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No need for another sign when you have the welcome sign in a large snowbank. The David Bakke property on the south side of Highway 92 in Gonvick was one of the fuel stops for the many racers that came through on the I500. The three day race started in Winnipeg and ended in Bemidji. It was supposed to go to Wilmar but snow conditions changed the route.



Gonvick and Clearbrook Fire Department members assisted at the fuel stop. This rider is taking off after his fuel stop. See more photos in the Canary this week.

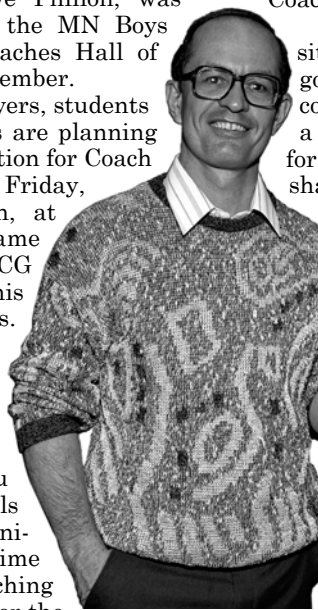
Steve Philion Recognition Night—February 24

Coach Steve Philion, was inducted into the MN Boys Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame last November.

Former players, students and colleagues are planning a brief recognition for Coach Philion on Friday, February 24th, at the home game where the CG Bears host his RLC Rebels. This will recognize Coach Philion for his Hall of Fame honor and also be a thank you from our schools and communities for the time he spent teaching and coaching for the Gonvick Bulldogs and Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.

We hope to see many relatives, fellow coaches, former students, players, colleagues and community members at the game.

The JV game will begin at 6:00 followed by parent's night introductions and player warmups. Immediately before player introductions there will be a very brief presentation to



Coach Philion.

Following the varsity game, there will be goodies in the school commons. There will be a short open mic time for anyone wishing to share well wishes and a time to personally thank Steve for everything he did at Gonvick and Clearbrook-Gonvick. This is also Throwback Night so pull out those old Bulldog or Bears jerseys, shirts, etc. to welcome Steve back to our communities!

We all know that Coach Philion shys away from recognition but we also know he loves to see everyone that has been a part of his life and would love to visit with you.

We would like this to be a surprise, so please don't mention it to him but if he finds out, that is ok!

We are primarily using Facebook, email and word of mouth so please, SPREAD THE WORD!

Mike Strodtman reports from Minnesota Rural Water Association

Mike Strodtman, Sourcewater Protection Specialist, with the Minnesota Rural Water Association presented a report on the drinking water supply wells to the Gonvick City Council at their meeting on Wednesday, February 8. The city is required by the Minnesota Department of Health to have a plan of the wellhead protection system.

His finding included that the wells used by the City of Gonvick are sufficiently deep and well-constructed to be considered to have a low vulnerability to contamination. One of the principal considerations for this determination is that there is significant natural geologic protection between the ground surface and the depth from which the water is pumped. Available data suggest that the low vulnerability observed at the city wells is consistent throughout the drinking water supply management area or DWSMA.

The vulnerability of the DWSMA is low based upon the following information:

1. Isotopic and water chemistry data from wells located within the DWSMA indicate that the aquifer contains water that has no detectable levels of tritium or human-caused contamination.

2. Review of the geologic

logs contained in the CWI database, geological maps and reports indicate that the aquifer exhibits a low geologic sensitivity throughout the DWSMA and is isolated from the direct vertical recharge of surface water.

This rating implies a vertical travel time of at least several decades for water and contaminants infiltrating from the land surface to reach the city's aquifer.

His next stop is the Scoping document which will identify and document priority concerns of which will include input from local units of government, a citizen survey and a meeting.

The city council approved the 2017 fire contracts for the coming year. Last year the cost for fire protection with the Gonvick Fire Department was \$47,337.00 with the cost for the coming year at \$49,933.00 for \$2,378.00 more.

2016 charges paid by the City of Gonvick for the Fire Department were: General Liability Insurance, 3,015.00; Electricity 4,704.00; Heat/Propane 1,337.00; Civil Defense - Fire Siren 40.00; Worker's Compensation 2,231.00; Municipality Share - 45% 2,250.00 and Office Supplies 300.00 for a total of \$13,877.00

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2017 Fire contract summary			
City or Township	2016 market value	Total this year	Difference Inc (Dec)
Greenwood	5,427,457.00	1,767.00	132.00
Hangaard	12,963,800.00	4,218.00	1,175.00
Pine Lake	38,201,400.00	12,438.00	294.00
Winsor	24,195,100.00	7,879.00	946.00
City of Gully	2,085,800.00	679.00	(15.00)
City of Trail	1,604,200.00	524.00	1.00
Johnson	14,519,700.00	4,728.00	(227.00)
Eden	28,792,875.00	9,372.00	(10.00)
Gully Township	25,573,900.00	8,328.00	82.00
Totals	153,364,232.00	49,933.00	2,378.00

Andy Anderson the Behavior Interventionist at the school presents the ALICE program

Andy Anderson the Behavior Interventionist at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School presented the ALICE program to the school board at their meeting. ALICE (Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) is Training instructor led classes to provide preparation and a plan for individuals and organizations on how to more proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter event. Whether it is an attack by an individual person or by an international group of professionals intent on conveying a political message through violence, ALICE Training option based tactics have become the accepted response, versus the traditional "lockdown only" approach. Anderson had been asked by the school board to move forward and work on a plan for the district. He had attended a two day training session regarding ALICE (Alert, Lock Down, Inform, Counter and Evacuate).

So far, they have created a draft active shooter policy using ALICE. Anderson has met with staff and taken a list of questions/concerns that they are working on answering/resolving. They have enrolled in "blended learning" through ALICE which is online training for the staff and that has been sent out to all of the staff to complete. They have distributed a portion of some closer locks for the classrooms which are a steel device to slip over the door closers as an extra locking device should an enhanced lockdown become necessary. They are also in the process of updating the evacuation policy to go hand in hand with the new active shooter policy.

The "ALICE" model for any active shooter situation. These



Andy Anderson the Behavior Interventionist at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School working on the ALICE program.

steps are not sequential but rather provide a guide using an acronym.

A – "Alert" – How you are alerted to the threat (the sound of shots, screams, announcement, seeing the shooter)

L – "Lockdown" – Enhanced lockdown using barricading and distraction/counter devices. If the threat is too close for evacuation or you feel evacuation is not safe, you should perform an enhanced lockdown. Ensure door is locked, install closure lock and use desks, chairs, file cabinets, furniture to barricade the door. If in lockdown, you should not allow

anyone into the room except law enforcement. Law Enforcement will identify themselves to you and you should ask for proof that it is law enforcement such as sending a second officer to the window so you can see for yourself. Or you can call 911 and ask the dispatcher to verify if an officer is outside your room.

I – "Inform" – Inform others at any point you feel is safe to do so, by screaming or calling 911.

C – "Counter" – Use counter devices, distraction techniques and the swarm (age appropriate). Swarm would be to have

students and staff spread out throughout the room and grab anything that can be used as a counter/distraction device such as staplers, tape dispensers, books, computer monitors, cell phones, chairs, etc. If the shooter gains entry to the room, students should throw their devices at the shooter while moving. Students and staff should consider swarming the shooter while throwing things at them.

E – "Evacuate" – Evacuate the area to the designated rally point. They have been looking at rally points with the first one being Chapp's office building. The second rally point will be the Community Center (Old School). The rally point will serve as the reunification point and where students will be picked up by Parents and Guardians.

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.



Math and Robotics Instructor Gus Vettleson with the Clearbrook-Gonvick High School team that competed at the state Robotics Championship in St. Cloud. Da Bear members, as they are called, include Josh Lavin, Michael Tollefson and Brandon Quern.

"Da Bears" compete in VEX Robotics

The VEX Robotics Competition was held at St. Cloud River's Edge Convention Center the first weekend in February. Teams competed for the world-qualifying event. Teams were from high schools, Boy Scout troops, and 4-H programs from around Minnesota. Clearbrook-Gonvick High School math and Robotics instructor Gus Vettleson took a team down for the competition. The event was hosted by St. Cloud Technical & Community College.

VEX Robotics Competition Starstruck is played on a 12'x12' square field shown in the photo below. Two alliances — one "red" and one "blue" — composed of two teams each, compete in matches consisting of a fifteen second autonomous period followed by one minute and forty-five seconds of driver-controlled play.

The object of the game is to attain a higher score than the opposing Alliance by Scoring your Stars and Cubes in your Zones and by Hanging Robots on your Hanging Bar.

An example of the Stars and Cubes for the Da Bears from Clearbrook-Gonvick High school can be seen in the photo below.



Da Bears Robotics team in competition at St. Cloud. Three referees and two teams of three members each. The Clearbrook-Gonvick team is shown in the middle of the picture working their robot. Photos courtesy Granley and Vettleson

Community Calendar

Historical Society Fundraiser Set for February 26

The Annual "Sunday Dinner" Fundraiser for the Clearwater County Historical Society will be held Sunday February 26 at the Bagley American Legion.

A roast pork dinner will be served beginning at 11:00 am (until gone) for a free-will offering. A Silent Auction of donated items will also be held from 11:00-12:30. Proceeds from this event will support the programming at the History Center. For more information or to volunteer or donate items please call the History Center 218-785-2000.

Clearwater County Fair Calendar Winners

- Feb. 4 - Levi Paulson, Shevlin, \$20.
- Feb. 5 Marion Ness, Fertile, \$20.
- Feb. 6 - Clarice Schmidt, Sabin, \$20.
- Feb. 7 - Alton Walker, Bagley, \$20.
- Feb. 8 - Crystal Olson, East Grand Forks, \$20.
- Feb. 9 - Sheri Gerbracht, Bagley, \$20.
- Feb. 10 - Janice Stormo, Clearbrook, \$20.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Clearwater County Board will hold a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on February 23, 2017 and 9:00 a.m. on February 24, 2017 regarding the County Attorney position.

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

Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company

invites all policyholders to the 113th Annual Meeting to be held SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25th at the GONVICK AMERICAN LEGION

A Special Meeting will follow at 11:00 am to discuss and vote on the proposed merger with Lakeland Farmers Insurance Company

Music Jamboree at Cornerstone

A Music Jamboree with Country & Country-Gospel Music will be at Cornerstone Residence at 30 Sunset Ave. NW. in Bagley. They will be playing on Sunday, Feb. 19th from 1:00-4:30.

Everyone is welcome!

Farmers Mutual annual meeting

The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be having their 113th annual meeting on Saturday, February 25.

All policyholders are invited to the business meeting that begins at 10:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Gonvick American Legion.

A Special meeting will follow at 11:00 a.m. to discuss and vote on the proposed merger with Lakeland Farmers Insurance Company.

Coffee, rolls and door prizes at the meeting.

Samhold WNALC

The Samhold WNALC in Gonvick will meet on Thursday, February 16 at 2:30 p.m. The Clearwater County Nursing Service will be the guest speaker, followed by devotions and door prize.

Their menu includes a variety of hot dishes, cole slaw, side dishes, and dessert. The meal will be served from 4-6 P.M. Everyone is invited.

Lunch will be served from 4:00-6:00 pm by: Ann Monty, Darlene Sawyer, Jeanette Andersen, Lonny English, Sheryl Berg, Terri Godtland, Kathy Bergman, Sue Gunvalson, Alice Cassibo, Daphne Klema, Candace Coulter, Lila Coulter, Jessica Rogstad, Danielle Derby, Lavonne Rossell, Sue Eck, Teri Danielson, Carolyn Rude, Roberta Dyrdaahl, Mary Sather, Kim Eckman, Gina Schmunk, Debbie Edevold and Mary Lou Spray.



Stanley Hulteen celebrated his February birthday at the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center. Nine were absent for the day. Scott Taffin from Las Vegas played Happy Birthday on the piano for all to sing.

Gonvick City Council... Continued from front page

Other issues... Sam Anderson and Benji Hofstad from Karvacko Engineering in Bemidji were present to discuss Gonvick's Water Infrastructure. If they needed any assistance with future projects.

The Jefferson Park camp ground needs the city maintenance to come through with the plow for safety concerns for the Gonvick Fire Department.

A discussion was held on flowers on main street for this year. The council would like to have flowers put in the large boxes next to the community center. That would make it easier for watering.

Under open discussion there was concern on garbage cans being tipped over before they are picked up on Tuesday morning. Most of the problem was with the garbage that is put out the night before pickup. Animals are coming around and it was suggested that residents if possible put out their items the day of the pickup.

Journal entries and expenditures were approved. General \$43,989.44, Water and Sewer \$4,272.79, Fire \$788.76 for a total of \$49,050.99.

Dan Gazeka gave the Clearbrook-Gonvick Police Department January report: Alarm 1, Medical 1; Public Assistance 2; Suspicious Activity 2; Traffic Complaint 1 for a total of 7 incidents.

Saturday Science at Headwaters Science Center

Join Headwaters Science Center, 413 Beltrami Ave NW, Bemidji, on Saturday, February 18th at 2pm for a field trip through the cosmos or the Great Barrier Reef with our guide Brandon Geisen and his virtual reality system. We'll learn about the math and computer science behind virtual reality and then take turns exploring. This program is suitable for children ages 8 and older and their parents.

Saturday Science is free with admission to the exhibit floor and free for members.

Saturday Science is included with admission to the exhibit floor and is free for HSC members. Saturday Science starts at 2pm and is open to everyone.

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Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Feb. 15- Chicken Noodle Soup, Meat Sandwich, Pea and Cheese Salad, Bar and Milk.

Thurs. Feb. 16 - Hamburger Tomato Casserole, Green Beans, Pineapple, Bread, Lemon Chiffon Dessert and Milk.

Fri. Feb. 17 - Sloppy Joe, Potato Salad, Corn, Bun, Fresh Orange and Milk.

Mon. Feb. 20 - BBQ Pork Chop, Scalloped Potatoes, Country Blend Veg., Bread, Apple-sauce and Milk.

Tues. Feb. 21 - Salisbury, Steak, Parslied, Whole Potatoes, Squash, Bread, Blushing Pears and Milk.

Wed. Feb. 22- Hot Beef Sandwich, Carrots, Pears, Cookie 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.

Letter to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

School bus driver appreciation day is February 22. We have a crew of amazing drivers out there on the roads, safely navigating the snow and ice. They are transporting your most precious cargo! We are your child's first and last class of the school day. We not only keep them safe, but we teach them important life skills along the way. Our drivers keep strict time schedule and set a good example to the students they haul. Take some time to get to know who transports your children. The smiling face that greets them every morning as they leave their home. The drivers will guide your children to follow the rules on the bus. These are the same rules that will help them in everyday life and their future in the work place.

Being on time, following directions, waiting and sitting patiently, visiting quietly with kindness to others, Keeping safety first. It's an honorable job.

Our drivers are the best in their field. Please take the time to thank them. With our deepest appreciation we thank our school bus drivers! We are grateful for every sacrifice they make in their lives to do their best behind the wheel.

Jerry Gerlofs, bus#1; Scott Bakke, bus#2; Kristen Edgell, bus#4; Janet Holm, bus#5; Gerry Stein, bus#6; Alissa Preuss, bus#10; Verlyn Strenge, Bus#12; Amata Molnar and Trenton Edgell, Special needs. Subs: Marvin Berg, Shelly Helberg, Norman Henderickson, Tony Brosseau, Deb Stein. Trips-Glen Trembath.

Submitted by: Gerald & Deb, Stein Bus Service, LLC Clearbrook-Gonvick School.

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. 15 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.

Thurs., Feb. 16 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and prayer.

Sun., Feb. 19 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Bagley 218-694-6416

Pastor: Fr. John Melkies Suvakeen

Terri D, Parish sec.

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Call for weekday Mass times.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Clearbrook

Pastor Verlyn Strenge

Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway

Wed. Feb. 15th - 6:30 p.m. Awana

Thurs. Feb. 16th - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer

Sat. Feb. 18th - 7 a.m. Men's Prayer, Breakfast and Bible Study. 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Banquet followed by Anderson family concert at 7:00 p.m.

Sun. Feb. 19th - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Mon. Feb. 20th - 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Kris Emmel's

Coming events... April 1, Ukraine Sale.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD

Pastor Robert Kirchman

Good Shepherd

Wed., No Choir Practice; or Handbell Practice during the month of February. Will resume March 1.

Sun., Feb. 19 - 9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion; 10:00 a.m. Sunday School and Coffee Hour, Service Group 5 meets after church.

Joint

Sun., Feb. 19- 4:00-6:00 pm 5th Grade First Communion Class at Good Shepherd.

Wed., Feb. 15 & 22 - 6:00 p.m. Confirmation

Our Savior's

Sun., Feb. 16 - 2:00 p.m. WEL-CA.

Sun., Feb. 12 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour; 11:00 a.m. Worship/Communion.

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.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH

1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6

Senior Pastor Larry Dorman

Associate Pastor Jim Binder

Youth Pastor Brad Binder

Children's Minister Nicky Ubert

www.countryfaith.org

218-776-3367

cfcchurch@gvtel.com

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept.-May)10:00 a.m. Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Kids Worship (most Sundays) Jr. Church follows, 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (most Sundays).

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

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH

MEMBERS OF NALC

Pastor Kris Snyder

Cell: 218-358-0162

gonvickparish@gmail.com

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Wed., Feb. 15 - 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Quilting, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Confirmation. 8:00 p.m. Samhold Church Council meets.

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. 16- GBB vs Park Rapids. Hockey at Northern Lakes

Fri. Feb. 17 - No School./ Conf. Exchange. State dance at Target Center.

Sat. Feb. 18 - BBB & GBB PTP Championship at Ada-Borup. State Dance at Target-Cetner. Wrestling Sec. team Tourn at TRF.

Mon. Feb. 20 - No School.

Tues. Feb. 21 - School Board 7:30 p.m. Hockey Sec. 8A at High Seed, TBA.

Wed. Feb. 22 - Sub-Sec. 20A Ensemble at Bagley.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Anger Management Class: Mondays, Feb. 20-Mar. 27, 6:30-8:30 PM. If you want to understand anger, call 218-776-2789 or download the form from our web site, complete, & mail with your \$10 registration fee. Deadline to register Feb. 17.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: Custom refinishing of wood furniture. 218-487-5290, Ext. 2.

Space to Rent: Large or small spaces available for receptions of all kinds. Call 218-487-5290, Ext. 2. Visit our website or stop by to see what we have to offer.

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

Friday Night Out: Keep an eye on the "Happenings". We reveal the name of our guest chef for March 3.

Grow It! season is just around the corner. Book your basket party, call 218-487-5290, Ext. 3. Leave a message, if no one answers; we will get back to you.

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.adulthoodservicesgonvick.org and our Facebook pages.

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Wed, Feb. 15: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Thu, Feb. 16: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Fri, Feb. 17: 8:45 a.m. Friday School.

Sun, Feb. 19: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.

Tue, Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Church Bible Study.

Wed, Feb. 22: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund

Sand Valley

Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister

Sun, Feb. 19: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston

Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor

Sun, Feb. 19: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

BEAR TRACKS

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. Feb. 15- Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza, Corn, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Thurs. Feb. 16 - Pulled Pork Sandwich, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Fruit and Vegetable Choice, Milk.

Fri. Feb. 17- No School

Mon. Feb. 20 - No School.

Tues. Feb. 21- Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Corn w/ WG Roll, Fruit and Vegetable Choice, Milk.

Wed. Feb. 22- Chili, Breadstick, Fritos, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

School News

Week of February 13, 2017!! Congratulations to Liz Bodensteiner for becoming the all-time career points' leader for the Bears (boys or girls). Liz reached the 2000 point milestone on Tuesday, February 7 at Nevis. On Thursday, February 9 at CG, Liz reached another major career milestone by picking up her 1,000th rebound. This is also the Bears all-time record. CONGRATULATIONS LIZ!

Night of the Arts Taco in a Bag Fundraiser: Thursday, February 16 from 4:30-6:30 during Parent-Teacher Conferences. See below for more info.

EARLY RELEASE on Thursday, February 16. Students will be released at 12:30.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Thursday, February 16 from 1:00-7:00

NO SCHOOL Friday, February 17 or Monday, February 20

Snow Week is February 13-16.

Monday (13th): 7th Hour (2:25-3:10) - Pep Fest. K-12 is invited.

Thursday: (16th): 2nd and 3rd Hour (9:20-11:00) - Grade Competitions (Big Gym)

1)Tic Tac Toe

2)Tug O War

3)Battleship

**After Games Sr High goes to Lunch

**After Games Jr High goes to 4th Hour.

Dress Up Days

Monday: Spirit Day (Elementary invited to Participate)

Tuesday: PJ Day (Elementary invited to Participate)

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

Wednesday: Letter/Nerd Day

Thursday: Dress like somebody else/Twin Day

Lunch Time Schedule (Both Jr and Sr High) :

Monday: Gym: Lightning Commons: Board Games at Tables

Tuesday: Gym: Lightning Commons: Drawing Contest on the Stage

Wednesday: Gym: Lightning Championship

Commons: Fastest Crossword Contest

Thursday: Conferences: 1:00 pm-7:30 pm

Formal Dance: 8:00pm-11:00 pm in the commons

Choir/Band Small Group Contest will be held on Feb. 22 in Bagley. GOOD LUCK BEARS!

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR WE BAKE FOR CHANGE CUPCAKE SALES FEB. 14. BUY ONE ... BUY ONE FOR A FRIEND! VALENTINE'S DAY TREATS! Will be sold at the game. All sales will go to IMPACT to support projects of their choice.

BoxTops: Please turn in all BoxTops, Labels for Ed, etc by February 15. See more info below.

Position Opening

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has an opening for a long term substitute for an elementary Physical Education position. The opening has the possibility of turning into a permanent position.

Please submit letter of interest, resume, credentials, and two references to:

Clearbrook-Gonvick School
16770 Clearwater Lake Rd
Clearbrook, MN 56634

Attn: Jeff Burgess

Position open until filled

COUNSELORS CORNER:

Scholarship information, college/career representatives visiting the school, elementary and high school involvement,

Ramp-Up to Readiness program, classroom counseling, and other important information and events can be found on the School Counselor website:

School Counselor Website

Get up to date information over the school year including scholarships, financial aid, tips, college representatives, career fairs, articles, and some fun stuff.)

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Mon, Feb 13: JV/V BBB vs WHA at CG. C at 5:00 at CC, JV at 6:00 at Com Cen, V at 7:30 at HS, (makeup games)

Tue, Feb 14: JH BBB at WEM. Release at 3:00, leave at 3:15, 7th at 4:30, 8th at 5:30

Tue, Feb 14: JV/V BBB at WEM. Release at 3:00, leave at 3:15, JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Tue, Feb 14: JV/V GBB vs Fosston at CG. JV at 6:00 V at 7:30 (Parents Night)

Fri, Feb 17: JV/V GBB at Pine River. Release at 2:0, leave at 2:15, JV at 5:00, V at 7:00

Fri, Feb 17: JV/V BBB vs Fisher-Climax at CG. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Mon, Feb 20: V GBB vs Laporte at CG. NO JV, V at 7:30 (Senior Night)

Tue, Feb 21: JV/V BBB vs LOW at CG. JV at 5:30, V at 7:00

Tue, Feb 21: JV/V GBB at WHA. Leave at 3:45, JV at 6:00, V at 7:30

Fri, Feb 24: JV/V BBB vs RLC at CG. JV at 6:00, V at 7:30 (Parent's Night)

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Clearbrook-Gonvick Community Ed

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Toddler Open Gym

The Elementary gym is open on Sundays for 0-5 year olds and their parents to come and run, jump and play during the cold winter months. Time is 2:30-4:00 until March 12. The program is free but to help maintain the program, a free-will donation is encouraged.

SPOTLIGHT

February Teacher Feature Early Intervention

February Teacher Feature: Mary Springer, Early Intervention Teacher

Around here, we don't look backwards for very long... We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things because we're curious... and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.

~Walt Disney

Mary Springer is in her 21st year with the district. Currently, she is the Early Intervention teacher. She worked 9 years in early childhood education, then switched to teaching reading for children in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Now she is back with the little ones.

She lives in the area with her husband, Michael. She has two sons, John (Stephanie) and Jacob and several grandchildren and step-grandchildren. She grew up in Crookston. After high school graduation, she attended the University of MN-Crookston and then transferred and graduated from Moorhead State University.

When Mary first started working for the district she was the parent education and preschool teacher/coordinator for both Early Childhood Family Education and School Readiness. Her first classroom was the little white house that was located on the playground in Gonvick. The children often thought they were coming to play at "her house where she lived with her sister"- Sarah Hoagberg, her co-teacher! She felt so blessed when the new school was built because the district knew how important early childhood education was and they included it in the plans. Mary has always felt that the early childhood programs are the welcoming wagon to the school. Parents and children are introduced to the building, staff, and the school atmosphere through these programs.

Why did you choose to be a teacher?
I grew up in a teaching family. My dad was the high school math teacher and my mom the middle school special education teacher in Crookston. My dad would bring home the small pieces of chalk that he could no longer use at school so I could play school at home with my siblings. I always had the role of teacher and my siblings were my students. At first I went to school for Home Economics but later switched to Elementary Education.

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick?
I moved to Wyoming (Casper, Kemmerer, and Sheridan) after I graduated from college. We lived there for 13 years until moving to Gonvick in 1995. In Wyoming, I taught kindergarten and first grade.

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick?
The best part of my job is the staff and students I work with. I couldn't work in a nicer environment. I tell my family and friends that I sing, dance, and play for a living, what could be better than that. When my boys were in school, I got to see them everyday and now I see my grandson and granddaughter for Monday night ECFE.

What is the biggest challenge of your job?
My biggest challenge would have to be fitting everything into my day. There are so many things I would love to teach my students, but the days and weeks go by so fast and you just can't fit it all in.



Mary Springer

If you could have any job in the world - what would it be?
I am doing what I love!

What do you do when you are not at school teaching?
I enjoy spending time with family and friends and going to our lake cabin. I enjoy snowmobiling and snowshoeing in the winter and boating and kayaking in the summer. My other great love is snorkeling and scuba diving.

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community?
Clearbrook-Gonvick has been a great place to live, work and raise my kids. This is a small community with a big heart.

And now a few words from the students about Mary Springer from the students....

What do you think is Mrs. Springer's favorite thing to do at school?
"Teach about stuff from a farm." "Just play." "Make hearts." "Play with us."

What do you think Mrs. Springer does when she is not in school?
"She goes to the dentist." "She sits at home and plays games." "She lays on the couch." "She goes on a vacation." "She vacuums."

What is the best thing about Mrs. Springer?
"She is my teacher." "She plays games with me." "She gives me hugs." "She teaches us all sorts of stuff." "She has all kinds of hearts, yellow hearts, red hearts, purple hearts, pink hearts." "She comes to school."

What do you think Mrs. Springer was like when she was in the pre-schooler?
"She was nice." "She like to play." "She liked to draw and paint and put stickers on everything." "Funny" "I bet she like to make lots of crafts."

What do you think is Mrs. Springer's favorite book is about?
"An Elephant Story," "Paw Patrol," "My Favorite Stuff," "Dinosaurs," "The one with some sick animals that were all better in a couple of days."

If you could send Mrs. Springer on a vacation anywhere in the world, where would you send her? Why would you send her there?
"I would send her to a hotel." "To the first grade" "To a water park because it has WATERSLIDES!" "To the fair because she likes watching animals." "I would send her to the park to play with me."

What is one thing Mrs. Springer ALWAYS says?
"Thank you." "Let's play hide and seek." "What are you doing?" "This is fun."



The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted Red Lake County Central last week.

To the left Madelynne Faldet blocks a shot under the basket.

Below Jackie Lynn Taffin looks for a pass in the game. She scored 11 points for the victorious Bears.

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Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson



The world of law enforcement seems to be ever changing. When it comes to technology, the change is rapid. One of the more recent technological changes law enforcement has seen is the use of body worn cameras by officers. This technology is not necessarily new, but it is something that has been in the news as of late. I want to take some time to look at the pros and cons to using body worn cameras and talk about the laws that were enacted to regulate them.

One of the most obvious pros to using body worn cameras is in that an incident is recorded to show the behavior of not only the officer, but the citizen as well. Officers and citizens alike are more likely to act with more restraint if they know their actions are being recorded. The use of the cameras provides the video evidence to show the decisions that officers need to make in high stress situations. The video evidence can also help prove or disprove

any accusations of misconduct or abuse by officers.

Some additional benefits to using body cameras by officers is helping to speed up court proceedings by providing the visual proof of what actually happened in a situation instead of relying on testimony alone. This can lead to less court costs and a more efficient court process.

On the other side of this issue, there are some cons to using the body worn cameras. Privacy issues are a concern for citizens and officers alike. Some people may be less willing to come forward and talk to an officer if they know they may be recorded. Another concern with using this technology is issues that could come up and prevent proper functioning of the camera. Some examples in our environment are; the cold can zap a battery and leave it dead when you need it, the lens of the camera could become obstructed, and of course, the officer may forget or be unable to

start the camera in the heat of the moment.

As far as privacy concerns go, the Minnesota legislature has made the laws so that people's privacy is kept confidential. All data collected by portable recording devices are considered private data or nonpublic data within certain parameters. There are some exceptions to this. The first is if the data documents the discharge of a firearm by a peace officer in the course of duty or the use of force by a peace officer results in substantial bodily harm to an individual. The other is if the subject of the video requests that it be made public. If this were to occur, any other individual in the video who does not consent to the release must have their face redacted from the video. These laws are lengthy and can be found in Minnesota State Statute 13.825 if you want more information.

After careful consideration regarding the effectiveness of body worn cameras and the concerns over privacy issues, the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office is in the process of testing out new technology that would enable our deputies to use their existing smartphone as a body worn camera. The software would be installed on the phones and carried in a case worn on the front of their uniform shirt. The deputy can activate the camera feature on their phone manually or our dispatch center would have the ability to remotely activate it if the deputy requests it. The remote starting feature is a great officer safety tool in the case that a deputy is not answering their radio. A dispatcher could log into the software and activate the camera to see what was happening. The deputy would know that this occurred as either the phone would vibrate or a voice would announce that recording had started.

Another feature with this technology is built in GPS on each device. If a deputy is in a foot pursuit and then loses radio communication with the dispatch center, a dispatcher could direct assistance to the deputy based on his GPS coordinates.

Lastly, when the recording has stopped, the video is automatically stored to the "cloud". No video is stored on the phone so there is no worry if the deputy loses the phone that video would be available to unauthorized viewers.

I am excited to test this software and see how it works for us. If everything works as advertised, in the near future it will be installed and utilized on all full-time uniformed deputies. We will then monitor its effectiveness, reevaluate its use over the next year or so, and decide if this is something that we will continue to use.

If you have questions that you would like answered or any suggestions, please email me at darin.halverson@co.clearwater.mn.us or call the Sheriff's Office at 218-694-6226. You can also find us on Facebook by searching for Clearwater County Sheriff's Office.

Thank you and as always, I am honored to serve as your Clearwater County Sheriff.

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

It's that time of the month again. The Clearbrook American Legion will be having their steak fry this coming Saturday. Good time for visiting with friends and neighbors.

It was a fast one as the 1500 went through Gonvick on Friday. What a unique way to welcome the racers with the bright orange paint in the snowbank. The area snowmobilers and fire departments were on hand to assist.

March 4 is the date set for the United Lutheran Church at Berner to have their annual Potao Klub dinner.

The Gully-Trail Youth Group is having their 2nd annual midwinter Social on Sunday, February 26 starting at 4:30 p.m. Check out their ad in this weeks Canary.

From my email... Ramblings of a Retired Mind

I was in a store that sells sunglasses, and only sunglasses. A young lady walks over to me and asks, "what brings you in today?". I looked at her, and said, I'm interested in buying a refrigerator. She didn't quite know how to respond. Am I getting to be that age?

I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped onto their belt or purse. I can't afford one. So I'm wearing my garage door opener.

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball but you are just too tired to bounce it.

When people see a cat's litter box they always say, 'Oh, have you got a cat?' Just once I want to say, 'No, it's for company!'

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, 'An ambulance'.

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

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EARTHWORMS CAN SPREAD GIANT RAGWEED SEED

Weed scientists have discovered that "UNDERGROUND GARDENING" by earthworms is contributing to the spread of giant ragweed, a plant that causes sneezes and sniffles and is one of the nation's most irritating weeds. This most "irritating" weed is frequently found in our area of Northwest Minnesota.

Earthworms help ragweed thrive by systematically collecting and burying its seeds in their burrows says Weed Scientist Emilie Regnier of Ohio State University. In fact, her research team has found that more than two thirds of all giant ragweed seedlings emerge from earthworm burrows! Though giant ragweed (*Ambrosia trifida*) is best known for the prolific blanket of pol-

len it produces to plague hay fever sufferers, it also takes a costly toll on crops. Throughout the Midwest, the weed is especially a problem in corn and soybeans, causing yield losses of 50% to 75% when left unchecked.

Weed scientists have long been mystified by the rapid spread of giant ragweed since it produces relatively few seeds. Now research shows that the lowly earthworm is one of the culprits. In a study funded by the USDA's Cooperative Research, Education and Extension Service, Regnier and her research team examined the impact of earthworms on giant ragweed. The study focused on the earthworms *Lumbricus terrestris*, which is commonly known as night crawlers.

Until now, night crawlers have had a stellar reputation among growers since their burrows promote water filtration and their eating habits help make nutrients available to crops. The worms feed on plant litter they collect from the soil surface and store inside their narrow, underground homes. As the litter softens and decays, it improves the availability of nutrients in the soil. Now, though, it appears there is also a dark side to the work of the night crawlers.

This Ohio State University research program shows that

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 the official legal 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 p.m. 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...

DURING the minister's prayer one Sunday, there was a loud whistle from a pew in the front row. It was little Ole. His mother Lena beside him was horrified. She pinched him to silence, and after church asked:

"Ole, whatever made you do such a thing?"

Ole answered gingerly: "I asked God to teach me to whistle, and He just did!"



Skip Swanson with Executive Director Catherine Johnson of ICCC. Inter-County Community Council honored out going board member Skip Swanson at the board meeting on January 23rd at their main office in Oklee. Skip served on the ICCC board for 32 years. Inter-County Community Council is a community action agency serving the core counties of Clearwater, East Polk, Red Lake and Pennington Counties.

night crawlers are some of nature's most effective "weed farmers". They actively forage for weed seeds, pull them into their burrows and "plant" them under several inches of soil. In fact, the researchers found that the earthworms collected and buried more than two thirds of the seeds dispersed by a stand of giant ragweed. Each burrow examined in the study contained an average of 127 ragweed seeds, or 450 seeds per square foot. While night crawlers collect seeds from other plants as well, giant ragweed is definitely on the preferred list!

Dr Regnier and her research team found that earthworms collect and bury 10 types of seeds in the same size range. But they have three special favorites-giant ragweed, bur cucumber, and sunflower. This research that has helped weed scientists understand the accumulation of weed seeds in the soil and how weeds are spread, is critical to the development of new effective management strategies, says Lee Wychen of the Weed Science Society of America. Giant ragweed should be vigorously controlled in fields and gardens in order to minimize further seed production and protect plant growth and crop yields. For more information or to have questions answered, you can contact Weed Scientist, Dr. Emilie Regnier at Ohio State University by e mail at regnier.1@osu.edu.

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Dustin is the son of Charles Bergh, 1984 Clearbrook Dustin & Charles Alumni and grand-

son to Annie and Frank Bergh also of Clearbrook. Dustin was continuing his education in the

Nursing Program when he became ill in October. Dustin married Hannah in November and they have spent the majority of their life together in a hospital room. Each day

Dustin is gaining strength and is determined to walk again. Let's keep them worry free from expenses so Dustin can heal and thrive!

A fund raiser will be held on Saturday, March 18 starting at 2:00 p.m. It will be at the Howling Dog Pub in Bock, MN.

For more details on how to donate Auction Items, buy raffle tickets or volunteer please contact: Kim Solberg 218.556.4802 or Katie Halverson 218-368-4669 or any of the Bergh Family members in your community!

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GIVE A VETERAN A LIFT 2017: THANK YOU! What a great night! Here's Tim Johnson's wonderful listing of "Thank You's" to the folks who make this now 10th annual event possible...

"Well, somehow, we pulled it off again. In spite of all the consuming self- doubt during the afternoon practice session, the program itself went pretty good, even if I do say so myself.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Troop 457 Back (l-r): Kaitlyn Kumpula, Presley Westrum, Isabelle Coxsey, MaKenna Hartwig, Abby Engen, Chasity Mathson. Middle (l-r): Malea Mathson, Avery Haugan, Emma Fawver, Mya Engen. Front (l-r): Savannah Kumpula, Lainey Fawver, Garcie Petit.

First meeting of Girl Scout Troop 457

In November the Minnesota and Wisconsin Lakes and Pines Girl Scout Council welcomed Clearbrook-Gonvick Troop 457 into its family. Pictured is a group of members at the first meeting held in December. The mission of the Girl Scouts is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

As Girl Scouts, girls discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Girls grow courageous and strong through a wide variety of enriching experiences, such as field trips and community service projects. One of the first projects Troop 457 will undertake is the selling of Girl Scout cookies. Sales will begin February

6th with the girls selling direct to family and friends. Also, the troop will be holding weekend booth sales February 25th by Northern Bait & Convenience on Highway 92 in Gonvick and March 4th and 11th by Town and Country Car Wash on Highway 92 in Clearbrook from noon to 4:00 p.m.



Residents at Good Samaritan Society Clearbrook took time to make homemade butter. Some of them had made it when they were younger and some of them are teachers that have done it with their students. They all had a good time doing it. Some youngsters were there also and got in on the making and tasting. Pictured above are in the back: Elaine Anderson, Carl Swenson, Albert Dunkley, Kitty Johnson. In front Pauline Harris and Isabelle Haase.



Lois Chesley and her Granddaughters Morgan and Danika Yaeger. Great Granddaughters of Emma Satran taking part at the Clearbrook Good Samaritan Center.

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

as well as hosting a good deal of practices, with Veronica Mccalip also hosting practice (and feeding us!). The administration and custodial staff at Bagley ISD-162 couldn't be more cooperative or helpful, and we especially thank custodian Dan Lavine for his help. CVSO Harry Hutchens was on hand as always to greet the people and also tirelessly promoted the program. Our thanks also to Ed Lavelle at the Thirteen Towns Fosston and Tom Burford at the Farmer's Independent for their help in publicizing the show and to Dick Roue and Darlene Sawyer for coming to cover it for both papers again. Shelly Lene did a great job designing terrific

posters and Tom Lano at R&J Broadcasting in Fosston also gave us a great publicity boost. We are also grateful to the crew at the Bagley Sr. Citizens Center for once again planning their Sweetheart Supper as a complimentary event and further helping us advertise. Thanks to Kathryn Carver and the Quilts of Valor ladies for their touching tribute to area veteran Paul Carlson. Thanks also to my dad Keith Johnson and neighbor Benjamin Berntson for doing chores for me that night and a huge thanks to all of our families for putting up with us while we go through all the craziness every year to pull this all together. And finally, thanks to all of you that came out this year and donated so generously to the Clearwater County Veteran's Transportation Program. I don't have the final tally yet, but at the intermission very nearly \$3000.00 had been donated. That puts the 10 year total to about \$22,500.00 and that's a lot of miles for our veterans! Thank you all again!!"

I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners is also a valuable gauge of how this office can better serve all veterans and their beneficiaries. Office(218)694-6618;Cell/Text(218)556-5340 Hutch

Farm Bureau and FFA – Working Together

The Minnesota Farm Bureau (MFB) salutes FFA during National FFA Week, February 18-25. This week is a great reminder of the many reasons why Farm Bureau maintains such strong support for the FFA program.

Farm Bureau invests in FFA throughout the year because Farm Bureau sees future farmers, future agricultural leaders and future Farm Bureau members involved in this organization.

Below are some of the ways Farm Bureau partners with FFA throughout the year.

•MFB Young Farmers & Ranchers and MFB Foundation sponsor the Minnesota FFA Discussion Meet contest.

•MFB Foundation sponsors the extemporaneous speaking state contest and serves as a general sponsor of the Minnesota FFA Convention.

• MFB Foundation recognizes an FFA Advisor of the Year and sponsors the Minnesota Association of Ag Educators Outstanding Young Member award.

•MFB has a representative on the Minnesota FFA Foundation executive sponsors board.

•MFB provides assistance

to regional and state FFA contests.

•Minnesota FFA state and regional officers serve as time-keepers at the MFB Young Farmers & Ranchers state Discussion Meet contest.

•MFB is a sponsor of the Minnesota FFA Foundation Golf Outing.

•MFB is a sponsor of the Minnesota FFA Foundation Saints baseball event.

•MFB assists with leadership development of the Minnesota FFA Officers and national convention delegates.

•Many Farm Bureau members serve as volunteers and leaders for their local FFA chapters.

County Farm Bureaus and Farm Bureau leaders also support FFA programs by sponsoring local FFA activities or individuals, jointly hosting events such as safety camps and serve as a driving force to maintain FFA programs in local school districts.

Farm Bureau congratulates FFA in Minnesota and all of the youth and leaders who make FFA such an impressive organization. Farm Bureau is proud to be a strong supporter of FFA.



They sit at a table and make sure the games run smoothly. Helping out by doing the announcing and taking the statistics are from left to right: Mike Rettinger, Gwen Eck and Judy Engebretson for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.

How does cold affect Emerald Ash Borer?

If you live in northern Minnesota, chances are that you have wondered how the cold affects the Emerald Ash Borer! How cold does it have to be before the overwintering emerald ash borer (EAB) larvae begin to die? Here's a brief overview of EAB winter physiology and results of some current research that should help to explain that our cold climate may help slow the rate of population expansion, but it won't be enough to stop the spread of EAB.

Like many insects, overwintering EAB larvae are able to survive in climates with subzero winter temperatures using the strategy of supercooling, or the ability to cool a liquid below it's normal freezing point without ice formation. To avoid freezing of their internal fluids, different insects produce a variety of specialized sugars, alcohols, or antifreeze proteins during the winter months. These compounds allow insects to endure subzero body temperatures far below where their internal fluids would normally freeze. Once insect's become seasonally acclimated to the cold, temperatures below this supercooling point are required before significant portions of a population begin to die.

So what is the supercooling point for EAB larvae, you might ask? Several recent research projects have provided somewhat different answers. Research in China within EAB's native range has indicated that the supercooling point for EAB ranges from -9.4F to -15.5F. In North America, research from Ontario, Canada has indicated the supercooling point might be as low as -23F. Perhaps of greatest interest to us, though, are the results of research carried out right here in Minnesota. In an experiment where EAB infested logs were kept outdoors for the winter near Grand Rapids, Minnesota, researchers from the U. S. Forest Service and Minnesota Department of Agriculture found that the supercooling temperature for the Minnesota EAB population was about -13F. Based on these results, a model was created that predicts that about five percent of EAB larvae should die when temperatures reach 0F, 34 percent at -10F, 79 percent at -20F, and an impressive 98 percent should die at -30F.

Though ambient air temperatures as low as -30F might

not be a rare occurrence in northern Minnesota, it is important to keep in mind that not all EAB larvae will experience that same -30F within a tree. In addition to insulation provided from the outer bark, larvae overwintering at the base of trees below the snow line will be especially well insulated. It may take prolonged periods at a certain ambient temperature before temperatures beneath the bark will ever drop to the same level.

Though a substantial number of EAB are likely to be killed by winter temperature each year, what is the most concerning are the more cold tolerant individuals that are more likely to survive. Over time, these more cold tolerant larvae could begin to represent a greater portion of the reproductive population. This will not actually lower the existing supercooling point of EAB larvae, but could eventually result in a population with a lower average supercooling point. While frigid winter temperatures may be an added benefit for now, we should not allow the cold to give us a false sense of security when it comes

to actively managing Minnesota's ash resource.

For more information on the winter survival of EAB, you can e mail the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources at info.dnr@state.mn.us, or Mark Abrahamson with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture with the Plant Protection Division at mark.abrahamson@state.mn.us or call him at 651.201.6505.

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Liz Bodensteiner and Tamara Skinaway under the basket for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears against Red Lake County Central.



Cassie Faldet up for a three point play for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears



Line-up for the Star Spangled Banner.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School

2nd Qtr A Honor Roll

12th Grade - Carlie Bergerson, Elizabeth Bodensteiner, Alison Johnson, Darby Riley, Spencer Reed

11th Grade - Cassandra Faldet, Brynn Hetland, Cami Johnson

10th Grade - Emily Bergman, Adrianna Churness, Ethan Dorman, Joshua Lavin, Anthony Peldo, Brandon Quern, Jacey Tronnes, Kristin Weems

9th Grade - Benjamyn Engebretson, Lindsey Gray, Gage Julin, Savanna Rankin, Naomi Shamp, Danae' Stenzel, Jackielynn Taffin

8th Grade - Amara Churness, Emma Dorman, Kayla Ehlers, Kaylee Faldet, Danika Harmon, Mykenzie Larson, Jennifer Lavin, Lauren Melby, Sydney Vakoeh

7th Grade - Jayden Bergerson, John Devries, Jensen Engberg, Ella Engen, Kaylee Westrum

2nd Qtr B Honor Roll

12th Grade - Kyla Baker, Alec Dyrdaahl, Michael Gray, Rachel Mathison

11th Grade - Brody Arluad, Morgan Cornell, Shayla Erickson, Madelynn Faldet, Tyra Goodwin, Xavier Goodwin, Mikala Johnson, Abigail Moy, Brianna Straabe

10th Grade - Callie Baker, Arabella Corey, Ethan Erickson, McKinzy Helm, Rachel Lavin, Caleb Petterson, Kari Shamp, Jazmyn Smith

9th Grade - Jenna Smith, Dakota Torgerson

8th Grade - Olivia Anderson, Wyatt Anderson, Rose

Java, Gabriel Lavine, Ashlyn Weems

7th Grade - Lane Cadreau, Aiden Churness, Danielle Faldet, Malaina Hartwig, Dana Melby, Emma Rude, Jayna Tronnes, Mckenzie Weems, Samuel Wishard

DNR plans to sell nonferrous mineral leases

The Department of Natural Resources plans to hold a sale of state-owned metallic mineral leases for sites in northern Minnesota. The DNR invites public input on the areas under consideration, which include sites in Beltrami, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods and St Louis counties, totaling about 195,324 acres. A notice was published in the EQB Monitor and State Register Monday, Jan. 30, and is available on the DNR's website.

This will be the state's 35th metallic minerals lease sale and the second using a new process designed to increase transparency, provide better access to information and afford an opportunity for public input. The website includes screening criteria used by the DNR in its review of potential areas for lease as well as an interactive web map showing the areas under consideration in relation to outdoor recreation areas and natural features. The public is invited to provide written input about the sites to the DNR. Information about how to submit input is posted on the website.

The lease sale involves nonferrous minerals, which are all metals except iron ore and taconite. Examples of nonferrous metallic minerals are: copper, nickel, platinum, palladium, gold, silver, cobalt, chromium, zinc, lead, bismuth, tin, tungsten, tantalum and niobium.

Following the receipt of bids, the state's Executive Council, comprised of the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, and state auditor will make final decisions about whether to approve new state metallic minerals leases.

A lease does not automatically grant the leaseholder permission to mine. Before a state-owned parcel can be mined, the lease holder must comply with all legal requirements for environmental review and permitting. Most state metallic minerals leases end within five years. Historically, about 2.2 percent of areas under state metallic minerals leases have one or more exploratory borings.



Danae Stenzel brings the ball up the court for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears in action against Red Lake County Central. The Bears kept the victory at home 74-56.



Announcing the starting line-up for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears. The team forms a line for them to go through.



On January 9, 2017 the Clearwater County 4-H Leaders Council met for our monthly meeting. At this meeting the University of Minnesota Extension Educator, Becky Harrington from the Northwest Region along with Karyn Santl and Clearwater County's 4-H Program Coordinator Katie Becker, spoke to our group about GOT-VIVA. GOT-

VIVA stands for "Growing 4-H Opportunities Together: Volunteers in Vision and Action." At this meeting we discussed how we were going to work together as a group, and make our community better, and grow our local 4-H program. Respectfully submitted by: Leader's Council Reporter Tessa Tramm.

Legal Notices

To the Residents of Clover Township

The regular meeting and Cartway (Swanson/Erickson/Johnson) Resolution will be held February 17th at 5 pm at the Clover Town Hall. Postponement date to inclement weather will be the next Friday, 24th.

Joel Wraa, Clerk R46-47C

NOTICE Leon Township

The Board of Audit will meet on Friday, February 10, 2017, 6:30 pm, at the Leon Township Hall. The regular monthly meeting will follow.

Lori Larson,
Leon Township Clerk R46C



PRESIDENTS' DAY

On Presidents' Day, we salute the forty-four men who have served our country and its people as honored presidents of the United States of America. We thank them for their service and commitment to the American people and the American values of liberty and justice for all.

We will be **CLOSED** on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents' Day. We will resume our regular hours on Tuesday, February 21 for all of your banking needs.

