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Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears were honored at Champions Night

Friday, February 23 brought several Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears back to be honored. Businesses, community groups and individuals have all given the school sports and activities much support over the years. Several people were unable to attend due to distance, weather and coaching commitments with their own children.

Teams and 1000 point scorers were recognized for their efforts.

1000 point club and 1000 rebound club were honored. The first two members in 1991 were Bryan Westrum 1165-1991 and Kris Hopperstad 1200-1991. In 1992 it was Jeff Brunsberg and he is also the all-time boys scorer, 1997-1992. In 1994 - Chris Schmitz 1303-1994; In 1996 - Ryan Voigt 1201-1996; In 2002 Chris Westrum 1188-2002; In 2006 - Katie Anderson 1071-2006; In 2007 - Heidi Kjolhaug 1361-2007 and Clayton Johnson 1211-2007; In 2010

Brennan Bakke 1178-2010; In 2011 - Brooke Wraa 1391-2011 and Whitney Rogstad 1158-2011; In 2016 - Madison Stenzel 1687-2016 and Sam Lavin 1101-2016; In 2017 - Liz Bodensteiner 2006 points and 1052 rebounds. Liz is the all-time leading scorer and rebounder for the Bears and the only member of the 2000 point club and 1000 rebound club.

The very first Sub-section Champion team was 1990-1991. The team of trailblazers began a run of success for the Bears. The team included: Shawn Johnson, Jeff Ostrom, John Ostrom, Jeremy Goudge, Steve Belland, Shannon Roepke, Bryan Westrum, Shane Roepke, Jeremy Bakken, Jeff Brunsberg, Joe Johnson, Rusty Johnson, Perry Torgerson, Yash Gustafson, Craig Nelson, Trent Thorson, John Griffith. They were coached by Steve Philion, Bob Westrum and Dion Bagaason. Managers and

stats were Jeremy Erickson, Yonnie Eiden, Hayley Johnson, Michelle Steile, and Marik Moen. Video by Eric Graftaas and Larry Syverson.

The first girls team to win the Sub-Section champion-



Taylor Faldet and Amanda Eck were the two from the 2006-2007 team that won the first girls Sub-Section Championship.

ship was in 2006-2007. The team showed the way to success. Team members included: Amanda Eck, Kate Aakre, Jarica Hammes, Heidi Kjolhaug, Erica Brammer, Paige Hammes, Maria Kjolhaug, Karli Watne, Rebecca Gunvalson, Claire Rydeen, and Nikki Churness. They were coached by Ross Faldet.

The boys team of 1991-1992 went a step further by winning the Section Championship and becoming the first Bears team to play at the state tournament. See picture below and those not pictured included: Nathan Sandland, Ryan Voigt, Ryan Bjerke, Shane Roepke, Kris Steile, Joe Johnson, Ethan Johnson, Eric Moen, Chris Schmitz, and Troy Churness.

The girls teams from 2011-2012; 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 marked the beginning of a run of three championships in four years.



Bryan Dyrdaahl on the right, was inducted into the Snowmobile Hall of Fame. Presenting the plaque was Tom Lawrence Ski-doo Race Coordinator and Director. He received five 1-500 wins and other accomplishments. See more pictures in the Canary this week.

Dyrdaahl inducted into the Snowmobile Hall of Fame

Bryan Dyrdaahl was inducted into the Snowmobile Hall of Fame at St. Germain, Wis.

In 1983, while trail riding near Minocqua, Wis., Mike Trapp, C.J. Ramstad and Loren Anderson were talking about the great and exciting history of snowmobile racing and wondered, "Why doesn't the sport have a Hall of Fame?"

Mike was a two-time Eagle River World champion and Loren had been a number one bib in open and 650 classes. C.J. talked of the fantastic photo library he had which told the thrilling history of racing. Before that day's riding was over, the three had decided that a museum and a hall of fame should be created to honor the race drivers and to display their unique and exciting sleds.

The idea for the Hall of Fame and Museum was born. Loren and Mike approached Larry Bosacki of Bosacki's Boathouse in Minocqua. Larry joined the team and offered his restaurant for the first "Ride With The Champs" headquarters. Mike and Loren were very involved with Minocqua Lions Club Snowmobile Races each year at Winterama. It was natural to combine a fund-raiser for the Hall of Fame with the event.

The first Ride With The Champs fund raising event for a future Hall of Fame and Museum took place Jan. 27, 1984. Riders from all over the Midwest were able to spend an entire day riding with the first celebrity guests. Steve Ave, Al-

len Decker, Mike Decker, Jim Dimmerman, Bobby Donahue, Bob Eastman, Bob Elsner and Mike Trapp donated their time and efforts to help make that first Ride With The Champs a success.

In 1986, the Ride With The Champs was headquartered in Eagle River, Wis. Participants had a fun-filled day of riding with some of racing's greatest names. In 1987, Al Unser, Jr. joined the ranks as he spent the day riding through the beautiful north woods. Since the first ride in 1984, dozens of celebrity drivers and Hall of Famers have participated in the annual celebrity ride. The entry fee includes breakfast, lunch and the Hall of Fame banquet. Each rider gets to keep their souvenir bib and a lot of great memories.

In 1985, the Snowmobile Hall Of Fame and Museum was incorporated and received tax-exempt status. In 1988, the first 10 racers were inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Each year, four more people are inducted into the hall. In 1989, the Hall of Fame leased space for a museum in downtown Eagle River at the corner of Highways 45 and 70 West. Since 1993, the Hall of Fame Museum has been located in St. Germain, Wis. at 8481 Hwy 70 West. Historic photos and memorabilia are on display. The museum has more than 60 historic sleds in its collection.

Plaques commemorating all Hall of Fame inductees are on display.

March is a Great Time to Donate to the County Food Shelf

Did you know that one in ten Minnesotans and 13.8% of Minnesotans' children experience food insecurity? The number of food insecure seniors and seniors utilizing food shelves also continues to increase. To help allay that, each year Minnesota FoodShare directs the March Campaign, the largest food and fund drive in the state that restocks almost 300 food shelves across Minnesota. Clearwater County's food shelf included. Minnesota FoodShare acts as a clearinghouse for cash donations and gives proportionate matching funds for cash donations made to our county between Monday, February 26, 2018 and April 8, 2018, so your cash donations during that period will be hugely appreciated. Food fund distributions are based on number of people served and how many pounds and dollars were raised in the 2017 March campaign.

The 2017 March campaign in Clearwater County was a great success. We received 3067 pounds of donated food and an amazing \$19,952.03 in cash donations. These cash donations are our main source of funding for the entire year.

"We have greatly appreciated the generosity of past donors, especially our long-time faithful. The people of this county have been wonderful," states Clearwater County Food Shelf President Becky Colebank. "We also welcome new donors. You will find it truly is a blessing to

give."

You can contribute in several ways: 1. Organize a food drive at your work place and drop your donations off at the Food Shelf on a Wednesday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The Food Shelf is located at 114 Main Ave N. (basement of the American Legion - go to back door) in Bagley. 2. Make a contribution and either mail it to Clearwater County Food Shelf, P. O. Box 578, Bagley MN 56621 or drop it off on Wednesdays between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The Bagley Public Library is another drop-off point. 3. Volunteer to work at the Food Shelf. We need volunteers to sort food, pack boxes and interview clients on Wednesdays of every week. To volunteer as an individual or as an organization, call Clearwater County Food Shelf President Becky Colebank at 218-968-2268 or Site Coordinator Suzann Moen at 694-3989.

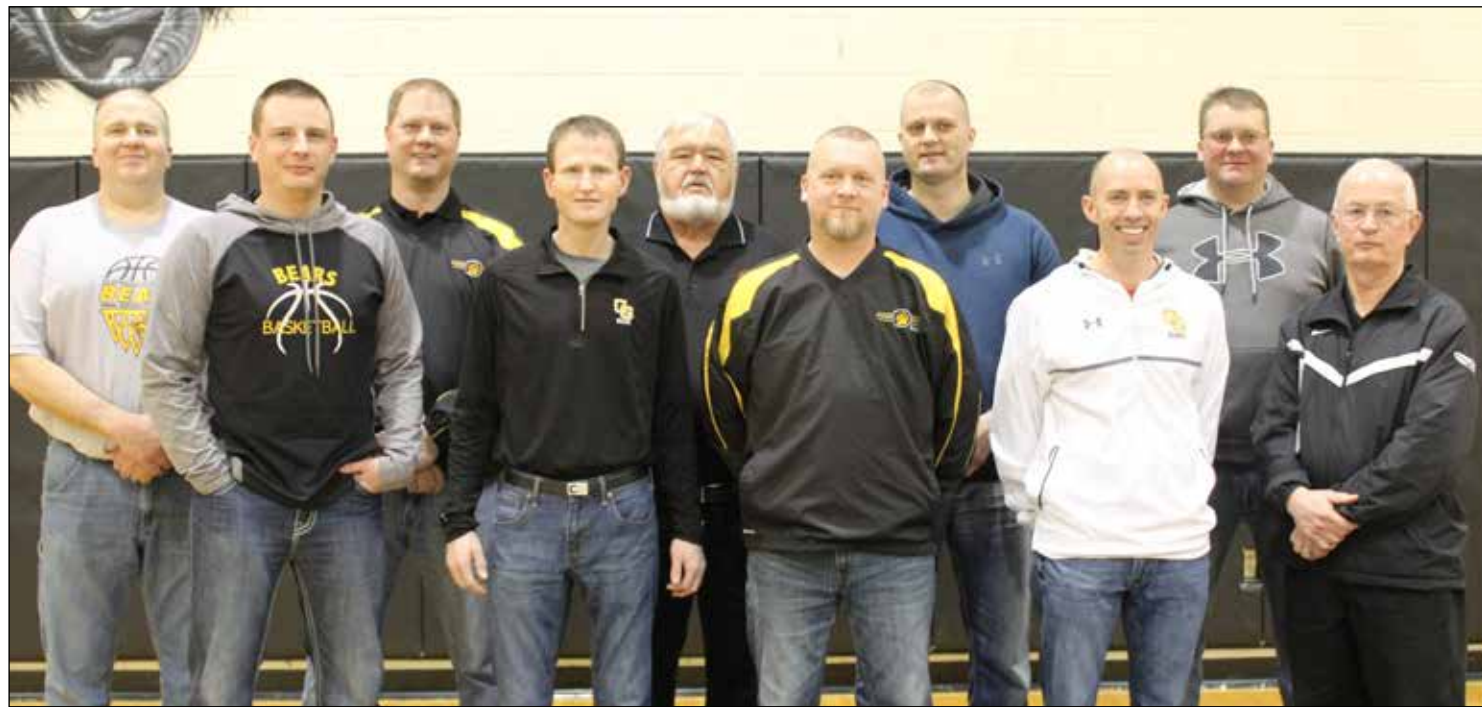
The Clearwater County Food Shelf is open every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Clearbrook Elevator Annual meeting

The Clearbrook Elevator Association meeting on Friday, March 9. They will be meeting in the banquet room at the Clearbrook Community Center starting at noon with a lunch. The business meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. There will be an election of two board members.



1000 point and 1000 rebound club for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears were honored. From left to right: Liz Bodensteiner, Maddie Stenzel, Whitney Rogstad, Sam Lavin, Brook Wraa, Clayton Johnson, Kris Hopperstad and Brennan Bakke. Photos by Kendehl Ballard



1992-1993: The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Basketball team that had a record of 26-4 and were the Section Champions and placed 4th at the state tournaments. Players shown left to right: Ross Faldet, Jamie Wishard, Peter Imle, Jeremy Bakken, Bob Westrum, Dylan Goudge, Perry Torgerson, Jeff Ostrom, Ryan Faldet and Coach Steve Philion. Photos by Kendehl Ballard



The 2004-2005 Bears team had a record of 28-1. Shown from that team that night were Clayton Johnson, Jeff Ostrom, Perry Torgerson, Jonny Berg, Chris Westrum and Mike Eck. Photos by Kendehl Ballard

Community Calendar

First Lady Tickets now available
The Clearwater County First Lady event tickets are now available at local banks, The Fireside Grill & Patio and at Thrifty White Drug and The History Center in Shevlin. Tickets are \$15.00 each.
Since seating is limited, attendees are encouraged to buy tickets early. No tickets will be available at the door.
The nominations for Clearwater County's next First Lady are due by the end of this week. The First Lady will be revealed during morning coffee on March 10 at The Fireside Grill & Patio in Bagley. For more information call the Historical Society at 785-2000.

POTATO KLUB
Dee's Leonard Cafe
will be having
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Silver rimmed bifocals. Found behind the Leader Record/Post Office building in Gonvick. Stop by the Leader-Record to claim them.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals
MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Wed., Feb. 28 - COOK'S CHOICE and Milk.
Thurs., March 1 - Chicken Lasagna, California Blend, Vegetable, Cookie, Bread and Milk.
Fri., March 2 - Au Gratin Potatoes/Ham, Green Beans, Pudding, Bread and Milk.
Mon., March 5 - Chicken and Rice, Green Beans, Peaches, Bread and Milk.
Tues., March 6 - BBQ Pork Chop, Sweet Potatoes, Winter Blend Vegetables, Apple Sauce, Bread and Milk.
Wed., March 7 - Meatloaf/Catsup, Parslied Potatoes, Creamed Corn, Mandarin Oranges, Bread and Milk.
Meals are served daily at 11:30 at the Clearbrook site except for evening meals served at 5 p.m. They are subject to change. Please register for meals at least the day before. Call 776-3154 to sign up.

CLEARBROOK ELEVATOR ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
will be held at the: **BANQUET ROOM** - at the -
Clearbrook Community Center
~ FRIDAY ~
Mar. 9TH, 2018
NOON: LUNCH
1:00: BUSINESS MEETING
DOOR PRIZES
THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION OF 2 BOARD MEMBERS
LAND O' LAKES, INC.

Cap of Thanks
The sympathy and support I have received after Karen's passing has been overwhelming but I am unable to respond to all the cards and contributions. Karen was the same person at home as she was in school and the community. She had a great sense of humor and a level headed friendliness. To paraphrase all the cards, "She was a special lady that will truly be missed." With this I concur. I would like to thank all of you including her students for all your kind words and support.
Kris Nielsen

On Memory of Dustin Frank Bergh
Dustin, you were born September 14th, 1993. You were such a darling child, You made us all so happy to know that our family will enjoy watching you grow up to fill your dreams with all of us, but your life was cut short on March 5th, 2017, you were only 23 years old. Cancer took you away from your loving family and friends. There isn't a day that goes by where you enter in our minds and prayers. We miss you and love you very much. Peace be with you, you are God's Angel, a gift for us to love and share forever.
All our family misses you.
Your parents, Charles & Barb & family
Grandparents, Frank & Annie Berg & family



The Clearbrook/Gonvick Grizzlies JO Volleyball team would like to thank the Clearbrook community center for letting us sell concessions and for use of the gym. We appreciate all the community support for our program. There will be a parent meeting on the upcoming season on March 1 at 5 PM at the Clearbrook high school. Go Grizzlies!



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T.H.E. Bus Takes the Chill Out of Winter Travel

(Crookston, Minn.)- Even in the dangerously frigid weather the Red River Valley has been locked into the past couple of weeks, individuals and families still need to get to work, school, appointments, etc. Tri-Valley Transportation wants to remind everyone that the Tri-Valley Heartland Express (T.H.E.) Bus is curb-to-curb public transportation, available to everyone with no age limit or income guidelines. Each bus is handicap accessible with two accessible entrances. If passengers are unable to use the door he/she may request the use of the lift.

T.H.E. Bus offers numerous advantages over driving a personal vehicle. Those that use public transportation save money on gas and vehicle repairs. They also save time by eliminating the need to warm the vehicle and the hassle of scraping off the windows for safe travel. Public transportation provides personal mobility and freedom for people. After the rider reaches their destination, there is no need to worry about parking as they are dropped off and picked up at their destination. One of the most important aspects of public transportation is that it not only reduces stress driving in inclement weather, but public transportation continues to be one of the safest modes of transportation in the United States.

T.H.E. Bus runs through eight counties (Polk, Red Lake, Norman, Marshall, Kittson, Pennington, Mahnommen, Clearwater) with rural route and special trips on various days to various locations. Call 1-800-201-3432 to schedule your ride.

Church News

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, March 4th: 9:00am Worship; 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour; 1:30pm Gladys Larson Celebration of Life
Monday, March 5th: 7:00pm Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 28th & March 7th: 5:00pm Soup & Sandwich; 6:45pm Lenten Service; 6:30pm Choir Practice; 7:30pm Handbell Practice
Our Savior's
Wednesday, Feb. 28th & March 7th: 5:15pm Lenten Service; Soup & Sandwich following service
Sunday, March 4th: 9:30am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship
Monday, March 5th: 4:45pm Congregational Life Committee

GRACE FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH
BAGLEY
Pastor Wayne Hjermstad
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
September - May
Every Thursday: 10 a.m. Bible Study.
Communion First Sunday of the Month.
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.
REDEEMER EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
Church Location: Corner of Hwy. 2 & Red Lake Ave. SW Bagley, MN
Pastor Gerold Goetz
Sunday Divine Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School / Adult Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

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.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Wed., Feb. 28: 6:30 p.m. AWA-NA
Thurs., March 1: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
Sat., March 3: 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sun., March 4: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service, 12 noon Potluck Fellowship Meal
Mon., March 5: 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Kris Emmel

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.
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Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

GONVICK SITE:
Friday Night Out: Mar 2, 5-7 PM. Greek Cuisine. Menu on our Facebook page & our website. Please call 218-776-2789 BEFORE dropping-in.
Restore It! Furniture Shop: Open until 8:00 PM this Friday, Mar. 2. M-W-F, 10-4 and Sat., 9-12 noon.
Senior Connection Adult Day Services: Openings for full- & part-time clients. Open M-W-F, 10:00 - 3:00. Enrollment & transportation assistance available. 218-487-5290, Ext.1.
CLEARBROOK SITE:
Shop-at-the-Top: Winter Bag Sale thru Mon., March 5. \$5 our large bag; \$3 our small bag. Open 10-4, M-F, & 10-12, Sat.
Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7:00 PM, Thursday, 2nd floor of CWLC-Clearbrook. Help for any hurt, habit, or hang-up. Confidential.
Youth Connection: After-school programming for 5th - 9th graders. Tues., 3:30 - 5:00. Transportation available from C-G school with signed permission slip.
CWLC-Gonvick, 226 Elm St., open: M-W-F, 10-4 & Sat., 9-12. CWLC-Clearbrook, 256 2nd Ave., SW. Open 10-4, M-F, & 10-12 on Saturday.

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

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Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
* Wednesdays - Care groups in various homes

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Pastor:
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Terri D, Parish sec.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
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ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., Feb. 28- 5:30 pm Confirmation; 6:00 pm Soup and Sandwich Supper; 7:00 pm Lenten Service.
Thurs., March 1- 6:30 p.m. Quest Bible Study at Kathy Kjolhaug's.
Sun., March 4 - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service; 11:30 a.m. Communion Service. 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study at Elim.

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Feb. 28: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 10:30 AM Quilting.
Sun., March 4: 9:30 AM Sunday school; 10:30 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., Feb. 28: 2:00 PM United WNALC Meets, Hostess & Devotions is with Fay Bjerke; 5:30-6:25 PM Soup & Sandwich; 6:30 PM Lent Worship Service
Sat., March 3: 4:30-7PM Potato Klub Supper
Sun., March 4: 9:00 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 28: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Nazareth: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service - Bible Study to follow.
Sat, Mar. 3: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Mar. 4: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri; 9:45 a.m. Nazareth, 8:30 a.m. SS; 11:00 a.m. Oak Park, 9:45 SS.
Tue, Mar. 6: 6:30 p.m. Mt. Petri. Bible Study to follow.
Wed, Mar. 7: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Oak Park: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service - Bible Study to follow.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
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Wed. Feb. 28: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.
Sun, Mar. 4: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Mar. 6: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Hebrews Bible Study.
Wed. Mar. 7: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 28: Lent Service at Bethany - 6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwich supper, 7:00 p.m. Services.
Sun, Mar. 4: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley, Sunday School Sand Valley 9:00 a.m. Youth Ski Trip to Buena Vista. Leave Lund Church 12:30 (This is to make up for weather cancellation from original date).

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Mar. 4: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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**Clearbrook-Gonvick
2nd Quarter Honor Roll**

A HONOR ROLL
Grade 7: Sydney J. Dahlke; Ty T. Dyrdaahl; Madison J. Gerlofs; Julianne C. Lavin; Avery J. Lavine; Dawson G. Quern; Logan R. Westrum



The 2011-2012 Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears team with a record of 24-6 who won the Sub-Section Championship. Standing from left to right: Mike Lindgren, Manager Kaylee Westrum, Ashley Groshong, Manager Danielle Faldet, Rocky Eck, Katie McIntosh, Bob Westrum, Taylor Faldet, Coach Ross Faldet, Rachel Spray, Brittany Wagner and Jeff Ostrom. Not pictured: Rebekah Kjolhaug, Jessica Spray, Esther Kjolhaug, Angela Burgess, Kasey Hjort, Brooke Watkins, Madison Stenzel, Harlie Watne and Lauren McIntosh. Photo by Kendehl Ballard.



The 2013-2014 Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears team with a record of 17-12 who won the Sub-Section Championship. Front row from left to right: Mike Lindgren, Kaylee Westrum and Danielle Faldet managers, Alison Johnson, Rachel Gray, Hanna Lavin, and Rachel Spray. Back row: Bob Westrum, Rocky Eck, Carlie Bergerson, Ashley Groshong, Liz Bodensteiner and Coach Ross Faldet. Not pictured: Samantha Mart, Esther Kjolhaug, Hayley Reichert, Lauren McIntosh and Madison Stenzel. Photo by Kendehl Ballard.



The 2014-2015 Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears team with a record of 20-10 who won the Sub-Section Championship. Front row from left to right: Cami Johnson and Rachel Gray Managers, Morgan Cornell, Brynn Hetland, Rachel Spray, Mikala Johnson and Hanna Lavin. Back row: Mike Lindgren, Bob Westrum, Cassie Faldet, Carlie Bergerson, Alison Johnson, Tamara Skinaway, Madelynne Faldet, Liz Bodensteiner, Coach Ross Faldet and Rockey Eck. Photo by Kendehl Ballard.

Grade 8: Jayden K. Bergerson; John J. DeVries; Jensen J. Engberg; Ella L. Engen; Danielle J. Faldet; Chantelle R. Kusick; Dana M. Melby; Emma E. Rude; Jayna M. Tronnes; McKenzie L. Weems; Kaylee N. Westrum

Grade 9: Emma K. Dorman; Kayla I. Ehlers; Kaylee A. Faldet; Danika A. Harmon; Bailey A. Klema; Mykenzie A. Larson; Jennifer C. Lavin; Gabriel T. Lavine; Lauren A. Melby; Sydney E. Vakoch

Grade 10: Benjamyn M. Engebretson; Lindsey R. Gray; Abigail J. Johnson; Savanna J. Rankin; Naomi R. Shamp; Danae' A. Stenzel; Jackielynn M. Taffin; Chase C. Voxland

Grade 11: Amara J. Allen; Callie M. Baker; Emily R. Bergman; Adriana K. Churness; Arabella F. Corey; Ethan D. Dorman; Ethan W. Erickson; Bailey A. Haugan; Joshua Lavin; Rachel Lavin; Caleb G. Petterson; Brandon Quern; Riley J. Schulz; Kari Shamp; Jazmyn E. Smith; Jacey L. Tronnes; Kristin L. Weems

Grade 12: Brody B. Arlaud; Kendehl R. Ballard; Morgan Cornell; Cassandra C. Faldet; Madelynne R. Faldet; Brynn L. Hetland; Cami L. Johnson; Abigail J. Moy; Hunter H. Voxland; Sierra R. Walters

B HONOR ROLL

Grade 7: Jesse J. Anderson; Kelsee L. Anderson; Ashlyn H. Churness; Hailee R. Hanson; Anna Piatkoff

Grade 8: Aiden C. Churness; Jordan M. Colsen; Malaina M. Hartwig; Kelsey L. Johnson; Annabell R. Phillips, Gryphon D. Riley; Isaiah D. Risland; Alise N. Sargent; Thomas D. Straabe; Maci R. Wagner

Grade 9: Wyatt L. Anderson; Lorena A. Bellanger; Gi-Anne I. Cadreau; Amara B. Churness; Taybryn E. Knutson; Ashlyn K. Weems

Grade 10: Zoe Walda Steffens; Geonhui Kim; Allison J. Lewis; Nyah R. Neadeau; Jenna R. Smith

Grade 11: Alexis M. Ballard, Hunter R. Ehlers; Anthony C. Peldo

Grade 12: Kaylee M. Anderson; Alexine K. Bjerke; Myranda F. Engberg; Mikala D. Johnson; Keisha M. Jones; Brianna M. Straabe; Brent L. Weems

**Clearbrook-Gonvick
School Menu**

Wednesday, Feb. 28 - WHA **ENSEMBLE** Turkey Stromboli, California Blend, Veggies, Sun Chips (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Thursday, March 1 - Meatball and Mashed Potatos-Bowl with green beans, Dinner Roll, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Friday, March 2 - *Celebrate Dr. Seuss with green eggs and ham breakfast.* Turkey Subs, Sun Chips (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Monday, March 5 - *National School Breakfast Week* Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread Stick, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Tuesday, March 6 - Taco in a bag, Refried Beans, Black Bean Salsa, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Wednesday, March 7 - Chicken Patty on Bun, Tri Tater, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

School News

Thur, Mar 1: A GBB tournament Quarter finals at 7:00 at high seed.

Mon, Mar 5: A BBB tournament play-in at 7:00 at high seed.

Classroom Drivers Ed will begin March 12: more info coming soon

BEAR WEAR orders: Last chance to order Bear Wear this year. Order by March 15. Contact Judy for more info or to see products.

Thank you doesn't even begin to express our appreciation for the efforts of staff, parent chaperones, and ESPECIALLY our bus drivers at Clearbrook-Gonvick School!!! Our trip to the Ordway concert would not have been a success without the whole team effort. Our bus drivers brought us through some pretty heavy weather on the trip home-you are the best! Our students represented our communities and school well. Thank you to each and every one of you! Mrs. Ragan, Music Instructor

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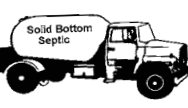
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School was let out early for the Clearbrook-Gonvick girls and boys basketball game on Friday, February 9. Many were able to see the game until the buses came for pick-up.



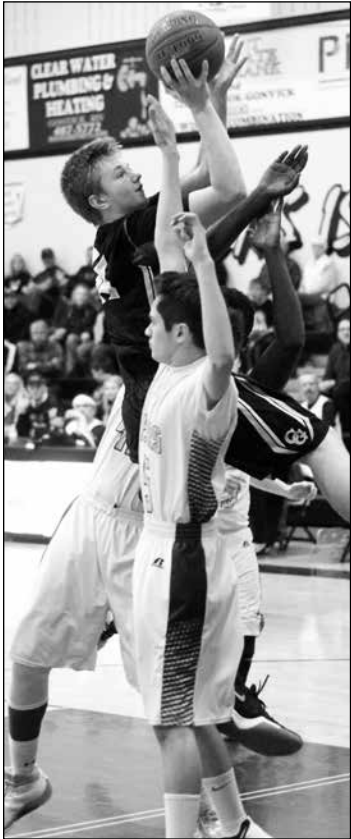
The Clearbrook-Gonvick High School band keep the tempo up for the girls and boys basketball game.



Reece Danielson goes for a basket as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears played the Lake of the Woods Bears. The Bears won 95 to 31.



Cassie Faldet #35 scored 7 points to help the CG Bears win over LOW Bears.



Levi Nelson goes up for a basket for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears in traffic.



Senior Mikala Johnson goes up for basket as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears defeated the Lake of the Woods Bears 66 to 37.



Ben Engebretson goes up for a lay up as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted LOW Bears.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife secure more wetland and habitat acreage

By Karen Edelbach
The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners meeting on February 20, 2018 began with a visit from Lynn Sebek and Neil Powers of the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFW) in order to secure wetland and habitat acreage from County residents. Two wetland easement parcels are located in Sections 34 and 26 of Eddy Township, and two habitat easements are located in Sections 19 and 30 of Eddy Township.

"The only reason I don't completely refuse to approve these is that I don't think we can tell people what they can do with their land," Commissioner Dean Newland said but he continues to be opposed to the perpetual easements.

"If people come to me about these easements, I will discourage them," he says.

While the County has been led to believe the availability of the easements is by word of mouth, it has come to their attention that the USFW has been sending out some letters to property owners.

"It is mostly by word of mouth, and we don't send out a lot of letters. We sent out about 50 letters about restorable or impacted wetlands. We are mostly looking at six townships within the county," Neil Powers said.

While the easements were approved by the Commissioners, there was concern expressed by the County Engineer Dan Sauvé.

"You will be adding a lot of water in the Section 34 property (6.5 acres in Northwest of Eddy Township)," he said. "It causes erosion in our road ditch as you have that water blocked off because of the wetland restoration." Mr. Powers responded by saying, "In my experience, the wetland easements are generally slowing the runoff. Our intent for sure is to not impact any county roads."

He explained that the restoration of a wetland, which they do, is to insert a clay plug into a low level area, then an earthen embankment with emerging spillway for water to flow out.

"Wetland plugs are designs to restore it to what was there at one time using 'natural hydrology,'" he stated.

The wetland easements still allow agricultural use of the properties. The habitat easements will allow grazing, and haying after July 15. Owners are still required to pay the taxes.

Environmental Services Director, Dan Hecht brought the Annual Office Activity Report to the Commissioners.

"I try to bring you this annual report every year at this time," he said. "My goal is just to help keep you informed of what my office does from day-to-day, and possibly generate some questions or discussion for learning or improving."

The department deals with shore land, ordinance, septic systems, wetlands conservation act, and subdivision controls: Twenty-two land use permits

were processed in 2017, as well as seven approved variances. There were 27 non shore land, and 11 shore land septic systems permitted, inspected, and records processed. A total of 112 individual Wetland Conservation Act contracts were made, and 44 subdivisions processed. Revenue generated from permit and variance fees was \$2,815.

Demolition Landfill: Repermit application was filed with the State of Minnesota last April, a ten-year permit is pending.

"There are a lot of arguments with landfill operations," Dan Hecht said. "Permits are taking a long time to obtain, but we can operate as long as we get it in on time."

-4,451 individual users were admitted at the gate during regular hours, and 3,078 compacted cubic yards of demolition waste placed. Approximately 11 years are remaining in the designed fill area at the current rate.

-Approximately 500 cubic yards of concrete and 400 cubic yards of asphalt shingles were separated from demolition debris for recycling and re-use to avoid landfilling.

-83 tons of tires, 113 tons of scrap metal, and 459 appliances were shipped for recycling. Other materials accepted include yard waste, oil filters, MSW bypass, electronics waste, mercury-containing light bulbs, capacitors, ballast, transformers, and HHW.

Approximately \$26,200 was collected in gate fees, sale of scrap metal and commercial/ large quantity demo-debris gate fees.

Solid Waste Collection, Disposal, and Recycling: Included starting of work on 10 year Solid Waste Management Plan update.

In 2017, 4,388 tons of trash was shipped to Fosston, a 2.4% decrease from 2016. Long-term 20 years on average trash tonnage is increasing about 1% per year. Canister site improvements were made, with litter fencing installed at Copley site.

A total of 106 tons of recyclables were collected at drop-offs in Bagley and Clearbrook.

County Ag: 131 County roadsides miles were sprayed in the southern one third of the county. A gravel pit approval program is ongoing. Leafy spurge inventory/control was discontinued.

Transfer/Demo Landfill Fees: The current fee schedule, adopted in 2009, remains in place at this time and is being reviewed. Market price charged for tires, fluorescents, and electronics; out-of-county demolition debris fee; equipment/operator fee for large projects; and cost for space philosophy will be discussed.

County Auditor Allen Paulson was authorized to pay the submitted invoices of \$45,277 for the County Revenue Fund and \$12,378 for the Nursing Service Fund.

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

Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

Feb. 17 - Alvin Rasmussen, Bagley, \$20.

Feb. 18 - Jane Crist, Bagley, \$20.

Feb. 19 - David and Mary Bergquist, Sioux Falls, SD, \$20.

Feb. 20 - Polly Holm, Clearbrook, \$20.

Feb. 21 - Lacy Kent, Bagley, \$20.

Feb. 22 - Wayne Johnson, Bagley, \$20.

Feb. 23 - Lilly Mankie, Gonvick, \$20.



Nothando Zulu

Farm by the Lake program continues

Nothando Zulu to Perform Farm By The Lake's Storytelling Series, March 11th at 3:00 pm, Bagley Public Library Meeting Room. Free & open to the public

Nothando Zulu is a Master storyteller who has been sharing stories with audiences for over 30 years. She shares stories that entertain, educate, motivate and inspire. She has performed at many venues locally, nationally and internationally. She draws from an extensive resource of colorful, often funny characters whose antics and follies leave audiences pondering their own life's lessons. As Director of Black Storytellers Alliance, she and her husband, with the help of the Board of Directors, has produced a three-day storytelling festival celebrating the art of Black storytelling called, "Signifyin & Testifyin" (now in the 17th year). Nothando is also a wife, mother, grandmother, community and political activist who believes in the power of stories. This is one for the whole family, from ages 1 to 101. For more info: Facebook Event Page or call 218-694-2084

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Angela Foster to speak at First Lady Event

Angela Foster is a poet and memoirist who teaches creative writing at the Loft Literary Center in Minneapolis. Angela received a Loft Literary Center Excellence in Teaching Award and a writing residency at the Madeline Island School of the Arts in July 2017. The New York Mills Cultural Center granted her a writing residency in November 2017 and she also received a Minnesota State Arts Grant in 2017. Other awards and recognition include a hand-carved

chair and the title “Bard” from the Cambria Eisteddfod competition in New Ulm, MN, a performance by the Petaluma Readers Theatre in California of her memoir piece, Brat, and the selection of a haiku written by Angela for “Poetry on the Sidewalk” at the Pine City library. Angela’s work has been published in Minnesota Literature, Talking Stick, Dust and Fire, Otter Tail Review, Tiny Lights, Poetry Midwest and Lake County Journal. Her



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Are you ready for United Lutheran Church Potato Klub supper at the church north of Gonvick on County Rd 7. It will be on March 3 starting at 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Parks and Trails Division, in conjunction with the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council and the Minnesota 4-Wheel Drive Association, will hold a series of listening sessions across the northern counties of Minnesota about the Border to Border (B2B) Touring Route. **Wednesday, Feb. 28** they will be at the Clearbrook Gonvick School Library, 16770 Clearwater Lake Rd., Clearbrook, MN 56634.

If you have a story or photo to share you can send to richards@vgtel.com. Your new family member, the big buck or fish that you got, wedding or engagement picture.

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

We collect used eye glasses in our office in Gonvick and at the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center. We do this for the Gonvick Lions Club and they are put to very good use.

Joke Time
During a simulated attack, the troops have to defend themselves against an imaginary enemy, as the sergeant calls it. Bawling out orders, he notices that the recruit shows little response. "You there," the sergeant shouts, "the imaginary enemy is advancing, and you're caught in the crossfire. Action!" The recruit takes two steps to one side. "What are you doing man?" yells the sergeant, purple with fury. "I'm taking shelter behind an imaginary tree, Sergeant." answers the recruit calmly.

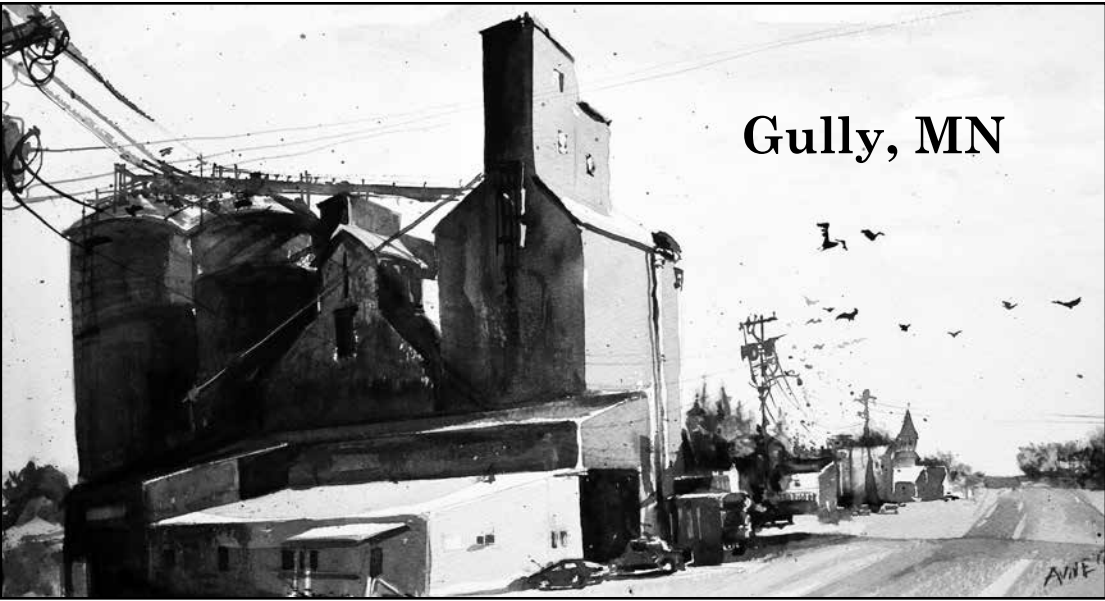
poetry and creative nonfiction have received awards from Brainerd Writer's Alliance, National League of American Pen Women, Cup of Comfort, New Orleans Study Abroad Competition, Lucidity, The League of Minnesota Poets, National Federation of State Poetry Societies and others.

Angela served as co-editor of County Lines: 87 Minnesota Counties, 130 Minnesota Poets, published by Loon Feather Press (2008) and holds a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Creative Nonfiction from Pine Manor College in Boston, MA. She co-authored FARM GIRLS with her sister, Candace Simar, released by RiverPlace Press in 2013. The First Lady Event, with its 2018 theme as “Farm Girls,” will be held at the Fireside Grill & Patio in Bagley on March 10 at 10:00 am. Advance Sale Tickets for the event are available at area Banks, Thrifty White Drug or by calling the history Center at 785-2000. Tickets must be purchased by March 7; no tickets will be available at the door.

“Creative Clearwater” Exhibit Closing Reception Sunday March 4

The exhibiton “Creative Clearwater” now on display at the History Center in Shevlin will close after a special open house on Sunday March 4. Visitors and the many artists and crafters featured are invited to the History Center for a closing reception between 1:30 and 3:30. The items on display will be removed after 3:30 on Sunday to make room for a new exhibit that will open in late March.

The History Center is open Tuesday- Friday 10- 4 and by appointment. There is no admission fee; donations are encouraged. For more information call 218-785-2000



Shown in this issue are paintings of elevators in Gully, Thief River Falls, Newfolden, . Debbie's collection includes elevators also in Bagley, Bemidji, Brooks, East Grand Forks, Fosston, Greenbush, Oslo, Plummer and Roseau.



Thief River Falls, MN



Newfolden, MN

Gatzke resident exhibits her grain elevator paintings

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NWMAC) is excited to exhibit Midwest Grain, a collection of watercolor paintings by Debbie Aune, which feature familiar landmarks to all of us living in northwest Minnesota: grain elevators. A longtime artist of Gatzke, Minnesota, Debbie grew up on a small farm in northern Minnesota, and recalls her early fascination with these historical structures.

“As a small child a trip in the old, crusty, dirty truck to the local elevator was quite the trip. In my early teens I would most likely be found in the dusty combine riding with Mom, and then at age seven-teen—it was my job to turn all the fields upside down in preparation for the next year. Dirt was fun!”

Debbie’s art, primarily watercolor paintings, often depicts scenes of daily life in our communities—and our region’s

history. “With no surprise, farming, farming equipment and storage buildings have again made their way into my latest watercolor exhibit, Midwest Grain. Elevators, tracks and trains swarm with history, stories and memories good and bad. Every town big or small has (or had) a grain elevator. Good thing I like the color gray!”

Debbie’s exhibit is now open through March 31, 2018, at the NWMAC Gallery in East Grand Forks. People could swing in and meet her last Saturday, February 24th, when Debbie was at the gallery discussing her works during the Art & Wine Walk.

“My hope in painting these grain elevators of Northwest Minnesota, besides the obvious farming flashbacks and sense of nostalgia, is to show the charm and curious attraction of these big gray monuments. Their form, the perspective, the

subtle changes of gray, their rust, the interlacing spouting and conveyors—it’s all a kick to paint! I have a connection with this dirt we call earth and the galvanized steel, iron and wood that rises from it. Paris, Melbourne and Rome will have to wait.”

To view Debbie’s art, visit the NWMAC Gallery at 211 DeMers Avenue in East Grand Forks (located within the Riverwalk Artists Gallery) now through March 31, 2018. The gallery is open Thursday–Saturday, 2:00–8:00pm and Sunday, 2:00–5:00pm. All of Debbie’s art featured at the gallery is for sale and can be purchased by contacting the artist at (218) 689-2363. For more information about Debbi’s exhibit, or if you are an artist interested in exhibiting a body of work with NWMAC, please contact Kat Allen at (701) 360-0805 or email NWArtsCouncil@gmail.com.

Legal Notices

Notice to Residents of Gully Township

The annual meeting and election of officers for Gully Township will be held at the Gully Town Hall on March 13, 2018. Hours for the election will be from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm with the annual meeting to follow at 8:15 pm. Offices to be elected will be Supervisor for 3 year term and Clerk for 2 year team. In case of inclement weather, the election and meeting may be postponed until the following Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

Carole J. Tharaldson, Clerk of Gully Township

R48-49C

Notice and reminder of annual meeting and election of officers

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voter(s) of Eden Township, Polk County, MN that the annual election of town officers and annual town meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather the meeting will be held the following Tuesday.

The election poll hours will be open from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at which time the voters will elect:

- 1 Township supervisor for a 3 year term.
- 1 Township clerk-treasurer for a 2 year term.

The annual meeting will commence at 8:00 pm to conduct all necessary business provided by law. The meeting and election will be held at the Gully Tri-Coop Lumberyard Meeting Room located across from the Gully Tri-Coop Elevator.

For more information contact Dennis Erickson, clerk-treasurer @ 218-268-4590.

R48-49C

Sinclair Township Annual Meeting Notice

The Sinclair Township Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 3:00 pm at the Sinclair Town Hall. If inclement weather, the meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 20th at 3:00 pm. Please note different time from last year's meeting.

Brooke Pond, Clerk

R49-50C

Notice to Residents of Johnson Township

Annual meeting and election of officers to be held on March 13 at Johnson Town Hall.

Annual meeting at 4:30 pm and election from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Offices to be filled: 1 Supervisor for 3 year term, and 1 Clerk, for a 2 year term.

Lloyd C. Sweno, Clerk

R49-50C

NOTICE: Greenwood Township

Notice is hereby given that the Greenwood Township Annual Meeting will be held at the town hall on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Annual reports will be given, 2018 township levies will be set, and all other business as prescribed by law will be conducted.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be postponed to Tuesday, March 20th, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the town hall.

The township regular meeting will follow the Annual Meeting.

Sheila Horn
Greenwood Township Clerk

R49-50C

NOTICE TO LEON TOWNSHIP

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Leon Township, County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Election of Town Officers and Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March.

The Election Poll Hours will be open from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at which time the voters will elect one Supervisor, for a 3-year term, and one Clerk, for a 2-year term.

The Board of Canvass will meet immediately following the close of the polls at 8:00 pm to canvass the results.

The Annual Meeting will commence by 8:15 pm to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law.

The Annual Meeting and Election will be held at the Leon Township Hall.

-Lori Larson, Leon Township Clerk

R49-50C

Pine Lake Township

NOTICE OF FILING FOR TOWN OFFICES TO BE ELECTED

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Pine Lake Township, County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota, that the annual election of Town Officers and Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in the American Legion Club in Gonvick.

In case of inclement weather the meeting and election may be postponed to the third Tuesday in March.

The Annual Meeting will commence at 2:00pm to conduct all business.

The Election polls will open immediately after the meeting until 8:00pm at which time voters will elect:

- 1 Township Supervisor for a 3 year term
- 1 Clerk for a 2 year term.

—Pam Goebel, Clerk, Pine Lake Township

R49C

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the residents of Winsor Township, County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota. The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather, the meeting may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March (the 20th of March).

The Annual Meeting will commence at 7:00 PM to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law. The regular monthly March meeting will be held following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting and the Regular March Meeting will be held at the Winsor Township Hall.

Louise Sundquist, Clerk of Winsor Township
February 21, 2018

R49-50C



Courtney Nordby becomes the ninth head coach in the history of the program.

Courtney Nordby named NCTC head volleyball coach

THIEF RIVER FALLS, MN, Feb. 22, 2018 — Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC) alumna, Courtney Nordby, has been named the new Northland Pioneers head volleyball coach. Nordby becomes the ninth head coach in the history of the program.

Nordby, an Oklee, MN, native, was a five year starter for Red Lake County Central High School and as a senior was selected to the all-state team. From 2007 to 2010, Nordby attended the University of North Dakota where she earned a degree in Psychology and had an illustrious career as a member of the women's volleyball team. Following UND, Nordby continued her education at NCTC earning her Occupational Therapy Assistant degree. It was during this time at NCTC that Nordby started her coaching career working as the assistant coach for the Pioneers volleyball program from 2011-2015.

In addition to her success on the court, NCTC athletic director Mike Curfman also points to Nordby's keen ability to connect with her players and develop them as student-athletes.

“While Courtney was here as an assistant coach, she

made quite an impression on our student athletes with her volleyball knowledge and communication skills. We are very excited that she will be our next head coach and look for her to build on the strong volleyball tradition that NCTC has enjoyed,” said Curfman.

Nordby succeeds Abdul Chamma, who resigned after nine seasons and two national tournament appearances as the Pioneers' head coach, and is excited to continue the strong tradition of the Northland volleyball program.

“I am excited for the future of this program and to build on the foundation and tradition already established by coach Chamma,” said Nordby. “Right now my expectations are just getting to know the team as well as the incoming class. Opening

that line of communication and starting to develop that team bond that can play such a crucial role in the success of a team. Communication and competitiveness are the two key ideals I hope to help our athletes to achieve growth with. These ideals can be utilized on the court and in the classroom.”

Nordby will take over the Pioneers volleyball team coaching duties for the upcoming 2018 season. In addition to coaching, Nordby also works at Sanford Health as a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA).

For more information on Northland athletics, follow the Pioneers on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. You can also watch games streamed live online at nctctv.com.

NOTICE

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

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

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

Red Lake Watershed District, Thief River Falls,MN

R46-3C



Many players and coaches were honored at the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Basketball Champions night and Community Thank You.

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

GIVE A VETERAN A LIFT: What a great night! Here's Tim Johnson's wonderful listing of thanks to the folks that make this now 11th annual event possible... "So I'm way overdue for "Thank You's" from this year's program. I got sick right afterwards and I'm still catching up on what needs do-

ing. As always, we very much appreciate all the cooperation from the Bagley School District and in particular, the custodial staff. The musicians who donated their time and travel to perform. Due North: Deb Tuominen on bass and vocals, Louise Wiermaa on guitar and vocals; The Fradenburghs: Wade Fradenburgh on guitar, piano, and vocals, Mary Lou on vocals, and Don Fradenburgh on guitar and vocals; Bernie Uran on guitar and vocals; and the Snowmen: Steve Rasmusson lead guitar and vo-

cals, Dave Natwick drums and vocals, Chuck McCalip bass, and Tim Johnson guitar, steel guitar and vocals. Thanks to Kathryn Carver and the Quilts of Valor for their presentation to Blanchard Krogstad this year. Thanks to Russell Comer for doing a great job running the sound, also Michael Michael C. McCalip for assisting with that and setup/tear down. Thanks to all of our families for picking up the slack at home while we worked on this, and to my mom Ann Johnson in particular for the lunch backstage and opening up your home as a hotel again this year. Thanks to Harry Hutchens for greeting the folks and minding the donation pail. And finally, thanks to all who came out and listened and donated. Hutch informs me that about \$1,850.00 came in at the door this year and we appreciate it very much. Thanks again and we'll hopefully see you all again next year!!"

NEW BEMIDJI VA CLINIC: The new Bemidji VA Clinic, located at 1217 Anne St. is now fully operational and open to Veterans enrolled in VA Health Care. All appointments will now take place at the new clinic. If you have questions about any appointments you have scheduled at the Bemidji VA Clinic, you can call the clinic at (218) 755-6360.

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Essentia Health-Fosston holds forum on opioid abuse

Opioids claim the lives of too many people in our country and community. Their harsh, deadly reality can affect families, friends and neighbors. Next month, Essentia Health-Fosston will bring together experts in the community to try and combat the deadly opioid epidemic.

A forum, "Don't Close Your Eyes," will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 8, at New Journey Church, 505 Ninth St. NW, Fosston. It's open to residents, community leaders, law enforcement, health officials and faith groups. A light supper will be provided free of charge. RSVP to Lynae Finseth at 218-435-

7660 or Carrie Danielson at 218-435-7661.

"This forum could save lives," says Dr. Cynthia Omokaro, a family medicine physician at Essentia Health-Fosston. "Opioid abuse is still very real and very deadly. We now know the true addiction opioids have and we are feeling its terrible effects."

The forum will feature health care professionals, including an Essentia physician, a massage therapist and a chiropractor/acupuncturist. Also participating are members of the Polk County Drug Task Force, Northwest Mental Health, Polk County Public Health and Clearwater Life

services. There will be booths featuring representatives of Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous, where one-on-one questions can be answered.

"This is an opportunity for people to come together and get a clear look at this ugly truth," says Dr. Omokaro. "Solving this crisis will take all of us."

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Opioid Abuse Forum will feature:

- Health care professionals
- Polk County Drug Task Force
- Northwest Mental Health
- Polk County Public Health
- Clearwater Life Services

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Elementary students show off skills

Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary students showing off their skills as entertainment during a recent basketball game.

