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School Board Candidate Questionnaire

Filing for the School Board in the Clearbrook-Gonvick School District closed.

The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. At that election, four (4) members will be elected to the School board for terms of four (4) years, each and one (1) member will be elected to the school board for a term of (2) years filling out the remainder of James Galloway's term.

Those serving on the board whose terms are due to expire



Name: Lawrence "Gus" Vettleson
Family members: Kay, Robert, and Victoria
Occupation: Math Instructor

A. Why do you want to serve on the school board?
To do my part in supporting our local school.

B. What do you think will be some of the most challenging issues the school board will have to face this next year?

The ramifications due to COVID-19

C. What ideas will you bring to the board?
Maybe just a different perspective.

D. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities?
Oversee the management of our school system to help improve opportunities for our children.

E. What kind of relationship should a district/the board have with its community?

An open transparent relationship. With its parents and families? The same.

F. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role.

I have an understanding of the role. Unless I have been a Superintendent or a board member I don't think it would be easy to fully understand the roll. Oversee the finances of the school. Communicate and follow legislation brought to the districts by the department of education or our government. Oversee building facilities and improvements. Negotiation of contracts with faculty and staff. Communication of district happenings to the community and families.

G. How can a board know if its goals are being accomplished and its policies carried out?

By monitoring the actions of school personnel.



Name: Vanessa Gustafson
Family members: Husband, Cedrik Gustafson, Children Quincy, Brody, Stella
Occupation: dental hygienist

A. Why do you want to serve on the school board?

I would like to serve on the school board because I have always valued education and now that I am a parent I want my kids and other children of the community to have a variety of educational opportunities.

B. What do you think will be some of the most challenging issues the school board will have to face this next year?

I think the Covid-19 pandemic will continue to be a great challenge to deal with for school board this year and future.

C. What ideas will you bring to the board

I think it would be great to focus more on academic opportunities such as incorporating a foreign language and other cultures to better prepare students for the world and college.

include: Richard Hetland, Kris Snyder, Tom Stenzel and Jeff Westrum - four year teams.

Dudley Wishard - 2 year term.

Those who have filed for the four year term include - Vern Wittenberg, Jeff Westrum, Dudley Wishard and Gus Vettleson.



Name: Vern Wittenberg
Family members: Wife: Kari; Daughter: Peyton
Occupation: Chief Deputy for the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office

A. Why do you want to serve on the school board?

I believe in quality Public Education. I feel that by serving on the School Board, I can help ensure that our community has the opportunity to have the best public education.

B. What do you think will be some of the most challenging issues the school board will have to face this next year?

The Covid-19 issue. I expect that Covid-19 will put stress on our students and school staff. I feel that a strong School Board will help ensure any changes will go smoother, and put less stress on students and school staff.

C. What ideas will you bring to the board?

How to create strong financial policies that will improve the quality of the education for our children, and provide a good return on the communities' investment in our school.

D. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities?

To provide leadership to the Superintendent and Staff, to establish quality policies for the district, and to adopt & monitor the school district budget.

E. What kind of relationship should a district/the board have with its community?

With its parents and families?

I believe that the board should have an open-door policy with both the community as a whole, and the families that it represents. If anyone has a concern or question, they should feel comfortable approaching the board, or one of its members, to express their thoughts.

F. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role.

To advise the School Board and manage the district, to suggest and implement policy, and to identify needs of the district and report them to the board.

G. How can a board know if its goals are being accomplished and its policies carried out?

Input from the Superintendent, Staff and the community and watching the quality of education that our children leave our school with.



Name: Vanessa Gustafson
D. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities?

As a board member, I feel that they should be gathering facts and discuss the risks and benefits for any decision needing to be made.

E. What kind of relationship should a district/the board have with its community?

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Vanessa Gustafson has filed for the 2 year term.

Two other position will not be up for election until 2022. They are Corey Peterson and Tracy Imle.

A questionnaire to the community people who had filed for positions on the Clearbrook-Gonvick School board was mailed or emailed to Vern Wittenberg, Jeff Westrum, Dudley Wishard and Gus Vettleson for the four year term and to Vanessa Gustafson who had filed for the two year term.

Questions and their answers follow:



Name: Dudley Wishard
Occupation: Project Engineer

A. Why do you want to serve on the school board?

I'm currently filling a position on the school board for this year. I chose to be considered for this position because I wanted to be more involved in the school system.

B. What do you think will be some of the most challenging issues the school board will have to face this next year?

I think challenging issues to be faced could be funding in the next couple of years, any drastic changes with the current and on-going Covid-19 situation,

D. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities?

Responsibilities are: Knowing and understanding the policies, laws, regulations, etc...that affect the school district and state. Board members are also responsible to the community to professionally address issues and be aware of things that are happening within the district.

E. What kind of relationship should a district/the board have with its community?

I think board members should be active in the community and open to discussing with community members about things happening within the district. They should be approachable.

F. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role.

The superintendent manages and oversees the operations of the school, and provides the school board with sufficient information to make decisions on topics/issues.

G. How can a board know if its goals are being accomplished and its policies carried out?

The board will know if goals are being accomplished by having regular communication with the school administration, community members, and other board members. Following up on decisions that have been made and staying involved.

I have attached a photo of my wife Cindy and myself. Thanks.

Commissioners hear about North Country Trail

By Karen Edlback
The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met on October 13, 2020 to hear from the Sheriff, Auditor, Engineer, North Country Trail Association, and to view an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Presentation.

North Country Trail Association (NCTA) Representative Dan Wilson discussed the two mile section of trail near Long Lost Lake.

NCTA spent about \$250,000 building the North Country Scenic Trail between Itasca State Park and Hubbell Pond Wildlife Management Area. Becker County secured some of the Legacy Grant Funds; and the Laurentian Lakes Chapter (LLC) has contributed over 15,000 volunteer hours towards NTC construction and thousands of hours towards maintenance annually.

The NCT in Becker and Clearwater Counties includes 58 bridges and wooden walkways, 11 trail ways and kiosks, and 7 back country campsites, with fire rings and toilets.



We usually see many kinds of costumes, haunted houses and of course candy given out at the various houses on Halloween night on Saturday, October 31. But this year things are different with the COVID-19. Marge Trembath of Clearbrook did not change her habits of painting pumpkins for the day. Here are a few of her creations.

Below are the decorations that were put up this year at Jim and Jeanne Granley's house in Clearbrook. They also go all out for Christmas.



Clearbrook City Council awards contract to Davidson Construction

By Bonnie Kirchman
The Clearbrook City Council met on Monday, October 12, 2020. Council member Tom Davis presided at the meeting in Mayor Dylan Goudge's absence.

Council members voted to award the contract for the construction of the new bike trail to Davidson Construction, Inc. on the recommendation of project engineer Zach Thoma. The contract award is contingent upon the Minnesota Department of Transportation's civil rights review. At a total bid of \$412,642, Davidson's bid was the lowest of the six that were submitted. Thoma was present at the council meeting to address questions about the bid and the project. Construction on the project is scheduled to start on May 24, 2021 and will take approximately 34 working days to complete.

City Clerk Lucie Thompson updated council members on the city's efforts to sell the Dodge Charger that has been retired from police department use. Two bids were received, each for the

same amount. The bidders will be notified and given the opportunity to submit a different bid amount. City staff members are also looking into selling the 6-wheeler.

Reporting for the fire department, Nick Rankin expressed appreciation for everyone who helped make the department's October 3rd fund-raiser event a success. The department responded to ten calls in the last month, including six medical calls, two vehicle accidents, one vehicle fire, and one weather watch.

Karra Weems, liquor store manager, reported on events at the bar. City staff members provided volunteer help to staff the bar at the fire department banquet. The Sunday Viking events have not been well attended. After discussion, the council recommended that the liquor store holds off on Sunday openings until the playoff season and Super Bowl. City Clerk Lucie Thompson shared the new state rules for restaurants and bars.

Groups of four are now allowed to be seated together at the bar and groups of up to ten people are allowed in restaurants. With the rules changing frequently, it is difficult to plan for larger events like meals or parties.

Mark Snobl brought council members up-to-date on maintenance and utilities issues. Nelson Technologies and Charps will be working to install new gas regulators. This part of the system has not been upgraded for approximately twenty years. Quotes were received for repairs and replacement of the Community Center roof. The city will have the roof repaired at a cost of \$6,500. If the weather allows, the hydrants will be flushed on Wednesday, October 21st and Thursday, October 22nd. The utilities department has been dealing with a variety of sewer-related issues. Snobl stated that some of these issues will be resolved when the new sewer project is completed next year.

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ADA Transition Plan: The Clearwater County Highway Department Public Right of Way Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan was developed to specifically cover accessibility within the public rights of way. This plan is meant to supplement and coordinate with other County transition plans and procedures.

The Clearwater County Highway Department conducted a self-evaluation, as required by law, of its current transportation infrastructure policies, practices and programs, which identifies what policies and practices impact accessibility and examine how the County implements these policies. The goal is to verify that the County is providing accessibility and not hindering full participation of individuals with disabilities.

The self-evaluation conducted from January-April of 2018 included and inventory of

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Community Calendar

Notice

The Gonvick American Legion is planning on having a "Flag Retirement Ceremony" at the Legion Cabin on Sunday, the 25th of October at 2:00 pm. If you have old, tattered American flags to be disposed of, you can bring them to the Legion that day. The Auxiliary will be serving coffee and bars for your refreshment. Everyone is welcome!

LeRoy Sundquist, Commander



Since there will not be a Veterans Day program this year, the Quilts of Valor group for East Polk County has decided to award quilts to individuals privately. Each individual who is honored with a Quilt of Valor.

Here, Jim Paulson from Trail was the recipient of a beautiful, handmade quilt, which was made by the East Polk County Quilts of Valor volunteers. Here is what Jim had to say of his service to our Country: I served in the United States Army from February 19, 1957 to February 20, 1959 as a Private 1st Class. I was then placed in active reserve for five years, but I was not called back. I boarded a train in Fargo, ND and went to Fort Chaffe, Arkansas for basic training for eight weeks. I was then sent to Fort Leonardwood, MO for eight more weeks of training; then transferred/assigned to the 5th Engineer Battalion. I was included in a group that replaced troops coming home from Germany who were being discharged. I was placed in food service for our battalion, driving the food truck, and keeping records. I remained at Fort Leonardwood until my discharge, when I joined my

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Council members asked Snobl to look into bids for replacing the gym doors in the Community Center.

Lucie Thompson shared information on the water and sewer project, reporting that Project Engineer Curt Meyer expects to be ready for a resolution on the project at the November council meeting. USDA approval is needed before the project can move forward.

Thompson also shared information provided by a representative of Environ, an organization

that offers to evaluate the city's buildings and offer plans for maintenance of the facilities. Council members opted to decline the offer of services at this time.

Contracts for city employees need to be updated and employee reviews will be completed. Council members will be provided copies of the contracts with notes on changes. The mayor and one other council member will conduct employee reviews.

Two building permit applications were filed with the city since the last council meeting. Debra June Tweet's permit to repair/replace a garage roof was granted. Kevin Prosser also received approval for a permit to build a shed.

Council members accepted two donations. The Clearbrook Community Club donated \$5,642 for an ATV that will be used at Kloster Park. DeAnn Dyrdaahl donated \$100 to the Clearbrook Community Pool.

The property tax levy issue was tabled until the audit information is available. The audit will be completed later than usual this year due to COVID restrictions that limited face-to-face meetings.

The council approved monthly claims of \$31,819.53 and additional claims of \$68,089.08.

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2.40 miles of sidewalks, and 68 curb ramps for pedestrian facilities within the right of ways in Bagley, Clearbrook, Gonvick and Shevlin. It also included examining bicycle/pedestrian trails, traffic control signals, and transit facilities.

A motion to adopt the Public Right of Way Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan was approved by the Board. The plan identifies accessibility needs and the process needed to fully integrate accessibility improvements into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to ensure all transportation facilities, services, programs and activities are accessible to all individuals.

Since the adoption of ADA the Clearwater County Highway Department has striven to provide accessible features as part of the County's capital improvement projects.

Sheriff Darin Halverson was given authorization to purchase a 2021 Dodge Ram 1500 at State bid price of \$28,987; and a 2021 Dodge Durango at State bid price of \$33,250. Both will be purchased from West Side Motors in Thief River Falls and will be equipped at a cost not to exceed \$98,000. They are to be delivered in 2021 and the cost will come out of the 2021 Budget.

Capital & General Expense Policy: The Board approved the amended Capital and General Expense Policy on file.

"It is the policy of Clearwater County to maintain appropriate procedures regarding the procurement, management and disposal of all capital assets (such as land, improvements to land, buildings and improvements, equipment and furniture, and infrastructure), and to establish and monitor fiscally responsible spending practices."

The purpose of this policy is

dad at our farm in Eden township rural Trail, MN. During my service, I was assigned to stand as an honor guard for former President Harry S. Truman. After his arrival and his meeting some Generals, he turned around and came back and greeted each one of us individually, thanking us for our service to our country. I married Janice Anderson on September 10, 1966. We have two sons, Daniel and Darald. Daniel is married to Tina, and they have three children: Ryan and Hillary Paulson, Nicole and Jonathan Halbur and Brylee, our great grandchild, and Hannah Paulson. We are still engaged in farming and so are our sons and grandson, Ryan and his wife Hillary. Having sold the dairy and beef cows and our hogs, we continued with raising crops: wheat, soybeans, and sunflowers. Due to my health issues, the next generations are continuing the Paulson Farm operation, now in its 125th year. I am pleased to be honored and am grateful I was able to have served my country, the U.S.A. Thank you for the "Quilt of Valor."

Thank you to Jim Paulson for your service to our Country.

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to ensure proper accountability and stewardship of the resources available for capital and general expenditures.

CARES: Commissioner John Nelson made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Mark Titera to approve expenses of the Cares Act Business Assistance Program in the amount of \$228,331 with funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.

County Auditor Allen Paulson was authorized to pay the submitted invoices of \$210,820 for the County Revenue Fund and \$9,014 for the Nursing Service Fund.

The Commissioners approved the County entering into an agreement with Glen's Carpet for general cleaning duties four hours per day Monday through Friday at a rate of \$25 per hour.

All Commissioners were present at the meeting: Neal Illies, Mark Larson Dean Newland, John Nelson, and Mark Titera.

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With its parents and families?The school district/board and the community should have an open and honest relationship with each other, willing to communicate their needs and wants. Likewise with the parents and the families, open and honest relationship would be needed.

F. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role.

I would assume the super intendant is in charge of managing all decisions made and make sure I have facts present at meetings.

G. How can a board know if its goals are being accomplished and its policies carried out?

The board could understand if all the goals are being accomplished and carried out by checking in with student body, faculty/staff and families of the school community.

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed., Oct. 21 - Chicken and Noodles, Roasted Beets and Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Ice Cream, Dinner Roll and Milk.

Thurs., Oct. 22 - Pot Roast, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green and Wax Beans, Breadstick, Pudding and Milk.

Fri., Oct. 23 - Honey Mustard Chicken, Normandy Blend Veg., Mandarin Oranges, Bread, Chocolate Peanut Butter Bar and Milk.

Mon. Oct. 26 - Sloppy Joe, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Bun, Pineapple Chunks and Milk.

Tues., Oct. 27 - Ginger Citrus Chicken, Brown Rice, Oriental Vegetables, Pear Halves, Fruit Crisp and Milk.

Wed., Oct. 28 - Lasagna, Creamy Cukes, Mandarin Oranges, Bread, Jello and Milk.

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

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.

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Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Oct. 21: 6:25 p.m. AWA-NA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Sun, Oct. 25: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Oct. 27: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Oct. 28: 6:25 p.m. AWA-NA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Oct. 25: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

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Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
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Sun., Oct. 25- 9:00am Worship Service; 10:00am Sunday School/ Coffee Hour.
Our Savior's
Sun., Oct. 25 - 10:00am Sunday School; 11:00am Worship Service.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Sun, Oct. 25 - 9:30am Sunday School, 10:30 Worship Service

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Wed. Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m. Awana
Thurs. Oct. 22, 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
Sat. Oct. 24, 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
Sun. Oct. 25, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

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Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Oct 21: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. OP Ladies Aid.
Sat, Oct. 24: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m. Sun, Oct. 25: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Worship. 9:15 a.m. SS; Oak Park: 8:30 a.m. SS. 9:45 a.m. Worship; Nazareth: 10:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Worship.
Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwater-lutheranparish
Wed, Oct. 28: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.

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Jensen Engberg, 21, on a run for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.



Aiden Churness with the touchdown for the Bears.



Kindergarten music notes with Mrs. Ragan.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Music Department Facing COVID Challenges Head On

During the past few weeks Mrs. Ragan & Mrs. Stewart have been working vigorously to keep music alive in our school, despite the challenges that come with COVID precautions being taken! Each has marked 6x6 boxes throughout their classrooms for each student to sit in.

Mrs. Stewart and her mother made bell covers for instruments to limit the spit particles from flying into the air. She has been working very hard with both junior and senior high band class making sure that everything is sanitized and cleaned between classes. As Mrs. Stewart said, "I feel blessed that we have the opportunity to play right now, we are going to do anything we can and meet the challenge head on!"

Mrs. Ragan has been having her students wear masks during class at all times. The choir has moved into the small gym so there is enough room for everyone to have their own space. In Mrs. Ragan's words, "It literally



hurts my heart when we can't sing, but you can't keep a good musician down." They both agree that music adds to the life of the school and community. The fact that they get to share their music through concerts and programs makes them feel so happy.

Mrs. Ragan and Mrs. Stewart have also become teachers

on carts so that our elementary students can enjoy music daily..

- "It's worth wearing a mask if I can sing"- Elizabeth Eckman, CG Choir Student

- "I work a lot better because no one can distract me"- Brodie Sather, CG Band Student

Submitted by: Kjersti Snyder, Ag Communications Student



Quarterback Kyle Gerlofs, Junior number 4, for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears on the left makes a successful pass to Kolten Schultz, Senior Number 2.



Clearbrook-Gonvick defense holds back the Park Christian running back.



First home football game of the season for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears. Players shown from left to right: Jesse Hale 30, Senior; Jesse Anderson, 3, Sophomore; Keenan Jones 90, Junior; Brett Vettleson 78, Junior and standing Jake Davis, 43, Senior.



Line-up before the start of the first home football game.



Bears first game

The Clearbrook-Gonvick (Clearbrook, MN) varsity football team lost Thursday's home conference game against Park Christian (Moorhead, MN) by a score of 22-6.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed., Oct. 21 - Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Tri Tater, Fresh Veggies with Ranch, Grapes and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Pop Tart

Thurs., Oct. 22 - Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Roll, Banana and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Simply Chex Strawberry

Fri. Oct. 23 - Ham Subs with Topping Choices, Baked Chips, Sandwich Fixings, Fresh Fruit and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Baked Cheetos

Mon., Oct. 26 - Taco in a Bag, with Fixings, Refried Beans, Pineapple, Oatmeal Bar and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Trix Cereal Bar.

Tues., 27 - Chicken Patty on Bun, Oven Fries, Side Salad, Peaches and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Sun Chips.

Wed., Oct. 28 - Orange Chicken, Whole Grain Rice, Stir Fry Vegetables, Egg Roll, Fortune Cookie, Pineapple and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Rice Krispy Bar

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The History Center in Shevlin was closed due to the Covid19 pandemic. But it is now open by appointment, Tuesday- Friday 10:00-4:00 call 218-785-2000 to make appointments. The staff has provided stories from the county's past- "The ABC's of Clearwater County" in the meantime.

W is for Weme

The largest "town" in Eddy Township was Weme- in section 18. It was named for Hans Weme, a Norwegian merchant, who was the first Weme postmaster. The post office opened for business on August 16, 1902. Mr. Weme also established a star mail route from Bagley via the Willborg post office to the Weme post office. The Weme store of Eddy was also located in the NE corner of section 18 and was first established in 1900 by Hans Weme. It went from private ownership to a co-op in 1937. Over a period of nearly 60 years, the store provided everything from general merchandise to farm machinery line, saw-mill, threshing machine, and feed mill. Later years building material, an electric wiring service was added, as well as a



trucking business.

The store closed for the last time in the 1960's. It was used for a time as a private home and was torn down in the 1990's. The Charley Walker feed mill was located about 300 feet west of the Weme Store, right on the river bank. This was a roller mill, powered by a steam engine. In addition to the store, there

was The Eddy Co-Op Creamery. Organized in 1906, it was in full operation by 1907. The creamery was located in the NE quarter of section 18, right on the bank of the Lost River with lots of good spring water. It provided butter, cream and milk and ventured into many fields of service to its customers. In the thirties it started a gas station with a full line of station services. It also had several bulk tanks where a semi-trailer could be unloaded at one time, also a gas and fuel delivery truck. They also handled all kinds of feeds and seeds. In the early thirties Melvin Lindberg operated a machine and auto repair shop on the creamery grounds. Later this building was used for a feed and supply store for the creamery. By the early forties the creamery had become rather famous for building and operating a meat locker plant, the first of its kind in this rural area. The Co-Op dissolved in 1956.



Weme baseball team from about 1905 included: Grothe, Peterson, Walker, Peterson, Johnson, Aasen Sr., Johnson, Berg, Olson and Olson.



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Weme was the hub of many activities in the early days. Probably the most unusual entertainment was a debating club- called the "Weme Literary and Debating Society." This was organized in 1905 and met every week through the winter months. Another entertainment was the Weme Band

organized by George Melby, a teacher at the Weme School, in 1911. Most of the 24 band members were out of school. In the late twenties P.G. Peterson furnished a couple of sets of boxing gloves and a rope which was fastened to some hitching posts and onto a building. Here the farm boys for miles

around came to slug it out. The first Weme Baseball team started playing baseball about 1905 and kept on until about 1914. In later years other teams would be organized to represent the township. A park and historic marker now stands were the Weme store once was.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor

Mayor Andrea Zupancich of Babbitt last week called on Governor Walz to make sure permits for the Line 3 Replacement Project are approved and issued this year. The Minnesota House and Senate voted to approve the \$1.9 billion measure during the recent special legislative session. Zupancich is the latest in a growing number of mayors calling on the Walz Administration to approve Line 3, in part, because of the jobs and private sector investment it will create.

To the editor

This past weekend opponents of the Line 3 Replacement Project took their protests to PCA Commissioner Laura Bishop's neighborhood, and eventually her house.

I find this deeply disturbing that a rather large group felt it was okay to go harass someone at their own home. Granted this is nothing new from people who will do or try anything to stop this project.

They have held mock funerals in front of the homes of all of the PUC Commissioners and thought that it was okay last year. Whatever side you are on, I feel you have the right not to be harassed.

The simple fact of the matter is that those who oppose this project do not care about anything close to being civil. They do not care that we still need oil for the foreseeable future, or that this project will put thousands to work. They do not care that pipelines are the safest way to transport oil.

Once their mind is made up, they don't want to hear anything, not even real statistics or facts. All they want is to get their way. If that means having to intimidate public servants – so be it.

As hard as it is, it's time for our state leaders to stop giving in to these mobs and do what is best for our state.

Line 3 is what is best for Minnesota, and our Governor can

make this project happen. It's time that he stops pandering to the mob and moves forward with Line 3.

Gary Kroening
Bemidji, MN

To the Editor

Jobs for Minnesotans Statement on Today's Administrative Law Judge Report on Line 3 Water Permit

St. Paul, Minn. (October 16, 2020) – Jobs for Minnesotans released the following statement in response to the report released today by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) regarding the Line 3 Replacement Project's 401 water certification permit to be issued by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA):

"This report confirms it's time to permit the Line 3 Replacement Project and proceed with construction without further delay. We now urge the MPCA Commissioner to issue the 401 water certification permit based on the sound ALJ opinion that the selected route is the best option to protect Minnesota's communities and environment.

We strongly stand behind the extensive six-year scientific record of the Line 3 Replacement Project. This project is the most thoroughly reviewed in Minnesota history and it's time we come together as a state to advance this critical \$2.6 billion dollar private investment in Minnesota's energy infrastructure.

We now call on all involved agencies, in addition to the MPCA, to move expeditiously to issue permits so our skilled tradespeople can get to work replacing an aging pipeline on which the state relies for energy security and economic competitiveness.

Today's news brings us closer to putting thousands of skilled tradespeople to work here at home in Minnesota. The project will create impactful investment in northeastern Minnesota communities feeling deep economic disparities right now and en-

hance the safety of our environment for generations to come."

Home Country Slim Randles

There really wasn't anything going on at the school crossing, much to the consternation of Billy ... our town dog. It was one of Billy's duties to escort kids across the street to the school. He'd been doing it ever since Sally, the former town dog, passed away on Doc's porch.

Billy spent each morning curled up next to the dog house the high school woodshop kids built for him. He wasn't nuts about the inside of it, but there was some instinct deep inside our large brown dog that let him know the house was his and was created in love. But Billy certainly didn't understand the words "quarantine" or "virus" or "remote online learning." Martin, the crossing guard, wasn't there either.

It was a dog-thinking dilemma, taken all in all. Should Billy leave his post and go sponge some food over at Delbert Chin's Chinese restaurant? He's not supposed to until all the kids are at school. And none of them have come again today.

But his dilemma didn't go unnoticed. There were two boys over on the school playground, horsing around and enjoying the morning. And they noticed Billy just lying there by his house. So they walked over, petted the dog, and waited until there were no cars. Then they crossed the street. So did Billy, of course, wagging his tail.

Several street crossings later, the boys went back to the playground and Billy headed for the backdoor of the Chinese restaurant. Having an official town dog requires love as well as dedication...on everyone's part.

---Brought to you to honor those masked folks who wait on us in the coffee shops and take our temperature at the doctor's office. Thank you for your courage.

Congressman Collin

Peterson

Collin Peterson spent six years in the National Guard. He's been working to take care of veterans ever since.

Collin Peterson

- A member of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee
- Worked to secure funding for VA Clinics in Alexandria, Bemidji, Fergus Falls and Montevideo and a new rehab center in St. Cloud
- Co-sponsored the Veteran Treatment Court Coordination Act

Prepared and Paid for by Peterson for Congress, PO Box 265, Detroit Lakes, MN 56502

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Clearwater County Sheriff

Darin Halverson

Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity

City of Bagley - Total 17
10/11/20 06:02 Alarm
10/11/20 16:07 Medical
10/12/20 09:30 Search Warrant
10/12/20 10:57 CIVIL PROCESS
10/12/20 11:03 Medical
10/12/20 12:19 Warrant Arrest
10/12/20 13:17 Alarm
10/12/20 13:28 Welfare Check
10/12/20 14:10 Animal Related
14 - Gone On Arrival (GOA)/Unable to Locate
10/14/20 02:55 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/14/20 09:09 Traffic Stop
10/14/20 10:51 911 Hang Up
10/14/20 12:11 Transport
10/16/20 15:47 Burglary
10/17/20 10:29 Traffic Stop
10/17/20 13:50 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/17/20 15:00 Disturbance
City of Clearbrook - Total 7
10/11/20 09:47 Suspicious Activity
10/12/20 09:20 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/13/20 09:18 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/13/20 15:49 Juvenile Misc
10/16/20 02:32 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/16/20 18:03 ASSIST
10/17/20 10:31 Medical
City of Gonvick - Total 3
10/15/20 15:37 Threats
10/15/20 17:32 911 Hang Up
10/17/20 13:05 Disturbance
City of Shevlin - Total 3
10/13/20 16:49 Court Order Violation Handled By Officer / Deputy
10/16/20 01:53 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/17/20 19:48 911 Hang Up
Clover - Total 1
10/12/20 07:55 Property Damage
Copley - Total 5
10/11/20 13:20 Alarm Error
10/12/20 10:44 CIVIL PROCESS
10/12/20 14:44 Traffic Stop
10/14/20 11:28 Medical
10/15/20 11:39 Transport
Dudley - Total 3
10/12/20 20:46 Missing/Lost
Person Handled By Officer / Deputy
10/14/20 03:12 Medical
10/15/20 06:49 Traffic Stop
Eddy - Total 5
10/12/20 06:35 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/14/20 08:10 Traffic Stop
10/14/20 20:38 Traffic Stop
10/15/20 07:52 Crimes Against Family -Handled By Officer / Deputy
10/16/20 03:52 Animal Related
Falk - Total 6
10/11/20 10:41 Harassment
10/12/20 13:21 Warrant

10/12/20 13:47 CIVIL PROCESS
10/12/20 15:48 CIVIL PROCESS
10/15/20 11:17 911 Hang Up
10/15/20 19:13 Information Only
Holst - Total 5
10/11/20 05:12 Motorist Assist
10/12/20 20:04 Death - Handled By Officer / Deputy
10/14/20 08:19 Traffic Stop
10/15/20 07:21 Traffic Stop
10/15/20 08:47 Civil Complaint
Itasca - Total 1
10/11/20 14:24 Suspicious Activity
Itasca State Park - Total 1
10/11/20 16:22 Missing/Lost
Person - Handled By Officer / Deputy
LaPraire N - Total 8
10/11/20 10:24 Information Only
10/11/20 17:18 Medical
10/12/20 12:39 Assault
10/13/20 20:40 Disturbance
10/14/20 23:07 Disturbance
10/15/20 08:25 Crimes Against Family- Handled By Officer / Deputy
10/15/20 21:14 THEFT
10/16/20 09:30 Burglary
Leon - Total 4
10/13/20 13:12 Juvenile Misc
10/13/20 15:23 ASSIST
10/15/20 06:35 Traffic Stop
Long Lost Lake - Total 2
10/12/20 15:09 Harassment
10/15/20 08:20
Minerva - Total 1
10/13/20 10:33 Boat and Water - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Moose Creek - Total 3
10/11/20 19:28 Information Only
10/14/20 13:27 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/16/20 21:32 Parking Complaint
Nora - Total 1
10/15/20 11:58 Traffic Stop
Pine Lake - Total 3
10/12/20 23:21 Animal Related
10/13/20 19:03 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
10/14/20 21:18 ATV Complaint
Popple - Total 10
10/11/20 15:41 Vandalism
10/14/20 07:39 Traffic Stop
10/15/20 07:16 Information Only
10/15/20 13:42 Domestic
10/15/20 19:31 Animal Related
10/16/20 11:14 Animal Related
10/16/20 16:43 Domestic
10/16/20 17:49 Traffic Complaint
10/17/20 00:40 Domestic
10/17/20 11:24 Disturbance
Rice - Total 3
10/11/20 00:32 Traffic Stop
Shevlin - Total 2
10/12/20 20:54 Welfare Check
10/15/20 07:43 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Total Records: 92

ATV Safety Class

The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office will host a MN DNR ATV Safety Field Day for youth on Monday, OCTOBER 26th 2020 at 5 PM. Class will take place at the Clearwater County Fairgrounds (Near Bagley High School). This class is for interested youth ages 10 and up. If you were born after July 1st, 1987, you need an ATV Safety Certificate in order to operate an ATV legally in MN.

There are 2 parts to the class:
Part 1: Go to www.dnr.state.mn.us and click on "Education Safety", "Recreational Vehicle Safety", then "ATV Safety" and follow the link to complete the online ATV Safety Course (Cost is \$24.95, paid online). Once complete, purchase and print the "voucher".

Part 2: BRING VOUCHER to the Field Day at the Clearwater County Fairgrounds on October 26th at 5:00 PM. There will be classroom review and a written test followed by an operation portion of the class.

Class will be approximately 1.5 - 2 hours and will be entirely outside weather permitting. Students should dress for the

weather and have a minimum of a helmet, eye protection, long pants, long sleeve shirt, shoes or boots (no open toed shoes). ATVs are provided. A parent/guardian needs to attend the first part of the field day to fill out registration paperwork.

CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED SO CONTACT ANDY ANDERSON AT 218-776-3112 EXT #104 OR andyanderson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us TO PRE-REGISTER.

Design Your own costumes

If you can believe it, Halloween is near. And as with most celebrations during COVID-19, parents are at a loss for how to make Halloween fun and safe.

"Like with so many other things this year, we have to try to find a silver lining when it comes to celebrating Halloween," said Seattle, Washington-area pediatrician Dr. Mollie Grow. "All the things we'd usually do-in person, like birthdays or graduations, we've figured out other ways to do them safely, so we need to apply that same creativity to Halloween."

Avoiding large gatherings is still important this Halloween, Grow stressed, so here are some creative ways to still celebrate and enjoy Halloween while limiting how many people you encounter.

- Here are some fun ideas
- 1.Design your own costume
 2. Make fall recipes as a family
 3. Trick-or-treat around the house
 4. Go on a Bingo hike
 5. Decorate for your elderly neighbors
 6. Get outside and explore

Report from county nursing

We continue to see a significant rise in COVID-19 cases. 6 yesterday, and 7 so far today. A total of 38 new cases over the last 14 days. We are in the process of case investigation and contact tracing. 24 cases are considered active and are in isolation. 1 case in the hospital.

It is extremely important that we do what we can to decrease the spread!!

Wear a mask, social distance, avoid enclosed spaces with groups of people, get tested if you have cold/flu symptoms, stay home if you are sick, disinfect frequently touched surfaces, wash your hands, cover your coughs and sneezes and avoid touching your face (eyes, nose, mouth).

Marissa Hetland RN/BSN/PHN Director-Clearwater County Nursing Service

Public Health/Homecare/Hospice Administrator-North Country Community

FROM THE PAST - 2008



Mrs. Kjolhaug's Kindergarten Class at Clearbrook-Gonvick School in 2008. Back row: Jayson Johnson, Karin Seaver, Savanna Rankin, Mary Lybeck, Derian Gerdes, Mason Olson and Sandee Vasquez. Front row: Allison Lewis, Keanna Kingbird, Jonah Faldet, Naomi Shamp, Dakota Torgerson, Tyler Weems.



Mrs. Beckstrand's Kindergarten Class at Clearbrook-Gonvick School in 2008. Back row: Jade Beadeau-Weiland, Danae Stenzel, Lindsey Gray, Raymond Ehlers, Daunte Godwin, Levi Nelson, Jonathan Hamnes, Front row: Jackie Lynn Tafiln, Brandon Weems, Sam Johnson, Jaquincy Hammer, Shane Vasquez.



Class of 1957 having a school reunion. Standing from left to right: Rodney Rhen, Orlando Erickson, Pete Lewis, Roger Lundmark, Dick Maple. Seated: Joann Jurgens Rhen, Alair Thompson and Jack Hulteen.



Clearbrook and Gonvick Fire Departments received checks from Enbridge for special projects. From left to right: Mike Goman, Jon Gerlofs, Dylan Goudge, Pete Peterson, Dale Schmunk, Jeff Basinger, Mark Willoughby and Jake Olson.

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Coffee with the Chief

Daniel Gazelka
Clearbrook-Gonvick

You may have noticed a lot more traffic enforcement in the past few weeks. That is because the Clearbrook-Gonvick Police Department, Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and Mahnomen County Sheriff's Office, teamed up to coordinate extra traffic enforcement through funding from the state of Minnesota in the TZD (Towards Zero Death) program. The past few weeks have focused on speed and seat-belt enforcement and education. We believe in education and prevention through warnings and, when needed, a citation. Conversations seemed to work very well and we have had very few return offenders, thanks for that!

Clearbrook: A deputy and (later) an officer responded in early morning hours to a 911 call that someone was observed going through their vehicle. The person was detained on scene and charged by both the County Deputy and the City Officer with several related offenses.

Gonvick: A Clearbrook-Gonvick Officer responded to a 911 call in the City of Gonvick for an out-of-control male individual causing a disturbance. The officer tried to de-escalate and resolve the issue for several minutes before making a determination to arrest. A struggle ensued, a taser was deployed and the suspect was ultimately taken into custody with the assistance of a Clearwater County Deputy.

CLEARWATER COUNTY	STATE OF MINNESOTA	November 3, 2020
STATE GENERAL ELECTION COMPOSITE SAMPLE BALLOT		
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:		
To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this:		
FEDERAL OFFICES	STATE OFFICES	COUNTY OFFICES
PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT VOTE FOR ONE TEAM FOR ALL PRECINCTS	STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 2A VOTE FOR ONE	SOIL AND WATER SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2 VOTE FOR ONE
☐ Donald J. Trump & Michael R. Pence Republican	FOR PRECINCTS: Clover Township, Copley Township, Dudley Township, Eddy Township, Greenwood Township, Hangaard Township, Holst Township, Leon Township, Pine Lake Township, Popple Township, Red Lake Reservation, Shevlin Township, Sinclair Township, Winsor Township, Bagley City, Clearbrook City, Gonvick City, Leonard City, Shevlin City	☐ Harlan Strandlien
☐ Joseph R. Biden & Kamala Harris Democratic-Farmer-Labor Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente & Darcy Richardson	☐ Republican	☐ write-in, if any
☐ Independence-Alliance Howie Hawkins & Angela Walker	☐ Democratic-Farmer-Labor	☐ John C. Gunvalson
☐ Green Party Kanye West & Michelle Tidball	☐ write-in, if any	☐ write-in, if any
☐ Independent Brock Pierce & Karla Ballard	STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 2B VOTE FOR ONE	SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5 VOTE FOR ONE
☐ Independent write-in, if any	FOR PRECINCTS: Bear Creek Township, Falk Township, Itasca Township, LaPrairie Township, Long Lost Lake Township, Minerva Township, Moose Creek Township, Nora Township, Rice Township, South Clearwater 143-36	SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES
	Steve Green Republican	SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
	David Suby Democratic-Farmer-Labor	INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
US Senator VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ write-in, if any	NO. 38 (RED LAKE) VOTE FOR UP TO THREE FOR PRECINCT: RED LAKE RESERVATION
☐ Kevin O'Connor Legal Marijuana Now Oliver Steinberg	COUNTY OFFICES	☐ Jack Desjarlait
☐ Grassroots-Legalize Cannabis Jason Lewis	COUNTY COMMISSIONER	☐ PatriciaL Neadeau
☐ Republican Tina Smith	DISTRICT 2	☐ Michael Barrett
☐ Democratic-Farmer-Labor write-in, if any	VOTE FOR ONE	☐ Christopher Jourdain
	FOR PRECINCTS: Falk Township, Itasca Township, LaPrairie Township, Long Lost Lake Township, Minerva Township, Nora Township, Rice Township, South Clearwater 143-36	☐ Tina Stately
US Representative DISTRICT 7 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Dean Newland	☐ Rob Pemberton Sr.
☐ Slater Johnson Legal Marijuana Now Rae Hart Anderson	☐ Douglas Lindgren	☐ write-in, if any
☐ Grassroots-Legalize Cannabis Michelle Fischbach	COUNTY OFFICES	SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 IND
☐ Republican Collin C. Peterson	COUNTY COMMISSIONER	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38 (RED LAKE)
☐ Democratic-Farmer-Labor write-in, if any	DISTRICT 4	APPROVAL OF SCHOOL REFERENDUM
STATE OFFICES	VOTE FOR ONE	REVENUE AUTHORIZATION
State Senator District 2 Vote for One FOR ALL PRECINCTS	FOR PRECINCTS: Clover Township, Dudley Township, Leon Township, Sinclair Township, Clearbrook City, Leonard City	The Board of Ind School Dist 38 (Red Lake) has proposed to increase its general eduation revenue by \$1,343.00 per pupil. A portion of this referendum revenue authorization would replace the school district's prior authorization of \$901.32 per pupil which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2021. The proposed new referendum revenue authorization would increase each year by the rate of inflation and be applicable for ten years, commencing with taxes payable in 2022, unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. Shall the increase in the revenue proposed by the board of Independent School Dist No 38 be approved? By Voting "Yes" on this ballot question, you are voting for a property tax increase.
☐ Paul Utke Republican	☐ John A. Nelson	
☐ Leonard Alan Roy Democratic-Farmer-Labor	☐ write-in, if any	
☐ write-in, if any	SOIL AND WATER SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 1 VOTE FOR ONE	
	☐ Alroy Lewis	
	☐ write-in, if any	
		☐ Yes
		☐ No

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Electors of the Township of Red Lake Reservation in the County of Clearwater, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a General Election will be held in all the Election Precincts of the above named Township at the Clearwater County Auditor-Treasurer's Office in said Precinct, on Tuesday, the Third day of November 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.

FEDERAL OFFICES

One United States President and Vice President
One United States Senator
One United States Representative for District 7

STATE LEGISLATIVE OFFICES

One State Senator District 2
One State Representative for District 2A

COUNTY OFFICES

One Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for District 1
One Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for District 2
One Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for District 5

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

Three School Board Members for ISD 38
One School Board Question for ISD 38

JUDICIAL OFFICES

Supreme Court Judges:
One Associate Justice of Supreme Court Seat 4
Appeals Court Judges:

One Judge Court of Appeals Seat 3
One Judge Court of Appeals Seat 9
One Judge Court of Appeals Seat 13
One Judge Court of Appeals Seat 15

District Court Judges:

9th Judicial District:
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 2
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 4
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 5
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 11
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 12
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 14
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 15
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 18
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 19
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 21
One Judge 9th District Court Seat 22

Dated: October 15, 2020 Allen L. Paulson, Clerk of the Township of Red Lake Reservation

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Wednesday, October 21, 2020

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

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

Notice is hereby given: That a General Election will be held at the Gonvick Community Center on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at which the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The offices to be voted upon include Federal Offices, State Legislative Offices, County Offices, City Offices, School District Offices and Judicial Offices.

Dated: October 21, 2020
Pamela Goebel
Clerk,
Pine Lake Township

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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, October 31st from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Monday, November 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.

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CLEARWATER COUNTY	STATE OF MINNESOTA	November 3, 2020
STATE GENERAL ELECTION COMPOSITE SAMPLE BALLOT		
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:		
To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this:		
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES	JUDICIAL OFFICES	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS	SUPREME COURT	
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 162 (BAGLEY) VOTE FOR UP TO FOUR	ASSOCIATE JUSTICE 4 Vote for One FOR ALL PRECINCTS	JUDICIAL OFFICES COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE 11
FOR PRECINCTS: Bear Creek Township, Copley Township, Dudley Township, Eddy Township, Falk Township, Holst Township, Itasca Township, LaPrairie Township, Long Lost Lake Township, Minerva Township, Moose Creek Township, Nora Township, Popple Township, Rice Township, Shevlin Township, South Clearwater 143-36, Bagley City, Shevlin City	☐ Michelle L. MacDonald ☐ Paul Thissend ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS ☐ Anne M. Rasmussen ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ Andrew Bennett	COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE 3 VOTE FOR ONE	JUDGE 12 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ Mark R. Olson	FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Sarah L. McBroom ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ John Arlo Gerbracht	☐ Carol Hooten ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 14 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ Bill Prochaska	JUDGE 9 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Robert D. Tiffany ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ Renee Benson	☐ Randall J. Sleiter ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 15 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ Adam Broden	☐ Jeanne Cochran ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	☐ Tamara L. Yon ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 13 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	JUDGE 18 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ write-in, if any	FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Kevin G. Ross ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 15 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Jeffrey S. REMick ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ write-in, if any	☐ Benjamin T. Lindstrom ☐ Charles D. Halverson ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 21 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 4 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	☐ Patricia Aanes ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 2 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	JUDGE 22 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS
☐ write-in, if any	☐ Matthew Mallie ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	☐ Darlene Rivera Spalla ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any
☐ write-in, if any	JUDGE 5 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	
☐ write-in, if any	☐ D. Korey Wahwassuck ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES		
SPECIAL ELECTION SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER	☐ James Hughes ☐ Jana M Austad ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTE FOR ONE	JUDGE 2 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	
FOR PRECINCTS: Clover Township, Dudley Township, Eddy Township, Greenwood Township, Hangaard Township, Holst Township, Leon Township, Pine Lake Township, Sinclair Township, Winsor Township, Clearbrook City, Gonvick City, Leonard City	☐ Matthew Mallie ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	
☐ Vanessa Gustafson	JUDGE 5 VOTE FOR ONE FOR ALL PRECINCTS	
☐ write-in, if any	☐ D. Korey Wahwassuck ☐ Incumbant ☐ write-in, if any	

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NOTICE

The Greenwood Town Board regular meeting will be at the home of the Clerk on October 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
Sheila Horn, Clerk R31C

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

Notice is hereby given that the Clearwater County Auditor-Treasurer will conduct the public accuracy test of election equipment to be used during the 2020 State General Election as provided in Minnesota Statutes 206.83, MR 8220.1550. Representatives of the press, political parties, candidates and citizens are invited to attend and view the test that is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 30, 2020, in the Third Floor Meeting Room in the Courthouse, Bagley, MN. R31C

NOTICE

To the residents of Clover Township. The regular meeting will be held Friday, October 23rd at 6:00 pm, at the Clover Town Hall.
Joel Wraa, Clerk R31C

OFFICIAL BALLOT CITY ELECTION BALLOT CITY OF GONVICK COUNTY OF CLEARWATER MINNESOTA TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020

Put a cross mark (x) opposite the name in the square indicated by the arrow for whom you wish to vote.

Mayor
Two year term (vote for one)
____ Candace Coulter
____ write in, if any _____

Council Member
Four year term (vote for two)
____ Corrine Richards
____ Susan Sims
____ write in, if any _____
____ write in, if any _____

Council Member
Two year term (vote for one)
____ Shane Olson
____ write in, if any _____

2020 STATE GENERAL ELECTION PRECINCTS POLLS OPEN

1) City of Clearbrook Clover Township Leon Township Sinclair Township	Clearbrook City Hall (Old School Building)	7:00 A.M.
2) City of Gonvick Pine Lake Township Winsor Township Greenwood Township	Gonvick Community Center	7:00A.M.
3) Holst Township Eddy Township	Eddy Town Hall	10:00 A.M.
4) City of Bagley	Bagley City Public Library	7:00 A.M.
5) Copley Township	Copley Town Hall	7:00 A.M.
6) Falk Township LaPrairie Township	Laprairie Town Hall	10:00 A.M.
7) Nora Township Popple Township	Bagley American Legion	7:00 A.M.
8) Itasca Township	Itasca Town Hall	10:00 A.M.
9) Minerva Township	Minerva Town Hall	10:00 A.M.
10) Shevlin Township City of Shevlin Moose Creek Township Bear Creek Township	Shevlin Fire Hall	7:00 A.M.
11) Red Lake Unorganized Long Lost Lake Township City of Leonard Unorganized 143-36 Township Hangaard Township Rice Township Dudley Township	Auditor's Office	7:00 A.M.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GONVICK, IN THE COUNTY OF CLEARWATER, STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Notice is hereby given: That a General Election will be held at the Gonvick Community Center on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at which the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The offices to be voted upon include Federal Offices, State Legislative Offices, County Offices, City Offices, School District Offices and Judicial Offices.

Dated: October 21, 2020
Stacy Halvorson
Clerk, City of Gonvick

Notice

The City of Gonvick is taking applications for a municipal water project grant administrator on a contract basis.

Please submit a letter of qualifications and a proposal to City Clerk, City of Gonvick, P.O. Box 128, Gonvick, MN 56644-0128 by October 30, 2020.

NOTICE

Clearwater County Township Association Notice

The Clearwater County Township Association meeting scheduled for October 22, 2020 has been cancelled. Clerks will be mailed a written update.

Stephanie Anderson,
Sec/Treasurer
Clearwater County
Township Association R31C

Minnesota Students Continue to Lead Nation on ACT

State class of 2020 outperforms other states with at least 90% student participation in the exam mostly taken before the COVID-19 pandemic

ROSEVILLE, MN – Minnesota students in the class of 2020 earned an average composite score of 21.3 on the ACT college entrance exam. This score placed Minnesota first among the 17 states where 90% or more of students took the exam, despite a 0.1 point drop in average composite score from the 2019 results. Nationally, 49% of 2020 high school graduates took the ACT, earning an average composite score of 20.6.

The majority of the class of 2020 took the ACT by fall 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic. It is too early to determine how the pandemic will affect ACT testing and scores of future graduating classes.

"Minnesota's future depends

on the success of our students today and I'm proud of the accomplishments of the class of 2020," said Education Commissioner Mary Cathryn Ricker. "We must continue to find ways for our school communities to support all of our students, especially as we work to tackle the disparities in our education system that have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. No matter the uncertainties of our present, together we will work to ensure that students of all backgrounds across our state are ready for what's next in their lives after high school, whether that's career or college."

Thirty percent of Minnesota's class of 2020 met all four ACT college-readiness benchmarks, which is 4 percentage points higher than the national average. Additionally, 77% of Minnesota students who graduated

in 2020 were likely to attain the Silver, Gold or Platinum ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificate, compared to 70% nationally. To reach a Silver, Gold or Platinum ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificate, students must earn a composite score of 17 or higher on the ACT.

Overall, ACT scores for Minnesota's student groups have remained very close over the past five years, meaning gaps between student groups remain the same.

ACT annually releases the Condition of College & Career Readiness report, and includes ACT score results from all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

National and state ACT Condition of College & Career Readiness 2020 reports are available on the ACT website.



Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The History Center in Shevlin was closed due to the Covid19 pandemic. But it is now open by appointment, Tuesday- Friday 10:00-4:00 call 218-785-2000 to make appointments. The staff has provided stories from the county's past- "The ABC's of Clearwater County" in the meantime.

The Gonvick Lions Club is having their first annual Deer Hunters raffle at Sportmans Lodge on November 14. To be given away: Winchester XPR with scope 243; Mossberg Patriot Walnut Stock with scope 7mm 08; Savage 110 with scope in 6.5 Creedmoor and \$100 cash.

There is going to be a pumpkin carving contest at Sportsmans Lodge at Pine Lake. You can pick up rules anytime before as they need to be back by October 30 for judging on October 31.

The Gonvick Fire Department has a 25 day Christmas Giveaway raffle. It will start on Tuesday, December 1 with a Winchester 270 Composite 24 with a scope and each day until December 25 will be a drawing for \$50, \$75, \$100, \$250, \$200 or \$300 drawing for cash until the last day December 25 with a drawing for a Beretta A300 12 gauge. Tickets will be available

Joke Time -

A farmer named Clyde had a tractor accident. In court, the trucking company's fancy hot shot lawyer, was questioning Clyde. "Didn't you say, at the scene of the accident, 'I'm fine,'?" asked the lawyer. Clyde responded, "Well, I'll tell you what happened. I had just loaded my favorite cow, Bessie, into the..." "I didn't ask for any details", the lawyer interrupted. "Just answer the question, ...please. Did you, or did you not say, at the scene of the accident, 'I'm fine!'" Clyde said, "Well, I had just got Bessie into the trailer behind the tractor and I was driving down the road...." The lawyer interrupted again and said, "Your Honor, I am trying to establish the fact that, at the scene of the accident, this man told the Highway Patrolman on the scene that he was just fine. Now several weeks after the accident he is trying to sue my client. I believe he is a fraud. Please tell him to simply answer the question." By this time, the Judge was fairly interested in Clyde's answer and said to the lawyer, "I'd like to hear what he has to say about his favorite cow, Bessie". Clyde thanked the Judge and proceeded. "Well, as I was saying, I had just loaded Bessie, my favorite cow, into the trailer and was driving her down the highway when this huge semi-truck and trailer ran the stop sign and smacked my John Deer Tractor right in the side. I was thrown into one ditch and Bessie was thrown into the other. I was hurting, real bad and didn't want to move. However, I could hear old Bessie moaning and groaning. I knew she was in terrible shape just by her groans. Shortly after the accident a Highway Patrolman came on the scene. He could hear Bessie moaning and groaning, so he went over

to her. After he looked at her, and saw her fatal condition, he took out his gun and shot her between the eyes. Then the Patrolman came across the road, gun still in hand, looked looked at me, and said, "How are you feeling?" "Now tell me, what the heck would you say?"

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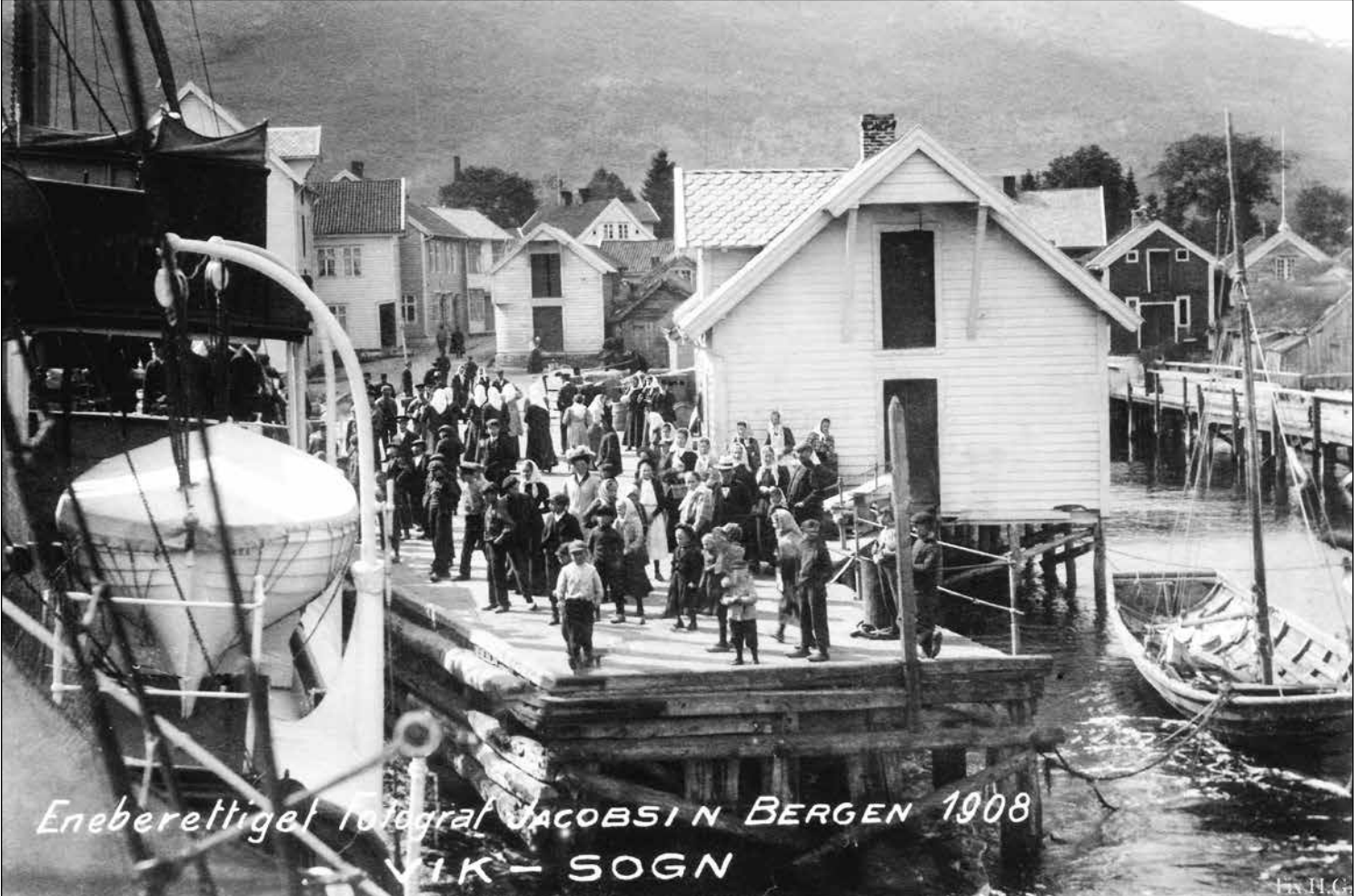
If you have a story or photo to share you can send to richards@gvtel.com. Your new family member, the big buck or fish that you got, wedding or engagement picture.

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

We collect used eye glasses in 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. We have been getting in cell phones but we do not collect those for the Lions Club. If anyone knows where they can go let me know.

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

- ### Twelve commandments for Seniors
1. It's okay to talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice.
 2. "In Style" are the clothes that still fit.
 3. You don't need anger management. You need people to stop making you mad.
 4. Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
 5. The biggest lie you tell yourself is, "I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it."
 6. "On time" is when you get there.
 7. Even duct tape can't fix stupid - but it sure does muffle the sound.
 8. It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller?
 9. Lately, you've noticed people your age are so much older than you.
 10. Growing old should have taken longer.
 11. Aging has slowed you down, but it hasn't shut you up.
 12. You still haven't learned to act your age and hope you never will.



The harbor in Vik, Norway taken in 1908. Inside of the Hopperstad Church in Norway is shown in color on the next page. Hopperstad Stave Church (Norwegian: Hopperstad stavkyrkje) is a historic parish church of the Church of Norway in Vik Municipality in Vestland county, Norway. It is located in the village of Vikøyri. It was once the church for the Hopperstad parish in the Diocese of Bjørgvin. The church is currently owned by the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Norwegian Monuments. The brown, wooden stave church was built during the 12th century. The church seats about 30.

Only in Minnesota:

Feel like you're overseas when you visit the Hopperstad Church, a replica of a Norwegian Church

Here in Minnesota, many people are proud of their Scandinavian heritage. There are Nordic gift stores, Norwegian bakeries, and entire Swedish towns. Those are a few of the places that celebrate Scandinavian culture, but there are many more to discover. For example, in Moorhead, Minnesota, there's a full-size church that stands as a replica to a real-life, historic

church in Norway. When you visit the Hopperstad Church, it's like going overseas. This eye-catching structure is a must-visit for Minnesotans curious about the state's historic ties to Norway.

The Hopperstad Church is a part of the Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead, Minnesota. Visitors to the center can arrange a guided tour of the impressive church. On your tour, you'll learn a lot about this beautiful stave church. It was built in 1998 by Guy Paulson. It is made

of cedar, redwood, and pine.

The church is impressive on its own. But it gets even more impressive when you learn about its inspiration. The Hopperstad Church in Moorhead is a replica of a stave church in Vik, Norway, that dates back to the 1100s!

The Minnesota church is not nearly as old as the 12th-century Norwegian church. But it is still a fascinating look into Norwegian culture. When you step inside, you'll get to see the intricate work that went into

its construction. It looks just like the inside of the church in Norway. Carvings and other artwork are also the same as those found in the Norwegian Hopperstad Stave Church. In Norway, many of the carvings were added during the Middle Ages.

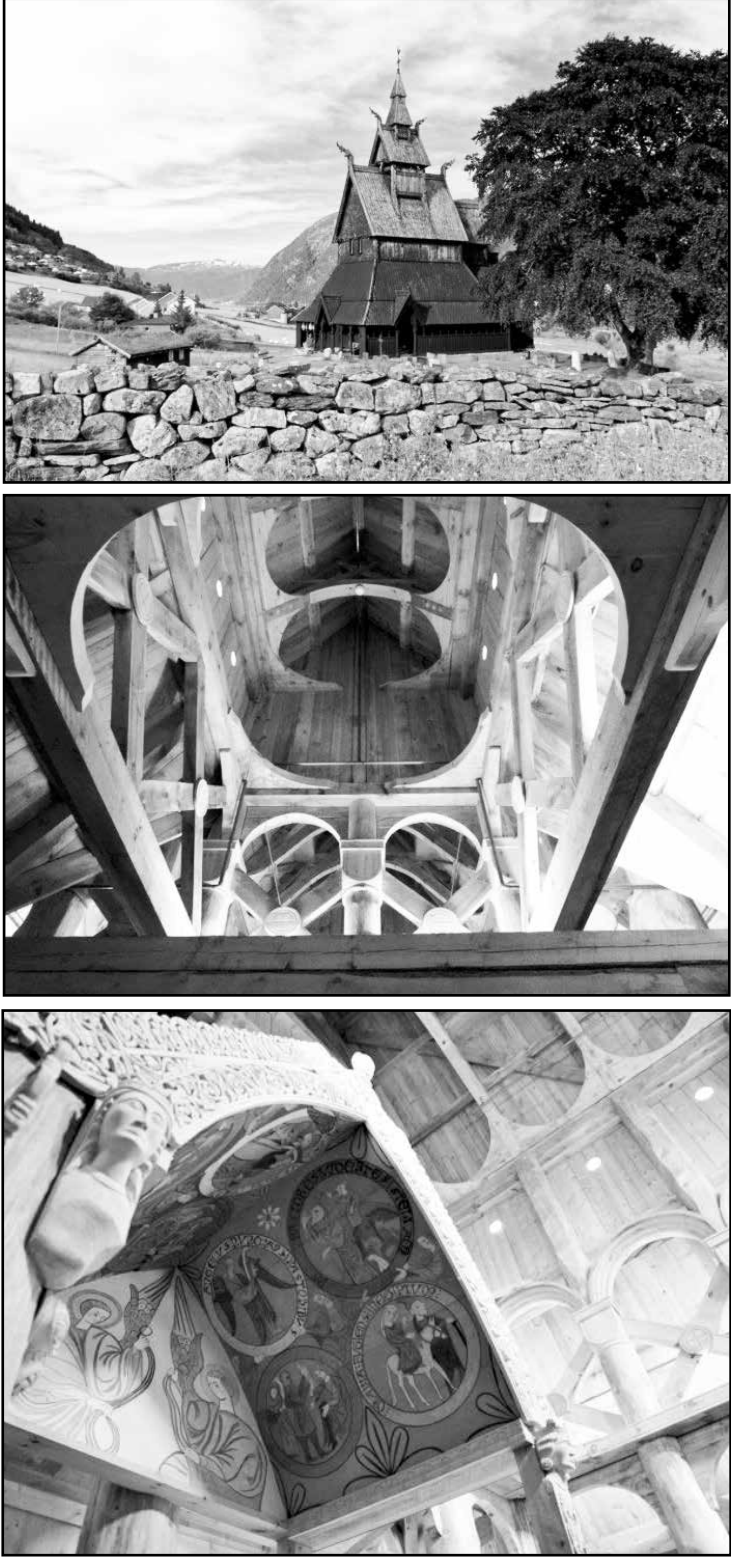
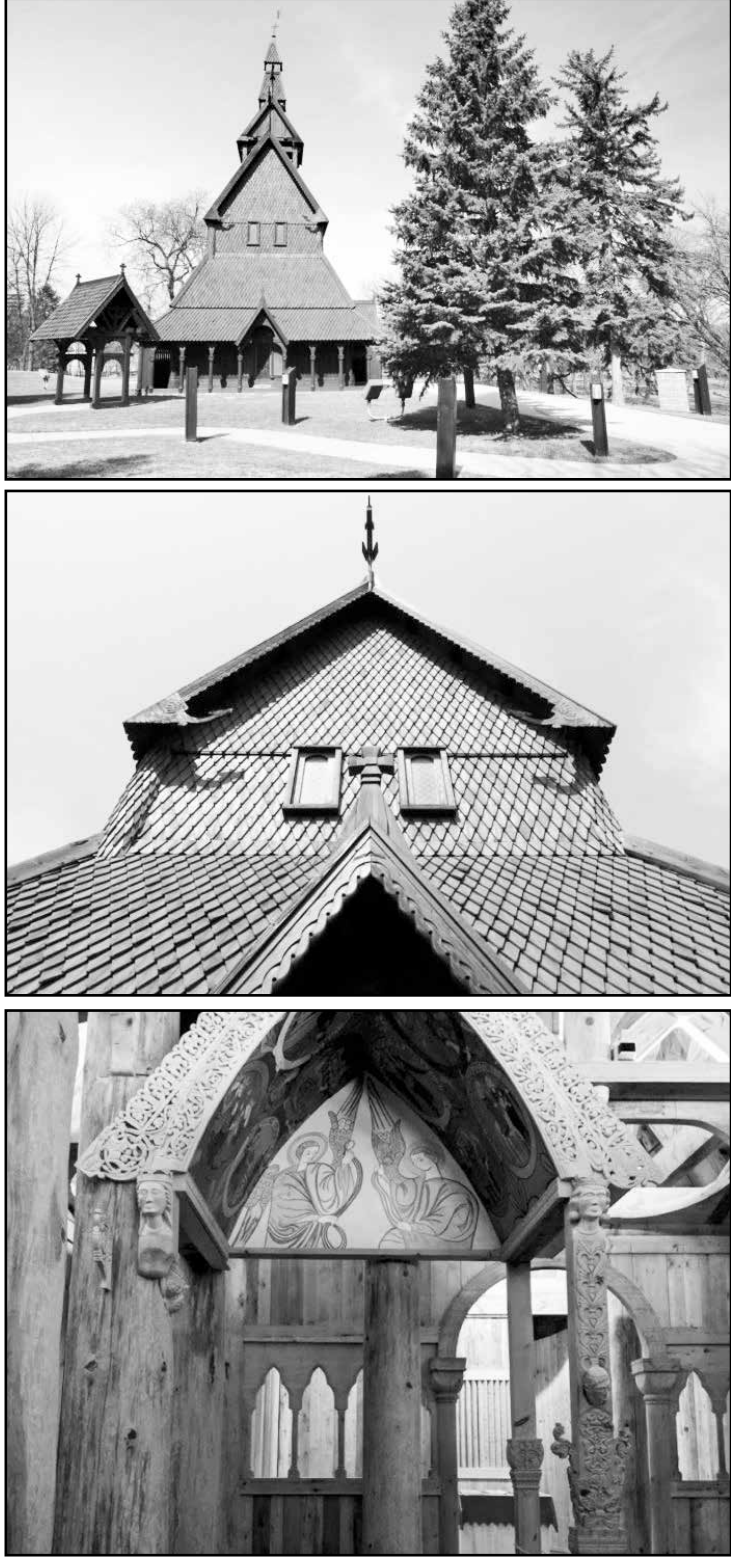
This fascinating replica is a wonderful way to learn about Minnesota's Norwegian heritage. Step inside, and you'll be taken overseas to Norway!

From the Grygla Eagle.

Clearwater County Sheriff

Darin Halverson

On October 13, 2020 at approximately 10:30 am, the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call reporting someone had fallen into a lake. The 911 call disconnected due to poor service in the area and dispatch was able to make contact again, however, the connection was not good. The area that the 911 call was coming from was on Upper Rice Lake in both Minerva and Bear Creek Townships in southern Clearwater County. Deputies from the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and Bagley Sanford Ambulance all responded to the location. After some searching from shore, voices were heard yelling from somewhere on the lake. The standing wild rice plants on the lake made visibility very difficult. A canoe was located on shore and a deputy and an EMT from the ambulance began paddling out in the direction of the voices. Another 911 call came in from a male individual stating that he had made it to shore and had walked out to a trail. Deputies located the male and he stated he and another male had been on the lake duck hunting in Kayaks and his partner had tipped over and capsized. The male that had made it to shore said he tried helping his partner back to shore, but was unable to. He had left a bag of duck decoys for him to hang onto. The deputy and EMT were able to find the other male individual still clinging to the duck decoys. Two other deputies in a Jon boat and members from the Bagley Fire Department in an inflatable raft were able to make it onto the lake and assist getting the male back to shore. Sanford Life Flight was called to the scene and also assisted in the rescue. The MN DNR also was in the area with a plane to provide assistance. The male was transported by ambulance to the Sanford Bagley Medical Center to be medically cleared. He had been in the water for nearly an hour. Special thanks go out to the assisting agencies for their help in making this a successful rescue.



The Gosen Luther League meets on Sunday evening, October 25th, at 7 o'clock. The Gloryland Gospel Team will present a concert of Country and Southern Gospel music. They accompany their vocals with rhythm, electric, bass, and pedal steel guitar. The Team is comprised of Rev. Gary and Lois Johnson, Jeremy and Anna Johnson, and Rev. David and Brenda Johnson. Join us for an inspirational evening in honor of our Lord Jesus Christ. Gosen Church is located 4 miles south of the junctions of Highways 2 & 59 or 4 miles north of Winger; then 1/2 mile east on County Road 206. For information call 268-4242 or 687-3461

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This picture of the inside of the Hopperstad Stave Church in Vik, Norway hangs in the Netherland Embassy in Oslo, Norway. Of interest is that the man that is standing next to the pole is a relative of many Hopperstads that live in The Leader-Record area and elsewhere in Minnesota.



We had our share of snow early in October but it has mostly melted in the area. Above is the Veterans Memorial in Clearbrook and below the Lost River in Gonvick.



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