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Eileen Vorderbruggen

Clearwater County Food Shelf holds annual meeting

The Clearwater County Food Shelf held its Annual Meeting on Monday, February 3, at the Clearbrook Senior Center with 15 members present. 2019 was a successful year with 3980 clients served and a total of 76,714 pounds of food distributed. In March we join food shelves, faith communities, businesses, and organizations across Minnesota in acting to end food insecurity. The 2019 March Campaign raised more than 5.1 million pounds of food and \$8 million for Minnesota food shelves. The March Campaign runs from March 1 through April 6. Donations can be dropped off at the Food Shelf (basement of the American Legion in Bagley) on Wednesdays from 10 am-2 pm or mailed to the CCFS, PO BX 578, Bagley. Contact any of the officers if you are interested in volunteering to help your neighbor in need.

“One of the greatest feelings in the world is knowing that we as individuals can make a difference.” – Jeff Bridges.

Vorderbruggen retires after 20 plus year

After 20+ years of volunteering, Eileen Vorderbruggen is retiring from the Vice-Presidency of the Clearwater County Food Shelf. She will remain the contact person for Bethel Lutheran and continue to interview clients at the food shelf a few times a year. Eileen loved her years as a Vice-President, networking with the various volunteers and getting to know them well. She thanks all the CCFS board members she has worked with over the years. Thank you, Eileen, for a job well done!!



Melissa McCoy began her new job as administrative assistant for Clearbrook-Gonvick School. Melissa is a resident of Gonvick. She is the mom to four kids, and three are students at Clearbrook-Gonvick.



Clearwater County Food Shelf Officers: Vice-Presidents Brent and Sandy Doring, Secretary Jane Merschman, Site Manager Sharon Braaten, Treasurer Linda Gulbranson, and President Jodi Quade.

23 Annual Production sale this weekend

Nordlund Stock Farm will be having their 23 annual production sale on Saturday, February 15 at the farm near Clearbrook. They will be selling 75 bulls (Yearlings and 2-year-old bulls) and 66 heifers (bred and open), Registered and Commercial Females.

This is also the 46th year of selling seedstock. Kelly, Mike

and Sam Nordlund and their families will have the sale starting at 1:00 pm. Cattle will be on display after 9:00 a.m. on sale day.

Their cattle are bred with the commercial cowman in mind. They have an abundance of volume and fleshing ability, muscle shape, structural soundness, eye appeal, and genetics

to perform. The bulls are developed on high roughage ration consisting of alfalfa/grass hay, silage, distillers and earlage. This ration allows the to show their genetic potential without becoming overly conditioned. The cattle are always sold with a breeding guarantee.

Cattle will sell by video in a heated building. The animals

will be on display in pens as usual but no live animals will sell in a sale ring. Monitors will be set up playing videos during the auction that is handled by DVAuction of Norfolk, Nebraska.

DVAuction is the oldest and most respected livestock internet marketing service. DVAuction provides a unique online viewing experience that is free to the public.

In addition to purebred specialty sales, they also broadcast weekly sales from auction markets, providing up-to-date access to current livestock market reports. Specialty sales include beef cattle, horse, boer goat, lamb, land and many other types of auctions. All auctions are broadcast with live video, live audio, and secure bidding and messaging features.

Contact USDA Farm Service Agency Now to Enroll in Key Safety Net Programs

By Joe Martin, State Executive Director in Minnesota, USDA Farm Service Agency

The clock is ticking... March 16 is THE LAST day to make what is likely one of the most important business decisions you will make for your farming operation this year.

produced in the U.S.

FSA anticipates more than 1.7 million producers will enroll in ARC or PLC - that's a lot of producers to assist in a short period of time. As of February 3, 2020, FSA records in Minnesota show 8,231 farms out of an expected 95,221 farms have completed ARC or PLC enrollment for the 2019 crop year.

If you have not already visited your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office to make your election for either the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) program and to sign your annual enrollment contract, you should call and make your appointment now.

Many of you are gearing up to head to the field for spring planting, but I cannot stress enough the importance of not letting this deadline get lost in the hectic day-to-day obligations of farm life. If you fail to enroll for 2019 ARC or PLC, you will be ineligible to receive a payment for the 2019 crop year.

Want to maximize your time visiting with FSA? Inquire about deadlines and options for also enrolling in 2020 ARC or PLC and updating PLC payment yields. Our staff will help you make the most out of your visit or set you up with a future appointment to help check FSA programs off your lengthy “to do” list.

ARC and PLC provide financial protections to farmers from substantial drops in crop prices or revenues and are vital economic safety nets for most American farms. These programs cover 20 commodities

If you're still unsure about the choice of ARC or PLC, we offer online decision tools to help you determine the best program election for your farming operation. To access these tools, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc.

Call FSA today for an appointment. To locate your local FSA office, visit farmers.gov/service-center-locator.

We know that time is money... so make the time to avoid losing the money.

Nominations sought for Clearwater County “First Lady”

The Clearwater County Historical Society will host the Clearwater County “First Lady” award. Since 1977, Forty women in Clearwater County have been recognized for their accomplishments either for their service in a variety of community projects and organizations or for success in their careers. On Saturday March 14th at an event at the Bagley American Legion, a new name will be added to the honor roll.

Your help is needed to select the 2020 recipient. If you know a woman who should be considered for the award, please send a letter with her name and include your reasons for her nomination; this can include any accomplishments in her life such as her career highlights or volunteer years of service, and other characteristics that you think should be considered. Nominations of women of all ages are encouraged. Please include your name and phone

number so we can let you know if your nominee is selected. Letters should be sent to 2020 First Lady - History Center P.O. Box 241 Bagley MN 56621. Letters will be delivered unopened to a panel of judges selected from the county. Please do not send emails. Nominations must be received by FEBRUARY 29. Questions? Call Tamara at 785-2000 (History Center)

Free Public Wi-Fi Provided By Garden Valley Technologies

Garden Valley Technologies (GVT), a leader in providing super-fast Internet speeds up to 1 Gigabit, is now offering free public Wi-Fi at eight public locations in the cities of Bagley, Clearbrook, Erskine, Fertile, Fosston, Grygla, Oklee, and Red Lake Falls.

GVT believes in helping the communities we serve, and providing free public Wi-Fi at public events is just one

more way to keep friends and neighbors connected. A Garden Valley Technologies banner will be displayed at each location where free Wi-Fi is available. When logging in, the user will see a splash page promoting GVT, along with terms and conditions of use.

While attending a public event at one of the locations listed below, enjoy GVT's free

public Wi-Fi service!

Bagley - Hockey Arena
Fosston - Civic Center
Clearbrook - Community Center
Grygla - Community Center
Erskine - Community Center
Oklee - Senior Center
Fertile - Community Splash Park & Skating Rink
Red Lake Falls - Hockey Arena



Robin is pictured with the group of school food service managers chosen from across the country to attend the Institute of Child Nutrition held in Mississippi. This group worked together to develop a training program for kitchen assistants. Robin is shown the fifth from the right.



Robin Proffit, Food Service Director at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School attended the Produce Safety University that was held in Denver. This is the team from the USDA that taught the 5-day course on all aspects of purchasing and serving fruits and vegetables. Rachel Bowers, on the far right, is from the Minnesota Department of Education. She was also nominated to attend the course by the director of Food and Nutrition for the state of Minnesota. Robin is the second one on the left.

Community Calendar

Sportsman's club meeting February 15

The Gully Area Sportsman's Club meeting will be held at Shorty's Place on Saturday, February 15 starting at 10:00 am.

Music Jamboree

Join us for The Music Jamboree-with Country & Country-Gospel Music on Sunday, Feb.16th from 1:00-4:30 at Cornerstone Residence, 30 Sunset Ave. NW. Bagley. Everyone is welcome!

Elim Mission Friends Meeting

Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday, February 13th, at 2:30 PM at the church. Donna Bardwell will share the devotions and Betty Malm will give the meditation.

Hostesses are Diane Johnson and Kris Dahl. All ladies are welcome to join us!

Mission Day

You are invited to our 36th Mission Day at Our Savior's Lutheran Church at Leonard,MN on Saturday, February 15, 2020 12:00 noon—Salad Lunch 1:00 Program Speaker: Misty Bjerklie will be informing us about the Clearwater County Crisis Center Program.

Melody Kirkpatrick will be sharing her story about adopting a Chinese orphan that is playing hockey in the Special Olympics.

Lots of Door prizes. Plan to attend and bring a friend.

85th Birthday Celebration for Fern Jackson

Saturday, February 15, 2020 Clearbrook Summerfield Apartments "Activity Room" 1:00-4:00pm

All friends and family are invited to join us for Fern Jackson's 85th Birthday. No invitations have been sent and all are welcome. Please no gifts as your presence would be the best gift of all.

Samhold NALC meeting February 20

Samhold Women NALC will meet on February 20, 2020 in the Samhold basement in Gonvick. Business meeting begins at 2:30 followed by program: Video and hand outs "Be Positive, Do Positive." " A positive attitude awakens happiness. Happiness comes from within. Positive thinkers have more energy and are healthier than negative thinkers.

Menu is served from 400 to 5:30 pm Hot Hawaiian roll ham slider, beans, veggie salads, assorted bars, pickles, coffee and lemonade. Adults: \$5.00, students under 12 \$2.00. Preschool free. Takeouts \$5.00.

Servers will be: Co-Chairs Sheryl Berg and Lonny English - Kathy Bergman, JoAnn Birkeland, Alice Cassibo, Candace Coulter, Lila Colter, Danielle Derby, Teri Danielson, Roberta Dyrdaahl, Sue Eck, Kim Eckman, Debbie Edevold, Teri Godtland, Sue Gunvalson, Daphne Klema, Jessica Rogstad, LaVonne Rossell, Carolyn Rude, Mary Sather, Darlene Sayer, Gina Schmunk and Mary Lou Spray.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., Feb. 12 - Birthday Meal Chicken Breast, Rice, Winter Blend Veg, Pear Halves, Birthday Cake, Bread and Milk.

Thurs., Feb. 13 - Ham, Potatoes, Squash, Pineapple, Bread and Milk.

Fri., Feb. 14 - Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Cherry Dessert, Bread and Milk.

Mon. Feb. 17 - Chef's Choice.

Tues., Feb. 18 - Meatloaf, Potatoes, Gravy, Creamed Peas, Pudding, Bread and Milk.

Wed., Feb. 19 - Chicken & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Calif. Blend Veg., Biscuit, Cookie and Milk.

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

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



The Dahlke sisters in the top row at the Clearbrook-Gonvick girls basketball game.

Below: Mike Lindgren getting the balls off the court before the start of the Bears game against Lake of the Woods.



Historical Society fundraiser Feb. 23

Clearwater County Historical Society to hold Dinner and Silent Auction and Fundraiser. The Clearwater County Historical Society will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday February

23 from 11:00 am until gone at the Bagley American Legion.

Along with a roast pork dinner, a silent auction of donated items will also be held.

The dinner will be offered for a free will donation. Take out dinners are available for a set donation. Proceeds will support several projects the society has in progress.

Questions- please call the History Center at 218-785-2000.

Clearbrook game card winners

Here's the list to date.

February 3 – Sandra Granley - \$50

February 4 – Clint Weems - \$50

February 5 – Sara Labraaten - \$50

February 6 – Kim Solberg - \$50

February 7 – Larry Lindgren- \$50

Senior Living Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Citizens

Come join us on Valentine's Day at the Senior Center in Clearbrook for a special meal and merriment! Special music will be performed by Jim Martin and Gang following lunch. Afterwards, the merriment continues with a game and craft activity. Join us for one or stay for all. Lunch is at 11:30 am. Call 218-776-3154 before 9:00am. \$5.00 suggested donation for anyone 60 years of age and over and \$8.40 under 60.

Our General Meeting will be this Tuesday, February 18th, after lunch. Hope you can make it!

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Church News

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

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting. Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Bagley 218-694-6416 Pastor: Fr. John Melkies Suvakeen Terri D, Parish sec. Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM Call for weekday Mass times.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD Pastor Robert Kirchman Good Shepherd

Sun., Feb. 16 - 9:00am Worship/ Communion/Baptism; 10:00am Coffee Hour/Sunday School.

Wed., Feb. 19 - 5:30pm Youth Supper, 6:00pm Youth Bible Study & Confirmation, 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice Our Savior's

Sun., Feb. 16 - 10:00am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship/Communion.

Thurs., Feb. 20 - 6:00 pm Church Council.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Adam Krog Wed, Feb. 12 - 7:00pm Bible Study & Prayer.

Thurs, Feb. 13 - 9:30am Bible Study & Prayer, 2:30 pm Mission Friends. Servers Diane Johnson and Kris Dahl.

Sun, Feb. 16 - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service. (Sunday School kids sing) Cupcake/Cookie Social - following the service

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Verlyn Strenge Wed. Feb. 12 - 6:30 p.m. Awana Thurs. Feb. 13 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer Sat. Feb. 15 - 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast Sun. Feb. 16- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

CLEARBROOK SITE: Celebrate Recovery Support Group: 7:00 PM, Thursday, 2nd floor of CWLC-Clearbrook, 256 2nd Ave., SW.

Shop-at-the-Top: Valentine's gift & decorative pieces still available. Check the CWLC Facebook page for unadvertised specials. Open 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Mon.-Fri. & Sat., 10-12.

Restore It! Furniture Shop: If you can't stop in, "like" CWLC's Facebook page or check our website to see some of what is available. Hours: Mon. thru Fri., 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, & Sat., 10-12.

Youth Connection: It's not too late to join this great group of kids. Tues. for grades 5-7, 3:30-5:00. "YC in Action" for grades, 8-12, Wed., 2:30-5 PM. Transportation available from C-G school. No charge. Registration/permission forms are available online at www.clearwaterslife.org, "Programs".

GONVICK SITE: Game Time: Friday, Feb. 14, 12:30-2:30 PM. Besides board games and cards, there will be coffee, you can bring a snack to share and your crocheting, if you like. Be prepared for a fun afternoon of great conversation.

Adult Day Services has openings for new clients, 18 & over. Licensed facility & professional staff in a home-like setting. Transportation available. Open Mon. & Wed., 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Questions? Call Marilyn at 218-487-5290, Ext. 1.

Transportation Service: Call Karen 24 hours in advance at 218-776-2223 or 218-637-0509 to schedule your ride.

Connection Mondays: Pickleball: 11:00-12:00 Free Book Club - a read aloud book: Unstuck by Dan Webster/Randy Gravitt. A story about gaining perspective, creating traction, and pursuing your passion. Feb. 17th-Mar 9th, 10:00-10:45 AM. Free.

Pottery: Feb. 10-March 9. Hand-building & slab rolling, \$5/session. To register, call 218-487-5290, Ext. 2 or 218-776-2789. Hours: Clearbrook, 256 2nd Ave., SW., office hours: 8-4, Tues.-Fri. Gonvick, 226 Elm St., M-W-F, 9-3.

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GRACE FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH BAGLEY Pastor Todd Klemme 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.

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC Wed. Feb.12 - 9:30 am- Women's Bible Study. Sun. Feb. 16 - 9:30 am- Sunday School, 10:30 am- Worship/ Holy Communion

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH Pastor Kris Snyder 8 miles North of Gonvick on County Rd 7 Sunday - 9am Church Services, 10am Sunday School Sun. Feb. 16 - Annual Meeting following 9:00am Church services and Potluck breakfast brunch

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH 1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6 Senior Pastor Larry Dorman Associate Pastor Jim Binder Associate Pastor Nathan Nordlund

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

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseeth Wed, Feb. 12: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. Sat, Feb. 15: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Feb. 16: 8:00 a.m. Worship at St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 8:45 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School; 9:45 a.m. Worship at Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park. 1:00 p.m. Youth Lock-In. Wed, Feb. 19: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. Oak Park Ladies Aid.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com Wed, Feb. 12: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

Fri, Feb. 14: Friday School Sun, Feb. 16: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.

Tue, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting.

Wed, Feb. 19: 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Club. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister

Wed, Feb. 12: 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th gr. Confirmation

Sun, Feb. 16: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

Wed, Feb. 19: 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th gr. Confirmation.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor

Sun, Feb. 16: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH McIntosh Jill Torgerson officiating Sunday: Services are at 9:00 AM (fellowship coffee following service)

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

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Clearbrook-Gonvick fourth grade students did a 3 on 3 during half time at the boys basketball game.



Clearbrook-Gonvick girls in basketball action. Above Annabell Phillips with the ball and below: Dana Melby going up for the shot.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary January Bear Pride

Elementary January Bear Pride

Students were nominated by school staff for Bear Pride to recognize their accomplishments, acts of kindness, etc. both large and small. Ten nominees were randomly drawn during our assembly. Congratulations!

Logan Burman

Nominated by: Mrs. Christen
For: Being a hard worker and a great listener and friend!

Kade Aakre

Nominated by: Mrs. Christen
For: Working hard and giving positive compliments to his classmates!

Sienna Flateland

Nominated by: Mrs. Bagaa-son

For: Sienna is building her skills in math by working on them at home and at school. She is making great gains by being responsible and caring! Great job Sienna!

Russell Connor

Nominated by: Anonymous
For: Russell is a caring big brother, giving his little brother a helping hand and hugs when he sees him. Russell, you are setting a good example for your brother and your school family! Showing kindness is a great character trait!

Charlie Walser

Nominated by: Mrs. Nordlund

For: Charlie has been doing a great job helping others during Daily 5 and math stations. Thank you, Charlie!

Bria Sather

Nominated by: Mrs. Faldet
For: Bria picked up another student's books that fell on the floor.

Peyton Wittenberg

Nominated by: Mrs. Dahl
For: Peyton is a kind soul and always makes her classmates feel better when they are feeling down.

Seneca Johnson

Nominated by: Ms. Balcer
For: Seneca shows the staff at our school daily what it means to have Bear Pride. She works hard, thinks through her work, and collaborates well with every student. Your hard work is much appreciated, Seneca!

Daisy Bjerke

Nominated by: Ms. Balcer
For: Daisy's name had been brought up many times by students in both 5th grade classes. They agree that Daisy goes out of her way to care for students. She makes sure kids aren't left out and aren't treated poorly. Her teachers also agree that she works very hard! Keep it up, Daisy!

Daniel King

Nominated by: Mrs. Marsh
For: Being respectful and a good listener.

Benjamin Thoma, Clearbrook, Named to 2019 Chancellors List

Students named to the fall semester 2019 Chancellors List were announced recently by the Office of the Registrar. The U of M Crookston is one of the most respected career-oriented, technology-based universities in the nation. To qualify for a place on the Chancellors List, students must complete 12 or more letter-graded (A-F) credits while attaining a 4.00 grade point average. The Crookston campus is the online leader in the University of Minnesota system and the only campus providing every full-time student with a laptop computer.

Students named to the Chancellors List include the following:

Benjamin Thoma, majoring in Management, from Clearbrook.

Clearbrook- Gonvick School Menu

Thurs., Feb. 13 - Chili Cheese Fritos, Cornbread or Turkey Subs

Fri., Feb. 14 - NO School

Mon., Feb. 17 - NO School

Tues., Feb. 18 - Wild Rice Hotdish or Tater Tot Hotdish with Dinner Roll or Taco Salad with Breadstick.

Wed., Feb. 19 - Both lines the same today. Build A Burger with fixings, Oven Fries, Baked Salad Bar available to all during lunch each day.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary January Bear Pride Pictured left to right: Bria Sather, Daniel King, Charlie Walser, Kade Aakre, Seneca Johnson, Logan Burman, Daisy Bjerke, Sienna Flateland, Peyton Wittenberg and Russell Connor.

Bears take win Snow Week game 75-38

The Clearbrook Gonvick Bears won their Snow Week festivities game over Lake of the Woods Bears 75 to 38. The afternoon game was played during the school day for everyone to see the Bears in action.

Annabell Phillips was a scoring machine with 23 points added to the score. She scored 15 of the 39 points the Bears had in the first half.

The Bears had 11 fouls to 14 for Lake of the Woods Bears.

Both teams were having their troubles at the free throw line with the CG Bears hitting 5 of 11 and LOW Bears 2 of 14.

The biggest difference was from three point range as CG hit 6 and LOW Bears did not hit any.

Scoring for the Bears were: Maci Wagner 4, Kaylee Faldet 11, Jackie Lynn Taffin 10, Annabell Phillips 23, Dana Melby 13, Danae Stenzel 10 and Ella Engen 4.

Scoring for the Lake of the Woods Bears were: Mackenzie Pieper 4, Greta Moeller 10, Ashton Aery 14, Elsie Dahl 6, Sophia Walton 2 and Rian Aery 2.



Abby Engen earned a plaque for being one of the top twelve spellers in the written round of Regional Spelling Bee in Thief River Falls on Wednesday. She advanced to the oral round of the competition, but she did not advance to state. Congratulations, Abby! Thank you for representing Clearbrook-Gonvick School!

Bears take Cass Lake 69-65

The Clearbrook Gonvick Bears had five players in double figures to win over Cass Lake at home 69 to 65.

Despite the efforts of Taryn Frazer who scored 33 points for Cass Lake the Bears were able to secure the victory on Monday, February 3.

The Bears trailed in the first half 29-22 behind the three point shooting of Cass Lake. The Bears hit 7 of 8 free throws to keep them in the game. In the second half the bears outscored Cass Lake 47 to 36. They hit three 3 pointers and hit 12 of 17 free throws.

Scoring for the Bears were: Kaylee Faldet 11, Jackie Lynn Taffin 18, Annabell Phillips 17, Dana Melby 11, Danae Stenzel 10 and Ella Engen 2.

Scoring for the Cass Lake were: Danae Wilson 4, Taryn Frazer 33, Keisalyn Seelye 3, Kailee Fineday 3, Gabby Fineday 3, Amira LaDuke 19.

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Might this be a foul on the Lake of the Woods players in Paige Haack #22.



Maci Wagner.



Bailey Klema for the Bears.

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RECORD (2/12/20)

Kaylee Westrum.

Coach Ross Faldet giving instructions to Annabell Phillips and Maci Wagner.

Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The 6th annual small scale sustainable sheep event will be held on February 15, 2020. It is sponsored by the Sustainable Sheep and Fiber Community of Northern Minnesota (SSFC) and Three Rivers Fibershed, Minneapolis. It will be held at the Lammers Town Hall in Solway, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Gully Area Sportsman' Club is having a Coyote Hunt from February 1 to March 28. Sign up and register at Shorty's Place in Gully.

Kandi's Kitchen in Gonvick will be having a valentine dinner on February 14. See ad in this week's paper.

Fern Jackson will be celebrating her 85th birthday on Saturday, February 15 at the Clearbrook Summerfield Apartment Activity room starting at 1:00 p.m.

The Clearwater County DFL caucus will be held on Tuesday, February 25 at the New school commons area. Registration being at 6:30 p.m.

Make your plans now to attend the 2020 Gonvick Trail All School Reunion July 9-12. The Gonvick Lions Rodeo will also be held that same weekend.

The 2020 Summer Celebration in Clearbrook, June 26, 27 and 28. There will be a 30th anniversary of the swimming pool. A tent will be set up on the north side of the Municipal Liquor store and on Friday "Acoust Hicks" will be playing and on Saturday "Steele River Band" will play.

The Clearbrook and Clearbrook/Gonvick Bears All-School Reunion this summer. Plans are for June 26, 27 and 28. The big entertainment will be Friday night, June 26, Bil Lepp from West Virginia will be performing. Elvis will be there as well.

From my e-mail...

I see that they are fairly certain that the person who put the first R in February also decided how to spell Wednesday.

From my mail... Received a note from Carol Wold ... She says that the Leader-Record has arrived at different days.

Sometimes on Thursday, Friday or even Saturday. Surprised one week it came on Wednesday?! I look forward to receiving it no matter the day! We are trying to see what the problem is as she lives in Fosston and the delivery should not be that many days to get from Gonvick to Fosston.

Joke Time - Lumber

Two Swedish men go into a lumber yard to buy some 2x4's. "May I help you", ask the salesman. "How long do you want' em?"

One Swede replies: "Oh, for long time. We're building a house."

Quick tickets... Does your organization need raffle tickets? Call 218-487-5225 or email richards@gvtel.com your information and we will be glad to help you.

Harriet Shellum Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears fan.

Northern Jazz will Perform Winter Merriment Concert February 28

Come out and cast off the winter doldrums with the Northern Jazz as they perform in the Gunderson Commons at Northland Community & Technical College in Thief River Falls on Friday, February 28. The doors will open at 6:30 with the music beginning at 7:00. A \$5 admission will be collected to support the Northwest Minnesota Community Bands, a local 501c3 that supports both the Northern Jazz and Northland Community Band. Light snacks and beverages are included for the audience to enjoy during the concert.

A wide variety of musical favorites, many featuring area singers including swing hits like "At Last," "It's Only a Paper Moon" and "Don't Get Around Much Anymore" featuring guest vocalist Sherry Knott, who will also sing up-tempo numbers like "Birdland" and "You Are the Sunshine of My Life." We will also call on the talents of Jim Lehrer to sing a variety of pieces including funk/disco hit "Boogie Shoes" and pop hit "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head." Our other singers include Linda Samuelson, Mark Lehrer, and Brianna Geer. In

addition to the variety of vocal numbers, we'll be playing some band-only pieces as well like "Pick Up the Pieces" "Grazing in the Grass," "Heartache Tonight," and "What is Hip?" for what is bound to be an entertaining evening.

The Northern Jazz is a community-based instrumental jazz group under the direction of Linda Samuelson boasting a talented group of 21 musicians. On saxophone, we have Lacie Hovland, Amber Samuelson, Deb Ernst, Michelle Naplin, Lori Sorvig, Amanda Hawk, and Tom Hovland. Our trombone section is comprised of Reid Froiland, Jim Lehrer, and Sarah Vogel. The members of the trumpet section are Mark Lehrer, Katie Hahn, Bob Dahlen, and LeRoy Ose. Rounding out our ensemble is the rhythm section including Brianna Geer, Regina Goodhall, Diane Bach, Edie Brandli, Greg Bowen, and Nate LaRoque. The Northern Jazz performs in and around the area for private and public events. If you are interested in having the Northern Jazz play for a specific function you can contact Ms. Samuelson at 218-683-8717.

PRESIDENTS' DAY

FEBRUARY 17

Chelsey Erickson graduates from the College of St. Scholastica

Chelsey Erickson of Shevlin, MN graduated Summa Cum Laude from The College of St. Scholastica with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

St. Scholastica held its Fall 2019 Commencement ceremony on Saturday, Dec. 14 on campus.

Elliot Dickey, Leonard, A Fall Graduate

The Office of the Registrar at the University of Minnesota Crookston recently announced its list of fall 2019 graduates. Students completed their degree requirements during fall session 2019.

Spring session graduates include: Elliot Dickey, Leonard MN, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Agronomy.

Contact USDA Farm Service Agency Now to Enroll in Key Safety Net Programs - March 16 Deadline

The clock is ticking... March 16 is THE LAST day to make what is likely one of the most important business decisions you will make for your farming operation this year.

If you have not already visited your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office to make your election for either the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) program and to sign your annual enrollment contract, you should call and make your appointment now.

Many of you are gearing up to head to the field for spring planting, but I cannot stress enough the importance of not letting this deadline get lost in the hectic day-to-day obligations of farm life. If you fail to enroll for 2019 ARC or PLC, you will be ineligible to receive a payment for the 2019 crop year.

ARC and PLC provide fi-

nancial protections to farmers from substantial drops in crop prices or revenues and are vital economic safety nets for most American farms. These programs cover 20 commodities produced in the U.S.

Want to maximize your time visiting with FSA? Inquire about deadlines and options for also enrolling in 2020 ARC or PLC and updating PLC payment yields. Our staff will help you make the most out of your visit or set you up with a future appointment to help check FSA programs off your lengthy "to do" list.

If you're still unsure about the choice of ARC or PLC, we offer online decision tools to help you determine the best program election for your farming operation. To access these tools, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc.

Call FSA today for an appointment.

Looming Real Id deadline

A recent Star Tribune article disclosed that fewer than 10 percent of Minnesotans with a driver's license or state ID card have obtained a Real ID. Beginning October 1, 2020, a Real ID, enhanced driver's license or ID, passport or passport card, or another acceptable form of ID will be required to fly within the United States or to enter federal facilities.

Representative Deb Kiel, R-Crookston, released the following statement regarding the impending deadline. "I would encourage frequent travelers to begin the process of getting their Real ID soon, to avoid the backlogs and hassles that

come with major deadlines," said Kiel. "I want everyone to be aware of the impact this deadline can have on the ability to fly to avoid the headaches a non-compliant ID could cause."

Those looking to obtain a Real ID should also keep in mind the additional documents needed, and the length of turnaround time. Currently, it takes several weeks for the state to turn around Real ID applications. DPS has a pre application to help speed up the processing time.

Those choosing not to use a Real ID will still be able to fly using a passport.

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Wednesday, February 12, 2020

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Official Ballot	Judge _____ Judge _____
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Minnesota Election Law permits you to vote for a candidate of only one political party in a Presidential Nomination Primary election.	
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☐ Deval Patrick ☐ Tom Steyer ☐ Pete Buttigieg ☐ Amy Klobuchar ☐ Julián Castro ☐ John K. Delaney ☐ Marianne Williamson ☐ Bernie Sanders ☐ Andrew Yang ☐ Elizabeth Warren ☐ Tulsi Gabbard ☐ Michael R. Bloomberg ☐ Joseph Biden ☐ Uncommitted ☐ Cory Booker ☐ Michael Bennet	
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☐ Donald J. Trump ☐ _____ Write-in, if any	
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LEGAL NOTICES

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots are available, for those who cannot vote on Election Day, in the County Auditor-Treasurer's Office during normal office hours of Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Other hours for absentee voting include Saturday, February 29th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Monday, March 2nd until 5:00 p.m. in the Auditor-Treasurer's Office in the Courthouse. Section 208 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 reads: Any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union. All election judges in Clearwater County have been trained in the procedures to properly assist all handicapped or disabled voters. All eligible voters are encouraged to vote either absentee or on Election Day and ask assistance of the election judges. Any questions, please call the Auditor-Treasurer's Office at 694-6520. R46-47C

NOTICE

Sinclair Township Regular Meeting & Internal Audit
 The Sinclair Township Regular Meeting and Internal Audit will be held on Thursday, February 13th, 2020 at the Gordon Olson residence at 7:00pm. Brooke Pond, Clerk R47C

Count Me In

The U.S. Census doesn't come around all that often, every 10 years in fact. It's not as rare as a Haley's Comet or a Minnesota Vikings Super Bowl appearance, yet less often than the Olympics or a presidential election. Each of these social occurrences capture the attention of us Minnesotans. We get together and await the outcome of the big event. In contrast, the Census often comes and goes without us thinking much of it.

For northern Minnesota, though, the Census is a big deal. We have a duty to be counted.

An accurate count of people living in our community means better representation in the political process, a more equitable spread of financial resources for critical infrastructure and services, and better planning for the many changes facing our communities.

Minnesota is at risk of losing a seat in the U.S. Congress and electoral votes in presidential elections if we are undercounted. We now have 10 electoral votes in the electoral process, but recent projections of an undercount in Minnesota could drop us down to only seven votes. That means less attention from candidates on the issues facing our region. If we lose a congressional seat, then power becomes consolidated across even larger geographic regions of the state. It also means our local and regional issues get watered down by larger statewide issues that may not be priorities for us in northwest Minnesota. Whether we are inspired or discouraged by politics in general, these changes would mean our political representation is weakened overall.

We risk losing financial re-

sources to support roads and bridges projects, social service programming, and tax credits that benefit us. In 2016, Minnesota brought in \$15.5 trillion from 55 federal programs. That's a big chunk of change! The top three federal programs that year were Medicaid, Federal Direct Student Loans, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Further cuts to these seniors, students, and young families would put more stress on our already strained system. Keep in mind, we already pay federal taxes into the system for these services, but if we are not counted, then we are overlooked when accessing those funds.

Lastly, we risk the ability to plan for our future. Grant writers and community planning professionals, for example, rely on high-quality data to determine the amount of funding needed for projects that benefit us all. The Census is the backbone of nearly all community-level data sources. Small cities, tribal communities, rural counties, and other small geographies already lack rich data in comparison to our metro partners. Many programs require proof that there is a need in the community for projects. If the data is weak or doesn't exist, we fall further behind in the prioritization when compared to

a community with more detailed data. Simply put, if we can't count it, it doesn't exist.

It is important that we do not sleep on this, but instead give our Census the attention it deserves. It will be here and gone before we know it, not to return until 2030. It's really easy to participate! This household survey takes no more than 10 minutes. And this year, for the first time ever, you can enter your information online. If you don't have access to the online form, you can complete the survey with a door-to-door Census worker, by phone, or through the mail. By April 1, 2020, all households will be contacted with step-by-step instructions for completing the Census. For more information about the 2020 U.S. Census, visit www.mn.gov/admin/2020-census.

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Clearwater County Sheriff's Office
Weekly Activity

Bear Creek - Total 1
02/07/20 20:48 Welfare Check
City of Bagley - Total 16
02/02/20 08:39 Suspicious Activity, 12:47 Medical, 18:27 Traffic Stop; 02/03/20 02:02 Medical, 2:53 911 Hang Up, 17:16 Information Only; 02/04/20 20:58 Traffic Stop; 02/05/20 07:54 Information Only, 08:25 911 Hang Up, 09:01 911 Hang Up, 16:34 Medical; 02/06/20 11:06 Threats, 12:41 Alarm; 02/07/20 09:53 911 Hang Up; 02/08/20 15:12 Traffic Stop, 16:14 Traffic Stop
City of Clearbrook - Total 5
02/02/20 20:38 Civil Complaint
02/03/20 00:13 Traffic Stop
02/03/20 20:33 Civil Complaint
02/04/20 07:03 Traffic Stop
02/05/20 17:52 Traffic Complaint
City of Gonvick - Total 1
02/08/20 12:28 Disturbance
City of Leonard - Total 1
02/04/20 18:21 911 Hang Up
City of Shevlin - Total 3

02/03/20 17:46 Medical
02/04/20 11:11 worthless check
02/05/20 23:27 Traffic Stop
Copley - Total 10
02/02/20 00:09 Traffic Complaint
02/02/20 04:20 Suspicious Activity
02/02/20 19:51 Animal Related
02/04/20 12:51 Traffic Stop
02/04/20 19:41 Motorist Assist
02/05/20 06:47 Motor Vehicle Crash
02/06/20 13:05 Information Only
02/07/20 16:36 Harassment
02/08/20 05:33 Traffic Stop
02/08/20 08:08 Traffic Stop
Eddy - Total 1
02/02/20 16:55 ASSIST
Falk - Total 4
02/03/20 20:24 Medical
02/03/20 21:36 Traffic Stop
02/05/20 08:26 Information Only
02/05/20 18:00 Juvenile Misc
Holst - Total 3
02/02/20 21:59 ASSIST
02/02/20 22:04 Traffic Stop
02/06/20 00:22 Traffic Stop
LaPrairie N - total 2
02/06/20 00:34 Disturbance
02/08/20 03:30 Warrant - Attempt
Leon - Total 4
02/03/20 16:47 Disorderly
02/03/20 19:28 Traffic Stop

02/04/20 19:29 Traffic Stop
02/06/20 18:39 Animal Related
Moose Creek - Total 1
02/05/20 15:48 Welfare Check
Nora - Total 3
02/05/20 13:12 Crimes Against Family, 13:29 Crimes Against Family
02/08/20 16:39 Motorist Assist
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 1
02/05/20 08:47 Medical
Pine Lake - Total 5
02/02/20 12:56 Death
02/04/20 15:25 Suspicious Activity
02/04/20 16:41 Traffic Stop
02/05/20 13:28 Alarm, 14:00 Court Order Violation
Popple - Total 10
02/02/20 04:21 Suspicious Activity
02/02/20 20:17 Traffic Stop
02/03/20 10:15 Drug Related, 21:43 Traffic Stop, 22:23 Traffic Stop
02/04/20 10:39 Welfare Check
02/04/20 14:37 Traffic Complaint
02/07/20 00:04 ASSIST
02/08/20 01:55 Traffic Stop
02/08/20 17:34 Welfare Check
Rice - Total 6
02/03/20 15:57 911 Hang Up
02/05/20 08:48 Juvenile Misc
02/06/20 17:54 Information Only
02/06/20 20:22 Medical
02/07/20 08:49 Juvenile Misc

02/08/20 01:19 911 Hang Up
Shevlin - Total 5
02/02/20 18:38 Information Only
02/04/20 17:29 Suspicious Activity
02/06/20 00:16 Traffic Stop
02/06/20 08:22 Traffic Complaint
02/07/20 07:36 Traffic Complaint
Sinclair - Total 1
02/05/20 10:28 Medical
Total Records: 83

Area Churches
Invited To Join
Starving Children
Food Program

With over 50 Christian churches already participating in the packing of meals for starvation-impacted children, the Feed My Starving Children has invited an additional 105 area churches in North Dakota and Minnesota to join the effort. The sponsoring committee of local volunteers is hoping to raise \$97,000 to pay for the ingredients for 404,000 meals to be packed April 17-

19 by 1800 volunteers in the Minnkota Power building in Grand Forks.

Using all volunteers and existing food distribution organizations, Feed My Starving Children can pack meals for 24 cents. All funds collected in the Northern Valley area go for ingredients, with local costs being absorbed personally by the volunteer committee members.

In its first nine years of area existence, churches, schools, businesses, service clubs and individual donors have raised \$780,000 to pack 3,600,000 meals.

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