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Corrinne Anderson and DonnaRae Jacobson

DonnaRae Jacobson Nominated to District President

On June 8, 2024 Clearbrook Melvin Johnson Unit #256 nominated DonnaRae Jacobson for the office of President District 9 American Legion Auxiliary of Minnesota. DonnaRae has

been the Unit #256 Secretary for several years and 1st Vice President of the 9th District American Legion Auxiliary for 2023-2024. She has been

involved in activities with both the local Unit and District 9. The members of Unit #256 fully endorsed DonnaRae Jacobson for District #9 President.

Clearbrook Legion Post 256 Membership Meal

On Tuesday, the 10th of September, 2024, there will be an American Legion Post 256 free membership meal.

A meatball supper will be provided for all Clearbrook Post 256 Legion/Auxiliary members, renewing members and new members. The supper is offered between 5-6pm at the Legion

room of the old school, with a general meeting for Post 256 business beginning at 6pm.

Clearbrook Post 256 members will be available for renewal and the processing of new memberships.

If you have served on federal active duty in the United States

Armed Forces since December 7, 1941, including Active Duty for Training and have been honorably discharged or are still serving - you are eligible for membership in The American Legion!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Casey Crane, from Enbridge and Dan Johnson, Gonvick City Maintenance in front of the 2013 Chevy Silverado pickup that was donated by the company. Council had asked Dan to get designs and estimates from two different parties for their consideration.

New city truck in Gonvick courtesy of Enbridge

The City Council of Gonvick recieved a new pickup earlier this year. It was a donation from Enbridge.

Steve Ballard of Clearbrook did the decals on the outside of the Gonvick City truck. He also added a special design on the back door of the pickup. It shows

a person on a lawn mower. Les Watne, who works for the city, can be seen on a lawn mower taking care of grass in the city. He also waters the flowers that hang on various posts around town.



Anderson has "Last Chance Forgiveness" book published

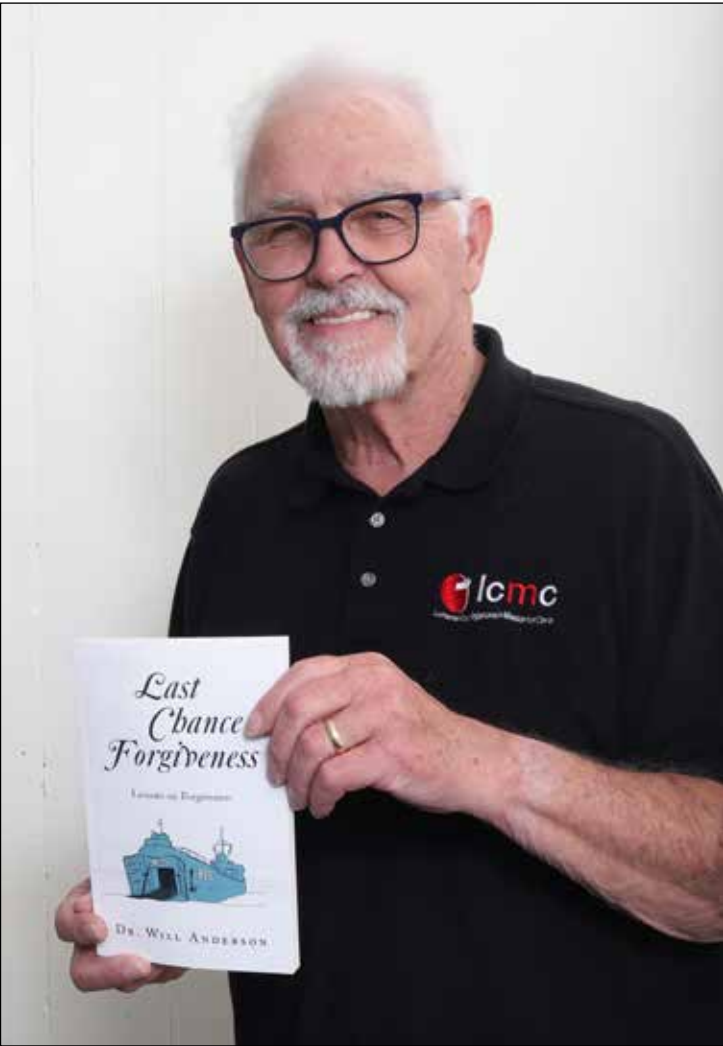
Dr. Will Anderson, a pastor serving Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, has just had his book published.

Last Chance Forgiveness follows Petty Officer William Cole as he learns through his many trials and tribulations to forgive not only others to receive God's forgiveness, but to also forgive himself in order to live God's plans for his life.

Billy is a man struggling with alcoholism and suicidal thoughts as he grapples with the memories of an abusive childhood and trauma from his service in the Vietnam War. While living on the streets of Helena, Montana, he decides to take his own life. He stumbles into a church with a bottle of booze, prepared to die, but something unexpected occurs. Billy meets a pastor, who starts him on a path to healing, hope, and purpose, followed by blessings beyond compare.

Dr. Anderson graduated from Colorado Christian College. He attend seminary and graduated with a Doctor of Divinity from Masters International School of Divinity. He has been a pastor for more than thirty years.

Through the years, Dr. Will Anderson has maintained the philosophy that, "Activity in a church breeds more activity." We should all be busy doing God's work. For this novel, Dr. Anderson draws on his relationship with God, family, the combat veterans he has as friends, and his time in the Navy.



Dr. Will Anderson with his book "Last Chance Forgiveness" that was just published.

There is a book signing that he will be doing at the Book Store in Bemidji in January.

Blood drive in Clearbrook Monday, September 9

A blood drive will be held on Monday, September 9 at the Old High school/Wes Westrum Gym. Located at 200 Elm Street in Clearbrook. It will start at 1130 am and continue until 6:00 pm. You can call Nancy Goudge at 218-776-2777 for a time slot. Or they can call 877-25-VITAL to have someone make an appointment.

It's the blood already donated that helps save lives when a disaster strikes. During National Preparedness Month in September, Vitalant urges all eligible donors to give blood and help ensure the country's blood supply is strong to meet the needs of patients.

Sept. 1-7 is National Blood Donation Week, a time to encourage all who are eligible to donate blood and raise awareness that blood donors are needed every day of the year. September 4 has been proclaimed as Minnesota Blood Donation Day.

Donors of all blood types are vital to helping patients, especially the most-transfused type O. In an emergency, O-negative is what doctors reach for when there's no time to de-

Blood Drive...
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Olson gets "Hole in One" at Twin Pines

By Pamela French
Avid golfer and long time Bagley resident, Marc Olson, can be found almost daily at the Twin Pines Golf course in Bagley with his buddies as soon as the snow melts in spring, until the first blizzard in winter that shuts down the golf course. In all the years Olson has been golfing, one thing has eluded him, the elusive "Hole In One". Well, that all changed this past week.

On Tuesday, August 27th, after the group of five tee'd off for the 140 yard par 3, 6th hole, Marc's ball initially could not be found. Marc said he thought he "sliced" it "right"? Well, he sure did, "right" in the hole that is for his first ever HOLE IN ONE!

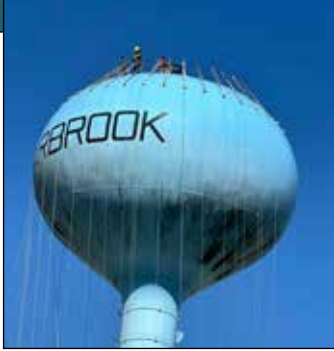
Marc is one of a group of five good friends who golf together on a regular basis. They all can tell tall tales. Yet this is no tale, as there were numerous witnesses to this momentous occasion. A hole in one at Twin Pines Golf Club happens maybe 2-3 times a year.

All fellow golfers, aka witnesses, were sworn to tell the truth; Jim Goudge, John Grover, Wayne Watkins, and Steve Olson. Yes, Marc Olson got a hole in one at the Twin Pines Golf Course.



Work begins on the Water Tower Rehabilitation project in Clearbrook. Onyx Blasting & Coating was awarded the bid for \$470,000.

There is a two-year warranty on the coating and KLM will inspect before the warranty expires. It will take approximately 6 weeks for the job to be done.



Community Calendar

Legion and Auxiliary meeting

The Gonvick American Legion and Auxiliary will hold their regular monthly meetings on Tuesday, September 10th, at 7:00 PM.

We would like to see you there!!

Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to meet

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will be meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024 at the clubhouse in Leonard at 7:30 p.m.

Reminder: October thru March we will meet at 7:00 p.m.

Cribbage players

Calling all Cribbage players! Starting Friday, September 13th at 12:15pm, all are welcome to come on over to the Bagley Senior Center to play Cribbage. All ages welcome! Regardless of number of players who show up, everyone will play! Questions? Please call 218-401-1651.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Sept. 4 - Meatloaf with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Bread, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Thurs. Sept. 5 - Hamburger on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Baked Beans, Diced Peaches, Chocolate Pudding Parfait, Milk.

Fri. Sept. 6 - Tuna Noodle & Pea Casserole, Broccoli Florets, Dinner Roll, Fruited Gelatin Parfait, Milk.

Mon. Sept. 9- Beef Stroganoff, Egg Noodles, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Fruit Crisp, Milk.

Tues. Sept. 10 - Pork Chop, Rice Pilaf, California Blend Vegetable, Pineapple Chunks, Dinner Roll, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk.

Wed. Sept. 11 - Amanda's Lasagna, Green Pease, Breadstick, Tropical Fruit, Milk.

Meal subject to change. Call 218-776-3154

Election Thoughts

Certain groups of politicians are like a lot of Rat Terriers snipping at the heels of a life-saving Newfoundland dog when the best of men, active in statesmanship for the public good, are called every vile and insulting name under the sun while doing a splendid job of living service.

That these statesmen are then appreciated only after death is first class evidence of

these word-heelers, boot lickers patriotism and capacity, consumed only in pocket-book sympathy and their own scurvy hides.

Witness such statesmen as Washington, Lincoln, LaFollette and Roosevelt who had to endure the stink of grafters yet time has more than proven their worth.

John Jepson
October 31, 1940.



John Jepson

Blood Drive...

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termine a patient's blood type, and O-positive is the next best alternative.

As a special thanks to donors who answer the call, Vitalant is offering those who come to donate Aug. 30 – Sept. 4 an 80s throwback “Super Donor” T-shirt plus a \$10 gift card through its Donor Rewards program.

Most people are eligible to donate, and about an hour is all it takes to help save lives. Review eligibility requirements and make an appointment to give: visit vitalant.org, download and use the Vitalant blood donor app or call 877-25-VITAL (877-258-4825).

Thank You!

Thank you to the City of Clearbrook for completing the corner by the Hardware Store. I can now get into North Country Hardware.

Speedy Braaten

Fall Harvest Festival in Bagley

The Fall Harvest Festival is scheduled for Saturday, September 28th, from 9am until 2pm. Location is the Bagley American Legion. There are a few vendor tables available (8') for a flat fee of \$25. Please call/text 218-401-1651, first come first serve.

In addition to the vendors, the Bagley Auxiliary Jrs. will be selling breakfast items, including caramel rolls, from 9-11. Then at 11am until gone, the Bagley Auxiliary will be serving a soup and sandwich lunch. There will be a bake sale. And, as an added bonus, Lefsa will be made onsite.

The Fall Harvest Festival is a fund raiser for the Bagley American Legion Auxiliary and Auxiliary Jrs. 100% of the funds raised goes towards community programs and events that support our veterans, families and community partners.

September Ruby's Pantry event

Join us Wednesday, September 4th at Country Faith Church, 46125 149th Ave, Clearbrook for Ruby's Pantry, Clearbrook. Our drive-thru distribution will run from 5-6:00pm or until food items are gone. Bring a \$25 cash donation and receive a “share” which is an abundance of grocery items that are valued over \$100 which varies every month. **Please bring exact change. There is a maximum of 2 shares per vehicle. No registration needed for drive-thru distribution. No boxes needed, everything will be prepackaged for you. Ruby's Pantry is a pop-up non-profit food ministry serving our rural communities across MN & WI on a monthly basis, hosted by non-profits and made possible by volunteers at each site. There is no income or residency requirement. Questions? Contact Country Faith at 218-776-3367. Find us on Facebook: Ruby's Pantry-Clearbrook, MN

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Clearwater County Commissioner District 4

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the voting process on August 13th and for the support you have shown. Several voters in District 4 have reached out to me since the primary encouraging me to continue my campaign. With their encouragement I have decided to continue as a write in candidate on Nov. 5th.

Prepared and paid for by: Corey Petterson

Church News

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Jarred LeBon, Pastor
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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.

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Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

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

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMC, Gonvick
Pastor Will Anderson
Week of: September 2-8
Tuesday: 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
Wednesday: 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study, 3PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
Sunday: 9:30 AM Sunday School; 9:30 AM Bible Study; 10:30 AM Worship Service

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeffrey Merseth is On Leave
Rev. Carl Busse
Rev. Gene Lilienthal
Sat, Sept. 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Sept. 8: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 8:45 a.m. SS, 9:45 a.m. Worship. Potluck to follow.
Nazareth: 10:00 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship. Potluck to follow.
Wed, Sept. 11: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 p.m. Vespers.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Sept. 8: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Gonvick Site:
226 Elm St.
Senior Cooking class: Monday September 9th

The second Monday of each month we have a free cooking class for seniors. Although you don't have to be a senior to join the class. Each class Angie and Connie will show you how to prep and make a nutritious meal then sample it.

Themed Art Class for September is full and will Start Monday Sept. 9th
Mosaic with Juleigh
Limit 10
Mondays 9, 16, 23, 30- 12:30-3pm
Glass on Glass and outdoor garden mosaic

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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Good Shepherd
Wed., Sept. 4- 6:00pm First Wednesday at Cease in Bagley

Thurs., Sept. 5- 8:00am Men's Breakfast at D&R Café, Bagley
Sun., Sept. 8: 11:00am Worship & Communion, Blessing of the Backpacks, Noon – Backyard BBQ, a Raise the Roof Fundraiser hosted by the Youth, Please note time change for worship

Mon., Sept. 9- 7:00pm Council Meeting
Wed., Sept. 11 - 6:00pm Confirmation: 7th – 9th Grade with parents

Our Savior's
Wed., Sept. 4- 6:00pm First Wednesday at Cease in Bagley
Thurs., Sept. 5- 8:00am Men's Breakfast at D&R Café, Bagley
Sun. Sept. 8: 9:00am Worship & Communion, Blessing of the Backpacks, 10:00am Coffee Hour
Please note time change for worship

Wed., Sept. 11 - 6:00pm Confirmation: 7th – 9th Grade with parents

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

Check the website or Facebook for up-to-date information.

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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 through 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

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

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bear Varsity Volleyball

9/5/24 @ Kelliher	5/6/7:30pm
9/9/24 @ Red Lake (No C game)	6/7:30pm
9/10/24 vs. Mahnomen-Waubun	5/6/7:30pm
9/12/24 @ Pine River-Backus	4/5/6:30pm
9/17/24 vs. Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke	5/6/7:30pm
9/19/24 vs. WHA (Homecoming)	5/6/7:30pm
9/26/24 vs. Cass Lake-Bena	5/6/7:30pm
9/28/24 Pumpkin Days Tournament	9am
10/1/24 @ Red Lake County Central	5/6/7:30pm
10/3/24 vs. Laporte	5/6/7:30pm
10/5/24 JV Conference Tourney (TBD)	9am
10/8/24 @ Red Lake Falls	5/6/7:30pm
10/10/24 @ Blackduck	5/6/7:30pm
10/12/24 @ Grygla (GGG Tournament)	9am
10/15/24 vs. Nevis (Senior Night)	5/6/7:30pm

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears JR Volleyball

9/7/24 @ Laporte (JH Invite)	9am
9/9/24 @ Red Lake (1 game)	5:00pm
9/17/24 vs. Red Lake County	4:30/5:30pm
9/19/24 vs. WHA* (Homecoming)	4:00/5:00pm
9/23/24 @ Red Lake Falls (Elementary)	5:00/6:00pm
9/26/24 vs. Cass Lake-Bena*	4:00/5:00pm
10/1/24 vs. Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke	4:30/5:30pm
10/3/24 @ Red Lake County	4:30/5:30pm
10/8/24 @ Fosston	4:30/5:30pm
10/10/24 @ Blackduck*	4:00/5:00pm
10/12/24 @ Kelliher (Conference Tourney)	9am
10/15/24 vs. Nevis*	4:00/5:00pm

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Varsity Football

9/6/24 vs. NCE/U-H.	7:00pm
9/13/24 @ Stephen-Argyle Central	7:00pm
9/20/24 vs. Fosston (Homecoming)	7:00pm
9/27/24 @ Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke	6:00pm
10/4/24 @ Win-E-Mac	7:00pm
10/11/24 vs. Park Christian	7:00pm
10/16/24 vs. Fertile-Beltrami (Sr. Night)	7:00pm

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears JV Football

9/5/24 vs. Roseau	4:00pm
9/9/24 @ Nevis	5:00pm
9/12/24 vs. Red Lake	4:30pm
9/19/24 vs. Bagley	4:30pm
9/24/24 @ Fosston	4:00pm
9/30/24 @ Win-E-Mac	4:30pm
10/3/24 @ Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke	4:00pm
10/7/24 vs. Blackduck	4:30pm
10/10/24 vs. Red Lake County	4:30pm
10/15/24 vs. Fertile-Beltrami	4:30pm

Clearbrook-Gonvick Cross Country

9/5/24 @ Roseau	4:00pm
9/12/24 @ Ada-Borup West	4:00pm
9/17/24 @ Bagley	4:00pm
9/23/24 @ East Grand Forks	3:45pm
10/1/24 @ Warren-Alvarado-Oslo	4:00pm
10/10/24 @ East Grand Forks (Conference)	4:00pm
*10/14/24 @ Bemidji (Possible attendance)	4:00pm
10/25/24 @ Bagley (Section)	4:00pm

Bears over

Win-E-Mac 3-0

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Volleyball team won their first game of the season when they hosted Win-E-Mac on Tuesday, August 27.

They took the first of three sets with a 25-26 score.

The second set Win-E-Mac came out big by taking the first seven points. But after that the Bears would come out with gusto and to take the second set 25-16.

Two Bears led the attack all night long with Senior Allison LaVine and Junior Emma Fawver. The Bears took that set as well by a score of 25-12.

Underwood over

Bears 12-6

The Clearbrook-Gonvick boys football team traveled to Underwood last week. The Rockets claimed the victory at 12 to 6.

Edavold, for the Rockets, scored twice in their home victory.

The Bears will host Norman County East and Ulen Hitterdal on Friday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Help needed

We are starting another school year where all students are able to enjoy both breakfast and lunch for free everyday. However, we as districts are still asked to collect and process free and reduced applications from families. So we would like to ask families to please take a few minutes and fill out the meal applications for your families. The applications help us continue to have special programming, the summer meal programs, students get test fees waived, P-EBT eligibility and so much more for each district depending on the percentages. This is so important for every family regardless which district their child attends!

Robin Proffitt Food Service Director

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Galen's and Ace Hardware stores in Bagley
Northwest Minnesota Household Hazardous Waste facility, Bagley Industrial Park
Clearwater County demo landfill/transfer site north of Bagley

R8,25,38C

New staff members at Clearbrook-Gonvick



We are **EXCITED** to introduce you to new staff members joining our Bears family!! Today we are welcoming Juan Palacios, our new Stellher Counselor!

Hi there! My name is Juan Palacios, and I'm thrilled to be joining the Clearbrook Gonvick School community. I recently graduated from Bemidji State with a major in Social Work, along with minors in Addictions and Psychology. My passion lies in working with children and helping them grow into their best selves.

As a dad to two amazing kids, I know firsthand the ups and downs of childhood, and I'm dedicated to making a positive impact in our students' lives. I'm looking forward to the new school year, where I hope to support our students, build a warm and encouraging environment, and contribute to their success. I'm excited to partner with families, staff, and students to create a space where every child can flourish. Here's to a fantastic school year ahead!

Please help welcome Juan to Clearbrook-Gonvick!



Clearbrook-Gonvick School kicked off the new school year on Tuesday. From left to right: Morgan LaFerriere, Speech Paraprofessional, Bailey Watne, Early Childhood Special Education, Kris Rue, High School Technology Education, Katerina Schafer, High School Art, Peyton Dingann, High School Science, Juan Palacios, Stellher Counselor and Adam Smith, Custodian.



Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Cross Country team for 2024-25 shown at the Meet the Bears night. Back row L-R: Auggie Wishard, Elias Haugan, Matthew Rankin, Amelia Machlitt, Sarah Imle, Avery Haugan, Alexa Anderson. Front Row L-R: Eli Krog, Brody Gustafson, Emmalynn Bakke, Caroline Machlitt, Bella Dahl, Izzy Krog. -Photo by Jalina Gerlofs



We are **EXCITED** to introduce you to new staff members joining our Bears family!! Today we are welcoming Peyton Dingmann, our new High School Science Teacher!

My name is Peyton Dingmann and I will be teaching high school science this upcoming school year. I am originally from the St. Cloud area, and moved up here to attend college at Bemidji State University. I graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Wildlife Biology, and I am currently pursuing a teaching license in secondary Life Science. I have spent my summer doing plenty of golfing, spending time with friends and family, and camping. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my girlfriend and my dog, golfing, hunting, and fishing. This will be my first school year teaching and I couldn't be more excited to start my journey at Clearbrook-Gonvick Schools! Go Bears!

Please help welcome Mr. Dingmann to Clearbrook-Gonvick!



Special thanks to Border Bank for their recent donation of school supplies to the Clearbrook-Gonvick School. Mrs. Bakke and Mrs. Faldet accepted the donations on behalf of the Clearbrook-Gonvick School.

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R29-2C

Northwest elk public meeting is Sept. 10

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resource is holding an in-person meeting on north-west elk management on Sept. 10 to begin work on developing a legislatively directed plan to enhance the size and range of Minnesota's elk population and provide increased recreational opportunities while maintaining a healthy, sustainable elk population going forward.

"Elk are important to a lot of Minnesotans for many different reasons," said Kelsie LaSharr, Minnesota DNR elk coordinator. "At this meeting, we look forward to providing an update on elk management and an upcoming research project. We also look forward to hearing a range of perspectives about how elk are managed in northwest Minnesota."

A 2024 amendment to existing statute requires the Minnesota DNR to work with the DNR elk working groups, private landowners, local units of government, and Minnesota tribal nations to develop a plan to enhance the size and range of Minnesota's elk population and provide increased recreational opportunities while maintaining a healthy, sustainable elk population going forward. The legislation also allows one of the three elk herds in northwest Minnesota to grow from the 2023 population estimate of 75 elk up to a total of 98 elk to allow for genetic diversification and herd health.

The in-person meeting will be held 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at Northland Community and Technical College, 1101 Highway One East, Performance Art Theater, in Thief River Falls. The meeting will begin with brief presentations on the upcoming research project and the state of northwest

elk management. Invited panelists will then share their perspectives on these topics through a facilitated panel discussion. The meeting will conclude with breakout sessions for all meeting participants to ask their questions and share their views on key research and management topics.

Northwest Minnesota elk herd resiliency and research

Research biologists from the Minnesota DNR and University of Minnesota-Twin Cities will begin an in-depth elk research project in northwestern Minnesota in January 2025. The project is the beginning of a new effort that seeks to better understand Minnesota's elk population.

The study aims to build upon the results from research on the northwestern elk herds conducted from 2016 to 2018. While the results from the prior research provided an understanding of adult female (cow) elk home range size and habitat use, current information is lacking on basic life-history characteristics, herd health and genetic composition of the herds, as well as movements of bulls, which were not included in the first study.

The Minnesota DNR has begun reaching out to private landowners in northwest elk range to seek permission to access private properties for the study. This life-history research study is led by Dr. Eric Michel, Minnesota DNR ungulate research scientist.

"Although we gained valuable information from our prior research, we now need additional data on population health, pregnancy and survival rates, more specific movement information on both bulls and cows, and insight into alter-

native population estimation methods," said Dr. Eric Michel, DNR ungulate research scientist.

Project funding for the northwest elk research project comes from the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources and approved by the Minnesota Legislature. The Minnesota DNR is also providing in-kind support.

More information on elk research and management, and a sign-up for the Minnesota DNR Elk Notes quarterly email newsletter, are available on the DNR elk management webpage (mndnr.gov/elk). People can also sign up for Elk Notes newsletter at the public meeting in September.

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

Bear Creek - Total 2
08/28/24 17:32:13 Medical
08/30/24 21:39:05 Animal Related
City of Bagley - Total 14
08/25/24 12:12:34 Medical
08/25/24 19:23:56 Information
08/26/24 03:15:22 Traffic Stop
08/27/24 09:06:38 Warrant (New)
08/27/24 10:45:58 Weapon Violation
08/27/24 12:23:00 Civil Complaint
08/28/24 20:13:06 Medical
08/28/24 23:59:31 Traffic Stop
08/29/24 23:06:15 ASSIST
08/30/24 15:00:33 Pursuit
08/30/24 16:55:59 Traffic Stop
08/30/24 23:09:26 Crimes Against Family
08/30/24 23:19:47 Crimes Against Family
08/31/24 21:43:20 Traffic Stop
City of Clearbrook - Total 3
08/27/24 13:42:14 Missing/Lost Person

08/27/24 21:13:25 911 Hang Up
08/30/24 23:13:45 Crimes Against Family
City of Gonvick - Total 2
08/27/24 12:49:35 Fraud
08/29/24 16:19:50 Traffic Stop
Clover - Total 1
08/29/24 16:38:59 ASSIST
Copley - Total 3
08/29/24 17:09:22 911 Hang Up
08/29/24 20:50:07 Animal Related
08/31/24 19:13:42 Information
Dudley - Total 2
08/26/24 16:31:38 Traffic Complaint
08/29/24 17:28:10 Disturbance
Eddy - Total 2
08/30/24 08:43:28 Alarm
08/31/24 22:12:04 Traffic Stop
Falk - Total 4
08/26/24 10:17:31 Welfare Check
08/27/24 20:34:54 Sexual Conduct
08/29/24 13:33:47 Animal Related
08/30/24 06:43:53 THEFT
Holst - Total 2
08/30/24 14:28:18 Medical
08/31/24 13:10:05 TEST
Itasca - Total 2
08/30/24 12:32:14 Information
08/30/24 21:15:18 Traffic Stop
Itasca State Park - Total 2
08/27/24 16:33:57 911 Hang Up
08/31/24 14:23:00 911 Hang Up
LaPrairie N - Total 5
08/26/24 07:16:36 Disturbance
08/26/24 08:07:35 THEFT
08/27/24 01:19:43 Disturbance
08/29/24 01:26:22 Information
08/31/24 23:20:28 Information
Minerva - Total 1
08/31/24 23:31:50 Suspicious Activity
Moose Creek - Total 3
08/25/24 19:42:28 Traffic Stop
08/25/24 19:54:25 Traffic Stop
08/31/24 10:17:12 Animal Related
Nora - Total 3
08/27/24 12:12:28 Information
08/28/24 13:05:55 Motor Vehicle Crash
08/30/24 19:56:11 Traffic Stop
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 3
08/26/24 07:24:01 Transport
08/30/24 23:06:09 Crimes Against Family
08/31/24 16:56:42 Information
Pine Lake - Total 3
08/25/24 21:51:13 Traffic Stop
08/26/24 23:56:28 Traffic Stop
08/28/24 12:43:50 Property Damage
Poppo - Total 8
08/26/24 11:32:56 Court Order

Violation
08/26/24 23:16:43 Animal Related
08/27/24 00:33:21 Traffic Stop
08/27/24 01:04:33 Traffic Stop
08/27/24 07:15:18 Motor Vehicle Crash
08/27/24 08:03:32 Information
08/27/24 14:39:49 Welfare Check
08/30/24 18:46:38 CW
Rice - Total 2
08/31/24 20:13:22 Traffic Stop
08/31/24 20:26:40 Traffic Stop
Shevlin - Total 3
08/26/24 19:27:58 Traffic Complaint
08/28/24 18:37:54 Motorist Assist
08/30/24 22:59:22 Crimes Against Family
Sinclair - Total 1
08/31/24 08:08:37 THEFT
Total Records: 71

Clearwater County Demolition Debris Landfill and Waste Transfer Facility

Accepting:

- ✗ Demolition Debris
- ✗ Waste Tires
- ✗ Major Appliances
- ✗ Scrap Metal
- ✗ Yard Waste
- ✗ Furniture
- ✗ Large Wood, Metal, Plastic Waste Items

NO regular household trash

Hours:	Tuesday	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
	Thursday	2:00 pm – 7:00 pm
	Saturday	8:00 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATED 1.5 miles NE of Bagley on County Road 24
For fee schedule log on to www.co.clearwater.mn.us

We RECYCLE

Clearwater County Environmental Services

Clearwater County Recycling Drop-Off Locations

Accepting:

- aluminum cans
- steel food cans
- glass bottles and jars with lids removed
- plastic containers #s 1, 2 and 5
- newspaper and office paper
- clean cardboard

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

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.

Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards



This belt buckle from the Clearbrook Jubilee celebration with the dates 1910 to 1985 was found. If it is yours please contact the Leader-Record in Gonvick. 218-487-5225.

FROM PANTRY TO TABLE
By Susan Anderson

DID YOU NOTICE IT'S CORN SEASON! That wonderful, tasty, swimming in butter-corn on the cob. I have another way to use this delight-Corn Salad:

10 ounces of corn
1 cup diced green pepper
1 cup diced red pepper
1 cup diced celery
1 cup minced fresh parsley
1 cup chopped green onion
1/4 shredded parmesan



Susan Anderson
More recipes at www.susanspantry.com

cheese
1 t. ground cumin
3/4 t. salt
1/2 pepper
Combine all ingredients in a large bowl.
Combine 1 and 1/2T. olive oil, 1 clove minced garlic, and 3T lime juice
Pour over corn mixture and toss. Refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight.

Until next time, blessings to you and your family!

and internet traffic carried through fiber optic cables lying on the ocean floor, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity and security of the United States is directly linked to a strong and ready Navy.

We received a call wondering if we were ever going to have the rest of the Kindergarten pictures in the paper. They left no telephone number on our answering machine. They said we posted half of them. They wanted to know if we were going to post the rest. We ran 32 pictures in the paper with the exception of one who had requested from the school not to have their picture submitted to any outside outlet. If you know of one we missed please let us know.

In 1912 there were OVER 50 Schools in Clearwater County. Are ANY country schools still standing?

The Clearwater County Historical Society is asking for the public's help to take an INVENTORY of schools that are still standing and tell us if they still in use – many are town halls or possibly used as homes, cabins or storage sheds...

Please call us or send us information about it's location and if you can- SEND us a PHOTO of the school and give us as much information as possible.

Email photos and information to clearwaterhistory@icloud.com and please include your name and phone so we can call if we have questions. or mail them to CCHS PO Box 241 Bagley MN 56621

Joke time

From a 1979 book.. When I was interviewed on BBC-TV in Bristol, England my interviewer uttered the following, "Before we continue our chat with American TV producer, Kermit Schafer, here is our weather girl, Linda Lee, to tell about her warm front."

Coming events

The pumpkin patch in Gonvick is growing. Hope they will be ready for Pumpkin Day, September 28.

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.

October 18, Mustard Seed Homes 7th Annual Banquet at the center in Gonvick.

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.

Home Country

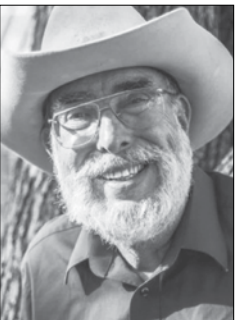
By Slim Randles

Everyone has his own favorite spot on Lewis Creek, I guess. Some of us favor the swimming hole below Miller's old place, with its rope swing and the kids who frolic there on hot summer days.

For Doc and Dad, it's the big race below the rocks where the huge lunker trout lives. All our efforts to catch him have so far gone unrewarded, and he keeps getting bigger each year.

But for me, there's a little cove downstream from there, shaded by huge cottonwoods and flanked in by car-sized rocks the color of wet cement. I found it sometime during a previous lifetime, I imagine. At least I can't remember the first time I discovered this place. It is walled off from the world by the rocks, protected from the sun by the cottonwoods. There is a blackened part of one overhanging rock where I've built a good many small cooking and "friendly" fires over the decades.

I've fished from there, swum from there, and ... back when the fires of spring were still racing, shared this special spot with a girl or two. But mostly



it has been a private place. Everyone needs one. It's been a place to come, alone, for special times. When my dog died, when I was just a youngster, it was a place to shed private tears and remember the times the two of us had there. When the scholarship came, it was a place to come and sit by the small fire at night, a place where the noise of the water flowing by would drown out about 82 percent of my shouts of exaltation.

Years later, when my grandson's cancer went into remission, it became a very private personal church for giving thanks.

Today, it's a part of my very being ... the home place ... what Spanish-speakers would call the querencia ... the place of the heart. If someday my ashes could come to rest here, I wouldn't complain at all, but just smile at the sound of the creek chuckling by.

Brought to you by Whimsy Castle, a friendly, family novel by Slim Randles of tough times, love and laughter. Available from Amazon.com.

After last weeks winners at the second annual Driving for Greens was in the paper we looked back on another fund drive that was held at the Twin Pines Golf Course. Chris Westrum was another first flight winner at the Clearwater Hos-

pice golf scramble that was held at few years ago. There were 39 golfers and they raised \$8,000. Sybil Bergman got donations for the scramble. Jim Trucke, Eli Ricke, Leroy Riewer and Denny Trandem helped out on

the grounds to get them ready for golfing. Barb Brooks was in the kitchen getting the lunch ready and Ruth Halvorson was the spotter sitting at Hole #6 to see if anyone make a hole in one. The prize was \$12,000.



First flight winners were from left to right: Brennan Bakke, Paul Gustafson, Dylan Goudge and Chris Westrum.



Second flight winners were from left to right: Aaron Kaiser, Joel Hood, Steve Berry and Kermit Erickson.



Third flight winners were from left to right: Denny Trandem, Adella Eidsmoe, Debbie Olson and Greg Olson.

LEGAL NOTICE

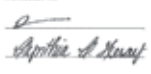
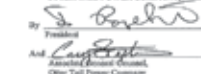
ACCEPTANCE
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY, a Minnesota corporation, acting through its proper officers thereunto duly authorized, does hereby accept Ordinance No. 41, of the City of Gully, Minnesota, being an Ordinance entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO THE OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, PERMISSION TO ERECT, CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, AND MAINTAIN WITHIN THE CITY OF GULLY, MINNESOTA, AN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM AND TRANSMISSION LINE, AND TO OPERATE THE SAME, AND TO INSTALL CONDUITS, POLES, WIRES, PIPES, AND OTHER FIXTURES IN, UPON AND UNDER THE STREETS ALLEYS, BRIDGES, AND PUBLIC GROUNDS OF SAID CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURNISHING ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT, AND POWER TO SAID CITY AND THE INHABITANTS THEREOF";

and all of the terms, conditions, requirements, and provisions of said Ordinance No. 41.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Otter Tail Power Company has caused this Acceptance to be duly executed this 25th, day of March, 2024.

In Presence of:
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
(SS
COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL)

On this 25th day of March, 2024 before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared Tim Rogelstad and Cary Stephenson to me personally known, who, being each by me duly sworn, did say that they are, respectively, the President, and Associate General Counsel of Otter Tail Power Company, the corporation named in the foregoing instrument, and that said instrument was signed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and said Tim Rogelstad and Cary Stephenson acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

 
The foregoing Acceptance, was duly filed in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Gully, Minnesota, this 8th day of May, 2024.
Barbara Sellers
City Clerk

Electric Franchise Ordinance
City of Gully, Polk County, Minnesota

**ELECTRIC ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 41**
AN ORDINANCE GRANTING OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, REPAIR AND MAINTAIN IN THE CITY OF GULLY, MINNESOTA, AN ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND TRANSMISSION LINES, INCLUDING NECESSARY POLES, LINES, FIXTURES AND APPURTENANCES, FOR THE FURNISHING OF ELECTRIC ENERGY TO THE CITY, ITS INHABITANTS, AND OTHERS, AND TO USE THE PUBLIC WAYS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS OF THE CITY FOR SUCH PURPOSES.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULLY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS
For purposes of this Ordinance, the following capitalized terms listed in alphabetical order shall have the following meanings:

City. The City of Gully, County of Polk, State of Minnesota.

City Utility System. Facilities used for providing public utility service owned or operated by City or agency thereof, including sewer, storm sewer, water service, street lighting and traffic signals, but excluding facilities for providing heating, lighting, or other forms of energy.

Commission. The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, or any successor agency or agencies, including an agency of the federal government, which preempts all or part of the authority to regulate electric retail rates now vested in the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

Company. Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, its successors and assigns including all successors or assignees that own or operate any part or parts of the Electric Facilities subject to this franchise.

Electric Facilities. Electric transmission and distribution towers, poles, lines, guys, anchors, conduits, fixtures, and necessary appurtenances owned or operated by Company for the purpose of providing electric energy for public or private use.

Notice. A writing served by any party or parties on any other party or parties, Notice to Company shall be mailed to **Otter Tail Power, PO Box 747, Fergus Falls, MN 56537.** Notice to the City shall be mailed to **City of Gully, PO Box 26, Gully, MN 56646.** Any party may change its respective address for the purpose of this Ordinance by written notice to the other parties.

Public Way. Any street, alley or other public right-of-way within the City,

Public Ground. Land owned or otherwise controlled by the City for park, open space or similar public purpose, which is held for use in common by the public,

SECTION 2. ADOPTION OF
Wednesday, September 4, 2024

FRANCHISE.

2.1. **Otter Tail of Franchise.** City hereby grants to Company, for a period of 20 years from the date this Ordinance is passed and approved by the City, the right to transmit and furnish electric energy for light, heat and power for public and private use within and through the limits of the City as its boundaries now exist or as they may be extended in the future. For these purposes, Company may construct, operate, repair and maintain Electric Facilities in, on, over, under and across the Public Ways and Public Grounds, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. Company may do all reasonable things necessary or customary to accomplish these purposes, subject however, to such reasonable regulations as may be imposed by the City pursuant to ordinance or permit requirements and to the further provisions of this franchise agreement.

2.2. **Effective Date: Written Acceptance.** This franchise shall be in force and effect from and after the passage of this Ordinance and publication as required by law and its acceptance by Company. If Company does not file a written acceptance with the City within 60 days after the date the City Council adopts this Ordinance, the City Council by resolution may revoke this franchise or seek its enforcement in a competent jurisdiction.

2.3. **Service, Rates and Area.** The service to be provided and the rates to be charged by Company for electric service in City are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission. The area within the City in which Company may provide electric service is subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 216B, 37 - 40.

2.4. **Publication Expense.** Company shall pay the expense of publication of this Ordinance.

2.5. **Dispute Resolution.** If either party asserts that the other party is in default in the performance of any obligation hereunder, the complaining party shall notify the other party of the default and the desired remedy. The notification shall be written. Representatives of the parties must promptly meet and attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute. If the dispute is not resolved within thirty (30) days of the date of written Notice, the parties may jointly select a mediator to facilitate further discussion. The parties will equally share the fees and expenses of this mediator. If a mediator is not used or if the parties are unable to resolve the dispute within 30 days after first meeting with the selected mediator, either party may commence an action in District Court to interpret and enforce this franchise or for such other relief as may be permitted by law or equity.

2.6. **Continuation of Franchise.** If the City and the Company are unable to agree on the terms of a new franchise by the time this franchise expires, this franchise will remain in effect until a new franchise is agreed upon, or until 90 days after the City or the Company serves written Notice to the other party of its intention to allow the franchise to expire. However, in no event shall this franchise continue for more than one year after expiration of the 20 year term set forth in Section 2.1.

SECTION 3. LOCATION. OTHER REGULATIONS.

3.1. **Location of Facilities.** Electric Facilities shall be located, constructed, and maintained so as not to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary travel along and over Public Ways and so as not to disrupt or interfere with the normal operation of any City Utility System. Electric Facilities may be located on Public Grounds as determined by the City. Company's construction, reconstruction, operation, repair, maintenance, location and relocation of Electric Facilities shall be subject to other reasonable regulations of the City consistent with authority Otter Tailed the City to manage its Public Ways and Public Grounds under state law, to the extent not inconsistent with a specific term of this franchise agreement.

3.2. **Street Openings.** Company shall not open or disturb the surface of any Public Way or Public Ground for any purpose without first having obtained a permit from the City, if required by a separate ordinance for which the City may impose a reasonable fee. Permit conditions imposed on Company shall not be more burdensome than those imposed on other utilities for similar facilities or work. Company may, however, open and disturb the surface of any Public Way or Public Ground without a permit if (i) an emergency exists requiring the immediate repair of Electric Facilities and (ii) Company gives telephone notice to the City before, if reasonably possible, commencement of the emergency repair. Within two business days after commencing the repair, Company shall apply for any required permits and pay any required fees.

3.3. **Restoration.** After undertaking any work requiring the opening of any Public Way, the Company shall restore the Public Way in accordance with Minnesota Rules, part 7819.1100 and applicable City ordinances consistent with law. Company shall restore Public Ground to as good a condition as formerly existed. All work shall be completed as promptly as weather permits, and if Company shall not promptly perform and complete the work, remove all dirt, rubbish, equipment and material, and put the Public Ground in the said condition, the City shall have, after demand to Company to cure and the passage of a reasonable period of time following the demand, but, not to exceed five days, the right to make the restoration of the Public Ground at the expense of Company. Company shall pay to the City the cost of such work done for or performed by the City. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedy available to the City for noncompliance with this Section 3.3.

3.4. **Shared Use of Poles.**

Company shall make space available on its poles or towers for City fire, water utility, police or other City facilities whenever such use will not interfere with the use of such poles or towers by Company, by another electric utility, by a telephone utility, or by any cable television company or other form of communication company. In addition, the City shall pay for any added cost incurred by Company because of such use by City.

3.5. **Avoid Damage to Electric Facilities.** The Company must take reasonable measures to prevent the Electric Facilities from causing damage to persons or property. The Company must take reasonable measures to protect the Electric Facilities from damage that could be inflicted on the Facilities by persons, property, or the elements. The Company must take protective measures when the City performs work near the Electric Facilities, if given reasonable notice by the City of such work prior to its commencement.

3.6. **Notice of Improvements to Streets.** The City must give Company reasonable written Notice of plans for improvements to Public Ways where the City has reason to believe that Electric Facilities may affect or be affected by the improvement. The notice must contain: (i) the nature and character of the improvements, (ii) the Public Ways upon which the improvements are to be made, (iii) the extent of the improvements; (iv) the time when the City will start the work, and (v) if more than one Public Way is involved, the order in which the work is to proceed. The notice must be given to Company a sufficient length of time, considering seasonal working conditions, in advance of the actual commencement of the work to permit Company to make any additions, alterations or repairs to its Electric Facilities the Company deems necessary.

3.7. **Mapping Information.** The Company must promptly provide mapping information for any of it underground Electric Facilities in accordance with Minnesota Rules parts 7819.4000 and 7819.4100.

SECTION 4. FACILITIES RELOCATION.

4.1. **Relocation in Public Ways.** The Company shall comply with Minnesota Rules, part 7819.3100 and applicable City ordinances consistent with law.

4.2. **Relocation in Public Grounds.** City may require Company at Company's expense to relocate or remove its Electric Facilities from Public Ground upon a finding by City that the Electric Facilities have become or will become a substantial impairment to the existing or proposed public use of the Public Ground. Such relocation shall comply with applicable ordinances consistent with law.

4.3. **Projects with Federal Funding.** Relocation, removal, or rearrangement of any Electric Facilities made necessary because of the extension into or through City of a federally-aided highway project shall be governed by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Section 161.46.

SECTION 5. TREE TRIMMING.

Unless otherwise provided in any permit or other reasonable regulation required by the City under separate ordinance, Company may trim all trees and shrubs in the Public Ways and Public Grounds of City to the extent Company finds necessary to avoid interference with the proper construction, operation, repair and maintenance of any Electric Facilities installed hereunder, provided that Company shall hold the City harmless from any liability arising therefrom.

SECTION 6. INDEMNIFICATION.

6.1. **Indemnity of City.** Company shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from any and all liability, on account of injury to persons or damage to property occasioned by the construction, maintenance, repair, inspection, the issuance of permits, or the operation of the Electric Facilities located in the Public Ways and Public Grounds. The City shall not be indemnified for losses or claims occasioned through its own negligence except for losses or claims arising out of or alleging the City's negligence as to the issuance of permits for, or inspection of, Company's plans or work.

6.2. **Defense of City.** In the event a suit is brought against the City under circumstances where this agreement to indemnify applies, Company at its sole cost and expense shall defend the City in such suit if written notice thereof is promptly given to Company within a period wherein Company is not prejudiced by lack of such notice. If Company is required to indemnify and defend, it will thereafter have control of such litigation, but Company may not settle such litigation without the consent of the City, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. This section is not, as to third parties, a waiver of any defense or immunity otherwise available to the City; and Company, in defending any action on behalf of the City shall be entitled to assert in any action every defense or immunity that the City could assert in its own behalf. This franchise agreement shall not be interpreted to constitute a waiver by the City of any of its defenses of immunity or limitations on liability under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 466.

SECTION 7. VACATION OF PUBLIC WAYS.

The City shall give Company at least two weeks prior written notice of a proposed vacation of a Public Way. The City and the Company shall comply with Minnesota Rules, 7819.3200 and applicable ordinances consistent with law.

SECTION 8. ABANDONED FACILITIES.

The Company shall comply with City Ordinances, Minnesota Statutes, Section 216D.01 et seq. and Minnesota Rules Part 7819.3300, as they may be amended from time to time. The Company shall maintain records describing the exact location of all abandoned and retired Facilities within the City, produce such records

at the City's request and comply with the location requirements of Section 216D.04 with respect to all Facilities, including abandoned and retired Facilities.

SECTION 9. CHANGE IN FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

Any change in the form of government of the City shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance. Any governmental unit succeeding the City shall, without the consent of Company, succeed to all of the rights and obligations of the City provided in this Ordinance.

SECTION 10. FRANCHISE FEE.

10.1. **Form.** During the term of the franchise hereby Otter Tail, and in addition to permit fees being imposed or that the city has a right to impose, the City may charge the Company a franchise fee. The fee may be (i) a percentage of gross revenues received by the Company for its operations within the City, or (ii) a flat fee per customer based on a metered service to retail customers within the City or on some other similar basis, or (iii) a fee based on units of energy delivered to any class of retail customers within the corporate limits of the City. The method of imposing the franchise fee, the percentage of revenue rate, or the flat rate based on metered service may differ for each customer class or combined the methods described in (i)-(iii) above in assessing the fee. The City shall seek to use a formula that provides a stable and predictable amount of fees, without placing the Company at a competitive disadvantage. If the Company claims that the City required fee formula is discriminatory or otherwise places the Company at a competitive disadvantage, the Company shall provide a formula that will produce a substantially similar fee amount to the City and reimburse the City's reasonable fees and costs in reviewing and implementing the formula. The City will attempt to accommodate the Company but is under no franchise obligation to adopt the Company-proposed franchise fee formula and each review will not delay the implementation of the City-imposed fee.

10.2. **Separate Ordinance.** The franchise fee shall be imposed by separate ordinance duly adopted by the City Council, which ordinance shall not be adopted until at least one hundred twenty (120) days after written notice enclosing such proposed ordinance has been served upon the Company. The fee shall become effective with the first billing cycle of the next month following the month the City adopts such ordinance.

10.3. **Condition of Fee.** The separate ordinance imposing the fee shall not be effective against the Company unless it lawfully imposes a fee of the same or substantially similar amount on the sale of electric energy within the City by any other electric energy supplier, provided that, as to such supplier, the City has the authority or contractual right to require a franchise fee or similar fee through a previously agreed upon franchise.

10.4. **Collection of Fee.** The franchise fee shall be payable not less than quarterly during complete billing months of the period for which payment is to be made. The franchise fee formula may be changed from time to time, however the change shall meet the same notice requirements and the fee may not be changed more often than annually. Such fee shall not exceed any amount that the Company may legally charge to its customers prior to payment to the City. Such fee is subject to substantial reductions to account for uncollectibles and customer refunds incurred by the Company. The Company agrees to make available for inspection by the City at reasonable times all records necessary to audit the Company's determination of the franchise fee payments.

10.5. **Continuation of Franchise Fee.** If this franchise expires and the City and the Company are unable to agree upon terms of a new franchise, the franchise fee, if any being imposed by the City at the time this franchise expires, will remain in effect until a new franchise is agreed upon.

SECTION 11. PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE.

11.1. **Severability.** Every section, provision, or part of this Ordinance is declared separate from every other section, provision, or part; and if any section, provision, or part shall be held invalid, it shall not affect any other section, provision, or part; provided, however, that if the City is unable to enforce its franchise fee provisions for any reason the City will be allowed to amend the franchise agreement to impose a franchise fee pursuant to statute. Where a provision of any other City ordinance conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail.

11.2. **Limitation on Applicability.** This Ordinance constitutes a franchise agreement between the City and Company as the only parties and no provision of this franchise shall in any way inure to the benefit of any third person (including the public at large) so as to constitute any such person as a third party beneficiary of the agreement or of any one or more of the terms hereof, or otherwise give rise to any cause of action in any person not a party hereto.

SECTION 12. AMENDMENT PROCEDURE.

Either party to this franchise agreement may at any time propose that the agreement be amended. This Ordinance may be amended at any time by the City passing a subsequent ordinance declaring the provisions of the amendment, which amendatory ordinance shall become effective upon the filing of Company's written consent thereto with the City Clerk after City council adoption of the amendatory ordinance.

Passed and approved: 12-6-2023.
/s/
Mayor of the City of Gully,
Minnesota
Donna Marshall
Attest:
/s/ Barbara Sellers
City Clerk, Gully, Minnesota R25C

**NOTICE
CITY OF LEONARD
PRECINCT NUMBER 0080
MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
November 5, 2024 General Election**

The Clearwater County Auditor-Treasurer will conduct the November 5, 2024 General Election for the City of Leonard, precinct number 0080 by mail ballot.

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**NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF CLOVER
PRECINCT NUMBER 0020
MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
November 5, 2024 General Election**

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PRECINCT NUMBER 0055
MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
November 5, 2024 General Election**

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**NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF DUDLEY
PRECINCT NUMBER 0030
MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
November 5, 2024 General Election**

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Calendar winners

Calendar Winners for the new 2024-2025 Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle for the Month of September. Each

win \$100.
9-9-24 - Aubrey Riewer - Bagley



SUNSHINE, KITTENS, AND PAPER DOLLS

By Ann Marie Newman
Do you recall paper dolls? They've not been popular for decades. I played with some in the late 1960's, early 1970's. Their heyday was already past by then. I enjoy buying old magazines. A couple years

ago, I came across a perfectly preserved, paper doll, magazine page. Apparently, some old magazines had paper doll cut-outs in them. The name of the magazine slips my mind, but in their April 1934 issue, I discovered the Adventures of Polly and Peter Perkins paper dolls. I took a photo of the page. You can see it here. The colors were in soft pastels of pinks and seafoam green. Very beautifully illustrated. Here is a photo of it.



Janet Knutson of Berner, loved paper dolls when she was little. She wrote the sweetest poem about a day with her dolls, in the summer sun with the family kittens. When she first shared it with me, I knew someday, it should be shared in this paper. Now as the summer days draw to their end with the ringing of school bells and the harvesting of gardens, let's linger a little longer in the sunshine. With a little girl named Janet. With her dolls and kittens. With her imagination running wild.

WHEN I WAS LITTLE
When I was little; I sat in the sunshine.
Surrounded by dolls, and kittens.
I happily sat for hours,
In a world of make believe.

I had cardboard paper dolls,
Cut out of a book.
Dresses to cut out, too.
With four little fold-over tabs,
To hold them on.

There were ribbons, and hats,
To put on their tresses.
Curls of saffron, a golden hue.
Dresses the color of jade.
Yellow, rose, and blue.
The memories do not fade.

"Oh" the fantasies that I would weave,
A breath of fresh air in my

mind.
The most wonderful stories, and visions,
You could ever find.

I lingered long, and lovingly,
While my little round tipped, scissors flew.
The scissors swerved:
I snipped and clipped,
While the piles of clothing grew.

Strange, how something so simple,
Can bring such joy to a child.
Imagination: a wonderful gift.
Let it run a little wild.
By Janet Knutson,
Aug 3, 2024



Bagley Senior Center enjoys Picnic in the Park

By Pamela French
Through out the year the Bagley Senior Center likes to mix things up a bit, like going to the park on occasion for lunch, weather permitting. On Tuesday August 27th the weather was perfect.
A picnic wouldn't be complete without picnic fare: sloppy joes, pasta salad, a vegetable and orange for health. Root Beer Floats were served for dessert. Thank you Mitch and Christa for making this outing possible.
Though attendance was light, over 30 meals were picked up or delivered locally. Nearly

60 meals were delivered to the Embassy Center in Fosston.
If you are interested in lunch at the Bagley Senior Center, call 218-694-6873 on or before 10am the day you want to eat to sign up. On the answering machine, call anytime, leaving your name and number, as well as if it's "pick up", "delivery" or "dine in". Lunch for those age 60 and over, a \$6 donation is suggested and a letter sent at the end of each month.
Note: Fosston area meal recipients will now be receiving a 5-day frozen meal pack

once a week.
Upcoming events at the Bagley Senior Center includes a volunteer appreciation brunch on Friday September 26th.
Mark your calendar for Sunday-October 13th. There will be a fundraiser "Meatball Dinner" with all the fixings, cooked and served at the Bagley American Legion from 11am to 2pm. FREEWILL!
ALL Funds raised go towards the needed repairs on the centers roof. More information to follow.
September is National Senior Center Month.



Doug Halvorson , Mitch Hanson, Kay Peterson, Lorraine Brustad, Melody Berg and JoAnn Steindl .

NOTICE
RED LAKE RESERVATION
PRECINCT NUMBER 0056
MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
November 5, 2024 General Election

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Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Volleyball team for 2024-25 shown at the Meet the Bears night. Front row seniors are Kameryn Defoe, Tatum Melby, Allison LaVine, Emma Nybo and Molly Phillips. Back row left to right: Coach Lindsey Samson, MyKenzie Holstrom, Hayden Wilde, Malea Mattson, Hadley DeVries, Savannah Kumpula, Charlie Phillips, Lainey Fawver, Hannah Weems, Joely Olson, Emma Fawver, Mysten Dahlke, Madison Walser and Coach Sarah Goudge. -Photo by Jalina Gerlofs



Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Football team for 2024-25 shown at the Meet the Bears night. Front Row L to R (Kneeling): Drayden Cobenais-Neadeau, Kreed Shegrud, Gunner Olson, Blayten Benson, Trey Goudge, Brady Hagman, Dakota Erickson, Carter Ballard, Sawyer Petrie, Kayden Dombkowski, Gavin Solberg
Middle Row L to R: Carver Kroulik, Ryan Gerlofs, Wyatt Westrum, Brayden Benson, Danny Walking-Eagle, Braxton Bjerke, Grant Engen, Brandon Branchaud, Jake Knutson, Brett Berg, Avery Ostenaa, Logan Knutson, Jaret Larson.
Back Row L to R: Jason Defoe, Ryan Bodensteiner, Brodie Sather, Jacob Anderson, Hassani Bruton, James Preuss, Broden Benson, Cooper Wishard, Ron Beaulieu, Zach Ysen. -Photo by Jalina Gerlofs