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Three new hires and more easements

Commissioners hear about MPCA’s required 10-year plan

By Karen Edelbach
The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met on July 11, 2017, hearing about the required county Solid Waste Management Plan for MPCA, new hires, fuel costs and more easements being sought by U.S. Fish & Wildlife.

Environmental Services Director, Dan Hecht brought the Commissioners up to date about the Solid Waste Management Plan, since Clearwater County's 10-year plan is due to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) in April of 2018.

The Solid Waste Management Plans describe existing solid waste management systems and present policies and strategies to guide the County's programs and planning over the next ten years. A first-draft of the plan is due to MPCA on Oct. 1 this year, then public notice of the plan is scheduled to begin in January of 2018. The final plan will be presented to the County Board for approval in March of 2018.

In this plan, MPCA will want the County to show how we will achieve a higher recycling rate, which is at about 20% right now.

"A 35% recycle rate is expected by 2030 by state statute, but I don't know how we're going to do that," Director Hecht said. "There are things that can be identified in the plan conceptually, but implementing those things is costly."

The Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Fosston is a very important part of our recycling program but people may have become too dependent on it, he said. Education aimed at getting people to do more recycling at home is important, along with focusing on the schools and large employers where people spend time every day. Organics (food waste), metals, and paper are all large parts of the waste stream that could be used to improve the recycling rate.

This planning process is often completed for counties by consultants, but doing it in-

house will save an estimated \$10,000 to \$12,000 and give the County a better understanding of its own issues. Notifying the County Board of the process is just one of the required steps toward final approval of the plan.

Director of Nursing Marissa Hetlund received authorization to rehire Terri Nelson for a part time Registered Nurse position at a salary of \$31.41. She will work more than 1040 hours per year.

MIS Director Stuart Lien was given approval for the appointment of Matthew J. Davey to the position of Information Technology Specialist, effective Aug. 11. Starting salary is \$21.57 per hour.

County Engineer, Dan Sauvé was given authorization to set Ethan Dunker's salary to \$20.17 per hour as an Engineering Technician I. The motion to do so was approved, but one vote against it was received by Commissioner Dean Newland who opposed the salary.

In other Highway Department business, Engineer Sauvé was given Board approval to award the bid for fuel for county vehicles to Bagley Co-Op Association of Bagley, per their proposal. Theirs was the only bid received. The mark-up over their cost is 6.9 cents per gallon for ethanol, and diesel fuel, for an estimated total of over \$105,000.

With Board approval, he is awarding the quote of providing and installing a whole Facility Generator to Clearbrook Electric in the amount of \$44,490. The generator will be able to operate the large overhead

doors in case of a power outage.

The Board approved the payment of Highway Department bills as presented in the amount of \$55,650.

U. S. Fish & Wildlife personnel, Lynn Sebek and Neil Powers, brought two wetland and one habitat easements to present to the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners. Wetland easements are located in Popple Township, with 12.9 acres, and Eddy Township, with 6.4 acres. The habitat easement, located in Nora Township, contains 40 acres. Owners will continue to pay property taxes.

Engineer Sauvé raised concerns about the elevation of the outlet dam regarding the second wetland, and stated there may be a problem with water backing up into the roadways.

"Dan (Stenseng) has share some of the history with Fish and Wildlife regarding the area," Mr. Powers said. "We will be more than happy to work around the problem and will look into the elevations."

Attorney David Hanson came to the meeting for a closed session regarding MCIT to discuss it with the Commissioners.

County Auditor Allen Paulson reported that budget requests are now out to the departments.

He was authorized to pay the submitted invoices of \$139,423 for the County Revenue Fund, and \$15,266 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Commissioners present at the meeting were Daniel Stenseng, Dean Newland, John Nelson, Neal Illies and Arlen Syverson.

History Center CLOSED during county fair

The History Center in Shevlin will be closed beginning Wednesday August 2 through Saturday August 5 for the Clearwater County Fair. Staff and volunteers will be at the Historical Society's booth in the commercial building from 10 am until 10 pm each day and from noon to 8 pm on Sunday.

The Museum will remain partially closed until August 22 while the staff remove the Homesteading exhibit from the main gallery and builds a new exhibit called "The Fur Trade in Minnesota." The Fur Trade exhibit will open on August 22.

Questions? Call 218-785-2000 and leave a message.



Grand Marshal's for the Gonvick Lions Rodeo Parade were Scott and Marnie Fawver.

They are being driven by Larry Sorenson in his 1954 Ford that he restored.

Scott and Marnie are active in the community and have a farm north of Gonvick. They supply the sheep that is used each year for the Gonvick Lions Rodeo.

Scott went to school at Gonvick-Trail and is the son Jay and Joyce Fawver, for-

mer Gonvick residents. Marnie went to school in East Grand Forks and is the daughter of Jerry and Lottie Englund, summer residents of Pine Lake.

Marnie also works at Essentia Health Services in Fosston.

They have 11 grandchildren and one is on the way to make it an even dozen.

Thank you for all you do in the community and the county.



Carrying the Welcome banner for the 27th annual Gonvick Lions Rodeo day parade were Brody, son of Chad and Starla Sather and Kailey daughter of Billy and Daphne Klema. They both attend Clearbrook-Gonvick School and are going into the 5th grade.



The Rogaland class and instructor: Back row, L to R: Christine Tollefson, Becky Colebank, Donn Portz, Melanie Paulson, Pam Larson. Front row, L to R: Sandy Sather, Ruth Green, Beth Cue, and local instructor Ardella Lindberg.

Rosemaling Workshop held in Leonard

Church Basement Rosemalers of Leonard recently received a grant from Region 2 Arts Council to sponsor a rosemaling workshop in Leonard. The workshop was held June 21 through June 23 in the fellowship hall of Our Sav-

ior's Lutheran in Leonard. The instructor was Ruth Green, a Gold Medalist rosemaler from Decorah, Iowa who taught the Rogaland technique. Students learned brush care, backgrounding, c-strokes, double-loading and line work tech-

niques from Ms. Green in the three-day workshop.

Attendees were Donn Portz, Christine Tollefson, Sandy Sather, Becky Colebank, Melanie Paulson, Beth Cue, Pam Larson and Ardella Lindberg. The group held a free exhibition on Wednesday, July 12th and invited the public to come see their workshop accomplishments and some of their past works. Many people came to enjoy the Norwegian treats and view the rosemaling.

The Church Basement Rosemalers meet at Our Savior's on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and try their hand at this old Norwegian folk art. This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota, through a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

-Submitted by Becky Colebank



(L to R) Instructor Ruth Green with students Beth Cue, Sandy Sather and Pam Larson.



Mounted Honor Guard carrying the flags of the United States, Gonvick Lions Club, Lions International, Red Lake Nation and WoJo's Rodeo were Billy Holum, Keith Wojo, Kelly Wojo, Steve Watne, Dani Watne and Lane Watne.



The Gonvick Legion and Auxiliary marched in the 27th Annual Gonvick Lions Rodeo Day parade. From left to right: Jean Sundquist, Fay Bierke, Louise Sundquist, Eileen Horn, Evon Quern, Lonny Carlson and LeRoy Sundquist.

Community Calendar

Historical Society plans 50th Anniversary Cookbook

What is your favorite "old time" or Holiday recipe? What was the "best thing" your mom or dad ever made? Did grandma or grandpa have a specialty? Please share it for the Historical Society's next cookbook. The society is collecting recipes along with a STORY about it for an anniversary cookbook. Is it from a favorite person? Was it only made for certain events? Why is it special? The Clearwater County Historical Society will commemorate its 50th Anniversary in 2018 with a series of events and special publications.

Submit your recipe and story by August 31, 2017 Send to CCHS recipes PO Box 241 Bagley MN 56621 or email it to clearwaterhistory@icloud.com

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sat., July 22 8 am-11 am (or until gone) Strawberries, pancakes, whipped cream, sausage, orange juice, coffee FREE WILL DONATION FUND RAISER (Proceeds for kitchen & dining operation) CLEARBROOKLEONARD SENIOR CENTER (Sponsored by hard-working volunteers) Everyone Welcome!

New Grant Program Info Sessions

Come learn about the changes to our grants and grant cycle, which begins in August. Our grants offer funding for a variety of art projects and programs for individuals and organizations. We will be discussing our updated organizational grants for nonprofits, schools, government or tribal offices, and community education programs as well as our individual artist grant programs. The majority of Region 2 Arts Council grants serve individuals who reside in, and organizations located in Beltrami, Hubbard, Clearwater, Lake of the Woods, or Mahnomen Counties. Our grants for Native American artists also serve those residing in Becker, Cass, Itasca, and Roseau counties.

August 1 at Clearwaters Life Center in Gonvick, 3:30 - 5:30 pm. For each session, the first hour will be dedicated to grants for nonprofit organizations, schools, local and tribal government offices, etc. The second hour is for grants for individual artists.

Applications are available online at r2arts.org For more information, or with questions, call Region 2 Arts Council at 218-751-5447 or toll-free at 800-275-5447. You can also email us at staff@r2arts.org

Need Passport picture taken? Call for an appointment in Gonvick! Made while you wait. Richards Publishing Co. 218-487-5225

Darlene Clemenson-Sawyer is turning 80! PLEASE JOIN US for an OPEN HOUSE to celebrate her birthday SATURDAY, JULY 29 2:00 - 4:30 pm at the GONVICK LEGION Requesting no gifts!!! Hosted by her children Everyone welcome!

Getting to Know Good Samaritan Center in Clearbrook



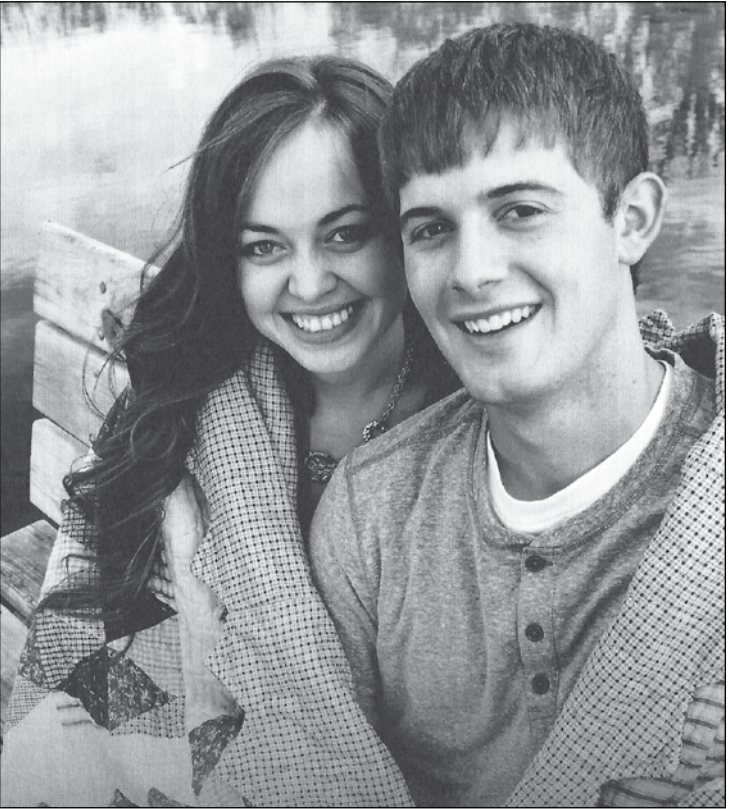
Good Samaritan Society Clearbrook; residents and staff are getting to know Kelsey Roy. Kelsey works in the dietary department.

She has one son Robert Roy, who is 4 years old. She is a member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa. Her favorite memory is going to Minneapolis and visiting her Grandmothers, and having her mother by her side. The best day of her life was when her son was born, and is looking forward to watching

him grow. Some of her interests are cooking with family, action movies and music she can sing with. Her favorite food is homemade Indian tacos. In her spare time she spends it with her son and family. One thing she has learned is forgiveness can go a long way. Pictured with Kelsey is Emily Jacobson

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

- Wed., July 12 - Birthday Meal Chef Salad (Turkey, Ham, Cheese), Lettuce, Dressing, Tomato & Cucumber Slices, Muffin, Bar, Milk
- Thurs., July 13- Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Dinner roll, Pudding Dessert, Milk
- Fri., July 14- Chicken Chow Mein, Rice/Chow Mein Noodles, Oriental Vegetables, Mandarin Oranges, Cookie, Milk
- Mon., July 17 - Stuffed Baked Potato (Ham & Cheese), Broccoli, Bread, Pudding, Milk
- Tues., July 18 - Lasagna, Country Blend Veg., Lettuce Salad & Dressing, Garlic Bread, Bar, Milk



Kristyn Nelson and Brenton Bergh, Wedding dance for Kristyn and Brenton "Together, the parents of Kristyn Faith Nelson and Brenton Wayne Bergh, would like to invite you to join us in the celebration of their marriage by attending a wedding dance at 8:00 pm on July 22, 2017 at the Wes Westrum Gym, Clearbrook, MN"

Church News

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.

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

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD Pastor Robert Kirchnerman Good Shepherd Sunday, July 23: 9:00am Worship/Communion; 10:00am Coffee Hour. 5:00 p.m. Holden Evening Service followed by a meal. Tues., July 25 - 7:00 p.m. Hymn Planning Committee. Our Savior's Thursday, July 20: 6:00 pm Church Council Sunday, July 23: 10:30 am Coffee Hour; 11:00 am Worship/Communion

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.

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH MEMBERS OF NALC Pastor Kris Snyder

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH Wednesday, July 19, 2017: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 7:00 PM Samhold Council meets SUNDAY JULY 23, 2017: 10:30 AM Worship Service

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday, July 16, 2017: 9:00 AM Worship Service

DISCIPLES OF MESSIAH-YAHUSHA who obey Yahusha's teachings (John 8:31) are meeting each Sabbath in homes. (218) 766-8176 Homeless Shelter - Scriptural Counseling & Encouragement.

Thank You! YOU to my family, friends and neighbors. It was a great 80th Birthday Party! A big thanks for all the cards and well wishes! I have been blessed! Bob Solien

Ad deadline: Noon Friday

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

GONVICK SITE: Restore It! Furniture Shop: Open 9-4, M-F, & Sat., 9-12.

Furniture donations needed! Donations of clean, good quality furniture accepted during business hours. Pick-up can be arranged with prior notice. 218-487-5290, Ext. 2.

Custom refinishing of wood furniture available at reasonable rates. Send a picture to cwl@gvtel.com or call & talk to Becky for cost estimates.

Senior Connection Adult Day Services: M-W-F, 10-3. Considering adult day services for a loved one? Feel free to visit as a caregiver or with your loved one. Questions or to schedule a visit: call Marilyn at 218-487-5290, Ext. 1.

CLEARBROOK SITE: Shop-at-the-Top: Open: 10-4, M-F & Sat., 10-12. 50% off racks in every dept. Tuesdays are Senior Discount Day - 25% off, 65 & up. Comfortable, organized, and great prices. Clothes for the whole family!

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

Join us at the CWLC Food Booth at the Clearwater County Fair, Aug. 2-6. No Friday Night Out in August.

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: www.clearwaterslife.org, www.mustardseedhomes.org, or www.adultdayservicesgonvick.org and our Facebook pages.

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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.

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Verlyn Strenge Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway Thurs. July 20 - 7 p.m. Bible Study Sat. July 22 - 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study Sun. July 23 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Adam Krog Wed., July 19 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer. 8:00 p.m. Youth Group. Thurs., July 20 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study & Prayer. Sun., July 23 - 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship Service at Brad Jackson's home with a potluck lunch to follow. Being a friend and a lawn chair. Future Events: July 30 at 4:00 p.m. Outdoor Sing-A-Long and fellowship time at the Sandland cabin on Clearwater Lake. Supper to be provided by Mission Friends. Bring a lawn chair and sweets to share with group.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseht Sat, July 22: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. Sun, July 23: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. Nazareth 9:45a.m. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor www.newjourneyfosston.com Wed, July 19: 12:30 p.m. - 3:30p.m. Food Shelf. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. Thu, July 20: Native Ministry Conference at Oak Hills. 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Fri, July 21: Women's Retreat - NLBC. Native Ministry Conference at Oak Hills. 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga. Sat, July 22: Women's Retreat - NLBC. Native Ministry Conference at Oak Hills. 8:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.

Sun, July 23: 9:30 a.m. Worship Steve Hanson preaching. Mon, July 24: Josiah at Army Training.

Tue, July 25: Josiah at Army Training. 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:00 a.m. quilting. 11:00 a.m. Church staff meeting. 6:00 p.m. Bible Study.

Wed, July 26: Josiah at Army Training. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister Wed, July 19: WELCA Sand Valley 2:00 p.m. Sun, July 23: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor Sun, July 23: 10:00 a.m. Worship.

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Clearbrook-Gonvick Summer Recreation

JULY 23-JULY 27

Sunday, July 23: Kloster Park League World Series. Awards at 1:30. Games begin at 2:00 pm.

Monday, July 24: Cadet and PeeWee practice from 1:30-3:00 pm. Kloster Park League

World Series makeup day if postponed on Sunday. Basketball League for grades 4th-7th from 3:30-5:30 in the gym.

Tuesday, July 25: PeeWee tournament at Fosston at 10:00 am. NO BUS. This is a makeup tournament from June 13. Cadet practice from 1:30-3:00 pm. Basket Weaving from 9:30-12:30 in the commons. Basketball League for grades 4th-7th from 3:30-5:30 in the gym.

Wednesday, July 26: Cadet League World Series at 9:00 am at Kloster Park. Basket Weaving from 9:30-12:30 in the commons. Basketball League for grades 4th-7th from 3:30-5:30 in the gym.

Thursday, July 27: Basketball League for grades 4th-7th from 3:30-5:30 in the gym. Cadet League World Series makeup day if postponed on Wednesday.

Turn in clean Summer Recreation uniforms at the Community Ed office if you borrowed from us.

Friday, July 28: Turn in clean Summer Recreation uniforms at the Community Ed office if you borrowed from us.

THE END OF SUMMER RECREATION FOR THIS YEAR. THANKS FOR PARTICIPATING!!!

Save and turn in your receipts from Y92, Bakken's, DaRoos, Drive In, NB&C, and Kandi's Kitchen! Drop them off at the banks or school by August 4.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Summer Recreation Please register for activities by contacting Judy Engebretson at 776-3112 ext 102.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE:



Laura Lindgren and great niece Lucy Lindgren, daughter of Jeff & Catherine Lindgren, at the Gonvick Lions parade.



Amelia Lindgren, daughter of Jeff & Catherine Lindgren is so thrilled about the parade!!!

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JULY 24-27 (Boys & Girls going into grades 5-7) (cost-FREE) (3:30-5:30 PM)

Each day will consist of warmup, some skills and then you will play games. Games will be 3 on 3 up to 5 on 5. Roxanne Dahlke will coordinate with high school players helping. Meet in the high school gym. Parents are welcome to help or just watch! PREREGISTRATION BY JULY 20.

Pastor Bob

Almost halfway through summer and I find myself experiencing déjà vu all over again!



Pastor Robert Kirchman

Summer beginnings are better than January beginnings. In January, we promise to become better people somehow, somehow but summer beginnings promise to be a better world. Slap your face winds? Nope. Back breaking heart attack inducing snow shoveling? Sooo not summer. Icy slippery spots? A bad memory. Summer has flip-flops, (actually, I am not a fan of flip-flops though I like their attitude), and sparkling lake waters. Sun-tan lotion, long days, and warm your bones sun. Aaahh... Every summer I am going to catch so many fish, including prized wall-eyes, that I will be the bogeyman that fish use to keep their little fish in line (if you don't listen to your mother Bob will get you), surprise the world by improving from the world's only triple handicap golfer to being the world's best golfer in one short summer, finish all those books designed to make me smarter that I have started but have never really gotten around to completing (can you tell?). Summer beginnings are great. Then July hits. Halfway through and I have been fishing once, golfing once (with my score it could count for seven or eight times-I get my money's worth) and have read ten pages on my 875 page get smart book. Aargh!

With winter, just around the corner the middle of summer seems like halfway to winter. And my experience is that the second half of summer, like a delicious desert, goes even faster than the first half. Like falling down a hill summer will come to a crashing stop. Then I will be stuck looking forward to next summer again because I was so busy living through this summer that I did not keep of it this time around. I am reminded of a character in the book Catch 22 who liked being bored because when you

are bored time moves slowly. When you are bored, you do not miss anything—because there is nothing to miss. He thought that through boredom he could enjoy a long life (perhaps an excruciating long life). I think I rather have a short life that lasts about ninety years! May you find God blessing you with not enough time to do all things you want to do, living life so large you do not want to tell anybody about it because you are afraid you will jinx it, too busy making memories for later to remember the memories you are making right now. Thank You.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The summer is flying by. There is something going on every weekend. The rodeo last week had beautiful weather. I hope that the same is true for the Clearwater County Fair that is coming up August 2 to 6.

The hardworking volunteers at the Clearbrook-Leonard senior Center are having a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, July 22 from 8 to 11 am or until it is gone.

The Gonvick American Legion BINGO continues this Thursday, July 27 at 6:45 PM and every Thursday evening through August 31st. Games will be played if there are at least 14 players.

If you have a picture you would like to share with our readers please send them to richards@gvtel.com or bring them into our office in Gonvick. Wedding picture, new baby in your family or family get together.

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Just the facts: A review of the biology and economics behind soybean aphid insecticide recommendations

Costs of treating soybean aphids too early

While some newer insecticides target a narrower range of insects, most insecticide applications are not specific. They will kill beneficial insects (lady beetles, parasitic wasps, etc.) as well as pests, later allowing soybean aphid populations to rebound in fields without those beneficial insects to slow them down. By using the ET, natural enemies will have a chance to suppress the aphid population and possibly prevent it from reaching economically damaging levels. After appli-

cation, insecticide residues will kill insects for a short time, but insecticide activity invariably declines over time (generally, this is considered a good thing). With most insecticides registered for soybean aphid control (such as pyrethroids), soybean foliage emerging after treatment is not protected. Insecticides that are absorbed and translocated within soybean plants typically move upward only a leaf or two and eventually leave unprotected foliage, especially when applied early in the season.

Applying treatments early can result in a false sense of security and a reduced reliance on scouting. If a re-infestation is not detected before reaching the ELL, yield may be reduced. If detected, the cost of additional insecticide applications are incurred. Early treatment can reduce or eliminate the cost efficiencies of a single, well timed threshold-based treatment. Finally, unnecessary insecticide applications do nothing positive for a short-term return on investment. Importantly, long-term returns can be reduced if insecticide resistance becomes fixed in the soybean aphid population. This has happened many, many times in the history of pest management. We know that managing pesticide resistant pests is seldom "cheap and easy" (for example, consider the problems with herbicide resistant weed control).

How do you know if you have a soybean aphid problem?

All soybean fields are not equally likely to have a soybean aphid problem. Geographic, landscape, biological and agronomic factors all influence soybean aphid populations. The research results generated on commercial and University farms across the North Central Region can help identify when and where to target early- and late-season aphid scouting efforts. Early aphid infestations are often found in smaller fields near buckthorn (1) and are often more abundant near field edges. Soybean aphids prefer moderately dry soil moisture conditions (20). Soybeans grown in soils testing low in potassium contain higher levels of amino acids favorable for soybean aphid development (25) and aphid feeding can intensify potassium deficiency symptoms on these soils. Aphids are often most abundant in late maturing fields.

During vegetative growth stages, soybean aphids are often on the upper, newly expanding leaves. During reproductive growth stages, soybean aphids tend to move to leaves, stems and pods lower in the canopy (15). Soybean aphids should be scouted by examining individual plants throughout the field (7). Because soy-

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4-H projects visit Good Samaritan residents

Monday Savanna and Daniel Rankin brought their 4-H projects they will be showing at the Clearwater County Fair. One was Molly a Springer Spaniel/Chow mix dog. She is 9 years old and very nice and calm around people. They also brought chickens that are growing up to be laying hens to visit. They have names- Oreo, Carmel and Cocoa. Residents at the Good Samaritan Center in Clearbrook enjoyed seeing and remembering when they raised chickens. They had a little help with Bingo while they were there. None of them picked the winning card though.



Beverly Ronken and Durward Peterson.



Daniel Rankin, and Molly.



Kathy Eck and Avis Sandland.



Sharon Halvorson and Kitty Johnson.



Pictured is Betty Johnson and two of her great grandsons, They were at the center to help with bingo. Also Isabelle Haase.

Thoughts from the Sheriff

Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson



Even though the year is only half over, local government agencies are beginning the process of establishing their budgets for next year. This process takes place over the next several months and are finalized in December. Careful thought and consideration are given to the budgets of each department, however, I wanted to take this time to look at the budgets that fall under the Sheriff's Office umbrella.

In total, fifteen separate budgets are the responsibility of the Sheriff. These include a budget for the operation of the Sheriff's Office, the jail, school resource officer, emergency management, enhanced 911, boat and water enforcement, ATV enforcement, snowmobile enforcement and sentence to serve (STS) among others. These budgets are looked at to decide what priorities there are in each area to budget for. Some of the budgets, such as boat and water, ATV and snowmobile, are completely funded through grants from the state and those budgets are set based on the funding amount. Other budgets are funded primarily with local taxpayer dollars and are the ones given the most thought and consideration. Clearwater County only has so many dollars to divide among the different departments, so we must work within a certain parameter. Let's look at what some of the bigger expenses are when working on our budgets.

Of course, the biggest expense in any budget is salary and benefits. This expense is set during union contract negotiations. Clearwater County completed these negotiations last year and a three-year contract was signed between the unions and the county. These contracts are for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018. This means that the salary and benefits are already set for next year's budget. The only area in the salary category that we have control in is the overtime expense. This is an item that is difficult to predict, as we do not know what will happen from one year to the next that may require additional deputy hours. We have worked hard to reduce overtime hours where possible by shifting schedules and using part-time deputies. Since 2013, we have reduced overtime hours by nearly 30%.

With salary and benefits taken care of, the operating portion of the budget is where we focus. We must look at areas where we can both reduce expenditures and then prioritize items that are needed in order to keep the budget in line without major increases. This portion of the budget deals with motor pool (oil changes,

tires, etc.), repair and maintenance on equipment, new equipment purchases, training and so on. Some of the items in this part of the budget can be costly. We work hard to find creative solutions to offset the costs, however, the majority will come from local taxpayers.

One major expense needed each year that is often met with criticism by the public is squad car replacements. Some people have asked why we need new squad cars each year. The misconception is that we just want new cars. The fact is our deputies average anywhere from 30,000-40,000 miles each year on their squads. It doesn't take long for them to exceed 100,000 miles. We do not simply rotate a vehicle out when they hit 100,000 miles, but recently have placed each on a five-year rotation. Doing the math with the amount of miles put on yearly, you can see that after five years a typical squad would have 150,000-200,000 miles on it. The importance of keeping emergency response vehicles in good running condition is twofold. The first is for officer safety. Many times, deputies are required to respond to emergency calls at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour. A squad with high miles runs the risk of having something fail which could cause the deputy to lose control of the vehicle or the vehicle to stall. Either one is not a good situation if the deputy is responding to an emergency call. That leads to the second point. If a deputy is responding to an emergency call where someone's life is in danger, getting there is essential. No price is too large when it comes to the safety of our citizens or deputies.

Another budget item that

we are working on is upgrading the security camera system in the jail, the Sheriff's Office, impound building/lot and the evidence room. This is a costly project and we are working on completing this over a three-year period to help offset the burden in a single year. The cameras are important in the jail as we must be able to monitor all areas of the jail. This would be impossible without the use of cameras. The cameras are vital in providing security for the jail as well as the Sheriff's Office. As with any technology, upgrades are necessary as the old equipment begins to break down and you end up with additional repair and maintenance costs.

So the challenge begins on figuring out how to pay for the items necessary for the operation of the Sheriff's Office. We do generate revenue on our own that typically brings in approximately \$650,000/year to the county. This revenue comes from grants, local government aid, charges for services, reimbursements and housing inmates for other counties to name a few. The remaining money needed to operate comes from the local taxpayer. We understand the importance of that and do everything we can to keep the budget from increasing at an undesirable rate.

This is just a snap shot of what we have to look at when presenting our budget to the County Board for approval. I would encourage anyone who wants more information about the Sheriff's Office budget to call or stop in and visit with me and I will gladly go over the budgets with you.

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.

Representative Matt Grossell

651-296-4265 email: rep.matt.grossell@house.mn

Friends, I hope everyone had a fun and safe Independence Day. I had a great time celebrating the birth of our great country with friends, family, and neighbors across our area. I spent July 2nd in Bemidji with their festivities and on the 4th I participated in the parade in Debs and then headed off to an ice cream social in Bagley.

New Laws

As mentioned previously, most new laws passed in 2017 went into effect on July 1st. You can view the complete list of new laws passed in 2017 can be viewed here: New Laws 2017. Among those that I am most proud of include the immediate work we did to provide health care premium relief to thousands



of Minnesotans and our strong investment in education.

Reminder: Capitol Grand Opening Celebration

After a \$310 million restoration and four years of work, the Minnesota State Capitol is open to the public. To commemorate this special occasion and to invite Minnesotans back to the People's House, there will be a Grand Opening Celebration held on August 11, 12, and 13. The celebration will have something for everyone – fireworks, concerts, demonstrations by the artisans that worked on the restoration, behind the scenes tours, and much more. Most of the events are free, or offered at a very low cost. Hopefully you can make it down to St. Paul to see the beautifully restored Capitol!

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.. Have a great summer! Matt



Bob Paulson of Shevlin and Charlotte TeHennepe of Leonard look over the rosemaking at the exhibition on Wednesday, July 12.



Some of the decorative plates and other items painted by the Church Basement Rosemalers in Leonard.

Wednesday, July 19, 2017

Do you think your child is the Cutest Baby in Clearwater County?

WANTED: Pictures of Cute Babies!

WHY: For a Cute Baby Picture Contest at the "Pro-Life" County Fair Booth

WHO: Pictures of children 18 months & younger at the time of the Fair

WHEN:

Pictures can be mailed to: Carolyn Sundbom 41283 141st Ave. Clearbrook, MN 56634 694-6966

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For identification and return of your picture, please put name, address and telephone on the back of the picture, and include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry.

Results will be announced at 6:00 pm Sunday, August 6th at the MCCL Booth

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Summerfest in Clearbrook



Jaret Larson and Ben Goudge trying to get pennies to land in the jar inside the fish tank full of water. The event was part of the Summerfest activities held in Clearbrook.



Colten, CJ and Easton Anderson were at the 2017 Summerfest in Clearbrook. -Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Marshall Stinar at the Lollipop Ring Toss that was part of the Clearbrook Summerfest activities for young people.



Emily Olsen picking ducks at the 2017 Summerfest Kids games.



Hadley and Lainy Fawver at the 2017 Clearbrook Summerfest Kiddie Parade.



Trey Goudge at the Plinko game during Summerfest in Clearbrook. The games were moved inside due to the cold weather. Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Brayden Krans enjoyed the extra treats and prizes during Summerfest in Clearbrook. -Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Aiden Churness helping Kaitlyn Kumpula at the Summerfest games that were held in the Clearbrook Community Gym. -Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Nataly Stout being painted by Kristen Weems at the Summerfest activities held in Clearbrook. -Photos by Kendehl Ballard



Blowing as hard as they can to get their ball to the end of the line first. They in competition at the Clearbrook Summerfest activities. From left to right: Mysten Dahlke, Peyton Berg, Daisy Java and Gracie Petit. -Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Market to Market to buy a fat pig. Yes that is a real pig in the pen with the children at the 2017 Summerfest Kiddie Parade. Shown from left to right: Nataly Stout, Daniel Rankin, Ellyse Berg, Peyton Berg and Matthew Rankin. Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Janet Olson presenting Beau Burgess with his goodie bag at the Clearbrook Summerfest activities.



Darren Engstrom showing his power at the games that were held at Summerfest in Clearbrook.



On your mark, get set, go... Garent McQuown, Caleb Engebretson, Katie and Elijah McQuown are ready at the Clearbrook Summerfest. Photo by Kendehl Ballard



Darren Engstrom playing one of the games that was held for children during Summerfest in Clearbrook. Katie Bardwell was helping with the games.



Ellyse Berg gets her face painted during the Summerfest activities held at the Clearbrook Community Gym.



Face painting was part of the games for the Summerfest activities for the young at heart. The events were all held in the Clearbrook Community Gym because of the cold weather. Above to the left is Aiden Ehlers getting painted by Rose Java

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Clearwater County FSA seeking nominations

The Clearwater County Farm Service Agency (FSA) is looking for an individual that would be interested on serving on our local County Committee board. County Committees are unique to FSA and allow producers to have a voice on federal farm program implementation at the local level.

To be eligible to serve on the FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in an agency administered program, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the Local Administrative Area (LAA) where they are nominated. All producers, including women, minority and beginning farmers and ranchers are encouraged to participate in the nomination and election process.

This year, nominations and elections will be held in LAA 1, which includes Hangaard, Winsor, Greenwood, Clover, Pine Lake, Leon and Sinclair.

Producers may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Organizations representing minority and women farmers and ranchers may also nominate candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A by August 1, 2017.

For more information on the roles and duties of the county committee, please contact the Clearwater County FSA Office at 218-694-6584 or attend our informational meeting on July 25, 2017 at 9:00 am in the USDA Service Center, 312 Main Ave. N. in Bagley. The form and more information about county committee elections is also available online at: www.fsa.usda.gov/elections.

Board of Commissioners'

June 13, 2017

The June meetings for the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners commenced on June 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. with Chairman Newland presiding and Commissioners Illies, Stenseng, Syverson and Nelson present. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda – Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the Agenda.

Minutes – Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to approve the Minutes for the month of May as presented.

Engineer – Emily McDougall, Board Coordinator presented the bills, financial statement and the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to approve payment of the Clearwater County Highway Department bills as presented.

Auditor-Treasurer – The following motions were made: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, to remember with Honor former Clearwater County Register of Deeds/Recorder LeRoy Larson who was elected and served the residents of Clearwater County from August 15, 1964 to December 31, 1990 with a moment of silence in respect to his recent death on May 28, 2017.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to remember with Honor former Clearwater County Court Administrator, Vernon Lundin who served the residents of Clearwater County from January 1, 1972 until his retirement in 1993 with a moment of silence in respect to his recent death on May 6, 2017.

The meeting paused for a moment of silence.

Auditor-Treasurer – Debbie Lewis, Chief Deputy Auditor-Treasurer presented the bills and the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to authorize the County Auditor to pay the submitted invoices of \$274,723.17 for the County Revenue Fund and \$8,123.41 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Board of Equalization – The meeting recessed at 6:00 p.m. for the Board of Equalization meeting. Minutes are attached.

Recess – The meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. on June 20, 2017.

June 20, 2017

Reconvene – The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m. on June 20, 2017 with Chairman Newland presiding and all Commissioners present.

Agenda – Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, to approve the Agenda.

Enbridge Energy – Jennifer Maleitzke, Public Affairs Senior Consultant, along with Cheryl Grover, were present to discuss the Line 3 Replacement Project and also to give an update on the tax appeal. Also present for this discussion were Al Paulson, Dan Hecht, Dan Sauvé, Jamie Halverson, Darin Halverson, Clarence LaCroix, Brenda Knable, Janet Fredrickson, Bob Murray and Jamie Freeman.

Environmental Services – Dan Hecht presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, to approve the Resolution Ending the Leafy

Spurge Eradication Project, which was a project implemented by resolution dated July 11, 2006, and to authorize the Clearwater County Board Chairperson to sign this resolution. Resolution on file.

Sheriff – Darin Halverson presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Clearwater County Sheriff to appoint Vern Wittenberg to the position of Chief Deputy effective July 2, 2017. Salary to be set at Range 23 Step 3.

Motion by Commissioner Stenseng, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes Vern Wittenberg to sign bills and time cards in the absence of, or at the direction of, the Clearwater County Sheriff effective July 2, 2017.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Clearwater County Sheriff to purchase a 2017 Polaris ATV from Bagley Motor Sports for \$6,495.00. The money for this purchase will come out of the State of Minnesota Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) grant.

Soil & Water Conservation District – Nick Phillips presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Syverson and carried, to adopt a Resolution Regarding the Election of Jurisdiction for the Minnesota Buffer Law, on file.

Auditor-Treasurer – Al Paulson presented the bills, month end financials and the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to authorize the County Auditor to pay the submitted invoices of \$78,800.34 for the County Revenue Fund and \$13,578.10 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Engineer – Dan Sauvé presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Stenseng, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the Resolution approving the Master Partnership Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Syverson and carried, to authorize a 90 day unpaid medical leave of absence extension to Jerry Titera.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to authorize the County Highway Department to purchase a used conveyor on the open market with a price not to exceed \$25,000.

Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to authorize the County Highway Department to advertise project SP 015-070-012: Township Signing Program and set date and time of letting with the County Board Coordinator.

Motion by Commissioner Syverson, seconded by Commissioner Stenseng and carried, to approve the Resolution regarding RLWD JD 5 Ditch Operation, on file.

Ayes: Syverson, Newland, Illies & Stenseng Nays: Nelson

Dan Sauvé also presented a budget summary that he will send to MnDOT.

Open – There is a committee being created with 13 counties affected by the Enbridge tax court case to address issues which will arise from the outcome of this case. The Board assigned Neal Illies as

the delegate and Daniel Stenseng as the alternate on this committee.

Adjourn – Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Syverson and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Dated: July 11, 2017

Dean Newland, Board Chairman

Emily McDougall, Board Coordinator

ROADSIDE SPRAYING NOTICE

Eddy Township will be spraying the roadsides in the South end of the township. Contact a supervisor with questions.

Marilyn Shamp
Eddy Clerk

Clearwater County Township Association Notice

The Clearwater County Township Association meeting scheduled for July 25, 2017 has been cancelled.

Stephanie Anderson,
Sec/Treasurer
Clearwater County Township Association

Clearwater County 2017 Board of Equalization

The Clearwater County Board of Equalization met on Tuesday June 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room.

Members present were Chairman Newland, Commissioners Syverson, Nelson, Stenseng, Illies and County Auditor Allen Paulson. Also present were County Assessor Jamie Freeman, Deputy Assessor, Eric Beier, Karen Edelbach from the press and Board Coordinator Emily McDougall. There were no citizens present.

Assessor, Jamie Freeman discussed the process of assessing values on property. She stated that there were a few citizens that came to the office with concerns on their property values. The State Board of Equalization recommended (mandated) a 5% increase county wide on Residential/Seasonal Recreational Land and Structures (on water) except Long Lost Lake, a 10% increase on Residential/Seasonal Recreational Land and Structures in Pine Lake Township, and a 5% increase on Residential/Seasonal Recreational Land and Structures in Popple Township. She also handed out some property sales information from the last two years. She also informed the Board of Board of Equalization trainings coming up. It is required to have at least one trained person on the Board of Equalization Board.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: July 11, 2017

Dean Newland, Chairman
ATTEST:
Emily McDougall, Board Coordinator

Now hear this... by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

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bean aphids remain attached to the plant while feeding and can occur throughout the canopy, use of a sweep net is not recommended for assessing populations of this pest.

It takes time for aphid populations to grow. It's important to note that sometimes soybean aphid populations never grow at all - a single aphid does not invariably lead to hundreds! Soybean aphids can initially colonize a field and be rapidly wiped out by a combination of inhospitable environmental conditions and predatory insects. Once established, populations can grow at a rate where numbers double every 1 ½ days to as many as 6 days depending on environment and natural controls (14, 23). Most often, research documented that in-field populations doubled every 3 days (23).

Soybean fields should be scouted on a regular basis. Soybean aphid populations can increase rapidly, particularly with winged aphids migrating into fields. Early-season scouting can focus on fields with high risk for colonization or a history of early colonization by aphids. As aphid populations develop, more fields should be scouted. There may not be a need to visit every field every week, but fields with a history of high populations may need to be scouted weekly or more. The following resources may help to develop an efficient scouting strategy (Scouting guide for North Central Region).

Biology helps determine the profitability of crop production on your farm – Ignoring biology is expensive

None of what we have presented here is new, or groundbreaking information. However, all of what we have presented here is based on science that has been vetted and implemented over thousands of acres for more than a decade. Economic injury levels take commodity prices, labor and control costs into account. Fortunately, the biological components of an EIL are not sensitive to commodity or input prices. The insects on your farm do not eat faster or more when crop prices are high or insecticide costs are low; nor is your crop more sensitive to insect damage (remember the damage boundary). Yield loss occurs at the same level of pest population, regardless of market prices of commodities. It makes no sense to treat if there is no reasonable likelihood of damage.

Science is best when it does not sit still. New research on pest and crop biology and on new management tools may change EIL's and associated ET's over time. However, since the adoption of the 250 aphid/plant economic threshold, additional research has only confirmed the results of the original multi-state biological and economic research.

While some may view an insecticide costing "only a couple of dollars" as inexpensive when compared to other production inputs, it is still an added cost for no added benefit. These inputs add up with each acre applied. Farmers often find the "free" application costs when insecticides are tank-mixed with herbicides or other pes-

ticides have unintended negative consequences - poor control from poor timing or application techniques of one or more products. Using an ET, based on sound, peer-reviewed research will help you apply your crop input dollars where they are most likely to produce a positive return on your investment and minimize the chances of creating other problems for yourself.

Using fear or faulty economic logic is tried and true as a very effective sales tool. It's always prudent to be a skeptical consumer and consider the messenger when you evaluate information - a conflict of interest can arise if a profit motive underpins recommendations made without facts behind them. Be very wary of ETs that are based on "feel", eyewitness accounts, or other anecdotes that are not supported by hard scientific data. ETs that are radically different from those recommended by agricultural research universities are another red flag.

Hopefully, this article has provided you with information that will help you sort through the information clutter on TV, radio, print media and especially the internet. A list of research references is included for those who would like to read and learn of some of the research supporting our soybean aphid management guidelines and economic threshold recommendations. Contact Extension for the most up-to-date and state-specific recommendations.

Source: UMN-Extension
www.extension.umn.edu

JUNE 2017 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000		
Always There Staffing Inc	8,117.69	County Revenue
Always There Staffing Inc	5,947.89	County Revenue
Anderson Disposal	10,955.23	Solid Waste
Bagley Co-op Association	4,031.81	County Revenue, Tax Forfeited, Nursing Service
Bagley Co-op Association	4,086.81	Road & Bridge
Cease Family Funeral Home	2,119.00	Human Service
Clearwater Day Activity Ctr	2,700.87	Human Service
Department of Human Services SWIFT	15,651.38	Human Service
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Equipment Blades Inc	5,917.68	County Revenue
Garden Valley Telephone Co	4,031.81	County Revenue, Solid Waste
Government Management Group Inc	2,800.00	County Revenue
Gully Tri-Coop Assn	5,636.40	County Revenue
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Kramer Leas DeLeo, PC	66,266.00	County Revenue
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MN Dept of Natural Resources	6,782.00	Tax Forfeited
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Terracon Consultants Inc	5,605.00	Solid Waste
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