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Robin Proffit accepted the School Lunch Hero award at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School with her staff members from Superintendent Wayne Olson and Principal Jeff Burgess. From left to right: Robin, Olson, Kathy Bergman, Burgess, Mandy Knable and Lori Lundell.

Robin Proffit accepts the School Lunch Hero award

Robin Proffit, the Food Service Director for Clearbrook-Gonvick Schools was the recipient of one of three awards that was given out this year by the Minnesota Department of Education, (MDE). Amanda Middaugh, the MDE specialist that reviewed the school district this year, nominated Robin Proffit as being a School Lunch Hero! She said that, "Robin takes on a lot as the food service director and she does so with passion. She strives for perfection and is constantly trying to improve the meal program all while following program regulations successfully. It is evident that she cares a lot about her students and loves her job. She has gone above and beyond!"

Debra Lukkonen, Supervisor for the School Nutrition Program with the MDE went on to say, "Each year, our team of monitors at the Minnesota Department of Education – School Nutrition Program, visit about 250 School Food Authorities (SFAs) to conduct an administrative review in accordance with USDA regulations. I asked the monitors to identify particular SFAs or school nutrition staff who stretch that extra mile to go above and beyond expectations. I wanted to recognize those individuals who were working hard to recreate menus and get students excited about trying the new, healthier, choices in school lunch."

School nutrition staffs strive to make lunchtime the favorite part of every student's day. From their friendly greetings in the cafeteria and the love they dish out with every student's meal, to how they encourage kids to eat more fruits and vegetables, the school nutrition professionals are truly heroes. Between preparing healthy meals, adhering to strict nutrition standards, navigating student food allergies, and offering service with a smile, school nutrition professionals have a lot on their plates.

Memorial Day program planned in Clearbrook

Clearbrook American Legion and Auxiliary will be honoring local area veterans on Memorial Day. The program is on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clearbrook Community Center. A special invitation is given to veterans who did not serve during World War II, Korean War or the Vietnam War in order to be recognized during this year's program. For recognition please provide information on your years of military service and branch to Corrinne Anderson, Auxiliary President at 776-3718 by Friday, May 25, 2018. Guest speaker for the service will be retired Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Melander from Gully. Many musical selections will be presented. Please join us as we honor all veterans.

Two listening sessions held last week

Glenn Chido and Lynn Dyer from ICS held two listening session for the Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board. The sessions were to get information from stakeholders groups concerning improving and expanding the Early Childhood program. Information from these two meetings will be brought back to the school board. Twelve people attended the Gonvick meeting and seventeen at the Clearbrook meeting.

Superintendent Wayne Olson started out the listening session, with comments on what the sessions were going to accomplish. The district is out of SOD, Statutory Operating Debt, and the achievement scores have increased at least 16% over the last four years. Space is needed for programs. The district had to take out the computer lab to add a classroom. The district is not offering some Early Childhood program, that other districts have in place. It appears that the state is going to want the district to add the programs for younger students in a few years. The same as what happened as the Kindergarten classes had to be added a few years ago in each district.

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The two members from ICS took over the meeting. ICS specializes in providing customized planning and project-related consulting, management and owner representation services – integrating the intricate processes of planning, funding, design, construction and ongoing facility operations. They brought up questions for the group to give answers. Thoughts on providing additional space for Early Childhood Programs. What are some of the biggest challenges facing the Clearbrook-Gonvick School district? What are your thoughts on the expansion to the existing small gymnasium? What are the most important questions the community will have about these potential options?

Consensus was that the Early Childhood classrooms were necessary and more information on the additional space to the existing small gym at the school was needed. The cost for the project would be the next concern.

If you were unable to attend one of the meetings the Clearbrook-Gonvick School District is also gathering feedback from community members to aid in the decision-making process on the ClearbrookGonvick School District web site. A survey on the web site will ask your feedback on several questions regarding existing programs, spaces and the overall quality of education within our District. In addition, the survey will pose specific questions regarding early childhood space and gymnasium seating/floor space. Please take this opportunity to provide our District with your honest feedback as they continue through the planning process in an effort to identify facility-related and programmatic solutions to support the success of our students, staff and community as a whole. The survey will be closed on Friday May 11th, at 11pm.

Facebook:https://www.facebook.com/Clearbrook-Gonvick-Schools-171210116294603/

Web page: top of the home page: https://clearbrook-gonvick.socs.net/

City of Gonvick accepts KLM plan for water tower work

The Gonvick City Council at their last meeting approved the bid from KLM Engineering from Woodbury for the inspection of the 50,000 gallon elevator water tower for the city. The fee is $2,800 for the work which include: dry tank clean-out and inspection, Disinfecting the tank and supplying the chlorine to disinfect the tower. Inspect the floor, the reservoir walls and any interior structure accessible by ladders. All accessible exterior surfaces, including the roof, will also be inspected. They will measure and photograph all areas that need to be included in the inspection report. Clean-out will be performed using a 3000-psi pressure washer.

The city approved the rental of a dumpster and skid steer for the clean up week in the city.

The liquor license for The Trap and the 2017 audit/financial statements were tabled until the May meeting.

They approved the liquor license renewal for the Gonvick American Legion #304.

Dustin Franfulik from Widseth Smith and Nolting attended the meeting to discuss a time frame on if and when to move forward on the wastewater and drinking water projects. Gonvick is ranked number 24 out of 368 communities for grant assistance with the project. More information will be coming for the next meetings.

Bills were paid for General $27,687.69, Water and Sewer $5,922.86, Fire $11,341.42 for a total of $44,951.67.

Dan Gazelka with the Clearbrook-Gonvick Police Department gave his incident report. They included: Administrative Citation 1; Animal Related 4; Assist 2; Assist Other Agency 1; Medical 2; Suspicious Activity 3, Traffic Stop 3 for a total of 16.

Next meeting will be May 9 at 5:00 p.m. in the Gonvick Community Center.

Meeting for Highway 92 construction in Bagley is set for May 9, project begins May 14

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Residents and business owners are invited to a pre-construction meeting for the Highway 92 project in Bagley, on Wednesday, May 9. The project is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 14. The meeting will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. at Bagley City Hall, 18 Main Avenue South. Representatives from the project team will be on hand to discuss project details and answer questions.

The project will reconstruct Highway 92 between the railroad tracks south of Highway 2 and Bagley High School. It requires multiple, staged detours including a two-week closure of the intersection at Highway 2/92 which will take place around late-June or early July.

Business owners can stay up to date with the construction schedule by attending weekly public meetings, held Thursdays at 2 p.m. at Bagley City Hall, beginning on May 17. Project details and detour maps can be found on the project website, mndot.gov/d2/projects/2018/hwy92-bagley.

Along with replacing the Highway 92 pavement, signal and sidewalks, the project includes pedestrian accessibility improvements and replacement of city utilities. A multi-use trail will be constructed on the east side of Highway 92 by Bagley Park and on the west side connecting Bagley High School with downtown.

Reierson Construction is the contractor for the $5.3 million project. It is expected to last into August.

To request an ASL or foreign language interpreter, call 651-366-4720. To request other reasonable accommodations, call 651-366-4718; the Minnesota Relay Service toll-free at 1-800-627-3529 (TYY, Voice or ASCII) or 711, or email your request to adarequest.dot@state.mn.us.

For real-time traffic and travel information in Minnesota, visit www.511mn.org or get the free smartphone app at Google Play or the App Store.

Build your own brat at the Bagley Legion

The Clearwater County Volunteer Sheriffs Reserve will be having a "Build Your Own Brat Feast." The event is to raise money to obtain necessary training and gear to help the Sheriff's department in emergency situations, such as search and rescue. The Bagley American Legion is the place to go on May 19th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

A silent auction will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Winners will be presented at 7:15 p.m. You must be present to win. They are looking for cash donations or items for the silent auction. Anything you can donate is greatly appreciated. You can send cash donations to: Marie Powell at 289 State 92, Bagley or Larry Lindgren at 43589 Cty 7, Clearbrook, MN 56634. A volunteer will pick up silent auction items the week of May 14 to 18. Donations are tax deductible.

You can duct tape an elected official between 6 and 7:30 p.m. 12" for $2.00, 24" for $4.00 and 36" for $5.00.

Special appearances will be made by Sheriff Darin Halverson, Chief Deputy Vern Wittenberg, 2A Rep. Matt Grossell and County Attorney Al Rogalla.

The water's fine – or almost melted – so let's go fishing!

By Jeff Ledermann, angler and hunter education and skills team supervisor

So you might have heard that fishing is a big deal in Minnesota. Maybe you've even thought it sounds kind of fun. Then reality sets in and here comes the list of chores, hassles and other plans – all those reasons we end up watching beautiful vistas through our friends' social media feeds instead of enjoying Minnesota's great outdoors ourselves.

Well I'm here to tell you, you can fish and I'm here to stoke your fear of missing out. That's right, chores and other plans will always be there. But not the fishing.

No, it's not mandatory that you fish. Nobody is forcing you to get out and see beauty in Minnesota so striking that it takes your breath away – lakes, streams, rocks and forests that are better in person despite any after-the-fact social media filter. That loon that swims by won't notify you when it's going to do that again. The turtle may continue to sit on a nearby log, but then how would you know? And then there's you – how do you know what your problems will look like with the perspective you gain in a day of relaxing on the water with some peace and quiet?

The paradox is that fishing is about more than catching fish. And for people who do catch fish, many find it's all they think about this time of year.

Out of the 1.4 million licensed anglers in Minnesota, about half a million take part in the great annual tradition of fishing opener, this year on Saturday, May 12. Of course, "fishing opener" is a bit of a misnomer since fishing remains open all year for many species including popular and fast-biting species like bluegill or crappies.

Fishing opener marks the day fishing can begin for walleye, northern pike and trout in lakes. But it's more than that.

Fishing season..
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Clearbrook-Gonvick Seniors who attended the "Fire and Ice" prom at the school. Shown in the front row: Brynn Hetland, Mikala Johnson, Keisha Jones, Madelyne Faldet, Morgan Cornell and Breana Brauchaud. Middle row: Abi Moy, Ali Bjerke, Sierra Walters, Kayla Bernard, Brianna Straabe, Kendehl Ballard, Cami Johnson, Kaylee Anderson, Tamara Skinaway and Myranda Engberg. Back Row: Brody Arlaud, Hunter Voxland, Brent Weems and Seth Bakke.

-Photo courtesy Starkey's Photography of Mahnomen

Community Calendar

Elim Mission Friends meeting

Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday, May 10th at 2:30 PM at the church. Devotions will be given by Doreen Bardwell. Meditation will be presented by Sherry Hjelle. Hostesses will be Kris Dahl, Bonnie Thompson and Amanda Thompson. All ladies are welcome to join us!

Sinclair Township Cemetery Clean-Up

The Sinclair Cemetery Clean-up day will be held on Tuesday, May 15th starting at 5:00pm. The Monthly Regular Meeting will follow. If inclement weather, the cemetery clean-up will take place on Tuesday, May 22nd.

Brooke Pond,
Sinclair Town Clerk R7C

– CLIP & SAVE –

Notice To Eddy Township Residents:

The 2018 Monthly meetings will be held at the Town Hall

8:00 P.M.
May 14
June 11
July 9
August 13
September 10

7:30 P.M.
October 9
November 13
December 10
(No meeting in January)
February 11

March 12, Annual Meeting, at 4:00 P.M.

Marilyn Shamp,
Eddy Township Clerk R7C

POPPY DAYS

Gonvick American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Days

Fri., May 11 & Sat., 12, 2018

"POPPIES FOREVER"

The story told of this red flower
Was told from war to war -
These flowers made by wounded men
Made yearly by the score
They make this flower with memories
Of those now left behind;
The wars were won - yet were lost
They still are on our minds.
With battlefields and crosses by the score
Our hearts are warm - our heads are high;
This little flower - Oh! so red
We wear it with such pride
Live on - live on little flower
Till Earth there is no more;
With war and peace - they symbolize
What we were fighting for. R7C

Alice Forsberg is 95 Years Young!

Come Celebrate with Family and Friends

Saturday May 19, 2018
2:00 - 4:00 pm

Embassy Community Center
603 - 3rd St NE • Fosston, MN

Please no gifts

R7-8C

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., May 9 - ***Birthday Meal*** - Egg Bake, Tator Tots, Banana, Coffee Cake, Bread and Milk

Thurs., May 10- Pub House Fish, Macaroni and Cheese, Peas and Carrots, Angel Food Cake, Bread and Milk.

Fri., May 11 - Chicken Salad, Marinated Veg. Salad, Fresh Fruit, Brownie, Bun and Milk.

Mon., May 14 - Beef Tips with Gravy, Noodles, Country Blend Veg., Cookie, Bread and Milk.

Tues., May 15- Chicken, Baked Potatoes, California Blend Veg., Fruit Cocktail, Bread and Milk.

Wed., May 16 - Hamburger on Bun, Macaroni Salad, Brownie and Milk.

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

Clearwater County Fair Calendar winners

April 28 - Harlen Strandlien, Shevlin, $20.

April 29 -DJ Ekre, Bagley, $20.

April 30 - Julie Walker, $20.

May 1 - Mary Norlund, Clearbrook, $20.

May 2 - Jenny Burrack, Mahnomen, $20.

May 3 - Bernice Magnussen, Clearbrook, $20.

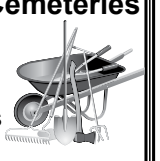
May 4 - John Hendrickson, Bagley, $20.

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

FRIDAY, MAY 11TH
5:00 pm

at **Silver Creek, Greenwood, Seljord, Westby, Augustana & Clearwater Cemeteries**

Bring shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, gloves



Contact: **Brad Borene** 776-3344 for details R6-7C

Region 2 Arts Council Awards Arts Grants

On April 16, 2018 the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors awarded $24,675 through their Arts Project Grant program. These grants offer funding for a variety of art projects including costs related to performances or exhibitions, engagement of guest artists, public art projects, and artists-in-residence.

Bagley Area Arts Collaborative received $1,549 to host a Plein Air Painting workshop with artist Dan Mondloch using the grounds of the Clearwater County History Center as the subject matter. (Clearwater County)

Sheriff Darin Halverson

Sheriff Halverson announces he is seeking second term

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Clearwater County as your County Sheriff for the past four years. I am officially announcing that I will be seeking a second term in the upcoming election this fall. There have definitely been some challenges the past few years, but also some huge successes and improvements made to the Sheriff's Office that I want to continue. A lot has been learned since becoming your Sheriff and I continue to strive to be fair and open-minded.

I have dedicated the past 25 years to the service of Clearwater County. Not only have I worked my entire law enforcement career in Clearwater County, but have lived here my entire life as well. I grew up south of Shevlin, attended both Shevlin and Bagley Elementary Schools, and graduated from Bagley High School. I attended Bemidji State University where I received my degree in Criminal Justice and completed the Law Enforcement Skills program at Alexandria Technical College. I began my career in law enforcement in 1992 as a part-time Clearbrook Police Officer and then went to work for the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office as a part-time deputy in 1993. In 1994, I started working as a part-time Bagley Police Officer and went to full-time there in 1995. As a Bagley Police Officer, I worked as a patrol officer, K9 officer, and Assistant Police Chief. In 2007, I was appointed Police Chief in Bagley where I served until 2013 when I was appointed as Clearwater County Chief Deputy. After the passing of former Sheriff Mike Erickson, I was appointed Sheriff on September 30, 2014, was elected as a write-in candidate on November 4, 2014, and have served as your Sheriff since. In addition, I have spent the past 21 years as a DARE Instructor, educating the youth in our county about the dangers of drugs and alcohol and how to make healthy and wise decisions.

Since becoming your Sheriff, I have worked diligently to engage the citizens of Clearwater County and make the Sheriff's Office as transparent as possible. I have accomplished this by writing a monthly article that is published in both local newspapers, appearing on the Fosston Radio station the third Tuesday of every month and creating a Facebook page to reach those on social media. This effort is done to update the public on safety issues, seeking the public's assistance in investigations, announcing press releases or to let everyone know if something positive has happened at the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office. All of these, I feel, have had an impact on keeping the public informed and in turn, safe.

Other improvements that have been made at the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office over the past four years include the addition of body worn cameras for deputies, new records management system and mapping, squad car GPS and the revitalization of a dive team funded with grant money. We continue to work toward being operational on the ARMER radio system to keep communication with surrounding counties and cities intact. In addition, we have improved the law enforcement coverage within the county at no additional cost. These are just some of the major improvements made, however, there are smaller, but just as important, improvements as well.

The law enforcement community has faced many challenges during the past four years and we are going to be faced with more. Maintaining the peace and safety of our county residents is a priority. I have made it my goal to provide a quality and professional law enforcement service that the people of our county can be proud of. More work needs to be done and I want to continue improving the services and image of the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office. Change never comes easily and I am up for the challenge. I have the qualifications, experience and dedication necessary to help guide the Sheriff's Office through these tough times. Thank you for all your support during my first term and I would humbly ask for continued support this fall in the upcoming election.

-Submitted by
Darin Halverson

Church News

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., May 9 - 5:30 pm Confirmation,7:30 pm Bible Study and Prayer.
Thurs., May 10 - 9:30 am Bible Study and Prayer, 2:30 pm Mission Friends.
Sun., May 13 - 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship Service.

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH
MEMBERS OF NALC
Pastor Kris Snyder
SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wed., May 9: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 10:30 AM Quilting, 6:30-7:30 Confirmation Grill Out.
Sun., May 13: 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship Service/ Holy Communion.
UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sun., May 13: 9:00 AM Worship Service Holy Communion.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Youth Pastor Brad Binder
Children's Minister Nicky Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
cfchurch@gvtel.com
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept - May); 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Jr Church during Sermon time); 10:00 a.m. Kids Worship (1st-6th Graders) most Sundays Sept-May; 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check the church website for dates or the Elevate Youth Facebook Page for up to date information)
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
* Wednesdays - Care groups in various homes

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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Wed., May 9: 6:30 p.m. AWANA,Parents Night.
Thurs., May 10: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
Sat., May 12: 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sun., May 13: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service,

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd
Sun., May 13: 9:00 am Worship/ Communion/5th Grade First Communin;, 10:00 am Coffee Hour; Service Group 5 meets after Worship; 5:00 p.m. Pentecost Potluck Supper.
Wed., May 9: 6:30 pm Choir Practice
Joint
Wed. May 9 - 6:00 pm Supper/ Confirmation/6-7th Grade Bible Study.
Our Savior's
Sun., May 13: 10:30 am Coffee hour, 11:00am Worship/Communion.
Thurs., May 17: 6:00 pm Church Council.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, May 9: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, May 12: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, May 13: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 a.m. SS; Nazareth 9:45 a.m.; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Wed, May 16: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed. May 9: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Sun, May 13: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.
Tue, May 15: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed. May 16: 6:30 p.m. Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, May 9: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA. 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th grade confirmation at Lund.
Fri, May 11: 10:30 a.m. Services at Mac Manor.
Sun, May 13: 9:00 p.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
Wed, May 16: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley WELCA. 6:30 p.m. Bethany WELCA at Linda Godtland's.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, May 13: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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Senior Connection Adult Day Services: Openings for full- & part-time clients, M-W-F, 10:00-3:00. Enrollment assistance & transportation available. 218-487-5290, Ext.1.

Transportation Service: Call Karen at 218-776-2223 or 218-637-0509 to the learn more.

CLEARBROOK SITE:

Shop-at-the-Top: All new items on our 50% off racks! Open 10:00-4:00, weekdays, & 10:00-12:00, Saturday.

Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7:00 PM, Thursday, 2nd floor of CWLC-Clearbrook. Help for any hurt, habit, or hang-up. Confidential.

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.adultdayservicesgonvick.org and our Facebook pages.

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Sunday, May 13

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

SPOTLIGHT

April Spotlight on Support Staff: Jeni Zurhorst, Special Education Paraprofessional

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"May you be proud of the work you do, the person you are, and the difference you make."

Jeni Zurhorst is in her second year at Clearbrook-Gonvick in the EBD classroom. She has lived in the Clearbrook area since was five years old. She has three children: Craig, Derek and Jesalyn Roy

Why did you choose to work at school? I decided to work here because I was looking for something different from what I had previously been doing. And so I could see my children more often.

What did you do before coming to Clearbrook-Gonvick? I was a CNA at Good Samaritan Center for the last 6 years.

What is the best part of your job at Clearbrook-Gonvick? The kids, They are so much fun and coming here was the change I was looking for.

What is the biggest challenge of your job? Mondays… and Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays……

If you could have any job in the world - what would it be? I'm not sure what I want to be when I grow up! :)

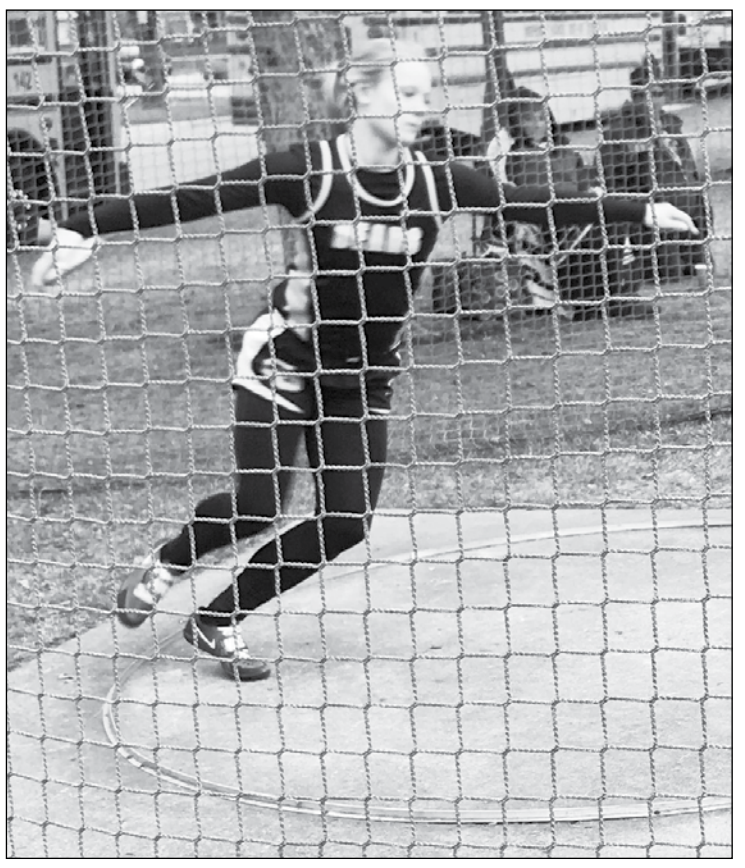
What do you do when you are not working at the school? Sleep! Work other jobs, and any activities with the kids.

If you could go on vacation anywhere, where would it be and why? I would love to visit many places but if I had to pick one I would say the Maldives.

April Spotlight on Support Staff: Jeni Zurhorst, Special Education Paraprofessional.

What are your favorite aspects of the Clearbrook-Gonvick community? Because I love my kids growing up in a small community where everyone knows everyone and is supportive of each other.

And now a few words about Jeni Zurhorst from the students and staff that work with her… *"Jeni has a smile always on her face!! She never lets anything get in her way. She is a positive influence on the kids, always lending a ear to help troubleshoot life problems." "Jeni is always willing to do whatever is asked of her. She will lend a hand wherever help is needed." "Jeni is great to have in the classroom. She is hard-working and helpful. Always has a smile on her face every morning. Thanks for all your hard work!" "Thanks for all your hard work!" "Jeni tries hard to be positive and smiley each day."*



Sophomore Danae Stenzel broke the Clearbrook-Gonvick girls discus record with a throw of 108' 9" on May 1, 2018. Previous record was set by Angela Burgess, 106' 7" in 2013. - Photo courtesy Clearbrook-Gonvick School

Senior girls ready for the Grand March include Madelynne Faldet, Kendehl ballard, Morgan Cornell, Keisha Jones and Cami Johnson.

Photo courtesy Ross Faldet

The Clearbrook-Gonvick High School's Building Trades class recently built a deer stand for the Gully Sportsman's Club. Pictured from left to right; Rose Java, Ben Engebretson, Preston Olson, Ethan Dorman, Tyler Weems, Brent Weems, Jonah Faldet, John Davis, Jonny Hamnes, Ben Nelson.

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Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wednesday, May 9- Lasagna, Garlic Toast, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Thursday, May 10 Dunkers with Dipping Sauce, green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Friday, May 11 - Turkey Subs, Sun Chips (9-12), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Monday, May 14 - HS Concert 6:30 - Cook's Choice, Milk.

Tuesday, May 15 - Elem. Concert 6: Cook's Choice. Milk.

Wednesday, May 16- Cook's Choice, Milk.

School News

Spring Concerts Celebrate the Movies and the USA

Clearbrook-Gonvick music students are making final preparations for their spring concerts which will be presented May 14 and 15. The junior/senior high school concert is May 14 and will feature music from classic movies. Also being performed are the large group contest pieces that earned superior ratings for both the band and the choir.

The elementary concert is a "Star-Spangled Salute" featuring grades 4-6 and elementary bands. The elementary will be recognizing our past and present military members with the songs from each branch of the military. There will be reserved seating for military personnel, legion, and auxiliary members on the floor of the gym.

Both concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

Kindergarten Roundup is Tuesday, May 8th from 5-6:00.

Shoot the Rock basketball camp: June 4-7 for next years 4th-9th grades, register by May 22 to receive camp t-shirt, forms in display case by school office

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Thur, May 10: V & JH Conference Track at WHA at 3:30 pm. Release at 1:30. Leave at 1:45

Thur, May 17: V Track at Ada-Borup at 4:00 pm. Release at 1:30. Leave at 1:45

Thur, May 24: V Track at Lake of the Woods at TBD. Release at TBD. Leave at TBD

ONGOING EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

PLEASE USE THE NEW K-12 PAYMENT CENTER to check your account and make payments.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: Tutoring hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 3:20-5:20 and Wednesday 2:30- 5:20. There will be a late bus leaving at 5:30 to Red Lake.

Listen to the school news every Tuesday at 2:05 on KKCQ 96.7

Please turn in all Box-Tops and Loaves for Learning UPC's.

COUNSELORS CORNER:

Get up to date information over the school year including scholarships, financial aid, tips, college representatives, career fairs, articles, and some fun stuff by following me on:

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Meet the Clearbrook-Gonvick Seniors

Each week the Leader-Record is featuring the 2018 seniors

Morgan Cornell:

Family Members: Parents Debra and Jason Cornell, and brother Chase Cornell

Best High School Memory: Freshman year and being on the basketball team that won sub-sections at the Ralph. I was in the locker room thinking that it wasn't real. Rocky, Ross, and Bob brought us all Dippin Dots and we laughed.

Favorite Song: "Home" by Edward Sharpe and "The Magnetic Zeros"

Favorite Movie: "Star Wars"

Favorite Class: Pre-calculus with Mr.Vettleson, Composition with Mrs. DeVries, and Yearbook with Mr. Bettin

Your Hero: Nikola Tesla because of his advancements in technology (especially electricity). He tends to be overlooked because of Thomas Edison.

What are your plans for next year? Going to Bemidji State University for Mathematics and Computer Science with a minor in Statistics and Critical Thinking

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? I want to collect degrees. I don't know what job I want yet. I want to explore my options. I want to start exploring the world and helping people in need. I want to see where life goes because it never goes to plan.

Brianna Straabe

Family Members: Parents Tara and Tony Preston, siblings Lukas Preston, Tommy Straabe, Tristin Straabe, and Dillon Straabe.

Best High School Memory: Senior Class Trips

Favorite Song: "Travelin Soldier" by Dixie Chicks

Favorite Movie: "Stepbrothers"

Favorite Class: Anything to do with History

Your Hero: My mom, Tara Preston

What are your plans for next year? Attending college and working

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Working as a nurse, married, and doing cosmetology on the side.

Cassie Faldet

Family Members: Parents Darwin and Brenda Faldet, and sister Kaylee Faldet

Best High School Memory: My best memory would have to be traveling to the Wisconsin Dells with the basketball team. There are so many good memories from those trips each summer.

Favorite Song: "Dreams" by NF

Favorite Movie: "Central Intelligence"

Favorite Class: Composition with Mr.Kaucher

Your Hero: My hero is Nathan Feuerstein (NF)

What are your plans for next year? I plan on attending Bemidji State University, catch me at all of the hockey games!

Where do you see yourself in the next 10 years? I'm not sure where I'll be in 10 years. I hope that I'll be successful and inspiring others. I don't focus on one big thing; I focus on the little things that lead up to the big things. So we will see in 10 years!

Sierra Walters

Family Members: Niki Cole and Eric Walters

Best High School Memory: Getting my diploma

Favorite Song: "Tiny Dancer" by Elton John

Favorite Movie: "Forest Gump"

Favorite Class: Lunch

Your Hero: My Dad

What are your plans for next year? Work

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Somewhere hot, no more winter. Working in a hospital and traveling with my best friend.

Cami Johnson

Family Members: Parents Lisa and Mike Johnson, and brother Taylor Johnson

Best High School Memory: 'Madelynne V. Morgan: Spoons'

Favorite Song: "Solid tie Between Miss You" by The Rolling Stones and "Tennessee Whiskey" by Chris Stapleton

Favorite Movie: "Tommy Boy"

Favorite Class: Anatomy with Mrs. Goudge, College Writing with Mrs.DeVries, and Yearbook with Mr.Bettin

Your Hero: Ryan Reynolds and Jimmy Fallon

What are your plans for next year? I am going to attend Bemidji State University to be a Secondary Science Teacher

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Teaching somewhere in northern MN. Maybe with a significant other? Wherever life takes me I guess.

Ty Nelson

Family Members: Parents Paul and Rachel Nelson, and brother Levi Nelson.

Best High School Memory: Time I skipped class and relaxed in the track mats.

Favorite Song: "This Means War" by Avenged Sevenfold

Favorite Movie: "Stepbrothers"

Favorite Class: Elementary Gym TA with Mr. Eck and Welding with Ross Faldet

Your Hero: Red Green

What are your plans for next year? Probably be in college or whatnot.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? At 10:48 a.m. the time I took this survey, on 3/29/18, on 3/29/27, I will hopefully be working or whatnot.

Breana Branchaud

Family Members: Parents Brian and Tracie Branchaud, and brother Brandon Branchaud

Best High School Memory: Leaving

Favorite Song: "Follow Me" by Uncle Cracker

Favorite Movie: "The Longest Ride"

Favorite Class: Shop Class with Ross Faldet

Your Hero: My mom

What are you plans for next year? Working

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Happily married with kids maybe

Hunter Voxland

Family Members: Parents Barry and Jo Voxland, and younger brother Chase Voxland.

Best High School Memory: Pitching at Siebert field where the Gophers play, throwing no-hit innings, and hitting an RBI double.

Favorite song: "Psycho" by Post Malones

Favorite Movie: "The Sandlot"

Favorite Class: Yearbook with Mr. Bettin

Your Hero: My dad. He taught me right from wrong and how to stick through things when they're tough.

What are your plans for next year? Attend college at Bemidji State University and study finance.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Living on Lake Okoboji in Iowa with a sick boat listening to the Twins.

Keisha Jones

Family Members: Mom Robin Proffit, Step-dad Mark Proffit, and brother Keenan Jones

Best High School Memory: My best high school memory would probably be having lunch everyday with all of my friends and our senior class trip to Duluth.

Favorite Song: "Selfish" by PnB Rock

Favorite Movie: "Perks of Being a Wallflower"

Favorite Class: College writing with Mrs. DeVries, or Economics/U.S. Citizenship with Mrs. Hjort

Your Hero: My Mom

What are you plans for next year? I plan to attend Bemidji State University in the fall to study Social Work

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? I see myself having graduated college, working as a social worker in a bigger city, and maybe doing some traveling.

Choices Psychotherapy Celebrates Mental Health Month

This May is Mental Health Month. Choices Psychotherapy (Choices) celebrates mental health month by highlighting the importance that mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being, and mental illnesses are common and treatable.

So much of what we do physically impacts us mentally. That is why this year's theme for May is Mental Health Month – Fitness #4Mind4Body – is a call to pay attention to both physical health and mental health, which can help achieve overall wellness and set a path to recovery.

The main focus is on how a healthy lifestyle may help prevent the onset or worsening of mental health conditions, as well as heart disease, diabetes, obesity and other chronic health problems. It can also help people recover from these conditions. Eating healthy foods, managing stress, exercising, and getting enough sleep can go a long way in making you both physically and mentally healthy.

May is Mental Health Month was started 69 years ago by Mental Health America, to raise awareness about mental health conditions and the importance of good mental health for everyone.

"It is important to really look at your overall health, both physically and mentally, to achieve wellness," said Susan Davis, LICSW, owner and executive director of Choices Psychotherapy. "Getting the appropriate amount of exercise, eating healthy foods that can impact your gut health, getting enough sleep and reducing stress – it's all about finding the right balance to benefit both the mind and body."

"We know that living a healthy lifestyle is not always easy, but it can be achieved by gradually making small changes and building on those successes," concluded Choice's registered dietician Jessica Welch, MS, RDN. "By looking at your overall health every day – both physically and mentally – you can go a long way in ensuring that you focus on your Fitness #4Mind4Body."

From the Pumpkin Growers Association

Pumpkin Growers

Pumpkin growers had their Annual seed packaging meeting on April 23rd and seeds from last years pumpkins have been sent to paid up & volunteer members. New or unpaid members can sign up to get their seeds at the Trap. The growing season is officially beginning for the 25th Annual Big Pumpkin Contest. Growers present were enthusiastic about the new seed and describing growing practices that they were going to be using this year.

Tucker & Margie Johnson are confident that their underground heated patch will give them a head start. Their soil temperature is now 80 degrees while everyone else's garden is still nearly frozen. Allan Danielson has gotten his diatomaceous earth & along with some 3 year old horse manure will have one of the most naturally healthy garden soil possible. Ole Engebretson (who had a difficult season last year and still placed 3rd) sounds like he knows his gardening, his daughters, Shya & Layla, also grow & won the kids contest last year. Linda Quern sounds like she's ready to give Giant Pumpkin growing a serious try, Linda along with husband, David, sons, Brandon & Dawson, are caretakers of the pumpkin patch and has more pumpkin growing experience than most. JJ Solberg's fish emulsion combined with the wicking effect his garden soil has with Leon Lake has helped make him a top grower. JJ expects to grow a 1500 pound plus pumpkin with the help of his newly installed grow light system (incorporating grow lights & heat lamps into a light sensitive & thermostatically controlled self-regulating system programmed to create optimal conditions for giant pumpkin growth). Plans excepting severe weather are to rest the system for four hours daily, from 8 pm to midnight. JJ says that most of his neighbors are sleeping by midnight & shouldn't be affected by the over glow of his lights. The trick is to have the pumpkins grow more each day but not to mature early. Trevor & Gavin will also benefit & may set new records in the kids' contest.

Last year's Better Homes & Gardens -Best Home & Garden Contest was looking like a $25,000 win for the Solberg's until five person judging panel noticed JJ's fish emulsion tanks (3 of the 5 judges were vegans, and fish mulching didn't go well with them). Kim says that this year would be no better as JJ really went too far on his grow light system. (When she looks at the electric meter it is spinning so fast that she expects it to blow up and the over glow can be seen from both Gonvick & Clearbrook. People have mistaken it for the northern lights when driving on hwy. 92 after midnight. It's so bright that it turns off the neighbor's yard lights). Not exactly Green.

The Marty brothers, Marvin & David are expected to do well again this year. David is an accomplished gardener. Marvin, 1st winner of the Hang in there, tough as nails award, has brought many nice pumpkins to the contest. Frank & Annie Bergh will certainly grow again this year. (these people are real gardeners). Wayne Bergh, Charlie Bergh –

They're in it to win it! Nathan Watne is expected to make a strong come back this year (daughters Harper & McKinly usually finish well in the kid contest). Wade Klema, Hall of Fame Grower, and growing legend is with us again this year. Bob Edevold's garden looks like a compost dumpsite (exactly what it is) and he figures that when he gets it all cultivated in, that it will be the most butt kicking pumpkin growing soil ever. Bob finished well the last few years & Las Vegas odds makers predict him to win this year.

It seems that gamblers consider our contest the most honest & least likely event to be fixed of all sporting events and have been betting on us & our pumpkins increasingly since 2014. The Pumpkin Growers' have not encouraged Las Vegas or any gambling on our contest. The idea of big national sponsors or a reality show are at least interesting.

The more in the know Calcutta bet has Bob in the middle of the pack and is putting smart money on the other growers. Traditionally, the Calcutta bet pays 10% to the contestant or team that places. This is the Midwest Calcutta's first year of betting on our pumpkin contest and the pay-out already looks huge. Bets in by July 1, 2018.

John Johnson's seeds are already germinated & he's ready for another season. John had 2 pumpkins last year that were far ahead of any other contestants. We all thought he would be the winner, then mysteriously they quit growing. If John has the same luck this year, he says that he will start a Pumpkin Growers Anonymous, having meetings in his pumpkin patch, doing Elvis Presley sing a-longs to soothe pumpkin growers broken hearts. He feels that this could go national & may lead to a new career as a motivational speaker.

With luck John could upset the winners circle but so could Tanner Peterson- Hall of Fame, Lynn Flateland, Sienna, Jake Wickham, Matt, Erv, Kaylinn, Lettie, Grace, Faith, Cora or any of the other growers.

Good Luck & Start your Pumpkins!

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Sand Valley Sunday School of Trail pictured L to R. Back row: Luci Svendsen, Halie Thompson, Frankie Omang, Jake Stoskopt, Luke Omang; Middle row: Everett Svendsen, Logen Knutson, Jake Knutson, Arlo Svendsen, Tucker Nyland, Kathryn Snrsky; Front row: Ray Snrsky, Victor Svendsen, Tayton Nyland, Niah Knutson/Willett.
-Submitted photo

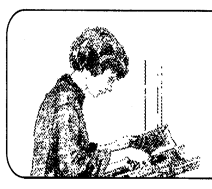
Sand Valley Sunday School World Relief project

Sand Valley Sunday School of Trail Thrivent Action Team Event on April 22, 2018 for Lutheran World Relief

Sand Valley Sunday School packed back packs for Lutheran World Relief. Sponsored by Thrivent!

Each back pack contained one bag, 4 (70) wide rule tablets, 5 pens, 5 pencils, 24 color crayons, 1 ruler, 1 erase, 1 scissor and 1 pencil sharpener.

Sunday School teachers are Shirley Anderson, Bonnie Pettersen and Jennifer Snrsky.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The Gonvick American Legion Auxiliary will be selling Poppies this Friday and Saturday. They will be around and also have a can at the Gonvick Legion this Saturday night when they have the monthly fish fry.

The area greenhouses are opening up for the season. Fertile Garden Center is open daily. The Countryside Greenhouse south of Gonvick is having a Mother's Day special on Saturday, May 12. They are open on Monday through Saturday. See ads in the Canary this week.

There will be cemetery clean-up on Friday, May 11 starting at 5:00 p.m. at Silver Creek, Greenwood, Seljord, Westby, Augustana & Clearwater Cemeteries. Bring shovels, rakes, wheel-barrows, gloves. Contact: Brad Borene 776-3344 for details.

There will be a concert on May 13 at 2:00 at the Roxy in Clearbrook with "North Country Faces and Places " Admission is free: Donations accepted. This event is sponsored by the Clearwater County Historical Society in celebration of its 50th anniversary.

I heard that Edie Dukek and Doug Kilen are getting hitched. A reception and dance will be held on Saturday, June 9 at the American Legion in Middle River starting at 5:00 p.m.

Time to think... Filing for elected County offices begins on May 22, 2018. Dan Stenseng will not be seeking a third term as your 5th District Clearwater County Commissioner. The 5th District in Clearwater County consists of the City of Gonvick and the townships of Holst, Eddy, Pine Lake, Winsor, Greenwood, Hangaard, and the Clearwater County portion of the Red Lake Reservation.

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

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

We take passport pictures. Call 218-487-5225 to set up an appointment. They can be made while you wait.

We collect used eye glasses in he Leader-Record 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

Ole got a job as an accountant and he was having difficulties sleeping at night, so he went to see his doctor. The doctor said, "Have you tried counting sheep?"

"That's the trouble," said the accountant. "I make a mistake and then spend three hours trying to find it."

A couple go for a meal at a Chinese restaurant and order the "Chicken Surprise". The waiter brings the meal, served in a lidded cast iron pot.

Just as the wife is about to serve herself, the lid of the pot rises slightly and she briefly sees two beady little eyes looking around before the lid slams back down.

"Good grief, did you see that?" she asks her husband. He hadn't, so she asks him to look in the pot. He reaches for it and again the lid rises, and he sees two little eyes looking around before it slams down..

Rather perturbed, he calls the waiter over, explains what is happening, and demands an explanation.

"Please sir," says the waiter, "what you order?"

The husband replies, "Chicken Surprise."

"Ah! So sorry," says the waiter, "I bring you Peeking Duck."

Words of Wisdom

Remember, the word no never created anything.

To forgive someone is the best use of any day.

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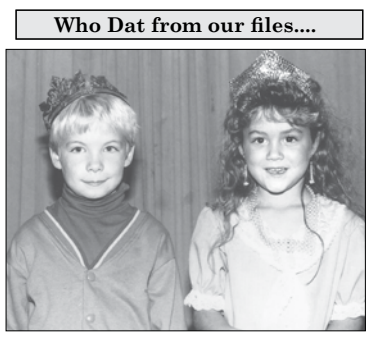

We still don't know who these two are Help know who they are? Help us.

Now hear this...

by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

THE ORIGINS OF MEMORIAL DAY: Three years after the Civil War ended, on May 5, 1868, the head of an organization of Union veterans – the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) – established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared it should be May 30. It is believed the date was chosen because flowers would be in bloom all over the country. The first large observance was held that year at Arlington National Cemetery, across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C. It was not until after World War I, however, that the day was expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars. In 1971 Memorial Day was declared a national holiday by an act of Congress, though it is still often called Decoration Day. It was then also placed on the last Monday in May, as were some other federal holidays.

The crowd attending the first Memorial Day ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery was approximately the same size as those that attend today's observance, about 5,000 people. Then, as now, small American flags were placed on each grave – a tradition followed at many national cemeteries today. In recent years, the custom has grown in many families to decorate the graves of all departed loved ones.

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

ATV Safety Training at Bagley School

ATV Safety Training offered in Bagley on Saturday, May 19, 2018 starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Bagley High School.

The Minnesota DNR Youth ATV Safety Training Course will be offered in Bagley to interested ATV operators, age 11-16 who wish to obtain a safety certificate. Anyone born after July I", 1987 must have an ATV safety certificate in order to operate an ATV in Minnesota.

The ATV course includes two parts:

Part 1: •Complete the online courses on your own and print the completion certificate:

ATVcourse.com (fee for the online course is $29.95)

Part 2: •Bring printed certificate to the field day on Saturday 5/19/2018 at 9:00 AM at Bagley High School.

•A review session and written exam will be given and then well be walking to the County Fairgrounds for an operations exam.

•Students must have a helmet and proper riding attire (no loose clothing, boots preferred and no loose laces, gloves and eye protection). We will provide an ATV to use.

•Ending time will be around 11 :00 AM.

A Parent or Guardian is required to attend the first part of the field day fill out and sign the registration form.

There is no cost to attend the class; a course fee is paid online to the DNR after passing the class to obtain a safety certificate.

No pre-registration is necessary.

STORY TO SHARE!
If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to: richards@gvtel.com

Two groups form partnership to offer College League

MINNESOTA – The Minnesota College Athletic Conference (MCAC) has teamed up with the League to offer a new sanctioned varsity sport - Clay Target - to begin in Fall 2018.

Trap shooting is the shooting sport of choice for the MCAC's Clay Target offering, in which a team of 5 take turns shooting at clay targets traveling at over 40mph. Students will compete 'virtually' by shooting at their local shooting range and uploading their scores to the League for tracking.

Clay Target is fully Title IX compliant with both male and female athletes competing on the same team. Additionally it's an 'adaptive' sport, which allows students with physical disabilities to take part.

The League is assisting the MCAC to craft the Clay Target Sports Code to help form the program, and will provide leadership, administration, and interactive support. A 6-week fall season will start in late-August and conclude with the MCAC Clay Target Championship in mid-October.

As a part of their status as a varsity sport within the Conference, participating Minnesota College Athletic Conference colleges will require student athletes to complete a minimum number of enrollment credits and meet GPA standards to participate on a team.

"With the success of the USAHSCTL, we have always envisioned the League growing to provide shooting sport programs for colleges," said League Vice-President John Nelson. "Our partnership with the MCAC is just the first of an exciting new path of post-secondary education and activity opportunities for graduating high school student athletes that have enjoyed the Clay Target League for so many years."

MCAC Executive Director Peter Watkins notes that Clay Target offers a chance to engage a new population for the athletic departments of colleges. "It allows schools to expand their 'brand' and school pride to a whole new population in and around their communities." Watkins said. "Clay Target student athletes and their families are connecting with the school, buying sweatshirts, coming onto campus more often, and learning about the education options at the colleges, much like we see in other sport populations."

The USA High School Clay Target League is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and the independent provider of shooting sports as an extracurricular co-ed and adaptive activity for high schools and students in grades 6 through 12. The organization's priorities are safety, fun, and marksmanship – in that order. Nationwide, nearly 22,000 student athletes representing over 800 school-approved teams participate in the League.

The Minnesota College Athletic Conference is comprised of over 20 public, two-year Community and Technical Colleges across the state of Minnesota, North Dakota, and Wisconsin, and is committed to providing an engaging and supportive environment for success of our student athletes and competition among member institutions.

Farm Service Agency Makes Administrative Change to the Livestock Indemnity Program

Starting April 24th, agricultural producers who have lost livestock to disease, resulting from a weather disaster, have an additional way to become eligible for a key U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) disaster assistance program. USDA Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation Bill Northey announced an administrative clarification nationwide to the Livestock Indemnity Program. In the event of disease, this change by USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) authorizes local FSA county committees to accept veterinarian certifications that livestock deaths were directly related to adverse weather and unpreventable through good animal husbandry and management. The committees may then use this certification to allow eligibility for producers on a case-by-case basis for LIP.

"This change is part of USDA's broader effort to better serve America's farmers, ranchers and foresters through flexible and effective programs," said Northey, who is in Texas today visiting with ranchers impacted by drought and wildfire. "America's farmers feed our nation and much of the world, and throughout history they have known good years and bad years. But when disaster strikes, USDA is ready to step in and help."

LIP provides benefits to agricultural producers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by adverse weather, disease or by attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government. Eligible weather events include earthquakes, hail, tornadoes, hurricanes, storms, blizzard and flooding.

Producers interested in LIP or other USDA disaster assistance programs should contact their local USDA service center.

CLEARWATER COUNTY PROPERTY TAX NOTICE

First Half Taxes Due May 15, 2018

Real Estate Taxes on the 1st half are due on or before May 15, 2018. On May 16, 2018, penalty of 2% will apply to homestead property and a penalty of 4% will apply to non-homestead property. On June 1, 2018, the penalty will increase to 4% on homestead property and 8% on non-homestead property. These penalties will increase at the rate of 1% per month until October 1st when the penalty on homestead property becomes 8% and non-homestead property becomes 12% on the unpaid first half.

Personal Property Tax is due in full on May 15th, 2018. Penalty of 8% applies on May 16, 2018, on any unpaid balance of the tax due. Please, check your tax statement to see if your personal property taxes are due in full, or if only half of the taxes are due May 15th.

Clearwater County is offering extended hours at the Service Center May 14th and May 15th from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Extended hours have been added for Clearwater County taxpayer's convenience in paying their property taxes.

Respectfully,
Allen L. Paulson,
Clearwater County Auditor/Treasurer

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Mark Lien, Eldin Okstad and Orvis Haugen serving the food at the yearly smelt fry that was held at Shorty's in Gully.

Peter Imle had his plate full of goodies at the annual Smelt Fry at Shorty's in Gully. On the menu were the smelt, baked potatoes, beans, cole slaw, onion rings and bread.

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Highly contagious disease has horse owners on high alert

St. Paul, Minn. - The Minnesota Board of Animal Health urges horse owners to do their part to stop the spread of a highly contagious horse disease after it has been confirmed in neighboring states. North and South Dakota recently confirmed cases of Equine Herpesvirus Myeloencephalopathy (EHM), a potentially fatal and reportable disease. The last case of EHM diagnosed in Minnesota was in 2015.

"Horses leaving their home farm to compete, breed or train can be exposed to a number of diseases including EHM," said Equine Program Manager, Dr. Courtney Wheeler. "Owners and exhibitors entering Minnesota from other states are required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection verifying their horse has been examined by a veterinarian and is free from signs of communicable and contagious diseases."

The Board has an official control plan for EHM, and if a Minnesota horse is confirmed to be EHM positive or has been determined to be exposed to the disease, it must be quarantined. The Board then works with herd veterinarians and horse owners to carry out testing and observation protocols defined in the control plan before the quarantines can be released.

Horse owners attending events need to adhere to rigorous and routine biosecurity practices to prevent the further spread of EHM and other contagious diseases. Diseases can be carried from one place to another by other horses, people, insects, trailers, and equipment (including tack, blankets, feed and water buckets, brushes, sponges, hoses or veterinary supplies).

The Board works with several state and federal agencies in its mission to protect the health of Minnesota's domestic animals. As part of this work, we encourage horse owners to follow these equine biosecurity tips when traveling with their horse.

1. It is always best to use your own trailer and equipment. If you must borrow, clean and disinfect items thoroughly before exposing your horse and again before returning.

2. Don't let your horse touch other horses, especially nose to nose.

3. Never put the end of a shared hose in your horse's water bucket without disinfecting first. Don't hand-graze your horse where other horses have recently grazed.

4. If you touch other horses, wash your hands with soap and water, and dry them well. Use disinfectant wipes or hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available. Don't let strangers pet your horse.

5. Clean and disinfect tack, boots, equipment, and grooming supplies before returning home. Make sure to clean off dirt and manure before disinfecting.

6. Shower, blow your nose (germs can survive a long time in nasal secretions), and put on clean clothes and shoes upon your return.

7. Keep returning horses separate from your other horses for up to 4 weeks. When doing feeding and chores, work with the returning horses last, wear boots and coveralls, and remove them before working with your other horses.

8. Don't forget to wash your hands.

EHM is a reportable disease in Minnesota and positive cases must be reported to the Board immediately. Click this link to view the Board's Equine Herpesvirus Myeloencephalopathy Fact Sheet.

Clearwater County Sheriff
Darin Halverson

Clearwater County Sheriff's Office
Weekly Activity

Bear Creek -Total 1,
05/01-09:53 Suspicious Activity
City of Bagley - Total: 20
04/29-04:04 Traffic Complaint
04/29-11:17 Medical
04/29-20:22 Suspicious Activity
04/30-01:53 Traffic Stop
04/30-08:36 Medical
04/30-10:08 Warrant Arrest
04/30-15:32 Transport
04/30-16:33 Fire
04/30-21:30 Traffic Stop
05/01-12:44 Transport
05/01-22:08 Juvenile Misc
05/02-12:03 Vehicle Lock Out
05/02- 15:59 Medical
05/02-19:26 Information Only
05/03-18:18 Medical
05/04-08:42 Animal Related
05/04/18 08:48 Animal Related
05/04-16:20 Drug Related
05/04-18:26 Juvenile Misc
05/05/18 08:19 Overdose
City of Clearbrook - Total 3
04/29-14:50 Medical
05/01-22:18 Noise Complaint
05/05-16:56 Disturbance
City of Gonvick - Total 1
05/01-3:05 Medical
City of Leonard - Total 1
05/03/18 20:19 Trespass
City of Shevlin - Total 8
04/30-18:57 Traffic Stop
05/01-18:47 Traffic Stop
05/02-03:41 Traffic Stop
05/02-15:49 911 Hang Up
05/03-03:13 Traffic Stop
05/03-04:02 Traffic Stop
05/04-17:40 THEFT
05/05-09:12 Juvenile Misc
Copley - Total 7
04/29-05:33 Animal Related
04/29-08:11 Traffic Stop
04/30-13:13 Suspicious Activity
05/01-20:47 Harassment
05/02-16:52 Juvenile Misc
05/03-15:18 Fire
05/04-17:37 THEFT
Eddy - Total 2
04/30-22:08 Welfare Check
05/04-21:05 Animal Related
Falk - Total 5
04/30-10:06 Fire
05/01-19:38 Suspicious Activity
05/01-23:10 Suspicious Activity
05/02-07:35 Property Damage
05/02-22:13 Information Only
LaPraire N - Total 6
05/01-10:33 Juvenile Misc
05/03-08:39 Lost/Found Property
05/04-11:58 Medical
05/04-16:52 THEFT
05/04-18:31 Lost/Found Property
05/05-13:23 Fire
Leon - Total 5
04/30-19:43 Animal Related
05/02-20:49 Traffic Stop
05/04-11:29 Fire
05/05-04:44 Traffic Stop
05/05-05:27 Traffic Stop
Long Lost Lake - Total 1
05/03-12:56 Property Damage
Moose Creek - Total 1
05/01-00:14 Medical
Nora - Total 3
04/30-10:56 Information Only
04/30-11:11 Fire
05/05-19:03 Suspicious Activity
Pine Lake - Total 3
04/30-06:38 Traffic Stop
05/02-20:15 Alarm
05/05-18:22 Motor Vehicle Crash
Popple - Total 2
05/03-16:02 Suspicious Activity
05/05-15:12 Court Order Violation
Rice - Total 3
05/03-20:59 Traffic Complaint
05/04-20:37 Suspicious Activity
05/05-13:01 Traffic Complaint
Shevlin - Total 5
04/29-20:33 Animal Related
05/01-13:35 Medical
05/05-02:35 Animal Related
05/05-18:32 Medical
05/05-22:13 Traffic Stop
Winsor - Total 1
05/03-21:21 Fire
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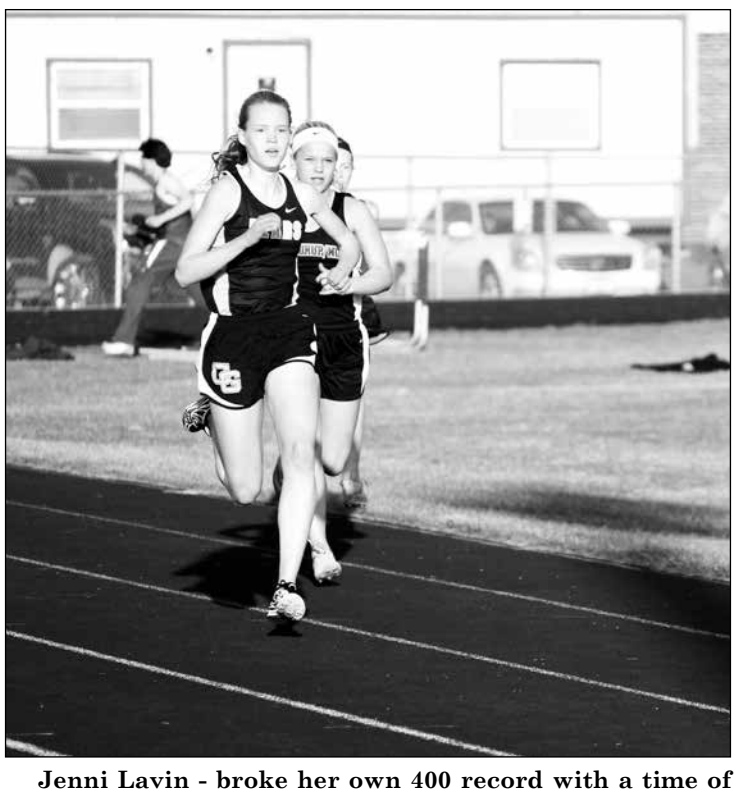

Jenni Lavin - broke her own 400 record with a time of 60.36.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Track team had an incredible week

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Track team had an incredible week last week, breaking four different school records! The varsity team competed at EGF on Tuesday and then at Mahnomen on Thursday.

Danae Stenzel - Discus 108'9 breaking the previous record of 106'7 held by Angela Burgess.

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The team heads to Walker this Thursday to compete in the conference meet. The Clearbrook-Gonvick boys are working to win a third consecutive conference championship and the girls are hungry to get their first.

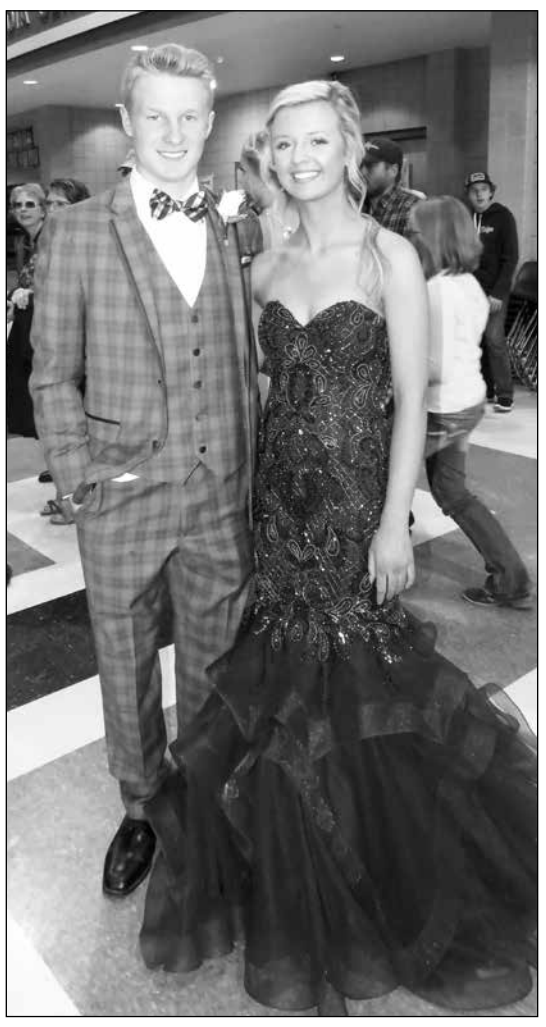
Fishing season..
Continued from front page

that. For many, fishing opener is a time to be with family and friends, reminiscing on old memories and making new ones. For others, fishing opener is the first chance to feel that tug on the line and the excitement and anticipation to see what is on the other end. That first fish fry is the hope for some who aim to bring home a healthy and tasty meal of fish they catch and prepare themselves.

You can even pat yourself on the back for fishing. It's good for Minnesota. Fishing supports local businesses and rural economies. And purchasing licenses, fishing equipment and boat fuel supports conservation. That's because license sales and federal excise taxes on fishing equipment and boat fuel fund the majority of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' basic fish management and fishing programs that help continue great fishing for future generations.

I hope you don't miss out on great fishing during the opener or sometime this summer, and make some new memories with old and new friends. If you want to start fishing, I encourage you to ask someone who does if they'll take you along. You can check out mndnr.gov/fishmn for what you need to get started.

"Fire and Ice" the 2018 Clearbrook-Gonvick High School prom, April 21, 2018.



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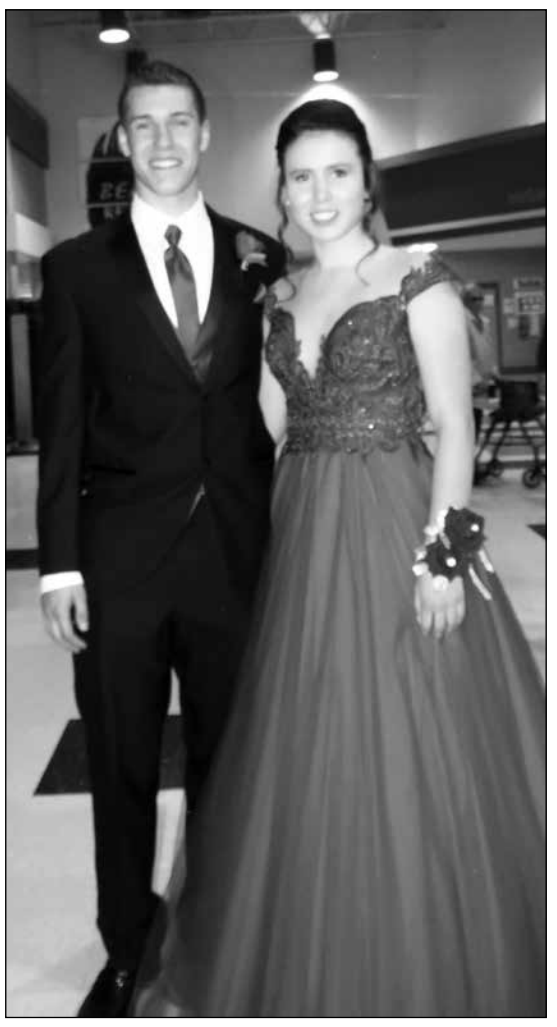

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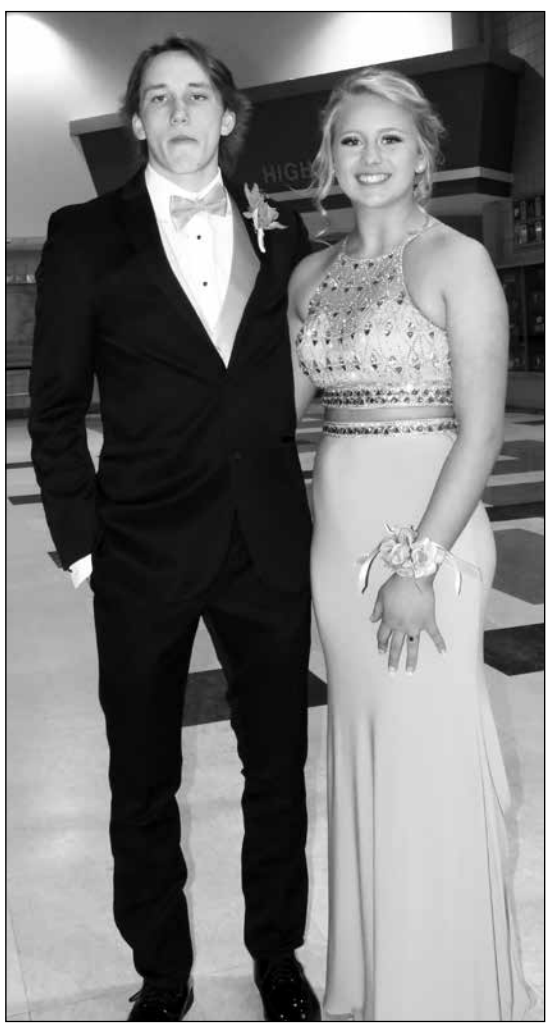

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Jacey Tronnes and Brody Johnson.

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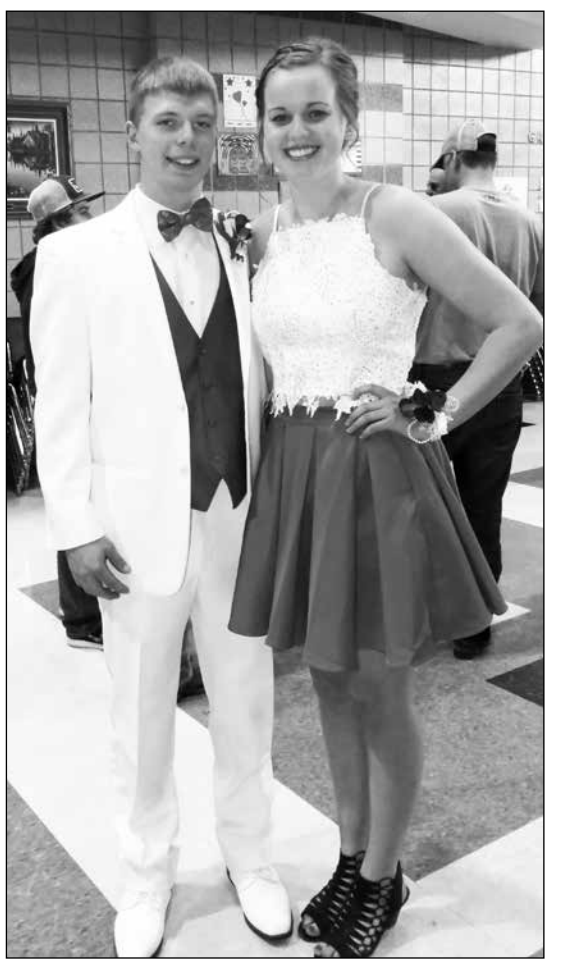
Brent Weems and Cami Johnson.



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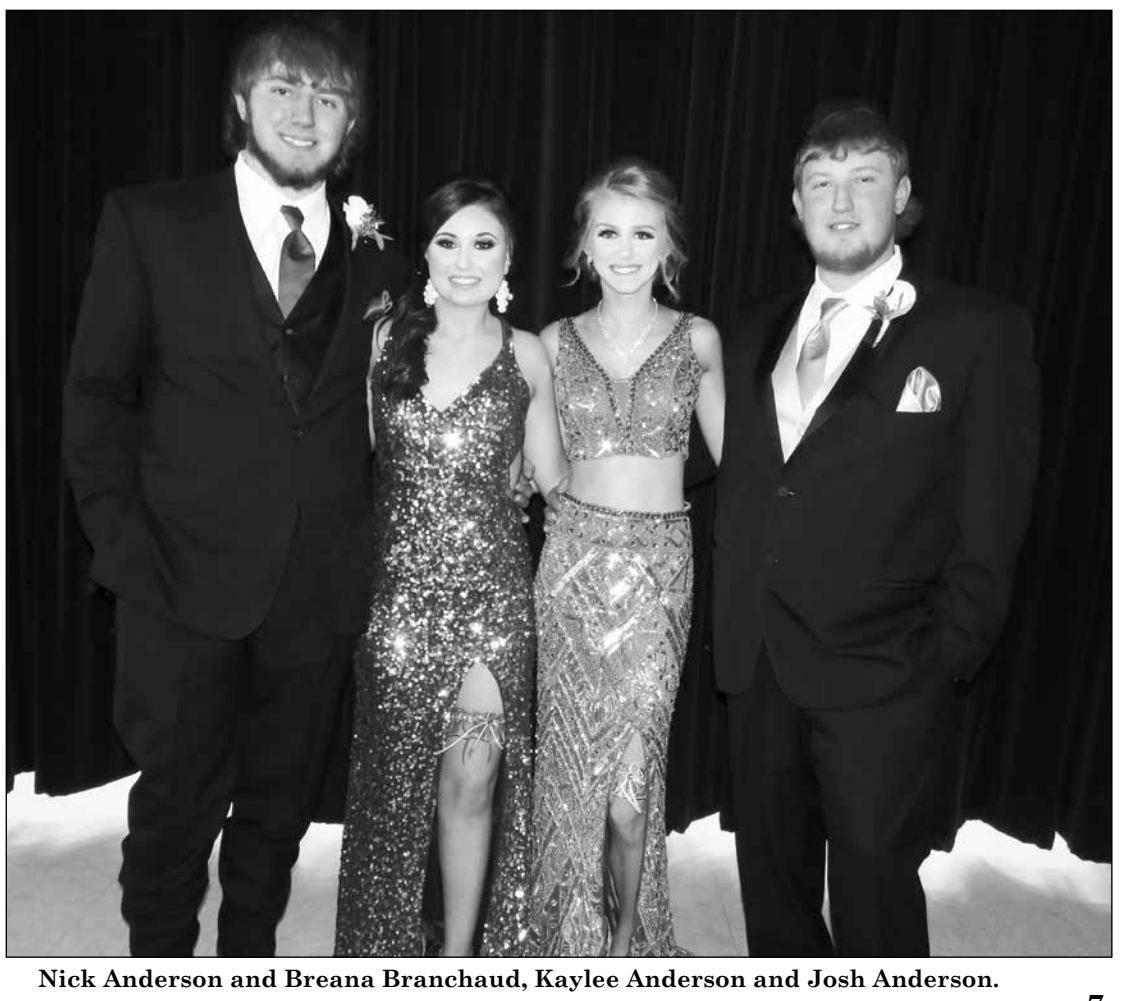

Nick Anderson and Breana Branchaud, Kaylee Anderson and Josh Anderson.

Madison Stenzel named NCTC 2018 Student of the Year

Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC) proudly announces the 2018 Student and Alumna of the Year for the Thief River Falls campus, Madison Stenzel and Ivette Garett, respectively.

Student of the Year

Stenzel, a 2016 honors graduate from Clearbrook-Gonvick High School, pursued an associate's degree in Liberal Arts at NCTC and will graduate this May with a 4.0 GPA, earning the school's highest academic honors. She plans to attend Bemidji State University to pursue a bachelor's degree in sports management with a minor in business.

In high school, Stenzel was an active member of the National Honor Society and served as Secretary of the Student Council. She was also a standout athlete, participating in volleyball, basketball and track. She was a two-year captain of her basketball team and earned MVP and First Team All-Conference honors in the Northwoods Conference.

"I chose to attend NCTC because of Pioneers Athletics," Stenzel said, "but I was undecided in my major. My experience here has been great. I have met lifetime friends. The instructors here get to know you on a one-on-one basis and you aren't just a number. I am glad I chose to attend NCTC."

Stenzel continued to shine on the court at NCTC, becoming a captain of the Pioneers Women's Basketball team. She helped lead the team to two appearances in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division III National Championships. Throughout her career at NCTC, Stenzel earned honorable mentions from the Minnesota College Athletics Conference (MCAC) All-Northern Division team her sophomore year and was named to the First Team NJCAA All-Academic in 2017. That year she also won the All-MCAC Academic Award.

Shannon Nelson, NCTC Business Instructor and Head Women's Basketball Coach, praised Stenzel's achievements and dedication both on and off the court.

"Madison has many intangible qualities that make her a great representative of the students and student-athletes here at NCTC," Nelson said. "She is a great teammate who puts the needs of others in front of her own. She is a hard worker in the classroom, on the court and in all other endeavors. She serves as a positive role model to young people in the community and Northwest Minnesota."

Alumna of the Year

Ivette (Torkelson) Garrett graduated in 1965 from NCTC, then known as the Thief River Falls Area Vocational Technical Institute. After earning her associate's degree from NCTC in 1968, Garrett moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, where she graduated from the University of Alaska in May 1972 with a bachelor's in psychology. Her academic pursuits ultimately took her back to Minnesota, where she received an MBA from the College of St. Thomas in 1987 before earning her Juris Doctorate (JD) with cum laude honors from the William Mitchell College of Law (now Mitchell Hamline School of Law) in 1992.

Garrett's long list of academic and professional honors, as well as her commitment to community service has distinguished her among her peers and fellow Northland alums. She credits NCTC for forming the foundation of lifelong success.

"Northland provided me an opportunity to continue my education near my home, as well as making it economically affordable," Garrett said. "Northland was and is a wonderful institute of higher learning that I am sure will benefit anyone who attends just like it did for me."

Among her many accomplishments, Garrett received the 1986 Small Business Administration, St. Paul District, award for outstanding management; clerked for the Chief Judge in Minnesota's First Judicial District; was appointed by District Court, First Judicial District, to serve on the Charter Commission of the City of South St. Paul for a 4-year term; was honored in 2002 by the South Suburban Adult Basic Education organization and the City of South St. Paul for her volunteer work in adult basic education; and served as an attorney for the St. Paul Minnesota District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, specializing in labor law, admiralty, ethics and tort law.

After retiring in 2008, Garrett and her family moved to Germany and later back to the U.S., where she volunteered three days per week at her granddaughters' elementary schools. In 2017, she moved back to Thief River Falls, where she continues her volunteer service three days per week at Challenger Elementary and serves as president of the St. Pauli Church council.

For more information on NCTC, visit www.northland-college.edu, or phone 1-800-959-6282.

Tronnes Places in State FFA Competition

Jacey Tronnes, a junior FFA member at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School, competed in the Minnesota State FFA Fish & Wildlife Career Development Event (CDE) at the Minnesota State FFA Convention on Monday, April 23.

Tronnes competed against 211 other FFA members from across the state of Minnesota and earned 4th place individual. She is devoted to studying and practicing, not only for the FFA competition, but also to prepare her for a possible career in natural resources. Tronnes is interested in becoming a wildlife biologist and is taking every opportunity she can to jumpstart her career education.

FFA CDEs are competitions organized to expose members to components of various career paths. FFA members first participate in region competitions in order to qualify for the state contest. First place teams in each CDE at state then move on to the National FFA CDEs held at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis in October. The Fish & Wildlife CDE consists of an identification test, quizzing the members' knowledge of various species of wildlife including fish, mammals, insects, and birds. It also involves a written exam which tests members on their knowledge of current events in natural resources, wildlife management practices, the history of conservation, and more.

The Clearbrook-Gonvick FFA would like to congratulate Jacey on this outstanding accomplishment!

Jacey Tronnes, a junior FFA member at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School places in State FFA Competition.

Richard Hale winner of the quilt at the Clearbrook Gonvick High School after prom party. Quilt donated by the Clearwater Quilters Guild.

Peterson gets DFL endorsement for 15th term

Jacob Gunvalson, of Gonvick gave the endorsing speech for Colin Peterson at the DFL Convention held in Wilmar. He and his mother Cheri are delegates for the convention.

WILLMAR, Minn. - Collin Peterson has received the Democratic-Farmer-Labor endorsement for Minnesota's 7th District seat in Congress.

Running for his 15th term in the House of Representatives, Peterson received the endorsement during the DFL 7th District Convention held in Willmar.

"From fighting for a farm bill to working to strengthen rural health care, Representative Peterson is a true champion for farmers and everyday families," Minnesota DFL Party Chairman Ken Martin said Saturday in a statement.

Peterson is expected to face Republicans Dave Hughes or Matt Prosch. Peterson defeated Hughes 53 to 47 percent in 2016. State Rep. Tim Miller, R-Prinsburg, ceased his race for Congress in December and is seeking his re-election to the Minnesota House 17A seat.

The Congressional District 7 GOP Convention is scheduled May 18-19 at Thumper Pond Resort in Ottertail.

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