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Clearbrook-Gonvick Bus Drivers Back row: Tracey Raitz, Kristen Edgell, Mary Beth Pond, Crystal Winge, Kelly Wendorff, Deb Stein, Gerry Stein and Jerry Gerloff. Front Row: Trenton Edgell, Ray Reichert, Danny Churness, Scott Bakke and Marvin Berg. Not pictured Glen Trembath, Tasha Bakke, Amata Molnar and Alissa Preuss.

Board takes up staffing issues and grant applications

By Bonnie Kirchman
The Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board met for the regular monthly meeting on February 19th. Items on the agenda included staffing issues and grant applications.
Two parents and two students attended the meeting, inquiring about the possibility of the students joining a wrestling program as Clearbrook-Gonvick does not have a team. Jeff Burgess will contact other schools for information on forming a cooperative agreement and present the information to the board for further discussion.
High school teacher Jim Bettin spoke on behalf of the scheduling committee, describing Common Resource Time, or CRT to the board. CRT would eliminate the current study halls, replacing them with a time each day where all students and staff would be available for homework and make-up work. CRT would be scheduled on a rotating basis, allowing students to have regularly scheduled time with each of their teachers. Teachers John Lavin, Michelle DeVries, and Jolie Hjort also spoke to the board about their experiences with CRT.

We have as teachers is dealing with the missed make-up work that has to be done. And that's where students fall through the cracks," John Lavin commented.
The CRT program could potentially eliminate some of the issues caused by student absenteeism in the high school. Students who ride the school bus do not have enough time before or after school to meet with teachers for making up assignments. Some students do not have support outside of school to help them organize and complete their assignments. CRT would allow teachers extra time in their classrooms to present missed lessons and labs to groups of students. Quizzes and tests could be made up with fewer delays. In addition, the teachers could help students monitor progress in all of their classes to make certain missed assignments are completed.
Jolie Hjort said that CRT allows teachers to "see their own students at least once every seven days" and would help teachers "catch the kids who could fall through the cracks."
CRT would present some challenges for teachers' daily

School Board..
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School districts across Minnesota to celebrate school bus drivers on Feb. 26

Thousands of hardworking school bus drivers safely transport more than 760,000 students to and from school each day across the state. To recognize this important profession, Governor Tim Walz has proclaimed Wednesday, Feb. 26, as School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the state of Minnesota.
School districts across Minnesota will celebrate the fourth annual School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in special ways, such as by passing out student-made thank you cards and providing food and beverages to bus drivers. The I-35W bridge in Minneapolis will also be lit yellow in recognition of School Bus Driver Appreciation Day on the evening of Feb. 26.
The Minnesota School Bus Operators Association (MSBOA) and the Minnesota Association of Pupil Transportation (MAPT) teamed up to create School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in Minnesota to encourage school lead-

ers, parents and students to celebrate the often-overlooked profession.
"School bus drivers can be powerful mentors, as they often bookend a student's school day and make a positive influence on that child's educational experience," said MSBOA President Garrett Regan.
Minnesota is facing its most significant school bus driver shortage in history. At a press conference for this year's School Bus Driver Appreciation Day that will be held in Golden Valley on Feb. 26, speakers will bring attention to the crisis by sharing ways that school districts are recruiting and retaining school bus drivers, as well as the many benefits of the profession. A lack of school bus drivers often requires other district employees – such as mechanics or administrators – to be pulled out of those roles to drive buses, and can also result in fewer or canceled field trips and afterschool activities.

"Nearly every school district in the state is facing a bus driver shortage and is seeking professionals who are driven to serve in these fulfilling, flexible jobs," said MAPT President John Thomas. "We hope that Minnesotans help us recognize school bus drivers in their communities on February 26, and that more people consider this rewarding and in-demand career."
Additional reasons to celebrate School Bus Driver Appreciation Day include the impact school buses have on student safety and the environment. Thanks to rigorous safety standards for vehicles and drivers, students are approximately 70 times more likely to get to school safely if they take the school bus instead of traveling by car. The school bus driving industry is the largest form of mass transit in Minnesota, and it has reduced its environmental impact by using alternative fuels and retrofitting diesel engines.

2nd Amendment Sanctuary County Resolution' brings room full to witness unanimous 'YES' vote

By Karen Edelbach
The room was full when Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met on February 18, 2020 to vote for unanimous approval of Clearwater County becoming a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County".
During the discussion of the Resolution, Commissioner Dean Newland asked to hear from the visitors.
"I'd like to hear from the community, and whether you are in favor of such a resolution for Clearwater County," he said.
A spontaneous response from the crowd present indicated their approval of the resolution, adding a big thank you to the commissioners. One visitor asked what the County Sheriff thinks of this resolution.
"My job as elected official is to uphold the Constitution," Sheriff Darin Halverson responded. "I am 100 per cent in favor of this Resolution."
The infamous motion was made by Commissioner Dean Newland and seconded by Commissioner Mark Titera. The com-

missioners voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution declaring Clearwater County as a Second Amendment Sanctuary County protecting the rights of law-abiding citizens to own fire arms.
State Management of Wildlife: Jim Peternel and Mick Thompson came to the meeting to ask about State Management of Wildlife in the county, mentioning the ongoing problem of predatory bears and wolves "in an area expanding out to several hundred square miles," according to them. Turkeys and eagles are also a problem. These animals are known to destroy crops, attack livestock; and eagles watch to prey on newborn calves.
"You (DNR) implanted them up here now we have to deal with them," was stated.
One recommendation they have to address the bear problem is for the DNR to start the bear hunting season earlier.
Commissioner Newland said there is an upcoming meeting being held through the Township Association which he and Commissioner Larson will attend.

"We need to get more control back over our county," stated Jim Peternel.
Environmental Services Director, Dan Hecht brought a motion to purchase warning signs for Solid Waste Collection Sites which was approved. The signs read, "Prevent Dumpster Fires. Please, no ashes, oily rags or lithium batteries".
The signs are related to preventing dumpster fires at the sites. They will be purchased from JAG Signs of Bagley, at the quoted price of \$1,020 for 14 signs.
"It's hoped this will help prevent dumpster fires that occur occasionally, most recently at Nora, which was costly for both the hauler and the local fire department," he said.
He brought a "County Noxious Weed List Resolution" which designates Orange and Yellow Hawkweed as County noxious weeds in accordance with the Minnesota Noxious Weed Law. The resolution was adopted.
Commissioners...
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Bernis Invaldson demonstrates the art of sock-making on her Circular Sock Knitting Machine. "I taught myself how to use the machine by researching at the library and from videos on you-tube."



Shown above.. Close up of the intricate needles which make the interwoven stitches.
Shown to the right. One of many pairs of socks which Bernis has created since acquiring the machine. It takes her about two hours to make a pair of socks. Not a bad trade off if you have the time and patience!



Elementary Art at Bagley Public Library

The Bagley Elementary School's Fourth Grade Art is on display at the Bagley Public Library from Tuesday, February 25, 2020 through March 31, 2020.
The students created a symmetrical vase by folding their papers in half and cutting one side of their vase. They used blue tempera cake paint to create the appearance of blue painted china. The students then used red, yellow, purple, and white liquid tempera paint to mix various colors for their flowers. They were instructed to paint their flowers with different lines/textures that would best represent the flower they were looking at.
The students were inspired by ancient china and created



their own vases by looking at the different designs that were often incorporated. There were a lot of natural elements as

well as different designs simply using line and shape that were repeated. The flowers that they painted are found in China: chrysanthemum, peony, lotus, and plum blossom.
The students practice various art forms and materials throughout the year. This month specifically they are focusing on symmetry so we incorporated that into our vases. They also enjoy exploring color mixing with paint and loved being able to create their own colors for their flowers.
Thank you for stopping in to see the artwork done by these students. They work so hard and hope you enjoy their masterpieces!

'Circular Sock Knitting Machine' fascinates observers

By Karen Edelbach
"What is it?" asked observers of Bernis Invaldson's unusual machine as she diligently spun her wonder yarn into something unrecognizable at the Bagley Senior Center Tuesday.
"It's a Circular Sock Knitting Machine," she explains. "The 1924 manual that went with it gave the name. Then I went to the library to research it."
She taught herself how to use the machine to create several dozen beautiful, custom-sized pairs of socks in the ten years she has owned it, along with the

help of you-tube videos.
"Amos Fultz also helped me," Bernis says.
Always up for a challenge to learn new things, Bernis acquired it from the Illies Estate Sale, though she did not know what it was when she bought it.
"I thought it might be some sort of car part at the time," she recalls.
It takes her about two hours to make a pair of socks. She uses mostly light weight wool-blend yarns of white or variegated colors.
Bernis enjoys taking her sock

knitting machine to summer pioneer farming shows, yarn group gatherings such as at the Bagley Senior Center the first and third Tuesdays of the month, as well as to regional gatherings such as Fiber Gatherings Under the Pines. The next gathering is March 6 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Gonvick Community Center, on Main St. in Gonvick. Bring your own fiber project, your spinning wheel or come learn about spinning and other fiber arts. Or just stop in to visit.



The McQuown family, Marcy, Jack, Elijah, Katherine and Grant, and the Engebretson family, Nathan, Anna, Caleb, and Ethan, performed at the Senior Center Tuesday in honor of President's Day. The program included memorized recitations, readings and patriotic songs. Truly inspiring! The seniors were especially impressed with the children's talent, sincerity and enthusiasm while performing.

Community Calendar

It is that time of the year again

The Clearbrook Elevator Association will be having their annual meeting on Friday, March 6, 2020.

Les Westrum, General Manager of the Association, stated that there will be an election for two board members.

There will be a lunch at noon with the business meeting at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the Legion Club room at the Clearbrook Community Center. The will also be door prizes.

To the Residents of Clearbrook:

There will be a public meeting, Wednesday, February 26th, 2020 from 5:30pm – 7:30pm in regards to the upcoming Water & Sewer Project in Clearbrook.

Open to everyone to anyone with questions on the project and will focus on easements that are needed.

Clearbrook game card winners

- Here's the list to date.
- 2/10/20- Margie Hiemenz, \$50.00
 - 2/11/20- Sara Labraaten, \$50.00
 - 2/12/20 - Polly Holm, \$100.00
 - 2/13/20 - Janice Anderson, \$50.00
 - 2/14/20 - Diane Johnson, \$100.00
 - 2/17/20 - Ann Hutchison, \$100.00
 - 2/18/20 - Logan Hamnes, \$50.00
 - 2/19/20 - Jeremy Goudge, \$50.00
 - 2/20/20 - Matt Grossell, \$50.00
 - 2/21/20 - Debby Beckstrand, \$50.00
 - 2/24/20 - MaKayla Olson, \$50.00
 - 2/25/20 - Connie Nelson, \$50.00

Thanks
to all who acknowledged my birthday.
It was greatly appreciated.
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CLEARBROOK ELEVATOR ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

will be held at the:

BANQUET ROOM

– at the –

Clearbrook Community Center

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~ FRIDAY ~
March 6TH, 2020
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THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION OF 2 BOARD MEMBERS

NOON: LUNCH

1:00: BUSINESS MEETING

DOOR PRIZES

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School Board..

Continued from front page planning as they would need to adjust for the rotating CRT hour. CRT would eliminate study halls in teachers' schedules and could create contractual issues.

A five-day trial of the CRT program was positively received by staff and students. The teachers proposed a one-year trial of Common Resource Time to allow staff and the opportunity to monitor the program and its impacts on students' grades and

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., Feb. 26 - Chicken, Potatoes, Candied Carrots, Sherbert, Bread and Milk.

Thurs., Feb. 27 - Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Cinnamon Apples, Bread and Milk.

Fri., Feb. 28 - Lasagna, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Banana and Milk.

Mon. March 2 - Pulled Pork on Bun, Butternut Squash, Lettuce Salad, Cookie and Milk.

Tues., March 3 - BBQ Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Pie, Bread and Milk.

Wed., March 4 - Pub Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, Beets, Corn Muffin, Apple Brown Betty 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.

attendance. The board members will discuss and make a decision on the CRT program at the March board meeting.

Sarah Goudge presented the Spotlight on Education. Teachers and students took advantage of the cold weather with kindergarten students making igloos, 4th grade students making ice cream using snow to freeze their mixtures, and 10th grade students making "genetic" snowmen. Kindergarten and first grade students celebrated the 100th day of school with a variety of learning activities. The student council planned Snow Week activities for the entire school. Sixth grade students were introduced to curling at the rink in Bagley.

Principal Carl Dugstad reported that the student environment committee has arranged for a speaker who will present a message to grades six through twelve on bouncing back from setbacks. He thanked Mr. Bettin for chaperoning the school dance. Mr. Dugstad also reported that the first American Indian parent committee meeting had taken place earlier that day. Topics addressed during this

Thank you!
City of Clearbrook and the Community Club.
We were very surprised to be one of the lucky winners of the Christmas outside lighting contest for "Santa Claus Day" 2019.
Much Thanks - Frank & Annie Bergh, Clearbrook

meeting included the use of JOM money. In the past the money has been used for scholarships. This will continue, but they hope to expand the use of money for recognizing senior students, bringing authors and artists into the school, and looking at ways to enhance understanding of all cultures.

Jeff Burgess, School Superintendent, updated the board members on the calendar development for the next school year. The staff has been surveyed and a base calendar has been created. The proposed calendar ends the school year before Memorial Day in 2021. There is a slight chance that the state legislature would allow schools to open before the late September 8th Labor Day holiday. A calendar will be presented to board members at the next meeting.

Burgess expressed appreciation to the Clearbrook Community Club for donating adjustable basketball backboards to the school. These can be lowered to a height of eight feet when younger students use the gym during indoor recess or open gym weekend events. Burgess also reported that the main gym floor has been refinished. A regular schedule for gym floor maintenance in being developed.

The financial committee will meet to fine-tune expense planning. They are waiting for state revenue projections that will allow for more accurate planning. Mr. Burgess reported that expenses are up due mainly to increases in licensure, insurance and transportation costs. Increased general education aid, special education transportation funds, and impact funds have brought revenues up.

A preliminary planning meeting for the building project is set for February 26th. Mr. Burgess will meet with contractors to look at the overall plan and scheduling.

The board approved administration's request to pursue funding for voluntary pre-kindergarten. If received, the money could be used to fund the early childhood program, provided requirements are met.

Approval was given for applying for a Northwest Minnesota Foundation grant. This grant would be used to encourage students to pursue careers in early childhood education by providing scholarship funds.

The board addressed several staffing issues. They moved to accept the resignation of Jenetta Weems from her human resources position. Administration has initiated the hiring process for this position. Board members accepted the resignation of Marianne Treka from the 11th grade prom committee. The board also approved Judy Engebretson's request for FMLA, with administration working with her to schedule the leave times.

Monthly payments made include \$79,907.78 to Stein's Bus Service, LLC, \$13,118.21 to Community Oil Company, \$9,063.16 to Clearwater-Polk Electric, \$4,189.91 to City of Clearbrook, \$4,092.75 and \$2,244.05 to Mar-co, \$3,672.50 to Thompson's Sand and Gravel, \$2,195.86 to Anderson Disposal, \$1,924.39 to Garden Valley Telephone Co., \$1,714.70 to Land O'Lakes, and \$1,014.00 to DaRoos Pizza.

Church News

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.

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Pastor:
Fr. John Melkies Svavkeen
Terri D, Parish sec.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
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GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Robert Kirchman
Good Shepherd
Wed., Feb. 26 - 6:45pm Ash Wednesday Service, 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice
Sun., March 1 - 9:00am Worship; 10:00am Coffee Hour/Sunday School.
Wed., March 4 - 5:00pm Soup & Sandwich; 6:45pm Lenten Service, 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice
Our Savior's
Wed., Feb. 26 - 5:00pm Ash Wednesday Service
Sun., March 1 - 9:00 am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship.
Wed., March 4 - 5:00 pm Lenten Service.

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC
Wednesday - 9:30 am - Women's Bible Study.
Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School, 10:30 am - Worship/ Communion/Fellowship
UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pastor Kris Snyder
8 miles North of Gonvick on County Rd 7
Sunday - 9am Church Services, 10am Sunday School
Ash Wednesday Service March 4, 2020 7:00pm
Lenten Services every Wednesday during Lent at 7:00pm, fellowship following

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed, Feb. 26 - 6:00pm Soup and Sandwich, 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service
Thurs, Feb. 27 - 9:30am Bible Study & Prayer.
Sun, March 1 - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service, *Communion to follow service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Tues. Feb 25 - No Ladies Bible Study
Wed. Feb 26 - No Awana
Thurs. Feb 27 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
Sat. Feb 29 - 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun. Mar. 1 - 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: Storewide 50% off Sale, Friday & Saturday, Feb. 28-29. Open 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Mon.-Fri. & Sat., 10-12.

Youth Connection: New kids coming every week. 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".
Adult Education: 6-8 PM, Tues., & 12:30-2:30, Wed. Offering ServSafe, GED & Accuplacer Prep, digital literacy & work skills training. Just drop-in during class.
GONVICK SITE:
Scandinavian Friday Night Out: March 6, Serving: 5:00-7:00 PM. Usually sells out, so reservations are important. To reserve your meals, call 218-776-2789. MSH Building Trades House tours, 3:00-6:00 PM
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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 -10:00-10:45, Unstuck by Dan Webster/Randy Gravitt. Thru Mar. 9th
Pottery: 12:30-2:30 PM thru March 9. Hand-building & slab rolling. \$5/session.
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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 Merseth
Wed, Feb. 26: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. Nazareth - 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich. Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Thu, Feb. 27: 5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at Mt. Olive.
Sat, Feb. 26: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Mar. 1: 8:00 a.m. Worship at St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 8:00 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Brunch, 9:45 a.m. Worship at Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Tue, Mar. 3: 6:30 p.m. Lenten at St. Petri followed by Bible Study.
Wed, Mar. 4: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School, Oak Park? - 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich. Lenten Service 7:00 p.m.
Thu, Mar. 5: 5:00 p.m. Lenten at Mt. Olive followed by Bible Study.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Styberg, Youth Pastor
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Wed, Feb. 26: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.
Fri, Feb. 28: Friday School
Sun, Mar. 1: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Mar. 3: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Mar. 4: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 26: Lund - 6:00 p.m. Soup/bread supper, 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday service.
Sun, Mar. 1: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. 2:00 p.m. 7th & 8th grade confirmation.
Wed, Mar. 4: Bethany - 6:00 p.m. Soup/bread supper, 7:00 p.m. Lenten service.

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Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Mar. 1: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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If you think that recycling isn't worth the bother, think about what it costs you to throw your recyclables in the trash.

Clearwater County pays tipping fees by the ton for trash hauled to the Fosston Incinerator. As the tonnage increases, the costs also increase. A state-of-the-art Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) recovers recyclables from trash, but the MRF operates more efficiently if it's separating mixed recyclables only, rather than recyclables from trash. Some of the recyclables aren't pulled out and end up in the landfill. Not only that, but the tipping fee for mixed recyclables is ZERO, which saves the county money!

You can reduce the volume of rubbish by recycling your paper, cardboard, plastic food and beverage containers, steel cans and, of course, aluminum and glass containers! Take them to the recycling bins located by the County Highway Department in Bagley. Thank you! Need pointers? Call us at 218-694-6183.

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Clearwater County Environmental Services



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

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Thurs., Feb. 27 - Mini Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Coleslaw OR Sub Day

Fri., Feb. 28 - Assorted Pizza Choices, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices and Milk on both lines.

Mon., March 2 - Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss/Green Eggs & Ham Breakfast. Thing Two Pepperoni Pizza or Sam I Am! Italian Subs, Who Foo Black

STORY TO SHARE!

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



Dana Melby and Kaylee Westrum work the ball around the circle for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.



Alex Dawson, under the basket for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.



Clearbrook-Gonvick basketball players shooting from three point range. Shown above Jonny Hammes and below Kolton Schultz.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Senior basketball players with their family members. From left to right: Nyah Neadeau, Jackie Lynn Taflin and Danae Stenzel.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior basketball players from left to right with their family members: Kaylee Faldet and Bailey Klema.



Diana DeFoe, Clearbrook-Gonvick girls basketball manager with her parents.

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School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

Feb. 26th
This is an excellent time to recognize the exceptional qualities of the school bus drivers in our community. Our team of drivers are a rare find. We are extremely fortunate to have them behind the wheel.

Every day our children are picked up and delivered to their destinations safely and on time.

Thanks to our school bus drivers for their hard work and dedication, for their daily commitment and the compassion they have for the students they transport.

A great big **THANK YOU** for the elite team of school bus drivers who transport our Clearbrook-Gonvick students.
Deb & Gerry Stein

Maurices hosted a 4H Clothing Project Day

On Sunday, February 16th Clearwater County 4-H hosted a Clothing Project Day at Maurices in Bemidji. Through 4-H and the county fair, youth can exhibit an outfit that they have either made or purchased and showcase it during our Fashion

Revue event on the Stage in the Pines at 5pm on Wednesday of the fair. Through this project, youth learn about the care of clothing, how to put together functional outfits for different occasions, and how to shop smart. Participants in our proj-

ect day had the opportunity to be "stylists for a day" at Bemidji Maurices. Huge thank you to Bemidji Maurices for allowing our 4-Hers to learn in this hands on experience. They even provided goodie bags, gift cards and coupons!



4-H Retreat members Back from left to right: Alaina Larson, Jaquincy Hammer, Daniel Rankin, Paul Ramsrud, Obadiah Hammer. Front: Ava Larson, Lydia Ramsrud, Peyton Berg.

4-H retreat builds leadership and civic skills

Minnesota 4-H held the NW BLU leadership retreat on February 8-9 at the Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes for over youth from across our region and the state, including 8 youth from Clearwater County. Huge shout out to Sandy Girtz for chaperoning our youth and working in the kitchen!

BLU – Building Leadership and Understanding – is an annual leadership retreat offered regionally across Minnesota. This year’s theme, Unmask Your Inner Leader, encouraged youth to discuss their strengths, leadership styles, and the characteristics of great leaders. Youth participants engaged in a

variety of activities throughout the event, including small and large group discussions, team-building activities, personal awareness experiences, and informational sessions. The leadership retreat was facilitated by youth leaders from the Minnesota 4-H State Ambassador program and supported by a team of adult chaperones.

“The NW BLU leadership retreat was one of five 4-H events offered this winter to Minnesota youth in grades 7-12,” said Sutton Stewart, Regional Extension Educator at the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Youth Development. “4-H uses these

retreats to help youth learn valuable leadership skills they can apply in their communities and make connections with people from other parts of the state. This year’s workshop also included a service project to collect donations for foster care systems in our part of the state.”

“I learned a lot about what kids in foster care go through, it helped me understand it better.” -Peyton Berg, 6th grade Leon Ramblers 4-H Club member.

4-H offers leadership and civic engagement experiences throughout the year. To learn more, visit z.umn.edu/4HLeadership.

4-H is a youth development program of the University of Minnesota Extension. Available for youth in Kindergarten through one year after high school, 4-H’ers participate in hands-on learning experiences such as the clothing and fashion

revue projects. Through this learn-by-doing process, youth obtain essential life skills such as problem solving, decision making, coping and communicating that help them succeed in their school, college, community and career. Research shows

that youth who participate in 4-H have better grades and are more emotionally engaged with school, are more than twice as likely to be civically active and contribute to their communities, and are 47% less likely to have risky or problem behaviors.



Back Row right to left: Savanna Rankin, Madeline Hodgkins (Maurices Stylist), Kayla Nyegaard, Kimberly Verke, Kaymee Denault (Maurices Stylist). Front Row right to left: Evelyn Warmbold, Gracie Riewer, Aubrey Riewer.



Gracie Riewer (left) and Aubrey Riewer (right) with their model Savanna Rankin (center).



Kimberly Verke (left) and Evelyn Warmbold (right) with their model Megan Warmbold (center).



Bridget Miller (left) and Olivia Halvorson (right) with their model (center).

Clearwater County 4-H hosted a poultry project day

On Saturday, February 15th Clearwater County 4-H hosted a poultry project day facilitated by Vern and Sandy Holzhueter of Beltrami County. They went over the basics of the poultry project in 4-H and answered all questions the youth and adults had. The youth were especially grateful for the door prizes that the Holzhueters provided for

the workshop.

4-H is a youth development program of the University of Minnesota Extension. Available to youth in grades K through one year after high school. 4-Hers participate in hands on learning activities such as the poultry project to learn-by-doing. Through this

process, youth obtain essential life skills such as problem solving, decision making, coping and communicating that help them succeed in their school, college, community and career. Research shows that youth who participate in 4-H have better grades and are more emotionally engaged with school, are

more than twice as likely to be civically active and contribute to their communities, and are 47% less likely to have risky or problem behaviors. For more information about joining Clearwater County 4-H or the poultry project, contact Kayla Nyegaard at 218-694-6151 or nyeg0007@umn.edu.



Photo from left to right: Daniel Rankin, Caroline Machlitt, Savanna Rankin, Hannah Johnshoy, Matthew Rankin, Evelyn Warmbold, Makalyn Hoie and Alexa Anderson.



Bailey Halvorson (left) and Natalie Noll (right) with their model (center).

DFL Environmental Caucus Announces First Round Endorsements for 2020

The DFL Environmental Caucus today announced its first round of candidate endorsements for the November 2020 election. The list includes current as well as hopeful state legislators and members of Congress. “The caucus endorsed candidates committed to solving our climate crisis and fighting for clean air and water in St. Paul and in Washington. We expect this slate to be the voice we need today more than ever to protect Minnesota’s environment,” said Veda Kanitz, Caucus Chair.

Candidates receiving the DFL Environmental Caucus endorsement to date are:

For Congress - Dan Feehan, CD1, Congresswoman Angie Craig, CD2, Congressman Dean Phillips, CD3, Congresswoman Betty McCollum, CD4

For MN Senate - Suzie Nakasian, SD20, Sara Flick, SD25, Aleta Borrud, SD26, Josiah Hill, SD38, Rep. Mary Kunesh-Podein, SD 41, Sen. Steve Cwodziński, SD 48, Sen. Melisa Franzen, SD49, Sen. Jim Carlson, SD51, Sen. Greg Clausen, SD57, Sen. Scott Dibble, SD61, Erin Murphy, SD64, Sen. Sandy Pappas, SD65, Sen. John Marty, SD66

For MN House - Ben Schirmers, HD12B, Rep. Todd Lippert, HD20B, Rep. Tina Liebling, HD26A, Rep. Kelly Morrison, HD33B, Rep. Kristin Bahner, HD34B, Ann Mozey, HD39A, Rep. Shelly Christensen, HD39B, Rep. Connie Bernardy, HD41A, Rep. Ginny Klevorn, HD44A, Rep. Patty Acomb, HD44B, Rep. Sandy Masin, HD51A, Rep. Rick Hansen, HD52A, Rep. Ann Clafin, HD54A, Kelsey Waits, HD54B, Rep. Robert Bierman, HD57A, Erin Preece, HD58 Sydney Jordan, HD60A, Rep. Frank Hornstein, HD61A, Rep. Jamie Long, HD61B, Rep. Jim Davnie, HD63A, Rep. Alice Hausman, HD66A, Rep. John Lesch, HD66B, Hoang Murphy, HD67A

The DFL Environmental Caucus includes a thousand members from across the state. Its mission is to educate and mobilize the citizens of Minnesota to protect, preserve and restore the natural environment. See <https://www.dflc.org/endorsements-1> for more information about the candidates.

Clearwater County Sheriff	
Darin Halvorson	
Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity	
Bear Creek - Total 1	
02/19/20 13:57 Traffic Stop	
City of Bagley - Total 21	
02/16/20 13:30 Traffic Stop	
02/17/20 10:38 Medical, 11:56 Medical, 14:34 Alarm	
02/18/20 13:54 Medical, 15:51 check forgery, 21:31 Traffic Stop, 23:33 Information Only	
02/19/20 03:38 Traffic Stop, 07:50 Alarm, 12:14 Threats, 15:33 Welfare Check	
02/20/20 12:33 THEFT, 13:47 Juvenile Misc, 14:32 Transport	
02/21/20 09:18 Assault, 10:24 Medical, 14:28 Medical	
02/22/20 01:50 Traffic Stop, 04:38 Disturbance, 20:00 Traffic Stop	
City of Clearbrook - Total 2	
02/17/20 07:18 Traffic Stop	
02/20/20 12:47 Assault	
City of Gonvick - Total 2	
02/16/20 17:03 Harassment	
02/17/20 07:05 Traffic Stop	
City of Shevlin - Total 3	
02/17/20 08:32 911 Hang Up	
02/18/20 07:07 Information Only	
02/21/20 23:14 911 Hang Up	
Clover - Total 1	
02/21/20 18:41 Domestic	
Copley - Total 3	
02/17/20 15:32 Traffic Stop	
02/18/20 14:18 Motorist Assist	
02/19/20 07:24 Traffic Stop	
Dudley - Total 2	
02/19/20 06:55 Vehicle Lock Out	
02/20/20 10:19 Animal Related	
Eddy - Total 2	
02/18/20 18:25 Traffic Stop	
02/21/20 08:08 Vehicle Lock Out	
Falk - Total 2	
02/21/20 03:21 Parking Complaint	
02/21/20 05:54 Suspicious Activity	
Itasca - Total 4	
02/19/20 10:32 Traffic Stop	
02/20/20 02:48 Suspicious Activity	
02/20/20 17:06 Recovered Vehicle	
02/22/20 13:44 Threats	
Leon - Total 4	
02/16/20 07:15 Traffic Stop	
02/17/20 08:14 Traffic Stop	
02/21/20 10:06 Crimes Against Family	
02/22/20 21:36 Traffic Stop	
Minerva - Total 1	
02/19/20 09:42 Suspicious Activity	
Moose Creek	
02/21/20 10:19 Crimes Against Family	
Nora - Total 6	
02/18/20 17:11 Animal Related	
02/18/20 17:29 Traffic Stop	
02/19/20 15:59 Suspicious Activity	
02/21/20 10:14 Crimes Against Family	
02/21/20 12:57 Information Only	
02/21/20 16:19 Information Only	
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 2	
02/18/20 08:16 Transport	
02/20/20 19:52 Fire	
Pine Lake - Total 5	
02/19/20 18:32 Court Order Violation	
02/20/20 09:55 THEFT	
02/21/20 08:38 Motor Vehicle Crash	
02/21/20 22:37 Welfare Check	
02/22/20 14:20 911 Hang Up	
Popple - Total 2	
02/17/20 14:32 Traffic Stop	
02/21/20 16:54 Traffic Stop	
Rice - Total 6	
02/17/20 15:47 Snowmobile Related	
02/21/20 08:38 Suspicious Activity	
02/22/20 09:37 Welfare Check	
02/22/20 09:51 Alarm	
02/22/20 11:14 Information Only	
02/22/20 23:47 Fire	
Shevlin - Total 3	
02/18/20 07:51 Traffic Stop	
02/18/20 08:10 Traffic Stop	
02/19/20 12:06 911 Hang Up	
Sinclair - Total 2	
02/16/20 11:35 Medical	
Total Records: 75	

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NOTICE OF

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PRIMARY ELECTION

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWOOD IN THE COUNTY OF CLEARWATER, STATE OF MINNESOTA:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Presidential Nomination Primary Election will be held in all the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Gonvick Community Center in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Third day of March 2020, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 207A.11, a Presidential Nomination Primary will be held on March 3, 2020, in the State of Minnesota, the County of Clearwater

Presidential nomination primary voters must be registered to vote pursuant to Minnesota Statute 201.054, subd. 1.

Nomination primary voters must also request the ballot of the major political party for whose candidate the individual wishes to vote. Polling place election judges must record in the polling place roster the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested. The county auditor must include the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested with the voting history of the nomination primary election.

The major political party ballot selected by a nomination primary voter is private data, except that it will be shared with the chairs of the major political parties in the State of Minnesota.

Dated February 7, 2020 Sheila Horn,
Clerk of Township of Greenwood

R48-49C

NOTICE OF

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Holst in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Presidential Nomination Primary Election will be held in all the Election Precincts of the above name Township at the Eddy Town Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Third day of March 2020, at which the polls will be open from the hour of ten (10) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 207A.11, a Presidential Nomination Primary will be held on March 3, 2020, in the State of Minnesota, the County of Clearwater.

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Nomination primary voters must also request the ballot of the major political party for whose candidate the individual wishes to vote. Polling place election judges must record in the polling place roster the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested. The county auditor must include the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested with the voting history of the nomination primary election.

The major political party ballot selected by a nomination primary voter is private data, except that it will be shared with the chairs of the major political parties in the State of Minnesota.

Dated: February 17, 2020

Stephanie Anderson, Clerk of Township of Holst

R48-49C

Notice of Presidential Nomination Primary Election

To the electors of the Township of Winsor in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

Notice is hereby given: that a presidential nomination primary election will be held in all the election precincts of the above named township at the Gonvick Community Center in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Third day of March 2020, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

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The major political party ballot selected by a nomination primary voter is private data, except that it will be shared with the chairs of the major political parties in the State of Minnesota.

Dated: 2/10/2020

Stephanie McKnight, Clerk of Township of Winsor.

R49C

NOTICE OF

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Sinclair in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Presidential Nomination Primary Election will be held in all the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Clearbrook City Hall in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Third day of March 2020, at which the polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock A.M. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock P.M.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 207A.11, a Presidential Nomination Primary will be held on March 3, 2020, in the State of Minnesota, the County of Clearwater.

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The major political party ballot selected by a nomination primary voter is private data, except that it will be shared with the chairs of the major political parties in the State of Minnesota.

Dated: February 19, 2020

Brooke Pond, Clerk of Sinclair Township

R49C

NOTICE

Winsor Township

Meeting Notice

Winsor Township will be conducting their Annual Meeting March 10th, 2020 at 7:00pm.

The meeting will be held at the United Lutheran Church-Berner, MN.

The March Regular Board Meeting will immediately follow the Annual meeting.

Stephanie McKnight- Clerk

R49-50C

Sinclair Township Annual Meeting NOTICE

The Sinclair Township Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Sinclair Town Hall. If inclement weather, the meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17th at 7:00 pm.

Brooke Pond, Clerk

R49-50C

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JOHNSON TOWNSHIP

The Johnson Township Annual meeting and election of officers will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the Johnson Town Hall.

Annual meeting at 4:30pm.

Election of officers from 5:00pm to 8:00 pm

Positions to be filled are

1 supervisor

(for a 3 year term) and

1 clerk (for a 2 year term.)

If bad weather postponed to one week later, March 17, 2020.

Lloyd C. Sweno, Clerk

R48-49C

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voter(s) of Eden Township, County of Polk, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Election of Town Officers and Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday on March 17, 2020 and if inclement weather the election and meeting will be held March 24, 2020.

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

1 Township supervisor for a 3 year term.

1 Township clerk-treasurer for a 2 year term.

The Annual Meeting will commence at 8:00 pm to conduct all necessary business provided by law.

The Annual Meeting and election will be held at the Eden Township hall located at 39017 310th St. SE, Gully, MN.

For further information contact Dennis Erickson, Eden Township Clerk-Treasurer @ 218 268-4590.

R48-49C

Notice of Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Gully Township, County of Polk, State of Minnesota, that the annual election of officers and annual town meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday, March 17, 2020, and if inclement weather then the election and meeting will be held March 24, 2020.

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

1 TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR for a 3 year term.

1 TOWNSHIP CLERK for a 2 year term.

The annual meeting will commence at 8:15 pm to conduct all necessary business provided by law.

The annual meeting and election will be held at the Gully Town Hall located at Main Street, Gully, MN.

For further information contact Carole Tharaldson, Gully Township Clerk. (218) 268-4900.

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Notice to Leon Township Residents

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Leon Township, that the Annual Election of Town Officers and Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at the Leon Township Hall. In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March.

The Election Poll hours will be open from 5:00 pm. to 8:00 pm at which time the voters will elect:

1 Supervisor for a 3 year term

1 Clerk for a 2 year term

The Annual Town Meeting will commence at 8:00 pm to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law.

Lori Larson
Leon Township Clerk

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

February 25th, Minnesotans will gather across the state in town halls and high schools to attend our caucuses and participate in our democracy at the grassroots level.

March events at the Clearbrook Gonvick school. All done before the bell rings in the morning.

March 2nd Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration for breakfast and lunch

March 6th Donuts with Dad
March 20 Muffins with Mom
March 8 is the day that Daylight Savings begins. We will lose an hour of sleep.

Good Shepherd Blood Drive at the Wes Westrum Gym on Wednesday, April, 8 in Clearbrook.

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 email...

The article on Real ID's a couple issues ago.

There is a lot of publicity urging people to get a "Real ID" card which will be needed by October 1, 2020. Little mention is made of the "Enhanced Driver's License" option which is superior because it can be used for land and sea border crossings between the U.S. (such as driving to Canada, Mexico, etc) which the Real ID does not allow. We recently applied for our EID Driver's Licenses and it is easy to gather the necessary documents and complete the online Preapplication before going to the DVS office.

https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/real-id/Pages/license-id-options.aspx

We enjoy getting your paper every Wednesday!

Farrell Gunelius, Bigfork

Joke Time -

Ole stopped in a blacksmith shop to see his old friend, Rasmus Gullickson. "What's the matter, Rasmus?" asked Ole. "You look kinda sown in da mouth."

"Vell, for vun ting," answered Rasmus, "today is my twenty fifth vedding anniversary."

"So, vhy are you so glum about it?" asked Ole.

"Becoss, on da day of our wedding, I got so mad at my vife dat I darn near choked her to death."

"HmMMM", Said Ole, "If you had done dat, you vould have got twenty five years."

'Yah...sure I vould have,"

responded Rasmus. "But, tomorrow I vould be getting out of jail...a free man."

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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.

We collect used eye glasses in the 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.

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

Koma Til Gully Tjue Tjue (Come to Gully 2020)

They will be celebrating their roots! July 17, 18, 19, and 20 of 2020 Gully is planning a 110th birthday celebration with a Scandinavian theme. The four day event starts out Thursday evening with a whist tournament in the Gully Community Center. Friday night, again in the community center, the live entertainment will have a Scandinavian twist.

Notice to Gonvick Legion members

The Gonvick Am. Legion will hold their regular March meeting on Monday, March 9 at 7:00 p.m. The change of date is due to the Township Annual Meetings being held on the regular monthly date.

LeRoy Sundquist, Cmdr.

The USDA - NRCS Provides Conservation Assistance to Protect Natural Resources

Cari Roepke
USDA NRCS
Clearwater County
District Conservationist
Bagley 218-694-6584 ext 3

Applications for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Regional Conservation Partnership Program, and the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program are accepted year-round at local Natural Resources Conservation Service field offices, but Friday, March 13, 2020 is the Minnesota application batching period cutoff by which a producer or landowner must submit a signed application for fiscal year 2020 funding consideration.

The EQIP, RCPP-EQIP, and ACEP programs provide financial and technical assistance to help eligible agriculture producers voluntarily implement conservation practices to improve natural resources and agriculture productivity. A variety of practices are eligible in order to address

resource concerns such as water quality, grazing land health, soil erosion and health, wildlife habitat, livestock production, and many more.

Through RCPP, NRCS works with partners to implement projects that demonstrate innovative solutions to conservation challenges while providing measurable improvements to resource concerns targeted in the partnership.

The ACEP program conserves agricultural lands and wetlands and their related benefits. Under the Agricultural Land Easements component, NRCS helps Indian tribes, state and local governments, and non-governmental organizations protect working agricultural lands and limit non-agricultural uses of the land.

"The new 2018 Farm Bill allows NRCS to provide conservation assistance to support farmers in improving economic viability, soil health, water and

air quality, and other natural resources benefits. This new version of EQIP raises the funding cap for organic producers, enhances advance payment options for historically underserved producers, and renews our commitment to assist beginning farmers," said Daniell. "By getting EQIP applications in early, NRCS staff will have time to visit individual farms and assist in planning conservation practices."

All applications received by March 13, 2020, will be considered for prioritization and ranking based on fund availability. Farmers should contact their local USDA Service Center to get started on eligibility and planning.

Landowners interested in applying for EQIP funding should contact their local NRCS office at the USDA Service Center their county. For more information, visit www.mn.nrcs.usda.gov.

Senator Mark Johnson supports plan to return budget surplus back to Minnesota families, farmers, and small businesses

(St. Paul) – Senate Republicans today announced a taxpayer focused plan to return Minnesota's budget surplus back to the taxpayers. The Senate plan emphasizes returning your money back in your pockets, particularly middle-income and low-income earners, so you have more security, freedom, and flexibility to chase your dreams. This is the marquee piece of Senate Republicans' Vision 2020 Agenda, which was unveiled in January.

The Get Your Billion Back tax plan is a series of tax cuts worth more than \$1 billion, which will ease the tax burden for every single Minnesota taxpayer. We are fighting to reduce the bottom income tax rate, completely eliminating taxes on Social Security income, expanding the K-12 income tax credit, fully conform with 179 federal regulations and more.

"The surplus clearly signifies the Government has its hands deep in your pockets," said Senator Mark Johnson (R-East Grand Forks). "The more money the government takes, the more it seems to need. Before bureaucrats can figure out how to increase spending by another billion dollars, let's get it back to the families, farmers, and businesses who need it for their own priorities. It's past time that we stop wasting money on ballooning government and criminally wasteful agencies like the Department of Human Services."

Reducing the lowest rate will positively impact everyone who pays income taxes in Minnesota and help low-income and middle-income workers in particular. It will mark the second consecutive year that Senate Republicans have reduced income tax rates – an achievement that hadn't been accomplished in almost two decades prior to 2019.

Expanding the K-12 Education Tax Credit will specifically help parents of school-age children save money when they file their taxes. More families will qualify for the expanded credit, and those who do will

also see larger savings on their tax returns.

Eliminating the tax on Social Security Income is long overdue. Minnesota is one of only 13 states that imposes this tax on retirees, many of whom are on a fixed income. Throwing out the Social Security income tax will encourage more seniors to stay in Minnesota after retirement. This is one of the most popular and frequent requests made by constituents at town halls, via social media, and through emails and phone calls.

Fully conforming to Section 179 of the federal tax code will help farmers and mom-and-pop businesses grow and invest in their operations by giving them more flexibility to deduct large equipment purchases, and Expanding the Angel Tax Credit will help innovative technologies and groundbreaking ideas reach new heights by giving people a greater incentive to

invest in Minnesota companies.

Reforming school Equalization Aid will provide more money to school districts that have less property wealth and provide property tax relief to property owners in those districts.

Reallocating more mortgage and deed tax revenue to affordable housing programs, as well as property tax classification rate reductions, will help more Minnesotans secure the American Dream of homeownership.

Reforms and reductions to Charitable Gaming rules will keep more money raised from gaming by local charities in the communities they support. These are games run exclusively by private nonprofits, like Little League teams. Currently, only a tiny sliver of the proceeds from these games benefits the charities' missions. Aside from overhead, most proceeds go to state taxes.

FROM THE PAST - 2001





Sheriff Darin Halverson, Sam and Caren Smith from Off Grid Armory, and Deputy Vern Wittenberg discussed the possibility of Clearwater County passing an ordinance or resolution regarding protection of gun rights here.



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Commissioners..

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"When approved by the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture this will enable Clearwater County to conduct enforcement procedures to control these weed species within the County," Director Hecht stated in his discussion.

County Engineer, Dan Sauvé said the department is winging out the banks of snow.

"It has covered some of the snowmobile trails in the area, but roads take precedence.

The snowmobile club could groom the trail again if needed, it was stated.

Bryan McCoy, from the Headwaters Regional Transportation Coordination Council came to explain the mission of the advisory committee from various community and transportation organizations.

"This is done with MN-Dot funding 100 per cent of the money," Mr. McCoy stated. The Federal Transit Association (FTA) is the source of the money. Next

year he said there would be a required match of 10 per cent.

"Transportation is often a problem for inmates to get to court, and to a job," he added. "Compared to the cost of housing an inmate, this is less costly to provide transportation."

Commissioner Neal Illies, who has worked at the County Jail, indicated people might not like to see the County spend money to enable the inmates, and have it cost the citizens money here.

"Companies that need people to get to work should pay for that," he stated, saying that it would be a huge challenge to provide transportation to get people to and from work.

"We're not hearing of this being a problem here," stated Commissioner Newland.

"What is it you are looking for from Clearwater County?" asked Commissioner Larson.

"We're not looking for you to furnish transportation, or no funding from you, we don't need a letter of support or 'yeas and

nays'. This is just for your information," Mr. McCoy said. "We want the counties to know this is happening, and is available if you need it."

Their objective is to solve mobility barriers for disadvantaged populations. Their goals include expanding transportation options for under served populations, such as those incarcerated who need transportation to court; or those who have a job but need transportation to get to the location. Next would be to identify who has available vehicles, who has needs, and who can use the extra cash.

County Auditor Allen Paulson was authorized to pay the submitted invoices of \$31,454 for the County Revenue Fund and \$5,098 for the Nursing Service Fund.

A visit from the new judge has been postponed.

Commissioners present at the meeting were Neal Illies, Dean Newland, Mark Larson, and Mark Titera. Commissioner John Nelson was absent.



The room was full of area visitors who came to witness Clearwater County Board of Commissioners when they voted for unanimous approval of Clearwater County becoming a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County". Sheriff Darin Halverson said, "I am 100 per cent in favor of this resolution!"

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Friends in the Kitchen is sponsored by Lutheran Social Service of MN, Bagley American Legion, Galen's Fresh Food Market, Harmony Natural Food Co-Op, and Split Oak Farm.

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