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New owners have taken over the Piper's Inn in Clearbrook. Family members include Cody Rouland, Creyson 7, Chaelynn Bauman and Coraline 3. Standing behind is Cyla age 10.

New owners at Piper's Inn in Clearbrook

Are you looking for a place to stay between Thief River Falls and Bemidji. The Piper's Inn in Clearbrook is the place. There are new owners since May of 2024. Cody Rouland and Chaelynn Bauman took over the business from Linda Lindom.

They had the motel closed until July 1, 2024 to make many changes and upgrades. They went through all 16 units with carpet cleaning, new furniture and painting rooms and hall ways. Cody stated it felt like he had 16 houses with all the work that was done. The upgrades included new mattress and bed springs, bigger TV's, coffee pots in every room. They changed the reception area, put in new lighting and had a new sign put up. They worked on the flower beds and updated wall hangings and pictures. They have a variety of rooms with double queens, single queen, and 2 King rooms along with a handicap room and suite.

Cody works for Charps and Chaelynn quit her job as a Social Worker at McIntosh Senior Living. She has put in lot of time working with some very good helpers including; Katie, Adelaide, Adélé, Carla, Melanie and Charla.

Piper's Inn was built in 1997 by owners Daniel and Linda Lindom. It was constructed on the same site as the Clearbrook Motel and Drive In. Dan and Linda had purchased that business from Mavis and Art Hegg in 1993. The original Clearbrook Motel was built in 1954 by Lester and Dilly Bergerson. Owners were: Reinhold and Elsie Nordlund and Bill Schuett. The motel had 4 overnight rooms, rental apartments and living quarters for the owners.

The new Piper's Inn opened on April 1, 1998. The motel had 16 units, which includes a Jacuzzi suite, an executive suite and a handicap accessible room.

The name "Piper's Inn" was attributed to the pipeline industry because many workers resided at the motel while working at Enbridge and Coch (Minnesota) Pipeline.

Gustafson and Goudge were the general contractors. The

building was constructed by Steve and Jason Cornell. Custom cabinet work was done by Woody Lundmark of Leonard. The electrical work was done by Clearbrook Electric.

Daniel owned and operated

the motel until his passing in August of 2014. Linda continued as owner and ran the motel until May 20, 2024 after many years of teaching music at the school.



New sign for the motel in Clearbrook.



Rooms have been painted with new upgrades added.



Get a cup of coffee for your stay in Clearbrook.



Upgrades have been done in the rooms and lobby area at Piper's Inn in Clearbrook



Clearbrook Santa Day activities

The Clearbrook Santa Day will be held on Saturday, December 7th.

The big Arts & Craft Show will have many set up in the Clearbrook Community Center. That will run from 10:00am to 3:00pm - with over 40 Craft Vendors. Featuring handmade crafts, woodwork, baked goods, holiday & home décor, decorative signs, canned goods, jewelry & much more!

Fresh Lefse will be made on

site to purchase!!*The Youth Connection at Clear Waters Life Center will have a Fundraiser Lunch from 11am to 2pm in the Community Center Banquet Room

There will be Christmas Activities for the Kids starting at 12:00 pm at the Gathering Place (Small Gym).

Santa will arrive at 1:00pm to visit with the Kids and Hand out Treats!

\$1,200 in Trade Bucks will be given away. There will be ONE Registration Box at the Clearbrook Community Center. Register from 10:00 am – 2:00pm -- ONE (1) Entry Per Person.

Drawing will be held in the Banquet Room at 3:00 pm. You must be present to win. You also have to be 18 years or older to win – One Prize per Person. 40 - \$30 Winners

Old Fashioned Christmas in Gonvick

Good old fashion family Christmas on Friday, December 6 in Gonvick.

There will be a gigantic tree lighting ceremony on the corner of Main and 2nd Ave. the old Vandy's Grocery lot. It all starts at 6 pm when Santa and Mrs. Claus will come to Gonvick on the horse drawn wagon to start the festivities.

Kids are to stop at Northern

Bait & Convenience or Northern State Bank to sign up for a drawing to Light the Tree on Main Street. You must be between the ages of 4 to 14. You can also pick up your "Dear Santa" Letter to fill out and bring to the Legion on the 6th.

One child will be drawn to light up the tree. Singing carols and a word from Pastor Will. That will be followed by

wagon rides to the Gonvick Legion with Norsk Farm LLC and Mark and Jenell Strandberg. There you can warm up by a blazing fire and enjoy soup, S/mores, a lefse bar and beverage. Kids can bring in their Santa letters and have a picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. There will be a goodie bag for the kids.

Santa Claus will be stopping in Gully

Gully Santa Claus Day will be Held Saturday, December 7th at 1:00 p.m. at the Gully community center. There will be games, crafts and goodies. Santa will also be making a stop. Everyone welcome.

Gift Wrapping Fundraiser at Clearbrook Leonard Senior Center

Holidays are a busy time for all of us, let the local seniors (55+) wrap your gifts for you! We remember being up late on Christmas Eve (or before) trying to get all those presents wrapped for Christmas Day. The Senior Center would like to offer you an opportunity to get your gifts wrapped early (less stress) and support a good cause.

On Wednesday December 11, 2024 from 11am- 6 pm you can drop off your gifts to be wrapped and ready for giving, with pick up the same day. We have a variety of gift wrapping options for all age groups, we are grateful to the Clearbrook Community Club for their recent donation that allows us to

purchase all the gift wrapping supplies.

Funds raised will support the Senior Center Morning Coffee Hour (or two) during the All School Reunion in June 2025, featuring coffee, caramel rolls/donuts and Live Music. Any remaining funds will go into a general fund to support other activities at the Senior Center.

The Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center is local non-profit organization created in 1975 to support and improve the quality of life for our older populations. As the only senior center in northern Clearwater County, we serve seniors (55+) in Clearbrook, Leonard, Gon-

vick, Gully, Trail and all the local townships.

We are continuing to add activities, events and education opportunities for our seniors. This past summer, we began monthly live music events paired with a delicious meal, Bingo is the second Thursday of the month, in September we had a talented local artist teach beginner and intermediate rosemaling classes. We have more opportunities rolling out in the coming months, as our membership continues to provide feedback and ideas for what they would like to do at their center.

You do the shopping. Let us do the Wrapping!



Group to perform at Holiday Showcase in Gonvick.

Clear Waters Life Center to Host Holiday Showcase in Gonvick

Friday evening, December 13, CWLC-Gonvick will be hosting it's 7th annual Holiday Showcase. The evening will feature a sit-down Scandinavian-inspired meal including strawberry-poppy seed salad, lefse, Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes & gravy, carrots, cake w/ice cream and beverages. Serving starts at 6:00 PM. A free-will donation will be accepted at the door. Reservations are necessary. Please visit our website, clearwater-life.org or use the QR code on Facebook to make your reservations by December 11.

We will be entertained by Figuring It Out, the Abello

Acoustics Band. This tight-knit family band brings an acoustic touch to multiple genres of Christmas music. From Bemidji, they have performed locally, as well as in Branson MO and other states. The Band looks forward to new places and experiences. Whether at a classy theater, a bluegrass festival, or a family reunion, they are excited to share music with a powerful message.

When preparing to choose a band name nearly 6 years ago, the Band decided to use the phrase most often repeated in practice and life: "Let's figure it

out!" The band includes: Andy (Fiddle and Vocals), Adelynn (Mandolin and Vocals), Abram (Banjo and Vocals), Greta (Ukulele and Vocals), Elijah (5-string Fiddle and Vocals), Olivia (Upright Bass, Cello and Vocals), Geogiana (Fiddle and Vocals), Ingrid (Vocals), Hazel (Guitar and Vocals), Gideon (Banjo and Vocals) and Louisa (Guitar, Piano and Vocals).

The evening will include instrumental dinner music, and two sets of vocals. The evening will wrap-up by 8:00 PM. Come, join us at this traditional community celebration of the Christmas season!

Community Calendar

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to Meet

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to meet on Monday, December 9th, at 7:00 p.m. at the clubhouse in Leonard MN. Trail work and grooming will be discussed. Think snow!!

Circle members

This is a reminder to circle members to mark your calendar for December 8. The new date for the Samhold Women's Group Christmas activities. That will include special Christmas music, dessert and coffee and door prizes. It's a great "kick off" to the Christmas season.

Samhold Lutheran Women's Christmas Event O'Neil Family Band

Samhold Lutheran Church Gonvick Sunday, Dec. 8th, 2024 2:00 p.m.

Admission Fee \$10.00 (Pay at the door) Coffee and Dessert will be served after the program.

"For unto us a child is born". ~ Isaiah 9:6

Clearbrook Santa Day Saturday, December 7th 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Arts & Crafts Show Clearbrook Community Center OVER 40 CRAFT VENDORS!

Featuring handmade crafts, woodwork, baked goods, holiday décor, decorative signs, canned goods, jewelry & much more!

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Christmas Activities for the Kids 12:00 p.m. at the Gathering Place (Small Gym)

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Youth Connection at CWLC Fundraiser Lunch Santa Day Lunch from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Community Center Banquet Room Cinnamon Rolls & Coffee Available at 8:30 a.m. Free Will Donation LUNCH MENU: Soup & Roll-\$5, Bowl of Chili w/Fixings-\$5 Hot dog w/Chips-\$4, Chili Dog-\$4, Chili Nachos-\$4, Nachos-\$3, Brownies-\$1, Coffee-\$2, Bottled Water-\$1.00, Rhubarb Slushies-\$5

Wagon Rides by Norsk Farm, LLC, Mark & Janell Strandberg from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Each class is from 12:00-4:00 in the meeting room at the History Center in Shevlin. Class size is limited to 8-10 people. Registration can be made by calling the history center 218-785-2000. Classes will be cancelled if less than 8 sign up.

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December Clearbrook Legion "Melvin Johnson Post 256"

Lutefisk/Meatball Supper Sunday, Dec. 8th from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

The supper will be served in the Gym of the old school to ensure a more leisurely and comfortable dining experience.

The meal will be available for Dine-in and takeout.

Lutefisk is available for \$20 and Meatball supper for \$12, Children under 12 for \$8

Questions can be directed to the Legion Commander, Bill Stoller at 763-691-4901(cell) or leave a message at 218-776-2005(home).

Craft Shop hours

The Bagley Senior Center has extended their hours for the Christmas Holiday season. Starting on Thursday, December 6 and Friday, December 7 the Craft and Thrift stores will be open 10am -6pm, and Saturday 10-2pm. These holiday hours will run through Saturday December 21.

The Craft and Thrift Stores

will maintain their regular hours Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The two stores are full of holiday items, from decorations to beautiful gift ideas, many unique one of a kind items made my local crafters and artisans. Remember to check out the Vintage Room for treasures waiting to find a new home.

Bagley Public Library's Book Club to Discuss Dear Edward on December 6

Join the Bagley Public Library's Book Club for a discussion of Dear Edward by Ann Napolitano. Dear Edward is the story of a 12 year-old boy who was the only survivor of a plane crash that killed his family, and the friend who helps him come to terms with his new life and

deal with his grief. The group will meet on Friday, December 6 at 1 p.m. at the Bagley Public Library, 79 Spencer Ave. SW.

The Bagley Public Library is located at 79 Spencer Ave., and is open from 1-7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursday, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays and from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Dec. 4 - Tuna Noodle Casserole, Broccoli Florets, Peach Crisp and Milk.

Thurs. Dec. 5 -Oven Roasted Turkey, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Sliced Beets, Bread, Chocolate Chip Bar and Milk.

Fri. Dec. 6 - Beef Mac and Cheese, Green Beans, California Veg. Blend, Roll and Milk.

Mon. Dec. 9 - Baked Pork chop with gravy, Parslied New Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Bread, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie and Milk.

Tues. Dec. 10 -Chicken Broc Rice Casserole, Sliced Carrots, Apple Crisp, Roll and Milk.

Wed. Dec. 11 - Salisbury Steak with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli & Cauliflower, Roll, Brownie and Milk.

Meal subject to change. Call 218-776-3154

Join us for Family Bingo Sunday, Dec. 8th • Starting at 2:00 p.m. Clearbrook Community Center (Following the Clearbrook American Legion Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner)

\$20 per Bingo Card Pack 9 Regular Games & 1 Blackout Game

Fundraiser for the 2025 Clearbrook-Gonvick All School Reunion

Clearwater County Department of Human Services is requesting bids for Snow Removal Services

The location is at 216 Park Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621. The bid should include plowing the two parking lots, shoveling around the dumpster, shoveling the four building entrances and shoveling in front of all garage doors. It is expected that snow removal will be done prior to 7:00 a.m. when there is a snow event. Bids should be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on 12/6/2024 E-mail bid to: jamie.halverson@clearwatercountymn.gov or;

Mail to: Clearwater County DHS, Attn: Jamie Halverson, 216 Park Ave NW, Bagley, MN 56621

Clearbrook Community Club Lighting Contest

City of Clearbrook Residents get your houses & yards "Holiday Ready" by December 13th for a chance to win Trade Bucks to local Clearbrook Businesses. Judging will take place the evening of Friday, December 13th. To make sure we don't miss your house, call City Hall & let us know you're full of Christmas Cheer! We would like to encourage local businesses to spread the holiday cheer by decorating their businesses as well.

Calendar winners

Calendar Winners for the Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle for the Month of December. Each win \$100. 12-2-24 - Bob O'Dier - Bagley

Tree decorating schedule set for Historical Society's 2024 Festival of Trees

Organizations, Families and Businesses will be decorating trees that will be on display at the History Center in Shevlin during the month of December. Anyone planning to decorate a tree is welcome to come to the center during these times:

Nov. 26 10:00- 6:00
Nov. 27 10:00- 4:00
Nov. 30 10:00- 2:00
December 1st 1:00- 4:00 (if needed, call for appointment for this date)

The trees will be set up and waiting for your creative touches.

Clearwater County Historical Society's 2024 Festival of Trees will open on Tuesday December 3 at 1:00 and run until December 22. Several festive events are planned to occur during the month as well.

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

Clearwater County Historical Society's Festival of Trees "Crafternoons" offered

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St. Joseph's Catholic Church 215 Central St W, Bagley

Invites all Parishioners and Community to the December 7, 2024 Brunch St. Joseph's Fellowship Hall

Brunch served 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Holiday Bake Sale • Crafts • Raffle Opens at 8:30 a.m.

Event benefits St. Joseph's and St. Ann's Guild

Church News

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

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Sun., Dec. 8 - 9:00 a.m. Troy Churness

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Randy Reimer

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Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship

Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMC, Gonvick Pastor Will Anderson

Week of: December 2-8, 2024

Tues: 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Wed: 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 3:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00 PM Confirmation

Sun: 9:30 AM Sunday School; 9:30 AM NO Bible Study; 10:30 AM Worship Service 2:00 PM Samhold Ladies Christmas Event

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Jarred LeBon, Pastor Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. 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.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Adam Krog

Wed. - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Sun. - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD Pastor Michael Wright Good Shepherd

Wed., Dec. 4- 6:00pm-7:30 First Wednesday (7th – 12th grade) at Good Shepherd, 6:00pm Vocal Choir; 7:00pm Handbells

Thurs., Dec. 5 - 8:00am Men's Breakfast at Leonard Café

Sun., Dec. 8 -9:00am Worship; 10:00am Coffee Hour & Sunday School

Mon, Dec. 9 - 6:00pm Joint Council Meeting; 7:00pm Good Shepherd Council Meeting

Tues., Dec. 10 - 5:30pm-6:30pm Bible Study: Book of Acts

Wed. Dec. 11 - 6:00pm Confirmation (7th–9th grade); 6:00pm Vocal Choir; 7:00pm Handbells

Our Savior's

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CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri Pastor Jeffrey Merseeth

Wed. Dec. 4: 5pm Wednesday School. 6:30pm Vespers.

Sat. Dec. 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive w/communion.

Sun. Dec. 8: 8:45am Oak Park SS. 9:45am Oak Park w/communion. 9:45am St. Petri & Nazareth Livestream.

Wed. Dec. 11: 5pm Wednesday School. 6:30pm Vespers.

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

Wed. Dec. 4: Advent at Lund: 6pm Dinner, 7pm Service.

Sun. Dec. 8: 9am Worship at Lund. 10:30am Bethany

Wed. Dec. 11: 7pm Advent at Sand Valley.

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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.

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Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Clearbrook Site: 256 2nd Ave., SW

We are hiring for the Marketing position! If you are interested, call the office at (218) 776-2789 for more information or stop by the office to apply. Pay rate will be based on experience.

Shop at the Top will be open Saturday, November 30th, from 10 am – 12 pm.

Youth Connection will be serving sweet rolls, coffee and lunch during Santa Day on Saturday, December 7th, in the American Legion room from 8:30 am – 2 pm. Come out and support your local youth program and get a delicious meal at the same time!

Shop at the Top: December 2nd-6th, Monday-Friday, 25% off Christmas items! We're also open longer on Santa Day, from 10-3! Stop in to check out our deals.

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

Weight Room: Did you know we have gym memberships? Clear Waters Life Center's Weight room has weights, exercise bikes, treadmills and an elliptical. Plus you get access to the gym with Pickleball equipment. Prices can't be beat at \$30.00/ month, \$10.00/week, or \$5.00/day!

Gonvick Site: 226 Elm St

Senior Cooking class: Monday December 9th, 11 am – 12:30 pm

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.

Holiday Showcase – Reserve your spot now for CWLC's Holiday Showcase, Friday, December 13th, starting at 6 pm at the Gonvick Life Center. It's an exciting evening complete with a delicious Scandinavian meal and entertainment by Figuring It Out, the Abello family band! You can call the office at 218-776-2789, or go on our website to register for this freewill donation event.

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Wax Museum of Famous Explorers at Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary School

Mrs. Hegg's First Grade Class at Clearbrook Gonvick School gave an outstanding performance at their Wax Museum of Famous Explorers on both Thursday and Friday, November 14th and 15th. Each student researched a Famous Explorer with their families; creating their costume and designing a poster to present information on their Famous Explorer. The students memorized 4 sentences to present as the wax character of their Famous Explorer. These students did an outstanding job! These students, along with their teacher, want to thank their families for supporting this learning experience! The explorers and their information will be in future Leader-Record courtesy of Mrs Hegg.



Brockton Vigil as William Thurston Boutwell
•I am William Thurston Boutwell.
•I was a pioneer missionary to the Ojibway people in Northern Minnesota.
•I served the Ojibway people for 16 years.
•I went to be the founding pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in Stillwater, Minnesota.



Hazel Johnson as Harriet Tubman
•I am Harriet Tubman.
•I was born a slave, but I escaped!
•I used the Underground Railroad to help rescue my family and friends from slavery.
•I never lost a passenger.



Kamila Rodriguez as Valentina Tereshkova
•I am Valentina Tereshkova.
•I am the only woman to have been on a solo space mission.
•I orbited the Earth 48 times.
•I remain the youngest woman to ever fly in space at the age of 26.



Walter Coombs as Daniel Boone
•I am the famous frontiersman, Daniel Boone.
•I am most famous for discovering the trail through the Cumberland Gap that allowed pioneers to move westward.
•The trail was called "The Wilderness Road".
•I served as a Military Officer in Kentucky during the Revolutionary War.



Sawyer Larson as Laura Ingalls Wilder
•I am Laura Ingalls Wilder.
•My family traveled in a covered wagon across the Midwest.
•I became a teacher at 15 years old.
•I am most famous for writing books about my life for children.
•I lived in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, and South Dakota.



Maverick Erickson as George Washington
•I am George Washington.
•I started my career as a Land Surveyor for what is now known as Ohio and West Virginia.
•I am a War Hero, who helped free my country from the British Rulers.
•I had no education past 11 years old, but I became the First President of the United States of America.



BEAR TRACKS

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. Dec. 4- Chicken Paty on Bun, Tri Taters, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Assorted Choices

Thurs. Dec. 5 - Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Garlic Breadstick, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices. **Snack** - Strawberry Chex

Fri. Dec. 6 - Cheese Pizza, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices. **Snack** - Sun Chips

Mon. Dec. 9- Chicken Nug-

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

gets, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices. **Snack** - Scooby Snacks

Tues. Dec. 10 - Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw,, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** -Baked Chips

Wed. Dec. 11 Hot Ham and Cheese Croissant, Chicken Noodle Soup, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Granola Bar

Christmas Concerts at Clearbrook-Gonvick School
Ring in the Christmas Spir-

it with Clearbrook-Gonvick School Holiday Concerts! Elementary grades K-3 will be performing on Thursday, December 5. The theme of the Concert this year is "Ring Out the Bells!"

The High School Band and Choir Concert is Tuesday, December 10. The art classes will be exhibiting their work and there will be some jewelry items for sale. Both concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. and take place in the high school gym. We hope to see you there!

Clearbrook-Gonvick Boys basketball: Front row: Four Seniors, Ryan Bodensteiner, James Pruess, Hasani Bruton, Cooper Wisard. Middle Row: Carter Peterson, Drayden Cobenais, Gunner Olson, Creed Shegrud, Gavin Solberg, Kayden Dombkowski, Avery Ostenaar. Back Row: Ryan Gerlofs, Wyatt Westrum, Trey Goudge, Grant Engen, Braxton Bjerke, Vicente White, Lucas Bakken, Kaillem White, Carver Kroulik.

Boys Basketball
12/5/2 @ Blackduck (@ Foss Hol)-6:00/7:30pm
12/6/23 @ Fosston/WEM (@ Foss -6:00/7:30pm
12/12/24 @ Laporte-6:00/7:30pm
12/17/24 vs. Cass Lake-Bena -6:00/7:30pm
12/20/24 vs. Red Lake Co. 6:00/7:30pm
1/3/25 vs. Red Lake -6:00/7:30pm
1/4/25 vs. Blackduck (Varsity only)-3:00pm
1/9/25 @ Roseau 5:00/6:30pm
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Sarah Imle with the ball.



Emma Fawver

Photos by Jalina Gerlofs

Girls win first home game over Win-E-Mac

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Win-E-Mac Patriots on Friday, November 22. They took the victory 57 to 48 for their first home game of the season.

High scorers for the Bears were Emma Fawver with 17, Aubrey Stoskopf 15, Allison Lavine 12 points and 14 rebounds, Jodley Olson 11 points. They are being coached by Scott Schafer,

Scoring for the Patriots were Lauren Kaupang 13 points and 9 rebounds, Shelby Mandt 10 points and Ensley Haskett 7 points, 7 rebounds. They are coached by Paul Kaster.



Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center will have a Free Will Donation, LIVE MUSIC event on December 17 at noon. Musical guests are Dean & Peggy who'll bring that good, old time music. Also, we'll be having a Secret Santa Gift Exchange concurrently. All wishing to participate need to bring a PRE-WRAPPED, \$5 GIFT to share. We'll have music, presents and fun for all! If you'd like to eat at the center at 11am the day of, RSVP by calling #218-776-3154 by 9am on December 17, or sooner. Meals are \$6 for members and \$9.50 for non-members. Joyce Moen, our cook extraordinaire, will be making baked ham - YUM!



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VA Cost of Living Adjustment 2025
12/2/2024

Hello Clearwater County! We all know that prices are going up for nearly everything due to inflation. Like every year the VA looks at its pension and disability rates and adjusts them due to inflation. For the year of 2025 Veterans pension and disability payments will be increasing by 2.5%. This will take affect on December 1st,

2024. This may seem overwhelming considering how inflation has been. Here is some context for you. Here are the past rate changes in years past 3.2% 2024, 8.7% 2023, 5.9% 2022 with a ten-year average of 2.6% increase. This year is just slightly under the decade average. If you would like to see exactly the VA rates of payment, please visit this website: www.va.gov/disability/compensation-rates/veteran-rates/



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The Northern State Bank of Gonvick will be having their annual Christmas Tea on Friday December 6. Step in for Christmas goodies, coffee and cider.

The City of Gonvick is having a holiday lighting contest sponsored by Ottertail Power Company and the Gonvick Community Club. To enter you may contact the Gonvick City Clerk's office, 487-5243. Judging will take place through the month of December. Thanks.

Go Fund me page for the five Frank brothers, Keegan 6, Kaeto 8, Braedynn 10, Tanner 12 and Zander 14 has grown to over \$113,395 after their injuries in a storage unit explosion in Bagley.

The Santa Claus Day in Gonvick has been set for Friday, December 6 with tree lighting and Santa and Mrs. Claus. Norsk Farms LLC will be in Gonvick for Santa Claus Days on Friday, December 6th. Come, participate in the activities and see Thor & Odin the two horses that will be pulling the wagon to give rides.

The Clearbrook Santa Day will be held on Saturday, December 7th. The big Arts & Craft Show will have many set up in the Clearbrook Community Center. That will run from 10:00am to 3:00pm - with over 40 Craft Vendors. Featuring handmade crafts, woodwork, baked goods, holiday & home décor, decorative signs, canned goods, jewelry & much more!

December Clearbrook Legion and Legion Auxiliary "Melvin Johnson Post 256" Lutfisk/Meatball Supper

A Lutfisk/Meatball supper will be offered for All on Sunday, December 8th from 12:00 - 2 p.m. The meal will be available for Dine-In and take-out. The supper will be served in the Gym of the old school to ensure a more leisurely and comfortable dining experience. Lutfisk is available for \$20, Meatball supper for \$12 and Children 12 years old and under \$8.

There will be bingo at Short's in Gully this Saturday night. No specials are planned.

Annual Clearbrook Legion and Auxiliary Potluck Supper, Dec 10, 2024. At 5pm on Dec 10, 2024 a potluck supper for all members and their spouses will be held in the Clearbrook Legion Meeting Room. Please bring a dish to share and we hope to see you there. A regular monthly meeting, as necessary, will be held following the Christmas meal.

Joke time
Reverend Arvid Goodbunken was reciting some Biblical history in his Sunday morning sermon. He told the story of a man who had a thousand wives and concubines and that he fed them all ambrosia.

"Never mind what he fed them," came a voice from the back of the church. "What I wanna know is what he ate."

Ole named the two happiest days of his life, the day he bought his boat... and the day he sold it.

The Clearwater County Community Choir and Bagley High School Music Department will present "Season of Joy" a holiday concert on December 14 at 4:00 p.m. It will be held in the Bagley High school auditorium with a free will offering at the door.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bagley invites the community to a December 7 brunch. It will be served from 8:30 to 11:30 with Holiday bake sale, crafts, raffle. It will be in St. Joseph's Fellowship Hall.

Coming events
The O'Neils will celebrate Christmas and Mid-Winter with a concert of carols at Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick on Sunday, December 8 for the Samhold Ladies Christmas Party at 2:00 p.m.

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.

The Library Link in Gonvick is open three days a week. Check out various items or order what they don't have in stock for you. Or call 218-487-6220 to request something to be ordered for you. Hours are Monday 9 to 11 am, Wednesday 3 to 5 pm and Thursday 3 to 6 pm.

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



Love Lights a Tree Memorials for this week are:

In memory of James Dean Merschman, Joe and Hennie Merseth, Janice Merseth and Gene and Gloria Merschman from Janey Loise Merschman.

Clearbrook Community Club Lighting Contest

City of Clearbrook Residents get your houses & yards "Holiday Ready" by December 13th for a chance to win Trade Bucks to local Clearbrook Businesses. Judging will take place the evening of Friday, December 13th. To make sure we don't miss your house, call City Hall & let us know you're full of Christmas Cheer! We would like to encourage local businesses to spread the holiday cheer by decorating their businesses as well.

December & January Ruby's Pantry event.

Join us Wednesday, December 4th & January 8th (Note week change for January) 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

Here are more details if you would like:

Ruby's Pantry - Clearbrook location will be held at Country Faith Church, 46125 149th Ave, Clearbrook on Wednesday, December 4th & January 8th (Note week change for January), from 5-6:00pm (or until items are sold out).

This distribution will be outside again with the drive thru format. For the safety of our guests and volunteers please read this in its entirety.

- Distribution will start by 5:00pm (could be a tad earlier if ready).

- Distribution will be held outside in our parking lot with a drive thru system.

- There is no registration necessary.

- We request you have exact change ready (\$25 cash per bundle) to give at the front of the line, to limit amount of change needed.

- Do NOT bring your own totes or boxes. Everything will be packaged and ready to go for you. Sorry, there will be no choices or requests honored.

- BE PREPARED - Be sure your trunk/cargo area is emptied and ready to fill. Make sure your trunk or hatch is open and ready to receive your bundle while you're in line (prior to you getting to the front of the line).

- Please be patient, there may be wait times, we are doing the best we can. If everyone follows the above guidelines, things should flow quickly and smoothly.

- We have the right to refuse anyone who does not follow these instructions.

Thank you so much for your understanding and patience.

God bless you, see you on the 4th of December & the 8th of January.

STORY TO SHARE!

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

Good Old-fashioned Christmas in Gonvick!

GIGANTIC TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Friday, December 6th, 2024

at 6:00 p.m.

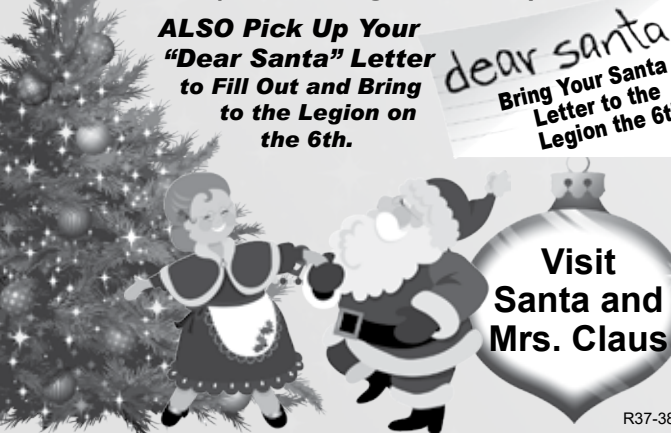
Downtown Gonvick, corner of Main & 2nd Ave.

- Enjoy Free Hot Cocoa
- A Word from Pastor Will
- And Christmas Carols!

After the Tree Lighting Ceremony, Head to the American Legion Building in Gonvick for a Cup of Warm Soup, S'mores and a Lefse Bar!

Kids!!! Stop at Northern Bait & Convenience or Northern State Bank to Sign Up for a Drawing to Light the Tree! (Must be ages 4 to 14)

ALSO Pick Up Your "Dear Santa" Letter to Fill Out and Bring to the Legion on the 6th.



TRAILS ON PRIVATE LAND NOT FOR PUBLIC USE UNTIL DECEMBER 1

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Parks and Trails unit, have issued a public reminder to all winter trail users that preseason use of snowmobile and cross-country ski trails in rural areas may be a violation of state and local trespass laws.

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club Inc, along with the DNR, would like to remind the public that much of Minnesota's winter recreation trail system is actually built on private land, except for those trails within state parks and public forests.

Most snowmobile trails are Grant-In-Aid Trails and are developed and maintained as cooperative, cost-sharing projects between the DNR and private snowmobile clubs or local trail associations.

Minnesota's Grant-In-Aid Trail legislation allows trails to be designated for public use by **licensed snowmobiles** between December 1 and March 31 each season.

The rest of the year—from April 1 thru November 30—any trail segment on private land is not considered a public trail; and use of the trail by unauthorized persons is a violation of state and local trespass laws. Unauthorized use occurs primarily on agriculture land in our area when we receive early season snowfall, anyone using a snowmobile trail in off-season should make sure they are on public land and not trespassing on private property. If you ever wonder why we have trails in the ditches, this is the reason!

Please remember the trails are open for use starting December 1, if and when snow permits and grooming can begin. We must respect the rights of our landowners or we may lose our right to use their lands. Thank you for your cooperation. "The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club Inc"

Kids Complete Ornaments for Festival of Trees



Sisters Brianna, Autumn, Alaina

The Bagley Public Library held their second day making Christmas Tree ornaments Saturday December 30. The participants also decorated small Christmas Trees that will be spread out throughout the library.

The individual ornaments created on the two Saturdays(16th and 30th) will be hung on the Bagley Public Library Christmas Tree at the Clearwater County History Center during the Festival of Trees. There are 28 beautifully decorated Christmas tree by area businesses, organizations and families. The Festival of Trees officially starts on December 3 and runs through December 22.

There are many events that will be held during the festival. The Community Choir will be singing Friday December 13, 6:30. Truly a holiday must.

December 22 is Santa Sunday from 1pm to 3:30pm.

This year "Crafternoons" have been added and will be held on each Sunday, starting with "Porch Pots" on the 8th. On the 15th it will be "Paint a Holiday Theme" with Rix Art. The last Crafternoon will be Sunday December 22, "Last Minute Lefsa Making" with Jo and Sue. There is a fee for each Crafternoon and preregistration is required one week before the class. Space is limited. Call 218-785-2000.

The hours of the Clearwater County History Center during the Festival Of Trees is as follows:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 1:00-4:00 Fridays 1:00- 7:00, Saturdays 10:00-4:00 Sundays 12:00- 4:00

Community Choir Friday Dec. 13 at 6:30 Santa Sunday Dec. 22 1:00 -3:30.

no good scientific evidence to support these uses."

Uh-huh...okay. Our area cockle burrs are designated as the "Rough" cockle burr. They got that right! The best way to remove them is by hand, the literature states. Yeah. You go ahead and pull them out by hand, but better have some seriously sturdy gloves and armor protection on. I'll watch from over here. Me, I'll let them be. God doesn't make mistakes. There must be a good reason they grow near the dirt road my dog and I like to walk on. If nothing else, we pause on occasion to remove them, thereby getting a bit of extra contemplation time outdoors. (Don't judge. I'm trying to be positive here ;-).

Cindy Kolling of Gully shares a poem about the Cockle Burr below. Enjoy. Give the cockle burr some love but do also avoid getting tangled up in their grasp.



with the whitetail deer, the black bear, the cultivator, and in hay bales. It's in the manes and tails of uncombed horses, it's in the fur of outdoor dogs. When I trim or pull, It's in my hair... it's in my gloves and in my socks. It's everywhere. It is tough as nails and grows everywhere. Look, there's a seed ball stuck right over there! As children, we were mostly sure that Velcro was inspired by a common cockle burr. In the winter, when most seeds are done... these seeds still hook onto everyone. But then, frost collects on the brown, hooked spikes, a ball of beauty on a plant that has won. A burr of beauty in the winter. Burr, it's cold. Cindy Kolling, 2024

Arc Tium Minus... Common Burdack... Cockle Burrs... Invasive, eradicate! It's everywhere.

Far and wide, it travels



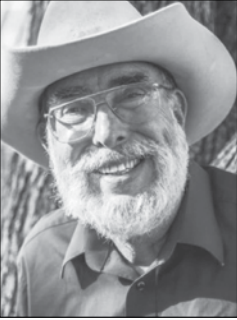
BURR! A FROSTY, CLINGY BEAUTY by Ann Marie Newman

Cockle Burrs sure are pretty with a good dusting of frost on them. You agree? Try not to hold it against them their clingy nature. God made them that way. God has reasons for this, though it escapes us when they grab unto our socks, or our pet's fur. Did you know cockle burrs are SAFE to eat in moderation? Eeeewww. Here is what Goggle Ai says about the healing benefits of these snaggy, grasping weeds.

"People use Siberian cocklebur for conditions such as long-term swelling (inflammation) of the airways in the lungs (chronic bronchitis), common cold, constipation, diabetes, and many others, but there is

Home Country

By Slim Randles



"When you been maturinatin' 'long as I have, they's a few ultimatum facts about life that jest can't be ignored."

With that, our favorite old-time camp cook, mule packer and occasional predictor of things that haven't happened yet, Windy Wilson, stirred the sugar in his coffee and looked at the rest of us. Wisely. Well, as wisely as old Windy ever gets.

We knew we were in for another dose of campfire education, even if it's totally wrong. We smiled. Some people need cable TV to find this kind of fun.

"Like them measurements we use when we're cookin'," he said. "If you look in them recipe books, they slam a buncha measurements on ya that you never heard of and no one to convert them into plain American, like we speak here."

"You jest take in there them bakin' recipes," he said. "Cups a this, then you gotta shift them so they don't stick together with stuff you already tossed in a bowl ... like a dramblin' of this or a sticker of butter. You ever see that stuff? How in the everlastin' hoot owl drumsticks they spect us, 'way over here in the United States of Our Country to figger that out?"

He sipped and stirred and looked up at us in that same way old Sam Elliott does when he finds a greenhorn he wants to set straight.

"Let's figger out real cowboy measurements and use 'em. That's what I say."

"Like which ones, Windy?"

"Why, Doc, didya know there are them caf-ma terial ladies all over the place don't know what a herman is? Truth. A herman, as all of us know, is a cubic fistful.

Jest right handy fer makin' biscuits in a Dutch oven. Set 'er on that campfire and let 'er go! Gits too hot? Hey, jest pull 'er back a mite 'til she's settin' more in the coals out where the state line would be if campfires had states."

Our resident working cowboy, Steve, got up to pay his bill and leave.

"Don't run off, Steve," said Windy, "was jest 'bout to start 'luminatin' on stuff like gloggles, gurgles, bellyache triggers, slushes and nips."

"Next time, I guess," Steve said over his shoulder as he

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Dated: 10/16/2024

BY THE COURT
Eric P. Schieferdecker,
Judge of District Court

(COURT SEAL)

Dated: 10/16/2024
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NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given, that the Petition will be heard on December 27th, 2024 at 1:15 p.m., by this Court at 213 Main Ave. N, Bagley, Minnesota.

1. Notice shall be given to all interested persons (MINN. STAT. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

2. Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by:

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: August 19, 2016

MORTGAGOR: Laura Kirk, a single person

MORTGAGEE: Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union, a credit union organized under the laws of the United States of America

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded December 7, 2016, in the office of the County Recorder, as Document No. A169107, Clearwater County, Minnesota.

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 54432 Sandy River Drive, Leonard, Minnesota 56652

TAX PARCEL I.D. NOS. 02.024.0110

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Clearwater County Sheriff

Weekly activity by Darin Halverson

By Kara Waldvogel-Clearwater County 4-H Extension
Educator, Clearwater County Extension Office

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16 (Bagley) participants/volunteers for numerous activities/programs throughout the year that supports our veteran, their families and the community. Similar to the American Legion Color Guard that participates in funerals of American Legion veterans, the American Legion Auxiliary Honor Guard participates in funerals of auxiliary members who have passed away, at the request of the family through the funeral home/director.

The women pictured, dressed in "colors" usually red,

represented the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16 at the recent funeral of auxiliary member Joyce Johnson. It is a truly an honor to be a participant in funeral services of auxiliary members who have gone onto their post everlasting.

If you are interested in serving our veterans, families and community by being a part of the American Legion Auxiliary and are the spouse (male included), sibling or granddaughter of a veteran you are eligible to join. Go to legion-aux.org/ eligibility.

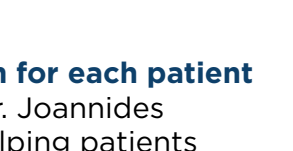
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American Legion Auxiliary BR:L-R Destiny Halvorson, Cheri Michel, Ruth Halvorson, Cheryl Grover, Trish Strain, Jane Gregory, FR:L-R Jo Steindl, Lee Tobkin, Lorraine Brustad, Fay Fraley, Phyllis Bowman

WEIGHT LOSS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING

Weight loss can transform a person's health in a variety of ways, and for many, it's only the start of a journey to a better quality of life.

David Faugno-Fusci, MD, and Michael Joannides, MD, are board-certified weight loss surgeons at the Sanford Bemidji Main Clinic. As specialists in both surgical and nonsurgical weight loss options, they offer a comprehensive approach to obesity treatment.



"Our goal is to help our patients lead a longer and healthier life," said Dr. Faugno-Fusci.

"Ultimately, this isn't just about having a lower number on the scale or looking better in the mirror. This is about decreasing your risk of obesity-related problems like sleep apnea, hypertension and diabetes."

Finding the right option for each patient

Dr. Faugno-Fusci and Dr. Joannides are passionate about helping patients understand their treatment options and providing personalized care.

"Whatever their individual goals are, we're here to help them reach those goals," Dr. Faugno-Fusci said.

Treatment options can include medication, which can be effective for those who have a body mass index (BMI) between 30 and 35.

"Weight loss medications work for people within that range who have done a ton of exercise and have tried their best and they can't get their weight down any further," Dr. Joannides explained.

When patients have a BMI of 35 or higher, options can also include weight loss surgery.

What helps one person lose weight may not work for another, making individualized treatment important throughout every weight loss journey.

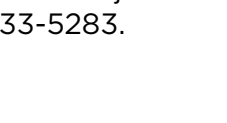
"We are happy to educate patients on all the options that are available and make recommendations on what we think could work for each person," Dr. Faugno-Fusci said.

No referral needed

With no referral needed to schedule a consultation, anyone who is struggling with their weight can meet with the weight loss team without needing to see a primary care provider first.

"We're providing this resource to the community and we're here to help anyone," Dr. Faugno-Fusci said.

To schedule an appointment at the Sanford Bemidji Main Clinic, call (218) 333-5283.



Scan to explore weight loss options



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