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Serving the Communities of Clearbrook, Gonvick, Gully, Leonard and Trail



On the left, Mrs. Balcer 5th Grade DARE Essay Winner Auggie Wishard and on the right: Mrs. Balcer 5th Grade DARE Essay Winner Jasmine Erickson at the Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary.

## D.A.R.E program completed at school

The fifth and sixth grade classes at Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary School have just completed the D.A.R.E. program. Andy Anderson DARE Officer and also the Behavior Interventionist at the school was the person in charge.

D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), is a substance abuse prevention education program. It gives kids the skills they need to avoid involvement

in drugs, gangs, and violence.

D.A.R.E. is a nation-wide program that involves police officers coming into schools and teaching students about the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and violence. he program was funded in 1983.

According to the program there are 8 Ways to Say NO!

Saying "No Thanks" Q: "Would you like a drink?" ...

Giving a reason or excuse. Q: "Would you like a beer?" ...

Repeat refusal, or keep saying no. ( Broken Record) ...

Walking away. Q: "I have some cigarettes. ...

Changing the subject. Q: "Lets smoke some marijuana." ...

Avoid the situation. ...

Cold shoulder. ...

Strength in numbers.



Mrs. Marsh's 6th Grade Class at Clearbrook-Gonvick. Front Row Left to Right: Makenzie Holmstrom, Erika Rude, Trey Goudge, Lucas Bakken, Carter Ballard, Blayten Benson. Back Row Left to Right: Cassidy Lykins, Ambjør Snyder, Seneca Johnson, Mysten Dahlke, Jaret Larson, Ryan Gerlofs, DARE Officer Andy Anderson, Molly Nelson.



Mrs. Balcer's 5th Grade Class Front Row Left to Right: Jasmine Erickson, Auggie Wishard, Savannah Kumpula, Lainey Fawver, Tomi Cloud. Back Row Left to Right: Kendra Klein, Gunner Olson, Drayden Cobenais, Alexa Anderson, Jamison Coxsey, DARE Officer Andy Anderson.



Mrs. Hammes 5th Grade class. Front Row Left to Right: Raina Jarnot, Charlie Phillips, Peyton Wittenberg, Bella Dahl, Aris Halvorson, Avery Haugan. Back Row Left to Right: Kameron Johnson, Ja'Nya Hardy-Martin, Gavin Solberg, Kayden Dombkowski, Avery Ostena, Chris Skjaret, Gus Damann, DARE Officer Andy Anderson. DARE Essay winners: Avery Haugan and Bella Dahl

## Rural Route bus schedule

The Tri-Valley Heartland Express (T.H.E. Bus) is a rural public transportation system serving NW Minnesota.

T.H.E. Bus is available to anyone. There is no age or income guidelines - however, children under the age of five must be accompanied by an adult.

They provide curb-to-curb service, allowing those with special needs more comfortable, safe and convenient method of transportation.

Hours of Service: If you live in Polk, Red Lake or Clearwater County the T.H.E. Bus goes: every Monday to GrandForks; every 2nd Tuesday to Mahnomen; every 4th Tuesday to

Thief River Falls; every 1st, 3rd, 5th Wednesday to Fargo/Moorhead; every 2nd and 4th Friday to Bemidji.

Service in Bagley:

Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Service in Clearwater County:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 7:30 am – 5pm

Call to set up a ride or more questions to toll free 800-201-3432.

Please have the following information available when calling to schedule a ride:

Location/City where you will board the bus

Location/City of your destination

Hours/When pick-up is needed

Appointment time will be helpful

Scheduled pick-up time:

T.H.E. Bus can be 10 minutes before or 10 after scheduled pick-up time due to circumstances.

uncontrollable by driver. Please be watching for the bus 10 minutes before your scheduled pick-up time.

If you need to cancel, please call dispatch to cancel the ride 30 minutes in advance.

T.H.E. bus will arrive at the pick-up location and depart after 2 minutes.

Have correct change when boarding, drivers do not carry change.

## 2020 Year in Review

**October...** New people welcomed to the Clearbrook-Gonvick School system, Jess Larson, Amanda Bodensteiner, Jared Sewall, Tasha Bakke... Clearbrook Fire Department holds their fall banquet outside...Modern Woodsmen donate \$2500 to Pine Ridge Residence...Members of the Clearwater County Sheriff's Reserve honored with life-saving awards...CWLC hosts 3rd annual Mustard Seed Homes banquet...Many challenges for schools with distance learning/hybrid model and keeping kids safe while still getting their education...School board candidate questionnaire from Lawrence Vetteson, Vern Wittenberg and Dudley Wishard...Invest Forward and Forward Foundation donate to Youth Connection after school program with CLWC...Local youth share their deer hunting photos...4-H Junior Leader workshop going to the next level are Peyton Berg and Ava Larson...

**We Lost...** Margaret Kaasa, Joyann Espeseth, Oren Syrtveit, Linda Rasmussen, Clifford C Klamar, Ella Molvik, E Howard Dickey, Milo Sandeen, Marvin Lindberg, Shelly Willberg, Olivia Rose Urdahl, Audrey Lee, Irene Keisow, Henry Chirstianson, Deloris Fritz, Lee Sather, Richard Kriewald, Carol Jo Kankel...

**November...**Clearwater County 4-Hers participate in Minnesota State Dog show include Kara Maruska, Lily Walberg and Bryce Haugen... Patty Theis is honoring her mother during Breast Cancer Awareness month with pink highlights...Community infrastructure in Gonvick at CWLC for essential equipment grant through USDA...Great pictures from Sportsman's Lodge Halloween party shared & Trunk and Treat in Leonard...Tara Paulson, employee of Cornerstone Residence received scholarship grant for education and training...C-G Homecoming Court shared photos...Veteran's Day memorials were very different than most years... Clearwater County Veterans' received donation from "Ride for Stones" raising \$10,000 promoted by Jeff Schermerhorn and Neal Illies...Feature story on Whitney Pittman's love of music... Paul Nelson is new Science teacher in Oklee...Successful hunter's share their pictures of the hunting season...Trudi Alberg has new duties as the Clearwater County Auditor Treasurer Clerk...Local bus drivers are delivering meals during distance learning, with a lot of hard work from kitchen and para staff and Stein's Bus service...Joe Johnson and Joe Midthun from Clearbrook-Gonvick have both become minister in Lutheran faith...Postal service encourages packages to be mailed early with covid and ballot voting...Flag retirement service held in Gonvick by the American Legion...

**Year in Review..**  
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Community Calendar

**Clearwater County Humane Society**  
ANNUAL Meeting  
Tuesday March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm  
at the American Legion  
in Bagley  
**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
To the residents of Clover Township  
The regular meeting will be held Feb 18<sup>th</sup> (Thurs.) at 5 pm at the Josh Reed residence.  
Joel Wraa, Clerk R47C

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Notice is hereby given that the city of Gonvick, Minnesota, will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, February 11, 2021, at 5:00 PM at the Gonvick City Hall (address: 170 Main Street, Gonvick, MN). This will be an informational meeting to obtain and respond to questions related to the proposed activity (proposed upgrade of the city's water system). The discussion will include review of the proposed activity, the benefitting location and service area, overall cost and proposed financing, alternatives to the project, implementation schedule, historic buildings and potential funding sources that include USDA Rural Development and the MN Department of Employment and Economic Development. All residents and property owners within the City of Gonvick are encouraged to attend. R45-48C

**Public Notice**  
In accordance with Minnesota Statutes 331A.12, the Clearwater County Highway Department will publish transportation project advertisements for bid on the official Clearwater County web site at [www.co.clearwater.mn.us](http://www.co.clearwater.mn.us), then go to Government, Bids and RFPs and then Current Advertised Projects.  
**Expected projects to be advertised in 2021 include:**  
Aggregate Crushing and Surfacing.  
Pavement Markings.  
Bituminous Surfacing on CSAH 2 from TH 200 to TH 2. R47-49C

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Pine Lake near Gonvick, MN  
Notice to Operate Aeration system  
An aeration system creating thin ice and open water may be in operation on the Northeast portion of Pine Lake near the public access.  
The location is in Clearwater County, Pine Lake Township, SW ¼, Section 22, (T149N R38W).  
Operation of the aeration system may begin within the time period of February 15 – April 11, 2021 and continue through 'ice-out' in the Spring of 2021.  
Please use caution as open water and thin ice conditions can fluctuate greatly. Stay clear of marked area!  
If you have any questions, please contact Sportsman's Club member Larry Peterson at 218-791-5577 or the Red Lake Watershed District Office at 218-681-5800. R47C



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*You're Invited....*  
**Samhold Lutheran Church**  
*Gonvick*  
Ladies Aide Meeting  
*Everyone is Welcome*  
Thursday Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.  
Program to follow meeting:  
"Open Heart, Open Minds, Open Arms"  
*Guest Speaker: Misty Bjerklie ~ Representing the Family Safety Network*  
Coffee and Desserts will be served with free will offering.  
*Masks and Social Distancing will be practiced.* R47-48C

**Teams needed for curling event**  
Men are wanted to make up 16 teams for a curling event that will take place March 6th. The four man teams are needed to fill up the Bemidji Curling Club for the day.  
To sign up your team or for any questions you can call Steve Thorson 218-766-0345, Wade Gray 218-280-9489 or Corey Westrum 218-368-4279.

*In Memoriam*  
In Loving memory of  
Rodney Eck & Lori Churness  
Gone but not forgotten.  
**Remember Me**  
*Remember me when flowers bloom  
Early in the Spring  
Remember me on sunny days  
In the fun that summer brings  
Remember me in the Fall  
as you walk through the leaves of gold  
and in the Wintertime -  
remember me in the stories that are told  
But most of all remember  
Each day - right from the start  
I will be forever near  
for I live within your heart*  
Missed by your family  
Jim & Connie Williams & family  
Darrel Eck & family  
Kenneth & Nancy Eck & family R47NC

**Coffee with the Chief**  
**Daniel Gazelka**  
**Clearbrook-Gonvick**

On February 3rd, 2021, Chief Gazelka was investigating a vehicle in the ditch by the river in the City of Gonvick. On February 5th, Deputy Wittenberg had called in suspicious people parked in the roadway near the vehicle in the ditch and Chief Gazelka responded. In the process of identifying the driver of the original truck accident, and Gazelka discovered there was a warrant for the arrest of that individual and placed him under arrest and searched. He was subsequently charged with possession of methamphetamine. During this time Deputy Wittenberg, Deputy Davis as well as State Troopers Bombersbach and Fletcher arrived to assist with the scene. While searching the vehicle, a female passenger was found to have a warrant and was also charged with possession of methamphetamine and giving a peace officer a false name. Trooper Bombersbach subsequently arrested the third person involved for suspicion of driving while under the influence of methamphetamine.  
When all was said and done, all three people were compliant with officers and were taken into custody without any further incident, no one was harmed and the roads are safer. We hope this article finds you all well and we want to take this opportunity to thank all the members of our communities for the abundance of support we have received from everyone. Stay safe, stay warm!

**Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals**

*Main Entrees included with meal are vegetable, bread, milk, dessert and or fruit.*  
**Wed., Feb. 10** - Chicken Wild Rice Casserole.  
**Thurs., Feb. 11 - Valentine's Meal** Chicken Kiev/ Cordon Bleu.  
**Fri., Feb. 12** - Beef Chili.  
**Mon., Feb. 15** - Ham & Scalloped Potatoes.  
**Tues., Feb. 16** - Spaghetti.  
**Wed., Feb. 17** - Baked Fish, Potatoes.  
*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.*

**Elim Mission meeting February 11**  
Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday, February 11th at 2:30 PM at the Elim Church, Clearbrook. Kris Dahl will share devotions and Diane Johnson will give the meditation. Hostesses are Roxanne Engbretson and Abby Shamp,  
  
The Postponed Annual Meeting for the Clearwater County Agricultural Society (Fair Board) will be held on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. at the Commissioners Room at the Clearwater County Courthouse. Persons wishing to purchase a membership share for \$5.00 should contact Allen Paulson, Manager before February 19, 2021. R47-48C

**REWARD**  
For information leading to a conviction for the improper use of the County's solid waste-canister sites  
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Being offered by  
**Clearwater County Environmental Services**  
**(218) 694-6183**  
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**Region 2 Arts Council Awards \$22,823 in Arts Learning Grants**  
On January 19, 2021 the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors granted \$22,823 in Arts and Cultural Heritage funds to the schools and non-profit organizations listed below. These grants support high-quality arts education that develops knowledge, skills, and understanding of the arts for the benefit of Minnesotans of all ages across our five-county region.  
Headwaters Music and Arts of Bemidji was awarded \$2,973 to establish a production club for area youth to learn video, audio, and graphics production.  
**Clear Waters Life Center in Clearbrook and Gonvick** was awarded \$3,000 to offer two outdoor workshops, one teaching creative sidewalk design and poured cement creations, and another teaching found object sculpture welding and design.  
Northern Light Opera Company of Park Rapids was awarded \$3,000 to provide a 3-week children's theater camp, NLOKids, in collaboration with Pine Point School in Pine Point MN.

Bemidji State University Center for Extended Learning was awarded \$2,000 to provide 15 writers from our region access as auditors to the virtual Minnesota Northwoods Writers Conference, as well as a scholarship for one local writer to attend a full workshop.  
**Bagley Area Arts Collaborative** was awarded \$3,000 to offer a series of three photography workshops hosted by Lowell Wolff, as well as a series of photo sessions with photojournalist Monika Lawrence to capture the stories of 10 area artists.  
The Northern Artist Association of Bemidji was awarded \$2,850 to offer, in partnership with Gallery North, free art classes supplemented with video tutorials and Do It Yourself Kits.  
Bemidji Community Theater was awarded \$3,000 to hire professional puppeteer Ezra Bartsch to video tape the construction of a large reindeer puppet to be used for outreach activities, as well as in an upcoming production of Frozen Jr. in 2022.  
Bemidji Sculpture Walk was awarded \$3,000 to create a series of YouTube video lessons, targeted to students in grades 7 to 12 and adult artists, about how to get started creating a metal sculpture, including equipment needs, materials, techniques and local resources to assist in development.

**STORY TO SHARE!**  
If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to: [richards@gvtel.com](mailto:richards@gvtel.com)

**Report from county nursing service**  
692 cumulative cases.  
We are up a little from last week. Case count for the past 14 days is 7 cases (4 last week) that makes our 14 day case rate 7.95.  
Age ranges for COVID cases from January 22, 2021 to February 4, 2021  
Age 0-19: 0  
Age 20-39: 1  
Age 40-59: 5  
Age 60-79: 1  
Age 80+: 0  
Vaccine:  
We continue to vaccinate the priority populations as we receive vaccine. The priority groups include, anyone not already vaccinated from group 1a, which is Healthcare workers and Long Term Care residents, and then into the next priority group which is E-12 school personnel, childcare and residents over the age of 65. We also continue to administer second doses as they are due.  
Supplies are limited but

**Church News**  
**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD**  
Pastor Robert Kirchman  
Good Shepherd  
Sun., Feb. 14 - 9:00 am - Worship Service/Communion, 10:00 am Sunday School will be back in church.  
Wed., Feb. 10 - 5:45 pm Confirmation - Zoom.  
Our Savior's  
Sun. Feb. 14 - 10:00 am Sunday School, 11:00 am Worship Service.  
**ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook**  
Pastor Adam Krog  
Sundays - 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 Worship Service  
**COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH**  
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6  
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman  
Associate Pastor Nathan Nordlund  
Youth Pastor Brad Binder  
Children's Minister Nicky Ubert  
[www.countryfaith.org](http://www.countryfaith.org)  
218-776-3367  
[office@countryfaith.org](mailto:office@countryfaith.org)  
Worship Service - 10 am Sunday morning  
Elevate Youth - 7 pm Most Sundays  
Men's Prayer - 6:30 am Tuesdays  
Service Streamed on Facebook & YouTube. Check out our website for the most up to date information.

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**Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...**  
**Art Class:** Paper Quilling with Nikki Shull. Three-week class starting Mon., Feb. 15, 1-3 PM in CWLC-Gonvick. \$5.00/ session. Includes all supplies. Call this week, 218-76-2789, to register.  
**Celebrate Recovery Support Group:** Faith-based to find true freedom from hurts, habits, & hang-ups. Thurs., 7:00 PM, CWLC-Clearbrook, 256 2nd Ave., SW, Second Floor.  
**Shop-At-The-Top & Restore It!** Furniture Shop open 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, weekdays, & 10:00-12:00 on Saturday in Clearbrook. Donations of clean, good quality items accepted during business hours.  
**Senior Connection** Transportation Service: Clearwater County residents, 60 & over. Rides scheduled Monday-Friday. 24 hour notice required!! Call 218-888-2320 to schedule  
**Youth Connection** After-School Program: New students are welcome! Third term runs thru Feb. 23, Tuesdays, 3:30-5:00, for students in grades 5th-8th. Registration form available at [www.clearwaterslife.org](http://www.clearwaterslife.org), C-G school, or at CWLC office.  
**Adult Education:** Tues., 6:00-8:00 PM & Wed., 12:30-3:00 PM. Individualized instruction is free, but \$20.00 to help cover the cost of books & supplies. Contact Sherry at 218-776-2789 or [shjelle@nwservervice.org](mailto:shjelle@nwservervice.org).  
**Office Hours:** Clearbrook, 256 2nd Ave., SW., office hours: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Tuesday-Friday  
As a nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization, CWLC is able to provide a variety of free or low cost services to our area thanks to generous financial donors just like you. Be a part of making a difference, join our team. All donations to CWLC are tax-deductible  
[www.clearwaterslife.org](http://www.clearwaterslife.org), [www.adultdayservicesgonvick.org](http://www.adultdayservicesgonvick.org), or [www.mustardseedhomes.org](http://www.mustardseedhomes.org) and "like" us on Facebook pages.

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are expected to improve over the next few weeks. We have a new requirement to get 90% of the vaccine into arms within 72 hours of receipt and 100% into arms within 1 week. We are ready!  
\*\*If you are over 65 years old and would like to be vaccinated please contact our office at 694-6581 to sign up.  
If you have questions regarding vaccination please give us a call at 694-6581 and or visit <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/vaccine.html>  
Please do your part and follow recommendations to slow the spread of COVID. WEAR A MASK, WATCH YOUR DISTANCE (greater than 6 ft.) WASH YOUR HANDS and stay home as much as possible!  
Take care and have a great week!  
Marissa Hetland RN/BSN/PHN  
Director-Clearwater County Nursing Service  
Public Health/Homecare/Hospice  
Administrator-North County Community Health Services  
212 Main Ave. N.  
Bagley, Mn 56621  
ph-218-694-6581

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook**  
Interim Brad Spaulding  
Wednesdays - 5:45 Youth Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. Awana  
Thursdays - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer  
Saturdays - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship  
Sundays - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service  
**SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC**  
Samhold Lutheran Church is having services every Sunday at 10:30am. Also, Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30am.  
**UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Pastor Kris Snyder  
8 miles North of Gonvick on County Rd 7  
Sunday Church Services 9:00am Church Annual Meeting following church services, February 14  
Ash Wednesday services, February 17th at 7:00pm  
Lenten Services every Wednesday evening @7:00pm  
**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri  
Pastor Jeff Merseeth  
Wed, Feb 10: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.  
Sat, Feb. 13: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.  
Sun, Feb. 14: 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.  
Tue, Feb. 16: St. Petri: 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service.  
Wed, Feb. 17: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at Oak Park.  
Thu, Feb. 18: 5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at Mt. Olive.  
Find services and past sermons at [www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish](http://www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish)

**NEW JOURNEY CHURCH**  
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor  
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor  
[www.newjourneyfosston.com](http://www.newjourneyfosston.com)  
Wed, Feb. 10: 6:25 p.m. AWA-NA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.  
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.  
Tue, Feb. 16: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.  
Wed, Feb. 17: 6:25 p.m. AWA-NA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.  
**GULLY-TRAIL PARISH**  
Bethany \* Lund  
Sand Valley  
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister  
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.  
1:00 p.m. Youth Ski Trip meet at Lund.  
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.  
**BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston**  
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor  
Sundays: 10:00 a.m.  
Services will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/bethelfosston>) as an alternative to attending in person.

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Year in Review..

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**We Lost...**Betty Janik, Elmer Hanson, James Brown, Eunice Reinhold, Yvonne Morinville, Gloria Parenteau, Evelyn Dahl, Albert Perruzzi, Adele Strandberg, Donald J Knutson, Morris Plante, Benjamin Erholtz, Lloyd Breiland, Evalyn Swenson...

**December...**Feature story on Karen Bratvold's win in Body Building Championship...Line 3 Replacement Project finally begins after 6 years of regula-



Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

**Wed., Feb. 10** - Chili Cheese Fritos, Garlic Toast, Mixed Fruit and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Granola Bar.

**Thurs., Feb. 11**- Dunkers with Dipping sauce, Green Beans, Peaches and Milk. **Elementary Snack** RF Dorito

**Fri., Feb. 12** - Distance Learning Day.

**Mon., Feb. 15** - No School

**Tues., Feb. 16** - Chicken Alfredo, Breadstick Broccoli, Fresh Fruit and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Cheez It Crackers.

**Wed., Feb. 17** - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Baked Chips, Carrots & Ranch, Mixed Fruit and Milk. **Elementary Snack** Rice Krispy Bar.

tory review...Gerald Dyrdahl Memorial Pine Lake Snowmobile Race is canceled...Next generation of Rudes take over Rudes Repair in Gonvick...4-H recognition event held...Ordean Jiggs Swanson celebrates 90<sup>th</sup> birthday...Ashley Reichert has joined the Northern State Bank in Gonvick...Dean Ulrich retires from Richards Publishing after 33 years...Clearwater Christmas Project gives away nearly 700 toys in red Santa bags...Let's do Lefse! Is Cindy Kolling's coloring Art workshop available on-line...Live Nativ-

ity at Humbleberry Farms in Brooks... Pictures of local homes decorated for the holidays are shared, seven received trade bucks in Clearbrook and money winners in Gonvick...Federal CARES Funds are handed out by Clearwater County...First vaccine shots are starting with Red Lake Tribal Council members getting their shots...Local businesses worked together to give and deliver free holiday meals to seniors and home bound individuals...New Clearwater County Veteran's Service Officer is Logan LeClair...

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

Benjamin Ryan Thoma named to Fall Semester Chancellor's List

**CROOKSTON, Minn.** (February 5, 2021) - Students named to the fall semester 2020 Chancellor's List were announced recently by the Office of the Registrar. The U of M Crookston is one of the most respected career-oriented, technology-based universities in the nation.

To qualify for a place on the Chancellor's List, students must complete 12 or more letter-graded (A-F) credits while attaining a 4.00 grade point average.

The Crookston campus is the online leader in the University of Minnesota system

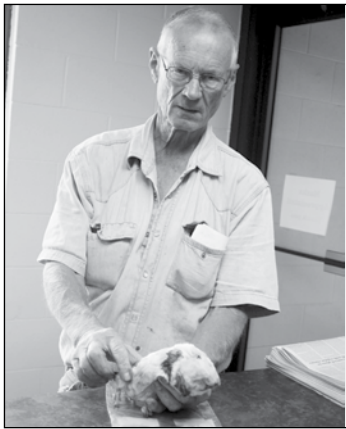
and the only campus providing every full-time student with a laptop computer.

Students named to the Chancellor's List include Benjamin Ryan Thoma, majoring in Management B S / Sport & Recreation Mgmt B S, from Clearbrook, MN.

Yearbooks are still on sale!

Yearbook purchasing deadline is February 12th. High school books are \$50 and Elementary are \$25. You can send a check or cash with your student and have them drop it off in the office or with Mr. Bettin. If you have any questions please email Mr. Bettin at [jbettin@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us](mailto:jbettin@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us) Go Bears!

**We Lost...** Beverly Charles, Robin Gunning, Bonnie Crudup, Eileen Olson, Robert Janssen, Terrance Lendway, Mary Sweno, Delores Aakre, Paul Noyes, Ronald Rustan, Leroy Irlbeck, Lois Anderson, Joan Carpenter, Sheldon Lee, Veryln Strenge, Joann Redgate, Alvin Royce Wolden, Marvin Wikstrand, Everett Schulz, Ronald Amundson, Arden Lundeen, Russell Anderson, Peter Bohn, Colleen Knoop, Harvey Johnson, Jr, Velda Hetland, Diane Smith, DelRay Ruud, Maxine Ophus, Verlys Homme, Calvin Skeie, Lowell Smeby...



Year in Review..



Mrs. Ehlers Clearbrook-Gonvick 6th Grade DARE L to R: Grant Engen, Mya Engen, Braxton Bjerke, Daisy Stine, Malea Mathson, Kailem White, Carver Kroulik, DARE Officer Andy Anderson. DARE Essay Winners: Mya Engen and Carver Kroulik.



Mrs. Rude's Clearbrook-Gonvick 3rd Grade Class giving Officer Andy Anderson an appreciation card.

Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity

**City of Bagley - total 16**  
01/31/21 13:25 Information Only  
02/01/21 12:29 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/01/21 17:00 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/01/21 18:55 Traffic Stop  
02/01/21 21:32 Domestic - Patient Refused Evaluation/Care  
02/02/21 06:33 ASSIST  
02/02/21 06:44 Traffic Stop  
02/02/21 14:17 911 Hang Up

02/03/21 07:32 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 23:35 Juvenile Misc  
02/04/21 03:05 Medical - No Patient Found  
02/04/21 03:17 Suspicious Activity  
02/04/21 05:01 Traffic Stop  
02/05/21 16:15 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
02/06/21 01:24 Medical - Patient Treated, Released  
02/06/21 13:38 Motor Vehicle Theft - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
**City of Clearbrook - Total 5**  
01/31/21 12:52 Disturbance  
02/01/21 10:31 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/01/21 10:47 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/03/21 18:41 Traffic Stop  
**02/05/21 22:31 Traffic Stop**  
**City of Gonvick - Total 1**  
02/04/21 16:36 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
**City of Shevlin - Total 3**  
02/03/21 13:47 Traffic Stop - Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)  
02/04/21 15:39 Disturbance  
02/05/21 23:55 Fire 23 - Fire Control or Extinguishment  
**Copley - Total 10**  
01/31/21 18:33 Traffic Complaint - Referred to Partner Agency  
02/01/21 15:08 Medical  
02/02/21 11:54 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/02/21 18:21 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 10:52 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 12:05 Vehicle Lock Out  
02/04/21 08:22 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
02/04/21 19:54 Traffic Complaint  
02/05/21 12:28 Medical - EMS and Transport  
02/06/21 18:22 911 Hang Up  
**Dudley - Total 3**  
02/03/21 20:13 Suspicious Activity  
02/05/21 09:56 Information Only  
02/06/21 20:21 05 - Assignment Completed/Settled by Phone  
**Eddy - Total 1**  
02/03/21 15:03 Traffic Stop  
**Falk - Total 6**  
02/03/21 21:25 Court Order Violation - Assignment Completed/Settled by Phone  
02/04/21 10:40 Animal Related  
02/05/21 06:42 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
02/05/21 12:03 Disturbance  
02/06/21 17:19 Information Only  
02/06/21 21:11 Motorist Assist -

Handled By Officer / Deputy  
**Holst - Total 3**  
02/04/21 06:28 Traffic Stop  
02/04/21 06:48 Traffic Stop  
02/04/21 18:59 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
**Itasca - Total 1**  
02/01/21 19:16 ASSIST  
**Itasca State Park - Total 1**  
01/31/21 00:42 911 Hang Up  
**LaPrairie N - Total 5**  
01/31/21 23:48 Suspicious Activity  
02/01/21 02:52 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/01/21 08:52 Warrant - Attempt - Unspecified  
02/03/21 11:28 Information Only  
02/04/21 14:04 Assist Othe  
**Leon - Total 8**  
01/31/21 10:34 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/01/21 13:53 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/01/21 14:27 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/01/21 14:37 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/03/21 15:01 Traffic Stop  
02/04/21 06:13 Traffic Stop  
02/05/21 15:58 Warrant - Attempt - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
02/06/21 11:42 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
**Minerva - Total 3**  
01/31/21 03:04 Alarm - Patient Treated, Released  
01/31/21 21:08 Alarm - Patient Treated, Transferred  
02/02/21 11:11 Traffic Stop  
**Moose Creek - Total 1**  
02/04/21 11:09 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
Nora  
02/02/21 07:40 911 Hang Up  
02/02/21 09:15 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 04:17 Suspicious Activity  
02/05/21 00:14 911 Hang Up  
02/06/21 14:14 911 Hang Up  
**Out of Jurisdiction - Total 4**  
01/31/21 07:43 Juvenile Misc  
02/01/21 20:39 Assist Other Agency - Cancelled (Prior to Arrival at Scene)  
02/06/21 12:55 Information Only  
02/06/21 14:56 Civil Complaint  
**Pine Lake - Total 3**  
02/03/21 12:23 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 17:46 Suspicious Activity  
02/04/21 13:16 Information Only  
**Poppo - Total 2**  
01/31/21 14:38 Information Only  
02/04/21 16:15 Domestic - Arrest  
**Rice - Total 4**  
02/02/21 12:35 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/02/21 12:45 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/04/21 17:55 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS  
02/05/21 16:08 Warrant Arrest  
**Shevlin - Total 5**  
02/02/21 07:28 Traffic Stop - Arrest  
02/03/21 09:31 Traffic Stop - Arrest  
02/03/21 13:20 Traffic Stop  
02/03/21 14:12 Traffic Stop  
02/06/21 19:45 Assist Other Agency - Handled By Officer / Deputy  
**Sinclair - Total 2**  
02/01/21 14:08 CIVIL PROCESS  
02/01/21 16:40 CIVIL PROCESS  
**Winsor - Total 1**  
02/06/21 21:15 Motor Vehicle Crash - Arrest  
**Total Records: 93**

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Letter to the Editor

Over the past few weeks, I have been discouraged by the recent actions of individuals and groups who oppose the Enbridge Line 3 replacement project.

Construction on the pipeline has been underway for more than two months, but there have been many bumps in the roads along the way. I have seen videos of protestors shouting demeaning and vulgar things to pipeline workers and read articles detailing the numerous arrests and delays the protestors are responsible for.

For towns like mine in Northern Minnesota, we are grateful this project is in progress. Because of it, thousands of Minnesotans are back at work, small businesses in towns are booming, and the replacement will make the pipeline safer.

Thankfully, there is a better way to look at things like this. It is a pledge created by Respect Minnesota that encourages us to all do better. This pledge promotes discussion over hostility, listening and, of course, respecting each other.

Taking this pledge and the idea of being civil is a welcomed change from the volatile situation we have seen lately. I am proud to share that the City of Clearbrook has taken the pledge, and I encourage you to do so too. The list of signers includes hundreds of individuals, many cities and towns along the construction route, business groups, labor organizations and more.

I fully support freedom of speech and voicing your opinions, but we must remember to do so in a respectful manner. I hope those groups and individuals who oppose this project will come to the table and join us in fostering a healthy and respectful situation regarding the Line 3 project.

Dylan Goudge  
Mayor of Clearbrook  
Clearbrook, MN

Letter to the Editor

Living made along and beyond the pipeline To the editor:

“How do you people live here!?” exclaimed a truck driver from somewhere in the South as he fueled his semi in the sub-zero winds.

I’m sure that thought goes through the minds of many pipeline workers who come from near and far to build the Line 3 Replacement Project. Thank goodness for these people who are willing to endure sub-zero temperatures as they make their living by building a safe transport system for crude oil from our ally to the north, Canada.

I saw these workers out in the arctic wind as I was driving north of Bagley. I wonder how they can work here! Some of them are well accustomed to our climate. For example, I saw one local Native American-owned firm, Gordon Construction, driving a semi through town delivering materials for the project. This shows the benefit to our community members on the White Earth Reservation.

Many of these people are skilled union laborers such as welders and pipefitters who have families to support. In light of this fact, I have to say the creation of more than 8,000 jobs in Minnesota during the construction phase is good for our economy. The presence of this workforce means businesses are selling more hardware, materials, food, clothing, fuel, parts, and the list goes on. I’m told that a study conducted by the Bureau of Business and Economic Research (BBER) at the U of M Duluth’s Labovitz School of Business and Economics estimates that the Line 3 project will be responsible for supporting nearly 3,000 retail and hospitality jobs and more than 1,500 supplier and manufacturer jobs. The report estimates that local economies will benefit to the tune of more than \$160 million due to new spending on meals, lodging, etc. related to this project. After a year of shutdowns, decreased business and other pandemic-related factors, communities across northern Minnesota are enjoying a boost in economic activity, which means jobs in the community are being retained or created, and local tax revenues are being realized.

One other economic aspect is the tremendous impact our counties, school districts and other local governments feel on property tax revenue. Here in Clearwater County, Enbridge Energy pays a great share of property taxes. New pipe in the ground means more tax revenue – for the state of Minnesota, too! Enbridge will pay an additional estimated \$35 million in property taxes in Minnesota as a result of the Line 3 Replacement Project. This means the burden of taxation is lighter for the rest of us.

If some had their way and

pushed oil transport onto rail, these economic benefits would not be felt here. And encouraging President Biden to kill the project, as he did the Keystone pipeline, would only cause job losses and economic pain here in America. Instead, the economic boost would go to foreign nations, some of which wish to destroy us.

Killing pipelines will most assuredly mean the international cost of oil will increase, and higher energy costs generally have a greater negative impact on developing nations and people of low and moderate income. Politicians like to talk about “equity.” Where is the “equity” in pushing the burden of climate change experiments onto low income peoples around the globe?

And the hype about pipeline failures? Pipelines rarely fail. I have been in Clearwater County for 30 years and have only seen one oil pipeline incident, and that was during a repair job.

The bottom line is that this project is being done safely and to prevent future spills, and the benefits are immense. Families and communities are humming again and lives of thousands of families are better today because of this pipeline.

Tom Burford  
A newspaper editor  
in MN for 45 years  
Bagley, MN

The erosion of America

Letter to the Editor

Webster’s definition of erosion: “to eat away, to diminish or destroy by degrees, to wear away by wind, water, or inflation” (or I may add, by political action).

Pastor Charles Swindol parallels this: “as always slow, always mostly silent, always subtle, but always certain.”

That, my friends, is what’s happening to our beloved family, our Christianity, and America (sounds like Communism). Check out John Guandolla’s article on understanding the threat of Communism on Communists’ take Control of America. (Jan. 20, 2021).

Tucker Carlson mentioned, “We have a government who is at war with its own people. They say we are more dangerous than any foreign power, and that a terrified nation is easier to control.” This is a Joe Stalin Communist tactic. President elect Joe Burden has now signed 40 executive orders all aligned to the destruction of America. BE AWARE! We may all be getting on cattle cars along Highway 2 for re-education centers.

No matter how you think, the reality is Satan has control of this nation. And unless we the people stand together, encourage each other and be in fervent prayers, we are lost. How much more of the Kool-Aid are we to drink? But, God hasn’t cast His ballot yet.

Dialogue and debate are a good thing for a community, sharing ideas good and bad, and regulate to decisions. But this cancel culture is insanity. I applaud some of the editorials for learning some truth. Thanks, Tom Burford, for your articles and good work, and other contributors also. But some come in so harsh against them as to make one think they’re recruiters for the Communist Party.

Togetherness is better than division, whether it be for family, church or a nation. Dick Morris said, “The Dems preach unity, then promote vengeance, and this second impeachment is akin to saying marriage vows in divorce court.”

“We the People” need to put God first in our nation and our lives. We can’t change the swamp, but we can change how we live as God’s people. The Lord said, “Fear not, for I am with you.” The Cross of Jesus Christ and what He did there is the answer to all our problems. The Cross of Jesus Christ and what He did there is the answer for America’s problems.

Psalms 34:16-17: “The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.”

Psalms 27:14 (one of my favorites which I used when I sky dived): “Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord.”

The Lord is not finished with America yet. It’s not His will that we should be slaves to the powers of darkness. Please now read Ephesians 6:12-18 and believe. God is neither silent, nor does anything surprise Him, and He’s not nervous either. Like the song says: His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me (and you)!

King David when only a teenager said to Goliath, who was over 9-½ feet tall (in his tenny shoes) challenged, “You

come to me with sword and spear, I come to you in the name of the LORD OF HOSTS” Amen to that! This same Lord of Hosts may likely pull the

wheels off the new Egyptian chariots that are now in power.

I close with, “Don’t be ignorant, get in the game, don’t sit back and mope and squabble with your neighbors. Kneel before the Lord of Hosts and pray in Jesus’ name with the Holy

Spirit anointing for strength and courage. Do that and also this: Believe in your heart!

Romans 10:9 That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and shall believe in your heart that God has raised Him (Jesus) from

the dead, you shall be saved. Praise God!

Jerry L. Wraa  
Leonard

Ignorance is when you don’t know that you don’t know.  
Pastor Gabrielle Swaggart

FROM THE PAST - 2008

These Kindergarten students are this years seniors at Clearbrook-Gonvick.



Mrs. Beckstrand's Kindergarten class at Clearbrook-Gonvick. Back row: Kayla Ehlers, Obadiah Hammer, Wyatt Anderson, Wyatt Buer, Kenneth Wyland, Amara Churness. Middle Row: Jesse Bjerke, Benjamin Nelson, Evan Molden, Devin Lykins. Front row: Sydney Vakoch, Kaylee Faldet and Kielee Hubbard.



Mrs. Kjolhaug's Kindergarten class at Clearbrook-Gonvick. Back row: Carl Wolden, Emma Dorman, Ashlyn Weems, Gabriel Lavine, Timothy Lykins, Jaquincy Hammer, Alec Halvorson. Front row: Bailey Klema, MyKenzie Larson, Jennifer Lavin, Lauren Melby, Rose Java, Riley Chaboyea and Wesley White.



Mrs. Hammes had her 4th grade students making Valentine's boxes at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School.



Recently, former Gonvick and Grygla grads met in Cape Coral, Florida. L-R, Terri and Steven Eck, Larry and Gloria Eck, Dennis Clemenson and Harriet Gordon, Roxanne and Tim Berg. - Submitted photo

# Century Farms

Minnesota Farm Bureau and Minnesota State Fair work in conjunction on the Century Farm program to honor Minnesota families that have owned their farms for at least 100 years, are at least 50 acres in size and are currently involved in farming. Century Farm families receive a commemorative sign, as well as a certificate signed by the president of the State Fair, president of the Minnesota Farm Bureau and the Governor of Minnesota. The deadline for applications is March 1. For information regarding Century Farms signs, contact the Minnesota State Fair at 651-288-4400 or [centuryfarms@mnstatefair.org](mailto:centuryfarms@mnstatefair.org).

There have been several Century Farms in Clearwater County. The name at the beginning of each article is the name signed on the Century Farm Application and the date. Information is from the date when the Century Farm was applied.

## Satran Family Farm – 2006

Ole S. Satran was born in Norway and took over the Satran farm in Section 22 of Eddy Township in August of 1906. He farmed that until his son Albert and his wife Emma took over in 1947 until 1995. In 1995 the farm became the property of the children of Albert and Emma. They are Lynette Bakke, Lois Chesley and Ardis Quistgard. The house is still standing that was built in 1906. They had hay, oats and corn as the major crops.

## Alfred Sether – 2009

Martine Adolfine Ringstad came from Norway and purchased the 160 acres at \$8,125 per acre in Section 11-12 in Shevlin Township. He sold the land to Lars J. Sether and Bolette Sether in 1909 and they farmed until 1925. In 1925 their son Lewis Sether took over and farmed for 44 years. In 1969 their son Alfred and Judy Sether were farming small grains and hay.

## Craig Strandlien – 2012

Anton Strandlien was born on May 19, 1880 in Ringeby, Gulbrandalen, Norway. His wife Tills A. Hagen was born in Jevaker, Norway on January 25, 1874 and they were married on June 20, 1901. They had 6 children: Martha, Helmer, Theodore, Lilly, Clarence and Harry. Their first home was 80 acres near Rollag. In 1912, they sold that farm and moved to Shevlin, where they bought the Christ Rue Farm. On this farm they spent their lives toiling on the land, raising a family in a happy environment, and leaving a legacy to the Strandliens... 100 years later. He bought the farm in Section 17, Shevlin Township from Ted E. and N.I Rider for \$12,50 an acre. Son Helmer had the land for 53 years and then Norris and Lila Strandlien had the farm for 5 years. The next owner was Craig Strandlien who owned it for 14 years to the present.

## Jerome Thayer – 2018

Jerome Thayer came from Onida County, New York State and receive the homestead at no cost under the Homestead Act in Section 34 of Holst Township. In the late 1800s and early 1900s it was a stopping place housing travelers from Detroit Lakes, Fosston to the Red Lake Reservation. It also housed loggers and farm hands. The farm was known as the Thayers Stopping Place. The original log house was there until the mid 80's when it was taken down. Jerome's son Charles had the farm for 31 years and then for 46 years it went to Jerome Trayer.

## Bryon Marsh – 2016

Gustav and Clara Koch purchased the Section 11 in Shev-

lin Township for \$4,000. The Marsh Farm was purchased in 1916 by Mary Marsh. That is probably unique that the farm was purchased in a women's name alone. She moved to Shevlin and purchased the farm after the death of her husband, Mathias Marsh. She had the property for a year and a half when her son August and Lottie Marsh took over for 6 years. Lottie's father L.R Rauk farmed for 5 years and then Lottie's sister Mabel Rauk had the farm for 17 ½ years when August and Lottie Marsh had the farm for 24 ½ years. For 19 years Lewis and Edna Marsh and Byron and Renae Marsh had the farm.

## Dianne Moore – 2019

Johan O. Asplund came from Sweden and bought the original parcel of 80 for \$65.00 per acre. He was an ice cutter and "Taxi" driver with horses. Asplund sold the farm contract for several times. When Hans Dahlberg bought it he got a loan and paid it off. Mr. Asplund was furious thinking he would get it back again. Hans raised potatoes at first. He built a barn, bought a car and paid off the loan in just a few years. Hans owned the Section 36 in 149 Township for 34 years before is son Walter and Ellen Dahlberg had it for 13 years. Henry and Lorayne Dahlberg had it for 1 year before his brother Walter and Ellen Dahlberg took over for 20 years. Four daughters Dianne Moore, Linda Armstrong, Pamela Dahlberg and Cindy Peterson have had the farm for 21 years.

## Thelma Rusten – 1996

Johannes Rusten came from Lom, Norway. He staked his claim in Section 24 of Eddy Township. He went back to Fertile. He brought his wife Anna and son Arthur by covered wagon. With the help of Anna's uncle he built a log cabin before winter set in. The cellar can be found just off Highway 92. The present house was built farther in on the land. He was there until 1943 when his wife Anna took over until 1947. In 1947 their son Mensor and Thelma farmed until 1995. Thelma had the farm from 1995 to the present. The home she lived in was built in 1901 and remodeled in 1953.

## Katherine Imle - 2019

Lars B. Johnson from Lærdal, Norway bought the original 114 acres after he arrived. Having lost her husband in the flue epidemic of 1918, Norwegian immigrant, Synneva Eri Thorbeck was a 36 year old, pregnant widow with five children living in Church's Ferry, North Dakota. Her sixth, child, Oscar, was born three months after his father had died. Synneva made the decision to move to Gonvick, Minnesota to be near her immigrant brother and bought the farm in December of 1919. She then hired the Norwegian bachelor farmer who lived across the road to help her, married him and had two more children. She continued to live on the farm until her son Oscar Thorbeck became the owner in 1969. Paul and Kathy Thorbeck-Imle became the owner in 2005. Major products have been wheat, hay, dairy, cows, pigs and chickens.

## Carol Hromidko – 2019

Rudolf Kris came from Czechoslovakia in 1915 and purchased 40 acres for one dollar and other valuable considerations. Joseph Blazek and his wife Mary Blazek had the farm for 22 years. The next owner was daughter and grandson, Mary, Charles and Joseph Hromidko. They farmed for 24 before grandson Ben and Carol Hromidko farmed for 53 years. The present owner is Carol Hromidko. The home was built in 1961. The major products now is a cow/calf operation and hay.

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## Home Country

By Slim Randles  
 "You know," said Herb, "when this danged virus thingie is over and we all have our shots and are guaranteed to live longer than anyone else wants us to, there is only one thing I'll miss."

Doc, our morning coffee medical expert, put down his cup and looked at Herb, who was not our medical expert but a retired pawn shop owner.

"You mean you're going to miss this pandemic, Herb? It's terrible. What on earth will you miss about it?"

Herb glanced around the philosophy counter here at the Mule Barn truck stop and smiled.

"I will slightly miss its contributions to our more colorful swearing."

"Oh ... " said the cowboy, Steve, "because we cussed it so much?"

"Not a bit, Steve. No, it was in the use of new words and phrases. For example, as a cussing epithet, who could outdo

someone who says, "I want that virus vaccination now, PAN-DEMIC!"

We nodded.

"Or ... why don't you just go COVID yourself .... 19 times!"

Doc nodded. "Good one, Herb."

"I know," said Windy, "how about let's VIRUSTICATE ourselves over to the bar and have a CORONA?"

"That sounds like fun, Windy," said Doc, "but at my age it'd be just my luck to virusticate myself over to the bar and have a coronary, instead!"

Windy had a quizzical look on his old bearded face. "Well ... how about a Budweiser then?"

"That does sound wiser," Doc said.

Sometimes, there is a danger that expanding the language can create its own problems. That's why we drink coffee here.

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## Three Arrested in Carlton County

February 1, 2021 – On Monday afternoon at 3:30 pm, Tribal officers from the Fond du Lac Police Department and deputies from the Carlton County Sheriff's Office responded to the area of State Highway 210 and Hohensee Road on a report of people trespassing on the right of way of a construction site in that area.

Protesters, numbering less than a dozen, got into the construction area of the pipeline and one protester, described as an adult male, got onto a pipe as it was being lowered into a trench filled with water.

Due to the dangers associated in dealing with this situation, area fire departments were called up, including a specialized trench rescue team out of Virginia, Minnesota.

As a precaution, an ambulance was coming to stage at the scene, however two protesters blocked the medical personnel's access and were subsequently arrested. The two adult males, both reporting to be from out of state, were arrested and booked into the Carlton County Jail on Misdemeanor charges.

At approximately 10:30 pm, the one remaining suspect, Jeffrey Nichols-Haining, 31, was

taken into custody and seen by paramedics. He will be booked into the Carlton County Jail on Probable Cause Gross Misdemeanor Trespass.

The Fond du Lac Tribal Police and Carlton County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the fire departments and emergency medical services for their assistance in handling this matter.

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## Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

**Logan LeClair**, the Veterans Service Officer for Clearwater County is starting an outreach schedule. He will be in Shevin on Tuesdays from 10 to noon at the City Hall/Fire Hall and in Clearbrook in the City Hall in the Legion Room from 1 to 3 pm. He will have more outreach locations that are pending.

**Don't forget Valentine's Day** this weekend. Shorty's Place in Gully and Sportsmans Lodge on Pine Lake are having weekend specials.

Shortys will have their Friday and Saturday night special of Prime Rib and Salmon and Valentines special on Sunday, February 14 of a combination of Ribeye, Shrimp and Lobster.

Sportsmans will have the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday special of Prime Rib or Filet Mignon with Lobster until it they are gone.

**The Sportsman's Club** and Gonvick Lions Club will be starting the aeration system on Pine Lake. Open water will be on the northeast side of the lake at the public access. This will continue until needed.

**The Clearwater County Humane Society** will have their annual meeting on Tuesday, March 9 at the Legion Club in Bagley.

**The Gonvick Lions Club** will be sponsoring a meat raffle on Saturday, February 13, 21 and 28 at Sportsmans Lodge. The time set is 1:00 p.m. for the three days.

**Oh no...** The Paul Bunyan Mall Dairy Queen owners Mike Magnan said he and his daughter, Jamie, have decided not to renew their lease with the mall and will close up shop later this month. They will be open through Valentine's Day, but will close shortly after that. They hope to open the Lakeside Dairy Queen location along the south shore of Lake Bemidji by April 1, and even earlier if weather permits. Bad news for the mall.

**It was her Birthday!** Carol Wold, A very special member of Hope Lutheran Church Family in Fosston celebrated her 95th Birthday on February 7th. Given the circumstances there wasn't an in person celebra-

## Grand Forks Alerus Center sport show planned

The 2021 Grand Forks Men's Show will take place February 12-14: Friday from 4 to 7 PM; Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM and Sunday from 11 AM to 4 PM. This annual event will fill the entire floor of the Alerus Center with 100,00 square feet of sporting goods, boats, campers, motorcycles, ATV's, local booths, hunting & fishing expo, camping, RV & motorcycle show, wing wars, plus games and activities for the kids. Bemidji Marine and LePier Shoreline and Outdoors will have displays on the exhibit floor.

The Red River Archers 3D Archery will be there for the whole family. Also, the Bring your Best Rack to have scored from the Minnesota Measurers!

The title says "Men's" show, it's actually fun for the whole family. All Current COVID-19 guidelines will be followed.

## To-Go Craft Kits Available at Libraries: Create Fringe Earrings with Sister Beads

**MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA** - The public is invited to learn how to create beaded earrings and collect the necessary supplies from a Lake Agassiz Regional Library location near them. Kits will be available beginning February 22 and will be available as quantities last. Pick up a kit by visiting a library or LINK Site near you, or call your location to request a kit using our curbside delivery service.

An instructional video will also be available on [larl.org/athome](http://larl.org/athome) beginning February 22, walking you through the steps to create a pair of fringe earrings of your own. The video will be hosted by Tawny Trotter Cale, an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe as well as a descendant of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa and the Spirit Lake Nation. She loves to share her beadwork knowledge with others, creating custom beadwork with her sisters under the name "Sister Beads." In the video, Tawny will demonstrate how to make a pair of three color fringe earrings.

This project is available free-of-charge and is made possible thanks to funding from the Minnesota Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

tion, but she absolutely loves to get mail. Let's help her by sending Birthday Cards! She is a Leader-Record subscriber and her address is 710 Eaton Ave North.

**The weather** has been very cold and Quiet Nook got the bid to reroof the Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick. They look very cold up on the top of the building.

**Have you signed up** for the Gully Area Sportsman's Club Coyote Hunt. It goes until March 27. Sign up and rules may be picked up at Shorty's Place in Gully.

**Men are wanted** to make up 16 teams for a curling event that will take place March 6th. The four man teams are needed to fill up the Bemidji Curling Club for the day.

To sign up your team or for any questions you can call Steve Thorson 218-766-0345, Wade Gray 218-280-9489 or Corey Westrum 218-368-4279.

**Al Paulson** stated that they will be having a fair board meeting on Monday, February 22 at 8:00 p.m.

**Moran's** in Winger is open for Senior meals serving 11 to 1 Tuesday to Friday. Indoor dining Tuesday to Saturday 4 to 9 pm On Sunday 11 to 7:30. They are closed Mondays.

**The Leader Record** was designated as the legal paper for 2021 for Clearwater County by the Clearwater County Commissioners at their January meeting.

**Gully Cafe** has new hours. They are open Tuesday to Friday 7 to 1 and Saturday from 7 to 11.

**Side Track Tap Bar & Grill** will be open 10:30 AM – 10 PM starting Monday, January 11th Monday-Saturday. Sundays – Noon to 8 PM

**Dudley's Café** will be open 7 AM – 2 PM Tuesday – Sunday starting Tuesday, January 12th. Potato Klub on Tuesdays.

**Shorty's Place in Gully** is having new hours. They will be open 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

**Kandi's Kitchen** in Gonvick is open Monday thru Saturday 7am - 1:30 pm.

**Sportsman's Lodge** on Pine Lake has different hours during this COVID time. Monday through Thursday, 11 to 7/8, Friday and Saturday 11 to 8/9 and Sunday from 12 to 7/8.

**The Trap** in Gonvick is open Monday to Saturday from 10 am to 1 am and on Sunday from Noon to Midnight.

**K&K's Cafe** hours in Clearbrook open now 6 am to 3 pm. Call 218-776-2195 for specials.

## Joke Time...

Ole was driving with Lena at his side and his mother-in-law in the back seat. Neither woman would leave him alone... the mother-in-law saying, "Ole, you are driving too fast," and his wife, Lena, cautioning his to "stay more to da left." After about a half hour of this, Ole finally got exasperated, turned to Lena and said, "Say, Lena, who is driving dis car...YOU or your MOTHER?"

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

**Obituaries** in the Canary are also put on our website for you to see. Go online at [trico-canary.com](http://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 take passport pictures.** Call 218-487-5225 to set up an appointment. They can be made while you wait



Shirley Ann Moore was born on December 16, 1936 and passed away on December 9, 2020 and is under the care of Weed Corley Fish Funeral Homes and Cremation Services in Leander, Texas. Shirley has been a summer resident of Clearwater Lake for many years. She had been a teacher in the Clearbrook School system.

# Preventing Falls During The Winter Months

Ice, snow, cold. If you live in Minnesota, you are used to these weather conditions for several months out of the year. However, as we age, each of these weather conditions takes on a whole new level of anxiety...the potential for falls. The consequences of a fall become more severe as we age. Studies have shown a link between

colder weather and a higher risk of falls for older people. Annually, 2.8 million older adults are treated for injuries related to falls and more than 800,000 need hospitalization after a fall, most with hip fractures or head injuries. And as ice, snow, and cold weather increase the chances of a fall, it's time to look at ways to prevent

falls and what you should do if you do fall. There are several reasons why falls are a greater risk for an older adult. First of all, as we age, there is a decline in the sensation in our feet. If you have arthritis, diabetes, poor circulation, and other health conditions, the loss of sensation affects balance. If

you take numerous medications, the risk of falls increases. Some side effects, such as dizziness, light-headedness, and dementia, increase the risk of falls. And many older adults "shuffle" their feet. Whether it is neuropathy, and it hurts to walk or an unsteady gait. Walking on snow and ice can be treacherous. And for older

adults who don't get adequate exercise, muscles weaken, which can lead to falls. We can help mitigate some of the hazards we may encounter that can cause us to fall. They include: Plan ahead. If you don't need to go out in inclement weather, don't. Perhaps you can plan trips around the weather. Can your trip wait for the weather and travel conditions to improve? Allow time. Add extra time to get to where you are going. When you rush, it increases your chances of falling. Vehicle safety. Getting in and out of a vehicle can be hazardous, especially if the car is parked on snow or ice. It is easy for your foot to slip and for you to fall. Hold onto the door securely or ask for assistance from another person. Ask for help. If someone can help you navigate unsafe paths, ask for help. Identify the safest route or ask for help identifying the safest route. Walk slow. It's cold out, but by concentrating on setting one foot securely on the ground before lifting the other can help you stay upright. Also, wearing appropriate footwear is essential. Shoes or boots with a textured sole provide the grip you need. Also, once inside, be sure to clean the snow and ice off your footwear. If snow or ice has frozen to the soles of your shoes, this can make slipping indoors a danger also. Keep your hands free. If you can, avoid carrying items. And be sure to wear gloves. Use handrails when able to or hold someone else hand or use a walking aid (a cane or a walker). Dress warm. When we are cold, our muscles tense up. By dressing warm, your muscles are more relaxed. Tense muscles

can affect balance. As people age, they are most susceptible to cold in general. So, dressing warmer not only keeps our muscles relaxed, but it can also help an older adult fend off a cold emergency if they fall outside. Have a form of communication ready. Do you have a cell phone to keep in your pocket? Do you have a Life-Alert system? Do you have a plan with your neighbors to watch out for each other? Did you let someone know where you were going and how long you would be gone? These are just a few of the ways that you can help keep yourself safe. Communicating your activities to someone that can help you can greatly assist you if you do fall. The quicker that help arrives, the better the outcome. Fall prevention is important all year but deserves special recognition during the winter months. We cannot change the weather, but we can find ways to prepare and to be safe. Falls can lead to numerous types of injuries, so prepare, plan, and communicate when venturing outside.

## A MESSAGE TO ALL VETERANS IN CLEARWATER COUNTY!



In times of need our nation called for your help, you answered the call. As a former service man or service woman, the United States of America made promises to support you in your time of need. If you are a veteran who is suffering the effects of poor health, injuries, or other maladies connected to your service to our country, I am here to help you obtain the help you are entitled to. This applies also to surviving spouses and dependent children.

I've been to Iraq and Kuwait, which helps me relate with the experiences of our veterans in the community.

Memorial Day will be here sooner than you think! Be sure to contact me so your deceased Veteran will have a bronze grave marker designating his or her service to our nation.

**OUTREACH SCHEDULE**  
**BRINGING SERVICE CLOSER TO YOUR HOME**  
**Shevlin** on Tuesdays 10 a.m. - noon at the City Hall/Fire Hall  
**Clearbrook** on Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. at City Hall in the Legion room.  
**More outreach locations pending.**  
**Logan LeClair, Veteran Service Officer for Clearwater County**  
Please call for an appointment: 218-694-6618;  
cell: 218-401-2951  
email: logan.leclair@co.clearwater.mn.us  
213 Main Ave., N., Dept. 305 Bagley, MN 56621  
You will find my office on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Courthouse.

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Winter has hit the Leader-Record area. The sun dogs were out for the morning sun rise. Yes, below zero temps.

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# Everyone home safe.

Work has begun on the replacement of Line 3 in Minnesota—bringing jobs and economic benefits to local communities along the route.

**Keeping communities, our employees and contractors safe is our top priority.**

You will see increases in truck traffic, heavy equipment and more people around town. For your safety and the safety of others, please use caution when driving near construction activities and do not enter our work areas.

We are following robust COVID-19 Safe Work Protocols and practicing strict construction safety procedures to ensure everyone arrives home safe. Our employees and contractors are advised to follow local COVID-19 guidelines while in your community.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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