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Announced, August 17th, Friday evening was king and queen of 2024's Itasca Pioneer Farmers event. King Jim Carins of Bagley, a retired teacher was selected. Jim brought with him seven Ford tractors for the parade, leaving many more at home. And, Queen Sue Skadsen of Newfolden, formerly of Bagley. Sue's first Pioneer event was in 1986, she has been involved for 38 years. They were driven by Ken Brein of Leonard in his red convertible to start off the parade.



One of the oldest drivers in the Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers Region Show was Lynette Butler. She had help driving a 1947 30 Massey Harris. She is from Butler, a small town in Otter Tail County.



Kory Gunderson of Leonard driving this 1939 70 Oliver in memory of Iver Gunderson in the Lake Itasca Pioneer Show held last weekend.

Run off election
The run off election for Clearwater County Commissioner district results have been announced.
The two top vote getters will be on the ballot in November.
District 2 will have Greg Scherzer and Bryan Ramsrud and District 4 will have Bruce Emmel and Juleigh Prosser.
Clearwater County Commissioner District 2
100% Reported
Greg Scherzer — 85, 36.17%
Bryan Ramsrud — 65, 27.66%
Adam Broden — 34,14.47%
James O'Bryan — 30,1, 8.94%
Clearwater County Commissioner District 4
100% Reported
Bruce Emmel — 118, 43.07%
Juleigh Prosser — 83, 30.29%
Corey Petterson — 73, 26.64%

Clearbrook City council met on Monday, August 12

The Clearbrook City Council met on Monday, August 12 with two members absent. Concerns from citizens were brought up with Becky Colebank asked about permission and a time slot that the Senior Citizens could have chair volleyball in the large gym at the center. It is for 55 and up and they used 12 chairs. The net is lower and they use a bigger ball. Concern of the council was that the chairs might damage the floor of the newly finished coating. They would look at putting extra protection on them and that Thursdays starting at 9:30 am for 1 and 1/2 hours would work. If there was a wedding coming up on the weekend and they needed the space to decorate for that it would have to be canceled.

Juleigh Prosser stated that a grant to have live music at the Clearbrook-Leonard Community Center on August 20. She had received the \$38,000 grant from Otto Bremer Trust Fund to provide services and workshop at the center.

Chief of Police Ryan Solee told the council that the 2024 budget is on track. They are have a state police officer training class on August 22.

They had 33 incidents for the month. They included: 911 Hang Up 1; Animal Related 2; Assault 1; Assist 1; Civil Complaint 1; Disturbance 2; Domestic 1; Fire 1; Fraud 1; Harassment 1; Information Only 2; Juvenile 1; Medical 4; Missing/Lost Person 1; Parking Complaint 1; Property Damage 1; Suspicious activity 2; Test 1; Traffic stoop 5; Trespass 1; Welfare Check 22.

Adam Krog, Clearbrook Fire Department Chief gave his report. They had 12 calls in July with 6 Medical; 1 meeting, 2 grass fire; 1 Structure Fire, 1 Life Assist and one grass fire canceled.

They have received an application from Beth Barnes to join the Fire department. She is put on a 6 month probation period pending a physical.

The Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet has been set for October 19, 2024.

They will also be a training at the Bagley Hockey Arena on August 21, 2024 with all Departments in Clearwater County. It will consist of DECON, SCBA, CPR and Use of Force training. They will be attending.

Karra Weems report from the Municipal Liquor Store was given. They had a monthly loss of \$18,226.05 as they paid out \$25,000 for the bathroom remodel. They still have a \$10,438.62 year to date profit. The bathroom remodel in about half done. One new single freezer is in. They are waiting for the double cooler. It was delivered but damaged so they had to reorder. The bathrooms are now vented outside correctly. They are having Karaoke on August 30.

Jessica King gave the pool update with a movie night planned for August 20 as a fundraiser. Sports has started at the school and getting life-guards is getting more difficult. The last day for the pool to stay open is August 25.

Mark Snoble and Nick Rankin with the Utilities and Maintenance had a quote for painting the TBS & DRS lines. It is special paint on the propane lines that are above ground. This would be shared with Bagley and Posston with \$10,322.77 each. This has not been done for several years.

They said the water treatment plant is ahead of schedule. The water tower project is proceeding as well.

They have been building the dike around the lift station. They need more direct to build it up. They will be taking some extra from the treatment plant.

Lucie Thompson, City Clerk had several items . They looked at Reiseron punch list with a few items that are left to do. The main open is the ramp by the hardware store.

The Pay App. #1 for the water Town Rehab was approved for \$60,562.50.

The change order #1 were for the water treatment plant to move the location back. #2 was for \$5,260.00 for good classified soil to make the compaction solid.

They approved Pay App #3 for \$257,363.00 to Rubin Construction for the Water Treatment Plant.

They had an offer for land from Superior Transportation of Clearbrook-Gonvick LLC, the school bus company to purchase two lots number 4 and 5 in the Industrial Park with terms to be worked out. Water and sewer would have to be connected to the edge of the property.

They were reminded to vote on August 13.

The grant writing proposal from Widseth for the Fire Department was tabled until the grants open in the spring.

Donations for the city were accepted with \$450.00 from the University of Louisville for a training grant for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Police department. \$5,000 from the Clearbrook Community Club to the Clearbrook Community Pool. \$500 from Jacobson Auto Body to Summerfest for the Bike Giveaway; \$100 from Carter Matthews Racing to Summerfest for the Bike Giveaway. \$125 from Clearbrook Collision to Summerfest for the Bike Giveaway. \$98 from DaRoo's Pizza of Clearbrook to Summerfest for the Bike Giveaway. \$6,000 from Region 2 Arts Council for the Summer Rec Arts Classes, Summer Rec Improve Class Performance & Art Class for Santa Day in December. \$1,067 from the 2025 All School Reunion Fundraiser held during Summerfest for the 2025 All School Reunion.

Monthly claims were approved with \$73,326.48 and additional claims at \$637,327.70.



Dylan Larson with his Grand Champion Market Steer that was purchased by Lindfors Insurance at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.

2024 4-H Premium Livestock Auction

Clearwater County 4-H is very lucky to have loyal supporters who attend and bid at our livestock auction every year. 80% of each bid remains with the 4-Her receiving the bid. 20% of each bid is retained by Clearwater County 4-H and is kept locally to run the program. 4-H is dedicated to education and character building. Raising and showing livestock certainly provides learning experiences and builds character in our young people.

Your 4-H programming also includes numerous project areas listed in the official premium book and extends into after-school programming, day camps, regional camps, community outreach events, youth and adult leadership opportunities and the Ambassador program.

The 4-H Livestock Premium Auction is the largest event contributing to the financial stability of the Clearwater County 4-H program and also allows for the possibility of financial assistance to our members along with the opportunity to improve the fair experience for our members and families by updating items at the fair or, in some cases, contributing to improvements of buildings on the fairgrounds.

Eric Larson with his Reserve Champion Market Steer that was purchased by North Central Feed at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Voting result for August 13, 2024 elections

1. Precinct Name, 2. Precinct Code, 3. Voters Registered at 7AM, 4. Registered on Election Day, 5. Signatures, 6. Mail and Absentee Ballots, 7. Federal Absentee Ballots, 8. Presidential Absentee Ballots, 9. Estimated Voters								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
BAGLEY CITY	0005	683	32	351	87	0	0	438
BEAR CREEK TWP	0010	93	1	61	12	0	0	73
CLEARBROOK CITY	0015	292	11	168	10	0	0	178
CLOVER TWP	0020	62	1	32	4	0	0	36
COPLEY TWP	0025	553	29	382	37	0	0	419
DUDLEY TWP	0030	236	10	164	1	0	0	165
EDDY TWP	0035	196	18	146	15	0	0	161
FALK TWP	0040	146	9	85	8	0	0	93
GONVICK CITY	0045	155	7	92	9	0	0	101
GREENWOOD TWP	0050	50	2	32	4	0	0	36
HANGAARD TWP	0055	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
RED LAKE								
RESERVATION	0056	17	0	3	0	0	0	3
HOLST TWP	0060	243	12	148	21	0	0	169
ITASCA TWP	0065	108	4	79	9	0	0	88
LA PRAIRIE TWP	0070	213	6	80	4	0	0	84
LEON TWP	0075	224	9	150	10	0	0	160
LEONARD CITY	0080	20	0	13	0	0	0	13
MINERVA TWP	0085	166	5	100	9	0	0	109
MOOSE CREEK TWP	0090	178	3	105	17	0	0	122
NORA TWP	0095	312	10	221	25	0	0	246
PINE LAKE TWP	0100	232	11	152	22	0	0	174
POPPLE TWP	0105	322	15	222	25	0	0	247
RICE TWP	0110	111	0	55	5	0	0	60
SHEVLIN CITY	0115	82	5	51	1	0	0	52
SHEVLIN TWP	0120	292	10	204	13	0	0	217
SINCLAIR TWP	0125	109	7	85	6	0	0	91
WINSOR TWP	0130	71	2	49	3	0	0	52
S. CLEARWATER								
143-36	0135	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
LONG LOS								
LAKE TWP	0140	41	32	29	4	0	0	33

Community Calendar

Labor day Fire Works

There is going to be fire-works in Trail on Labor Day, Monday, August 31 at dusk. Come and enjoy the beautiful fireworks.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Aug. 21 - Chicken Salad on Wheat Bread, Three Bean Salad, Diced Peaches, Sugar Cookie, Milk.

Thurs. Aug. 22 - Beef Vegetable Stew, Green Peas, Biscuit, Cinnamon Baked Apples, Milk.

Fri. Aug. 23- Chicken & Noodles, Peas & Carrots, Diced Pears, Lemon Bar, Bread, Milk.

Mon. Aug. 26- Beef Pepper Steak or Liver, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie, Bread, Milk.

Tues. Aug. 27 - Sloppy Joe on Bun, California Vegetable Blend, Italian Pasta Salad, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Wed. Aug. 28 - Rosemary Pork Loin, Diced Potatoes, Green Peas, Bread, Chocolate Chip Bar, Milk.

Calendar winners

2024-2025 Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle winners for August.

08/19/2024 - Bruce Emmel - Leonard - \$100

Bowling notice

There will be a Bowling Association meeting on Monday August 26th at the Bagley Bowling Alley at 6:00 PM. League meetings will be right after the Association meeting. All interested bowlers are encouraged to attend. New bowlers are always welcome so if you are interested in joining a league or even being a substitute please join us on the 26th or contact Sue Knutson at 218-766-1050 or Doug Anderson at Bowl Inn 218-694-6175.

Whist in Bagley

By Pamela French The Tuesday Whist Gang has been going strong through the summer! The competition remain tight and hard core, hard core fun that is! The winners on July 23 were Mike O'Shea and Audrey Perkins, July 30 Lonnie Prestby and Gladys Willberg, August 6 Audrey Perkins and Gladys Willberg, then on August 13 Virgil Prestby and Gerald Smith.

Each Tuesday, anyone who wants to play Whist shows up at the Bagley Center at 12:15pm, donates \$1.50, and play begins at 12:30. The center gets \$1.00 per person and .50 goes in the pot. The pot is shared by the top two winners. The amount of money in the pot each week is determined by the number of players each week. Everyone is welcome regardless of experience level. It's a great place to learn. Everyone plays! The whist gangs first started 1-04-2023. at this time they had 24 players & are

...Until We Meet Again

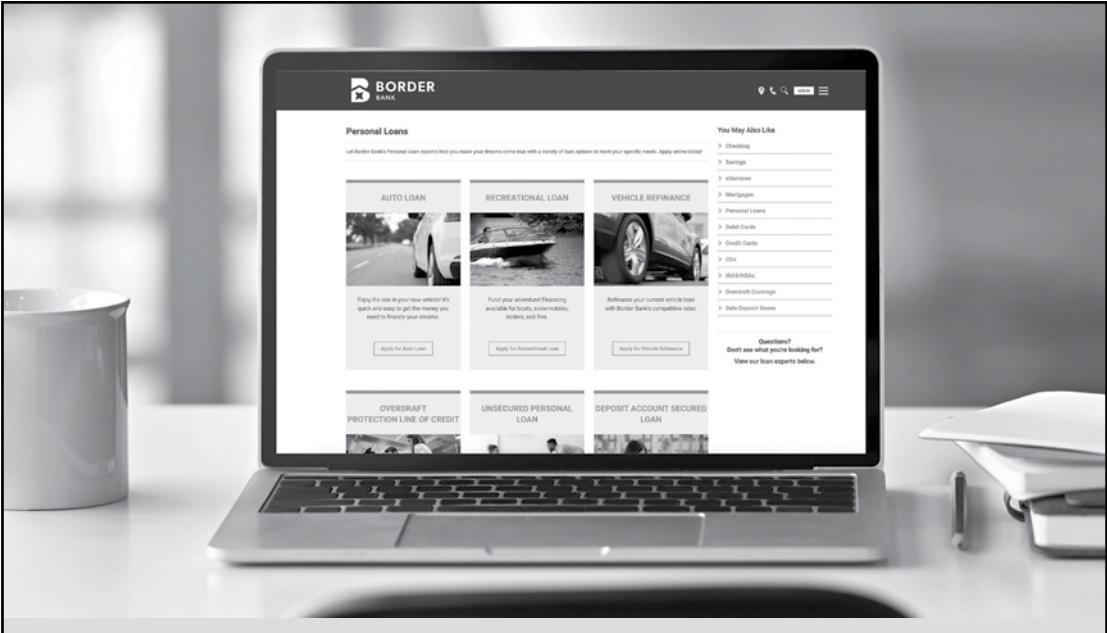
Those special memories of you will always bring a smile if only I could have you back for just a little while Then we could sit and talk again just like we used to do you always meant so very much and always will do too The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain but you're forever in my heart until we meet again

Forever missed... Dan Lindom August 15, 2014

always looking for more. In this length of time the "gang" has donated \$ 985.59 to the Sr Center just for the use of the building & coffee. Which we appreciate greatly & it's such a good feeling to hear all the laughter! It makes our center alive!! We have players from all over Clearwater County!



Les and Carol Torgerson of Clearbrook celebrated a very special anniversary last Saturday night in Gully. They brought the WoodPicks of Thief River Falls to bring their harmonies and musical style to their friends, high school and college friends and neighbors. The group came together in 2005 when the band started playing northern Minnesota venues. The group had played at the fair in Grand Rapids in the afternoon and headed to Gully for the evening of music and dancing. Members of the WoodPicks include Greg Dally, mandolin; Gary Broste on bass fiddle; Gene Lunsetter, guitar; Milo Ballingrud, banjo; and J.D. Kezar, fiddle, harmonica, jaw harp and guitar.



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Northern Exposure to Life-long Learning (NELL) is excited to kick off the Fall 2024 on Wednesday, September 4th, 2024 with "How to Protect Yourself from Fraud and Scams" with Martin Fleischhacker - Senior Financial Fraud Ombudsman Minnesota Department of Commerce.

The program will be held at the Bagley American Legion, 112 Main Ave N. Bagley, starting at 9:30 am. Doors open at 9:00am. Light refreshments will be served (free-will).

This program presented in collaboration with First National Bank of Bagley. There is no charge to attend NELL regular session programs.

Northern Exposure to Life-long Learning is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization serving Clearwater and East Polk Counties. Regular session programs are no at no charge to attend and is open to anyone who wants to attend. Funding for the programs comes through corporate and personal memberships, corporate and personal donations, memorials, and free will donations at each program. If you wish to donate, send check or money order to nELL PO Box 585, Bagley MN 56621.

Clearwater County Museum Open On National Grandparents Day September 8

The History Center in Shevlin will observe National Grandparents Day, August September 8 with an open house from 1:00 -4:00 pm. An informal classic car show, kids games, Root beer floats and other refreshments are planned for the Sunday afternoon event.

National Grandparents Day started in 1978 when President Jimmy Carter signed a proclamation making the Sunday after Labor Day "National Grandparents Day." September was chosen for the holiday to signify the "autumn years." Its purpose is to honor grandparents, give grandparents an opportunity to show love for their children's children and to help children become aware of the strength, information and guidance older people can offer.

The Clearwater County Historical Society encourages Grandparents to bring their grandchildren to the museum on Sunday and share their memories with them. Not a grandparent yet? Bring your grandparent or an older person to enjoy the museum. Admission is free.

For more information call the history center at 218-785-2000

Accident south of Bagley causes injury

District: 3200 Thief River Falls Case with Sgt. Jesse Grabow

Location: 290th Street at Highway 92, Nora Township, Clearwater County Description: 2007 Honda Accord was traveling westbound on 290th St., when it entered the north side ditch, rolled, and came to rest facing the southwest.

Road Condition: Dry. None were wearing seating belts and alcohol was not involved.

Outside agencies that responded: Clearwater County S.O., Bagley PD & FD, Sanford Bagley EMS, and Essentia Foss-ton EMS.

The rollover accident involved four minors ages, 14, 15 and 16. The driver 16, was sent to Fargo Sanford and the other three taken to Sanford in Bagley.

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Volunteer Help Needed at The History Center in Shevlin this weekend

Two "work days" are planned for August 24th and 25th at the History Center. Volunteers are needed to help "spruce up" the historic buildings in Shevlin before the cool weather arrives.

There are several small projects, mostly touch up painting on the historic buildings, and some small carpentry jobs that just require willingness and

patience. Volunteers can come Saturday August 24th between 10:00- 2:00 or on Sunday July 25th from 1:00- 5:00. (or both days!) Volunteers can work all day or just give an hour or two to a specific project.

For more information call the History Center at 218-785-2000



Greenwood Township Notice The Greenwood Town Board will meet at the town hall on August 28th, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. Sheila Horn, Clerk

Church News

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston Seth Johnson, www.facebook.com/bethelfosston Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

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.

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMC, Gonvick Pastor Will Anderson August 19-25, 2024 Tuesday: 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast Wednesday: 9:30 AM Women's Walk Bible Study, 7:00 PM Church Council Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Study, 10:30 AM Worship Service with Pastor Anderson.

LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeffrey Merseth is On Leave Rev. Carl Busse Rev. Gene Lilienthal Sat, Aug. 17: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. Sun, Aug. 18: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 9:45 a.m. Worship. Nazareth: 11 a.m. Worship.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister Sun, Aug. 18: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Gonvick Site: 226 Elm St. We would love to have new volunteers!

Why Volunteer? You make a positive difference! You get a chance to give back. You find BELONGING and impart that to others. We want You! https://www.clearwaterslife.org/i-belong-here.html

Building lives, growing relationships, imparting hope we are a faith-based community of people providing a place to impart hope and enrich the lives of individuals and families.

Save The Date: Mustard Seed Homes 7th Annual Banquet.

Clearbrook Site: 256 2nd Ave., SW Hurts, Hang-ups, Habits? Celebrate Recovery encourages fellowship, provides hope, and celebrates God's healing power in lives as we work our way along the road to recovery. Every Thursday at 6:30 PM

For more information on our programs & services, visit our website: www.clearwaterslife.org. Like and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

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ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Adam Krog Wed. - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Sun. - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service.

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH 8 miles North of Gonvick on County Road 7 Sun., August 25 - Services at noon with Pastor Kindem. Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD Pastor Michael Wright Good Shepherd Sun., Aug. 25: 9:00am Worship with Pastor Michael Wright; 10:00am Coffee Hour

Our Savior's Aug. 25: 10:00am Coffee Hour 11:00am Worship with Pastor Michael Wright

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH 1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6 Senior Pastor - Brad Binder 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. 7:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer throuh August

Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

SERVANTS OF YAHUAH The most High Eloheem and 'only' savior (Isaiah 43:11) are meeting on Yahuah's sacred Sabbaths. Call (218) 766-8176 for information. -Emergency food shelf -Homeless shelter

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The Weekly Inky Wink has garnered some attention by other writer enthusiasts and story lovers in the community. One such person is Bette Anderson Lindsay of Clearbrook. She has the sweetish giggle! I have been delighted to talk with her over the phone on several occasions about writing and poetry. After learning more about Bette and her writings, I invited her to share some with us today. Delightful they are!!!

I happily introduce Bette Anderson Lindsay - "I started baking Betty Crocker at a very young age. Magic ingredients were flour (Gold Medal, of course), water, and salt. Yum! Yum! My parents were the guinea pigs with a few tummy aches. This poem written at the beginning of my nursing career won me a set of Twin Star stainless steel tableware, which I still use!"

Gold Medal Flour won the gold.
The "flower" of the wheat". Its popularity has long been foretold.

By far the best, as it has

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CLEARWATER
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE

Estate of
Terri Churnness,
Decedent
Court File No. 15-PR-24-350
NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 18th, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Main Avenue, Bagley, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent dated April 14, 2023, ("Will"), and for the appointment of Kory Erickson, whose address is 25606 370th St., Shevlin, MN, 56676, as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that 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: 18/19/24
BY THE COURT
(COURT SEAL)

Eric P. Schieferdecker
Judge of District Court

Dated: 8/19/2024
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Court Administrator

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withstood many a test.
Worldwide wonder approved by law
I bid to other flours a final
Au Re Voir.
Written by Bette Anderson
Lindsay@Her Youth
PS by Bette - "Speaking of flowers and flours. My husband is now 'Flowers of the Forest' according to medieval Scottish tradition. The loved one was buried in the forest, thus becoming flowers of the forest."

COW COUNTRY CATTLE CALL
Once upon a time in the North Star State,
A lady by the name of Fay would sing to her cattle day after day.
An Opera singer by trade, those bovine beauties had it made.
High notes, low notes and notes in between.
Melody heard for miles - twas like a beautiful dream.
The cows chimed in with their mooing
Twas an auditory extravaganza and sight to behold!
A proven fact remains - milk production increases 25-fold.
Contented cows elevate the gains!
If opera singer and cattle were Olympic bound, they would get the Gold!
Written by Bette Anderson Lindsay

In the poem above, Bette refers to Fay Dickey, a refugee from the Czech Republic and opera singer living on a farm near Leonard, MN. She is a featured speaker for NELL on Wednesday, September 25th, 9:30AM, at Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. It's a part II about her life in America. You may want to add that date on your calendar. Sounds interesting!
Thank you, Bette, for sharing your creative writing with us - it is MUCH appreciated!
Have comments, or what to share something? Ann Marie Newman is Oopsy Annie - oopsyannie@gmail.com



At the Clearwater County Fair



Cynthia McConough-Director of AmeriCorp Senior RSVP attends the Clearwater County Fair each year. She spoke about the program to the many that were in attendance.



Hearts for Carts Pony Cart Club at the 2024 Draft Show & The Rhythm and Ride Show!

Corrine's Corner
By Corrine Richards

Next Auction coming up August 21 at the Gully Center Mall, Main Street in Gully. Call Jeff 218-766-3180 for questions. The next one will be August 21.
Saturday, August 24 there will be a Tractor Pull in McIntosh. Antique Tractor Parade at 11:00 with the pull at 1:00 pm. Questions you can contact Roy Ostenaar at 218-280-1572 or Steve Urness at 218-280-0399
Main Street Gully will be hopping on October 5th! This is the date chosen for the Gully Community fall play, "Gully Church Ladies". Plan to attend to be part of the celebrating and reminiscing: Gully Community Center, 7:15 p.m., October 5, 2024.

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 there was a fire in one of the trailers at Anderson Trucking two mile west of Bagley. They were able to contain the fire next to the shop.
There will be a Bowling Association meeting on Monday August 26th at the Bagley Bowling Alley at 6:00 PM. League meetings will be right after the Association meeting.
Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary Football (5th and 6th grade) Meeting on Monday, August 26th, 6:30 at the Old School. At this meeting, they will receive their equipment and sign the paperwork/payment. The first practices will be on Tuesday, August 27th and Wednesday, August 28th, from 6:00-7:30 pm.

From my e-mail
i before e is what they say. Except when your foreign neighbor Keith receives eight counterfeited beige sleighs from feisty caffeinated weightlifters. Weird.
Joke time
The recent raise in postal rates to 73 cents to end first class really irked Ole. He complained, "Now I'll have to throw away all my 60 cent ones."

Ole got a notice from the



September.
9/9 Clearbrook 11:30am-6:00pm sponsor code: clearbrookmn

There will be an All-School reunion in Clearbrook June 26-29, 2025. The committee is getting going and having several meetings. There will be a mailing going out from classmates in that year.

Mark your calendars for the 2025 Gonvick-Trail All School Reunion and Gonvick Rodeo July 11th through July 14.

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.

FROM PANTRY TO TABLE
By Susan Anderson

If you haven't noticed, the weather is changing as well as the trees. These are signs in our house that "soup days" are upon us. I have been making this tomato soup for years. It is quick and delicious!
Tomato Soup
4 T butter
1 medium onion, diced
1(28 ounce) can crushed tomatoes
1(28 ounce) can diced tomatoes
1 Pint heavy cream
1 T. dried oregano



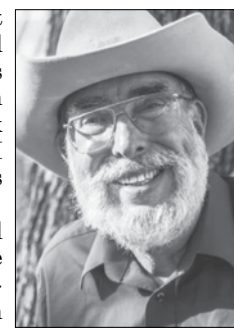
Susan Anderson
More recipes at www.susanspantry.com

1 T. dried basil
Salt and pepper to taste
Melt butter in a large pan. Add onions and saute until soft-about 15 minutes.
Add cans of tomatoes and spices. Let mixture come to a boil: turn off the heat. Using an immersion blender a regular blender, break up the large chunks of tomatoes. Add heavy cream and heat through. Serve with a dollop of sour cream or croutons.
Until next time, blessings to you and your family!

Home Country
By Slim Randles

Looking around at all the yard signs and hearing politicians tell us on television what a lying crook their competition is, I have to admit I miss Guv Reeve.
Guv had a real first name, but I sure don't recall it now, because this was back in the 1960s and 1970s in the high desert of California. He had his first name legally changed to Guv so everyone would know what he was all about. Every four years, he ran for governor. I worked for the Victor Valley Daily Press in Victorville, which is just 30 miles from Barstow, where everyone's car breaks down on the way to Vegas.
The other folks in the newsroom knew me as the "weirdo reporter" because if someone needed some serious couch time, they were pointed toward my desk.

Guv was maybe in his early 50s when I met him. He came into the newsroom one morning surrounded by four attractive middle-aged women, and all of them were smiling and handing out free cookies.
Guv and I closeted ourselves for the story while everyone else munched cookies, and I learned the Guv Reeve story.



He was a self-proclaimed preacher and lived in a large cabin about 30 miles away in the desert mountains. Yes ... with the sunshine girls.
His mission, he explained, was to gather food and clothing, and when they had enough for a large cardboard box, they would pack it up, find the name of a village in Mexico that he thought might be poor, and mailed it to them. Every time one of those boxes "ripened" and was ready for taping, they'd find a different village on the map.
His election platform was fairly simple: no taxes, more jobs, constant access to free cookies, and the love of God spreading throughout every person in California. You'd think a message that powerful would make his election a slam dunk. But the folks in California elected Ronald Reagan governor, instead. I met him, too, but he didn't have cookies.
Sometimes I really miss ol' Guv.

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The Clearbrook Legion Auxiliary provided and served the lunch for the Clearwater County Outstanding Senior Citizen Recognition Program.



Heidi from Clearbrook, another first time exhibitor at the Clearwater County Fair, with her Reserve Grand Champion art piece!



The Summer Learning Experience Reading Challenge at the Bagley Public library came to an end in July 31st. Names of the participants who completed the reading challenge were put in a random drawing for a chance to win one of 4 prizes. Prizes included a telescope, binoculars, dual head set/ear buds, and a lighted mouse pad.

The winner of the telescope was a very excited Autumn, and Collin won the binoculars (pictured above). Eleigh won the headphone set and Harley won the lighted mouse pad



This photo truly captures the expressions of pure delight on the faces of my two grandsons as we ride the 1001 Nights, high lift ride at the fair. I was able to snap this sideways picture of both of them. Art Eck on left and Max Witucki on right. Photo by Joy Eck

Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson



I want to thank all of you that stopped by our mobile command post at the Clearwater County Fair. As always, it was a pleasure talking to you and answering your questions. The biggest highlight is always greeting the young children that are so excited to get their very own "Junior Deputy" sticker badge. Some of the younger school aged children were excited to get a pencil or pen for school. School, after all, is just around the corner. I want to use this month's article to give safety reminders to motorists and parents or guardians of children attending school.

The first piece of advice I want to give parents is to use caution when posting pictures of your children on social media on the first day of school. Avoid using their full name, age, grade or what school they attend. In addition, do not use any other identifying information about your children as predators and scammers can use this information for illegal purposes. We are all proud of our children and want to brag about them, but keep personal information to a minimum.

Next, I want to caution motorists to be extra vigilant as school buses will again be running their routes. School buses are one of the safest ways for children to get to school. Buses are large and heavy that provide good protection for the occupants. In Minnesota in 2022, there were 530 crashes which resulted in three fatalities and 160 injuries. Of those injured or killed, frequently they are pedestrians or occupants from other vehicles instead of passengers on the bus.

Motorists need to remember that you must stop for a school bus if it's red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended. If you are on a divided highway, such as U.S. Highway 2 outside city limits, and the bus is traveling in the opposite direction as you, you do not need to stop. If the bus is stopped and picking up children, you must stop within 20 feet of the bus. You can be fined up to \$500 for failing to stop and if you pass the bus on the right and children are outside the bus, you could face additional penalties.

If your children are walking to school, plan out a safe route. Make sure they know where to cross busy roads and where the crosswalks are. Remind your children that although it is the law for motorists to stop for pedestrians in a crosswalk, not all people are going to stop,

so just don't assume and start walking out into the roadway.

If you're a motorist or pedestrian, put down anything that may be a distraction for you so that you can pay attention to the roadway. We want the school year to be a safe one for everyone. Get out and enjoy the rest of the summer and plan ahead for the start of the school year.

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.

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson

Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity

Bear Creek - Total 1
08/11/24 08:53:44 Fire
City of Bagley - Total 7
08/14/24 11:48:23 Sexual Conduct
08/14/24 21:42:26 Traffic Stop
08/15/24 13:11:34 Transport
08/16/24 10:41:49 Medical
08/17/24 09:31:12 Information
08/17/24 15:07:04 Medical
08/17/24 15:31:39 TEST
City of Clearbrook - Total 5
08/11/24 06:57:34 Assault
08/11/24 20:45:50 Property Damage
08/13/24 14:56:58 Medical

08/16/24 20:08:37 Medical
08/17/24 00:45:36 Medical
City of Gonvick - Total 2
08/11/24 14:55:30 Animal Related
08/17/24 05:05:20 Alarm
City of Shevlin - Total 5
08/11/24 13:00:35 Disturbance
08/14/24 17:41:58 Runaway
08/16/24 15:19:33 Sexual Conduct
08/17/24 10:17:39 Welfare Check
08/17/24 16:06:37 Disturbance
Clover - Total 1
08/17/24 22:23:01 Welfare Check
Copley - Total 2
08/12/24 18:12:00 Traffic Stop
08/13/24 07:48:09 Traffic Stop
Dudley - Total 3
08/11/24 19:20:37 Motorist Assist
08/12/24 12:43:11 Welfare Check
08/15/24 21:24:34 Information
Falk - Total 2
08/14/24 10:23:22 911 Hang Up
08/14/24 18:35:44 CIVIL

PROCESS
Greenwood - Total 1
08/14/24 14:00:37 Transport
Holst - Total 8
08/14/24 10:34:26 Traffic Complaint

08/14/24 10:43:02 Harassment
08/16/24 09:46:31 Welfare Check
08/16/24 21:40:44 Suspicious

Activity
08/17/24 11:26:06 Welfare Check
08/17/24 20:38:27 Attempt To Locate

Itasca - Total 4
08/12/24 16:35:55 911 Hang Up
08/13/24 17:08:31 Animal Related
08/15/24 12:24:33 Information
08/17/24 13:09:36 Traffic Stop
CVW Itasca Total: 4
LaPraire - Total 3
08/11/24 23:25:40 Disturbance
08/16/24 06:29:36 Information
08/16/24 12:21:55 Suspicious

Activity
LaPraire N - Total 2
08/14/24 00:43:02 Disturbance
08/14/24 11:58:35 THEFT

Leon - Total 1
08/16/24 19:05:21 Welfare Chec
08/16/24 16:10:37 Vehicle Lock

Out
08/17/24 13:33:16 Traffic Stop
Moose Creek - Total 3
08/12/24 02:50:50 ASSIST
08/13/24 12:40:35 WORTHLESS

CHECK
08/16/24 13:14:24 Suspicious
Activity

Nora - Total 4
08/11/24 03:29:41 Motor Vehicle Crash
08/11/24 17:17:20 Animal Related
08/13/24 13:32:28 Vehicle Lock
Out
08/15/24 09:21:21 Civil Complaint
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 1
08/12/24 08:37:12 Transport
Pine Lake - Total 3
08/11/24 16:40:30 TEST
08/12/24 20:09:14 Animal Related
08/15/24 09:44:17 Fraud
Poppo - Total 6
08/11/24 20:06:51 Welfare Check
08/13/24 23:13:30 Fire
08/14/24 14:56:35 Disturbance
08/14/24 20:21:37 Traffic Stop
08/15/24 17:13:04 TEST
08/15/24 23:38:43 TEST
Rice - Total 3
08/17/24 01:36:09 Motorist Assist
08/17/24 12:48:37 Traffic Stop
08/17/24 21:01:39 ATV Complaint
Shevlin - Total 4
08/11/24 18:57:37 Traffic Complaint
08/12/24 11:30:31 MENTAL HEALTH
08/12/24 19:06:33 Civil Complaint
08/15/24 21:56:22 Traffic Stop
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Birthday party group includes, Ken Tronnes, Jaymie Tronnes Olson, Jasmine Bishop, Sonya Danielson Top row: Wenesdai Tronnes, Kent Tronnes, Troy Tronnes, and Chris Bliss.

90th Birthday Party for Kenny Tronnes held in Bagley

By Pamela French
The Bagley American Legion was the place to be Friday night, August 16th for the 90th Birthday Bash for Kenny Tronnes. Family and friends from all over Minnesota and beyond gathered to celebrate the momentous occasion with a full cowboy themed party. And no cowboy birthday bash is complete without lots of food; from pulled pork, buns, beans, corn on the cob, salads etc, etc, etc! A true cowboy feast!

In 90 years Kenny has lived quite the life!! Kenny started out life in Bagley where he was born and raised. Over the 90 years Kenny served three years in the Army, lived and worked on ranches in Montana, had a radio show, met his wife of 64 years Sallie, lived in Washington State for Weyerhaeuser when Mt. St. Helen's blew May 1980, had 5 kids, moved back to Minnesota, added 25 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren and as of less than a month ago 1 great-great grandchild. He was involved in rodeos and played music. Tronnes has been a member of the American Legion Irvin Blix Post 16 for 25 years, and was Post Commander for two terms. Tronnes played 13 years in a band called the Cracker Barrel Boys with Butch Boe and Rick Paulin, where they played every Friday night at the Legion, played many special

events, fund raisers, and the Clearwater County Fair for the 100th Birthday-sending 100 balloons into the universe.

It's only been in the last 5 years that Kenny slowed down handing over the baton to his family. He's very proud of his family from the songwriters to singers and musicians, who all gathered with guitars, drums and singers to celebrate the occasion. Kenny himself, with guitar, couldn't sit back without joining in for several songs.

Daughter Jamie "Tronnes" Olson put it this way, "Rock of Ages!", Tronnes a Norwegian family that's been creating and sharing popular genres of music here in these parts for over 150 years."

Jamie and sister Wenesdai (on each side of Kenny) started a new venture, creating space for others with Karaoke/DJ Entertainment. The pair is deeply grateful for their friends and family who came to share in this milestone celebration.

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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.

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Keith Baumann of Bagley with his great grandson as co-pilot in a truck belonging to the Pioneer Farmers event. Many tractors to follow of course, of all kinds, colors and unique models. A real impressive variety!



Kids pedal pull followed, with a large group of family members to cheer them on. Winners are as follows: age 4-5 Apollo , age 6 Liam, age 7 Raisen, age 8 Levi, age 9 Ella, age 10 Bryar, age 11 Layne, age 12 Brayton. Each participants received a freezee sponsored by Hennerich Historic Sawmill.



Liam Vargas, son of Haley and Juan from Fargo, ND was the winner in age 6 bracket. They have visited Itasca Park many times and this was their 3rd time to this event. Liam was more excited to get his picture in the paper than the possibility of winning his age group. So a special hello to Liam. Thank you for making this amateur photographer's day. Photos by Nancy Sundquist



Liam after the race.



Ella was handed a treat as she finished the race. One of the helpers, at the event gave out the treats.



Arlan Dahlke and Dahlke Red Angus of Bagley with his 1959 530 John Deere in the Lake Itasca tractor parade last weekend. Wednesday, August 21, 2024



The Clearwater County Fair had visitors this year. Two families who had many years in 4-H together. They were the Hulteens and Rydeens.

The Hulteens Jim, Suzanne and Bob had not been back since the 104th county fair. Their parents, John and Dorothy were residents of Holst Township. John had worked with the Clearwater County Extension as an agent and as the County Assessor. Their parents have since passed away.

John in 1932, when he was showing sheep as a member of the state 4-H judging team, won Grand Championship at the International Livestock show in Chicago.

Jim and Suzanne showed sheep in Clearwater County, Red River Winter Shows and the State Fair while in high school.

The Rydeens live around the area and are yearly visitors at the fair and still volunteer for



Suzanne and Jim Hulteen showing at one of the fairs. This picture was in the Clearwater County Historical Society building at the fair this year.

events. Debbie (Rydeen) Shellum and Sherry (Rydeen) Rettmann with their mother Wanda Rydeen enjoyed getting together with the Hulteens and other friends this year.



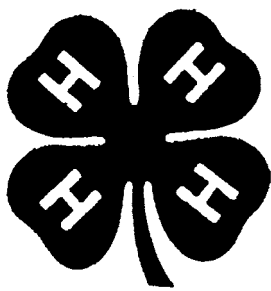
The photographer Nancy Sundquist received many waves as she took pictures at the Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers parade last weekend.



1939 B Allis Chalmers owned by Everleigh Hotchkiss and driven by Shaydon Hotchkiss of Clearbrook in the Lake Itasca tractor parade.



4-H Premier Livestock held at the Clearwater County Fair



Emmalyn Bakke with her Blue Ribbon 1st Place Mid-Weight Swine that was purchased by Invest Forward at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Ava Larson with her Grand Champion Market Barrow that was purchased by B&M Supply at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Ava Larson with her Grand Champion Market Heifer that was purchased by Bagley Livestock at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair



Nataly Stout with her Reserve Champion Market Heifer that was purchased by Headwaters Meats of Bagley at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Elsa Larson with her Grand Champion Market Gilt that was purchased by Clearbrook Elevator & Community Oil at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Ellyse Berg with her Blue Ribbon Market Beef that was purchased by Cornerstone Veterinary Service of Gonvick at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Kaden Bowman with his Reserve Champion Market Wether that was purchased by Bagley Co-op at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Kaylynn Waldvogel with her Grand Champion Market Meat Chickens that were purchased by Rohde's Feed & Garden at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.



Peyton Berg with his Blue Ribbon Market Beef that was purchased by Winger Livestock at the 2024 4-H Premier Livestock Auction at the Clearwater County Fair.