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Grandma Jenna with her grandkids, Bechen, Aidley and Tyden Larson visiting Santa Claus at the Clearbrook events Saturday, December 4th.



Cora, Catherine and Amelia Lindgren at Clearbrook Santa Day crafts.



Painting at the Clearbrook Santa Day was Rick Paulin. He had several of his paintings for sale on Saturday, December 4th in Clearbrook.



This is the right kind of motorcycle for Mason Rogstad. He found it at Pat Hammers table at the craft show on Santa Claus Day in Clearbrook.

### Area Counseling & Support Groups

Everyone needs support at some time. Whether it is accountability, friendship, a shoulder on which to rest a weary head, or to learn new coping skills, the right support group can provide one or all of these. A variety of groups are currently or will soon be available at Clear Waters Life Center in Clearbrook (second floor). A six-week class in anger management will be meeting Sunday evenings, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, starting January 9th and running through February 13th. Anger is an emotion that is common to every person. When most people think of anger, they picture a person in a rage. They have images of slamming doors, shouting, and intimidating communication. Certainly these are part of the anger response, but anger is not one-dimensional; it is multifaceted, not stereotypical. Anger will manifest in any temperament whether a person is shy or extroverted, perfectionist or laid back; he or she can

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## Gonvick Santa Day this Saturday, December 11th

Santa needs help running games for the kids. If you are filled with Christmas spirit and can assist from 1-2pm, please call the lefse office: 487-5218. Leave a message.



Santa Claus Day will be on December 11 in Gonvick. The day will include a visit by Santa and Mrs. Claus with gifts, games, prizes and treats. It will be held at the Clear Waters Life Center from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Please help make it a success by providing a cash donation. Your money will be strictly used for items for the children. Help Santa's elves treat the kids with homemade or store purchased goodies. Santa goodie walk treats can be dropped off on Friday Dec. 10th or the morning of Saturday, December 11th prior to 1pm. Leave your items on the bleachers in the gym at Clearwater Life Center. Thank you!

## Update for Gerald Dyrdaahl Memorial Race on Pine Lake

Gerald Dyrdaahl Memorial race is coming up on beautiful Pine Lake just south of Gonvick December 18 and 19. With Pine Lake just 11 days away the association wanted to remind everyone of a few things:

- ALL racers, daily or season members, need to have the ISR License membership; that can be signed up for at <https://usacracing.redpodium.com/2022-isr-snomobile-license>
- All race registration needs to be done online by December 15 at 6pm, any registration after 6pm on that day will be subject to a \$25 late fee; sign up

at <https://corpowersports.com/raceforms/>

- NO duplicate numbers allowed; if you are a season member you are assigned your race number; daily members go to <https://corpowersports.com/raceforms/> and look at the rider number list which link is at top of the forms page, you will need to pick an available number from this list or you will be assigned a number. Rider number list was updated November 30, 2021
- Only two crew members are going to be allowed in stag-

ing area and refuel area this season, those personnel will need to come to driver check in and sign waivers to receive a pit pass.

- Pre tech at races will be 3-5pm on Friday's (except 500) and 7-8am on Saturday mornings (NO Saturday pre tech for 500), we are working out times for pre tech at the 500.

Conditions continue to improve at Pine Lake and we are looking forward to seeing everyone the in a couple weeks for the start of the 21/22 race season!!

Get signed up today!!

## Negotiating a Fair Farmland Rental Agreement

Landlords, Farmers, Agri-Business Professionals should make plans to attend one of the informative meetings being held across Minnesota. These free meetings are being provided by the University of Minnesota Extension. Farmland rental rates are the largest input cost the farmer has. Determining a fair farm rent agreement is a challenge in today's economy. Negotiating a fair rental agreement that satisfies the landowner and the farmer is a challenge. David Bau and Nathan Hulinsky, Extension Educators in Ag Business Management, will provide several ways; by examples, factsheets and worksheets to determine a fair farmland rental rate for both parties. Topics covered at the meetings will include local historic and projected farmland rental rate trends, current farmland values and sales, a worksheet that will help determine a fair rental agreement. Input costs will be presented along with current corn and soybean prices. Worksheets will examine costs and what is affordable rent that a farmer will be able to pay, the rate of return to the landlord at current market values and ex-

amine flexible rental agreements. Make plans to attend one of our local meetings. We will be holding a meeting in Norman County at the Ada Event Center at 10 am on 12/16/2021 and Polk County at the McIntosh Community Center in McIntosh at 1 pm on 12/16/2021. PLEASE Pre-register by filling out this google form: Land Rent registration or by going to this website: [z.umn.edu/PolkNormanLandrent21](https://z.umn.edu/PolkNormanLandrent21) . Registration

deadline will be Dec 13, 2021. If there are less than 10 registrations or a major weather event, we will move this to a virtual meeting. Attendees will receive several informative worksheets and factsheets that will help to determine what is a fair farmland rental rate is. For more information on the workshop, please call or e-mail Heather Dufault, 218-280-1129, [pohl0024@umn.edu](mailto:pohl0024@umn.edu)



Greyson and Cyla Rouland making Christmas crafts at the Santa Claus Day activities in Clearbrook.



November students of the month at Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary include: Reata Vettleson, Brysen Bensen, Ashton Palacios, Jesalyn Roy, Jagger Neese, Kendra Klein, Hallie Marsh, Bryar Kroulik, Kameron Johnson, Maddy Nelson, McKinley Watne, Ariana Hanson, Kyson Dombkowski and Harley Bladow.



Community Calendar

Gonvick City Council meeting

The Gonvick City Council meeting will be delayed one week. The meeting set for December 9 will be held on December 16 at 5:00 p.m. instead.

Clearbrook Legion potluck summer

The Clearbrook American Legion Christmas POTLUCK supper is December 14 at 6:00 pm. This is our regular monthly meeting time. All members are welcome. Meat will be provided. Please come and join us.

Open House at local banks

The local banks are having their Christmas teas and Open house coming up.

The Northern State Bank in Gonvick will be on Friday, December 10th from 9 to 3 p.m. They will be having Christmas goodies, coffee and cider.

The Border Bank in Clearbrook will be having their open house on Friday, December 17 from 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. Holiday refreshments, cookies and more.

Sportsman's meeting Saturday

The Gully area Sportsman's Club will meet on Saturday, December 11 at 10:00 a.m. They will be meeting at Shorty's Place in Gully.

Clearwater Trail Blazers to meet

The Clearwater Trail Blazers will be meeting on Monday, January 10th, 2022 at 7:30pm.

Trail work, grooming schedule will be discussed. Happy New Year

Clearbrook Community Club Lighting Contest

Clearbrook Residents get your houses & yards "Holiday Ready" by December 15th for a chance to win Trade Bucks to local Clearbrook Businesses. Judging will take place the evening of December 15th. To make sure we don't miss your house, call City Hall & let us know you're full of Christmas Cheer!

Santa Day in Leonard December 18

Leonard Santa Claus Day will be held at the Community Center on Saturday, December 18th from 10 to 12.

Come say "hi" to Santa and get a treat.

Elim Mission Christmas Celebration

The Annual Elim Mission Friends Christmas Celebration will be held on Thursday, December 9th at 4 PM at the Elim Church.

There will not be a business meeting. A short holiday program will be presented

The offering will go to the bible camp scholarship fund.

Please bring a dish to share for the potluck supper.

All women and families are invited to attend.

Christmas goodie boxes will be filled at Mission Friends so bring a dozen or so "treats" if you wish to share with the shut ins as has been done in the past.

The History Center open Saturday

The History Center in Shevlin will be open Saturday December 11 from 10:00-2:00.

The museum tree is decorated with old and new holiday decorations and several exhibits include historic toys. While you are here you can make an ornament for your own tree.

Santa Claus at the Shevlin Hall Santa will be at the Shevlin City Hall just down the block from 12-2:00.

These are also the last few days to see the 2021 exhibits. The museum is open Tuesday – Friday 10-4 and by appointment. The museum will close December 23 for the holidays and then begin building new exhibits on January 4.

For more information call 218-785-2000.

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SANFORD HEALTH

Support Group... Continued from front page

show anger in many ways. In these sessions, you will learn to recognize the many faces of anger, physical cues, triggers, and effective strategies to deal with them. Please register by calling 218-776-2789.

Starting Tuesday, January 11, 2022, a Grief Support Group will be offered. The group will meet the second and fourth Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. If you have experienced the death of a loved one, this is for you. You will be able to connect with people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Join us for one week or ongoing as you navigate this journey with facilitators Eugene and Sheila Vorderbruggen. Call to register 218-776-2789.

A Chemical Dependency Support Group currently meets weekly on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 PM. The group is led by a licensed LADC. Drop-ins welcome. No registration necessary.

Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a Christ-centered 12-step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, unwanted habits, or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling your life. CR meets every other week on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM at CWLC in Clearbrook (second floor). December dates are the 16th and 30th.

All of our support groups maintain confidential protocol and are free of charge. CWLC is able provide these services with the help of a grant from PrimeWest Health.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CLASS

The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office is hosting a snowmobile safety class for interested youth ages 11 and up. MN law requires anyone born after December 31, 1976 to obtain a snowmobile safety certificate in order to operate a snowmobile on public lands and waters. There are two parts to the class:

Part 1: Go to [www.dnr.state.mn.us](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us) and click on "education & safety" > "recreational vehicle safety classes" > "snowmobile safety training" and then follow the link for "snowmobilecourse.com" and complete the online training.

Part 2: Bring printed "voucher (certificate)" to the field day on Saturday December 18, 2021 at 9:00 AM at Bagley High School. Class is scheduled 9:00 AM – Noon but may be finished sooner depending on number of students.

Students need to bring a helmet and proper riding attire to the field day. A parent/guardian needs to attend the first part of the field day for registration. Pre-Register by contacting Andy Anderson at 218-776-3112 #104 or [andyanderson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us](mailto:andyanderson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us)

Students who are 16 or older may only complete the online course and are not required to attend a field day but are welcome to do so.

Nelson sentence to prison November 24

David Leroy Nelson, 58, of Nelson, MN was sentenced on November 24 to 51 months in prison for one count of criminal vehicular homicide in the death of Verlyn Strenge of Clearbrook. On November 20, 2020, Nelson was drinking in his vehicle on his way to go hunting. His blood alcohol content was record as .267, more than three-times the legal, limit, after the pickup he was driving struck two vehicles in downtown Bagley.

Kathyn Lorsbach, Clearwater County Attorney, stated that data from Nelson's vehicle indicated that he was traveling at nearly 70 mph just before the crash and never took his foot off the accelerator.

Nelson's vehicle impacted the Strenge's vehicle at the intersection of highway 2 and 92 in Bagley Due to the speed involved, Nelson's vehicle also sideswiped another vehicle before stopping almost a block away from the initial crash.

The crash resulted in the serious injuries to Verlyn Strenge and his wife Merry. Verlyn passed away on December 6, 2020 as a result of his injuries. Merry Strenge has still not fully recovered from the injuries she sustained.

Verlyn Strenge was a well known member of the community in Clearbrook and had served as pastor of First Baptist Church.

Clearwater County Fair winners

Winners of August 2021 Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle have been announced.

Nov. 1, 2021, Signe Bergeson of Bagley, MN won \$100.

Nov. 8, 2021, Dana Thompson of Frazee, MN won \$100.

Nov. 15, 2021, Elwood Johnson of Bemidji, MN won \$100.

Nov. 22, 2021, Norm Hendrickson of Clearbrook, MN won \$100.



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1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6  
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman  
Associate Pastor Nathan Nordlund  
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218-776-3367  
[office@countryfaith.org](mailto:office@countryfaith.org)  
Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School (Sept - May) 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service (Jr Church during Sermon time) 7:00 p.m.  
Elevate Youth for all 7th-12th Graders (Most Sundays)  
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Shop-at-the-Top is Clear Waters Life Center's volunteer operated store with over 6,000 sq. feet of retail space in Clearbrook. Donations accepted during business hours. SALE Dec 6-11 50% off Storewide including Christmas items. Visit our website for more information <https://www.clearwaterslife.org/shop-at-the-top.html> Hours are 10:00am to 4:00pm weekdays & 10:00am – 12:00pm Saturdays

Weekly Exercise for Seniors Join us Monday, Wednesday and Friday and get your body stretched and moving. Held at CWLC in Gonvick from 10-11a.m. Some of the activities include chair exercises, creative movement and balance training. If you need transportation and you are a Clearwater County resident that is 60+ years old, give us a call to set up transportation! 218-776-2789

NEW Senior Connection Cooking Classes Held the 2nd Monday of the month; next class on Monday, December 13th from 11am to 12:30pm at Clear Waters Life Center in Gonvick. Learn how to make healthy and delicious food that does not have to be expensive. Each class you'll make a nutritious meal and sample it! For more information contact Angie Ness at 503-200-0494. Sponsored by Clear Waters life Center and Prime West Health.

NEW Chemical Dependency Support Group: Meeting every week on Tuesdays at 2pm. Located on the second floor at CWLC in Clearbrook.

NEW Grief Support Group – Coming Soon This group is for those going through the grieving process due to the death of a loved one. Join us for one week or ongoing as we travel this journey together. Starts January 11th, 2022 every 2nd and 4th Tuesday night from 6:30-8:30pm at CWLC Clearbrook (second floor, first room on left). Call to register 218-776-2789.

Community Art Studios Being creative is our specialty. Pottery, mosaics, jewelry making, beading, scrapbook, paint (acrylic, watercolor), and more. All ages welcome. Cost \$5.00/day – supplies are provided. Located at CWLC in Gonvick.

Pickleball is your answer to gloomy winter days. Join us Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3 - 6 p.m. in Gonvick. What is Pickleball? A great mix of tennis, ping-pong and badminton.

Youth Connection After-school youth program for kids in 3rd grade up to 12th grade. No cost to participate. Held at CWLC in Clearbrook. Wednesdays from 2:30-5p.m. for 3rd-5th grade; Tuesdays from 3:30-5p.m. for 6th-9th grade. Visit our website for more info and to register.

Senior Connection Transportation Service: Clearwater County residents who are 60 & over. Rides scheduled Monday-Friday. 24 hour notice required. Call 218-888-2320 to schedule.

CWLC Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave SW CWLC Gonvick: 226 Elm St. Phone: 218-776-2789

Email: [office@clearwaterslife.org](mailto:office@clearwaterslife.org)

For more information on programs & services, visit our webpages: [www.clearwaterslife.org](http://www.clearwaterslife.org) and [www.mustardseedhomes.org](http://www.mustardseedhomes.org), like our Facebook pages, follow us on Instagram.

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Church News

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Pastor Kris Snyder  
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Sunday Church Services 9:00am

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC Gonvick  
Samhold Lutheran Church is having services every Sunday at 10:30am. Also, Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30am.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook  
Pastor Randy Reimer  
Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Quilting. AWANA meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm weekly. Call for information. 218-776-3252

Every Thursday - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer  
Every Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship  
Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD  
Good Shepherd  
Wed., Dec. 8 - 5:45 pm Confirmation/Meal 7-9th grade. 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice

Sun., Dec. 12 - No regular church services. 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour. 11:00 Sunday School Christmas Program.

Mon., Dec. 13 - 6:00pm Joint Council Meeting; 7:00pm Good Shepherd Church Council Meeting  
Good Shepherd Office Hours; Tues. to Fri. 8:30 am to 1:30 am.

Our Savior's  
Sun., Dec. 12 - 10:00am Sunday School/Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship Service

Mon., Dec. 13 - 5:00pm Our Savior's Church Council Meeting (at Good Shepherd); 6:00pm Joint Council Meeting

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH  
Mt. Olive - Nazareth  
Oak Park - St. Petri  
Pastor Jeff Merseth

Wed, Dec. 8: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

Sat, Dec. 11: Mt. Olive: 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. LYS Caroling.

Sun, Dec. 12: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m., 9:15 a.m. SS. Nazareth: 9:45 a.m. Christmas program & dinner. Oak Park: 11:00 a.m. Worship, 9:45 a.m. SS.

Wed, Dec. 15: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 pm. Ladies Aid.

Find services and past sermons at [www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish](http://www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish)

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH  
Jarred LeBon, Pastor  
Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor  
[www.newjourneyfosston.com](http://www.newjourneyfosston.com)  
Wed, Dec. 8: 6:25 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.  
Sun, Dec. 12: 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship.  
Tue, Dec. 14: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.  
Wed, Dec. 15: 6:25 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

\*\*GULLY-TRAIL PARISH  
Bethany \* Lund  
Sand Valley  
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister  
Wed, Dec. 8: 2:00 p.m. Lund Ladies Aid. 7:00 p.m. Advent Service at Lund.

Sun, Dec. 12: 9 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany. Note Change: 2 p.m. Sand Valley Sunday School Program.

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 livestreamed on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/bethelfosston>) as an alternative to attending in person.

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# BEAR TRACKS

## Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

All Meals are free for all students for the 21-22 school year.

Adults - \$4.15  
Extra Entree - \$1.00 - \$1.50  
Extra Milk - .35

Wed. Dec. 8 - Chicken Alfredo, Garlie Toast, Broccoli, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Yogurt

Thurs. Dec. 9 - Sloppy Jo on Bun, Baked Chips, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Animal Crackers

Fri. Dec. 10 -Pizza, Corn, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Baked Chips

Mon. Dec. 13- Loaded Nachos with Fixings, Black Bean

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

Salsa, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Granola Bar

Tues. Dec. 14 - Hot Dog on Bun, Macaroni & Cheese, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Scooby Snacks

Wed. Dec. 15 - Chili Cheese Fritos, Cornbread, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Cookie Bar

*Please note- this may change!!! Some food items that we normally purchase are not available!*

## First game is one victory for the Bears

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears started off the basketball season with their first victory. The Bears hosted Win-E-Mac Patriots on Tuesday, November 30.

The Bears took it to the Patriots in the first half out scoring them 34 to 13. Maci Wagner and Dana Melby led the charge with 14 and 15 points in the first half.

In the second half the Bears had 25 points to 14 for Win-E-Mac. Annabell Phillips had 5 of 7 free throws to add to the score. Three players added three point buckets with Molly Phillips, Kaylee Westrum and Ella Engen adding to the score to make it a 59 to 21 victory for the Bears.

Scoring for the Bears were Maci Wagner 18, Annabell Phillips 9, Dana Melby 19, Molly Phillips 3, Allison LaVine 2, Kaylee Westrum 3 and Ella Engen 5.

Scoring for the Patriots were: Nadelly Neubert 5, Kianna Tadman 7, Lauren Kaupang 7, Alivia Winter 2, and Savannah Svalen 6.



## Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

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from 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. Holiday refreshments, cookies and more.

**Shorty's** is back to Friday and Saturday night specials. It will be chicken and ribs both nights.

**The Gonvick Legion** will be having their monthly fish fry this Saturday night December 11.

**The Gonvick Lions Club** will be doing their Christmas basket delivery to people who live alone in the Clearbrook, Gully and Gonvick area. They were not able to do it last year. This year because of covid they will be dropping off the bags at the door on Sunday, December 12.

**Snowmobile races** on Pine Lake is set for Saturday and Sunday December 18 and 19th. The Gerald Dyrdaahl Memorial races.

**Did you get that big buck?** We sure would like to get it in the paper send to richards@gvtel.com or stop by the office



Marissa Thomas for "2" points as the Red Lake County Central Mustangs hosted the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears in action on Friday, December 3. Photo courtesy Red Lake County Central School staff.



The Clearwater County 4-H group that worked hard at the Christmas Day activities in Clearbrook on Saturday, December 4th. From left to right: Kayla Mystic, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development in Clearwater County, Peyton Berg, Ellyse Berg, Tucker Coombs, Kayla Johnshoy, Layla Engebretson, Nataly Stout, Nora Stout and Hannah Johnshoy.

in Gonvick and we will get a picture of your trophy.

**Joke Time...**

Music to my ears!!

Some things to ponder as we age The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54.

The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57 .

The world body building champion died at the age of 41.

The best soccer player in the world, Maradona, died at the age of 60.

And then ...

KFC inventor died at 94.

Inventor of Nutella brand died at the age of 88.

Cigarette maker Winston died at the age of 102.

The inventor of opium died at the age of 116 in an earthquake.

Hennessy cognac, Irish inventor died at 98.

How did doctors come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life?

The rabbit is always jumping, but it lives for only 2 years.

The turtle that doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.

So ...

Take a nap ...

And IF you wake up, have bacon and eggs.

**From my mail**

Marion (Tveitbakk) Anderson, class of 61 wrote with her subscription that "the Leader-Record has followed me around the U.S.A from Texas back to MN for 60 years, where have the 60 years gone? Happy Holiday to everyone in "Leader-Record land."

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

**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

## Letters To the Editor

## Request to Drop Charges Against Line 3 Protestors

Beltrami County Commissioner Craig Gaasvig today called on Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and Minnesota Attorney General to reject an effort to have criminal charges dropped against hundreds of people who participated in violent Line 3 protests. While Line 3 construction work is now complete, more than 900 people were arrested this year for breaking the law while trying to stop the project through what were often violent protests. Thousands of people have now signed a petition organized by Line 3 opponents that asks for Governor Tim Walz and Attorney General Keith Ellison to drop pending criminal charges against the protests.

"Waiving responsibility for what were violent and threatening acts by people who did not care about the impact of their actions is reprehensible," said Beltrami Commissioner Craig Gaasvig. "People from around the country came to Minnesota to break the law, threaten workers, and stretch the resources of our first responders. There needs to be accountability for what happened and asking for charges to be dropped is an insult. I respect people's right to share their opinion but there needs to be accountability when it turns to threats and breaking the law."

More than 60,000 people have signed the online petition and letter that is being organized by the Stop Line 3 group. The letter makes a false claim that people arrested during the protests are now facing "trumped-up charges." In September, Hubbard County Attorney Jonathan Frieden disputed that charges were escalated or out of proportion for the actions.

For months, communities across Northern Minnesota faced well-funded and organized protests that involved vandalism, threatening behavior, as well as people locking themselves to equipment, buildings, or other structures. First responders and area law enforcement agencies were often forced to spend hours of time cutting protestors free before they could be arrested, taking time away from other important duties.

"Throughout the process to approve and build Line 3, people opposed to the project often acted as if the rules do not apply to them," Gaasvig said. "They stormed meetings, threatened regulators, and vandalized equipment. Now they are trying to avoid responsibility for what they did. I strongly urge Governor Walz and Attorney General Ellison to reject this and show that in Minnesota, we hold people accountable for their actions."

# Business & Professional Guide

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Positive test on 1 Brainerd Lakes area deer extends CWD management to 2024

Deer feeding and attractant bans expand; fall sampling shows CWD prevalence remains low

A newly discovered instance of chronic wasting disease in the Brainerd Lakes area will result in three more years of sampling and other disease management efforts for that area. In addition, following the confirmation of a CWD-positive deer in late October in Polk County near the North Dakota border, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources will expand its deer feeding and attractant ban to include most of northwestern Minnesota.

“These are precautionary but necessary measures,” said Michelle Carstensen, wildlife health program supervisor for the Minnesota DNR. “Continued sampling allows us to monitor the extent of CWD in

the Brainerd area. Expanding the feeding ban around Climax and Bemidji eliminates one layer of controllable risk associated with the concentration of wild deer at food placed by humans.”

**Brainerd Lakes CWD discovery**

One of the 1,234 deer that hunters harvested thus far this fall in deer permit area 604 tested positive for CWD. The area, which stretches north from Brainerd to Pine River and eastward to Aitkin, was in its final year of planned CWD surveillance and management because the disease had not been detected there since a wild doe tested positive in 2019. That initial discovery in wild deer came after testing in 2016 revealed that a deer farm within permit area 604 was infected with CWD.

“Like us, area residents and hunters were optimistic that deer management could return to normal,” Carstensen said. “It’s unfortunate but this discovery resets the clock, and CWD management measures will remain in place through at least the fall of 2024.”

With nearly 15,000 wild deer in the area tested since 2017 and only two positives found, the DNR is confident CWD is not prevalent or widespread in this area’s wild deer population. But continued testing as well as other efforts to help reduce risks of CWD spread – such as more liberal harvest regulations, carcass movement restrictions and a ban on feeding and attractants – are the best ways to minimize the risk of CWD becoming established in the area.

**Deer feeding, attractant ban expands**

Minnesota’s deer feeding ban will expand on Thursday, Dec. 30, to include 44 of Minnesota’s 87 counties.

The discovery of a CWD-infected wild deer near Climax along the Minnesota-North Dakota border adds Clearwater, Mahnommen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk and Red Lake counties to the list of counties where deer feeding and the use of attractants such as salt, minerals and urine is not allowed.

Counties already part of the feeding and attractant ban are Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Olmsted, Ramsey, Rice, Scott, Steele, Todd, Wabasha, Wadena, Washington and Winona.

Detection of CWD on a deer farm in Beltrami County adds Beltrami, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods and Roseau counties to the list of counties where deer feeding is not allowed. Deer feed includes grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay and other food that is capable of attracting or enticing deer.

Counties already part of the deer feeding ban are Carlton, Chisago, Douglas, Isanti, Kanabec, Pine, Pope, and Stearns.

Feeding bans and attractant bans are part of the DNR’s CWD response plan and necessary because feed and attractants often cause deer to concentrate, greatly increasing the risk of deer-to-deer disease transmission.

Preliminary fall sampling results

Southeast: CWD testing of 4,705 deer revealed 17 new cases of CWD. All deer that tested positive were harvested in locations near areas where the disease was previously detected. Despite the new discoveries, CWD prevalence remains steady and continues to be low – less than 1% in both areas where the disease appears to be persisting in the wild deer population.

North central (Brainerd Lakes area): Of the 1,234 deer tested so far this fall, a single 1½-year-old male tested positive. The infected deer was harvested about 8 miles from the location where the first wild infected deer was detected. Since

2019, this is the only deer that tested positive from all 6,107 deer sampled in this zone.

South metro: Testing detected CWD in two of the 1,063 deer sampled. One case was in the northwestern corner of permit area 605. The other was near locations where infected deer were previously detected.

East central: No CWD detected in the 1,369 deer tested.

West central: No CWD detected in the 369 deer tested.

Northwest: No CWD detected in the 1,782 deer tested.

Climax area: No CWD detected in the 65 deer tested.

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Darci Hagen of Clearbrook with all her canned good for sale at the Clearbrook Craft Day that was held last Saturday, December 4th. She starts out in early spring planting her seeds and tending all summer long until she can harvest her crop. This year she was very careful as she did not get enough rain to start with for her crops.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Date: November 30, 2021

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated August 6, 2018, executed by David E. Anderson, a single person, as Mortgagor, to TruStar Federal Credit Union, as Mortgagee, and filed for record on August 7, 2018, as Document No. A172587 in the office of the County Recorder of Clearwater County, Minnesota, as extended and modified of record. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

2. The Mortgage has been assigned as follows: N/A

3. The original or maximum principal amount secured by the Mortgage was: \$15,920.00.

4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of debt secured by the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes, including Minnesota Statutes, §580.02, have been satisfied.

6. At the date of this notice, the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is \$11,239.41.

7. The tax parcel identification number of the mortgaged premises

is 06.033.0520.

8. The physical street address of the mortgaged premises is as follows: 28040 131st Ave Bagley, MN 56621

9. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land, located in Clearwater County, Minnesota, and legally described as follows:

The South 372 feet of the West 352 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4 of SW1/4), Section Thirty-three (33), Township One Hundred Forty-six (146) North, Range Thirty-eight (38) West.

Clearwater County, MN

Will be sold by the Clearwater County Sheriff of Clearwater County, Minnesota at public auction on January 25, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at the main office of the Clearwater County Sheriff, 213 Main Ave N #102, Bagley, MN 56621 to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees, allowed by law.

10. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal representatives or assigns is six months after the date of sale.

11. If Minnesota Statutes, §580.04(b) applies, the date on which the mortgagor must vacate the property if the Mortgage is not reinstated pursuant to Minnesota

Statutes, §580.30 or the property redeemed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, §580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on July 25, 2022, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under Minnesota Statutes, §§580.07 or 582.032.

12. THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

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By: /s/ Kimberly A. Wimmer  
Kimberly A. Wimmer  
Atty Reg. No. 322635  
TruStar Federal Credit Union  
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CLEARWATER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

**Board of Commissioners' November 16, 2021**

The November meetings continued for the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners on November 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. with Chairman Larson presiding and Commissioners Titera, Newland, Illies, and Nelson present. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda-** Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, to approve the Agenda.

**Minutes-** Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the November 9th Board Minutes with corrections.

**Sheriff-** Darin Halverson presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to promote Jared Mistic to Jail Program Director/Training Officer for the Clearwater County Jail at Range 15, Step 9. This will be effective as of November 1, 2021.

**Auditor-Treasurer-** Al Paulson presented the bills and the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner

Titera and carried, to authorize the Auditor to pay submitted invoices of \$26,051.13 from the County Revenue Fund and \$4,804.21 from the Nursing Service Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the application of Christian & Heather Davis for the 2022 Seasonal ON SALE Beer License for Hoot Owl Resort.

By general consent the Board waived the 3-day notice for the following two motions.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the application of Mary Gerbrach for the 2022 On Sale and Sunday Sale Liquor Licenses for Fireside Grill Inc. with continuance of insurance.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Nelson

and carried, to approve the application of Marnie Knutson for the 2022 On Sale Liquor, Off Sale Liquor and Sunday Sale Liquor Licenses for Sportman's Lodge.

**Adjourn-** Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Dated: November 30, 2021  
Mark Larson, Chairman  
Trudi Alberg, Board Coordinator  
R39C

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Pine Lake near Gonvick, MN Notice of Intent to Operate Aeration system**

An aeration system creating thin ice and open water may be operated on the Northeast portion of Pine Lake near the public access. The location is in Clearwater County, Pine Lake Township, SW¼, Section 22, (T149N R38W).

Operation of the aeration system will be contingent on oxygen testing levels within the lake. Further advertising will follow this notice for specific dates, if it becomes necessary to operate the aeration system.

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. R38C

TO THE RESIDENTS OF CLOVER TOWNSHIP

The regular meeting will be held Friday, Dec. 17, 2021 at 5 p.m. at the Josh Reed residence. Filing for township officers opens January 3rd and continues to January 17. Officers to be elected are 1 supervisor for a 3 year term, 1 clerk for a 2 year term. Affidavits of candidacy may be filed with the clerk.

There is \$2.00 filing fee.

Joel Wraa, Clerk R38-39C

GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Greenwood town board will meet on December 13th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of the clerk.

Sheila Horn, Clerk R38C

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# Join in on the Rydell/Glacial Ridge Christmas Bird Count

Rydell and Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuges will be hosting their 7th Annual Christmas Bird Count on Friday, December 17th. This public event is administered by the National Audubon Society and is the longest running citizen science bird project in the U.S. This year will mark the 122nd year of the Christmas Bird Count.

Counts are held in designated areas throughout the U.S. between Dec. 14 and Jan. 5 each year. Last year, counts were completed in over 2,500 locations, including Canada and Latin America. Over 75,000 people participated in the counts and over 50 million birds were tallied! Information from the count provides important information on winter ranges of birds, population trends, and how a changing climate alters winter bird distribution.

People have observed over 50 different bird species on the Rydell/Glacial Ridge Count Circle over the past six years, including northern shrikes, Bohemian waxwings, northern goshawks, pine and evening grosbeaks, hoary redpolls, and snowy owls. The 15-mile diameter count circle stretches from Erskine west to the center of Glacial Ridge Refuge. Although most of the migratory birds

that breed in our area have headed south by now, this count provides a unique opportunity to observe a number of Arctic-breeding species that consider northern MN their “warm” winter haven.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Refuge staff will have to run this count in a similar fashion to last year's count. Participants will count independently, versus pairing up with Refuge staff and volunteers as in past years. People interested in participating do not need to be expert birders. This event can serve as a great learning experience for beginning birders. Binoculars and a bird book are the only required equipment. Participants can count from a vehicle or on foot, depending on their preference and the weather conditions that day. People who live within the Rydell/Glacial Ridge Count Circle can even participate by reporting bird sightings at feeders from the comfort of their home.

If you're interested in participating in the count, a map of the count circle location and a data form will be emailed to you. The count coordinator will communicate with you to see what additional resources you might need (such as a list of birds seen on previous Rydell/



Glacial Ridge counts, or links to online bird identification sites) and determine what part of the count circle you will focus your efforts on. After the count, participants can simply email their data to the count coordinator. During the challenging times we're all experiencing, we're hoping this event will provide a fun and unique outdoor opportunity. Please RSVP no later than December 14th by calling Gregg Knutsen at 218-686-4329 or emailing at [gregg\\_knutsen@fws.gov](mailto:gregg_knutsen@fws.gov). Gregg can also be contacted if you have any questions about the count, including whether your residence lies within the count circle.



**Santa Claus Day in Clearbrook had several things to sell. Above Alison Kindem and Pricilla Johnson were busy selling.**

**To the right Brian Engbretson was busy rolling lefse that was sold at the event.**

**Shown below are Frank and Annie Bergh with their display of a variety of canned goods.**



Emma Larson was not sure what craft that she should make at the Santa Claus Day activities in Clearbrook.

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## CLEARWATER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Weme graduating class in 1911. Herbert is third from left.

**Our Home Farm**

Essay written by Herbert Anderson of Weme, which won him a trip to the state fair.

From the "Clearwater Crystal" newspaper, August 30, 1912.

Our farm "The Oak Park Farm" is located one half mile east of Weme Post Office, Clearwater County Minnesota. It is beautifully situated and nature surrounds it with her luxuriant foliage.

The Oak Park Farm consists of one hundred and sixty acres, homesteaded by my father some thirteen years ago. Sixty-five acres are now under cultivation and more is being added each year.

This spring nine acres were cleared and grubbed which will be broken this summer, and we plan to grub a tract each spring from now on, until most all the farm will be under cultivation desirable to farming.

Our Barn is 24x52, 16 feet to plate. It has ample room for thirty head of stock. We plan to build an addition to it as soon as

needs demand it.

The granary is post frame building 16x26, 12 feet posts and has proper as well as comfortable handling of grain and crop. A machine shed is built along side of it, which I believe is a good step towards better farming.

Our residence is 20x28 and 12 feet high. This is also a frame building, but will be improved upon next year when a modern dwelling will be built nearby. Plans for same have already been drawn.

I desire to remain on our farm:

Because I want it to be the best on our county.

Because it is my home.

Because in time I expect to be it's manager

Because farm life is an ideal life.

Conditions have not been what they should on the farm, but as time passes it is beginning to be not only a paying occupation but full of interest, honor and glory for all men involved therein.

The farm is full of life and interest. One can learn the elements of sciences here at home.

Some changes I would suggest on our farm to insure better financial returns are:

A better system of crop rotation.

Increased number of dairy cows and a better grade of stock.

Working the soil more.

Keeping a modern set of books and keeping a daily dairy record of the production of milk and cream, also its cost to me and its returns.

The life on the farm could be more enjoyable by organizing a young peoples league here and a farmers club to take up subjects relating to agriculture and discuss them at weekly gatherings at our schoolhouse.

We have an excellent country choir, also a band that helps the boys in the neighborhood socially. We aim to push and organize other and similar organizations soon.

Yours respectfully,  
Herbert Anderson,  
Weme Minn

## Home Country

By Slim Randles

It began the way most miracles do: by accident or the hand of God, take your pick.

It might have been the weather, at least partly. For winter, the day had been almost balmy and warm. You know, sweaters instead of heavy coats. No mittens in sight.

Then there were still some Christmas lights on the stores, and that little bunch of Girl Scouts out raising money in front of the Read Me Now bookstore. Jasper Blankenship was inside going through the books to fortify his cabin's library for winter and sat, listening with a smile to the girls as they laughed and waited for customers that weren't really coming along too briskly.

"It's a shame there aren't more people out today for those girls," said Sarah McKinley, behind the counter. Jasper nodded and paid for his books, then walked out to the truck. He stopped and thought for a while, then brought out his violin, rosined the bow, and walked over to the sidewalk next to the girls.

"You girls like fiddle music?" he asked.

"Sure do."

And Jasper began playing fiddle tunes.

Carla Martinez was driving down the street, headed for the Soup 'R Market when she saw the Girl Scouts dancing with each other in front of their table to Jasper's music. Before he'd had time to finish that tune, she'd returned with her guitar and joined the fun. Jim Albertson, the local school principal, showed up with a harmonica, and he wasn't bad at it.

Dud got out his accordion and joined in the fun.

By this time, it was getting dark in the street, and several people turned headlights on the area in front of the bookstore. Older people had joined the Girl Scouts dancing in the streets, and Delbert Chin from the Chinese restaurant across the street sent one of his girls out with a huge pot of coffee and paper cups.

The party was on.

It lasted until the cars' headlights began to wear down the batteries, but during its brief lifetime, the street dance and mid-winter party cast a blessing on us all

It must have been the weather.

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