chance to win a special prize!
043-44C

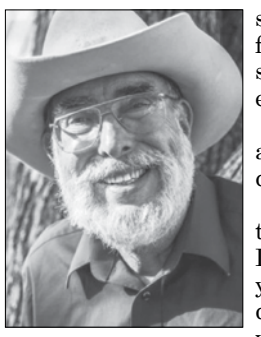
Winter hours at Clearwater Museum

Clearwater County Historical Society Museum changes to winter hours. The History Center in Shevlin will have shortened hours during January and February. "Office only" hours will be Tuesday through Thursday from 10:00 to 4:00 and by appointment. The museum gallery is currently closed for painting and building new exhibits. Regular hours will begin again in March. For more information or to make an appointment call the History Center at 218-785-2000.

Retirement
Celebration
for
Sue Weems
Thursday, January 18th from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Stop in for cake & coffee and wish Sue the best on her retirement. R44C

Home Country

By Slim Randles



Some of the earlier knights of the coffee table arrived just before daylight, flipping their cups to the upright and fillable positions, and were joined quickly by Dewey, which is an unusual occurrence. Doc was the only one of us downwind from Dewey, and we watched to see if any fainting took place, but evidently Dewey had not yet begun his job of transferring soil nutrients from the dairies to people's yards.

"How's it going, Dewey?" Dud said. We all like Dewey.

"Finer'n frog hair, Dud. My shoulder's in shape for a shovel and I'm sure gonna shovel..."

"Well, yes you are," Doc said, quickly.

"Dewey's an interesting name," Dud said. "Was your mother ... dewy eyed when you were born?"

"That's D-E-W-Y. My name has the extra e in it. Actually, I was named for a famous man."

We sipped over that one for a minute.

"Thomas E. Dewey!" shouted Doc. "Governor of New York. Candidate for President. Your mother was a Republican, right?"

"Uh, no ... not him, I'm afraid."

"I know ..." said Steve. "Admiral Dewey. Whats-his-name ... George. George Dewey of the Spanish-American War! Your dad was a fan of the Navy."

"Well, not exactly," Dewey said, although privately he thought that would've been a good guy to be named for.

"Well?" said Doc. "I've run out of Deweys. Who was it?"

"Melvil."

"Who?"

"Melvil Dewey," Dewey said. "You know ... Dewey Decimal System? My mom was a librarian."

Go to the library and check out some of my books. It's free and most of the words are spelled correctly.

Thank You
I would like to thank Santa for the goody bag I received at Christmas.
Thank you, Dianne Watne
R44P

NOTICE
The Greenwood Town Board will meet on January 22nd 7:00 p.m. at the Solien home, for the Audit and Regular meetings.
Sheila Horn, Clerk R44C

NOTICE CLOVER TOWNSHIP
To the residents of Clover Township. The regular meeting will be held on Jan. 19th at 5:30 p.m. at the Josh Reed residence.
- Joel Wraa, Clerk
R44C

NOTICE: Clearwater County Township Association Meeting

All Clearwater County Township Officers are encouraged to attend this meeting at which time special issues to be discussed include:

- County Environmental Officer Update
- County Engineer Update
- State Association of Townships Update

Any other business that comes before the board

This meeting will be held at the Bagley Senior Center on Tuesday, January 23rd, 2024 at 7 PM.

Stephanie Anderson, Sec/Treasurer
Clearwater County Township Association
R44C

FROM PANTRY TO TABLE
By Susan Anderson

Susan Anderson
More recipes at www.susanspantry.com

I'm not one to make resolutions in the new year BUT--I was in the garage the other day.I opened the meat freezer and I was shocked! No two people should have this much meat. So--I have vowed not to buy any meat for two months! I'll let you know how this resolution turns out. In the meantime, I grabbed some burger for Sloppy Joes. This is easy and delicious. Much better than the canned stuff and no ingredients that you can't pronounce.

SLOPPY JOE SANDWICHES

SERVES 8

2 Pounds lean ground beef
1 Large onion, finely diced
3 Stalks of celery, finely diced
1 Large green pepper, finely diced
3 Cloves of garlic, minced
2 Teaspoons salt
1 Teaspoon pepper
½ Teaspoon red pepper flakes
¼ Cup brown sugar
¼ Cup Worcestershire sauce
1 (15 ounce) can of tomato sauce

Brown together beef, onion, celery, green pepper and garlic. Add the rest of the ingredients. Simmer uncovered until thickened-about 20 minutes.

Enjoy! Until next time, blessings to you and your family.

Clearwater County Sheriff
Darin Halverson
Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity

City of Bagley- Total 20
01/07/24 08:26:22 TEST
01/07/24 08:32:15 Vehicle Lock Out - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/07/24 17:23:06 Transport
01/08/24 01:33:38 Error
01/09/24 17:37:43 Traffic Stop
01/09/24 17:43:36 Traffic Stop
01/09/24 18:41:05 Traffic Stop
01/10/24 11:14:07 Assist Other Agency - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/10/24 15:30:24 Transport
01/10/24 15:49:44 Vehicle Off Road - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/10/24 22:11:05 Traffic Stop
01/10/24 23:07:55 Traffic Stop
01/11/24 06:48:10 911 Hang Up
01/11/24 17:32:15 Traffic Stop - Arrest
01/12/24 04:27:09 Information
01/12/24 04:35:44 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/13/24 01:25:08 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/13/24 08:20:26 TEST
01/13/24 08:26:39 TEST
01/13/24 18:52:49 TEST
City of Shevlin - Total 3
01/07/24 16:34:48 TEST
01/08/24 16:00:13 Search Warrant - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/13/24 21:09:43 Traffic Stop
Copley - Total 7
01/07/24 06:15:44 Information
01/07/24 20:40:36 TEST
01/09/24 17:56:49 Traffic Stop
01/09/24 18:56:29 Traffic Stop
01/10/24 12:34:16 Fire - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/10/24 23:35:36 Traffic Stop
01/11/24 22:25:35 Traffic Stop - Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)
Dudley - Total 1
01/10/24 13:52:36 Vehicle Off Road - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Eddy - Total 2
01/10/24 19:34:17 Information
01/13/24 15:54:22 TEST
Falk - Total 1
01/11/24 15:02:02 Harassment - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Holst - Total 2
01/10/24 18:15:42 Animal Related01/12/24 13:51:27 Traffic
LaPraire N - Total 1
01/13/24 14:06:11 Traffic Sto
Leon 0 Total 7
01/07/24 03:59:04 THEFT - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/07/24 20:49:22 Domestic - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/08/24 18:42:24 Information
01/10/24 16:37:56 Disturbance
01/12/24 19:36:21 Information
01/12/24 20:32:26 Traffic Stop
01/12/24 20:48:39 Traffic Stop
Long Lost Lake - Total 1
01/07/24 12:07:31 Medical
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 1
01/07/24 11:06:18 Information
Pine Lake - Total 3
01/07/24 10:03:23 Animal Related
01/08/24 13:40:48 Animal Related
01/13/24 16:49:53 TEST
Popple - Total 2
01/07/24 17:42:55 Information
01/13/24 04:36:55 Vehicle Off Road - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Rice - Total 1
01/13/24 13:39:07 Traffic Stop
Shevlin - Total 4
01/07/24 18:27:48 Welfare Check
01/09/24 14:46:59 Property Damage - Handled By Officer
01/13/24 15:09:48 TEST
01/13/24 15:39:45 TEST
Winsor - Total 1
01/13/24 17:28:20 Motor Vehicle Crash - Referred to Partner Agency
Total Records: 57

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Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
Sun. -9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Interim Synod Authorized Minister Marilyn Grandstrand
Good Shepherd
Wed,, Jan. 17: 6:30pm Confirmation (7th – 9th Grade) at Good Shepherd; 6:00pm Vocal Choir; 7:00pm Handbells
Sun., Jan. 21: 10:00am Coffee Hour & Sunday School & Service Group 3 meets
11:00am Worship & Communion with Marilyn Grandstrand, Annual meeting to follow, then a free will lunch by the youth – note the time change!
Wed,, Jan. 24: 6:30pm Confirmation (7th – 9th Grade) at Good Shepherd
6:00pm Vocal Choir; 7:00pm Handbells
Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:15am-2:15pm
Our Savior's
Wed,, Jan. 17: 6:30pm Confirmation (7th – 9th Grade) at Good Shepherd
Sun., Jan. 21: 9:00am Worship & Communion with Marilyn Grandstrand –note time change
10:00am Coffee Hour
Wed,, Jan. 24: 6:30pm Confirmation (7th – 9th Grade) at Good Shepherd

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Events
Friday Night Out is back starting Feb. 2nd French Inspired. First Friday of the month. Serving 5pm-7pm. Ethnic cuisine freshly prepared on site. Free will donation, all proceeds will go to repairing our roof and building in Gonvick.
Call 218-776-2789 to make your reservations.
Create It Studios*
*Create It! Sessions – Art Classes for every age.
Second Monday of the month from 6:30-8:30pm at CWC Gonvick and $10 per person not including supplies. Classes vary, get more details and register online at www.clearwaterslife.org/art-experiences
February 12th Jewelry making $15. These activities are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board and Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.
Seniors
Senior Connection Cooking Class. Regular free cooking classes will resume next month February 12th
General
Being a PrimeWest Health Member allows you to receive: Free medical appointment transportation; Free Counseling services; Free weight room membership and training sessions; $25 Shop at the Top vouchers
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Friday 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
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*Students: $10/ month
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Hurts, Hang-ups, Habits? Celebrate Recovery encourages fellowship, provides hope and celebrates God's healing power in our lives as we work our way along the road to recovery. Every Thursday at 6:30pm at CWLC Clearbrook.
For more information on programs & services, visit our webpages: www.clearwaterslife.org and www.mustardseedhomes.org, like our Facebook pages, follow us on Instagram.

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SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC Gonvick
Pastor Will Anderson
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Every Tuesday at 8:30 am. Men's Prayer Breakfast at Samhold. Everyone welcome.

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8 miles North of Gonvick on County Road 7
Sunday Jan. 21 - noon - Third Sunday after the Epiphany with Pastor Kindem

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Assoc. Pastor Nathan Nordlund
Children's Ministry Lead Kari Godin
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
office@countryfaith.org
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time, 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery & Jr. Church during sermon time) 6:00 p.m. Youth Night (Most Sundays)
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m Men's Prayer
Check the website or Facebook for up-to-date information.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Randy Reimer
Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Quilting. AWANA meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm weekly. Call for information. 218-776-3252
Every Thursday - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Facebook: clearwaterlutheranparish
Wed. Jan 17: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.
Sat, Jan. 20: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Jan. 21: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Nazareth: 8:45 a.m. SS, 9:45 a.m. Oak Park: 10 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship.OP Annual Meeting following service
Wed. Jan 24: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Jarred LeBon, Pastor
Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.
Tuesdays: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Jan. 17: Confirmation: 5 p.m. 7th Grade; 6:30 p.m. 8th Grade.
Sun. Jan. 21: 10:30 a.m. Bethany Worship/Annual Meeting.
Wed, Jan. 24: Confirmation: 5 p.m. 7th Grade; 6:30 p.m. 8th Grade.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson,
www.facebook.com/bethelfosston
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.
Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m. Kids, High School & Adult programs.

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BEAR TRACKS

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

Sports Schedules for Clearbrook-Gonvick

Boys
1/19/24 @ Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
1/23/24 vs. BGMR
1/26/24 vs. Mahnomen/Waubun
1/30/24 @ Red Lake
2/1/24 vs. Red Lake County
2/6/24 @ Win-E-Mac
2/8/24 vs. GGG
2/10/24@ KCC (@ Sacred Heart, Super Saturday)TBD
2/13/24 vs. Sacred Heart
2/15/24 vs. Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
2/20/24 vs. Fertile-Beltrami (double header) 2/22/24
vs. Bagley 2/29/24
vs. Kelliher/Northome 3/1/24
@ Fosston

JH BOYS BASKETBALL

Jan. 19.... vs. Bagley	4:30/5:30PM
Jan. 23.... @ Fosston (elementary)	4:30/5:30PM
Jan. 26.... vs. Red Lake Co (old school)	4:30/5:30PM
Jan. 30.... @ Red Lake	5:00/6:00PM
Feb. 1 ..... vs. Park Rapids (old school)	4:30/5:30PM
Feb. 6 ..... @ Win-E-Mac	4:30/5:45PM
Feb. 8 ..... vs. GGG	4:00/5:00PM
Feb. 13 ... vs. Fertile-Bel.(old school)	4:30/5:30PM
Feb. 16 ... vs. Kelliher/Nort (old school)	4:30/5:30PM

Sports Schedules for Clearbrook-Gonvick

Girls
1/19/24@ Walker-H-Akeley
1/22/24vs. Mahnomen-Waubun
1/25/24vs. Red Lake
1/30/24vs. Pine River-Backus
2/2/24@ Blackduck
2/6/24vs. Lake of the Woods
2/8/24@ Red Lake Falls
2/9/24 vs. GGG
2/13/24@ Bagley
2/15/24@ Red Lake Cty Central
2/20/24vs. Fertile-Beltrami (DH)
2/23/24@ Kelliher/Northome

JH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Jan. 19.... @ Walker-Hack.-Akeley	4:15/5:30PM
Jan. 25.... vs. Red Lake	4:00/5:00PM
Jan. 26.... @ Bagley	4:30/5:30PM
Jan. 30.... @ Fosston (elementary)	4:30/5:30PM
Feb. 2 ..... @ Blackduck	5:00/6:00PM
Feb. 9 ..... vs. GGG	4:00/5:00PM
Feb. 10 ... @ Blackduck (conf. Tourney)	9:00AM

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Lunch Menu

Wed., Jan. 17 - Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Garlic Breadstick **Snack:** Cereal Bar

Thurs., Jan. 18 -Chicken Patty on Bun, Oven Fries. **Snack:** Tiger Bites

Friday., Jan. 19 -Walking Taco, Refried Beans, Cookie**.** **Snack:** Baked Chips

Mon., Jan. 22 - Cheese Pizza, Corn. **Snack:** Scooby Snacks

Tues., Jan. 23 - Build a Burger on Bun, Oven Fries. **Snack:** Pop Tart

Wed., Jan. 24 - Tomato Soupk Toasted Cheese Sandwich. **Snack:** Gold Fish

Please note- All Meals come with Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Bar and Milk Choice. This may change!!!

Braxton Bjerke with the rebound. Photos courtesy of Jalina Gerlofs.

Hassani Bruton goes around Cooper Wishard.

Local students earned Fall 2023 Deans' List honors at Northwest Technical College

BEMIDJI, Minn. (January 15, 2024) - Local students, listed below, have earned Dean's List honors at Northwest Technical College for the Fall 2023 semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, NTC students must enroll in at least 12 credits and earn a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester. A total of 128 students earned Fall 2023 Dean's List honors from NTC.

Northwest Technical College is a member of the colleges and universities of Minnesota State.

Northwest Technical College Fall 2023 Dean's List Honorees

HOMETOWN, STATE; ZIP CODE - NAME

Clearbrook, MN
56634 - Susan Berry
56634 - Hailee Hanson
56634 - Dissan Ssekisambu
56634 - Moses Ssengabi
Gonvick, MN
56644 - Sarah Rose

Matthew Rankin up for a layup for the Bears.

Ryan Bodensteiner #32 blocking a Roseau shot.

Time out for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears

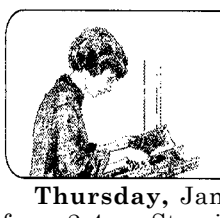
Roman Beaulieu against Northern Freeze.

Need ticket takers

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Activities Office is looking for ticket takers for all JV/Varsity athletic events. Ticket Takers make $40/night and must be at least 18 years old (not currently in high school). All interested candidates must be willing to commit to a number of events to work. If interested please contact Scott Schafer via email. Sschafer@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

Winter Formal

7th-12th grade Winter Formal has been scheduled for Saturday, January 20th from 8:00-11:00 in the Commons



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Thursday, January 18th from 2-4pm Stop in for cake & coffee and wish Sue Weems the best on her retirement. She is retiring from the City of Clearbrook.

Area news...

Gully Sportsmen's Club is sponsoring a Coyote Hunt ending March 30. Register and more information at Shorty's Place in Gully.

Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club is having their 57th Safari Ride/Family Day on Saturday, January 20. Meet at noon on Main Street in Oklee. Meet at noon with music and door prizes to follow.

If you are wondering what happened to your mail. It may have been on a mail truck that overturned on County Road 1 west of Fosston January 2. It was a semi carrying mail and packages. That is an Uff da.

Joke time

The Smart Swede

A Finn, a Swede and a Norwegian found themselves deserted on a small island. A Cannibal tribe lived on the island, and they imprisoned the three men. The cannibals gave each of them a final wish. First they asked the Norwegian. The Norwegian wanted to see his wife once more. The cannibals went to find the wife. After he saw his wife, the Norwegian was eaten, and the cannibals made a canoe out of his skin. The Finn wanted to smoke one more cigarette. He got his cigarette. After he was finished, he was eaten and his skin was used to make a canoe. Then came the Swede's turn - he wanted a fork. He started to punch holes into himself, and yelled: "YOU WON'T MAKE A CANOE OUT OF ME!"

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

Check out the Gonvick Library Link Site in the Gonvick Community building on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday. Lake Agassiz Regional Library's Instant Digital Card Enables Northwest Minnesota Residents to Read Popular E-books and Audiobooks for Free. No library card? No problem! Residents can instantly sign up for a digital library card through any smartphone or computer

The Library Link in Gonvick is open three days a week. Check out various items or order what they don't have in stock for you. Or call 218-487-6220 to request something to be ordered for you. Hours are Monday 9 to 11 am, Wednesday 3 to 5 pm and Thursday 4 to 7 pm.

Clearwater County Service on T.H.E. Bus. Rider alert; County wide; 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Bagley: 10 am - 4:30 pm 1st, 3rd Saturday. Bemidji: 2nd, 4th Friday. Ride reservations to Bemidji must be scheduled by 3 pm the day prior to the trip. Call 800-201-3432.

Does anyone need old newspapers for their bird cages, their new puppies or for the garden center? We are getting ready to put some in the garbage bins for pick up. It would make the load less for the garbage collector.

Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and are off to a great new year. It is that time of year where I like to give a recap of activity in our county and what we have been working on to improve law enforcement for our community. I hope this information helps you better understand what is happening and make you more aware.

There was a total of 7,104 calls for service countywide in 2023. That number is almost equal to 2022 when there were 7,123 calls. Deputies in Clearwater County responded to 3,876 of those calls for service last year. A breakdown of some of the calls responded to by deputies show 89 theft calls, 21 burglaries, 34 assaults, 40 domestic assaults and 115 crimes against family calls. The crimes against family calls include child protection and vulnerable adult cases. I am happy to report that burglary calls continue to decline in the county.

Other law enforcement agencies working in our county include the Bagley, Clearbrook/Gonvick and White Earth Police Departments as well as the Minnesota State Patrol. I do not have access to the State Patrol numbers so they will not be reflected here. A breakdown of calls responded to by the other agencies within their respective jurisdictions are as follows: Bagley - 1,275 calls, Clearbrook/Gonvick – 197 calls and White Earth - 218 calls. In addition to law enforcement activity, there were also 66 fire calls as well as 672 medical calls.

As you can see, our first responders were kept busy last year serving our county. A look at where the most activity took place show that the City of Bagley was busiest with 2,716 calls followed by 516 in Copley Township, 437 in the City of Clearbrook, 422 in North LaPrairie Township, 293 in the City of Shevlin and 252 in Leon Township.

We continue to work with the courts, probation and the county attorney's office with the newly implemented DWI court. The DWI court is a program designed for repeat DWI offenders who are striving to turn their life around and become sober. If accepted in the program, the participant must make regular appearances in court and are monitored closely by probation and our deputy assigned to the DWI court. There are four phases that the participant must complete and it typically takes at least 18 months to complete. The hope is that the participant will change their life and become alcohol or drug free and experience a more satisfying life. There are currently six individuals in the DWI court program and it has been a very positive and valuable endeavor.

Another exciting addition to our office this past year has been the addition of our K9 unit. It had been many years since Clearwater County had a K9 working the streets, but with the generous donations of businesses/organizations and citizens of our county, we were able to start the program again. It has proven valuable as K9 Akim and Deputy Moses have conducted numerous vehicle searches for illegal narcotics as well as tracking suspects that have fled and building searches.

In addition to our K9 unit, we also sent a deputy to training that certified him to be a drug recognition expert (DRE). This is beneficial to identify whether individuals are operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs. We are grateful to have a deputy trained in this specialty.

At the end of 2023, we were awarded a grant through the Office of Traffic Safety for a Highway Traffic Safety Officer. We are excited for this opportunity and are in the process of advertising for a new deputy. This grant will allow us to provide one deputy that will be dedicated for traffic safety focusing on speed, distracted driving, seat belt usage and DWI.

I hope this 2023 snapshot of what occurred in our county is beneficial to the public by providing a better understanding of activity responded to by our first responders and which areas of the county saw the most activity. We continue to work diligently to provide the best service to the residents of Clearwater County and those who visit here. I, again, want to thank the public for your support and kindness shown to us throughout the year. We stand ready to serve the citizens of Clearwater County.

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

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Two drop-off locations, one in Bagley and one in Clearbrook, both at County Highway Department shops.

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Mixed recyclables from these locations are sorted at the Materials Recovery Facility in Fosston. Revenue from recyclables sales helps offset tipping fees paid by the County for garbage disposal at the Fosston Incinerator. Please contact Clearwater County Environmental Services at 694-6183 for further information.

Cookies from the dirty clothes hamper

by Ann Marie Newman

You read that right. Clever place to hide cookies from the kids, don't you agree? Please understand, they were always hidden in a PLASTIC TUB underneath a CLEAN towel at the bottom of the dirty clothes hamper. No contamination happened. It worked, too. The kids never found them. However, if they're reading this now, well… the trick is out. My apologies to Joy Eck, for squealing on her clever, cookie hiding spot. Joy Eck, master cookie hider, did not bring cookies to the CWLC potluck on January 8 in Gonvick. Nope. She brought her family's special event favorite. Ham roll-ups with a pickle in the middle. I'm pleased to announce they had not spent time at the bottom of a hamper before we ate them. Yummy goodness.

CWLC sponsored a potluck with stories event on January 8. Those who attended had delicious fun! "A good time was had by all", as the saying goes. Let me add "Good eating and stories was experienced by all." Theresa Porter brought her family favorite. A Norwegian salad I nearly wept over. (Admittedly, I swooned on my first bite.) The recipe is shared here with you to the right. It's refreshingly ideal for Christmas color-wise, also a delectable side dish at summer picnics.

Sheree Lindgren was not Norwegian with her food fare. Who cares!?! We tasted Italy as we dined on her homemade Zuppa Toscana Soup. It was full of sausage! Perfectly satisfying on a cold, winter day. She had brought the peppers in it back from a trip to New Mexico where they'd been perfectly grown.

I brought my southern mother-in-law, Gayle Newman's weird food discovery, Pineapple Casserole. This cheesy, sumptuous combination of sweet and savory is served hot. Everyone liked it. Please see recipe. In the land of hot dishes, this should become a winner.

PINEAPPLE CASSEROLE

- 20 oz crushed pineapple, drained
- 20 oz pineapple chunks, drained
- 2/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 2 tbsp granulated white sugar
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 40 Ritz crackers
- 1/2 cup salted butter, melted

Preheat oven to 350F. Dump the crushed pineapple and pineapple chunks into a large mixing bowl. Add the flour, brown sugar and granulated sugar to the mixing bowl. Stir well. Add the shredded cheese to the bowl and stir well again. Dump the mixture into a greased 9-inch square baking dish and spread it out evenly. Place the Ritz crackers in a Ziploc bag and use a rolling pin to crush them. Pour the cracker crumbs into a mixing bowl. Add the melted butter to the mixing bowl. Use a fork to combine the cracker crumbs and melted butter. Sprinkle the cracker crumbs on top of mixture in the baking dish. Place the dish in the oven and bake until it's bubbling, and the crackers are slightly browned. 27-30 minutes. Remove the dish from the oven and leave to sit for a few minutes before scooping and serving.

Admit it. We like our sweets in the north country, and we had plenty of them. Let's begin.

Former teacher, Eileen Lien cheated - in a delicious way. The truth is, the rules didn't say who had to be the cook, so she didn't really cheat. Her sister-in-law, Stacy Nordlund made fattigmann. (Norwegian poor man's cookies). My mom Ellen knew what they were when I mentioned them later. I did not. They had just the right amount of sweetness. Eileen gets an "A+" for bringing them. Eileen didn't know about hiding cookies in dirty clothes hampers, but she did know about hiding them up high on the top of the cupboard like her mother did.

We munched on Marilyn Sunquist's Caramel Popcorn. PERFECT Caramel Popcorn, because Marilyn is popcorn born & raised. She said so. She hails from Berner, so too my mom Ellen Torgerson, also popcorn born & raised. Mom LOVES the stuff! Jodie Omang of Berner knows every apple tree in Gonvick and Clearbrook. Her tantalizing apple cake tasted like the apples had just been plucked from a tree. I kid you not. Juliegh Prosser of Clearbrook brought Fermented Cranberries. You cram the berries into a jar, add fresh slices of ginger root, a cinnamon stick and honey. Let it ferment, and then taste the magic.

The most elegant sweetness to eat was Becky Friborg's, Norwegian Almond Cake. A baking show contender! Seriously. Packed with almond flavor, it melted on the tongue. Becky said the women in her family took turns bringing it to family meals. The women would say, "kids go get the men." The men filled their plates, then the children, lastly the women, who also had the task of cleaning up. Very like what I remember in my childhood, BUT my Grandma Lillian must have been a rebel. I recall small me standing on a stool washing dishes after family meals. Children learned to wash dishes very young, allowing more rest time for the women after all their cooking. Seems fair to me.

Recipe for Scandinavian Salad Serves
from the kitchen of Shirley / Theresa Porter

1 Can La Sauer Peas (young early peas)
1 Can White shoe peg corn drain (white)
1 Can cut green beans
1 Can chopped pimintos (opt)
1 C chopped celery
1/2 C chopped onion (opt.)
1 C green pepper chopped (opt.) (I leave these out)

Mix all -

Dressing / Marinade
1/4 C oil
1/2 C white vinegar
2/3 C sugar
1/2 tsp pepper
2-3 dash lemon pepper
pour over veggies - let stand for 24 hours.

Great recipe to make ahead. Lasts for days in fridge.

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Legal Notice

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DISTRICT COURT
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Estate of
Carol J. Satterfield,
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Court File No. 15-PR-23-583

NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Glen Arlaud, whose address is 51363 490th St., Gonvick, Minnesota, 56644, as personal representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Unless objections are filed with the Court and the Court otherwise orders, the personal representative has full power to administer the Estate including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Any objections to the appointment of the Personal Representative must be filed with this Court and will be heard by the Court after the filing of an appropriate petition and proper notice of hearing.

Notice is also given that all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: 12/26/23
Leah Leavitt
Registrar

Dated: 12/26/23
Carissa Scholz
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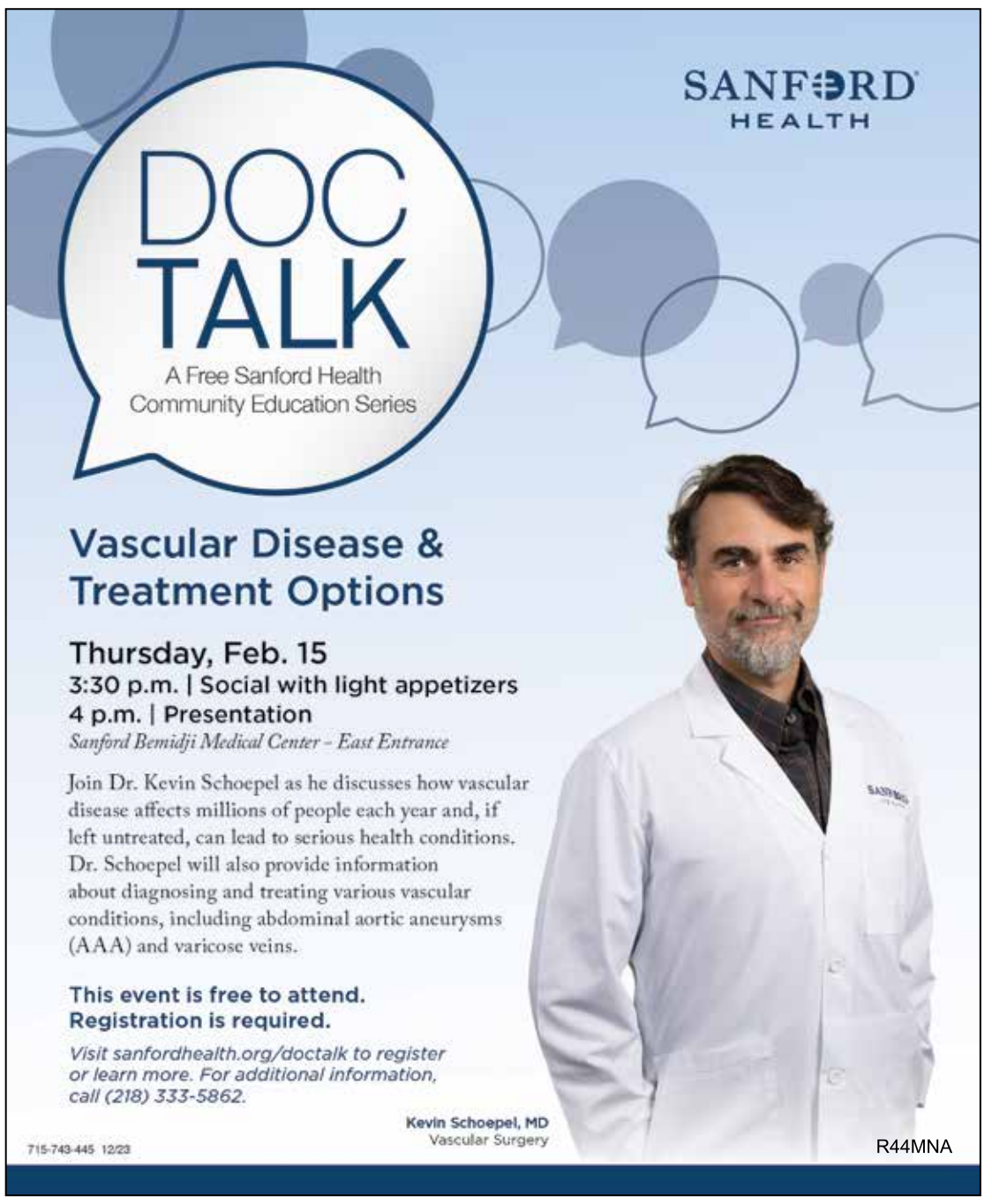

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AgCountry Announces Special $125 Million Patronage Dividend

FARGO, ND, January 15, 2024 – For the fifth consecutive year, AgCountry's Board of Directors has declared 100 basis points (1%) patronage dividends on business conducted with the cooperative in 2023. AgCountry's patronage program grants the Board of Directors the ability to distribute a portion of the association's net income to its member-owners on eligible business when financial conditions allow.

To share in AgCountry's unique success in 2023, the Board has declared a special secondary 50 basis points (.5%) patronage dividend. The total combined patronage dividends paid on business conducted in 2023 is a record $125 million!

"Our farmer-led Board understands the unique challenges of today's world," said Lynn Pietig, board chair of AgCountry. "We are proud of the work we accomplished in 2023 by navigating a changing marketplace. This announcement demonstrates our commitment to the long-term vitality of farmers and ranchers."

The patronage program is part of the cooperative's mission to serve agriculture and rural America, helping to manage overall interest expenses and significantly reduce total borrowing costs. Member-owners of AgCountry benefit by sharing in the financial success of the cooperative.

"As a farmer-owned cooperative, we are focused on serving agriculture and rural America with specialized financial products, services, and risk management tools that support member success," shared Marc Knisely, AgCountry president and CEO. "Patronage dividends are a part of our cooperative's value proposition to our membership and reflect strong fiscal stewardship."

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