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Above students waiting after getting to the school on the first day of classes. Clearbrook-Gonvick bus driver Scott Bakke (below) unloads his passengers on the first day of school. Masks are required on the bus for all students.



Breakfast is served to students once they get to the Clearbrook-Gonvick School. Brynlee Weems received her breakfast before school from Melynda Zurhorst with the school Food Service program.

Protesters block Highway 47

Line 3 protesters were at it on Tuesday, September 7. They were on Highway 47 heading east toward the Enbridge facility just south of Clearbrook. They had the road blocked going east with a tepee and a car that had been rolled over.

Line 3 is nearing completion and with many of the sites completed it is getting harder to find places to protest.

Clearwater County law enforcement with County Sheriff Darin Halverson, Deputy Joe Weems and Deputy Meagen Pereirn were on the scene.

Safety vehicles were parked across the street from the Elim Church in Clearbrook.



Employees of the pipe lines that are located on County 49 near Clearbrook were brought to G and G Construction while the protests were going on.

County to readvertise for full time Assistant Assessor

VSO receives grant approval for projects

By Karen Edelbach
(Note to readers: This is my last article regarding the Clearwater County meetings and news. It has been my privilege to attend the Board of Commissioners' meetings, and my sincere attempt to present articles and news to the Clearwater County community in a thoughtful way to help others understand and think about the issues facing local government for the past nine years.)

Unorganized Township Board Meeting: The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met on August 31, then recessed for the Unorganized Township Board Meeting, which was led by Commissioner Dean Newland, with all Commissioners in attendance, and Auditor Al Paulson.

The meeting included approval of the 2022 Department Budget Summary submitted by the County Auditor-Treasurer. Expenditures for the 2022 Budget are for Blading at \$400; Snowplowing at \$600; and Road Maintenance/Gravel at \$1,400; for a total of \$1,400. Total Revenues Year End Balance is -\$4,582. Motion to approve the budget was made by Commissioner Neal Illies, and seconded by Commissioner Mark Larson.

Application for the 2022 Seasonal Beer and Wine License for Douglas Lodge at Itasca State Park was also approved.

The regular meeting was reconvened and conducted by Chairman Mark Larson.

Veterans Service Officer, Logan L. Eclair received approval to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs for the County Veteran Services Of-

fice Operational Enhancement Grant Program of \$7,500, which the department does each year.

He explained that the money would be used as follows: Advertising, \$1,000; Software, \$500; Veteran Travel, \$1,000; Veteran Star Grave Markers, \$3,500; and Veteran Outreach, \$1,500. The Outreach includes a gathering for a free meal and time for questions and answers for the Veterans.

"Other Counties have had really good success with this approach," he said.

MIS: Director Stuart Lien was authorized to purchase one HP Large Format Multi Functional Printer (MFP) from Marco Technologies not to exceed \$8,980, to be paid from the County Equipment Fund.

He was authorized for payment of \$5,073 to Red River Watershed Management Board for LiDAR Project (data acquisition). The data to be collected is the total area of Clearwater County, 202.90 square miles, which includes a 1,000 foot buffer adjacent to the Clearwater County boundary. It was stated that the vendor is requiring the

buffer, which is additional part of the County that is not part of the watershed. After some discussion, motion was made and approved. Chester Powell from SWCD said he did not think it would be a problem for Soil & Water. It is to be paid for from the County Technology fund, contingent on payment from Soil & Water.

County Engineer, Dan Sauve` brought a motion for the Board to determine whether they find that extraordinary hardship or practical difficulty exists for the Rhonda Netland Access Plan off CSAH 46 (Lomond Drive). They agreed that such difficult exists, and did authorize a modification of access standards to allow a second approach to the parcel.

The Commissioners approved the payment of the Clearwater County Highway Department bills as presented in the amount of \$40,865.

Nursing Service: The Board approved the hiring of Milissa Gorman as a Homemaker as of

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Farewell gatherings for Pastor Bob and Bonnie

Pastor Bob Kirchner will be leaving Good Shepherd and Our Savior's Lutheran church in Clearbrook and Leonard.

Our Saviors in Leonard is planning a farewell gathering for September 12th after services. Good Shepherd will have one on September 19th with lunch after church services. People will be able to say thank you and goodbye. Our Saviors will be at 9 am on the 12th and Sunday School at 10 am. Good Shepherd will be at 11 on the 19th. Good Shepherd will also have Rally Sunday activities with the 11:00 services.

Pastor Bob has been at both churches the past 13 years and he will begin a new chapter serving the Glyndon Lutheran church in Glyndon.

Boys and Girls Track Alumni Night

The home football game on Friday, September 24th versus Laporte is also going to be "Clearbrook-Gonvick Boys and Girls Track Alumni Night." All track alumni, and coaching alumni, are invited to attend the football game and be recognized at halftime.

A new Track & Field record board has been purchased with funds from the Clearbrook-Gonvick Sports Boosters. A short program after the football game will take place in the Commons Area in the school.

A list of alumni attendees

is being compiled by Tiffany Kroulik, so please let her know if you plan on attending: tkroulik@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

*This information will also be put on the school website and Facebook. Please share the info.

Accident claims life of Kyle Knutson

On September 4th, 2021 at approximately 10:00 pm, the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office received a report of a one vehicle rollover at the intersection of Stockyard Road and 310th Street in Nora Township. Officers from the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and the Bagley Police Department responded to the scene. Upon arrival, officers observed a 2013 Chevrolet Silverado in

the southwest corner of the intersection. This intersection is a "T" intersection in a curve of the road. A male individual was located outside the vehicle. The Bagley Sanford Ambulance was also on scene and a life flight helicopter was called to the scene as well. All life saving measures were taken, but the driver of the vehicle, 34-year-old Kyle General Klay Knutson of Bagley, was pronounced deceased at the

scene. It appears that Knutson was ejected from the vehicle during the crash. The Minnesota State Patrol will be doing an accident reconstruction of the scene to determine the cause of the accident. An autopsy is being performed at the UND Forensic Pathology Center in Grand Forks. The accident remains under investigation. Also assisting at the scene were the Bagley Fire Department.

Community Calendar

“The Clearwater Trail Blazers

Snowmobile to Meet
The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will be meeting on Monday, September 13th, 2021 at the clubhouse in Leonard at 7:30pm. Fall work is upon us, please come to the meeting and see what you can do for the club on your trails.

Memberships are needed and available, \$30 for single, \$40 for family, \$75 for Business membership. Please send to PO Box 473 Bagley MN 56621. Includes MnUSA membership of \$20 and landowners dinner and a fall dinner at Fireside Grill & Patio.

Clearbrook Legion Post 256 Membership Meal Melvin Johnson Post September 14

A membership meal will be offered for all Clearbrook Legion, Legion Auxiliary members and Veterans desiring to join American Legion Post 256. The meal will be available as takeout due to limited parking near the Old Clearbrook School and the Legion Meeting Room. The meal will be served from 5 – 6 pm Tuesday, September 14, 2021 before the regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The meal is free of charge for members. Please contact Bob Granley at 218-776-3567 or Bill Stoller at 218-776-2005 and leave a message, so we may have a near accurate meal count by September 13, 2021.

Notice

The Gonvick Legion will hold their monthly walleye fry on September 11 from 4:30 until 7:30 p.m. Also, at that time, the Legion Auxiliary unit is having a bake sale. All auxiliary members are expected to donate 2 or 3 items for the sale. This will help build up our Gonvick Fund which is used for making donations toward Veterans' needs.

LeRoy Sundquist, Commander.

TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Greenwood Town board will meet September 15th 2021 at 7:00 pm at the town hall.

Sheila Horn, Clerk

Thank You

Thank you to this great Gonvick-Clearbrook community! Thanks to each of you who brought food, flowers, or goodies to my home, watered my flowers, got my mail, mowed my lawn, delivered groceries or took time to visit, text, send a card, or pray for me. Your thoughtfulness is overwhelming.

God's blessing on you. Love, Eileen

County Board..

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August 24 at step 1 in a Casual Status. She will work less than 1040 hours per year.

County Auditor Allen Paulson brought a motion to hire Amie Willborg as Assistant Assessor at Range 16 Step 2 effective August 16. This will be a part time position.

He asked for a motion to readvertise for a full time Assistant Assessor for the County, which the Board approved.

All Commissioners were present at the meeting: Mark Larson, Mark Titera, Dean Newland, John Nelson, and Neal Illies.

Rally Day at Elim September 12

The Elim Lutheran Church in Clearbrook will be holding a Rally Day Service on Sunday, September 12 at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Ron Erickson will be speaking. Lunch to follow and all are welcome.

Treasure hunt this weekend

The History Center in Shevlin Open This Weekend for Treasure Hunting

The History Center in Shevlin will be open Saturday September 11 from 10:00-2:00 and Sunday Sept. 12 1:00- 4:00

The Center has produced a “Treasure Hunt” booklet that will be provided to visitors on both days, to help visitors spot “treasures” in each of the historic buildings. Also several Gnomes! have taken up residence and visitors are charged with finding them and reporting their whereabouts.

Sunday is National Grandparents Day so visitors are encouraged to bring their grand parents with them and take a walk down memory lane.

Admission to the History Center is free; donations are gratefully accepted. Regular museum hours are Tuesday-Friday 10:00- 4:00 and by appointment.

Elim Mission notice

Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday, September 9th at 2:30 PM at Elim Church Clearbrook.

Kris Dahl will share devotions and Kathy Kjolhaug will give the meditation. September hostesses are

Marilyn Shamp, Carol Kleppe and Erma Carlson.

We invite any and all ladies who are interested to our monthly meetings which are the second Thursday of every month at 2:30 PM. The meetings consist of prayer for our missionaries and the needs of our church and community, devotions, music, missionary updates and a meditation. A business meetings is also held where we plan events and projects. Every month we support the work of Women's Ministries of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren, several missionary families and Clear Waters Life Center. We also give to Operation Child and Clearwater Food Shelf.

Report from the County Nursing Service

*As of 9-2-21: 962 confirmed cumulative cases. *Cases for Clearwater county and our surrounding counties are rising.

We have 45 active cases (Up 19 from last week) from 8-20 to 9-2-21 giving us a 14 day case rate of 51.08.

Age ranges for COVID cases from August 20, 2021 to September 2, 2021

0-19: 5
20-29: 16
40-59: 11
60-79: 11
80+ 2

2 hospitalized (that we are aware of). We are in the midst of the 4th wave which is predicted to spike at the end of September. Local ICU's are getting close to capacity and hospitals are full. This affects the care that is available in our area for anyone who needs healthcare services. We need

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Menu

Wed. Sept. 8 - Chef Choice. Thurs. Sept. 9 - Beef Goulash

Fri. Sept. 10 - Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans

Mon. Sept. 13 - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Baked Beans

Tues. Sept. 14 -Ham Pasta Salad

Wed. Sept. 15 - Sub Sandwich

Included with the meal: Vegetable, Bread, Milk, Dessert or Fruit.

Please register for meals at least the day before. Call 776-3154 to sign up.

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.

Calendar winners

Winners of August 2021 Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle have been announced.

August 8, 2021, Cecelia Arneson of Shevlin, MN won \$500.

August 9, 2021, Terry Lacey of Laporte, MN won \$100.

August 16, 2021, Terry Ricketts of Fosston, MN won \$100.

August 23, 2021, Steve Docuendorf of Cold Spring, MN won \$100.

August 30, 2021, Florence Danielson of Gonvick, MN won \$100.

Clearbrook Community Blood Drive Sept. 13

The regular Clearbrook Community Blood Drive drive will be held at the Wes Westrum Gym on Monday, September 13 from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m.

To sign up to donate blood, contact Janet at 218-776-3741.

Eligibility questions you can call 1-800-289-4923.

Masks required for all donors.

The event is sponsored by the Clearbrook American Legion Auxiliary.

to reduce the spread so that we do not overwhelm our local healthcare systems!!!!

The Delta variant continues to be the dominant strain of COVID circulating in Minnesota and it spreads twice as quickly. With the Alpha variant (which was the dominant strain prior to the Delta variant) one sick person would (on average) infect 3 others. One sick person with the Delta variant will (on average) infect 7 others.

This is not about politics this is a virus and we need to decrease the spread!

**Clearwater County has a high rate of transmission of COVID-19. Because of this masks are recommended indoors. CDC COVID Data Tracker

Schools:

Schools in our county are not requiring masks but they are recommended!! We urge you to have your child mask up and we urge staff at school to mask up and set an example for the students.

Masks are one of the tools that we have to decrease the spread. They are not perfect (nothing is) but they do decrease transmission of COVID 19. Please see this science brief from the CDC for more information and evidence regarding the benefit of wearing masks: Science Brief: Community Use of Cloth Masks to Control the Spread of SARS-CoV-2 | CDC

It is more important than ever that we employ every mitigation measure that we have to decrease the spread.

Vaccine:

Vaccination Rates: Nationwide- 72.5% of those 12 and up have received 1 dose and 61.7% have completed the series

92.2% of those 65 and up have received 1 dose and 81.9% have completed the series

Minnesota- 70.7 of those 12 and up have received 1 dose and 66.4% have completed the series

92.9% of those 65 and up have received 1 dose and 90.7% have completed the series

Clearwater County- 42.7% of those 12 and up have received 1 dose and 40.3% have completed the series

73.7% of those 65 and up have received 1 dose and 72.5% have completed the series.

Those that are not vaccinated include those that can't get vaccinated yet (children under 12). We need to protect them! It is more important than ever to get your vaccine. The more the virus spreads the more it has a chance to mutate and change. Getting more people vaccinated means a decrease in spread..... which means a decrease in mutation, which means further decrease of spread etc., etc. That is what needs to happen to end the pandemic!

We will have Pfizer and Moderna vaccines available next week-September 8th from 2-4 at the Clearwater County Nursing Service office-212 Main Ave N. Bagley, Mn.

You may call to make an appointment or you can just come. If that day does not work please call our office or your primary care provider to set up appointment to get vaccinated.

There is a lot of confusion regarding the Additional Doses of Vaccine.

There are 2 types of additional doses:

•3rd dose-after an initial primary vaccine series: administration of an additional vaccine dose when the initial immune response following a primary series is likely to be insufficient. We just received the updated protocols and plan to administer next week. If you are unsure if you are in this group please check with your doctor. These are currently being given for those who qualify.

•Booster dose: a dose of vaccine administered when the initial sufficient immune response to a primary series is likely to have waned over time. We expect to receive more details on this shortly. These are not being given as they are not fully approved.

At this time there are no additional doses for the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.

Clearwater County: Marissa Hetland RN/BSN/PHN, Director-Clearwater County Nursing Service

55+ Driver Discount Program Offered

The Minnesota Highway Safety Center will be offering 55+ Driver Discount Courses on the following days:

4 Hour Refresher Courses:8 Hour First Time Course:

September 20th, 2021 (Course #48783)

1 pm to 5 pm Clearbrook Community Center

200 Elm St SW Clearbrook, MN

Courses are also available online at www.driverdiscount-program.com

Sanford Bemidji & Bagley Medical Centers increasing visitor restrictions

BEMIDJI, Minn.–Due to the continued local increase of COVID-19 cases and hospital admissions with COVID-19, Sanford Bemidji Medical Center and Sanford Bagley Medical Center are increasing visitor restrictions.

Effective 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, Sanford Bemidji and Sanford Bagley hospitals will implement the following guidelines for all visitors.

•Only two visitors (per day). Patients must choose two people who will be allowed to visit the patient each day during established visiting hours.

•COVID-19 patients are not allowed visitors, unless noted in the exception list below.

Church News

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. Sept. 8 - 7:30 pm Prayer time.
Sun. Sept. 12 - 10:30 am Rally Day/Worship Service. Special Guest Speaker: Rev. Ron Erickson. Lunch will be served following the Worship Service.

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC Gonvick
Samhold Lutheran Church is having services every Sunday at 10:30am. Also, Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30am.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH 1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Nathan Nordlund
Youth Pastor Brad Binder
www.countryfaith.org 218-776-3367
office@countryfaith.org
Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept - May) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Jr Church during Sermon time) 7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth for all 7th-12th Graders (Most Sundays)
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
Check the website for up to date information. Sermons are streamed via Facebook & Youtube weekly.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Mustard Seed Homes: A recovery and aftercare residential program for adult men that provides support groups, vocational and life skills training, and steps to developing a healthy physical and spiritual life. Openings available. Visit our website for more information: www.mustardseedhomes.org

Youth Connection Open for registration for 3rd-5th grade, 6th-9th grade, and Leadership Edition 10-12th grade. No cost to participate. Programming will be Wednesdays from 2:30-5pm for 3rd-5th grade; Tuesdays from 3:30-5pm for 6th-9th grade. Register online! Programming starts September 28 & 29.

Acrylic Painting & Mixed Media 8 week art class instructed by Jay Jones. Capture life on paper or canvas. For beginners or experts, all ages welcome. Monday nights Sept 13 – Nov 1. Starts at 6:30pm, \$5 a night. All supplies will be provided. Held at CWLC in Gonvick.

Pottery & Mosaic Studios Skilled mentors available Mondays starting Sept 13, 10 AM -3 PM. All ages welcome. Cost \$5.00/day – supplies are provided. Located at CWLC in Gonvick.

Shop-at-the-Top: Hours are 10:00am to 4:00pm weekdays & 10:00am – 12:00pm Saturdays in Clearbrook.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: Hours are 10:00am to 4:00pm weekdays & 10:00am – 12:00pm Saturdays in Clearbrook.

Senior Connection Transportation Service: Clearwater County residents who are 60 & over. Rides scheduled Monday-Friday. 24 hour notice required. Call 218-888-2320 to schedule.

Adult Basic Education: Individualized classes Tuesdays 6:00-8:00pm and Wednesdays 12:30-3:00pm at CWLC in Clearbrook. GED, Accuplacer, Digital Literacy, Job Skills and more. Contact Sherry at 218-776-2789 or shjelle@nwservice.org.

CWLC Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave SW
CWLC Gonvick: 226 Elm St. Phone: 218-776-2789
Email: cwlc@gvtel.com

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•A mask must be worn at all times, covering the nose and mouth, including while in the patient's room. Surgical masks will be provided and are strongly recommended.

•Visitors over the age of five are allowed with an adult.

•Visiting hours are 8 a.m.—8 p.m.

•Visitors should limit time spent outside the patient's room and only use public restrooms.

Exceptions to this visitor policy update include:

•Pediatric hospital patients will be allowed two parent/guardian visitors per day.

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Church News

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook
Pastor Randy Reimer
Wed. Aug. 25, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Quilting
Every Thursday - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pastor Kris Snyder
8 miles North of Gonvick on County Rd 7
Sunday Church Services 9:00am

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd
Wed., Sept 8 - 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
Sat., Sept 11 - 10:30 a.m. Baby Showers for Ashley Boongaarden & Amanda Bodensteiner at Fireside Grill & Patio, Bagley.
Sun., Sept 12 - 9:00 a.m. Worship Service, Blessing of the Back packs, Confirmation, Coffee Hour 10:00am
Good Shepherd Office Hours: Mon-8 am to noon; Wed. 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm; Thurs-8 am to noon; Fri 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Our Savior's
Sun. Sept. 11 - 10:00am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship Service.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Sept. 8: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. LYS.
Sat, Sept. 11: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.
Sun, Sept. 12: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Worship, 9:15 a.m. SS. Nazareth: 9:45 Worship, 8:30 a.m. SS. Meal after service. Oak Park: 11:00 a.m. Worship, 9:45 a.m. SS. Meal after service.
Wed, Sept. 15: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. OP Ladies Aid.
Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Sept. 8: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Sept. 9: 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study.
Sun, Sept. 12: 9:00 a.m. Evangelist.
Tue, Sept. 14: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wed, Sept. 15: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Sept. 8: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA meeting.
Sun, Sept. 12: 9:00 a.m. Lund; 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
Wed, Sept. 15: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley Ladies Aid.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sundays: 10:00 a.m.
Services will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/bethelfosston) as an alternative to attending in person.

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BEAR TRACKS

Football: Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke at Clearbrook-Gonvick

Clearbrook, MN — In one of the most exciting opening season games you'll ever see, the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

All Meals are free for all students for the 21-22 school year.

Adults - \$4.15
Extra Entree - \$1.00 - \$1.50

Extra Milk - .35
Wed., Sept. 8 - Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Garlic Breadstick, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Thurs., Sept. 9 - Turkey Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Stuffing (9-12), Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices and Milk.

Fri. Sept. 10 - Cheese Pizza with Fixings, Corn on the Cob, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk

Mon., Sept. 13 - Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Dinner Roll, Applesauce and Milk.

Tues., Sept. 14 - Hot Dog on Bun, Tri Tater, Baked Beans, Oatmeal Bar (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices and Milk.

Wed., Sept. 15 - Ham Stromboli, Potato Smiles, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

defeated the Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke Chargers on Thursday night in 3 overtimes.

The game was a defensive battle for the majority of time with the score after one half of play only being 8-6, Clearbrook-Gonvick. The defensive theme continued in half number two. Clearbrook-Gonvick would convert on a 13 yard touchdown pass from Gerlofs to Cadreau but were unsuccessful on the 2-point conversion leaving a window for the Chargers down by only eight. The Bears would lead for the entire second half up until the run heavy offense of Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke converted on a 35 yard touchdown pass with only 56 seconds remaining and would also covert the 2-point conversion.

The game would proceed into overtime with the Chargers scoring on their very first play and the Bears on their second play. Neither team was successful on their 2-point tries.

In overtime number two, both teams had opening plays that put them behind the eight ball. Clearbrook-Gonvick getting stuffed on a run gaining no yards at Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke botching a snap and losing two yards. Overtime number two would end with the score at 20-20.

In overtime number three. The Chargers would use all four of their opportunities only to be stopped short of the goal line on fourth down and four. Possession would go back to

Clearbrook-Gonvick and Senior Running Back, Aiden Churness, capped his impressive night with the game winning touchdown run giving the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears the 26-20 victory.

The Bears win their first game of the season and will be 1-0 going into their game at the Nevis Tigers next Friday. The Chargers start their year 0-1 and will play the BGMR Gators in week 2.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Stats

Aiden Churness 108 rush yds 2 TD's 55 rec. yards 163 All Purpose Yards

Kyle Gerlofs 6-15 100 pass yds TD INT
Lane Cadreau 2 rec 29 yds TD

Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke Stats

Andrew Loken 90 rush yds 2 TD

Blake Rychlock 6-11 74 pass yds TD

Matt Busse 4 rec 49 yds TD

-Courtesy of R&J Broadcasting

SPORTS SCHEDULES FOR CLEARBROOK-GONVICK

Cross Country Schedule
Sept 9 - Roseau 4 PM
Sept 16 - Ada 4 PM
Sept. 21 - Bagley 4:30 PM
Sept. 30 - East Grand Forks 4 PM
Oct 7 - Warren 4 PM
Oct 7 - Warren 4 PM
Volleyball
Sept. 13th JV tourney @ Fosston
Sept. 14th @ GGG TBA 4:45/6/7:30pm
Sept. 16th vs. RLF (C/JV/Varsity) (Parents Night) 5/6/7:30pm
Sept. 18th Varsity Tourney @

WAO9 am
Jr. High Tourney @ Bagley 9am
Sept. 20th @ Mah/Waub (C/JV/Varsity) 5/6/7:30pm
Sept. 21st Jr. High vs. RLCC TBA

Sept. 23rd @ LOW (C/JV/Varsity) 4:30/5:30/7:00pm
Sept. 25th Varsity Tourney @ Crook 9am

Sept. 28th vs. PR-B (C/JV/Varsity) (Senior Night) 5/6/7:30pm
Sept. 30th @ Cass Lake-Bena 5/6/7:30pm

Oct. 5th @ Nevis 5/6/7:30pm
Oct. 7th vs. RLCC (C/JV/Varsity) (Homecoming Game) 5/6/7:30pm
Oct. 11th- C-team@Fosston 4:30/5:30pm
Oct. 12th @ Walker, 5/6/7:30pm
Oct. 14th Jr. High @ RLCC-Oklee 4:30/5:30pm

Oct. 18th @ Laporte (JV/Varsity) 6/7:30pm

Oct. 28th Playoffs (Play In Game)
Oct. 29th Playoffs (Quarter Final)
Nov. 1st Playoffs (Semi-finals)
Nov. 5th Playoffs (Section Final)
Nov 11-13th State Volleyball Tourney

Football
Sept. 10th @ Nevis (V) 7pm
Sept. 17th@ Cass Lake-Bena (V) 7pm
Sept. 20th JV Football vs Warren-Alvarado-Oslo (home game 4:30pm)
Sept. 23 Jr. High @ Bagley 4:30/5:30pm
Sept. 24th vs. Laporte (V) 7pm
Sept. 27th Jr. High vs. Laporte
Oct. 1st @ Fertile-Beltrami (V) 7pm

Oct. 4th Jr. High @ Blackduck
Oct. 8th vs. Blackduck (V) 7pm

Oct. 11th vs. NCE-UH (Jr. High/JV) 5pm
Oct. 15th @ NCE-UH (V) 7pm
Oct. 20th vs. Park Christian (V) 7pm

Oct. 26th Playoffs (QF)

TBA
Oct. 30th Playoffs (SF)

TBA
Nov. 4th Playoffs (Section Final)
Nov. 11-13th State QF TBA
Nov. 18-20th State SF TBA
Nov 26-27th Prep Bowl TBA



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Bear Creek - Total 1
09/04/21 13:08 Assist Other Agency - Handled By Officer / Deputy
City of Bagley - Total 29
08/29/21 13:10 Fire - Fire Control or Extinguishment
08/29/21 13:22 Disturbance
08/29/21 16:22 Disorderly
08/29/21 17:07 Disorderly
08/29/21 21:40 Medical - Patient Treated, Released
08/30/21 08:35 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
08/30/21 09:24 Vehicle Lock Out
08/30/21 10:11 Information Only
08/31/21 02:10 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
08/31/21 22:36 Information Only
09/01/21 09:02 Welfare Check - Arrest
09/01/21 09:16 Information Only
09/01/21 11:46 Information Only
O - Handled By Officer / Deputy
09/01/21 16:31 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/02/21 13:11 Transport
09/02/21 15:27 Disturbance
09/02/21 23:02 Medical
09/02/21 23:45 Alarm
09/03/21 00:53 Suspicious Activity
09/03/21 08:38 Transport
09/03/21 10:14 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/03/21 10:21 Information Only
09/03/21 10:27 Information Only
09/03/21 11:46 Transport - Patient Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
09/03/21 13:27 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/03/21 14:33 ASSIST
09/03/21 21:22 Traffic Stop
09/04/21 09:11 Medical
09/04/21 15:26 Transport - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
City of Clearbrook - Total 9
08/29/21 08:22 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
08/29/21 17:55 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
08/31/21 09:35 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/01/21 18:57 Suspicious Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
09/02/21 22:04 Trespass
09/03/21 13:33 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/03/21 14:52 Medical - Patient

Treated, Transported by EMS
09/04/21 10:13 Welfare Check
09/04/21 14:13 THEFT
City of Shevlin - Total 2
08/31/21 07:47 Trespass
09/02/21 22:16 911 Hang Up
Copley - Total 5
08/29/21 04:03 Traffic Stop
08/30/21 21:59 Disturbance
08/31/21 11:50 THEFT
08/31/21 19:10 Harassment
09/04/21 17:33 911 Hang Up
Dudley - Total 2
08/31/21 09:52 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
09/03/21 19:30 THEFT
Eddy - Total 2
08/29/21 06:17 Motorist Assist
09/01/21 18:07 Traffic Stop
Falk - Total 3
08/31/21 08:24 Disturbance
09/01/21 19:27 Juvenile Misc
09/02/21 00:03 Attempt To Locate
Greenwood - Total 1
08/30/21 22:19 Motor Vehicle Crash - Information
Holst - Total 1
08/30/21 11:57 Traffic Stop
Itasca State Park - Total 2
08/29/21 14:10 Medical - Patient Treated, Transferred Care
09/04/21 21:15 911 Hang Up
LaPrairie - Total 2
08/31/21 09:40 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
09/03/21 11:32 THEFT
LaPrairie N - Total 10
08/30/21 01:13 Medical - Patient Treated, Released
08/30/21 16:06 Medical
08/31/21 01:22 Noise Complaint
08/31/21 04:44 Information Only
08/31/21 05:14 Information Only
08/31/21 06:21 Disturbance - Arrest
08/31/21 09:08 Suspicious Activity - Report Taken
09/01/21 21:17 Domestic
09/01/21 21:19 Suspicious Activity
09/04/21 21:04 911 Hang Up
Leon - Total 5
08/31/21 11:11 Boat and Water
09/03/21 05:31 911 Hang Up
09/03/21 19:46 Medical
09/04/21 03:30 Suspicious Activity
09/04/21 17:00 911 Hang Up
Minerva - Total 3
08/31/21 03:08 Welfare Check
08/31/21 22:45 Suspicious Activity
09/03/21 22:27 Information Only
Nora - Total 3
08/30/21 03:52 Suspicious Activity - Unit Cancelled Enroute
08/30/21 10:58 ATV Complaint
14 - Gone On Arrival (GOA)/
09/04/21 13:21 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Pine Lake - Total 5
08/29/21 13:45 911 Hang Up
08/29/21 19:33 Civil Complaint
08/30/21 03:58 Animal Related
08/30/21 04:40 Animal Related by Phone
08/31/21 10:37 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Poppo - Total 3
08/30/21 15:20 Transport
08/31/21 21:51 Welfare Check
09/01/21 22:32 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
Rice - Total 4
08/29/21 12:15 911 Hang Up
08/30/21 12:56 Animal Related
14 - Gone On Arrival
09/01/21 11:26 Traffic Complaint
- Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)
09/01/21 15:55 Information Only
Shevlin - Total 9
08/29/21 10:10 Civil Complaint
08/29/21 12:53 Suspicious Activity
08/30/21 15:18 911 Hang Up
08/31/21 10:23 Suspicious Activity
09/01/21 23:36 Transport
09/02/21 11:08 THEFT
09/02/21 11:32 THEFT
09/02/21 15:20 Burglary - Handled By Officer / Deputy
09/03/21 18:50 Traffic Complaint
Sinclair - Total 1
09/04/21 16:54 911 Hang Up
Total Records: 102

Sanford...

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•Special Care Nursery visitors need to be accompanied by a visitor with an identification bracelet. Children ages 5-17 are allowed to visit but are limited to a 15-minute time frame.

•End-of-life patient visitors will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

•End-of-life COVID-19 patient visitors will be determined and coordinated through the patients' care team.

All visitors must be screened for symptoms of COVID-19 upon entry to the facility in accordance with current CDC and Minnesota Department of Health guidelines.

Anyone who is not feeling well, has recently had a known exposure to someone confirmed to have COVID-19, has a pending COVID-19 test or has been confirmed to have COVID-19 within the last 14 days, should not visit anyone in a hospital.

Sanford COVID-19 helpline

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or a recent known exposure, please call your regular health care provider or the My Sanford Nurse line, (701) 234-5000—do not come in-person to the clinic in order to protect staff and other patients.

A known exposure is defined as being within six feet of someone who is confirmed to have COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more without wearing a mask.

COVID-19 symptoms include fever of 100.4 F, chills, sore throat or cough, new onset of shortness of breath, new onset of loss of taste and smell, new onset of muscle pain, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, new headache or excessive fatigue or congestion or runny nose.

For more information regarding COVID-19 and care with Sanford Health, go to www.sanfordhealth.org.

THE LEADER-RECORD 3

Letter to the Editor

Pipeline protesters during their events in St. Paul last week.

I'll admit, things started out peaceful and compelling. These groups obtained permits, erected teepees, and held peaceful protests on the capitol lawn for a number of days.

Then things soured as quickly as they began.

When their permits expired, and they were asked to depart due to another event that was scheduled to be held at the capitol, pipeline opponents refused to leave. They got aggressive, and claimed they were holding a peaceful ceremony (without valid permits). So, police were forced to act.

These opposition groups clearly knew they needed permits as they knew enough to get them in the first place. So why did they get upset with first responders did their jobs and cleared the space for the next group? I guess it should come as no surprise as they often turn their ire to police when they don't get their way.

Once removed from the capitol, these protesters were even more enraged and emboldened and chose to continue their defiance to the nearly completed Line 3 pipeline project by heading to the Governor's mansion.

There, protesters swarmed the residence, locked themselves to the gate, and caused a ruckus. This is where our state's highest office holder lives. Now, it's one thing to be upset at the governor and share your displeasure with his actions or policies. But to have hundreds of angry, disgruntled protesters come so aggressively at the home of our state's governor is completely unacceptable.

The time to challenge and stop the Line 3 pipeline project is over. And it is time for this chaos to end.

Shane Teigland
Bemidji Sports Centre
Bemidji, MN

Letter to the Editor

9/1/2021
Minnesota GI Bill
Many Veterans know about the Montgomery GI bill or the Post 9/11 GI bill, but few know about the Minnesota GI bill. The Minnesota GI bill is administered by the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs (MDVA) unlike the other GI bills administered by the federal VA. The Minnesota GI bill is less strict and rigid on who is qualified to use it. For example, any Minnesota Veteran under the age of 62 who honorably

served during any era, in any branch may apply. The age requirement does not apply if you are trying to receive a license or certification. In addition National Guard and Reserve members with 5 years of service may also apply. Lastly, some spouses and dependent children may use it as well. The Minnesota GI bill provides Veterans, service members and eligible dependents a \$10,000 lifetime benefit for education, license, certifications or employment training. That \$10,000 cannot be used all at once and the state limits it to \$3,000 per state fiscal year for education, license and certifications. The limit is \$5,000 if you are using it for employment training per year. You can learn more about this benefit by contacting MDVA directly by calling 218-755-2230 or calling your local Veteran Service Office.

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Tom Fernlund

The American Legion Department of Minnesota
Afghanistan veterans made the Middle East
and the world a safer place
Opinion piece attributable to Department Commander Tom Fernlund

Aug. 18, 2021
Dear Afghanistan veterans of Minnesota,

The American Legion Department of Minnesota respects the sacrifices made by our Afghanistan veterans and salutes you for your service in an unconventional warzone over the course of 20 years.

You prevented another 9/11. You brought justice to a lawless land. You gave hope to people who had none. Your service mattered.

We have the same concerns

you do for the people of Afghanistan as we watch the tragic withdrawal of American forces and the loss of a democracy to an authoritarian regime.

Will the Taliban's track record of brutality and murder return? Will girls be denied education? Will women be shut-ins in their own homes? Will free speech be censored? Will liberty and the pursuit of happiness be dashed?

Like you, we do not understand why America is willing to leave troops in some former war-torn nations — Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Iraq, Kuwait and even a small contingency near oil fields in Syria — but not Afghanistan.

What's more, America has troops in other Middle East nations, such as Kazakhstan, Turkey and Bahrain, so it is puzzling why Afghanistan is singled out for abandonment after two decades of commitment by our government.

How would Korean War veterans feel if, next month, America turned the Korean Peninsula over to Communists? How would Iraq War veterans feel if Baghdad was turned over to ISIS? What if we left Eastern Europe and Turkey to Russia? Taiwan to Red China? We cannot discern the economic, political or humanitarian motivation for leaving Afghanistan all of a sudden and allowing a callous enemy to take over.

Veterans of past eras stand with the views of our War in Afghanistan veterans, many of whom lost buddies in combat, and we are glad to see you speak out in news stories nationwide. Tell your stories.

We, too, fail to understand why the withdrawal was not more organized and cautious, with Afghan troops properly fed, paid and led, to ensure the lasting stability of the Afghan government.

At home, the situation surely illustrates the importance of a strong U.S. military for the sake of maintaining American rights. We are reminded again that freedom isn't free.

We, the veterans of The American Legion, want you, the veterans of the 20-year War in Afghanistan, to know we stand by you. Your courage and selflessness made that country, the Middle East and the world a safer place. We salute you, heroes of the United States of America.

For God and Country,
Tom Fernlund is the Commander of The American Legion Department of Minnesota.

Letter to the Editor

I was surprised – or maybe not too surprised - to see a recent article in the New York Times featuring Winona LaDuke from Honor the Earth saying some pretty harsh things about the Line 3 pipeline and the people and organizations supporting the project.

Winona and her fellow pipeline protesters believe they should be listened to, and their voices should be heard. But they also must listen to others. Because at the end of the day, this pipeline is under construction, is now more than 80 percent complete, and is going to be completed.

While it is understandable that Winona is frustrated by the continued construction on the pipeline, dismissing supporters of the Line 3 pipeline project ignores the reality that people understand and support the project for the right reasons. This pipeline has met and exceeded all requirements and hurdles placed in front of it and is a good project across the board.

Winona talks about common sense, but in reality, Winona is the LAST person who should be making any common-sense claims. Common sense here means replacing a 60-year-old pipeline that is hazardous if not replaced. And common sense most certainly is not reckless, violent protests.

Just because she is featured in the New York Times does not validate her claims or those of her fellow protesters. Line 3 is here to stay.

Niki Cole
Strand's Store
Leonard, MN

Letter to the Editor

Recently the local Bagley paper shared an article titled "Vaccine Resistance" that contained much misinformation. It starts in paragraph seven with the statement "some people have died within 48 hours of taking the vaccine; some within 72 hours. Some who died were seemingly healthy before they took the vaccine". There is no reference to where this information was obtained. Death following vaccination is required by the FDA to be reported to VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System) even if vaccine may not have been the cause. CDC does the tracking through VAERS reporting. CDC reviews every death and every VAERS report deemed serious. When investigating a reported death, clinical information, including death certificates, autopsy, and medical records are reviewed. As of 8/20/21, the United States has reported 5998 deaths to VAERS (1.23% - percentage of all VAERS Reports that are deaths only) and MN has reported 224 deaths VAERS (2.35% - percentage of all VAERS Reports that are deaths only) following COVID-19 vaccination. None have been determined to be caused by vaccination. (MDH 9/2/2021)

The article goes on to reference statements made by Dr. Scott Jensen who is running for governor and recently spoke in Bagley. Many inaccuracies regarding COVID were shared throughout this article. Please research the validity of information you read or hear before believing everything. Information needs to be obtained from reliable sources. Dr. Jensen is being investigated by the Board of Medical Practices for his inaccurate comments regarding COVID-19. Reference this link: <https://kstp.com/minnesota-news/minnesota-physician-lawmaker-under-investigation-by-board-of-medical-practices-/5784332/>

The article goes on to state that a local Doctor that had COVID believes that the vaccine is not worth the risk. Who is that doctor? 96% of Doctors in the United States are vaccinated. This is according to the American Medical Association (AMA). These same medical professionals are risking their and their family's lives daily as they deal with the constant cases of COVID (mostly unvaccinated individuals) with new variants occurring due to the continuing transmissions.

There is mention of skewed statistics "Since the COVID outbreak, the people dying from heart disease and cancer nearly disappeared; instead most of them died of COVID! Does this mean COVID brought an end to heart disease and cancer?". The reason the deaths from heart disease and cancer are less is because they died from COVID before they succumbed to heart disease or cancer. These populations are especially at risk for severe complications from COVID.

Misinformation is extremely dangerous and it is prolonging this pandemic.

Thanks and take care,
Marissa Hetland RN/PHN
Director-Clearwater County Nursing Service
Administrator-North County Community Health Services
212 Main Ave N Bagley,

Wasteful Squad Comes to Make Spectacle of Line 3

With the Line 3 Project 90% complete and our area of the state already seeing the benefits, it's sad that the 5 members of the wasteful Squad, and a few other metro liberals, choose to make a grandstanding political circus in our state.

The reality is Line 3 has been studied for years, its construction was ordered by the Obama Administration to replace an aging pipeline, and, like it or not, fossil fuels are an absolute necessity for our modern world to function right now. This project has brought billions in private investment to our state and needed jobs to our area.

Pipelines are hands down the safest way to move oil to market and far superior to overweight trains traveling through populous areas.

Fortunately, this wasteful grandstanding will do nothing. Line 3 has huge bipartisan support and will start to safely and efficiently move oil to market as soon as this year.

I hope the wasteful congresswomen have safe travels in their diesel powered busses and jet-fuel planes – the fossil fuels they are here to protest – but we simply do not need this

spectacle and we do not need them telling Minnesotans how to work and live.

The lies being told by the Squad about Line 3 are so blatant and dishonest, they are being called out by their fellow Democrats.

The recent letter from the Squad and dozens of other top Democrats was filled with countless lies about Line 3.

Read the devastating take-down of their misinformation by the Walz administration:

"false or misleading information"

"simply wrong"

"incorrectly assert"

"your implication...is false"

Just some of the statements that the Walz administration used to refute the lies being spread by The Squad and other Minnesota Democrats.

Please Stay in Touch

Please continue to stay in touch to share your thoughts or concerns. My phone number is 651-296-4265 or you can email me at rep.matt.grossell@house.mn.

Have a great Labor Day Weekend and God Bless!

Matt

Six Arrested in Aitkin County



On Thursday, August 26th at approximately 5:45 am, Aitkin County Sheriff's Office was notified of a group of protesters at the Swatara Pump Station. Preliminary information received is that there was a person suspected in a tripod device with several people locked down to the device.

Upon arrival, law enforcement personnel were advised that the protesters had been asked to leave and refused to do so. They were advised that they were trespassing on private property and they still refused to leave.

Additional law enforcement units were summoned along with a bucket truck and extrication teams.

The tripod structure had three levels. At the base, four people were secured to the structure. On the middle level, two additional people were secured to a device that was part of the structure. Medics were on scene to address the well-being of the protesters and law enforcement.

The four people at the base

were advised they were under arrest. They refused to release themselves from locking mechanisms that secured them to the structure and each other. They were freed from the structure by the use of cutting tools. The arrested parties would scream that they were being injured. This would set off the people in the street who would then scream at law enforcement. No force was used against these individuals.

Sheriff Guida had requested a bucket truck to come to the scene to aid in safely removing the people elevated on the structure. Once law enforcement got up to the last two persons in the structure, approximately 20 feet up, they refused the offer to climb down on their own. The two actively refused to follow commands while they were being rescued from that height.

Law enforcement professionals were able to get the two unsecured and placed in the bucket truck and lowered to safety. They were arrested.

Rain allows for easing of some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota

With cautious optimism, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is adjusting some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota due to improved field conditions. While a large portion of the state remains in drought conditions, recent rain events have decreased, though not eliminated, wildfire risk in northern and central Minnesota.

Beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3, this new direction replaces this season's previous DNR restrictions on burning, dispersed and backcountry camping, and mechanized activities with new burning restrictions that are more limited in both scope and geographic extent.

The new Class III restrictions affect the eastern portion of Roseau County and all of Beltrami, Becker, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Ottertail, St. Louis, and Wadena counties. These restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Under these restrictions:

•No campfires are allowed for dispersed, remote, or back-

country camping on all state, county, or private lands. Camping stoves are permitted.

•Attended campfires in established fire rings associated with a home, cabin, campground, or resort are allowed.

•No fireworks may be ignited on any public or private land outside city limits. People should check with their local community for any additional restrictions.

•Open burning permits are restricted.

•Areas of Closure for state lands on the Gunflint Trail and around the Greenwood Fire remain in place and are not affected by the updated burning restrictions.

State-mandated burning restrictions are being lifted in all or part of 19 counties, and restrictions are being reduced in all or part of 16 additional counties. These changes reflect reduced wildfire risks overall, while also recognizing that wildfire danger remains high in much of north and central

Restrictions ...

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Wednesday, September 8, 2021

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Watch for wild ricers when new early teal season opens

Minnesota waterfowl hunters will have a new opportunity to hunt teal during an experimental early season from Saturday, Sept. 4, through Wednesday, Sept. 8.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters to follow all applicable laws, including not hunting in areas that are posted closed. Hunters should also be aware that there may be tribal restrictions on hunting wild rice lakes within the boundaries of the White Earth and Leech Lake reservations.

Shooting hours will be from sunrise to sunset. Hunters may

harvest six birds per day in any combination of blue- and green-winged teal.

“Since wild rice season is open at the same time, teal hunters will need to be aware of and cautious about wild ricers,” said Steve Cordts, DNR waterfowl specialist. “A safety mindset and mutual courtesy will allow for successful early teal hunting and wild ricing. With this year’s drought conditions, scouting ahead to ensure access to desired areas is critical for both teal hunters and ricers.”

The early teal season is experimental for up to three years. Observers will be documenting

what species hunters target and shoot so DNR biologists can evaluate that data each year.

“Future seasons are contingent on hunters’ abilities to hunt safely and accurately target only the species of allowed teal,” Cordts said. “With others on the water at the same time, hunters must know with certainty what’s beyond their blinds and decoys before shooting.”

Information to help hunters properly identify waterfowl is available in an illustrated guide contained in the 2021 Minnesota Waterfowl Hunting Regulations. Complete regulations and the illustrated guide also are available in Hmong, Karen, Somali and Spanish.

Access to complete information on Minnesota’s waterfowl hunting seasons is available from the DNR’s waterfowl hunting web portal.

Local Students Graduate from Bemidji State University

BE MIDJ I, Minn. (September 3, 2021) - Local students earned degrees from Bemidji State University in Bemidji, Minn., during the 2020-2021 school year.

Bemidji State University, located amid the lakes and forests of northern Minnesota, occupies a wooded campus along the shore of Lake Bemidji. Enrolling around 5,000 students, Bemidji State offers 70 undergraduate areas of study and eight graduate degrees encompassing arts, sciences and select pre-professional programs.

Clearbrook, Spencer Reed, a bachelor of science in exercise science

Gonvick, Rachel Spray, a bachelor of science in elementary teacher education and a bachelor of science in mathematics education

Christopher Wistedt, a bachelor of science in computer information systems (cis)

Leonard, Cami Johnson, an associate of arts in liberal education

Energy assistance alert - 2021

After September 15th, 2021, the Clearwater County Department of Human Services will no longer be administering the Energy Assistance Program. EFFECTIVE October 1st, 2021, residents of Clearwater County will have their Energy Assistance administered by Inter-County Community Council.

For questions, please contact Inter-County Community Council

Inter-County Community Council
P.O. Box 189 Oklee, MN 56742-0189
218-796-5144 or Toll Free 888-778-4008

Restrictions ...

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Minnesota. Continued vigilance is needed to protect the life and property of Minnesotans.

According to DNR acting Wildfire Prevention Supervisor, Allissa Reynolds, the rain, cooler temps and higher humidity have helped reduce wildfire risk. However, Reynolds cautions, “While it is prudent to make these changes now, we are not fully out of danger. It’s important for people to continue to follow the restrictions that remain in place, and to understand that we will expand restrictions again if conditions indicate this is necessary.”

Forrest Boe, Director of DNR’s Forestry Division, thanks Minnesotans for their continued vigilance, noting “DNR deeply appreciates all of the support from Minnesotans over this long and difficult wildfire season. Everyone’s efforts to follow wildfire-related restrictions and stay safe have made a difference! We all need to remain wildfire-aware and safety-focused this holiday weekend and into the fall.”

The updated state restrictions were developed in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service and are consistent with restrictions for the Superior National Forest, including the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. As noted above, the DNR’s restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Tribal governments may have their own restrictions in place.

The DNR wildland fire information webpage includes information on all restrictions and a list of affected state forests and parks



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

20 years have passed since the September 11 terrorist attacks in 2001. A whole generation of students were not even around that day. Islamic extremist group al Qaeda hijacked four airplanes and carried out suicide attacks against the United States. Two of the planes were flown into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, a third plane hit the Pentagon just outside Washington, D.C., and the fourth plane crashed in a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Almost 3,000 people were killed during the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We will pause to remember that day on Saturday, September 11, 2021, 20 years later.

If you don't think that your vote counts. Look what happened at the Brooklyn Park Mayor race. Brooklyn Park Mayor Lisa Jacobson took the oath of office on Monday, August 30, 2021 at city hall. She won the August 10, 2021 special election when she received 3,416 votes to her opponent Hollies Winston's 3,414.

The Gonvick Legion will be serving their monthly wall-eye fish on Saturday, August 11. They will be serving from 4:30 to 7:30 just this one time. They will also be having a bake sale this month.

Steins Fall Show and Trail Ride is set for Saturday, September 25 at their place 20 miles north west of Bemidji

near Debs at Stein's Farm. Events start at 9:30 am with lead line pleasure, walk/trot (12 and under), walk/trot (40 and over), Western Pleasure (Open), Lead Line Egg and Spoon, Egg and Spoon (Open), Jr. Pole Weaving and Sr. Pole Weaving. Potuck lunch and then the other events including keyhole, barrels, Jumping figure 8, Beer ride, Trail Ride Challenge and surprise event. Then a pot luck supper will be held.

The trial ride will be on Sunday at 10 a, Campers are welcome.

Winner of the Ruger 308 Hard Times Bash raffle that was held in Leonard was Jon Anderson!

Simple Charm Gift Shop is now open 2.2 miles south of Gonvick on County Road 7. Many unique gift items. They are open Monday through Saturday from 9 to 5 each day.

Joke Time...

Ingvald and Agnes had been to a dance at Norway Hall in Detroit Lakes and were walking home together.

Feeling romantic, Ingvald whispered in his girlfriend's ear, "You're beautiful."

Agnes laughed and told him, "Oh, you'd say dat even if you didn't tink so."

"Den ve're even," he said, "because you'd tink dat even if I didn't say so."

Home Country

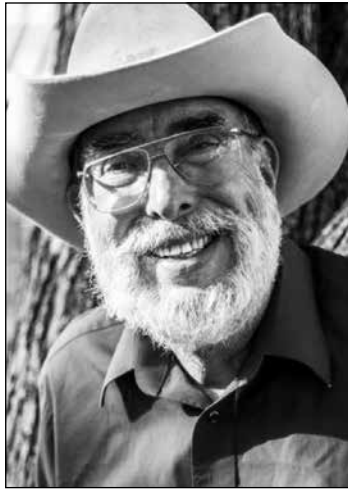
By Slim Randles

Sweet transition from the heat, from the work, from the hard, rough edges of life. On we go now to autumn, to black, lacy leaves and twigs standing out against an orange sky. The mornings now have that coolness, that chill that tells us we once again have made it through the heat and toil and can sit back now and then and reflect on things.

We can think now of family, of children growing and learning. We can think of loved ones growing old and feeble, but even more beloved as we realize what treasures they are to us.

We can think back on childhood memories of lazy mornings in church, when the droning kept us in constant danger of sleep, of the smell of coffee, of the taste of purloined doughnuts and the sweet frosting on them.

We can think back to the fires of spring, when we found that love is not only terrible,



but terribly exciting, too. We can reflect on moments so sacred they live only within our souls and are never expressed, because no one is good enough to put the right words to them.

We look at red barns and horses starting to shag up for winter. We think of the woods, and the deer, and the creeks running pure clear and cold with fish and quiet. The evenings now, the quiet fall evenings when we see the first star come out right over the town where it has always been and we once again ask ourselves if it has always been this way and do we make a difference, or is this simply a chance for our souls to slide through a beautiful time known as life.

We settle down now to an earlier bed time, to a later getting up time, to savoring the heat of the morning coffee as well as the smell and the taste. We look around, now that the fever of summer work has abated, and we notice people and pets and neighbors that are precious to us, and we give a little smile and nod, which means, "I love you, too."

Brought to you by The Fly Fisherman's Bucket List, published by Rio Grande books and written by Slim Randles, who had fun researching it.

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Important Changes for the Clearwater County Energy Assistance Program

Beginning October 1st, 2021, Inter-County Community Council (ICCC) will be the new Energy Assistance Program Provider for Clearwater County Residents.



Inter-County Community Council Energy Assistance Program

Funded by Minnesota Department of Commerce and by US Department of Health and Human Services

The Minnesota Energy Assistance Program helps income-qualified households pay for their home heating costs.

Grants range from \$200.00 to \$1,400.00, based on household size, income, and fuel costs.

Income eligibility is based on a household's gross income received in the 3 months prior to the month of application.

Additional funds are available to help pay a past due bill, get an emergency fuel delivery, or help homeowners repair or replace a non-functioning heating system.

If you are a resident of Clearwater County, East Polk County, Pennington County, or Red Lake County, contact the Inter-County Community Council (ICCC) to request and submit an application.

October 1, 2021 – May 31, 2021

3-Month Income Guidelines:

Household Size	Income
1	\$8,809
2	\$11,520
3	\$14,230
4	\$16,941
5	\$19,651
6	\$22,362

For Application and Program Information, Contact:

Inter-County Community Council
PO Box 189
Oklee, MN 56742-0189
Phone: 1-888-778-4008 ext. 4
Fax: 1-833-792-1046
Email: eap@intercountyycc.org
Website: www.intercountyycc.org

Applications can also be dropped off at ICCC's Headstart Center located at: 15 Clearwater Ave NW, Bagley, MN.

For application assistance, contact ICCC to schedule an appointment.

Inter-County Community Council is looking forward to serving the residents of Clearwater County!

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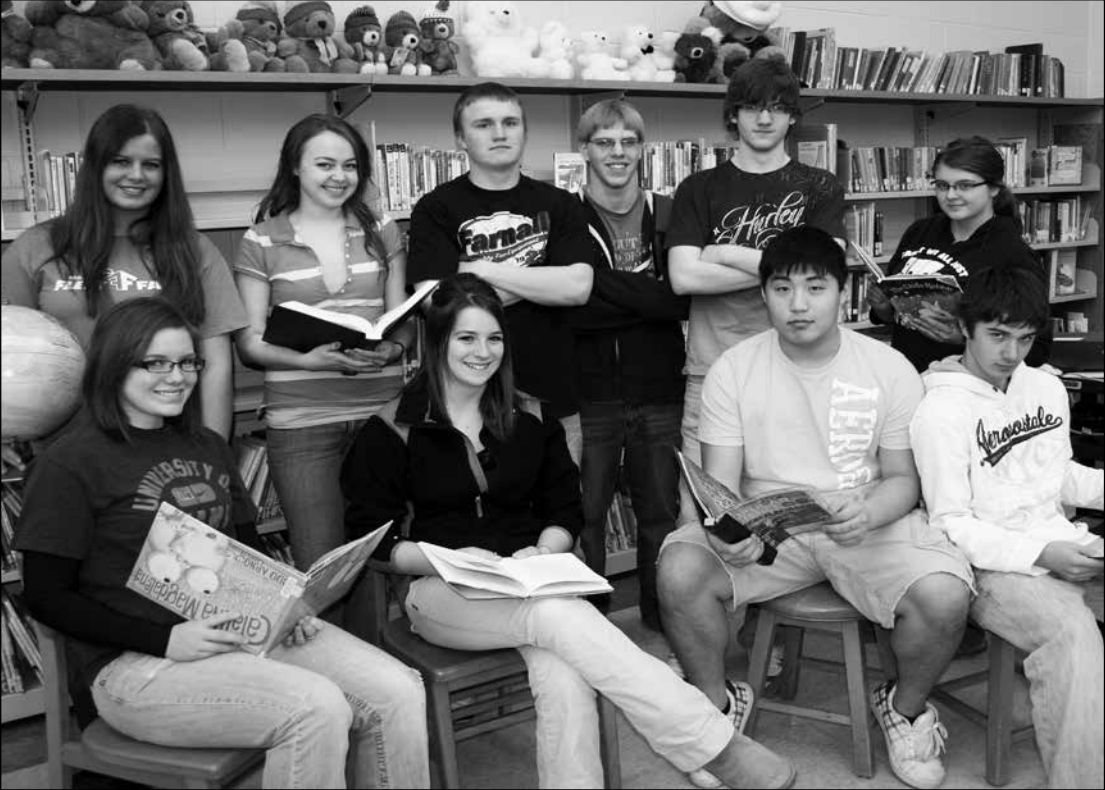
FROM THE PAST - 2010



Gonvick Centennial committee candidates and their sponsors. Ladies from left to right: Darlene Sawyer, Eva Lee Janssen, Dianne Godtland, Marilyn Erie, Eleanor Sundquist, Barb Brooks, Louise Sundquist and Jeanette Hetland. Back row: John Brooks Jr., LeRoy Sundquist, Dean Godtland, Harvey Erie, Norman Rude, Dick Richards, Richard Sather, Richard Vinje and Dennis Johnson.



Trail History book Committee for the Centennial included front row: Doris Evje, John Simonis and Helen Sordahl. Standing: Vivian Rikje, Pat Finseth, Eva Lee Janssen and Patsy Anderson.



Senior High Knowledge Bowl participants were Back row: Kayla Nyegaard, Kristyn Nelson, David Larson, Chris Vinson, Micah Farenik, Christy Torgerson. Front row: Samantha Johnson, Hilliary Bodenstener, Jackson Lindom and Chase Cornell.

Senior Center
Reopens for in-
person dining and
fellowship once
again!

By Karen Edelbach

The Bagley Senior Center officially re-opened for in-person dining on Monday, August 30th. Doug Halverson has the distinction of being the first member of the community to come in to dine on Monday, in addition to the staff. Everyone seemed very happy to be able to fellowship together again and enjoy a good meal. The Center has been closed for most of the past year for indoor dining.

Kay Peterson, Manager of the Center says people should call the previous day to reserve a meal. Curbside pick up is still available as well. Meals are available for inside dining or curbside pick up Mondays through Thursdays. Call 694-6873 for your reservation.

Both the Thrift and Craft rooms are also open from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Crystal Schmitz, Clayton Knutson, Doug Halverson, Joanne Steinel, Janice Foss, Kay Peterson, Bonnie Trucke, and Shirley Shereck gather at the Senior Center for lunch on Wednesday. The Center has reopened for in-person dining.



The Clearbrook High School class of 1954 met at the K&K restaurant in Clearbrook on August 17th, 2021, with 7 classmates plus 3 spouses in attendance.

Top Row: Darlene and Duane Johnson, Leonard; Donna (Knutson) Vig, Fosston.; Rodney Hanson, Clearbrook; Pat Kilstaduis, wife of Eugene Kihlstedius, Bagley. Eugene was not able to be with us because of medical issues; Shirley (Johnson-Beckstrand) with husband Duane Falardeau, Grand Rapids MN. Bottom Row:

Voni (Emmel) Johnson, Clearbrook; Bonnie Olson, Chicago, IL. Christine (Brendalen) Strande, Bemidji.

Bonnie does not get to Clearbrook very often, and her trip was short and unexpected so we gathered quickly. Thanks to Wayne who was able to arrange this on such short notice. Thanks to all who attended. And Thank You K&K and your wonderful staff. We were treated like royalty.

Eveleth Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich
says opponents need to accept Minnesota
supreme court decision

Eveleth Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich today called on groups opposed to the Line 3 Replacement project to finally stop protests that continue to stretch public safety resources and cost taxpayers. Vlasisavljevich's call comes after a recent decision by the Minnesota Supreme Court to not review permits issued by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission. The court's decision ends any legal challenges in Minnesota for the project that is now almost 90 percent complete.

Threats of violence during planned protest events organized by groups opposed to Line 3 forced public safety officials to spend thousands of taxpayer dollars to re-install fences and barricades around the Minnesota State Capitol. A recent protest in Duluth blocked the city's high bridge, closing off access to a key park and forced police to leave an event for kids. Other protests this year have damaged property, threatened workers, and significantly challenged public safety resources from communities across Northern Minnesota.

"We are way beyond 'enough is enough' with these protests and the violence, the threats and costs they bring," said Eveleth Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich. "The Minnesota Supreme Court's decision to not review the permits and the fact construction is almost done means Line 3 is going to happen. We have watched all summer as protestors have brought fear and violence to construction sites and communities to try to bully others to get their way. It didn't work and it's time to stop the protests and accept reality."

After six years of review, construction work on The Line 3 Replacement project is now more than 80 percent complete. Groups opposed to the project have repeatedly asked Minnesota courts to overturn key project permits. The Minnesota Supreme Court's most recent decision ends any legal challenges in state courts related to the Public Utilities Commission permits for the project.

"It has taken a long time to get here, but the process has worked and it's time for everyone to accept the result and what really is the final 'yes,'" Vlasisavljevich said. "Forcing law enforcement and first responders to continue to have to respond to protestors is dangerous.

It makes even less sense when it's clear Line 3 will be in operation later this year. I understand that people oppose the project, but the protestors need to understand things are moving forward."

The decision to replace Line 3 was made by the Obama Administration. The Biden Administration recently filed its support of federal permits for the project as part of legal proceedings. Minnesota Governor Tim Walz recently reaffirmed his support for the project via an editorial in the Duluth News Tribune. To complete the project, Enbridge has invested more than \$2 billion, employed more than 5,000 people, and created an important economic impact to help the region recover from the COVID-economic challenges.

Two events, one day, and the real story of Line 3.

In one day, two events were connected to Line 3 – and both really show the reality of what is going on with the project.

Enbridge last week donated \$366,000 to the Waubesa-Ojibwa-White Earth Community Schools to help them provide internet access for low-income families. The donation will help provide critically important services for students in the Mahanomen-Naytahwaush school district and create a long-term benefit.

On the same day, Line 3 protestors marched through downtown Duluth. They blocked traffic and shut down the lift bridge. The protestors forced police to respond who were taking part in the Kids, Cops, and Cars event at Bayfront Festival Park. Instead of spending time with kids, officers were forced to deal with protestors about a project that is almost complete.

At one event, we saw Enbridge investing in a community to help schools help kids and families. At the other, we saw protestors ignoring the impact of their actions that negatively impacted kids and put people at risk.

Both happened on the same day – while construction on Line 3 continues. As work is almost done, these two events speak for themselves.

Brian Hartje
Bemidji Welders Supply of Bemidji, Grand Rapids, MN & Grand Forks, ND

How are Tribes
being involved in
this project?

We're engaging with Minnesota Tribes and creating opportunities for their citizens and communities to benefit.

At Enbridge, we are proud of our relationships with Indigenous communities, and see them as mutually beneficial — economically, socially and culturally. Our Line 3 replacement marks an unprecedented level of Tribal engagement, inclusion and economic participation.

As part of the Line 3 replacement, we've committed \$100 million for Tribal-affiliated work opportunities, and we're engaging with Minnesota Tribes on training, contracting, procurement and hiring.

A Tribal-led Cultural Resources Survey was completed along the project route. With representatives of nine Tribes doing direct survey work, and more than 30 Tribes involved via government-to-government consultation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, this has been the largest such survey ever attempted in the energy industry.

Most importantly, we've been listening. From the start, we respected the wishes of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to route the new Line 3 around their reservation. We've also signed a 20-year easement renewal with the Fond du Lac Band and made further route changes based on the Tribal Cultural Resources Survey results.

Learn more at enbridge.com/tribalinclusion.

