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Clearbrook-Gonvick High School participated in the one act play sub-sections and received second place for their play titled 'Postponing the Heat Death of the Universe'. They will perform again on Saturday, February 4th, starting at 10:00. The section competition will take place at Warren-Alvarado-Oslo High School. Front row: Director Mark Carter, Sophie Sanchez, Jazmyn Smith, Savannah Rankin. Back row : Jayson Johnson and Xavier Goodwin. Photo by Kendahl Ballard.

One-Act play contest held at Win-E-Mac High School

The Bagley High School One-Act play cast and its director Marilyn Hood placed first at the Sub-Section 29 competition and will go on to compete in Sectionals at Warren on Saturday, February 4, 2017. The name of their play was "Dark Road". The competition was held at the Win-E-Mac Arts & Events Center on Thursday, January 28, 2017.

The 18-member play cast competed with five other area schools-Oklee, Win-E-Mac, Clearbrook-Gonvick, Fosston, and Kelliher. Coming in second was the cast of the Clearbrook-Gonvick High School with their interpretation of the play "Postponing the Heat Death of the Universe".

According to Director Marilyn Hood, "The play 'Dark Road' is the story of a young woman who takes a job at a concentration camp during the Nazi regime in Germany. The main character Greta needs a job to simply put food on the table for her 16-year-old sister Lise and herself after the death of their parents. While working at the camp, Greta's character changes dramatically as she is required to commit horrific acts as it is her job to do so. In later years, she is interviewed by a reporter and has some regrets as her conscience bothers her." The mood of the play is somber as are the gray props and gray-painted faces of the actors.

For Clearbrook-Gonvick's play, "Postponing the

Heat Death of the Universe", the main character Nick, played by Xavier Goodwin; Jackie-played by Savanna Rankin; and Stacy-played by Jazmyn Smith -carried most of the dialogue for the play as Nick ponders life mysteries while trying to sleep. It is a philosophical idea of who will survive the end of the world. Their coach is Mark Carter.

The other four schools also competed and here is a brief synopsis of their plays: Oklee (Red Lake Central) chose the play "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon" by Don Zoladis. The two narrators Sydney Melby and Tom Nelson combined several of Grimm's fairy tales into one big adventure complete with Rumpelstiltskin, Rapunzel, Hansel, Cinderella, and a Prince.

Kelliher chose "That Was No Lady, That Was a Private Eye" by Dennis Snee. It is about a possible romance between a lady detective and a detective played by Sydney Preston and Jayce Masta. Sydney does not want to promise him anything and character Millie holds a gun on the detectives at the end. However, Sydney is with her man at the end.

Win-E-Mac chose "He Said, She Said, or a Short History of Boy Meets Girl" by Reid Conrad. This was a delightful play with a romantic theme about how a boy meets a girl. The Puritan couple are really cute in

this play. The 15-member play cast was very entertaining.

Fosston chose "The Balkan Women" by Jules Tasca. This play also has a setting in a Balkan prison camp where two devout Muslim women are imprisoned during the Balkan War in the 1990's. I thought the performance of Claire Nelson as the daughter and Mary Balstad as the mother was outstanding as they delivered most of the dialogue. Another outstanding character was Jayson Osmondson as Col. Branstislav Herak, the camp's prison guard.

Each play in a One-Act contest lasts approximately 30 minutes. There are many variables for judges to look for such as the acting, the props, and the type of play. Rules from the MSHSL do not require the performance of a published script; however, the judges use critique sheets for each play. The top two plays go on from Sub-Sections; however, only the top one goes on to State Class A One-Act play festival on February 10th, 2017.

Judges for the Sub-Section One-Act plays were Monique Duray, George Liapis, and Shelly Grove.

Congratulations to the Clearbrook-Gonvick play cast and the Bagley play cast for their outstanding performances. Each Bagley cast member received a blue ribbon and medal plus a trophy for their ef-

forts. The Clearbrook-Gonvick play cast received red ribbons and medals and a trophy for their efforts.

Congratulations to all the schools who participated.

Blood drive held in Gonvick

The American Legion Auxiliary sponsored a very successful blood drive. The drive held in Gonvick on January 19th saw 41 people volunteer to donate blood and 32 were able to give. Seven people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine that collects two units of red blood cells which resulted in 39 total products.

According to Katie Bartelson, Senior Donor Recruitment Representative for United Blood Services, "Communities like Gonvick make a regional blood program work. People volunteer to donate when there has been a well-organized campaign, informing the public of the need for blood."

The American Legion Auxiliary was also responsible for registering donors and providing refreshments. Others who assisted were: Janet Olson, Evon Quern, Carol Johnson, Louise Sundquist, Tippy Berg and Rosie Rude. Space to hold

Porcupine Creek to perform in Bagley

The Bagley Area Arts Collaborative is happy to be hosting The Porcupine Creek Band, a phenomenal, young Bluegrass group that is taking the Bluegrass music scene by storm. Porcupine Creek will do presentations to the students at Bagley Elementary School on Friday afternoon, February 10, 2017. They then will be performing a concert the same day (Friday, February 10, 2017) at 7:00 pm at the Bagley High School Auditorium. Tickets are available at the door.

The Porcupine Creek band is made up of young, talented musicians all under the age of 21 years old. The band's music is inspired by the legends of bluegrass music, along with subtle influences from today's newgrass, plus classic country, cowboy, folk, gospel and rock tunes. The band performs their songs in the driving instrumental bluegrass style and always mixes in a few original songs, which pleases crowds of all ages.

Porcupine Creek formed in 2012-13 when the then jam-band won the Family Area talent contest at the Minnesota Bluegrass and Old-time Music Association's (MBOTMA) August festival in Richmond, MN. They then went on to perform at other festivals and events.

In November of 2014, Porcupine Creek earned the top spot in MBOTMA's "Race For A Place" band competition. Bands from around Minnesota participated in the contest and the judges selected Porcupine Creek as the top group. The prize was a contract to play main stage at their August festival in Richmond, MN.

In the summer of 2015, Porcupine Creek released its first CD, "Monster Truck", a live re-

cording from the March 2015 MBOTMA Cabin Fever Festival. On September 3rd, 2016, Porcupine Creek won 2nd Place at the Minnesota Americana ~ Roots Music Band Contest, held during the great Minnesota State Fair sponsored by the Minnesota Bluegrass & Old-time Music Association.

Since 2012, Porcupine Creek has toured extensively throughout Minnesota, from Roseau to Houston and everywhere in between, including performances in northern Wisconsin and Northwestern Ontario, Canada. Porcupine Creek performs at all types of events from large festivals to care centers, city celebrations, county fairs, concert venues, coffee houses and weddings.

Porcupine Creek has been featured on two different PBS TV specials on the "Grassland Jam" show. Both TV specials can be watched on PBS.org and on the PBS YouTube channel: Grassland Jam season 2, episodes 2 and 7.

Night of the arts and conferences

Tammy Ragan, Music Instructor and Katrina Stewart Band Director at Clearbrook-Gonvick School are putting on a "Night of the Arts" on Thursday, February 16. It will be showing student artwork, musicianship, theatrics and poetry in the school commons area.

The date has been set for Thursday, February 16 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held at the same time from 1:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A Taco-in-a bag fund raiser meal will be served by the music students who are going on a tour to Chicago.



John Brendalen of Clearbrook was up to ten gallons for his donations to the United Blood Services. He is a true hero.

the drive was provided by the Community Center.

On behalf of the patients who benefited, United Blood Services appreciates all the thoughtful people who volunteered to help others by giving of themselves.

Many People in Rural America Qualify for Earned Income Tax Credit

WASHINGTON – The Internal Revenue Service wants taxpayers living in rural communities to be aware of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and correctly claim it if they qualify.

Whether living in the big city or a small town, EITC can help. The EITC is a federal income tax credit for working people who don't earn a lot (\$53,505 or less for 2016) and meet certain eligibility requirements. Because it's a refundable credit, those who qualify and claim the credit could pay less federal tax, pay no tax or even get a tax refund. EITC can mean up to a \$6,269 refund for working families with qualifying children. Workers without a qualifying child could be eligible for a smaller credit up to \$506. On average, EITC adds \$2,400 to refunds.

Even though household income in many rural areas is below the national average, many of these taxpayers are often not aware that they may qualify for EITC. An eligible taxpayer must have earned income from employment or running or owning a business or farm and meet basic rules. Eligibility also depends on family size, but single workers without a qualifying child who earn under \$20,430

may qualify for a smaller credit. Also, certain disability payments may qualify as earned income for EITC purposes. The IRS recommends using the EITC Assistant, on IRS.gov, to determine eligibility, estimate the amount of credit and more.

To get the credit, Taxpayers must file a tax return, even if they do not owe any tax or are not required to file. Qualified taxpayers should consider claiming the EITC by filing

electronically; through a qualified tax professional; using free community tax help sites; or doing it themselves with IRS Free File.

Many EITC filers will get their refunds later this year than in past years. That's because a new law requires the IRS to hold refunds claiming the EITC and the Additional

Tax Credit...

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Sustainable sheep farming event in Fosston February 18

There will be the third annual small scale sustainable sheep farming event on Saturday, February 18. It will be held starting at 10:00 a.m. at the New Journey Church in Fosston. One can register by calling 218-657-2502. Sustainable Sheep networking group is for producers wishing to make raising sheep a locally supported and viable pursuit or those interested in locally raised fiber or meat.

The Sustainable Sheep and Fiber Community has upcoming events throughout the year, including a 4H fiber fun day in April, a Beginning Shepherd-ing workshop (in partnership

with the UMN extension) June 10 and the Fosston Fiber Festival first weekend in October. We're recruiting membership now to help support our long-term goals of continuing education, supporting and promoting local producers and fiber artists, opening an education center and retail area and a possible woolen mill (obviously very long term).

You can find more information at sheepcommunity.com I'd like to do a series of articles interviewing producers and artists throughout the year to generate interest in the community.



Gonvick City Clerk Stacy Halvorson and Gonvick City Mayor Lauris Krogstad took time out to give blood at the United Blood Services drive held in Gonvick.



Darrell Engebretson, on the left, and Sue Dalager, on the right, both took time out to give blood for the United Blood Services drive that was held in Gonvick. The next drive will be in Clearbrook.



Blood Drive held in Gonvick



Lowell Bjerke giving at the recent blood drive.



Louise and LeRoy Sundquist after blood donation.



Janet Olson and Faye Bjerke registering participants.



Evon Quern and Carole Johnson serving goodies.

Community Calendar

Country Music Jam

There will be a Country Music jam at the Embassy Community Center 603 3rd St. NE. Fosston on Sunday, Feb. 5th from 1:00-5:00.

Any questions, call Russ at 435-6096.

Lighting contest winners in Gonvick

The winners of the Gonvick Christmas Lighting contest were announced. Otter Tail Power Company has contributed funds for the contest to be distributed to the winners.

Danielle and Dustin Derby took the \$75.00 first prize, Gary and Evon Quern won the second place with \$50.00 and taking third place were three houses: Dan and Renae Sundquist, Lauris and Joy Krogstad and Casey and Tiffany Kroulik. Each getting \$25.00. Checks will be mailed to the winners.

Thank You! The Clover Town Board and the residents of Clover wish to thank Ken Brien and Bob Wasson for the service and dedication for their time on the board as Supervisors.

Joel Wraa, Clerk

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Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Feb. 1 - Chili, Pears, Cheese Sandwich, Bun, Crackers, Apple Brown Betty and Milk.

Thurs. Feb. 2 - Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Beets, Bread, Lemon Sponge Cake and Milk.

Fri. Feb. 3 - Ham Boiled Dinner w/Cabbage, potatoes, carrots, Fruit Salad, Bread stick, Bar and Milk.

Mon. Feb. 6 - Hamburger, Baked Beans, Mac and Cheese, Bun, Pudding and Milk.

Tues. Feb. 7 - Pork Lon, Whole Parslied, Potatoes, Creamed Peas, Dinner Roll, Cake and Milk.

Wed. Feb. 8 - Birthday Meal - Chicken Chow Mein, Rice/Chow Mein Noodles, Japanese Veg., Man. Orange Gelatin, Brownie and Milk.

Meals are served daily at 11:30 at the Clearbrook site except for evening meals served at 5 p.m. They are subject to change. Please register for meals at least the day before.

Call 776-3154 to sign up.

Tax Credit...

Continued from front page Child Tax Credit (ACTC) until mid-February. The IRS cautions taxpayers that these refunds likely will not start arriving in bank accounts or on debit cards until the week of Feb. 27. Taxpayers claiming the EITC or ACTC should file as soon as they have all of the necessary documentation together to prepare an accurate return. In other words, file as they normally would.

Sonja Kosler at Farm by the Lake



Master Storyteller Series presents Sonja Kosler to perform at The Farm By The Lake Feb 5 at 4:00 pm

Sonja wears several artistic hats. She is an award-winning photographer, published poet, storyteller, and paper maker. Retired from print and broadcast journalism, Sonja lives with her husband David on the shores of East Silent Lake where she receives inspiration for her art.

In addition to creating art, Sonja presents creative writing and storytelling workshops. She assists in planning, organizing, and administering arts programs.

She currently serves as the Outreach Committee Chair for the Lake Region Writers Group and facilitates the Thousand Lakes Writers Group in Perham. Sonja's storytelling theme for the evening will be War and Peace stories.

Upcoming dates:
February 19 Richard Rouseau

March 5 Anne Dunn
March 19 Beverly Cottman
March 26 Jamie Lee - free writing class

Radon test kits

Radon test kits are available at Clearwater County Nursing Service in Bagley. Call (218) 694-6581 if you have questions.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center

General Meeting
January 17, 2017

The meeting was called to order by president Lloyd Engen.

Carol Niewinski read the minutes of the November meeting as there was no meeting in December. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved as read.

Betty Randlek read the treasures report. After discussion they were approved as read. The dishwasher situation is still in limbo. Polly Holm finished tying rug knots for Gladys Larson.

Lloyd explained Title III rides. It does not include rides out of town for shopping.

The New Year's eve meal went well with music by the BS Valley boys, Arlen Dahlke, Gary Thorson and Arlyn Tunheim.

The sink leak has been fixed and no bill has been submitted yet. There is a sign-up sheet for monthly entertainment. The Wraas were not here for Tai Chi due a doctor appoint. Amy Dahlman will be here next month for Tai Chi with the Wraas. They will probably be here 2 months in a row.

We signed cards for Bob Bukovic and Rueben Rydeen's birthday. Betty will mail them.

Lloyd handed out "Senior Safe" magazine. Frank Bergh won the meal ticket and Duane Johnson won the jelly donated by Frank and Annie Bergh. We watched a video of Auntie Kremshaugen. Everyone enjoyed her humor. Meeting adjourned.

Lunch was served by Ardelia Lindberg, Annie Bergh and Betty Randlek.

Respectively submitted,
Carol Niewinski, Secretary



Cameron Maple

Maple receives scholarship to the College of St. Scholastica

DULUTH, MN -- Cameron Maple has been awarded scholarships to The College of St. Scholastica in Duluth.

Maple, of Bemidji, was awarded the Benedictine Scholarship and the Legacy Scholarship. Maple is the daughter of Marci Maple. Maple has been accepted for enrollment at St. Scholastica in Fall 2017.

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Church News

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

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

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., Feb. 1 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.
Thurs., Feb. 2 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and prayer.
Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, 11:30 a.m. Communion Service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Clearbrook
Wed., Feb. 1 - 6:30 p.m. Awana.

Thurs. Feb. 2 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
Sat., Feb. 4 - 7:00 a.m. Men's prayer breakfast and Bible Study at the church.

Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Worship Service.

Coming events... Feb. 6 - 6:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study at Kris and Brian Emmel's. Feb. 18 - Valentine's Party at church, 5:30 meal and music following.

Clearwater County Fair Calendar

Winners

Jan. 21 - Brady and Abby Johnson, Huron, SD, \$20.

Jan. 22 Elaine Loiland, Bagley, \$20.

Jan. 23 - Rod Paulson, Shevlin, \$20.

Jan. 24 - Steve Olson, Bagley, \$20.

Jan. 25 - Frank and Annie Bergh, Clearbrook, \$20.

Jan. 26 - Fred Sundquist, Bagley, \$20.

Jan. 27 - Dave Lorentz, Bagley, \$20.

Bagley School District

Bagley School District
High School Office: 694-3120
Elementary Office: 694-6528
District Office: 694-6184
Community Ed. 694-3232
www.bagley.k12.mn.us
Thurs. Feb. 2 - BBB & GBB vs Mahnomen. Wrestling at Detroit Lakes.
Fri. Feb. 3 - GBB at BGMR. Hockey at Ely.
Mon. Feb. 13 - BBB at Fertile-Beltrami. GBB vs Blackduck. Wrestling vs Red Lake County Central.

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Hawaiian Friday Night Out:

Join us Feb. 3, 5-7 PM at CWLC-Gonvick for Chicken Teriyaki Stir-fry. \$15 suggested donation for 12 & up. Call 218-776-2789 to reserve your space.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: Custom refinishing of wood furniture. *Our once a month extended hours is this Friday, Feb. 3. Open until 8:00 PM.*

Senior Connection Adult Day Services: Openings available. Respite for caregivers and a healthy, safe environment for adults needing care & supervision. Call 218-487-5290, Ext. 1, for more information.

Anger Management Class: Mondays, Feb. 20-Mar. 27, 7-9 PM. Open to anyone who *ever* gets angry. Call 218-776-2789 to register or download the form from our web site, complete, & mail with your \$10 registration fee.

Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7 PM, Thursday, 2nd floor, 256 2nd Ave., SW, Clearbrook. Open to men & women. Confidential.

CWLC-Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave., SW. *Shop-at-the-Top* hours: Mon. - Fri., 10-4 and Sat., 10-3. CWLC-Gonvick, 226 Elm St, open Mon. - Fri., 9-4 & Sat., 9-12: Create It! Art Studios and Restore It! Furniture Shop (open until 8 PM the first Fri. of each month).

For programs and services, visit us at: www.clearwaterslife.org, www.mustardseedhomes.org, or www.aduldaysservicesgonvick.org and our Facebook pages.

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Church News

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Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:00 a.m. Worship; 10:00 a.m. Sunday School and Coffee Hour.
Mon. Feb. 6 - 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee.
Joint
Wed., Feb. 1 - 6:00 pm Confirmation
Our Savior's
Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour; 11:00 a.m. Worship.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS - Clearbrook Branch
305 Lake Ave. E.
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00-11:00 a.m.; Sunday School: 11:20 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Young Women's: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Primary: 11:20 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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Terri D. Parish sec.
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Call for weekday Mass times.

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
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SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Feb. 1 - 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Quilting.
Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Holy Communion.

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sun., Feb. 5 - 9:00 a.m. Worship Service/Holy Communion, 10:00 a.m. Sunday, School.

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley
Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting.
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Children's Minister Nikki Ubert
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cfchurch@gvtel.com

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept.-May) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check church website for dates or Elevate Youth Facebook Page for up to date information)
Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
*Wednesdays: Care groups in various homes

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 1: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, Feb. 4: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. Sun, Feb. 5: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 a.m. SS; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park, 8:30 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth, 10:00 a.m. SS.
Wed, Feb. 8: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneynyfosston.com

Wed, Feb. 1: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Feb. 2: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Fri, Feb. 3: 8:45 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Feb. 5: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Feb. 7: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed, Feb. 8: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Feb. 5: No Church in the Parish.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Feb. 5: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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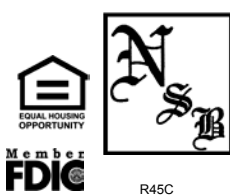
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Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. Feb. 1 - Turkey Sromboli, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Thurs. Feb. 2 - Spaghetti



Madelynne Faldet #34 in the jump ball at the beginning of the game against Northome-Kelliher Mustangs.



Concentration for Tamara Skinaway as she gets ready to shoot her free throw. She scored 5 points as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears won over the Mustangs from Kelliher-Northome.



Mikala Johnson getting grabbed on the wrist as she tries to pass the ball. She made six points in the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears win over the Kelliher-Northome Mustangs.

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

with Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Fruit and Vegetable Choice, Milk.

Fri. Feb. 3 - BBQ Riblet on Bun, Sun Chips, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Mon. Feb. 6 - Fish Sticks, Macaroni & Cheese, Coleslaw, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Tues. Feb. 7 - Hamburger on a WG Bun, Baked Beans, Fruit and Vegetable Choice, Milk.

Wed. Feb. 8 - Turkey Pot Pie over a WG Biscuit, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

School News

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Thur, Feb 2: JH BBB vs RLC at CCC. 7th at 4:30 8th at 5:30

Thur Feb 2: JV/V BBB vs BGMR at CG. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Fri, Feb 3: JH GBB vs RLCC at CCC. 7th at 4:30 8th at 5:30

Fri, Feb 3: JV/V BBB at EGF Sacred Heart. Leave at 3:15. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Mon, Feb 6: JV/V BBB vs Roseau at CG. JV at 5:30, V at 7:00

Mon, Feb 6: JH GBB vs Bagley at CCC. 7th at 4:30 8th at 5:30

Tue, Feb 7: JH BBB vs Cass Lake at CCC. 7th at 4:30 8th at 5:30

Tue, Feb 7: JH GBB at Nevis. Release at 2:45, leave at 3:00, 7th at 5:00, 8th at 6:00

Tue, Feb 7: JV/V GBB at Nevis. Release at 2:45, leave at 3:00, JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Thur, Feb 9: JV/V GBB vs RLCC at CG. JV at 6:00 V at 7:30

Thur, Feb 9: JH BBB vs Bagley at CCC. 7th at 4:30 8th at 5:30

Thur, Feb 9: JV/V BBB at RLC (Oklee). Leave at 4:30. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Sat, Feb 11: JH GBB at Kelliher/Northome tournament. Leave at 7:15, game times TBD

BoxTops: Please turn in all BoxTops, Labels for Ed, etc by February 15.

Parents: Please check your lunch accounts regularly so you can keep up to date.

Knowledge Bowl Rehearsals are Tuesdays and Thursdays during first lunch in Mr. Carter's room.

SPOTLIGHT

January Spotlight on Support Staff

January Spotlight on Support Staff: Andy Anderson, Behavior Interventionist

Andy Anderson was hired by Clearbrook-Gonvick Public school in 2014 as the district's Behavior Interventionist. He was previously employed as a School Resource Officer through the Sheriff's Office from 2007-2012. He and his wife, Sabrina, have one daughter, Ava, a cat named Bob and a dog, Clyde. They live in the area near his parents Bernie and Kathy. Andy has two sisters, Amber and Molly, and one brother named Kyle.

Andy grew up in Bagley, attended Bagley High School and graduated in 2002. He then attended Northwest Tech for Carpentry and a few years later attended and graduated from Northland in Thief River Falls in 2007 with a degree in Criminal Justice. He married his wife in 2007 and their daughter was born in 2011. In 2007, he was saved by the Grace of God.

Why did you choose to work in a school? *I believe that as long as we work hard, stay in prayer and be open to our pre-determined destiny, we are right where we are suppose to be no matter where that is. So, I simply believe I was put here with a purpose.*

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? *I was a Deputy Sheriff for Clearwater County Sheriff's Office. I have also done carpentry, bagged groceries, sold auto parts, spliced fiber optic cable and was a Corrections Officer at the jail.*

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick? *When a student has a breakthrough because a connection was made between me and that student! I also like everyone I work with and my schedule.*

What is the biggest challenge of your job? *On the very busy days, effectively reaching people is difficult.*

If you could have any job in the world - what would it be? Why? *I would love to play in the dirt with large equipment, but still be able to be home every day. I love running equipment, but many jobs like that require absence from home.*

What do you do when you are not at school? *Carpentry, hunt, fish, spend time with family.*

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community? *Everyone is welcoming and willing to give you a chance even if you are not from here.*

Any other favorites you would like to share? *Favorite food - Ribeye Steak and As-*



paragus. Favorite music - Casting Crowns. Favorite Shows - Gold Rush, Deadliest Catch, Limitless, and This is Us.

And now a word or two about Andy Anderson from the staff that work by his side...

"He is a great asset to our staff. Andy does so much for our school and is always willing to help someone in need, both at school and on his own time." "Andy is always willing to help where needed. He has a calming presence. He is patient and kind. No matter what happens during any day, Andy is always positive and caring." "I am sure that Andy is in the small percentage of society that never has a bad day. At least if he does, he never let's us see it." "When the position of behavior interventionist became available, the Clearbrook-Gonvick district was fortunate to gain Andy Anderson to our staff. He truly cares for each of our students, is promoting educating our students on expectations and is a firm believer in rewarding students for meeting said expectations. He believes consequences need to be both positive and at times negative, and the consequence should make 'sense' for both the students and parents. His goal for our school is to improve 'citizenship' among our student population, as it is a lifelong skill that is valued far more than academics alone." "Andy works hard to promote his positive attitude with others and share his knowledge with students to improve their overall school experience. It is my great pleasure to work side by side with Andy daily."



Brynn Hetland going in for a bucket as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Kelliher-Northome Mustangs. Brynn scored 13 points for the victorious Bears.



Carlie Bergeson scored 8 points for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears in their victory over Northome-Kelliher Mustangs 84-47.

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Cassie Faldet with the ball as the Bears hosted the mustangs from Kelliher-Northome. She shot 3 three point shots for nine points in the game.

NOTICE

This is a public notice to the residents of Pine Lake and the area.

Aeration has begun and will continue as needed. This aeration system will cause open water and thin ice on Pine Lake.

Please be advised that all ice travel should be done with extreme caution.

Red Lake Watershed District
Thief River Falls, MN

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

A reminder that Radon test kits are available at Clearwater County Nursing Service in Bagley. Call (218) 694-6581 if you have questions.

There will be the third annual small scale sustainable sheep farming event on Saturday, February 18. It will be held starting at 10:00 a.m. at the New Journey Church in Fosston. One can register by calling 218-657-2502. Sustainable Sheep networking group is for producers wishing to make raising sheep a locally supported and viable pursuit or those interested in locally raised fiber or meat.

We have been taking a lot of passport pictures lately. I think people are getting tired of the winter. Check your dates on your passports so that they can be renewed without too much hassle. Renew before they expire.

We collect used eye glasses in our 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 Leader-Record is now the official newspaper for the county for the coming year.

Obituaries in the Canary are also put on our web site for you to see. Go on line at trico-canary.com. They are free and updated as they come into our office.

Make your plans now... The Gonvick Lions Rodeo will start at 6:00 pm both Friday and Saturday nights July 14 and 15. Rodeo will be approximately two hours in length. Parade at 2:00 p.m Saturday.

Joke time...

The judge had just awarded a divorce to Lena, who had charged non-support. He said to Ole, "I have decided to give your wife \$400 a month for support." "Well, dat's fine, Judge," said Ole. "And vunce in a while I'll try to chip in a few bucks myself."

Then there's the story about the Swede who was building himself a house. One of his

friends came by and asked why the heck he threw away every second nail? "They have the nail-head in the wrong end", the man replied. His friend became furious with him and shouted, "How stupid can you get? Don't you realize that those nails were made to be used on the other side of the house???"

Now hear this...

by Harry Hutchens,
Clearwater
County Veterans
Service Officer
(218)694-6618;
Cell/Text(218)556-5340

GIVE A VETERAN A LIFT 2017: Tim Johnson informs the 10th Annual "Give A Veteran A Lift" music benefit fundraiser for the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program is on Saturday, February 11th at the Bagley High School from 7:00 to 9:30pm., immediately following the Bagley Senior Center Sweetheart Dinner. A free will offering will be taken at the door and all during the performance, which goes directly to the County Revenue Fund line item "Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program". As the administrator of that program, I so grateful for the faithful and selfless generosity of the collective local communities that literally breathe life into the Transportation Program. It is important to note that the program can only serve the veteran passengers when there is a covering balance in the County Revenue fund. I'd like to encourage local agencies and service groups to consider the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program as fully worthy of their financial support. I am ready to provide and even personally present information to townships, Veterans Service Organization posts, church groups and individuals whose heart for service is seeking to bless local veterans with transportation access to their VA Health Care.

News and Views

Eli Gindele, U of M Extension Educator

U of M Beef Team to Host Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour and Trade Show Bagley February 7, 2017

The University of Minnesota Beef Team is proud to host the annual Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour and Trade Show at 10 locations across the state in January and February. This event has been held for over 40 years and continues to be the leading information, technology, and research outlet for cow/calf producers in the state of Minnesota.

The 2017 event will feature information on managing scours in calves, results of a U of M study on the impact of different hay rake designs, grazing management, and results of a U of M study on the impact of hay feeder design on hay waste. Updates from the Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association will also highlight the event. The corresponding tradeshow will feature vendors with new information, technology, and products with a wide-array of practical uses for the operators in the cow-calf sector.

The program is directed at cow/calf producers, allied industry representatives, and is open to the public. A meal will be served with the program and a registration fee of \$10 will include the meal, proceedings book, and program materials.

More information can be found at the Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour and Trade Show website: www.extension.umn.edu/beef or contact Eric Mousel at 218.398.1916, emmousel@umn.edu.

Northern Tour Cow/Calf Days

FEB 7 – Staples, MN, 9:30 AM, Central Lakes College, 1830 Airport Road

FEB 8 – Lancaster, MN, 5:30 PM, Community Center

FEB 9 – Roseau, MN, 5:30 PM, Gene's Bar Grill, 1095 3rd St. NW

FEB 10 – Iron Junction, MN, 5:30 PM, Clinton Community Center, 8907 MN-37

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and Soy bean Research Jan 31- Moorhead, MN, 8:25 AM, Courtyard by Marriott

Feb 1- Grand Forks, MN 8:25 AM, Alerus Center

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Feb 7-Gary, MN, 9:00 AM, American Legion 122 1st Ave. East

Feb 8- Roseau, MN, 8:30 AM, Roseau City Center 121 Center St

Feb 9- Crookston, MN, 1:00 PM, Youngquist Auditorium, Northwest Research and Outreach Center, U of MN Crookston Campus

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Feb 7- Thief River Falls, MN, 6:30 PM, Ralph Engelstad Arena Imperial Room

Feb 8- Crookston, MN, 10:00 AM, Crookston Inn Conference Room

As a side note,

Please visit/call me during office hours and get to know your new Extension Educator! Also, I thank Ray Bisek for his efforts as the interim of this transition. Thank You to Jim Stordahl for his years of service to serve Polk/Clearwater County area!

Cheers,
Eli Gindele
Polk & Clearwater County Extension Educator
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Clearbrook-Gonvick girls basketball team hosted Kelliher-Northome last week. Above Tamara Skinaway shoots for the Bears. Below #12 Liz Bodensteiner guarding with #4 Jackie Lynn Taffin for the Bears defense.



Bailey Watne (left) and Kaitlyn Olson (right), both of Grygla, auditioned as a duo at the Chicago tryouts.

Grygla teens try out for NBC'S "The Voice"

By Grygla Eagle Editor
Kari Sundberg

It was a quick, but exhilarating, trip to Chicago, Illinois, recently for two Grygla teens! Kaitlyn Olson, daughter of Greg and Shaunna Olson, and Bailey Watne, daughter of David Watne and Juanita Watne, headed to Chicago to try out for NBC's reality show "The Voice."

Leaving by car last Friday morning, January 20th, for their Saturday afternoon tryouts, the girls were anxious! Bailey's mom, Juanita, drove the two to Chicago for their audition, which they tackled as a duo.

Kaitlyn and Bailey were among 30,000 hopefuls that Saturday. Expressing how long they had to wait for their audition, the two were finally ushered into a room with 10 other artists where they were set to perform in front of each other, along with a producer of the show. Kaitlyn and Bailey sang "Little Do You Know" by Alex and Sierra. Each performer is asked to sing the chorus and one verse of their song, lasting

about 45 seconds. What the performers are hoping for is a red card, which means they advance to the next round of auditions. Unfortunately, none of the 10 in Kaitlyn and Bailey's room were given that card.

Bailey's mom was able to go into the room with the girls and offered, "The girls were the only duo in the room. After everyone auditioned, no one was asked to sing again nor did anyone receive a red card, unfortunately." Watne said there were some amazing voices in that room, but the producer explained how they are looking for more than just a great voice as they have a high-ratings reality show they need to produce, saying they can't have too much of the same thing every season.

Bailey, who described her experience as "enticing," is a 9th grader at Grygla High School while Kaitlyn, who described her experience as "breathtaking," is a senior. Both girls said that, although it didn't go in their favor, the Chicago trip to audition for The Voice was totally worth it!

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes 331A.12, the Clearwater County Highway Department will publish transportation project advertisements for bid on the official Clearwater County web site at www.co.clearwater.mn.us and go to Bids and RFPs and then Current Advertised Projects.

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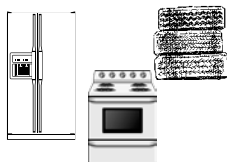
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Clearbrook-Gonvick girls basketball team playing against Kelliher-Northome.

Eulogy for Effie Mae Emerson Handy

Effie Mae Emerson Handy was a force to be reckoned with. Her small physical stature gave few clues about her strong spirit, but those of us who fell into her orbit have no doubt about her influence.

Effie wore with ease all the usual titles of a long life – wife, mother, grandma, great-grandma, sister, aunt, mother-in-law. But I think the title she earned above all others was that of chief worrywart, sort of a "vice president in charge of predicting things that never happened." Her grandchildren, the usual subjects of her imagined parade of catastrophic events, can all recite the warnings that flowed freely from Effie's lips. Of course we know these all came from Effie's desire to protect and care for us. Some of them were really pretty funny, although she was serious and let us know that we ignored them at our own peril. My own favorite was her warning when we'd announce that we were going to walk over to Breeze Lake and do some fishing from shore. Effie's immediate response would be "Oh, you shouldn't go there, it's so deep!"

Now I'm not suggesting that she didn't have reason to worry about us from time to time, but those are stories for another day. Sometimes Effie even worried about herself. For the past 15 years or so she predicted her own demise so often that when it finally came we were all sort of stunned. We grandchildren remember the Christmas a few years ago when Grandma gave us all silver dollars minted in 2000 so we'd all remember the year she died.

I hadn't realized until reading the obituary a couple of days ago that Effie's formal education ended with the eighth grade. Despite this she was an avid reader, and even kept a daily diary up until the day she went into the hospital last week. I don't know what makes us grandkids think we're so smart when we consider that throughout her life Effie ate bacon and eggs for breakfast, fried side pork for lunch, pot roast and potatoes swimming in gravy for supper, all with slabs of home made bread laid thick with real butter and real farm milk with butterfat floating on top and was healthy for 94 years.

Effie made her own bread her whole life, as recently as two weeks ago, with no recipe whatsoever. As we'd sit at her table eating slice after slice she'd go on and on about how this particular loaf was the worst she'd ever made.

Effie put up with a lot of embarrassment from her grandchildren, on one particular occasion right here in Sand Valley Lutheran Church. She had coaxed a friend and I into playing our trumpets for Luther League night when we were in seventh grade. With my mom at the piano, we got about three notes out when we started laughing so hard we couldn't keep going. Except we tried to keep going. Playing while laughing turned out to be a lot worse than just quitting, and I think it took quite a few weeks before Grandma showed her face in church again. I'm thankful for this opportunity to try make it up to her back at the scene of the crime.

She was no stranger to hard work on the farm. Besides helping with the milking and all the regular chores, she picked the eggs, tended the garden, canned quart jars of vegetables, pickles and fruit by the hundreds and even spent a few years working at the Gully Café.

Driving a car was always an adventure for Effie. I'm not sure Grandpa Johnnie was ever really convinced by her story that the reason she ran into the house with the car was that the steering wheel was too hot to hold onto. Or that it was really his fault when she backed through the garage door. In recent years, anyone in Gully who saw a blue Ford coming down the street that looked like there was no one behind the wheel knew that Effie was off on an errand.

Grandma was well known for her servant attitude. You could count on her to be the last to sit down at a meal, only after everyone else was served. And, she was always the first to jump up and pile even more on our already heaping plates. Even in her little apartment in Gully, the first thing you'd hear, once she noticed you were there, was "sit down, I'll make you something to eat."

Effie was always more concerned about others than she was about herself. When she was in a conversation, there wasn't much point in asking how she was doing because the topic would always turn to how you were doing, and even more importantly how her great-grandchildren were doing. In our case, she never failed to ask, even just a couple of weeks ago, whether our daughter Erin and son-in-law Steve had adopted a baby yet, and how Jenny's wedding plans are coming along.

Even on her deathbed, Effie was still thinking about her family when she asked Michelle how "the boys" were doing and whether someone was looking after them.

It was always fun to read through Effie's Christmas cards. For someone who never really went anywhere, and who lived her whole life within a 15-mile radius, she had more cards from more people and places around the country than the rest of us put together. She had a remarkable memory and spent a lot of time staying in touch with friends and family.

Effie was never happier than when her family was gathered together. She would be so pleased to see everyone here today, although she'd probably complain about having missed it, and by just a couple of days.

Now it's time to say goodbye to Effie, and time for each of us to think about how we can carry on her legacy by bringing joy and laughter to those we love. She was a little person from a little town who has left a huge legacy. She'll be deeply missed by family and friends. May God bless the memory of Effie Handy, and may God bless us, who celebrate her life today.

Scott Handy ... 01/30/07

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